

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

LIST OF BUSINESS

FOR FIFTH SITTING ON MONDAY, THE 23rd MARCH, 2015
(Time 10:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. and 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.)

QUESTIONS

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

LAYING OF PAPERS

2. **PU LALSAWTA**, Minister to lay on the Table of the House a copy each of the following:
 - i) Finance Accounts, 2013-2014, Volume-I relating to Government of Mizoram.
 - ii) Finance Accounts 2013-2014 Volume-II relating to Government of Mizoram.
 - iii) Appropriation Accounts 2013-2014 relating to Government of Mizoram.
 - iv) Report of the Director of Local Fund Audit on the Accounts of Local Bodies. (Village Council within Aizawl District, Kolasib and Local Council under AMC) for the accounting year ending 31st March, 2014.
 - v) Mizoram New Defined Contributory Pension (First Amendment) Scheme, 2015.

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

3. **PU LALRUATKIMA** to present to the House the following

Reports of Public Accounts Committee :

- i) Second Report on the Report of CAG of India for the year 2009-2010 relating to Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department.
- ii) Third Report on the Report of CAG of India for the year 2009-2010 relating to Industries Department (Geology & Mining Wing).
- iii) Fourth Report on the Report of CAG of India for the year 2009-2010 relating to Public Works Department.

FINANCIAL BUSINESS

4. DISCUSSION & VOTING ON SUPPLEMENTARY DEMANDS FOR 2014-2015, VOTE ON ACCOUNT AND ADDITIONAL GRANTS FOR REGULARIZATION OF THE EXCESS EXPENDITURE DURING 2010-2011 & 2011-2012.

- i) Discussion and Voting on Supplementary Demand for Grants for the year 2014-2015.
- ii) Discussion and Voting on Vote on Account (April-July, 2015).
- iii) Discussion and Voting on Additional Grants for Regularization of the Excess Expenditure during 2010-2011 & 2011-2012.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Bills for introduction, consideration and passing

5. **PU LALSAWTA**, Minister to beg leave of the House to introduce “The Mizoram Appropriation (No.-1) Bill, 2015”.

ALSO
to introduce the Bill
to move that the Bill be taken into consideration
AND
to move that the Bill be passed.

6. **PU LALSAWTA**, Minister to beg leave of the House to introduce “The Mizoram Appropriation (No.-2) Bill, 2015”.

ALSO
to introduce the Bill
to move that the Bill be taken into consideration
AND
to move that the Bill be passed.

7. **PU LALSAWTA**, Minister to beg leave of the House to introduce “The Mizoram Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill, 2015”.

ALSO
to introduce the Bill
to move that the Bill be taken into consideration
AND
to move that the Bill be passed.

NGURTHANZUALA
Secretary

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DEPUTY SPEAKER : A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold.

Proverbs 22:1

We shall begin with Question Hour. Let us call upon Pu Lalruatkima to ask Starred Question No. 41.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. My Starred Question No. 41 to be answered by the hon'ble Minister of Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department is :

- a) How many families are having Ration Card under APL/BPL/AAY? How many are included in such Ration Cards?
- b) How many rice was purchased from FCI during 2013-2014?
- c) What is the amount of purchase of rice during 2013-2014 for APL/BPL/AAY/OMSS?
- d) At what rate?
- e) How much is required within a year?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Pu John Rotluangliana, the Hon. Minister concerned to give the answer.

PU JOHN ROTLUANGLIANA, MINISTER : Pu Deputy Speaker, the answers are as follows:

- a) Number of families having Ration Card:

APL	:	211784	(As on 5.3.2015)
BPL	:	41900	
AAY	:	26100	

Number of names in ration Card:

APL	:	1276657	
BPL	:	199143	
AAY	:	115733	
- b) 1636373.25 Qtls.
- c) Amount of rice purchased Rate

APL	:	340920 Qtls.	₹8.30 per Kg
BPL	:	176400 Qtls.	₹5.65 per Kg
AAY	:	109200 Qtls.	₹3.00 per Kg
OMSS	:	386059.56 Qtls.	₹19.87 per Kg
- d) As per Ration Card, 1586520.00 qtls of rice is required for distribution which means the requirement per month is 1,32,210 qtls. i.e. 2 kgs per week for adult.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Supplementary Question from Pu Lalruatkima.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. Our House Leader pointed out in the previous session proposal to reduce the cost price of rice. Meanwhile, it has been

increased with effect from the 1st January. Is there any plan to reduce the price especially of APL?

Besides, I was given an answer on the 14th November for my Starred Question No. 53 that 16,36,373.25 qtls of rice had been purchased during 2013-2014 which is the same as the Minister's answer. However, the amount required is now said to be 12,98,764.92 qtls. It means that 337608.33 qtls of rice is purchased in excess to our requirement during 2013-2014. What is the reason for such excess purchase of rice?

It is said that rice as being purchased from FCI at the rate of ₹29.80 per kg. However, as we have just heard of OMSS (D) rate i.e. ₹19.87 per kg. Does it mean that the rate of FCI is no longer applicable?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Er. Lalrinawma.

Er. LALRINAWMA : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. From the answer I have received regarding the number of names in ration card, it seems that we have a record of 4,50,000 which happened to be more than our total population of the latest census. Why the requirement is made in excess?

We also have supply excess position of more than one lakh from different DCSOs during March, 2014-October, 2015 where as ration quota had not been given in some localities of Aizawl. How was such supply excess position met?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The concerned Hon. Minister may answer it.

PU JOHN ROTLUANGLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, the amount of ration distribution was 15,86,520 but not 12 lakh as claimed.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, it was 12,98,764.92 according to the answer I have received for my Starred Question No. 53 (e) on the 14th November, 2014. May I have a clarification, please?

PU JOHN ROTLUANGLIANA, MINISTER : Pu Deputy Speaker, the reason is that the figure I have mentioned includes all the other distributions other than through Ration Card such as being issued through different Welfare Schemes, Annapurna, mid-day meal, etc.

Regarding the unmatched cost of rice from FCI, it is because we purchased at an economic cost of ₹29.81. We are now purchasing from local agencies at the rate of 25.75 per kg. At the same time, the cost of rice for BPL and AAY remain the same, it is not increased as claimed.

Regarding the question of the surplus purchase of rice asked by Er. Lalrinawma, the

reason is that we need to purchase it for the future in advance; we need to have some stocks for the coming month or even next year. That is why it appears to be of surplus purchase.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, I have never classified my question in different categories as to whether midday meal or Annapurna. What I want to know is the total requirement for Mizoram.

Er. LALRINAWMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, I was not answered on my question of excess position.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Hon. Minister may answer if he has anything to say.

PU JOHN ROTLUANGLIANA, MINISTER : Pu Deputy Speaker, regarding the excess position, actually it is not an excess. As I have already mentioned, we purchased the supply in advance for the coming months or year from time to time. There is no excess or surplus.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, how about the question regarding increase in the price of rice before the effective date?

PU JOHN ROTLUANGLIANA, MINISTER : Pu Deputy Speaker, we have never received any report regarding this. If such thing happens, necessary actions will be taken as per the law.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : We shall now take the next question. Pu R.L. Pianmawia may ask Starred Question No. 42.

PU R.L. PIANMAWIA : Pu Deputy Speaker, my question to the Hon. Minister of Health & Family Welfare is: –

- a) Is Darlawn PHC Building proposed to be reconstructed soon?
- b) May vehicle be allotted to the MO for the convenience of the public and concerned PHC?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Hon. Minister, Pu Lal Thanzara may answer the question.

PU LAL THANZARA, MINISTER : Pu Deputy Speaker, the answer is: –

- a) There is no such proposal at the moment. It will be reconstructed as soon as we could get funds from the coming 14th Finance Commission.
- b) It is not possible at the moment due to insufficiency of vehicle. Proposal for funds from IMR grants is under process. If this could be availed, not only from Darlawn but also MOs from different places will also be given.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Any supplementary Question? Pu R.L. Pianmawia.

PU R.L. PIANMAWIA : Pu Deputy Speaker, construction work of Darlawn PHC was particularly mentioned in the concept paper for availing funds from the central government. However, it is still left out while there are other PHCs which are reconstructed. I beg the hon'ble minister to take this into consideration.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : I think that is not exactly a question. So we shall move to the next question to be asked by Dr. K. Beichhua.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Pu Deputy Speaker, my questions to the hon'ble Power and Electricity Department Minister are: –

- a) Is there a proposal of the Power & Electricity Department to increase of electricity bill?
- b) If so, what percent from the prevailing Joint Electricity Regulatory Act is proposed to be raised?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Hon. Minister concerned, Pu Lal Thanhawla may answer the question.

PU LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, the answer to Dr. K. Beichhua's question is: –

- a) The Electricity tariff has been proposed to be revised as per the provision of Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission (JERC) for Manipur and Mizoram (Multi Year Tariff).
- b) The prevailing tariff is fixed by JERC for FY of 2014-2015. As per fixation of JERC, the increased percentage will be 2%.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Pu Deputy Speaker, the Engineer-in-Chief of Power & Electricity Department issued a notification inviting suggestion from the public which may be submitted till 10th February. Is there any suggestion received? Is this increase of 2% being made according to such suggestions?

Secondly, what is the present status of the ongoing work of Kolodyne 2 hydro Electric Power Plant?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Another Supplementary Question from Pu Lalruatkima.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, obviously it will soon become a burden for the people if it keeps increasing every year. What I wanted to add is that the Central YMA and PRISM criticized in the public meeting that the proposed tariff is too high. Why the government ignored voice of the public?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let us call upon the Hon. Chief Minister to give the answer.

PU LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Deputy Speaker, regarding Chhimtuipui of 460 Megawatts Power Plant at Kawlchaw, it has been a long time since the agreement was signed; there are so many time over run and post over run etc. There are also some clearances to be availed which may take for some times. Thus, the work could not be started as yet; it is our wish to expedite the plan.

In this connection, I would like to point out that our power tariff remains the lowest among North Eastern States; this is notable.

As of suggestions of the public, we did not receive any in writing. The JERC summoned a public hearing yet the final decision is at their discretion. Even if public hearing was held, the decision should be made by them.

As already mentioned, the Tariff Petition has to be filed every year as mentioned by the regulation and the Power & Electricity Department may make its recommendation. However, the JERC may take such recommendation into consideration and may also fix the rate. Even if there is no recommendation being made, a new rate of tariff may be fixed in suo-motto also. The overall increase in the new tariff will be 2.54%.

The aggregate Revenue requirement of Power & Electricity Department is ₹199.47 crore. The expected income from the new tariff will be ₹152.92 crore. It means that there will be a short fall of 46.55 crore. It may be noted that the tariff here in our state is still lower than those of our neighbouring states.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Starred Question No. 44, to be asked by Er. Lalrinawma.

Er. LALRINAWMA : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. My questions to the Hon. Home minister are as follows: –

- a) When will the construction work of Sainik School, Chhingchhip be completed?
- b) What is the present physical and financial achievement?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Hon. Home Minister may answer.

PU R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, the answers are as follows: –

- a) The construction work of Sainik School, Chhingchhip is scheduled to be completed by the 28th February, 2015.
- b) The present status of physical and financial achievement is as follows: –

Physical Achievement:

- | | | |
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| 1) Excavation, filling, etc. | - | 97.90% |
| 2) PCC, RCC, in Super Structure | - | 71.00% |
| 3) Random Rubble Masonry | - | 86.00% |
| 4) Reinforcement Steel | - | 80.00% |

5) Sand Filling	-	65.00%
6) General Land Development Works	-	86.40%
7) Retaining Wall (6m)	-	98.50%
8) Retaining Wall (9m)	-	91.10%
9) Culvert	-	95.00%
10) Road	-	81.60%
11) Road Edge Barrier	-	55.40%
12) Mobilisation Advance	-	-Nil-
Over All Physical Progress	-	82.62%

Financial Achievement:

1) Excavation, Filling, etc.	-	128.65 lakh
2) PCC, RCC, in Super Structure	-	541.93 lakh
3) Random Rubble Masonry	-	86.11 lakh
4) Reinforcement Steel	-	580.47 lakh
5) Sand Filling	-	54.89 lakh
6) General Land Development Works	-	268.73 lakh
7) Retaining Wall (6mm)	-	22.07 lakh
8) Retaining Wall (9m)	-	17.58 lakh
9) Culvert	-	39.36 lakh
10) Road	-	881.87 lakh
11) Road Edge Barrie	-	15.00 lakh
12) Mobilization Advance	-	130.00 lakh

Overall Financial Progress which has been spent from the estimate amount of 5000 lakh - 3923.65 lakh

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Is there any supplementary Question? Er. Lalrinawma.

Er. LALRINAWMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, my Supplementary Questions are: –

- i) Are all the funds availed from 13th Finance Commission?
- ii) As the roads are planned to be linked with the National Highways, when will it be completed?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : If there are no more questions, the Hon. Minister concerned may answer.

PU R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER : Pu Deputy Speaker, the funds we have spent here are from DoNER, NECPR and not from the 13th Finance Commission. We expected to avail any available funds from there also. Regarding the roads, the Hon. Chief Minister has also been enquired and we expect it is completed soon. If not, more pressures may be made.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let us give time to the House Leader.

PU LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Deputy Speaker, the Sainik

School approach road is not good. In order to improve it, it takes discussion with the authority of the National Highway. We have made an approach to their engineers also; I believe it is done now. In this connection, I would like to thank the people and Village Council of Chhingchip for their contribution of vast area of land and their valuable cooperation. It is our objective to build up the students so that we have more army personnel especially commissioned officers through this school. It is expected to play an important role in building up as much as good citizens for the nation. We are much eager to have this school very soon.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let us now call upon Dr. K. Beichhua to ask Starred Question No. 45.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Thank you Pu Deputy Speaker. My Question to the hon'ble PWD Minister is: –

- a) How many construction works of bridges are under construction of PWD at present?
- b) In which places?
- c) How much is the estimate amount?
- d) Who are the contractors?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let us now call upon the Hon. Chief Minister, Pu Lal Thanhawla to give the answer.

PU LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, the answer is: –

- a) Three bridges are under construction at present.
- b) i) R. Chhimtuipui at Darzokai
ii) R. Tlawng on Bairabi – Zamuang Road
iii) R. Tut
iv) R. Tlawng at NH-44-A
- c) i) R. Chhimtuipui at Darzokai with the amount ₹266.21 lakh (NLCPR-216.20 + 50 State Plan Fund)
ii) R. Tlawng which has the original estimate of ₹612.50 lakh and a revised amount of ₹1252.30 lakh/
iii) Estimate amount of R. Tut is ₹1313.80 lakh.
iv) Tlawng National Highway-44 with an estimate amount of ₹795.89 lakh.
- d) i) Chhimtuipui at Darzokai - S. Guha Nyogi & Associated, Kolkata
ii) R. Tlawng on Bairabi to Zamuang Road - M/S ABCI Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd. Silchar
iii) Tut - M/S Tantia Construction Pvt. Ltd.
iv) R. Tlawng at NH-44-A - M/S Tantia Construction Pvt. Ltd.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Supplementary Question from Dr. K. Beichhua.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Pu Deputy Speaker, the bridge over R. Tlawng has now been completed. Is this bridge meant for HMTVs? How much amount is spent for the

construction? Is the contractor the same? Is the bridge reliable enough?

Besides, a new DPR has been made for Tuipui D, when will the work started? When is it expected to be finished?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Er. Lalrinawma.

Er. LALRINAWMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, I have learned that the dimension of Tuipui D Bridge is to be 200 metre long and 3 metre wide. It seems tht this is a little inappropriate. I would like to ask if there is any other bridge like this in the world.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Chief Minister may now answer.

PU LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, I do not know if there is any other bridge like this. The bridge over Tlawng, according to the concerned Engineers is firm and durable enough by engineers. There is no fixed date for the completion of the work. However, they were instructed to finish it as soon as possible. There are also some problems in the soil formation which hinders the progress from time to time. That is why it often takes time longer than expected. HMTVs are also running on it now.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Regarding that point Pu Deputy Speaker, a barrier has been fixed at 11.5 feet high at the bridge. Many vehicles could not pass that barrier even if it is not that heavy which causes problem to MST buses as well as other public service buses. Can the Hon. Minister for PWD make an arrangement for that effect?

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Pu Deputy Speaker, my question on how much was spent for the reconstruction and if the contractor the same, have not been answered as yet. Besides, I would like to ask if anyone was arrested for the alleged stolen screws of the collapsed bridge.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Chief Minister.

PU LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Deputy Speaker, FIR was submitted but no one was arrested yet. Besides, the reason for the collapsed is that it has been run by overweighed vehicles. In order to check that problem, a barrier was made now in the new bridge. If it is necessary and possible, arrangements will be made later.

Besides, ₹47.90 lakh has been spent for the reconstruction of Bairabi Bridge and around ₹8.80 lakh for transportation.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Pu R. Romawia, Hon. Minister

PU R. ROMAWIA, MINISTER: As per the Act, there should be no branches or other barriers 10 metres above the ground over the road. On the other hand, vehicle law stated that the vehicles should not be more than 10 feet tall above the ground. Therefore, loads which are too

high are prohibited by the law.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, if so, all the MST Bus services are against the law. Will action be taken if it is against the MV Act?

PU LALTHANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, we need to be lenient at some points otherwise, it will be a problem.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Pu Lalthanliana may now ask starred question No. 46.

PU LALTHANLIANA : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker, Starred Question No. 46 to be answered by the Hon. Minister for School Education Department.

When will the conversion cost and cook's honorarium for midday meal of Primary School and Middle Schools be given?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Hon. Minister concerned, Pu H. Rohluna may answer.

PU H. ROHLUNA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, the answer is: – Conversion cost and cook's honorarium for mid day meal of Primary and Middle Schools were already given upto September, 2014. The remaining i.e. October, 2014 – March, 2015 is proposed to be given.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : If there is no Supplementary Question, we shall go to Starred Question No. 47 which will be asked by Hon. Member Pu Lalruatkima.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, Starred Question No. 47 to the Hon. Minister of Sports & Youth Services: –

- a) How much is kept for construction of the YMA Field, Electric Veng Branch, Hnahthial?
- b) How much has already been obtained and when?
- c) What is the physical achievement?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Pu Zodintluanga, the Hon. Minister.

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, the answer to Starred Question No. 47 is: –

- a) ₹243.00 lakh has been availed from NEC for construction work of Hnahthial Electric Veng Branch YMA Field.
- b) ₹97.20 lakh had already been sanctioned as first instalment on 28.1.2011 from NEC.
- c) As per instruction of NEC, the sanction is utilized for construction of Regional Training Centre, Saidan, Kolasib; so, there is no physical achievement for Branch YMA Field, Electric Veng, Hnahthial.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Supplementary question from Pu Lalruatkima.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, it is doubtful that NEC as being issued

the sanction without a work. Could the Hon. Minister issuee cancel order of the said work? Does it mean that the project is cancelled? Did the NEC give permission to divert the fund?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Hon. Minister may answer.

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, I think the member is not clear about my answer. NEC has cancelled construction of Electric Veng Branch YMA Field Hnahthial and gives permission to utilize 1st instalment of the sanction for construction of Regional Training Centre at Saidan, Kolasib. I can give the member a copy of that permission.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Hon. Member Dr. K. Beichhua to ask Starred Question No. 48.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Pu Deputy Speaker, Starred Question No. 48 to the Hon. Health Minister: –

- a) Did the Government continue funds provision to MSACS for HIV/AIDS programmes?
- b) How many people have been tested for HIV, Hepatitis-C and Hepatitis-B till date?
- c) As per the record, how many are death of AIDS and how many are under treatment for AIDS and HIV?
- e) What is the position of Mizoram in the country in regard to HIV/AIDS case?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Hon. Minister concerned, Pu Lalthanzara may answer the question.

PU LAL THANZARA, MINISTER: Answer to the question of Dr. K. Beichhua is: -

- a) Yes.
- b) 4,57,678 Nos. have been tested for HIV under MSACS. Hepatitis B and C are not covered by MSACS Programme.
- c) There are 9,894 positive cases.
- d) Nos. of deaths due to AIDS – 1,038; Nos. under treatment – 7,188
- e) Mizoram holds second position in HIV/AIDS with 0.67%.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Any Supplementary Question? Dr. K. Beichhua.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : My Supplementary questions are as follows: -

- 1) Is the wage of employees under MSACS paid on regular basis?
- 2) Is exchange of needle/syringe programme still continuing?
- 3) Is awareness programmes still continued?
- 4) It seems that MBBS or other health experts are eligible to hold the post of Director, MSACS. What is the reason for appointing a Gyneacologist for the said Director despite huge shortage in clinical sphere?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Hon. Minister may answer it.

PU LAL THANZARA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, MSACS has been making an effort for AIDS awareness campaign through NGOs. Regarding the post of Director, what the member has stated may be true, but it is our usual practice yet may be changed if necessary. Needle/syringe exchange programme is in continuing as per availability of funds.

Regarding wage of employees under MSACS, effort has been made for regular payment. However, due to irregularity of funds from Central Government, we might have irregularity from time to time.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Dr. Ngurdingliana.

Dr. NGURDINGLIANA : Pu Deputy Speaker, the Central Programme of 'Beti Bachao' has also been implemented in Mizoram. This is a special programme to save the girl-child from female infanticide; does it mean that we have such case in Mizoram? What are the findings of the department?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Dr. K. Beichhua.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Pu Deputy Speaker, it seems that we have some shortfalls in needle/syringe exchange programme as I have often seen drugs users even at daylight. If we do not check this problem effectively, it may entail huge problem. I beg the Hon. Minister to give more attentions to this issue.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Only one minute left; if you ask another question, there will be no time for answer.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, blood transfusion cost has been collected lately because there is no blood bag supply from central government. Do we receive blood bag at present? If so, will the collection of blood transfusion cost be continued?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : We have no more time. To make important announcement, the following members: – Pu S. Laldingliana, Pu K. Sangthuama, Pu P.C. Zoram Sangliana, Pu Chalrosanga Ralte and Pu Hmingdailova Khiangte are granted leave of absence from this House today.

Now, let us call upon the Hon. Finance Minister, Pu Lalsawta to lay the following papers:

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PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, with your permission and of this august House, I hereby lay the following papers on the Table of The House: –

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PU LALRUATKIMA : Thank You, Pu Speaker. I am presenting this report as I am elected as the acting Chairman of the Committee on 19th March, 2015. Public Accounts Committee is the Committee which pursue the C&AG Reports. All the paras dealing with the wrongful expenditure or other misuse of funds appeared in the report remain alive till the committee dropped it. The members are: -

1. Pu Lalruatkima, Chairman
2. Pu R.L. Pianmawia
3. Pu Lalrobiaka
4. Pu S. Laldingliana
5. Pu Lalthanliana
6. Pu Chalrosanga Ralte

We are 8 members in the committee. I do hope that the department concerned will take more efforts to meet the recommendations highlighted in these Reports.

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DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let the copy be distributed. Let us now call upon Pu Lalsawta, hon'ble Finance Minister to move the Supplementary Demands for Grants, 2014-2015.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, with your permission and of this august House, I, hereby move then Supplementary Demands for Grants for the year 2014-2015 as follows: –

Demand No.	Department	Amount (₹ in lakh)
1	Assembly	7.00 lakh
2	Council of Ministers	6.66 lakh
3	Law & Judicial	1,404.60 lakh
4	Vigilance	6.00 lakh
5	Land Revenue & Reforms	445.13 lakh
6	Excise & Narcotic	307.92 lakh
7	Taxation	203.07 lakh
8	Finance Department	2,800.55 lakh
9	Secretariat Administration	297.34 lakh
10	ATI	8.97 lakh
11	Planning & Programe Implementation	239.09 lakh
12	GAD	1,523.82 lakh
13	Home Department	3,943.69 lakh
14	Food, Civil Supplies Department	11,940.42 lakh
15	Printing & Stationery	260.84 lakh
16	LAD	390.50 lakh
17	Education Department	9,802.64 lakh
18	Higher & Technical Department	10,483.54 lakh
19	Sports & Youth Services Department	1,270.01 lakh
20	Art & Culture Department	93.57 lakh

21	Medical & Public Health Services	11,556.13 lakh
22	Water Supply & Sanitation	6,974.26 lakh
23	Information & Public relations	76.20 lakh
24	District Councils	4,937.29 lakh
25	Labour & Employment	384.47 lakh
26	Social Welfare	2,581.03 lakh
27	Disaster Management & Rehabilitation	7.08 lakh
28	Agriculture	1,111.92 lakh
29	Horticulture	52.40 lakh
30	Soil & Water Conservation	23.55 lakh
31	AH & Vety	538.20 lakh
32	Fisheries	314.63 lakh
33	Environment & Forest	2,141.51 lakh
34	Co-Operation	120.04 lakh
35	Rural Development	6,076.89 lakh
36	Power	15,176.28 lakh
37	Industries	1,865.36 lakh
38	Sericulture	627.92 lakh
39	Transport	121.33 lakh
40	Tourism	87.58 lakh
41	Trade & Commerce	212.68 lakh
42	Public Works Department	7,102.79 lakh
43	Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation	5,366.52 lakh
44	Minor Irrigation	31.95 lakh
45	Information & Communication Technology	43.62 lakh
	GRAND TOTAL	₹1,13,020.99 lakh

Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Hon. Minister has now moved the Demands. We generally do not discuss Supplementary Demands; however, if anyone has something to ask for clarification, let us have the time for that. If not, I declared the Supplementary Demands for Grants for the year 2014-2015 amounting to ₹1,13,020.99 lakh is passed.

Let us call upon the Hon. Finance Minister to move the Vote on Account, April-June, 2015.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, I will again state this in detail and i beg this House to pass as follows: –

Demand No.	Purpose	Amount (₹ in lakh)
1	Legislative Assembly	740.13
2	Governor	4.42
3	Council of ministers	237.88
4	Law & Judicial	1,029.84
5	Vigilance	220.08
6	Land Revenue & Reforms	967.091
7	Excise & Narcotics Department	1,174.73
8	Taxation Department	533.57
9	Finance Department	29,558.04
10	Secretariat Administration Department	3,941.38
11	Parliamentary Affairs Department	21.64
12	Personnel & Administrative Reforms Department	90.07
13	Planning & Programme Implementation Deptt.	32,778.34
14	General Administrative Deptt.	2,492.41
15	Home Department	22,240.25
16	Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Deptt	8,800.46
17	Printing & Stationery	693.98
18	Local Administration Deptt.	3,020.37
19	School Education Deptt.	43,753.51
20	Higher & Technical Education Deptt.	10,333.13
21	Sports & Youth Services Deptt.	568.33
22	Art & Culture Deptt.	338.57
23	Medical & Public Health Services	19,197.48
24	Water Supply & Sanitation	7,482.78
25	Information & Public Relations	478.27
26	District Councils	9,649.29
27	Labour & Employment Deptt.	1,007.61
28	Social Welfare Deptt.	8,455.66
29	Disaster Management & Rehabilitation Deptt	560.59
30	Agriculture Deptt.	13,453.47
31	Horticulture Deptt.	5,850.21
32	Soil & Water Conservation Deptt.	719.32
33	Animal Husbandry Deptt.	2,364.58
34	Fisheries Deptt.	323.46
35	Environment & Forest Deptt.	5,362.54
36	Cooperation Deptt.	746.75
37	Rural Development Deptt.	24,031.44
38	Power Deptt.	12,826.37
39	Industries Deptt.	2,091.34

40	Sericulture Deptt.	674.34
41	Transport Deptt.	1,813.05
42	Tourism Deptt.	579.17
43	Trade & Commerce Deptt.	343.01
44	Public Works Deptt.	11,571.96
45	Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation	7,796.91
46	Minor Irrigation Deptt.	3,368.53
47	Information & Communication Technology Deptt.	952.14
	GRAND TOTAL	305,238.48

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Is there anyone who opposed this Vote on Account? If not, I declared the Vote on Account April-July, 2015 amounting to ₹305238.48 lakh is passed.

The Finance Minister may now move the “Additional Grants for Regularization of the Excess Expenditure during 2010-2011 & 2011-2012.”

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, there are 3 departments with excess expenditure of ₹469.38 lakh in total during 2010-2011 financial year. Also, during 2011-2012 financial year, another 3 departments are having expenditure beyond in excess to its budget such as: -

Financial Year	Deptment	Excess amount
2010-2011	Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Deptt.	₹336.4 lakh
-do-	Labour, Employment & Industrial Training Deptt.	₹31.99 lakh
-do-	Transport Department	₹100.99 lakh
	TOTAL	₹469.38 lakh
2011-2012	Home Department	₹15.18 lakh
-do-	Water Supply & Sanitation Department	₹16.67 lakh
-do-	District Council Affairs	₹27.50 lakh
	TOTAL	₹59.35 lakh

Thus, Pu Deputy Speaker, I beg this House to pass the regularization of the excess expenditure for two financial years amounting to ₹528.73.

Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : If anyone to say something? Er. Lalrinawma.

Er. LALRINAWMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, though I agreed to pass this regularization, I found this kind of excess expenditure to be unfortunate. Supplementary

Demands for Grants for the Departments had already been passed before. Having excess expenditure even after that is really unfortunate and I hope it is not repeated in the future. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : If our Finance Minister has anything to say?

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: That is exactly what I want to say, Pu Deputy Speaker. I urge all the departments to take utmost care to avoid this kind of excess expenditure in the future. I beg this House to pass this Grant.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Minister has moved the “Additional Grants for Regularization of the Excess Expenditure during 2010-2011 and 2011-2012.” We will now take a vote.

(The Bill is voted and passed by the House)

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : We shall now go to the Legislative Business. I call upon the Hon. Finance Minister to beg the House to introduce “The Mizoram Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 2015.”

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu deputy Speaker, I beg this House to allow me to introduce the “The Mizoram Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 2015.”

DEPUTY SPEAKER : If so, let the Minister introduce, move and beg to pass the Bill.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, I would first like to explain why the 2014-2015 Budget covers only for 4 months. This is mainly due to the change of Planning Commission with the National Institution for Transforming India (NITI) Aayog. The NITI Aayog has made some changes in sharing pattern of funds between centre and the states. Besides, it also stopped some grants which we used to receive from the Central Government. Therefore, due to this unavoidable circumstance, the Budget could only be made to cover for 4 months only as the regular budget could not be introduced at the moment. The change in sharing pattern also creates a huge problem as there is no detail scheme mentioned in the new pattern.

Pu Deputy Speaker, we have already explained the reason of the excess expenditure and the Hon. Member, Er. Lalrinawma has asked some questions. Thus, I beg this House to pass this Bill. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Now, we will take a vote.

(The Bill is voted and passed)

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Hon. Finance Minister may now beg to introduce “The Mizoram Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2015.”

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, with your permission and the recommendation of the Governor, I beg this House to allow me to introduce “The Mizoram Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2015” in this House.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : If we allow him, let the copy be distributed. The Hon. Finance Minister may now introduce, also move and beg to pass “The Mizoram Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2015.”

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, we are having Supplementary Demand for Grant of ₹2154.986 crore for the ongoing financial year till the month of March. I beg this House to pass this Demand for Grant. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : We shall now take votes on the bill.

(The Bill is voted and passed by the House.)

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Now let us call upon the Hon. Finance Minister to beg introduction of “The Mizoram Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill, 2015.”

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, with your permission and the recommendation of the Governor, I beg this House to allow me to introduce “The Mizoram Appropriation (Vote on Account) Bill, 2015” in this House.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Shall we allow introduce the Bill? If so, let us call him to introduce, to move and beg the House to pass the Bill.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, as already mentioned earlier, it is our aim to provide a regular budget as early as possible. After a number of days of preparation to do so, it is again unavoidable to have a Vote on Accounts today. As we all have known, our budget documents do not end here in Mizoram but also being sent to other states as well. Therefore, we

decided to have proper documents as prepared today.

We are now entering into this financial year of 2015-2016; we are not even clear how to spend our non-plan fund. This is mainly because of the change made by 14th Finance Commission. The Commission has scrubbed off the special category status; the sharing pattern between the central and state government may therefore be changed. We cannot prepare regular budget till this sharing pattern has been finalized. We need to know in which portion the state matching share should be met. Therefore, I beg the House to approve and pass this Vote on Account amounting to ₹3,27,722.61 lakh for a period of April-June.

What I wanted to add here is that, in order to become a developed state, the people have their responsibility as well; we need to strive together for our state. We have seen today in the newspapers about the Death of Lee Kuan Yew; it is really unfortunate to lose such a great man. He is the founding father of today's Singapore. At the time of its independence in 1965, Singapore was a very backward nation. However, Lee Kuan Yew urged the people to sacrifice and work for their nation. Under his initiative, Singapore is now transformed into one of the most developed nations in the world today. His efforts accompanied by self-sacrifice, hard work and honesty had won the price.

If we are aiming at making our state a developed and self-sufficient state as of Singapore, it is a must to go through struggles which will bring about freedom and prosperity. Thus, I appeal to all my fellow citizens to try our best for the state. I have interacted with some people regarding tax as some informed me that contribution of tax they have made as quite less. This indicates that some are willing to make a sacrifice for the betterment of our state. I would also like to urge the support of my fellow member to unite for our state. A time may come when the opposition today will form a ministry and a time may come when we are not in this House anymore. However, it is necessary for us all to stand united at our respective places.

With these words, I will end my speech. I beg this august House to pass this Vote on Account for the month of April-July, 2015 amounting to ₹3,27,722.61 lakh. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Before we take a vote, the name of the bill needs to be corrected as 'The Mizoram Appropriation No. 3 (Vote on Account) Bill.' Do we all agree? If so, we shall now take a vote.

(The Bill is voted and passed by the House.)

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The House will stand adjourned for now. The next sitting will be held on (Tuesday) the 24.3.2015 at 10:30 AM.

Sitting is adjourned. 12:38 p.m.