The Government of India has signed a historic *tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)* with the Governments of *Assam* and *Nagaland* for the exploration and production of crude oil and natural gas in areas along the inter-state border.

The agreement is expected to facilitate coordinated hydrocarbon exploration, promote energy resource development and strengthen cooperation between the two states. The initiative also holds the potential to attract investment, generate employment and contribute to the economic growth of the Northeast while supporting India’s energy security objectives.

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