

**SEVENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MIZORAM
(FIRST SESSION)**

LIST OF BUSINESS

FOR THIRD SITTING ON WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DECEMBER, 2013
(Time 10:30 AM TO 1:00 PM AND 2:00 PM TO 4:00 PM)

ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKER

1. Members to elect Deputy Speaker.

DISCUSSION ON MOTION OF THANKS

2. Discussion on Motion of Thanks on the Address of the Governor
(to be concluded)

NGURTHANZUALA
Secretary

SPEAKER : He told them, “Consider carefully what you do, because you are not judging for man but for the LORD, who is with you whenever you give a verdict. Now let the fear of the Lord be upon you. Judge carefully, for with the LORD our God there is no injustice or partiality or bribery.”

II Chronicles 19:6 & 7

Among us, Pu P.C. Zoram Sangliana could not attend the meeting and we will grant leave of absence with the House permission. Pu Lal Thanzara also beg to leave early with the House permission, I inform the House that we grant their request. Time for nomination for the Deputy Speaker was opened till 3:00 p.m. yesterday. Pu S. Laldingliana proposed Pu R. Lalrinawma and seconded by Dr. Ngurdingliana. As we have no other nomination, I announce Pu R. Lalrinawma to become the Deputy Speaker as per rule (8 of 5).

Now, I request the Leader of the House and the Opposition Group Leader to take Pu R. Lalrinawma to his seat. After that, the House Leader will have a few words regarding election of the Deputy Speaker.

Pu LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Speaker, I am happy that Pu R. Lalrinawma is elected to become the Deputy Speaker uncontested. I congratulate him from the bottom of my heart.

In the previous term, he held the post of Chairman of Law Commission where he excels. I think the previous House was the best in amending obsolete rules which were initiated by him as Chairman of Law Commission. I think office of the hon’ble Speaker too is fortunate to have a person having vast experiences in legal. Even though we are able to maintain decorum of the House, we sometimes need an expert in making and exercising laws. As such, we are hoping that you will continue to preserve the dignity of this House. We, the members give you our moral support to both of you in order to preserve the status of the House. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Pu Vanlalzawma.

Pu VANLALZAWMA : Pu Speaker, on behalf of the Opposition Group, I convey my thank to the hon’ble House Leader and his colleagues and so as the Legislature Party for proposing Pu R. Lalrinawma for the Deputy Speaker of this august House. As stated when we elected the new Speaker, I hope that we will have a

good working relation under his guidance as he is our expert in the field of laws. I have known him as a person who is always ready to help his neighborhoods during his tenure as Chairman of Law Commission. I personally extend my thanks to him for helping many people in my constituency in which he and his family resides. As requested to the hon'ble Speaker earlier, we are newly elected members of this House and will need a lot of helps as we all are ignorance in dealing with laws and I do hope he will guide us whenever he is needed. Thank you.

SPEAKER : We will close the discussion for now. Let us invite Pu R. Lalrinawma, the newly elected Deputy Speaker to deliver his speech.

Pu R. LALRINAWMA, DEPUTY SPEAKER: Pu Speaker, today, I am very thankful to the House Leader and the Members for electing me to become the Deputy Speaker. I am humble to receive praises in regards to law as I know I have many more to learn. I request all Members to help me and guide me throughout my tenure as Dy. Speaker of this august House. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Yesterday, we have confusion in regards to the mover and his secondary though it is written in our Rules. If we look into page 10, it is seen that the secondary is allowed to second the Motion without standing.

Now, we will have a discussion on the Motion and 5 minutes is allotted to each member.

Pu LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, some of us being newly members to this House would like to have our maiden speech. So, can we make it 10 minutes each?

SPEAKER : There is a proposal for 10 minutes, can we accept?

Pu LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Speaker, even the Governor made his Speech in brief, I think 5 minutes is enough.

SPEAKER : As we always take the vote of the House, we will go with 5 minutes. Now, let us invite Pu Chalrosanga Ralte, the mover of this motion of thank to open the discussion.

Pu CHALROSANGA RALTE : Pu Speaker, thank you. First, I thank God for putting me in this place to represent the people of my constituency. I also thank our party leaders and people of Lunglei West constituency.

Many important matters are highlighted in the speech of the Governor, yesterday. First, his point that the House being conducted with appropriate discipline and that the members always show respect to each other is truly appreciated.

In the last General Election, the Congress party was elected unanimously. The Governor pointed out that this unanimous decision indicated that the people still have faith in this party. I hope that we can fulfill their faith in this ministry. I am thankful to all the officials who conducted the election as without their efforts this will never happen. He had further made a remark in the speech that the election was concluded in a peaceful situation thanks to the effort of NGO's and MPF. In this election, we have made a record by casting 83.41% of vote which happened to be the highest in Mizoram. This further indicates the people have enough confidence in the party headed by Pu Lal Thanhawla. We are in a peaceful condition under his leadership and for that reason we are able to make the aforesaid record.

Pu Speaker, I would also like to mention regarding our flagship programme which the Governor has pointed out in his speech yesterday. Before the election, most of the parties claimed that they would continue to hold the ministry but today, the table is again turns to us. In this connection, I, with your permission would like to read out a paper of one Research Professor relating to NLUP which states, "After conducting a study on the system of various countries, NLUP is known as the best policy which concerns every family to start a business".

It is known to us all that many of our youths are beginning to engage in sports as their main occupations. In this regard, it is thankful that the Governor, in his address assures that priority will be given to sports sector by his government. It is appreciated to learn from the Governor's speech that development in sports infrastructures are now in full swing and will continue. As such, the speech indicates we have a good prospect for the future of our youths today.

Pu Speaker, we have learned that the government also makes a stride towards self-sufficient in power supply. In the process, we have Tuirial Hydel of 60 megawatts being ready for commission by the next year. We have further learned that Tuivai Hydel Project of 210 megawatts has also been approved by the Central

Government. These two projects are expected to be able to cover all our needs in power supply. Besides, the government also takes up other projects as the surplus energy will become a revenue source for our State. In the meantime, project for road connectivity is in full swing as the government continues to start the project in various parts of the country.

Last, but not least, Pu Speaker, the confidence bestowed by the people in this government shows prevalence of dignity and righteousness to those who practice corruption. I am glad that this is highlighted in the Governor's speech as well. What is most important is that the Governor indicates transparency will be prevailed in the government works. I, therefore, request my fellow members to give their support to our Governor Speech. Thank you.

SPEAKER : To start the discussion, I call upon Pu K. Sangthuama.

Pu K. SANGTHUAMA : At the outset, Pu Speaker, I thank God and the people of my constituency for giving me the opportunity to sit in this House after 5 years. This new term is somewhat like 1998 when only 6 members were sat in the opposition bench. Despite our inferiority in number, our main objective is to stand as a constructive opposition. Instead of criticizing every move which may be made by the government, it is our purpose to encourage the ruling party members in order to uphold the dignity of this House.

Our Governor Address is rather short which contain 16 points only. First, I would like to mention regarding his point on NLUP. My party does not bluntly criticize NLUP as we thought the policy as good enough. However, what our concern is its implementation which we opine should be taken up accordingly. In the meantime, there many people in Mizoram who do not receive NLUP as yet and we hope that the government will take immediate step to cover as a whole.

Regarding Food Security, I the State Government should thoroughly examine any of our food production. Whether we ready or not, the Central Government will, sooner or later compel us to implement the system of food security. Therefore, we have to study the system and find a way to avoid problems which may affected to health of any consumer.

Coming to my next point, road plays an important role in every walk-of-life. We often face problem due to poor communication of roads. In connection with this matter, road approaching the University is very bad. On enquiring the reason, it appears that the 2nd installment for development of road has not yet been released. It will be much appreciated if the government urges the Central Government for immediate release of fund so that the work is done before the rainy season. On the other hand, it seems that concerned contractors are not willing to continue the work with the money from their own pockets. In the previous ministry of my party, it is a common practice of the contractors to spend money from their own pocket in any stop-gap period and the amount is reimbursed when the bill is drawn. As of today's contractors, they are not willing to spend any cent so the people suffer. It will be appreciated if the concerned Minister, i.e. our Chief Minister to look into the matter to expedite the work.

On Disaster Management, I opine it is important for the government to make careful decision in dealing with the problem which concerns the department. We often face some disaster which demands immediate attention. In such cases, it is a life threatening for any volunteer as the condition of any of our land where disaster is recurred is unspecified. As such, I opine it is important for the department to prevail careful examination of places which are frequented by the disaster. If possible, it may, as well important to study the condition of any land which is known as unstable.

In Education, it is obvious from the Governor Address that our main objective is to achieve 100% literacy rate. If so, I opine it is necessary to strengthen the Adult Education Wing. In the present situation, we are not giving enough care which will surely hold us back to achieve our main objective. I request the concerned Education Minister to give more attentions in this regard and give priority in order to achieve 100% literacy rate.

On Transport, I opine more attentions should be given. Regarding construction of Highway, it takes a long time to complete the road between Kawnpui and Sairang and so may be expedited. Pu Speaker, our Governor Address includes important points which may be implemented instantly and I hope this government will take step as necessary. I request the House to pass this motion of thanks on the Governor Address. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Next, Pu Lalthanliana.

Pu LALTHANLIANA : Pu Speaker, I convey my appreciation to two particular points of the Governor Address. First, point No.8, which concern fund provision for power supply amounting to ₹19.42 crore for liability gap funding and the project is being approved. I am happy that this government gives priority to improvement of power supply.

Next, point No.13, regarding fund provision of ₹555.55 crore for construction and repairing of roads affected by landslide and fissure. We all have known that it affected my constituency also as every corner of Mizoram. I request the government to utilize this fund for my constituency also.

There are 40 families whose homes devastated in the area of Ramhlun Sports Complex. It is a pleasure to know that there is a proposal to provide home to these families. I would like to request if it will be possible to provide house site to those who have resides in this area for the past many years, but are still homeless.

Lastly I would like to thank the people of my constituency for choosing me to be their MLA. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Dr. K. Beichhua.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : First of all, I thank the people of Saiha for making it possible for me to stand in the august House. I also, thank the hon'ble Speaker and House Leader who, both are veteran politicians; it is a privileged for beginners like us to be under their guidance.

The Governor spoke of NLUP, the flagship programme, I request the authorities to remember and include MNF Party and to include Saiha road as priority list for re-surfacing work as it is the lifeline of Saiha people.

Pu Speaker, Aizawl, Lunglei and Saiha Civil Hospital were established in the same year. However, the condition of Saiha Hospital is quite deteriorated comparing to other two. I request that it is included on priority list. Pu Speaker, infant mortality rate in Saiha being the highest, I request posting of gynecologist and pediatrician there.

Pu Speaker, Saiha is lacking safe drinking water, I request the Minister to keep in mind and list supply of drinking water at Saiha as priority. Lastly, since I

am the lone opposition member from the South, I request the hon'ble members not to treat me as an opposition member, but as the only son. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Pu T.T. Zothansanga.

Pu T.T. ZOTHANSANGA : Pu Speaker, thank you. First of all, I thank Champhai North Constituency people for all their efforts for me to represent them in this august House. I hope we will be able to function gracefully in this coming five years.

Pu Speaker, before discussing the main subject, there is an important issue I would like to point out. The hon'ble members before me mentioned that he will put every effort inside and outside the Assembly House, inside the House, it will be like, "Wolf in lamb's clothing" as his statement highlighted in Zozam Times. Pu Speaker, I would like to ask the member who he refers to as wolf. It is an ethical if he is reluctant to apologize in the House, the matter should be taken up in Ethics Committee. Pu Speaker, I would also request hon'ble Group Leader to clarify the speech that was made yesterday at Exodus Day that "we may go back to underground if circumstance compels".

Pu Speaker, in para 14 of the Governor's speech, the Governor mentioned that his government will continue to take strong and hold initiatives to usher in clean, efficient and responsive administration. Pu Speaker, being a Christian State, it is pleasant to know that the government is taking bold initiatives to eradicate corruption, the governments courage is commendable.

Regarding Para 13, Disaster Management, Our State is a disaster prone area and it is appreciative of the various initiatives taken by the government. In Champhai, we have sinking area and it is comforting to hear the Governor's speech.

I am grateful for all various steps taken by the government in education. In Champhai, a building is constructed with an estimate of ₹9.51 crores and is nearing completion. I thank the government for all the ongoing projects and future proposal to be taken.

It is fortunate that the government is giving priority to power connectivity. The people of Champhai rate the government by its performance in power supply connectivity. It is pleasing to know that huge funds are allocated for connectivity in various parts of the State.

In, Sports & Youth, we need infrastructure and I thank the government for laying Astro-turf at Chhangphut field of Lunglei and Zotlang. Pu Speaker, this government is a magnificent government as it is worth giving praise for the various steps.

Lastly, it is commendable for its distribution of tractors and power tillers. Today, I thank the Governor for delivering this speech and I give my support to this Motion of thanks. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Pu Lalruatkima.

Pu LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, thank you. Today I give praise to God for giving me time to make a maiden speech in this august House. I also thank party leaders and the people of Aizawl West-II. My constituency is creating Mizoram record for having eight MLA's out of which 7 are from the ruling party and I am the lone opposition member. I expect huge development will take place in my constituency.

I would further like to thank the Churches, NGO's and MPF for the clean and fair election. However, I would request that enquiry should be made to investigate if it true whether a political party was working with insurgent group during the election. Pu Speaker, it was unfortunate that the government employees from outside the State and Police IR Battalion and election duty personnel were unable to cast their vote. I wish that it should never happen again. Also, I opine the gap between casting of vote took very long. Pu Speaker, it was unfortunate that re-polling was necessary in Aizawl South-I and Lawngtlai East Constituency and closing of voting before time at Bunglemun, Hachhek, Ugudarsuri and South Tuichawng. Pu Speaker, there was kidnapping case during election as well in which two local youths and one AIR Company employee being kidnapped. Hence, I am wondering if we had free and fair election.

NLUP is the flagship programme of the government. Just before the election, NLUP special package was distributed. I was apprehensive as it could affect the salary of the government servants. For the past 5 years, NLUP was utilized to favor party workers. I, therefore request that this should not be repeated. The government should take careful measures in dealing with selection of the beneficiaries.

It is commendable that we are moving forward in sports. It would be more ideal if the budget allocation for sports could be raised higher. Pu Speaker, in my opinion, Olympic Vision 2016, is not applicable as the duration is quite limited. It is unfortunate that youth activities are neglected while priority is given in sports.

Pu Speaker, we are lacking in connectivity. In Annual Plan, it is said that we are to receive ₹200 crores under State Road Project, but we didn't, may be due to inefficiency. Thus, the government should give its priority during working season and priority should also be given to Aizawl City.

The Governor yesterday highlighted that steps will be taken to have clean, efficient, responsive administration. As such, the constitution of Lok Ayukta should be given priority and AMC should be empowered; we should not be apprehensive in power decentralization.

Pu Speaker, I appeal to the government to fulfill the peace accord memorandum of settlement that has not been fulfilled, and also to control the fluctuating rate of essential commodities.

Lastly, we are looking forward to this government with high expectation as we are ready to guide and give constructive criticism whenever required. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Pu Lalrinawma.

Er. LALRINAWMA : Pu Speaker, thank you. First of all, I give praise to the Lord, who gives me the privilege to sit here in this august house. I thank the people of my constituency for their confidence in electing me as their representative.

Yesterday, the Governor highlighted various topics in his speech. The Governor spoke of NLUP, the flagship programme which I opine fortunate. However, there are certain points which cross my mind.

It is highlighted that the growth rate of our GSDP as 11% during 11th Plan. But it is unfortunate that the rate of essential commodities that the people required everyday is increasing and not decreasing. Thus, I feel that the success of NLUP cannot be acquired equally.

It is commendable that jhuming cultivation had fallen to 50-60 %, but further steps needs to be taken. If self-sufficiency in livelihood is not acquired, we cannot do away with jhuming cultivation.

In my constituency, Chhingchhip, there is MIFCO department in which pineapple factory is established. Pu Speaker, I was wondering why this factory is not productive. I visited the factory and found that the machinery was not capable of producing large quality. I therefore, request the government to install machinery which can grind 40-50 quintals per hour. Pu Speaker, if such machinery is installed, the nearby constituency should benefit as well. I can provide a video CD so that the hon'ble members view for themselves.

Now, I would like to speak about market information system. Business items/materials rates can be controlled whereas there cannot be controlled rate of agriculture products. Therefore, if we cannot control various items of NLUP, we are bound to face problem. Therefore, I suggest that the Agriculture Department should constitute a systematic market information system. Pu Speaker, thank you for allotting me time to speak.

SPEAKER : Alright, we will now call opposition group leader Pu Vanlalzawma.

Pu VANLALZAWA : Pu Speaker, thanks you. Yesterday, the Governor spoke various topics in regard to the various projects and development of the government. It is a privilege that today we are able to have discussion on the Governor's speech.

First of all, as we are opposition group, we are not here to oppose whatever steps the government takes. But, we are here to give constructive criticism and to guide the ruling party. There may come a time when there are certain issues which need to be discussed through phone or personally. So, I request the understanding of the ruling bench if such circumstances arrive. This is my personal opinion.

I will not be able to highlight all the points. The first topic I would like to speak about is NLUP. During the election campaign, when a joined platform was organized, I declared that if I was elected by the grace of God, NLUP will be

continued. It is fortunate that it will be continued. But what I would like to point out is that we should be careful in selecting the beneficiaries. I have told MNF part workers since it is government programme, only the rightful beneficiaries will be selected so that proper steps should be taken.

My next point, Sports; with the initiatives of Sports Minister, various developmental projects have been taken. However, from the information I received, there isn't enough fund for the Catch Them Young and the Olympic Vision 2016 projects. What I would like to highlight is even if it is huge projects, there will not be any benefit if there is no fund.

In regard to self-sufficient in energy, I would like to know if there is any proposal to initiate the project of Natural gas power generation as in the neighboring state, Tripura. Pu Speaker, Gulf countries also practice natural gas power generation. So, I suggest if we could turn to this system for self-sufficiency in power.

It was pleasant to hear the Governor highlighting connectivity which will continue to develop all type of road in Mizoram.

Pu Speaker, though Healthcare Scheme is not highlighted in Governor's speech, I would like to request the authorities to continue it more systematically as it is a scheme which is benefitted by non-government employees also. Another point I would like to suggest is that the government should take appropriate steps to meet the demands of essential commodities.

Like I have mentioned earlier, we should continue to work together even outside the House as circumstance required. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Let us know call the House Leader, Pu Lal Thanhawla.

Pu LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Speaker, I, at the outset welcome all our first timer MLA's in this august House. I wish you all to be a responsible member.

It was remarkable that the Governor highlights various developments of the government and it was pleasant to hear the healthy reaction of the members.

It is comforting to listen to the speech of an experienced opposition group leader. It is true that the government needs the guidance as to give constructive criticism. Therefore, from his speech, I expect to have healthy working environment in developing our State. The Deputy leader himself is also an experienced member who was held an important portfolio before. Therefore, I want to highlight that I have high expectation from both of them.

It is pleasant to know that everyone is interested in NLUP as everyone is talking about NLUP during the election. It is true to a certain extent that only party workers are beneficiaries. Pu Speaker, NLUP is distributed even outside the ruling party who are truly deserved, but it is fortunate that such beneficiaries joined congress party after being selected as beneficiaries. Pu Speaker, NLUP is of a special package fund from the central, it cannot be diverted to government employee's salary. NLUP is, in fact, benefitted by various departments.

Pu Speaker, if there are Government servants who speak in this way, action will be taken and I want to highlight this in the House.

Under Special Plan Assistance, Pu Speaker, an amount of ₹200 crores is earmarked for road project but unfortunately due to the financial and economic crisis in India, we are unable to avail this opportunity so does our neighboring states Arunachal and Nagaland. The former ministry appealed to the Central Government to hand over construction of roads to the state government from the BRTF and the transition process takes time. Even after giving a tender notice, the state government cannot fully exercise its authority which makes it very complicated and we are trying our best to clear this matter. Repairing of Aizawl West road is in progress as we are pressing on to central to release the 2nd Installment and in the meantime proposal for resurfacing other areas in Mizoram is submitted and have been approved. Thenzawl - Buarpui road will also be renovated when we receive funds from ADB.

Initiatives are also taken to renovate Hospital in different Districts as we have also received an amount of ₹16 crores for the renovation of Saiha District Hospital. To compensate the victims of landslide in Ramhlun Venglai and of Laipuitlang, we made an appeal to the central for an amount of ₹21 crores out of which ₹5.55 crores has already been received as first installment. Our experts have taken measures in various places to prevent ourselves from any disasters by conducting awareness and mock drills in different districts.

Pu Speaker, it may be noted that the Olympic Vision 2016 concentrates only on a particular discipline as we are planning to promote our youths to excel in that particular discipline. Policy such as the Catch Them Young is greatly appreciated by concerned, yet, it is regretted as we cannot accommodate all the applicants as of now. We have also taken initiatives in skill development by giving training in different skills in polytechnic as 10 persons are being sent to undergo training under the Maruti Company in Noida, near Delhi. We have further requested concerned authority to conduct recruitment of Armed Forces and Para-military Forces in different districts in Mizoram as we encourages our youths to join the Army where as many have joined the British, French and Asian Army. We have also requested the North Eastern Council to establish Scheme Development Centre in Mizoram and to that respect, we took initiative to acquire ₹700 crores to promote our educational system into a standard and quality education. Plans have been made to establish Sainik School at Chhingchhip as some local residents contributed a vast area for the site. Steps have also been taken regarding the ongoing healthcare scheme as we are going to obtain fund provision for financial assistance to BPL family from the Labour & Employment Ministry, thanks to the efficiency of the hon'ble concerned minister.

It is satisfying to know that we can have clean and fair election and we do not face problems in maintaining Law and Order. But it is regretted to learn that some rebels kidnapped our fellow mizos and non-mizo on which ransom is demanded. The hon'ble Home Minister, our Chief Secretary and other experts are working on strategy to rescue them and we the Mizo people should also unite against such rebels particularly those who destabilize our unity and peace in our state.

Regarding Bairabi Hydel project, steps have been taken to generate 75 megawatts and during our previous ministry, we have planned a project of Tuirial to generate 70 megawatts to be taken up by the Japan Government. At that time of surveying, there were 48 families who are eligible to claim compensation; but as the ministry changes, the number were increasing which compels the assigned authority to stay with the project. But as soon as we hold the ministry, we again made an approach to the Commission with the project of generating 60 megawatts. As a result, the Central Government issued a viability gap funding amounting to ₹1,750 crore with the project to be completed within 5 years and sanction for first Installment has also been released. Step has also been taken to explore natural gas and petroleum in various areas such as Bairabi, Saitual and Keifang as pressure is given to the assigned companies to expedite the process.

At the same time, Pu Speaker, we also hope to obtain 22 megawatts from Tripura as soon as the technical problem is resolved. Hopefully, we will become more sufficient in power supply when Tuirial Hydel Project is completed.

We are also promoting our border trade with Burma by establishing a non-custom station and we have proposed to construct a Dam at Lungreng River as the Burmese Ambassador have inspected the area as some portions on Burma side are found to be in a submerge area. Apart from this, I have also mentioned about border trade relation with Bangladesh as their Prime Minister Mrs. Sheik Hassina in a Press Conference pointed out that Bangladesh will extend its border trade with India in Mizoram zone. We hope to finish construction of rail track by 2015 which will be extended up to Lawngtlai in the South. It may be important to keep in mind that promoting our border trade will at the same time pave a way for us to preach the gospel in the neighboring foreign countries.

Pu Speaker, we sometimes proudly mention the Mizo tribe being chosen specially but we have to determine if our nature and status reflected that special identity of a chosen tribe who remains far-flung from self-sufficiency. Yet, our leaders are trying their best to develop Mizoram into a self-sufficient state in our economy which will obviously have an impact on our mission of preaching the gospel to non-believers.

Pu Speaker, I thank my fellow members for actively participating in the discussion on Motion of Thanks to the Governor's Address. My best wishes to all the people inside and outside Mizoram a prosperous Christmas and New Year. Thank You.

SPEAKER : I will now call upon Pu Chalrosanga Ralte to beg leave of the House to pass his Motion.

Pu CHALROSANGA RALTE : Pu Speaker, I thank the hon'ble House Leader for giving me this opportunity as I appeal to this House to pass this Motion of Thanks.

SPEAKER : The hon'ble member has begged leave of the House to pass the Motion of Thanks on the Governor's address. Those in favor may say 'Aye' and those who oppose may say 'No.' The Motion is voted and passed.

We now have come to the end of our session. I wish all of you the best for this coming Christmas and New Year.

The House is adjourned *Sine die*.