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No. F. 15016/6/88—Protocol (GAD) Dated Aizawl, the 7th Jan/91.

The Govt. of Mizoram have learnt with deep sorrow of the sudden and premature demise of Pu J. Thanghuama, M.L.A. and former Speaker of Mizoram Legislative Assembly at Aizawl on 5th January, 1991.

Pu J. Thanghuama, S/o Late Pahanga was born on 6th October, 1930 at Thakthing Veng. Aizawl. While a student of the P. M. Govt. College, Aizawl he was elected General Secretary of the Student's Union of that College. In 1962 he was elected as MDC from Aizawl—Silchar constituency. He joined the Congress Party in October, 1968 and was elected Vice President, DCC in 1969. He was elected as MDC from Khawhai Constituency in April 1970 and was elected as Chairman of the Mizo District Council in February, 1971. He was elected as the M.L.A. from the same (Khawhai) Constituency in the first Mizoram Legislative Assembly and elected as Leader of the Opposition Party. He was Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee for two terms from 1972 to 1977. In 1977, he joined the Janata Party and was elected as Vice President. Thereafter he was elected as Vice President of the newly formed Mizo Convention Party. He was elected as MLA in 1984 from Sateck Constituency. He joined the M.N.F. Party in 1986. He was re-elected as MLA in 1987 from Lokicherra Constituency and elected as the first Speaker of Mizoram State Legislative Assembly on 10th March, 1987. He was again elected as MLA from Aizawl West—I Constituency in 1989 and was a Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly till his dead.

He left behind his wife, five sons and six daughters;

The Govt. of Mizoram placed on record their appreciation of the sincere services rendered by Pu J. Thanghuama and its heartfelt sympathy to be-reaved family.