

FIFTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MIZORAM
[SEVENTH SESSION]

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FOR FIRST SITTING ON TUESDAY, THE 7TH MARCH, 2006

MEMBER PRESENT

PU LALCIAMLIANA, Speaker at the Chair, Deputy Speaker, Chief Minister, 11 Ministers and 24 Members were present.

GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

1. HIS EXCELLENCY, Governor Pu Amolak Rattan Kohli to address the House.

MOTION

2. Pu IL VANLALTIALIANA to move motion of thanks on the address of the Governor.

Respected Speaker and Hon'ble Members,

I am indeed happy to address this august House on the occasion of the Budget Session, 2006. I welcome all the Hon'ble Members of this august House to this Seventh Session of the Fifth Legislative Assembly of Mizoram. I also take this opportunity to extend warm greetings on behalf of my Government and on my own behalf, to the people of Mizoram.

At the outset, the Government of Mizoram expresses its gratitude to Dr A P J Abdul Kalam, Hon'ble President of India, for honouring the State and the people of Mizoram by making a State visit on the 24th of September, 2005. This august House had the proud privilege of being addressed by His Excellency the President of India. This is the first time in the history of Mizoram Legislative Assembly that the Head of the country had addressed the people through this august House.

This Session will largely address issues concerning the Budget for the year 2006-2007, besides deliberating on other businesses of public concern. I believe the considered deliberations in the session will lead the State in its forward march to peace, progress and prosperity.

1. Since my Government has taken over the reins of the state, a perceptible change for the better has taken place in all spheres of governance. The law and order situation during the last one year has been largely peaceful and under control, barring a few Bru Liberation Front of Mizoram (BLFM) related incidents in the western-belt. The number of crimes registered in the year 2005 has considerably decreased by about 32% as compared to the previous year. During the year, several sophisticated weapons and ammunitions smuggled into the State from across our borders have been recovered and the culprits have been brought to book. This has been rendered possible largely through the efforts of an alert and effective law and order machinery in the State. I am glad to inform the august House that there are 146 villages in Mizoram where there had been no crime in the last five years, which is laudable. The role played by the people through various organizations and institutions in maintaining social and communal harmony throughout the year has been no less commendable. I call upon all the voluntary agencies to help the State and the people to make efforts in making the whole of Mizoram a crime free society. My Government has successfully