

3RD SITTING ON THE MONDAY, 19TH MARCH, 1990

PRESENT

Pu Hiphei, Speaker at the Chair, Chief Ministers and 11 Ministers and 26 Members were present.

QUESTIONS

1. Questions entered in separate list to be asked and Oral answers given.

PRESENTATION OF BUDGET

2. Pu J.Lalsangzuala, Finance Minister to present to the House -
  - (a) The Supplementary Demands for the year 1989-90 and,
  - (b) The Annual Budget for the year 1990-1991 with Allied papers.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Introduction of Bills

3. (1) Pu Zalawma, Minister in-charge Revenue Department etc. to beg leave of the House to introduce the following Bills -
  - (a) The Mizo District (Transfer of Land)(Amendment) Bill, 1990.
  - (b) The Lushai District (Village Councils)(Amendment) Bill, 1990.
  - (c) The Mizoram Urban and Regional Development Bill, 1990.

also

to introduce the Bills.

- (2) Pu J.Lalsangzuala, Minister in-charge Finance etc. to beg leave of the House to introduce the following Bills -
  - (a) The Mizoram (Sales of Petroleum and Petroleum products including Motor Spirits and Lubricants) Taxation (Second Amendment) Bill, 1990.

also

to introduce the Bills.

- (3) Pu Lal Thanhawla, Chief Minister to beg leave of the House to introduce the Mizoram Exhibition of Films on Television Screen Bill, 1990.

also

to introduce the Bills.

(4) Pu S. Hiato, Minister of State, in-charge Health and Family Welfare etc. to beg leave of the House to introduce the following Bills -

- (a) The Pharmacy Act Extension to Mizoram) Bill, 1990.
- (b) The Mizoram Nursing (Registration) Bill, 1990.

also  
to introduce the Bills.

(5) Pu Vanlalnghaka, Minister of State, in-charge Soil Conservation Department etc. to beg leave of the House to introduce Mizoram Soil and Water Conservation Bill, 1990

also  
to introduce the Bill.

(6) Pu C.L. Ruala, Minister in-charge Forest Department etc. to beg leave of the House to introduce the Mizoram Forest (Amendment) Bill, 1990

also  
to introduce the Bill.

S P E A K E R : " It was not because you were more in Number than any other people that the Lord set His Love upon you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, but it is because the Lord loves you and is keeping the oath which He swore to your fathers that the Lord has brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you from the House of bondage, from the hand of Pharaoh, king of Egypt.

Deuteronomy 7:7-8

I shall now go on to starred question  
No. 14. Let us call upon Pu Rualchhina.

PU RUALCHHINA : Pu Speaker, I ask starred question  
No. 14 -

Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Finance Department be pleased to state -

- (a) The Number of Departments involved regarding the loan of money to one person.
- (b) The amount of some being loaned to her by each Department.
- (c) How for the Government House taken action against those Departmental Head or Officers who are responsible.
- (d) The amount of some already paid.

S P E A K E R : Let us call upon the Minister in-charge to give answers.

PU J. LALSANGZUALA : Pu Speaker, the answer to the question of the number of Departments involved in the lending of money to one person is that 2 Departments are involved.

For the answer to the second question, the amounts are Rs. 34.40 lakhs and Rs. 10.70 lakhs.

The Government has taken actions and suspended one Director, one Deputy Director, one F.A.O. and two Cashiers.

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Speaker, the case under discussion has been filled in the Court. According to our Rules the case which goes under investigation is not supposed to be discussed in this House. Therefore, I request you to leave out this subject.

Thank you.

S P E A K E R : If the Minister in-charge informed the House that the matter is being inquired and cannot be answered, only in that case, it could be accepted. So, let us now call upon the Minister in-charge to tell us whether the matter is under enquiry.

PU LALRAWNLIANA : Pu Speaker, I request you to let me finish my question since it is a short one. I would like to know the reason why the Government take action personally against this matter.

S P E A K E R : Let us call the Minister in-charge to give answer.

PU J. LALSANGZUALA : Pu Speaker, the matter under discussion had been filed as the Police Case. If the discussion is carried on I am afraid that the investigation would be spoilt. So, it would be better to leave the discussion.

PU ZOSIAMA PACHUAU : Pu Speaker I would like to make a suggestion that the Government should take fast investigation and take actions against those who are guilty.

S P E A K E R : Pu J.Thanghuama to ask starred question No. 15.

PU J.THANGHUAMA : I ask my starred question No. 15 -

Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Health and Family Welfare Department be pleased to state -

The reason why the Government's registered Nurse under the Assam Nursing Midwives and Health Visitors Registration Act, 1944 cannot use their qualification.

S P E A K E R : Minister in-charge.

PU S.HIATO  
MINISTER : Pu Speaker, when registered Govern-Nurses work under the Assam Nursing Midwives and Health Visitors Registration Act, 1944, they are entitled to use their qualification.

PU J.THANGHUAMA : Pu Speaker, Mizoram is under the Assam Nursing Council Now. The questions and other things also came from there. However, before the year 1968 it goes up to class VIII and from 1973 onwards it goes up again to those who passed Matriculation. The Training Course has been the same. Therefore, I would like to ask why it is possible to get promotion for some while it is not possible for some.

PU P.C.ZORAMSANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, it is only that due to shortage of Nurses, the Government employed the Nuses under the Assam Nursing Midwives and Health Visitors as they are.

PU S.HIATO  
MINISTER : Pu Speaker under the mentioned Act of 1944, Nurses are registered in several ways, like Senior Nurse, Junior Nurse, Auxiliary Nurse and Bsc Nursing. The Training course is also different. So, they are grouped as A,B,C, some get higher amount of salary and some were fair lower according to their group.

PU J.THANGHUAMA : Pu Speaker, what I am asking is why Nurses who have the same training course, and the same syllabus regarding their promotion.

S P E A K E R : Let us call the Minister in-charge to give reasons.

PU S.HIATO : Pu Speaker as I have said before, I don't know the difference. The Health Visitors are to be the Community head. We have three of that kind in the whole of Mizoram. Anyway, the matter will be noted and checked.

S P E A K E R : We shall go on to starred question No. 16- Pu Zosiama Pachuau.

PU ZOSIAMA PACHUAU : My starred question No. 16 -

Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Transport Department be pleased to state -

(a) The number of Taxi permits issued since the beginning of the present Ministry.

(b) The number of Bus permits (both Bazar and Town) issued since March, 1989.

PU ROKAMLOVA : Pu Speaker, the answer to the first question is 1386. For the answer to the second question it is 258 numbers.

PU ZOSIAMA PACHUAU : Pu Speaker, why is the number of permits issued state by the Hon'ble Governor and that of the Minister in-charge is different? According to the speech of the Hon'ble Governor, Page 8, 19th paragraph, "During 89-90, 107 Bazar Bus permits, 109 Town Bus permits, 1291 Local Taxi permits and 42 Tourist Taxi permits were issued". What is the reason to this difference in statement?

S P E A K E R : Let us call the Minister in-charge to reply.

PU ROKAMLOVA : I have only point out the figure recorded. So, I don't know how to clarify this.

PU ZOSIAMA PACHUAU : Pu Speaker, I think we should understand the difference hoping to be mistake.

We have just learnt a lot of Bus permits have been issued and because of that there is no profit from the State Transport Bus. So, I would like to suggest that if the Government stop purchasing Transport Bus from the new year. It would be more profitable for the Department. Does the Department has any policy in this regard ?

S P E A K E R : Before I call the Minister in-charge I would like to inform the Departments not to give wrong informations to the House. The speech of the Governor and answer of the Minister should be the same.

Let us now call the Minister in-charge to give replies.

PU ROKAMLOVA : Pu Speaker, although it has been recorded that 258 - Bus permits have been issued, all the permit holders do not purchase it. Although 258 Bus permits were issued only 8 were being purchased so far. If the private Buses could be maintained better most of the Transport Buses could be withdrawn.

Regarding the speech of the Governor on the number of permits issued, I would like to the clarify that the number of Buses and Taxi permits he stated were issued from the year 1989.

Thank you.

PU ZOSIAMA PACHUAU : Pu Speaker, we have at present a lot of local Taxis. Before the time of the present Ministry there are about 700 Taxis in the town of Aizawl. According to the speech of the Governor 1291 local Taxi permits have already been issued plus 42 permits of Tourist Taxis. But the Taxi owners have difficulty regarding the Taxi stand. Many of the Taxis have no place in the state, still they have to pay tax. I would like to enquire whether the Government realise this.

S P E A K E R : Let us call the Minister in-charge.

PU ROKAMLOVA : Pu Speaker, we have met a lot of difficulties in Traffic. The Association also contacted the Government regarding this difficulty. The Government realise this difficulty and has been taking steps to remove it.

Thank you.

S P E A K E R : Pu Lalrawnliana to ask starred question No. 17.

PU LALRAWNLIANA : Pu Speaker, starred question No.17-

Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Public Health-Engineering Department be pleased to state -

When is the Government going to open the water pipe which will supply water from Hmuitang.

PU C.L.RUALA : Pu Speaker, for the answer to question No. 17 - this water pipe is under construction. This gravity pipe which will feet seven Villages is proposed to be completed in March, 1990. After completion the water supply will be started.

S P E A K E R : Pu Tawnluia to ask starred question No. 18.

PU TAWNLUIA : Pu Speaker, I ask starred question No. 18 -

Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Local Administration Department be pleased to state -

(a) The reason for not calling tender for the construction of steps at Khawzawl town in 1989-90.

(b) To whom the construction of work was given ?

(c) Will the Khawzawl plan made by the Town and Country Planning be used ? If yes, when will it be started ?

S P E A K E R : Minister in-charge.

PU ZALAWMA : Pu Speaker, the answer are as follows -

(a) The construction of steps at Khawzawl in 1989-90 was tendered.

(b) The construction work was given to the people of Khawzawl.

(c) The Plan for Khawzawl town made by the Town and Country Planning will be used.

As soon as the Mizoram Urban and Rural Development Act is passed the Plan would be used.

PU TAWNLUJA : Pu Speaker, the construction work of steps at Khawzawl was surveyed by J.E. After this J.E. had left Khawzawl, the work to 10 Congress I workers. It seems that the tender had also been called secretly. Does the President of the Khawzawl Block Congress I has the power to give work order ?

I would like to say that the answer given by the Minister in connection with the Planning of Khawzawl town makes me happy. And I would like to request the Hon'ble Minister to give work as first priority.

Thank you.

PU ZALAWMA : Pu Speaker, after the matter under discussion was surveyed, I, myself even had checked it. After the quotation was expired the selection for the worker was made when the tender was considered the recommendations were not even discussed.

Regarding the Planning of town, detail plan is being made for various towns and Sub-Towns, But this work cannot be carried out rapidly. Therefore, I would like to request all the Hon'ble Members to understand the situation and be patient.

PU TAWNLUJA : Pu Speaker, it seems the Hon'ble Minister has made a mistake regarding the construction of steps. A week after the J.E. had left Khawzawl and before the Finance Department. L.A.D. had moved the sanction, the construction work was completed.

S P E A K E R : Pu Zoramthanga to ask question No. 19.

PU ZORAMTHANGA : Pu Speaker, I ask starred question No 19 -

Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Education Department be pleased to state -

Whether substitute Teachers are taken in place of the teachers who are in training.

Dr. H.THANSANGA : Pu Speaker, the answer is that Substitute Teachers are not yet taken.



PU ZORAMTHANGA : Pu Speaker, Substitute Teachers are usually taken in place of the teachers who go on training. This year, we are very much short of teachers and the number of students have increased. Why is the Substitute Teachers are not taken ?

PU LALRINCHHANA : Pu Speaker, 180 students are admitted at Primary School I in Ratu. All the Teachers except the Head Teacher have gone for training. So, only the Head Teacher is looking after 180 - Students which is very strange. What is the reason for this ?

PU ZOSIAMA PACHUAU : Pu Speaker, I had recently visited the Village of Mimbang. Out of the three Teachers in Mimbang Primary School-II, one was transferred, another goes on training which left only one at the School. Does the Hon'ble Minister know this ?

Dr R.LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, the Budget amount of the current year along with the supplementary bill in lower than the Budget amount of last year in the Education Department. It is also heard from some Officials that 100 lakhs of the Education's Budget has been spent in some other heads. I would like to heads. I would like to ask whether this is the reason for not posting any substitute teachers.

S P E A K E R : Let us call upon the Minister in-charge to give answers.

Dr. H.THANSANGA : Pu Speaker, the reason for not posting any substitute teachers is shortage of fund. However, the Finance Department and the Planning Department are going to give us more. But, this will not cover the whole estimates.

Regarding the Ratu Primary School II and Mimbang Primary School-II, I would like to say that, we are trying to solve the problem of untrained teachers. So, two or three untrained teachers called from one School to have training. But as I have said before due to shortage of fund substitute teachers cannot be taken. At present, this matter has been under processed and hope that the problem would soon be solved.

I have no answer to the question raised by Dr. R.Lalthangliana regarding the diversion of 100 lakhs as this has not come to my Knowledge.

PU ZORAMTHANGA : Pu Speaker, in the 1987-88 budget, an amount of 2.286 lakhs was allotted for the Department of Education, in 1988-89, 3264 lakhs was allotted. So, it was increased at an amount of 1022 lakhs than the previous year. The current budget is 3,318 lakhs. While the increasing number in the previous number is 1022 lakhs, it increasing only 152 lakhs this year. In the speech of the Hon'ble Governor, the Government's policy is to have hundred percent literacy which will acquire larger amount of fund. What is the reason for this small increase. It is the because the Department made a mistake in presenting the Budget estimate ?

Dr H.THANSANGA MINISTER : Pu Speaker, this is not because of wrong presentation to the Finance Department. The allotments were not shown as presented. This did not happen to only the Education Department, but also to the Assembly.

PU LALHUTHANGA : Pu Speaker, in Luangpawm Village, there is a School without teacher. The School has been closed for some time because of the absence of teacher. I would like to ask in this regard how the Hon'ble Minister is going to take action.

Dr H.THANSANGA MINISTER : Pu Speaker, I will check the matter immediately, and if there is such case in your respective constituencies, I request all to report it to me.

S P E A K E R : Question No. to be ask by Dr. R.Lalthangliana.

Dr. R.LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, I ask starred question No. 20 -

Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Excise and Taxation Department be pleased to state -

Whether the Government has an intention to review the Sales Tax which is to be enforce soon.

S P E A K E R : Let us call the Minister in-charge to reply.

PU J. LALSANGZUALA : Pu Speaker, the answer the starred  
MINISTER question No. 20 is the Government  
has no intention of having a review.

Dr. R. LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, on Article 46 of the  
Indian Constitution, there is right  
to protect Schedule Casts and Sche-  
dule Tribes from exploitation. This had been created while  
Mizoram was the District Council under Assam Government.  
After that on the 5th of December, 1973, the Home Department  
had issued a Memorandum in this regard.

Now, it is proposed that the Sales  
Tax has to be reported from the 1st of April. In the Zoram  
Gazettes of the Sales Tax, on Section 9, 10, 11, the rules  
for registration for the business people could be found.  
But, the rules and regulations for the Non-Mizo traders have  
not been included. Therefore, I would like to make a sugges-  
tion to have a review in this regard.

Secondly, there can be some Govern-  
ment employees who perform business without the recognition  
of the Government. Is there away to stop this practice ?

Thirdly, I would like to ask how  
the Government is going to take up the Chin Hills Regulation  
Act and Eastern Bengal Frontier Regulation Act in Mizoram.

S P E A K E R : Before I call the Minister in-charge  
I would like to say that your ques-  
tion and the Article you quoted  
were not connected. However, let us call the Minister in-  
charge to give replies.

PU J. LALSANGZUALA : Pu Speaker, I am afraid that the  
MINISTER question raised by the Hon'ble  
Member was not relevant. But, I  
shall try to give answer as far as  
I can.

During the time of the District  
Council, there was a Rule of Trading by Non-Tribals. But,  
the District Council was given a case by one person. So,  
the most important section was struck down by the Supreme  
Court and that Rules was erased.

During the Ministry of Pu Ch. Chhunga  
there was much effort for the renewal of this Rules. But in  
the Article 19(g) of the Indian constitution, we find "All  
citizens shall have the right to practice any profession or  
to carry on any occupation Trade or Business". But also in  
the Constitution Reasonable restriction can be made regarding  
Article 19 (g). At present the Government is making propo-  
sal for the enforcement of the Rule.

Regarding the permit, 67 Non-Mizos in Lunglei and Aizawl are registered by the Rule of Central Sales Tax Registration. These Non-Mizos have been staying in Mizoram for certain years.

The Chin Hills Regulations are still existed and enforced.

Thank you.

Dr R. LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, to how many non-Mizos does the Government have issued Trade Licence from commencement of Union Territory ?

PU J. LALSANGZUALA : Pu Speaker, from the record of the Government Trade Licence have already been issued to 77 Non-Mizos.  
MINISTER

S P E A K E R : Let us call upon Pu J.H. Rothuama to ask starred question No.21.

PU J.H.ROTHUAMA : Pu Speaker, starred question No.21.

Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Public Health Engineering Department be pleased to state -

- (a) Whether there is proposal for the extend of Khaw-kai. Dil to supply drinking water for the people of Khaw-kai.
- (b) If yes, is there any intention to supply drinking water from their resevior to the following Villages :
  - (a) Chalrang
  - (2) Vantlang
  - (3) Riangtlei
  - (4) Sial-hawk.

S P E A K E R : Let the Minister in-charge reply.

PU C.L.RUALA : Pu Speaker, the answer to the first question is yes. For the answer to the second question there is no intention for supplying drinking water from this reservior to other Villages.  
MINISTER

PU J.H.ROTHUAMA : Pu Speaker, I am very pleased with the repliss of the Hon'ble Minister. But, to get drinking water for the four mentioned villages is very difficult. The Government also

give importance to their difficulty and even reserviours were made for the Villages. But, due to scarcity of water, it is difficult to store water. The only suitable supply would be from the Khawhai Dil. Therefore, I would like to ask if it is possible to reconsider this matter.

PU C.L.RUALA : Pu Speaker, I had a personal survey  
MINISTER to Khawhai Dil myself last year.  
it seems that the tanky could be made  
as three storeys. Even then, it will  
be very difficult to supply water to other four Villages. Any-  
way, it is very difficult to say in advance. But, the matter  
would be checked and noted.

PU VAI VENGA : Pu Speaker, to how many does to the  
P.H.E. Department have constructed  
for rain water collection? It is  
heard that in most of the reservior water cannot be collected.

PU C.L.RUALA : Pu Speaker, I, at the moment, unable  
MINISTER to give the specific number of Villa-  
ges which do not get water. This is  
mainly because that during the pre-  
vious Ministry the construtors who construct these reserviors  
were not sincere, so the tankies were easy to break and water  
cannot be stored in many of the tankies. If I am not mistaken  
the P.H.E. have constructed about 60.

S P E A K E R : Pu K.Vanlalauva to ask question  
No. 22 -

PU K.VANLALAUVA : Pu Speaker, I ask starred question  
No.22-

Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Health and Family Welfare Department be pleased to state -

- (a) The number of PHE in Khawbung constituency.
- (b) Whether there is proposal for the construction of SHC main building at Bungzung.

S P E A K E R : Let the Minister in-charge answer  
the questions.

PU S.HIATO : Pu Speaker, the answer to the  
MINISTER question of the number of PHC in  
Khawbung constituency is 2 numbers.  
And for the answer to the second  
question, there is no proposal for the construction of SHC  
in Bungzung.

PU K.VANIALAUVA : Pu Speaker, during the previous Congress Ministry in 1985, the then Hon'ble Health Minister had opened PHC at Vaphai, Sesih and Farkawn Villages. Particular in Sesih the Public Health Centre was built at a distance of only about half a kilometre. The then Ministry had informed the Villagers of Sesih to built the PHC on their expense. So, the people of Sesih built the centre and used the G.C.I. Sheets which were stocked for the building of their Church thinking that the Ministry was going to Finance. After the construction was completed the PHC was opened. But there was no proper function and till today the Church at Sesih has no roof and they have their Church meeting at the Village Community Hall. So, in this regard, I would like to request the Hon'ble Minister to make note of this and take actions.

PU S.HIATO : Pu Speaker, I would like to request the Hon'ble Members to understand the problems existed in the Department. Some of the previous Ministries had opened several PHC and SHC more than the strength of the Governments sanction. For the opening of Sub-Centre the Government allotted fund only for 260, while 314 Centres have already been opened. So, many of the Sub-Centres were not maintain and upgrade the existing Centres.

Thank you.

PU K.VANIALAUVA : Pu Speaker, I would like to ask one more question regarding the SHC main building at Bungzung. The construction of SHC main building was allowed during the P.C. Ministry. But the construction was left imcomplete till date. I would like to request the Hon'ble Minister to complete the construction of the said building.

I would also like to enquire the reason for opening the PHC building there if it is not in the plan.

PU R.TLANGHMINGTHANGA : Pu Speaker, I ask starred question No. 23 -

Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Transport Department be pleased to state -

The reason for not appointing the Department Candidates at the post of District Transport Officer.

PU ROKAMLOVA : Pu Speaker, the post of D.T.O. is filled up by Departmental Candidates as and when suitable Candidates are available.

PU R. LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, starred question No. 24 -

Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Finance Department be pleased to state -

- (a) Whether there is proposal for the payment of the liabilities by the Mizoram Government during the 7th Plan from the fund of the 8th Plan.
- (b) If yes, does the Planning Commission approved of it ?

PU J. LALSANGZUALA : Pu Speaker, the answer to the first question is No. And for the second question, the answer is not yet arise.  
MINISTER

PU RUALCHHINA : Pu Speaker, I ask my starred question No. 25 -

Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge General Administration Department be pleased to state -

- (a) The reason for the deletion of names who are not migrated or deceased from the electoral roll.
- (b) The reason for the difference of the Electoral rolls used by the presiding Officers.
- (c) Why is the marked copy of the Electoral Roll is used only by the Presiding Officers ?

PU LAL THANHAWLA : Pu Speaker, the reason for the deletion of names who are not migrated or dead is that when the name-holders applied for the deletion of their names according to the Registration of Electors Rules, 1960.  
CHIEF MINISTER

According to the conduct of Election Rules, 1960, the Electoral Rolls used by the Polling party and the Political party are similar, but the presiding Officers used the marked copy.

According to the conduct of Election Rules, 1961 and by the Order of the Election Commission the Presiding Officers used marked copy of Electoral Rolls during elections.

PU ZOSIAMA PACHUAU : Starred question No. 26 -

Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Home Department be pleased to state -

Why did the Government of Mizoram/the D.C. Aizawl issue Notification to several Villages of Mizoram including all the Villages with Ngopa Assembly constituency to deposit their arms to the Police Station/Security Posts ?

PU C.L.RUALA  
MINISTER : Pu Speaker, in view of the Law and Order problems created by H.P.C. prohibitory Order (U/s 144 1973 Act 11 of 1974) was promulgated by the District Magistrate, Aizawl to the effect that no persons shall be in possession or carrying or use any arms and ammunition within the areas within the areas where there are probable chances of creating Law and Order problems by the H.P.C.

PU J.THANGHUAMA  
PU RUALCHHINA | to ask: Dr. H.Thansanga, Minister in-charge Parliamentary Affairs Department to reply -

Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Parliamentary Affairs Department be pleased to state -

- (a) If the Government of Mizoram has any intention to give the leaders of the Opposition the status of a Cabinet (Minister) Rank ?
- (b) If yes,
- (c) If not, why not ?

Dr. H.THANSANGA  
MINISTER : Pu Speaker, the answers to starred question No. 27 are as follows :-

- (a) The matter is under examination
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Does not arise.

PU ZOSIAMA PACHUAU : Starred question No. 28 -

Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Cooperation Department be pleased to state -

- (a) The total strength of staff serving in Mizofed POL wing in Mizoram.
- (b) The total expenditure of staff for pay and allowances per month in the POL wing.



PU NIPURAM CHAKMA : Pu Speaker, the total strength of the  
MINISTER staff serving under MIZOFED POL  
Wing is 43.

The total expenditure for pay and allowances of the staff per month in POL Wing is Rs.73,584,00.

S P E A K E R : Question hour is over. Those ques-  
tions which are left unanswered  
will be replied within three days.  
We shall go on to the next business. The next business  
will be presentation of Budget. The budget may be presented  
by Pu J.Lalsangzuala.

Let us now call Pu J.Lalsangzuala,  
Minister, to present to the House, The supplementary Demands  
for the year 1989-90 and the Annual Budget for the year  
1990-91 with Allied Papers.

PU J.LALSANGZUALA : Pu Speaker, I feel greatly previ-  
MINISTER lège in having the honour to rise  
before this August House to present  
the revise estimates for the current  
financial year 1989-90, and the Budget Estimates for the next  
year, 1990-91.

In order that the House has proper  
appreciation of the constraints under which the Budget has  
been framed, may I, at the outset give a little past back-  
ground? The State Government has been facing financial  
problems from the financial year, 1987-88 ended with a deficit  
of Rs.53.41 crores as per the Reserve Bank of India.

The problems continued in 1988-89  
also at the end of which there was a deficit of Rs.59.47  
crores as per the Reserve Bank of India. The Government of  
Mizoram has requested the Government of India to provide  
additional financial assistance to lower the deficit. The  
Government of India appointed a Committee of Senior Officers  
headed by Dr P.D.Mukherji, Consultant, Planning Commission  
to go into the whole matter and in the meanwhile, give me  
some temporary assistance.

The Committee headed by Dr. Mukher-  
ji visited Mizoram in October, 1989 and submitted their re-  
port to the Government of India. We have been pressing  
the Government of India for an early decision on the report  
of the Committee recommendations. We hope that additional  
financial assistance will be given by the Government of  
India to clear the past deficit.

Another problem which the Govern-  
ment of Mizoram has been facing is the huge loan liability  
incurred during the period when Mizoram was a Union Terri-  
tory. The total loan liability to the Government of India  
outstanding as on 20.2.1987 when Mizoram became a state was  
to the tune of Rs.207.37 crores. Since Mizoram did not have  
financial resources to pay the interest and repay the prin-  
cipal on their huge loan liability, the Government of India

was requested to convert the loans outstanding as on 20.2.87 into grants. A memorandum was also submitted to the 9th Finance Commission on the same lines. The report of the 9th Finance Commission has just been laid in the Parliament. This report is yet to be examined by the Government. However, it is learnt that the Commission have recommended some relief to the state on this account. Pending a final decision by the Government of India on this issue, the interest and principal due in 1988-89 on loans received during the U.T. period were not paid by the Mizoram Government. Therefore, in the current financial year, the total liability on this account is Rs.45.94 crores out of which Rs.26.14 crores is for payment of interest and Rs.28.80 crores is for payment of principal. While payment due on the loans received after Mizoram became a state would be made to the Government of India in time, the payment in respect of loans received during the U.T. period will be made after the report of the 9th Finance Commission is examined, and the final decision of the Government of India is received on our representation.

In the meanwhile, the Government of India has been taking a number of steps to enforce financial discipline and economy in expenditure. These steps include curbs on purchase of furniture and furnishings, curbs on creation and filling up of posts, checking of cash accounts of various Departments and Offices and disciplinary action against officials found to be responsible for the financial irregularities. We hope to continue these measures more vigorously during the coming financial year.

REVISED ESTIMATES 1989-90As per the Revised Estimates, the financial year 1989-90 is estimated to end with a deficit of Rs. 65.26 crores. This includes provision for payment of Rs.54.94 crores to Government of India as interest and principal on loans on the plan sides, the approved plan outlay for 1989-90 was Rs.102 crores against which the actual expenditure is estimated at Rs. 102.54 crores. Under the Plan the major emphasis has been on Agriculture, Rural Development, Rural Housing, Rural Water Supply, Communication and Rural Electrification, so that the people living in the Villages derive maximum benefit from the plan Scheme.

In appreciation of our satisfactory performance in Plan implementation and the measures taken by the Government of Mizoram to enforce financial discipline and mobilise financial resources. The Planning Commission has approved an outlay of Rs.125 crores for 1990-91. I am glad to say that Mizoram has received the highest percentage of increase in Plan outlay among all the states and the dynamic leadership of our Chief Minister Pu Lal Thanhawla, take this opportunity to pledge ourselves for greater efforts in the coming year for the benefit of the people of Mizoram.

Out of the Rs.125 crores of Plan outlay proposed for 1990-91, Rs.18.47 crores will be spent on Agriculture and Activities, Rs.12 crores on programmes under the New Land Use Policy, Rs. 8.3 crores on other Rural Development programmes. Rs.2.77 crores on irrigation and flood Control. Rs.9.33 crores on Water supply and

Sanitation, Rs. 18.16 on Power, 8.15 crores on Industries and Minerals and Rs. 16.99 crores on Roads and Bridges. As in 1989-90, our emphasis will be on Agriculture and Rural Development in 1990-91 also.

BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 1990-91

Mizoram, being a backward state, will not be able to meet its requirements of funds from its own resources. We will, therefore, be depending, to a large extent, on the funds to be received from the Government of India under the award of the 9th Finance Commission.

At the same time, as a state, Mizoram has to raise its own resources if we have to implement more schemes for the benefits of the people. Therefore, the Government has decided to make all out efforts to raise additional resources. A number of measures have been proposed in my budget for 1990-91 for additional resources mobilization. The following are the measures proposed to be implemented:-

At the foremost of this measures is the enforcement of the Mizoram Sales Tax Act, 1989 with effect from 1.4.1990. 97 items of goods, in all, including 22 items of special luxury goods have been notified under this Act as taxable. A tax at the rate of 5% will be levied on these goods, at the first point of sales. This measure is expected to yield an additional revenue of Rs. 190 lakhs in 1990-91.

Secondly, an additional revenue of Rs. 60 lakhs in 1990-91 is proposed to be raised by the Revenue Department by revision of rates of Trade Tax, House Tax, Fees etc.

Thirdly, it is proposed to revise the electricity tariff in such a manner as to have an average rate per unit sale of 105 paise compared to 91 paise at present. This is expected to yield an additional revenue of Rs. 55 lakhs in 1990-91.

Fourthly, it is proposed to raise an additional revenue of Rs. 20 lakhs through enhancement of Bus fares and hiring charges for vehicles.

Fifthly, it is proposed to raise an additional revenue of Rs. 75 lakhs next year from revision of various charges by the water supply Department. It is proposed to realise house connection service charge and increase the existing rate of Rs. 30/- per month per house connection.

Sixthly, the rates of tax on profession Trades, Calling and Employment will be enhanced. As a result, there will be additional revenue receipt to

the tune of Rs. 10 lakhs during 1990-91. Further, the rates of tax on sale of Petroleum and Petroleum products including Motor Spirits and Lubricants will be revised from 10 paise to 20 paise per litre of Motor Spirit and from 7 paise to 10 paise per litre of Diesel Oil. A tax at 10 percent will be levied on LPG. These measures will fetch additional Rs. 3 lakhs.

Seventhly, we expect to get an additional revenue of Rs. 90 lakhs from the sale of teak thinning materials from teak plantation. An additional revenue of Rs. 10 lakhs in 1990-91 is expected by way of hiring charges of the 16 Bulldozers with the Agriculture Department.

Further, an additional revenue of Rs. 1.50 crores is expected from the State Lotteries.

The Budget Estimates for 1990-91 envisage total receipt of Rs. 389.81 crores and total expenditure of Rs. 394.42 crores (net) thus leaving a deficit of Rs. 4.71 crores. Details of the transactions in the consolidated fund, contingency fund and public accounts are given in the state. In case our loan liability to the Government of India for the U.T., period is reduced as a result of the 9th Finance Commission's recommendations or otherwise, there will be improvement in the financial position.

Before concluding, I would like to call upon the Hon'ble Members to bestow their well-considered thoughts on the various proposals made in the next year's Budget Estimates and favour this August House with the benefit of their valuable ideas, experience and advice. In the end, I would like to express my thanks to the officers and staff of the Finance Department for preparing the Budget in a short time. I would also like to thank the Printing and Stationery Department for getting the documents printed expeditiously.

With these words, Sir, I now present the Revised Estimates for 1989-90 and Budget Estimates for 1990-91 and commend them for the consideration and approval of this August House.

Thank you.

S P E A K E R : The Supplementary Budget 1989-90 and 1990-91 Budget is now presented to the House. Let the copy be contributed.

We shall now go to the Legislative Business. Let us now call upon Pu Zalawma, Minister to introduce his three Bills to the House.

PU ZALAWMA : Pu Speaker, I beg to leave of the  
MINISTER House to introduce the following  
Bills -

- (a) The Mizo District (Transfer of Land) (Amendment) Bill, 1990.
- (b) The Lushai District (Village Councils) (Amendment) Bill, 1990.
- (c) The Mizoram Urban and Regional Development Bill, 1990.

Thank you.

S P E A K E R : He just asked to introduce his  
Bills to the House. Are we all  
agree? Is there anyone who dis-  
agree? Well, let us call the Minister in-charge to  
introduce.

PU ZALAWMA : Pu Speaker, with your kind permis-  
MINISTER sion, I beg to introduce the three  
Bills I have just mentioned.

Thank you.

S P E A K E R : Pu Zalawma have introduced his  
three Bills to the House.

Let us now call upon Pu J.Lal-  
sangzuala, Minister in-charge Finance to introduce his  
two Bills.

PU J.LALSANGZUALA : Pu Speaker, with your kind permis-  
MINISTER sion, I beg to leave of the House  
to introduce the following Bills-

- (a) The Mizoram (Sales of Petroleum and Petroleum Products including Motor Spirits and Lubricants) Taxation (Second Amendment) Bill, 1990.
- (b) The Mizoram Professions, Trades, Calling and Employment Taxation (Third Amendment) Bill, 1990.

S P E A K E R : Let us now call upon Pu Lal Than-  
hawla, Chief Minister to introduce  
his Bill to the House.

PU LAL THANHAWLA : Pu Speaker, with your kind permis-  
CHIEF MINISTER sion and this August House, I have  
introduced the Mizoram Exhibition  
of Films on Television Screen Bill,  
1990.

S P E A K E R : Pu Lal Thanhawla, the Hon'ble Chief Minister have introduced his Bill to the House.

Let us call Pu S. Hiato, Minister of State, in-charge Health and Family Welfare Department to introduce his Bills to the House.

PU S. HIATO  
MINISTER : Pu Speaker, thank you for calling me to introduce my two Bills to the House. I have two Bills.

(a) The Pharmacy Act (Extension to Mizoram) Bill, 1990.

(b) The Mizoram Nursing (Registration) Bill, 1990.

As these two Bills need to be checked again, I request you to give another time for the Bills.

S P E A K E R : Since the Bills have not been introduced to the House, the request for the introduction of the two Bills at another day is granted.

Let us now call upon Pu Vanlalngghaka, Minister in-charge Soil Conservation Department to ask the House to introduce his Bills.

PU VANLALNGHAKA  
MINISTER : Pu Speaker, with your permission, I beg leave of the House to introduce "Mizoram Soil and Water Conservation Bill, 1990" Thank you.

S P E A K E R : Are we all agree ? Yes, let us call upon him to introduce his Bill.

PU VANLALNGHAKA  
MINISTER : Pu Speaker, with your permission and this August House I hereby introduce Mizoram Soil and Water Conservation Bill, 1990. Thank you.

S P E A K E R : Let us now call upon Pu C.L.Ruala to ask the permission of the House to introduce his Bill.

PU C.L. RUALA  
MINISTER : Pu Speaker, with your kind permission and this August House I beg leave of the House to introduce the Mizoram Forest (Amendment) Bill, 1990. Thank you.

S P E A K E R : As the <sup>M</sup>Members have agreed, let us call upon Pu C.L.Ruala to introduce his Bill.

PU C.L. RUALA  
MINISTER

rest (Amendment) Bill, 1990.

: Pu Speaker, with your permission, in the permission of the House, I introduce the Bill, "M<sub>i</sub>zoram Forest (Amendment) Bill, 1990.

Thank you.

S P E A K E R

: We have finished our Business for today. We shall have recess till 10:30 A.M. tomorrow. Thank you.

The House was adjourned at 11:55  
A.M.

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