

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

LIST OF BUSINESS

FOR FIRST SITTING ON TUESDAY, THE 7th JULY, 2015
(Time 10:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. and 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.)

OBITUARY

1. **Pu LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER** to make obituary references on the demise of the following dignitaries:
 - 1) Brig. T. Sailo former Chief Minister of Mizoram.
 - 2) Pu Lalnghenga, former MLA of Mizoram.

PRESENTATION OF REPORT

2. **THE SPEAKER** to present to the House the Sixth Report of Business Advisory Committee.

PRESENTATION OF BUDGET

3. **Pu LALSAWTA, MINISTER** to present to the House :-

Vote on Account 2015-2016 (August-October, 2015) with allied papers.

NGURTHANZUALA
Secretary

SPEAKER : As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the lord is flawless. He is a shield for all who take refuge in him.

Psalm 18:30

Today, we are going to observe obituary in respect of the two former members of this House, Brig. T. Sailo, Ex-Chief Minister and Pu Lalnghenga, Ex-MLA. Let us now call upon Pu Lal Thanhawla, the House Leader to present to this House their biography.

PU LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Speaker, it is very unfortunate to observe obituary to the two former members of this august House. I will start with Brig. Thenphunga Sailo.

Brig. Thenphunga Sailo had passed on the 27.3.2015 at 11:55 AM due to heart problem. He was 93. He was the only son of the Chief of Thuampui, Pu Vanchheuva Sailo and Pi Hrangvungi. He was born on the 1st January, 1922 at Lunglei Melkhat. He was the direct heir of his father's chieftainship.

He married to Pi Thansiami, d/o P.S. Dahrawka in 17th September, 1946. They have six sons and a daughter and 10 grand-children. He finished his Primary in 1932 from Lunglawn Primary School and Middle School from Serkawn Baptist Mission School. He passed his Matriculation from Government High School, Shillong in 1940. He continued his study with Intermediate Science at Serampore College, Calcutta during which the World War II broke out. As many of the teachers joined the army, he also joined the King's Commission in 1942. As soon as he finished his training, he was in a troupe being sent to stop the Japanese forces in Burma. He joined the Chin Navy during which he was awarded Mention in Dispatch two times for his meritorious services.

He joined Assam Regiment in 1944 and was posted in Burma; he returned to India in 1947; he was the first Army Officer among the Mizos. He was promoted to Lt. Colonel in 1960, to Colonel in 1963 and again to Brigadier as the first among the Mizos in 1966. He was awarded AVSM (Ati Vishisht Seva Medal) for his outstanding service during the flood in Bihar and Orissa (Odisha) in 1971. He retired from the army with a good record in 31st December, 1973.

With his initiative, Human Rights Committee was formed in June, 1974. It is due to the function of this committee that the illegal behaviors which pervaded the Indian Army within Mizoram were notably decreases. Under his leadership, a new political party, People's Conference was formed in 17th April, 1975. He was arrested under MISA (Maintenance of Internal Security Act) and being imprisoned at

Nowgong Special Jail for 10 months due to his work for the people. He was elected as MLA in 1977 from Aizawl North Constituency from P.C. Party ticket. He was inducted as Chief Minister on the 3rd June, 1978. However, he had held this post only for half a year.

The PC Party again won the general election of 1979 and became the Chief Minister for the second time. He was elected five times as an MLA from various constituencies such as from Aizawl North Constituency in 1978 and 1979, from Buarpui Constituency in 1984, from Mamit Constituency in 1998 and from Aizawl West-II constituency in 2008. He was very much concern about development of Mizoram as production of food crops, proper water supply, production of electricity and proper air, road and railway communications etc. He was even awarded Padma Shree in 1999 by the Indian Government due to his outstanding performance.

In 27th December, 2014, he was brought to New Life Hospital due to heart disease and left the Hospital on 12th February, 2015 after some improvements. However, he was again hospitalized due to weaknesses. Despite receiving all kinds of available treatment, he passed away on the 27th March, 2015 at 11:45 AM.

As soon as his demised was publicized, the Government of Mizoram announced the day to be observed as a half holiday with 3 days mourns as the National flags were flown half mast; Black Boarded Obituary had even been notified in Mizoram Gazette.

As known to us all, Pu Speaker, Brig. Thenphunga Sailo was the first army officer among the Mizos and remains the only one for a long time; after a couple of years later, Brig. Vankunga joined him. After he retired from his service, he took serious concern about the pervading illegal conduct among the Indian Army personnel within Mizoram as he had witnessed misuse of Armed Forces Special Power Act. He took initiatives to give awareness to the people of their Rights. Due to his efforts, the problems faced by the Mizo were immensely decreased. He formed the People's Conference Party later on through which he strive tirelessly for peace in Mizoram. His party came to power in 1978 when I am also the Leader of Opposition in this House. However, due to problems within their party, Mizoram was put to President's Rule only after around six months. A fresh election was held in 1979 in which he again became the chief minister. I was also once again became the Leader of Opposition. Even though there are differences in ideas and principles, we worked side by side for this state for a long time. He was elected as a member of this house again after he was very old. We remembered the great farewell speech he delivered in this very house. I visited him once or twice while he was sick, I could see that his minds were set for the service of the state.

We shall remember all the works and services he rendered for the country and the service during his lifetime. Though his demise was a huge loss for Mizoram, it is a blessing for us to have a great man like him who worked tirelessly for our state. We remember his wives, children and all his relatives today. We pray that may the good Lord take care of his family. Thank you, Pu Speaker.

SPEAKER : May you please continue with Pu Nghenga.

PU LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Lalnghenga, Ex-MLA had passed away on 29th June 2015 3:30 PM due to diabetes at New Life Hospital at the age of 71 years. He was the youngest among six children of Upa Thangzika Tochwang and pi Darneihkhawli. He was born on 2nd January, 1944 at Saichal and was brought up at Ratu. He was married to Pi Lianhliri D/o Vansanga (L) in 1965 at Ratu Church. They have three sons and a daughter and 10 grandchildren. Pu Lalnghenga thrives on studies. He finished primary from Ratu. He passed Matriculation in first division from St. Pauls High School. He passed Pu (Science) from St. Anthony's College, Shillong. He joined MNF while he was studying BA at DM College, Imphal. He was a member of peace delegation with the Government of India numerous times.

He was arrested in October 1972. After a long year imprisonment outside Mizoram, he was transferred to Tuirial Special Jail. He was granted bail in 1978. He passed BA from Aizawl College in 1980 and passed MA (English) from NEHU Mizoram Campus in 1982. He first worked at Sawleng High School and joined Pachhunga University College as a guest lecturer in 1991. He was later worked at Aizawl West College from which he retired as a Senior lecturer.

He was failed to be elected from North Vanlaiphai Constituency in 1979 election. However he was elected in 1982 by-election from the same constituency.

He was also elected to Village Council at MNF ticket. After he served as VCP, he was again elected at Local Council Election of Aizawl Municipal Council at ZNP ticket. He tried his best for the society and his locality and also an active church leader at Zonum Presbyterian Church.

Pu Lalnghenga used to be a healthy person, but it was discovered that he had a diabetes. In August 2013, he complained a hurt in his rib. He was admitted to hospital in January 2014 and was operated on 8th February, 2014 after which he was often admitted to hospital due to his disease. He was again admitted in early June to New Life Hospital in which he passed away on 29th June at 3:30 PM.

Besides we are both a member of this august house, I knew him personally as he was a delegate for peace in Mizoram. We also met each other in his effort for their college while he served in a college. He is a respectful and truthful person. It is really unfortunate that he passed away. His demise is a huge loss not only for this house but also for the state. We pray that God may be with his family and all his relatives. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Let us now give time to the Opposition Group Leader Pu Zawma.

PU VANLALZAWMA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. First I would like to express my condolence to the demise of two great former members of this house on behalf of the opposition group.

As mentioned by our house Leader, Brig. Thenphunga is a great man in Mizoram politics. Even after he is not a Chief Minister, He spent his time tirelessly for Mizoram. He is elected as a member of this House even after he attains 86 years and serves till he is 91 years all. It is a question if anyone like him would come again.

During his time as a Chief Minister, I was staying in Shillong. I used to ask the ex-servicemen what they knew about Brig. Thenphunga. It seems that everyone who had served under him admire him. Even after he enters politics, his party's Six Basic Needs is still relevant till today. While I was staying in Delhi as an MP, he once called me and abruptly asked me to make an appointment with the then Prime Minister Vajpayee. What amazed me was how he approached the Prime Minister as a very close friend. I had witnessed at that time that he discussed various matters about Mizoram and his efforts for his state.

I once asked him why he proposed for the returning of the grouped villages to their former place. However we were interrupted before he gave me an answer. I still wonder what his answer will be. He is a great leader with a high leadership quality. His demise is a huge loss for our state. Meanwhile, it is fortunate that God had given us a great leader like him.

Regarding Pu Nghenga, I do not know much about him. He used to study English(Hons) at DM College together with our party President Pu Zoramthanga. Pu Zoramthanga said that he and Pu Nghenga were sent to shilling to start the peace talk. Besides, while he was in prison, he teaches the other inmates from which five of them passed matriculation because of him. We worked together in college. We often make him draft letters for us for he has a great language skill. As such, I express my heartfelt condolences for our two leaders. Thank you, Pu Speaker.

SPEAKER : We will extend our time as one of the obituary reference today is the former House Leader of this House.

Lt. Col. Z.S. ZUALA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. I had once served under Brig. Thenphunga Sailo; 4th Bn. Assam Regiment was established on 1960. After a short training, they were sent to counter the Chinese aggression. As the transportation is difficult, Brig. Thenphunga Sailo offered himself and his battalion to go by foot. He let the other battalion to go by plane. His sacrifice for others is really great.

I was also happened to be under his command at Assam Regiment Centre for a short time. I witnessed that he is very sincere and have a good leadership. He never used government vehicles for his private purposes. I think that this shows his fairness. Retired army personnel used to join his party; this is due to his great influence on others. He is one of the greatest leaders among the Mizos. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Pu Thanliana.

PU LALTHANLIANA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. I am really thankful that I could speak at the time of the obituary reference of Brig. Thenphunga Sailo.

We have already heart many things about him. I would like to add something of the leader's words and also from the statement of others also.

One example that shows that he has a real love for his state is that he sacrificed the rank of General for the Mizos. He was expected to be promoted to General before he retired. However, due to his work for the Mizos who suffered from the army, he needs to confront the Indian government sometimes. It was said that because of this, he was not promoted to General. It is due to the love of his people that he did not achieve the great status as a General.

I would like to point out the very words written by him about himself. Writing about his days as a Chief Minister, he wrote, "I am really proud that I could lay the foundation of two important steps of development – electric power and transportation. What makes me happy was that I could work for Mizoram. I really worked hard, I really do. I worked for 18 or 19 hours a day, all the time other than those I spent on sleep and eating."

In his Annual Confidential Report, Gen. Bhagvat written that "A very honest and frank personnel; have no fear to express his opinion; accomplished any work assigned to him; friendly and truthful; ready to suffer for the sake of truth; tough body built and an industrious man; expecting his subordinates the same; reliable to express

the truth at all times.”

He was awarded Padma Shree by President of India K.R. Narayan on the 23rd March, 1999. It was also written, “He worked very hard for the cause of the Mizos; he had worked very hard for the economic independence of Mizoram by laying the foundation of Hydel power plants, construction of roads, airways and railways as well as river transport.” His works highlighted here are really praiseworthy.

Ghani Khan Chowdhuri, the then Central Power minister had said in his speech at Bairabi on the 7th January, 1982, “I have found a single Chief Minister who is really sincere for the power production for his state. If only our Chief Ministers of other states are like him, it will surely change India.” He was awarded the least corrupt politician among Mizos by Mizo Zirlai Pawl in 2001. He was also awarded as the most admired and fruitful among the Mizos by Vanglaini Newspaper in 2011. As we have heard, he remains in this House till the age of 91. He may be one of the oldest legislators in the world.

I really admired him and thankful to have such a great leader. He is endowed with many talents. Many people, not only his allies but also the opposition also admired him during his time. This shows how great he really was.

We, the MPC party are really proud of him as a founder President of the Mizoram Peoples’ Conference Party. It is a huge loss for the party as well as Mizoram as a state. He will be well remembered. Especially for me, it is with his blessing that I could sit in this House. I do hope that his legacy will be carried on among the Mizos for generations to come. May the good Lord be with all his relatives and his family has been our prayer. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Pu P.C. Zoram Sangliana.

PU P.C. ZORAM SANGLIANA: Pu Speaker, I would like to take a short time in this obituary reference of our two great leaders. First about Brig. T. Sailo, what I would like to point out is that he was a great advocate of healthy social life. During his time, there are many commercial sex workers in Aizawl. Under his leadership, in cooperation with NGOs and the church, an initiative was taken to stop such kind of social evil prevailed in the society. They were rehabilitated and the practice was effectively checked.

Regarding Pu Nghenga, as stated earlier, we really appreciated his fluency in English as a student at his time. We often engaged him in drafting memorandum and official letters. We really admired his talent even though we are too young to know all

his services and during his early days. I regarded these two leaders as the bright stars of the Mizos. I wish their families the everlasting presence of God and I do hope that we shall meet them again in heaven.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Thank you, Pu speaker. I am happy that I could have this time today to express my condolence to our two leaders – Pu Thena ang Pu Nghenga.

As stated earlier, Brig. Thenphunga was gifted in his studies. In his matriculation examination, he could secure letter marks in Mathematics, Additional Mathematics and Statistics, which were regarded very difficult among the Mizos at that time. Even after he joined the army, he could reach the rank of Brigadier. We have had only two Brigadiers among the Mizos till today. He has a great vision in politics. He is also an expert in planning. We have so many thing to learn from him. He also seems to be the first politician among Mizos to receive Padma Shree.

Brig. T. Sailo never wants to disturb others. He has a very caring attitude for others. He even said during his last days that he do not want to disturb the public even after his death. He has a huge respect for others even though he is a great leader. We are really blessed to have such a great leader like him. Many leaders and personalities sent their condolences on his demise from throughout India. He is one of the brightest stars in Mizo society.

Even though he expired today, his legacy of vision and planning for Mizoram will remains and passed on to generations to come. He will always live in the heart of the Mizos.

Also we have heart about Pu Lalnghenga. He studied in private and finished BA with a high standard. He is very fluent in English. When I was among the leaders of Students' Organization, we used to engage him to draft memorandums for us. He is an expert in literature and very fluent in language. He is also an admirer of education and a great leader. He is among the pioneer of Aizawl North College and retired from Aizawl West College as a senior lecturer. Pu speaker, we lost two of our great leaders. I hope that their works would be remembered. I also wish that the Good Lord be with their families. Thank you.

SPEAKER : There will be many things to say about the obituary referenced today. What I remembered about Brig. T. Sailo was that his time as a Chief Minister was during the insurgency. At that time, he coined a slogan, "Forgive and forget". He wanted the people to forget the past and start over again. Now let us all stand up and remain silent for one minute in remembrance of our

former members. (All the members stand up and remain silent for one minute.) Please be seated.

Before we go to another business, Pu H. Zothangliana, pu K. Sangthuama and Pu Lalrinliana Sailo were granted leave from the House as they applied.

Besides, the BAC has had a meeting at 23.6.2015 which accepted the programme of this session. Let the programme sheet be distributed.

Even though it is not included in the business for today, Pu R. Lalzirliana, Hon'ble Home Minister would like to talk about the recent incident of kidnapping. He was allowed to do so according to Rule No. 60. Let us give time to him.

PU R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Speaker. It is really unfortunate that an incident of kidnapping had taken place at Babutlang on 4th July, 2015 at around 7:30PM. MD Akash Uddin who is 30 years of age, s/o MD Abdul Maniq, Bagha Bazar, Bagharpur, Karimganj District, who was kidnapped. He rent the House of Pu Lalchhunga at Zarkawt. He was abducted from near his house at Babutlang by a Wagon R car. The brother of the victim MD Haider Ali filed an FIR at Aizawl Police Station and necessary investigations were done immediately. It was found from a private CCTV nearby that the kidnappers were four persons and the registration number on the plate was MZ 01 G 3456 which was found to be a fake number.

On 5.7.2015, there was a report from Lengpui that person who are accused to be the kidnappers were found. The police arrived immediately from Sairang. They captured the victim and the two kidnappers. The kidnappers are Thomson Lalbuatsaiha, Self Style Captain, Age 29 s/o C. Lalngaihawma, Venghnuai Aizawl and Nicky C. Zohmingliana, Age 29, Self Style Sergeant, Venghnuai Aizawl. Mobile phones, handcuff, WT set, Identity Card and some other things were seized from their hands. It was revealed that they were from Mizo Youth Service Corps who were registered as an NGO. Their Director is C. Dothanga, IPS retired.

The arrested were brought to Aizawl Police Station and necessary proceedings were done immediately. The other kidnapper, Lallianmawia, Aged 32 s/o P.T. Kaia, Venghnuai, Aizawl was also arrested from his home on 5.7.2015. The Police were also searching for another person known to be Robert Lalmuanpuia, s/o K. Rozama. He was recruited as Police Constable in 2007 and leaves the service by way of invalid pension in 2013.

The three arrested persons were brought before the court on 6.7.2015. The

Court allowed remand for 27 hours to the Police. They were still under the Police custody to know more about the case. Thank you, Pu Speaker.

SPEAKER : We shall now call upon Hon. Finance Minister to present Vote on Account, Budget 2015-2016 on the recommendation of the Governor.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, with your permission and on the recommendation of the Governor, I hereby present in this august House the second Vote on Account during the year 2015-2016, to meet the need of Government of Mizoram during August, September and October.

Due to the same reasons which had been stated on the previous Vote of Account, it is impossible to present regular budget this time. All efforts will be made to present the regular budget as soon as possible. We have not yet received the system of distribution of funds regarding Centrally Sponsored Schemes from Central government because of which the Regular Budget could not be presented at the moment. The state amount of state share to meet on government schemes was raised to 42% from 32% by the Finance Commission. The Special Category enjoyed by North East states was also stopped. This creates problems for not only Mizoram but also all the of North East states. The North East States made a petition to the Central Government to carry on the special category status of North East States and we are expecting a favourable result.

Besides, it is still uncertain how much grant will be available from North Eastern Council (NEC) and Ministry of Development of the north Eastern Region (DoNER). Therefore, to present Vote on account again is the only option at the moment.

Thus, with your permission and on the recommendation of His Excellency the Governor, I hereby present the Vote on Account for the month of August-October, 2015, the amount of which is ₹18,23,81,44,000/- before this House. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Let the copy be distributed. A Legislative Forum on HIV & AIDS was to be held after this sitting at the Annex Hall, all members are invited for this function.

The House will stand adjourned for today. The next sitting will commence on 10:30 Am tomorrow.

Sitting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

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

LIST OF BUSINESS

FOR SECOND SITTING ON WEDNESDAY, THE 8th JULY, 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 the following :-
 - 1) Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India on State Finances for the year ended 31 March, 2014.
 - 2) Report of Comptroller and Auditor General of India on General, Social, Economic, Revenue and Economic (PSUs) Sectors for the year ended 31 March, 2014.
3. **Pu ZODINTLUANGA**, Minister to lay on the Table of the House the following :-
 - 1) The Mizoram Municipalities (Ward Committee and Local Council) (Second Amendment) Rules, 2015.
 - 2) The Mizoram Municipalities [Election of Councillors (Second Amendment)] Rules, 2014.
 - 3) The Mizoram Municipalities (Election to Local Councils) Rules, 2015.
 - 4) The Mizoram Grants-in-aid to Aizawl Municipal Council (Amendment) Rules, 2015.
4. **Pu LALRINMAWIA RALTE**, Minister to lay on the Table of the House "The Mizoram Factories Rules, 2014".

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

5. **Pu P.C. ZORAM SANGLIANA** to present to the House the First Report of committee on Petitions.

6. **Pu NIHAR KANTI** to present to the House the First Report of Committee on Public Undertakings relating to Zoram Industrial Development Corporation.
7. **Pu LALROBIAKA** to present to the House the Second Report of Subject Committee-III on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the First Report of Subject Committee-III relating to Public Health Engineering Department (Renewal and Augmentation of Greater Saiha Water Supply Scheme and Greater Lawngtlai Water Supply Scheme).

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

8. **Pu JOHN ROTLUANGLIANA**, Minister to beg leave of the House to introduce “The Mizoram Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) 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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SPEAKER : Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. Consequently, he who rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves.

Romans 13:1-2

We shall now continue our session. We will start with Question. I think that it will be better to take not more than three supplementary questions in each question so that we could take more questions. Let us now call upon Dr. K. Beichhua to ask the first question.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. Questions for Hon. Finance Minister are: -

- a) How much money was spent on Medical Reimbursement of government servants during the year 2014-2014?
- b) Was a committee formed to study about medical reimbursement?
- c) If it was formed, who were its members? Who was the Chairman?

SPEAKER : Hon. Finance Minister may answer.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER : Pu Speaker, answer to the questions raised by Hon. Member Dr. K. Beichhua are: -

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| Chairman | : | Chief Secretary |
| Member Secretary | : | Finance Commissioner |
| Other members | : | 1. Secretary, Law & Judicial Dept.
2. Secretary, Planning
3. Principal Director, H&ME
4. Chief Controller of Accounts
5. President, FMGE&W
6. Pu Lalhmingthanga Colney, IAS (Rtd.)
7. Pu Lalthansanga, Finance Secretary (Rtd.)
8. Dr. C. Lalthanpara, OSD, MHCS. |

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : It seems that the amount spent on medical reimbursement is very huge regarding the financial problems of our state. Are there any pending bills at the moment? Also are there any improvements after the formation of the study Committee?

SPEAKER : Pu Lalrinliana Sailo.

PU LALRINLIANA SAILO : Thank you, Pu Speaker. While I was a Health Minister, the amount we spent on referring patients used to be around 170 crores. In this regards, what I wanted to say is that we have sufficient and expert doctors here in Mizoram. Even in referred cases, around 99 % of the investigation done here was accepted even in outside Mizoram. Therefore, I would like to suggest them to keep this in mind amidst the formation of committee.

I think a fund of 25 millions USD was still available in finance. If we could avail better machines and health equipments from this kind of funds, it will surely save much of our expenditure in medical reimbursement. Could that be taken into consideration?

SPEAKER : Pu T. Sangkunga, this is the third one.

PU T. SANGKUNGA : Pu Speaker, we talked about medical reimbursement a lot. It is great that a committee was formed in this regard. May I ask about the terms of reference, the findings as well as the aims and objectives of the committee?

SPEAKER : Let us now call upon the Concerned Minister to give answers.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, regarding the question from Dr. K. Beichhua. There are many pending cases at the moment. However the exact amount is not collected from different department.

Pu Speaker, regarding the second question, I would like to request him to make further suggestions to the committee and help us at the central government also as far as possible.

Regarding the question of Pu T. Sangkunga, the term of reference is six months. There is no particular objectives mentioned, it is formed so as to bring about improvement as a whole. Regarding what has been mentioned by Pu Lalrinliana, there are of course proposal for that kind of initiatives. It is also one of the reasons why a committee is also formed. Our MP at Lok Sabha, Pu C.L. Ruala also help us survey how they practice in other places as well for which we are also very grateful.

PU LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER: For our kind information, Speaker sir, we regarded six years to be too long for the terms of references. I proposed it to be three years. I do not know if it was accepted or not as it is still processed. We all are aware that the expenditure on refer cases is too high. We

enquired how they practiced in other cases. The patients generally contributed in some amount in other states. Pu C.L. Ruala, our MP in Lok Sabha also helps us in doing so. I am not sure whether it is to be classified into categories such as A,B,C,D or else; I am not sure if that is included in the terms of reference.

It seems that there is less surveillance regarding our expenditure on medical reimbursement. The committee is also expected to suggest improvement in that regard also. I suggested three months for the term. I would like to inform this house of the facts. Thank you.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Pu Speaker, can personnel from Health Department be included in the Board member?

SPEAKER : you have asked beyond the number limit for supplementary question. Therefore, let us call upon Er. Lalrinawma to ask starred Question No. 2.

Er. LALRINAWMA : My starred Question No. 2 for Hon. Minister, PWD are: -

- a) When was the blacktopping work of Chhawrtui-Rullam Road expected to be completed?
- b) How much is the estimated amount?
- c) How much amount had been released to the contractor?
- d) How much is the physical and financial achievement?

SPEAKER : Let us call upon the House leader to give answers.

PU LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, the answers for Er. Lalrinawma's questions are:

- a) The first expected date of completion is 15.12.2014 but it is extended till 15.12.2015.
- b) ₹498.15 lakhs; this is the amount of contractor agreement.
- c) The amount that had been released to the contractor is ₹205.40 lakhs.
- d) Physical Achievement:-
 - 1) Hume Pipe culvert - 8 Nos.
 - 2) Retaining wall - 25 Rm.
 - 3) Lined Side Drain - 2950 Rm.
 - 4) Sub-grade –

Sub-base Course	-	18.50 Kms.
Base Course	-	12.00 Kms.

Wearing Course - 3.00 Kms.

The financial achievement is the same as (c) above i.e. ₹205.40 lakhs.

SPEAKER : Supplementary question from Pu Lalrinawma.

Er. LALRINAWMA : Pu Speaker, it takes a very long time to complete the work. It does not seem possible to finish within the expected date. Therefore, I would like to kindly request our House Leader to repair the more critical areas even temporarily for this coming monsoon.

SPEAKER : Let the Hon'ble House answer.

PU LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, we shall enquire about the matter.

SPEAKER : Question No. 3 from Pu Lalrinliana Sailo.

PU LALRINLIANA SAILO: Pu Speaker, my question to Planning & Programme Implementation Department is –

How much is the expenditure of Planning Department and Planning Board on travelling expenses to foreign countries from 2010 till date?

SPEAKER : Let the Minister concerned answer.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: The expenditure of Planning Department and Planning Board on travelling expenses to foreign countries from 2010 till date is ₹1,53,055. This is the expenditure on Pu P.L. Thanga, Member Secretary, State Planning Board to attend the “Ministerial Seminar on Forestry Industry among Developing Countries” during 1.11.2014 to 7.11.2014 at Hangzhou, Zhejiang Province, People’s Republic of China.

SPEAKER : Any Supplementary Question?

PU LALRUATKIMA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. Who are the members of State Planning Board at present? How many Secretaries are there? How much is the expense on the salary of Co-terminus Secretaries within a month?

SPEAKER : Your questions seem to be a little irrelevant to the original question.

PU LALRUATKIMA : I think that he could answer as it is the same

department.

SPEAKER : You could ask it anyways.

PU LALRUATKIMA : How many sittings of Mizoram State Planning Board were being held till date?

SPEAKER : Let the Minister answer if it is possible.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu speaker, I am sorry that I could not answer the questions at the moment as I am not prepared for it.

SPEAKER : It seems possible not be able to answer the questions. Let us call upon Miss Vanlalawmpuii Changthu to ask question No. 4.

PI VANLALAWMPUII CHAWNGTHU : Thank you, Pu Speaker. My questions to the Hon. Minister, Health & Family Welfare Department is: –

There is no Doctor at Khawlailung for a long time. Will it be possible to post a doctor soon?

SPEAKER : Let the Minister concerned answer it.

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

A3 (f) Doctor used to be posted at Khawlailung. However, the engagement period was over for now. We keep searching for another Doctor who would stay there. We are now proposing to post a Doctor there through National Health Mission.

SPEAKER : Any Supplementary Question?

PU LALRUATKIMA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. There is no not only a Doctor, but also any other staff at Marpara PHC. Will it be possible to post a staff there as it is a Malaria prone area?

SPEAKER : Pu Lalrinawma.

Er. LALRINAWMA : There is no Doctor at Ngentiang, which is also near Khawlailung. Will it be possible to post a Doctor there as well?

Secondly, as per the decision made by the RKS Governing Body, laboratory user charge was now collected at Civil Hospital. The amount is not that much.

Hitherto, every test were procured by nurses or staffs but now, the attendants need to pay themselves which means they need to procured the tests by own. This creates problem especially for those who came from outside Aizawl. Could this be revised for better service?

SPEAKER : Pu R. L. Pianmawia.

PU R.L. PIANMAWIA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. There is no Doctor anymore at Ratu as well. Will it be possible to post a Doctor at Ratu?

Secondly, could the Minister take steps to provide hearing aids to the needy as also practiced in the past?

PU LALRINLIANA SAILO: Pu Speaker, I need to ask if Marpara Hospital is still under Durtlang Hospital or not; it used to be under Durtlang Hospital in the past.

SPEAKER : Let us us now call the Hon. Miniter to give answers.

PU LAL THANZARA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, Marpara Hospital used to be under Durtlang Hospital in collaboration with the Government. However, a new system is now proposed to be initiated. It is a fact that there is a huge shortage of Doctors at the moment. Even though it seems there are many doctors in Aizawl, the demand is also high as well. Therefore, Doctors will be posted at Khawhlailung, Ngentiang and Ratu as soon as possible. Besides, regarding laboratory charges under RKS and hearing aid, I could not provide the exact answer as I am not prepared for that. The matters will be looked into.

SPEAKER : Pu Lalrinawma, Hon. Member to ask question No. 5.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, my Starred Question No. 5 to be answered by Hon'ble Finance Minister are: -

- a) How much amount had been availed by Aizawl Municipal Council under General Basic Grant (GBG) and General Performance Grant (GPG) during the year 2011-2012, 2012-2013 and 2013-2014?
- b) How much is the interest amount due to delaying of release of fund?
- c) How much amount of GBG and GPG are availed during 2014 -2015 and when was it received?
- d) How much amount of grant from GBG and GPG of AMC was kept in K-Deposit at the moment? What was the reason for doing so?

SPEAKER : The Hon. Minister concerned to give answer.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, the answers are as follows:

- a) The amount availed by Aizawl Municipal Council under General Basic Grant (GBG) and General Performance Grant (GPG) during the year 2011-2012, 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 are as follow:

Year	Govt. of India released		Released to AMC	
	GBG (□ in lakh)	GPG (□ in lakh)	GBG (□ in lakh)	GPG (□ in lak)
2011-12	1107.00	68.05	548.00	-
2012-13	1245.13	736.96	1151.56	68.05
2013-14	1436.43	426.67	1386.33	736.96
TOTAL	3788.56	1231.68	3085.89	805.01

- b) The interest in these years due to delaying of payment are :

Year	Penal Interest (□ in lakh)
2011-2012	10.87
2012-2013	33.28
2012-2014	63.85

- c) The amount of GBG and GPG availed during 2014 -2015 are:

General Basic Grant		
Amount (₹ in lakh)	Govt. of India Sanction & Date	Date of payment to AMC
718.11	No. F.12(22)/FCD/2010 Dt. 26.8.2014	13.11.2014
851.93	No.F.12(3)/FCD/2010 Dt. 5.3.2015	□15.00 lakh only released to AMC Dt. 13.3.2015 (K-Deposit : 836.93)
General Performance Grant		
490.44	No.F.12(22)/FCD/2010 Dt. 26.8.2014	3.12.2014
490.44	No.F.12(22)/FCD/2010	9.3.2015

	Dt. 2.3.2015	(K-Deposit)
583.54	No.F.12(3)/FCD/2013 Dt. 24.3.2015	K-Deposit
466.00	No.F.12(3)/FCD/2010 Dt. 31.3.2015	K-Deposit

d) Amount of grant from GBG and GPG of AMC kept in K-Deposit at the moment :

GBG	□836.93 lakh
GPG	□1073.98 lakh

There are certain reasons why it is kept in K-Deposit. The main reason is financial difficulty of the government.

SPEAKER : Supplementary Questions from Pu Lalruatkima.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Where is the amount of □1129.34 under GBG and GPG during 2011-2014 which is not paid in full? When will it be released? Secondly, when will the amount of □1818.91 which has been kept in K-Deposit be released?

SPEAKER : Pu Pianmawia.

PU R.L. PIANMAWIA : Pu Speaker, my question is – Does keeping in K-Deposit decreases the possibility diversion of funds?

SPEAKER : Let the Minister concern, Pu Sawta answer.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, regarding the first question of Pu Ruatkima, the reason is that it has been kept in K-Deposit. Regarding the time for release of the fund during 2014-2015, I will explain as follows: There are certain necessities in which the government spent money in deficit. Our income never covers our expenditure. Examples are cost of rice supply, power supply and compensations which the Court orders the government to pay. These kinds of expenditure could not be kept in budget estimate also. There is still a big financial problem in spite of our efforts under the leadership of our Hon. Chief Minister.

Besides K-Deposit is not started form the Congress ministry formed in 2008.

It has been started way back in 1986 in which ₹1 lakh was kept in K-Deposit. It keeps increasing year by year. We need to keep more than ₹1000 lakh inevitably at present.

Regarding Pu Pianmawia's question, we try our level best for proper financial management. However, we need to understand that to keep some amount to K-Deposit is inevitably. Funds are often not possible to be paid due to delaying of works, etc. In such cases, we often need to keep the amount in K-Deposit. Besides, I would also like to mention our efforts to decrease the recurring expenditure also. Today's problem is the result of several years. Therefore we could not solve it completely at the moment. I requested my fellow members also to understand how we tried our best to minimize this kind of recurring expenditure.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Pu Speaker, my questions to Excise & Narcotics Dept. Minister are:

- a) How much is the amount of tax collected from liquor since the implementation of MLPC Act?
- b) How many people have been arrested till date under MLPC Act?
- c) How are the people who break the law punished?

SPEAKER : Let us call upon the Minister concerned.

PU R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Speaker. The answers are as follows:

- a) The amount of tax (Excise Duty) collected from liquor since the implementation of MLPC Act till 25.6.2015 is ₹723,43,628/-
- b) 1008 people had been arrested under MLPC Act.
- c) They were punished as: -
 - 1) Fine;
 - 2) Doing public work;
 - 3) Imprisonment.

SPEAKER : Supplementary question from Dr. K. Beichhua.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : My first question is that as some corporations were made to sell liquor, are they submitting the revenue to the government or they dispose the income for themselves?

Are the corporations still efficient in their work after they sell liquor? Besides, are more staff employed in order to meet their needs?

SPEAKER : He has already asked all the three supplementary questions. Let the Hon'ble Minister concerned answer the questions.

PU R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, these corporations are meant to submit the revenues they collected as per the law. There is no employment of more staff till date because of which their previous jobs were slowed to some extent.

SPEAKER : Pu Lalruatkima to ask Question No. 7.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. My Starred Question No. 7 is:

- a) How much money was given to DVO, Kolasib for buying of dairy cow from RKVY? When was the fund released? How many cows were bought?
- b) What is the price of one cow? From where was it purchased?

SPEAKER : Pu Speaker, answers to Hon. member Pu Lalruatkima's question are:

- a) ₹150 lakh was released to Kolasib DVO for purchase of dairy cow under RKVY. The sum was released on 20.3.2013.
 - 1) 124 cows was purchased from Kolasib for ₹55.80 lakh @ ₹45,000
 - 2) Expenditure for cow shed and transportation cost to 62 beneficiaries is ₹21.70 lakh @ ₹ 35,000, the total of which is ₹77.50 lakh
 - 3) 161 cows were bought from Directorate for different districts for ₹ 72.45 lakh @ ₹45,000. This amount is recalled by the Directorate from the released amount of ₹150.
- b) The price of one cow is ₹45,000. The beneficiaries bought the cows on their own conveniences. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Supplementary questions from Pu Ruatkima.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, ₹150 lakh had been released to Kolasib for purchasing of dairy cows. However, the amount of ₹72.25 lakh was withdrawn on 14.10.2015. What is the reason for that? There is no such provision mentioned in the delegation of financial power rules. Therefore, does this amount deposited in government account? If so, what is the Challan No. and date? What is the detail disposal of the amount? Besides I would also like to ask why is the amount withdrawn without the knowledge of State Level Project Screening Committee.

SPEAKER : Let us call upon the minister concerned to answer?

PU C. NGUNLIANCHUNGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, as we all know, the many of the dairy cows bought under NLUP 1st phase from Haryana and Punjab died and as a result, there was a huge pressure and desire to give compensation to the beneficiaries. This amount was withdrawn from Kolasib to meet the need for that compensation of beneficiaries. I could not answer the detail figure at the moment as I am not prepared for this kind of supplementary question.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, this is an important issue where there is a chance of severe financial management. Could the Minister give us assurance to provide the detail expenditure of the withdrawn amount of ₹72.25 lakh.

SPEAKER : The Question Hour is now over. Will it be answered from the office? Let allow us to change the chair.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : You may continue.

PU C. NGUNLIANCHUNGA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, this amount has been withdrawn as per the decision made by a meeting held by department officers with the Minister concerned. There is no unfair practice in this regard. We would be able to provide the list of beneficiaries to our Hon. Member.

PU LALRUATKIMA : We often ask about this through RTI Act. However, we were not provided the information.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : There is a appeal provision in the RTI Act through which you may appeal. We shall now end the Question Hour and go to another business. Two of our members Pu H. Zothangliana and Pu K. Sangthuama applied for leave from the House today and they were granted.

Laying of papers is now. Let us call upon Pu Lalsawta, Hon. Minister may to lay before the House, the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India on State Finances for the year ended 31st March, 2014 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India on General, Social, Economic, Revenue and Economic (PSUs) Sectors for the year ended 31st March 2014.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, according to Clause 2 of Article 151 of Indian Constitution, with the recommendation of His Excellency, the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission, I hereby lay before the House –

- 1) The Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India on State Finances for the year ended 31st March, 2014 in respect to Government of Mizoram and,

- 2) Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India on General, Social, Economic, Revenue and Economic (PSUs) Sectors for the year ended 31st March 2014 in respect to Government of Mizoram.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let the copy be distributed. Let us call upon Pu Zodintluanga, Hon'ble Minister to lay on the table of the House –

1. The Mizoram municipalities (Ward Committee and Local Council) (Second Amendment) Rules, 2015.
2. The Mizoram municipalities (Election of Councilors (Second Amendment)] Rules, 2014
3. The Mizoram municipalities (Election to Local Councils) Rules, 2015
4. The Mizoram Grants-in-aid to Aizawl Municipal Council (Amendment) Rules, 2015

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: With your permission, Deputy Speaker sir, I hereby lay before this august House –

1. The Mizoram municipalities (Ward Committee and Local Council) (Second Amendment) Rules, 2015.
2. The Mizoram municipalities [Election of Councilors (Second Amendment)] Rules, 2014
3. The Mizoram municipalities (Election to Local Councils) Rules, 2015
4. The Mizoram Grants-in-aid to Aizawl Municipal Council (Amendment) Rules, 2015

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let the copy be distributed. Now let us call upon Pu Lalrinmawia, Hon. Minister to lay before the House, 'The Mizoram Factories Rules 2014'.

PU LALRINMAWIA RALTE, MINISTER: Pu deputy Speaker, with your permission I hereby lay 'The Mizoram Factories Rules 2014' before this House.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let the copy be distributed. Let us call upon Pu PC Zoram Sangliana to present "The First Report of Committee on Petition" before the House.

PU P.C. ZORAM SANGLIANA: Thank you Pu Deputy Speaker for giving me the time. First of all, the members of the Committee on Petition are: -

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| Chairman | - | Pu P.C Zoram Sangliana |
| Pu R.L. Pianmawia | - | Member |
| Pu K. Sangthuama | - | Member |
| Pu T. Sangkunga | - | Member |

Dr. K. Beichhua - Member.

Committee on Petition is somehow unfamiliar in Mizoram. The last time its report was presented was in 2006. However, it is an important Committee which shows the power of Democracy. It is its objective to solve the problems and grievances faced by the people.

There are only around 10 petitions within this terms which is very less in comparison to Odisha Legislative assembly, which generally receives around 100 petitions every month.

This petition is about the grievances of employees in School Education Department it is regarding the 1981 DPC. The Committee found really unfortunate to see that many people were made suffer due to the unaccountability and inefficiency of some employees within the Department. The Committee would like to request every Department try harder and more efficient in our respective work.

I therefore, with your permission Deputy Speaker Sir, lay 'The First Report of Committee on Petition' before the House.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let the copy be distributed. Let us call upon Hon. Member Pu nihar Kanti Chakma to present 'The First Report of Committee on Public Undertakings relating to Zoram Industrial Development Coporation' before the House.

PU NIHAR KANTI CHAKMA: Pu Deputy Speaker, I am presenting this report as the Chairman of COPU. The other members are: -

Pu J.H. Rothuama,
Pu P.C. Zoram Sangliana,
Pu John Siamkunga,
Dr. K. Beichhua, and,
Er. Lalrinawma.

COPU is a Committee which deals about the functioning of PSUs, especially which appears in the C&AG Reports. This report is regarding Integrated infrastructural Development Centres (IIDC) at Lunglei and, Zote, Champhai. It consists of various information availed from the department as well as the spot visit evidence of the Committee.

What I would like to mention in this House is that the department often do not comply enough with Assembly Committees. There are different versions in their answers from time to time. This is very unfortunate.

An amount of ₹89 lakh has been saved from the construction of IIDC, Zote under ZIDCO. This fund is said to be kept for Phase II at the beginning. Questions are asked regarding this matter. However, their reply has different versions every time questions are asked. Besides, the information asked to be submitted not later than 15th February was not received till Date. This is not only the contempt of the Committee but also the contempt of the House. I really wanted that this would not be repeated in the future.

The observations and recommendations of the committee were kept at the end of the report pages. It is the opinion of COPU that IIDC would be utilized as it is proposed to be used.

Pu Deputy Speaker, with your permission and as I am authorized by COPU, I hereby present 'The First Report of Committee on Public Undertakings relating to Zoram Industrial Development Corporation' before the House.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let the copy be distributed. Regarding the inefficiency of the Departments, if the Committee is not satisfied they can move privilege motion in this house. The Committee has the same privilege as a member as well.

Let us now call upon Pu Lalrobiaka, Hon'ble member to present 'The Second Report of Subject Committee-III relating to Public Health Engineering Department (Renewal and Augmentation of Saiha Water Supply Scheme and Greater Lawngtlai Water Supply Scheme'.

PU LALROBIAKA : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. Besides me as a Chairman, the other members of Subject Committee III are: -

Pu J.H Rothuama,
Pu John Siamkunga,
Er. Lalrinawma and
Dr. K. Beichhua.

We visited Lawngtlai and Saiha Water Supply Scheme. What we found out is that we need to be careful regarding the agreement between contractors and work Departments. It could be a huge loss for the government if we are not careful enough.

Pu Deputy Speaker, with your permission, I hereby present 'The Second Report of Subject Committee-III relating to Public Health Engineering Department (Renewal and Augmentation of Saiha Water Supply Scheme and Greater Lawngtlai

Water Supply Scheme'. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let the copy be distributed. We shall now go to Legislative Business. We shall call upon Pu John Rotluangliana to introduce 'The Mizoram Motor Vehicles Taxation (amendment) Bill, 2015' before the House and also to move the same.

PU JOHN ROTLUANGLIANA, MINISTER : Pu Deputy Speaker, with your kind permission, I hereby introduce 'The Mizoram Motor Vehicles Taxation (amendment) Bill, 2015'.

Pu Deputy Speaker, the first Mizoram Vehicle Raxation Act was implemented from 1996 which is amended in 2011. About 4.5% of the cost of the vehicle was collected. However there is a huge opposition. Therefore, a study committee was formed to look into the matter. However before they submit their report, The Transport Development Council of Union Ministry in its 31st meeting said that taxes from non-transport vehicle should be collected uniform in all states which means that we need to amend our prevailing act.

According to this new act, 6% of the total cost of the vehicle excluding VAT will be collected as life time tax at the time of registration. Non-Transport vehicles also include all maxi cabs, taxis and LMVs. One will not be required to pay the same tax for visiting other states for not more than three months. If a newly registered vehicle not older than two years is transferred to other states, he will pay the tax again in full but the previously paid amount will be refunded. Tax refund calculation will also be done all the same in the states. If this bill is passed, it also means that we could have 1.5% more revenue than before. Those are what I wanted to point out for now. Thank you, pu Deputy speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : We shall now have the discussion on this bill. Each Speaker will be allotted 5 minutes time. Who will be the first? Er. Lalrinawma.

Er. LALRINAWMA : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. What I would like to mention first is the duration of the tax. It is fixed for 15 years. It seems that some vehicle will be very old within these years. Public vehicles especially may not last this long. This creates a question in my mind. Apart from that, there is a huge irregularity in the rate of depreciation of registering old vehicles. This may be a mistake. I would like to request the Minister to look into the matter and clarify if needed.

The said three years in statement of object and reason in inter-state movement is unclear as it is said that no tax will be collected for three months if it is a temporary

stay. It seems that vehicles like company vehicles which stay more than the said three months will also not be taxed. This is also a question. However, I think that there is more relevant arrangement for that. Which is obvious here is that we are going to pay a huge amount if it is to be collected at 6% of the cost of the vehicle.

Lastly, maxi cabs do not pay goods tax that means that they could not carry goods heavier than 15 Kgs. However it is inevitable for those who are servicing in villages. This creates a problem for the people who stay outside Aizawl. I kindly request the Minister to find a way to solve this problem. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let us call upon the Minister to provide clarification where needed and also to beg this house to pass the bill.

PU JOHN ROTLUANGLIANA, MINISTER: This act is meant to be implemented throughout India. Regarding the rate of decrease mentioned by Pu Lalrinawma, it is a printing mistake. 10% has to be corrected as 40%. Regarding goods carried by maxi cabs, there are some problems here. We practice with a high level of understanding. I rather requested the maxi cabs to know how to respect the law as it is.

Pu Deputy Speaker, as stated earlier, this bill originated from central government so, there is not much we can do. Thus, with your permission Pu Deputy Speaker, I beg this house to pass this bill i.e. 'The Mizoram Motor Vehicles Taxation (amendment) Bill, 2015'.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : As there is no one who opposed the Bill, I declare that the House unanimously passed 'The Mizoram Motor Vehicles Taxation (amendment) Bill, 2015'.

PU JOHN ROTLUANGLIANA, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : We have finished our business for today. The House will stand adjourned for now and the next sitting will commence tomorrow, 9th July, 2015 (Thursday) at 10:30 AM.

Sitting is adjourned. 12:15PM

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

LIST OF BUSINESS

FOR THIRD SITTING ON THURSDAY, THE 9th JULY, 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 LAL THANHAWLA**, Hon'ble Chief Minister to lay on the Table of the House "The Mizoram Information Technology (Electronic Service Delivery) Rules", 2015.
3. **Pu JOHN ROTLUANGLIANA**, Minister to lay on the Table of the House the following :-
 - i) The Mizoram Food Security Rules, 2015.
 - ii) Guidelines for Selection of Beneficiaries under The National Food Security Act, 2013 in the State of Mizoram.

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

4. **Pu LALRINLIANA SAILO** to present to the House The Statement of Action Taken on Action Taken Report of Committee on Estimates, Public Works Department on Pradan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY)
5. **Pu LALTHANLIANA** to present to the House the following Reports of Public Accounts Committee :-
 - i) Ninth Report on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Fifth Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Report of C&AG of India for the year 2009-2010 relating to Higher & Technical Education Department.
 - ii) Tenth Report on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Report of C&AG of India

for the year 2009-2010 relating to Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department.

iii) Eleventh Report on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Seventh Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Report of C&AG of India for the year 2010-2011 relating to Environment & Forest Department.

iv) Twelfth Report on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Eighth Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Report of C&AG of India for the year 2010-2011 relating to Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Department.

OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

6. **Pu ZODINTLUANGA**, Minister to move an Official Resolution in the following form :-

“**WHEREAS** elimination of dry latrines and manual scavenging, and the rehabilitation of manual scavengers in alternative occupations has been an area of high priority for the Government. Towards this end the Central Government had enacted the **Employment of Manual Scavengers and Construction of Dry Latrines (Prohibition) Act, 1993**.

AND WHEREAS consequent upon the enactment of the said Central Act, under clause (1) of Article 252 of the Constitution of India, resolutions had been passed by all Houses of Legislatures of the states of Andhra Pradesh, Goa, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Tripura and West Bengal for the adoption and regulation of the said Central Act by the Parliament by law; and accordingly, the said Central Act stood automatically applied in those states in the first instance.

AND WHEREAS sub-sections (2) and (3) of Section 1 of the said Central Act provide that:

“(2) It applies in the first instance to the whole of the States of Andhra Pradesh, Goa, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Tripura and

West Bengal and to all the Union Territories and it shall also apply to such other State which adopts this Act by resolution passed in that behalf under clause (1) of Article 252 of the Constitution.

“(3) It shall come into force in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Goa, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Tripura and West Bengal and in the Union Territories on such date as the Central Government may, by notification, appoint and in any other State which adopts this Act under clause (1) of Article 252 of the Constitution, on the date of such adoption.”

AND WHEREAS a writ petition W.P (C) No. 583 of 2003 was filed in the Hon’ble Supreme Court of India by Safai Karamchari Andolan and others against Union of India and all States and Union Territories, praying, inter alia, for directing the Respondent State Governments which had not adopted the said Central Act ‘to explain on affidavit the steps taken by their respective Legislatures to pass appropriate resolution under Article 252 of the Constitution of India for adopting the said Central Act’.

AND WHEREAS by its order dt. 11.12.2007 in the said Writ Petition, the Hon’ble Supreme Court observed and directed as follows:

“It has been brought to our notice that the states of Jammu and Kashmir, Nagaland, Himachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Sikkim, Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh, Delhi and U.T. of Chandigarh have not adopted the Employment of Manual Scavengers and Construction of Dry Latrines (Prohibition) Act, 1993. The concerned States and U.T. shall file affidavit explaining the reasons for non-adoption of the Act in their respective States.”

AND WHEREAS in pursuance of the directive of the Hon’ble Supreme Court, the Sixth Mizoram Legislative Assembly in its tenth Session moved and passed a resolution for the adoption of the said Central Act in the whole state of Mizoram.

AND WHEREAS taking into consideration the continued prevalence of manual scavenging, the Parliament has recently

enacted a new Central Act viz. **“The Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013” (Central Act No. 25 of 2013)**. This Act, inter alia, has provision for elimination of insanitary latrines and complete prohibition of employment of manual scavengers. The provisions in the new Act encompass those in the previous Central Act of 1993.

AND WHEREAS Section 3 of *The Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their rehabilitation Act, 2013 stipulates that:*

“The provisions of this Act shall have effect notwithstanding anything inconsistent therewith contained in the Employment of Manual Scavengers and Construction of Dry Latrines (Prohibition) Act, 1993 or in any instrument having effect by virtue of any other law.”

AND WHEREAS the Central Act of 1993 has now outlived its utility and may, consequently, be repealed.

AND WHEREAS Section (2) of Article 252 of the Constitution of India provides that:

“Any Act so passed by Parliament may be amended or repealed by an Act of parliament passed or adopted in like manner but shall not, as respects any State to which it applies, be amended or repealed by an Act of the Legislature of that State.”

Now, therefore, as required under Article 252 of the Constitution of India, the Seventh Mizoram Legislative Assembly in its Sixth Session proposes to resolve as follows:

“That the Employment of Manual Scavengers and Construction of Dry Latrines (Prohibition) Act, 1993 stands repealed in the whole State of Mizoram.”

FINANCIAL BUSINESS

7. Discussion and Voting on Vote on Account (August - October 2015).

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Bills for introduction, consideration and passing

8. **Pu LALSAWTA**, Minister to beg leave of the House to introduce “The Mizoram Entry Tax Bill, 2015”.

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

9. **Pu ZODINTLUANGA**, Minister to beg leave of the House to introduce “The Mizoram Municipalities (Third Amendment) Bill, 2015”.

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

10. **Pu LALSAWTA**, Minister to beg leave of the House to introduce “The Mizoram Appropriation No. 4 (Second 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.

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Secretary

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SPEAKER : Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.

Ephesians 6:10-11

We will start with Questions & Answers. Let us invite Er. Lalrinawma to ask starred Question No. 19.

Er. LALRINAWMA : Pu Speaker, thank you. Will the hon'ble Minister for Labour, Employment & Industrial Training Department be please to state-

- a) When is the projected completion date for Industrial Training Institute (ITI) at Chhiahtlang?
- b) To whom is this contract given?
- c) How much of the sanction amount have been given till date?
- d) How much is the physical achievement?

SPEAKER : Let us invite Hon. Minister, Pu Lalrinmawia Ralte to answer.

PU LALRINMAWIA RALTE, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, in answer to respected member, Er. Lalrinawma's question;

- a) The projected completion date was 10 months (i.e. 18.4.2015), after the agreement was signed (18.06.2014) which was supposed to be in April.
- b) The contract was given to Malsawmtluanga, Managing Director, Next Comm Consultancy, Luangmual, Aizawl.
- c) ₹55,11,775/- have been given to the contractor for the construction of ITI building at Chhiahtlang.
- d) 15% have been completed.

SPEAKER : Supplementary Question from Er. Lalrinawma.

Er. LALRINAWMA: Pu Speaker, thank you. What is then reason for this delay and will they be able to continue the work without any delays and interruption?

SPEAKER : Supplementary Question from Pu Lalrobiaka.

PU LALROBIAKA : Pu Speaker, thank you. When will construction of ITI at West Phaileng be started?

SPEAKER : Let us invite hon. Minister to answer.

PU LALRINMAWIA RALTE, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, the low percentage of physical achievement and delayed construction was due to disputes with the land owners i.e. Power & Electricity Deptt. Stay order was issued by them due to some misunderstanding. However, this has been resolved and we expect to process with the construction without any other disturbances.

Regarding the issue at ITI, West Phaileng, we expect to start with the construction as soon as the fiscal issue is resolve.

SPEAKER : We will move on to Starred Question No. 20 and let us invite Dr. K. Beichhua to ask the Questions.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Pu Speaker, thank you. Will the hon'ble Minister for Fisheries Department be pleased to state: -

- a) How many Scooty have been distributed under Co-operative Societies NFDB?
- b) What are the selection criteria?
- c) How many fish seed have been distributed by Fisheries Department during 2014-2015?

SPEAKER : Let us invite hon. Minister Dr. B.D. Chakma to answer the questions.

Dr. B.D. CHAKMA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, in answer to respected meber Dr. K. Beichhua: -

- a) 100 scooty's with 25% subsidy were sanctioned under NFDB with 70 of them already distributed. The remaining 30 will be distributed after documentation.
- b) Selection is done by Primary Fisheries Co-operative Societies under ZOFISFED in agreement with the Government.
- c) The amount of fish seed distributed during 2014-2015 (District-wise) are as follows :

i) Mamit	-	59 lakhs
ii) Kolasib	-	67 lakhs
iii) Aizawl	-	45 lakhs
iv) Champhai	-	35 lakhs
v) Serchhip	-	35 lakhs
vi) Lunglei	-	36 lakhs
vii) Lawngtlai	-	10 lakhs
viii) Saiha	-	10 lakhs

SPEAKER : Any Supplementary Questions.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Pu Speaker, thank you. Is there any plan to continue with the distribution and how much more will be distributed?

Secondly, are the fish seed imported and if so, from where? Do we own any fish culture or nursery in Mizoram? What are the selection criteria for the suppliers?

SPEAKER : Pu Ruatkima.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, thank you. What is the expenditure during 2014-2015?

SPEAKER : Let us invite hon. Minister to answer the questions.

Dr. B.D. CHAKMA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, 30 more Scooty's will be distributed. If this scheme is found to be successful, 500 more Scooty's have been set aside for Mizoram according to Dr. B.R. Burman Officer-in-charge of NFDB, Guwahati.

We have 7 Nos. Fish Feed Farm in Mizoram and we gave priority to these farms. However, these farms do not have sufficient fish seed to meet our demands and the remaining is imported from other State. Thank you.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : You have not answer where the fish seeds are imported from.

Dr. B.D. CHAKMA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, as mentioned before we gave out tender notice for supplies and made selections accordingly.

SPEAKER : We will move on to Starred Question No. 21 and invite Pu P.C. Zoram Sangliana to ask the question.

PU LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER: To make it clear, the department have several approved firms and tender notice forms is floated to such firms.

SPEAKER : Let us invite Pu P.C. Zoram Sangliana to ask the question No. 21.

PU P.C. ZORAM SANGLIANA: Pu Speaker, will the hon. Minister for GAD be pleased to so state-

If the order regarding MP, MLA, Ex MLA, Ex MP given by our hon'ble Chief Minister at the Assembly Session on 24.3.2015 during, 'The Mizoram Right to Public Services Bill, 2015' discussion was followed through?

SPEAKER : What order will that be? Let us invite the hon.

House Leader, Pu Lal Thanhawla to answer.

PU LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, there was no action or follow up on the assurance and I apologize for that. This was confusion among the departments as to who follow up on the assurances and I deeply regret this and would like to apologize. On regarding the order to follow up this has been distributed this morning.

SPEAKER : Supplementary question from Pu P.C. Zoram Sangliana.

PU P.C. ZORAM SANGLIANA: Pu Speaker, could an order be issue for Deptt. Officials to repeat and attended at least the Laying of Papers as well as during Presentation of Reports during Session?

There are several incidents where MLA's, MP's, Ex MLA's, Ex MP's encounter disrespect and disregard from govt. officials and I would like to suggest that action should be taken so that it will not happen again.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Pu Speaker, I myself have encounter such incident and would like to push direct action to be taken since the Office Memorandum has already been issued by our hon. Chief Minister.

PU VANLALZAWMA : Pu Speaker, I'd like to point out 5that in other parts of India, we are treated respect and dignity above to our status but this does not always seem to be the case in Mizoram. I would also like to mention that the higher officers are mostly polite and the lower officials are mostly hardly to deal with. Thank you.

SPEAKER : We will invite the hon. Chief Minister to respond.

PU LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, I believe that our classless society has a negative effect on our civic sense, etiquettes and manners. Our main objective is to have a transparent Govt., people friendly and effective Govt. and our Govt. officials need to give their utmost to achieve this.

SPEAKER : We will now invite Pu Nihar Kanti Chakma to ask Question No. 22.

PU NIHAR KANTI CHAKMA: Pu Speaker, thank you. Will the hon. Minister for Education Department be pleased to state: -

- a) What is the No. of Govt. Primary Schools with a single teacher in Mizoram?
- b) What are their names?

SPEAKER : Let us invite our hon. Minister, Pu H. Rohluna to answer.

PU H. ROHLUNA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, in answer to respected member Pu Nihar Kanti Chakma-

a) The list of schools is enclosed:

Sl. No.	Name of SDEO	Name of School	Name of Teacher	Enrolment
1.	SDEO, Darlawn	Khawpuar Govt. P/S	J. laltanpuia	38
		Damdai Govt. P/S	H. Rembuatsaiha	37
2.	SDEO, Champhai	Pamchung Govt. P/S	C. Lalramdinthari	37
		Lungphunlian Govt. P/S	K. Jacob	37
3.	SDEO, Khawzawl	Kawlkulh P/S-V (Tawitawkawn)	Maria Lalingaihzuali	7
		Aero Govt. P/S	Lalmuankimi	17
		Khualen Govt. P/S	Ronnie V. Vankunga	26
4.	SDEO, N. Vanlaiphai	Chekawn Govt. P/S	C. Zodinpuui	14
		Khawlailung Govt. P/S	Ronnie V. Vankunga	14
5	SDEO, Mamit	Tlangkhang Govt. P/S	Lalhruaitluangi	10
6	SDEO, Serchhip	Vanchengte Govt. P/S	Lucy Rotluangi	5
7.	SDEO, W. Phaileng	Chhippui Govt. P/S	C. Sangkima	16
		Parvatui Govt. P/S	Lalniliana	37
8.	SDEO, Hnahthial	Pangzawl Govt. P/S-I	C. Vanlalmuana	10

SPEAKER : Supplementary Question from Pu S. Ladingliana.

PU S. LALDINGLIANA : Pu Speaker, I would like to ask the Ministry to have at least one Higher Secondary School at my constituency.

PU R.L. PIANMAWIA : Pu Speaker, would it be possible to have special primary teacher for those primary school with no teacher?

PU NIHAR KANTI CHAKMA: Pu Speaker, what is the minimum recruitment of teachers at primary school? Would it be possible to appoint at least the minimum recruitment of teacher at every primary school?

Er. LALRINAWMA : Pu Speaker, thank you. It was agreed that the transfer of teacher will be at the hand of MLA's. However MLA's are relevant to interfere and teachers are sometimes transferred without the consent of MLA's. I would like to suggest a meeting be held to implement on transfer process that is more fair and agreeable.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, it was mentioned by our respected members that Lunglei South has no Higher Secondary School. Would it be possible to use the building that is currently in the process of construction for Higher Secondary School?

SPEAKER : Pu T. Sangkunga.

PU T. SANGKUNGA : Pu Speaker, thank you. We are all aware that the Govt. is unable to appoint new teachers due to lack of funds. Would it be possible to employ special trainers from their localities with low pay bracket to meet the demands?

SPEAKER : Let us invite the hon. Minister to answer.

PU H. ROHLUNA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, thank you. In answer to most of the Questions posed by our respected members, one main issue here is lack of funds. Regarding the establishment of Higher Secondary School, I regret that I have no positive answer due to lack of funds.

Primary school teachers are appointed according to teacher pupil ratio and not subject wise. We are in the process of recruiting 60 teachers under Voluntary Retirement Scheme.

Sometimes teachers are transferred due to demands, needs and private matters and the consent of MLA's are not always taken depending on the issue.

As for hiring special trainers, again due to lack of funds, we cannot meet the demands. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Let us invite Er. Lalrinawma to ask starred Question No. 23.

Er. LALRINAWMA : Pu Speaker, thank you. Will the hon. Minister for Agriculture Deptt. Be pleased to state:-

- a) How many Oil Palms have been sold by Mizoram?
- b) What is the rate?
- c) When was the rate fixed?
- d) Is there any plan to review the rate?

SPEAKER : Let us invite our hon. Minister Pu R. Lalzirliana to answer.

PU R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, thank you.

- a) Below is a table showing Oil Palm sold by Mizoram:

Sl. No.	Company	District	Quantity (MT)	Amount (₹)
1	Godrej Agrovet Limited	Kolasib	3,154.00	157,71,857.00
		Mamit	2,830.00	143,56,135.00
		Sub Total	5,984.00	301,27,992.00
2	Ruchi Soya Industries Limited	Lunglei	152.00	7,42,333.00
		Lawngtlai	0.226	1,175.00
		Sub Total	152.226	7,43,508
3	3 F Oil Palm Agrotech Pvt. Limited	Serchhip	16.504	88,901.00
		Grand Total	6,152.73	309,60,401.00

- b) The rates are as follows:
- i) □3.50/kg - from 2008 to 17th March, 2011.
 - ii) □4.75/kg - from 18th March, 2001 to 30th May, 2014.
 - iii) □5.50/kg - from 1st June, 2011 till date.
- c) The latest rate was fixed on 1st June, 2014 at the rate of □5.50/kg.
- d) There is no immediate plan to revise the rate.

SPEAKER : Supplementary Question from Pu Rinawma.

Er. LALRINAWMA: Pu Speaker, thank you. Since oil palm is a heavy commodity, oil palm growers are facing problems due to transportation. Is there any way to ease their problems? Also, due to this issue will the Govt. be able to maintain price fixation against the companies.

SPEAKER : Our hon. Minister to give the answer.

PU R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER: Due to geographical lay of land, there is little we can do regarding transportation. As for price fixation, we have to follow the price laid out by the companies and central Govt.

SPEAKER : We will not take any more question as we running out of time.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, I would like to say a few words of utmost importance and would be grateful if I can be given time.

SPEAKER : Zero hour has been requested. You can ask the question although there might not be time to answer.

PU LALRINLIANA SAILO: Pu Speaker, I would like to ask the hon. Minister in charge of PWD to give us the possible date to repair Rianglei road.

SPEAKER : There is no time to answer now.

PU R. ROMAWIA, MINISTER: You can take a note, Pu Speaker. If the House agrees then more time will be given to answers.

SPEAKER : If we do that, we will have sitting precedence for next time.

PU R. ROMAWIA, MINISTER: Rules can be revised by the House.

SPEAKER : That is true, however time has run out.

PU LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, this House has its Rules & Procedures and I have no idea as of how the Rajya Sabha or Lak Sabha has dealt with this kind of issue. I have been in this House for 9 (Nine) terms and I have never encountered my opposition on this issue.

SPEAKER : We will do that next time; I have already closed the discussion. Special mention was requested.....

PU P.C. ZORAM SANGLIANA: Pu Speaker, it would be pleasurable if members are given a copy of the UNO report.

PU T. SANGKUNGA : Pu Speaker, would it be possible for MLA's to have a copy of the answer for starred question? I believe it leads to more supplementary questions as we do not have the answers.

SPEAKER : We shall wind up now.

PU R. ROMAWIA, MINISTER: As PAD Minister, I would like to beg for the understanding of the members regarding this issue as it is sensitive information. The printed answers are not the final answers as they are often change by the Ministers. The answers given at the House is the final and definite answer.

SPEAKER : We shall now invite Pu Lalruatkima.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, thank you. I would like to mention the recent event that befell members of the Govt. Assurance Committee so that there would be a record of this event at the House Session.

On the 28th March, 2015, members of the Govt. Assurance Committee, Pu R.L. Pianmawia, Chairman, Pu Lalthanliana and Miss Valalawmpuii Chawngthu, Members with the Officials such as - Pu Zothansanga Ralte, Under Secretary; Pu Lalrinawma Sailo, Committee Officer; Pi Lalchuaailovi, UDC; Pu Zohmingthanga, IV-Grade and their drivers, SDO and SDPO (Civil) were visiting Zokhawthiang on official tour. They were ambushed by HPC (D) where four precious lives were lost. I would like the House to acknowledge and condemned this unfortunate incident.

Ex Gratia of ₹7 lakhs was intimated by our Govt. as well as our hon. Chief Minister for those who lost their lives. However, under the OM put out by instance Deptt. On 27.10.2010 states that they are entitle to receive ₹15 lakhs ex-gratia lump sum compensation as it is an action against militants, terrorists, extremists, etc. I pray that this does not happen again and an ex-gratia of ₹15 lakhs be given to these lives lost. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : We shall now move on to other business. Let us invite our hon. Chief Minister for the laying of papers, “The Mizoram Information Technology (Electronic Service Delivery) Rules” 2015.

PU LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, with your permission and the permission of the House, I lay before the House “The Mizoram Information Technology (Electronic Service Delivery) Rules” 2015.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let the copies be distributed. Let us now invite Pu John Rotluangliana, Minister to lay the papers, “The Mizoram Food Security Rules, 2015” and “Guidelines for Selection of Beneficiaries under The National Food Security Act, 2013” before the House.

PU JOHN ROTLUANGLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, with your permission and the permission of the House, I lay, “The Mizoram Food Security Rules, 2015” and “Guidelines for Selection of Beneficiaries under The National Food Security Act, 2013” before the House.

Pu Deputy Speaker, since the Rules I laid out will affect every family in Mizoram, please allow me to elaborate.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : You may proceed.

PU JOHN ROTLUANGLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, thank you. Even though Food Security Act, 2013 has already been implemented in other States, we deliberately withheld the implementation of this Act as it will only cover 41.6% of the Urban population and 81.88% of rural population. This means that the remaining percentage will not qualify to benefit from this Act. However, our hon’ble Chief Minister has devised a system to solve this imbalance by allowing the public to continue receiving their ration quotas even though we are cash stopped. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let the copies be distributed. We will move on to presentation of Reports and invite respected member Pu Lalrinliana Sailo to present, “The Statement of Action Taken on Action Taken Report of Committee on Estimates, Public Works Department on Pradan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY)” before the House.

PU LALRINLIANA SAILO: Pu Deputy Speaker, thank you. With your permission and the permission of the House, I present “The Statement of Action Taken on Action Taken Report of Committee on Estimates, Public Works Department on Pradan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY)” before the House. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let the copies be distributed.

We will now invite respected member Pu Lalthanliana to present the following Public Accounts Committee Report :

- i) Ninth Report on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Fifth Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Report of C&AG of India for the year 2009-2010 relating to Higher & Technical Education Department.
- ii) Tenth Report on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Report of C&AG of India for the year 2009-2010 relating to Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department.
- iii) Eleventh Report on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Seventh Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Report of C&AG of India for the year 2010-2011 relating to Environment & Forest Department.
- iv) Twelfth Report on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Eighth Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Report of C&AG of India for the year 2010-2011 relating to Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Department.

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before the House. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let the copies be distributed.

We will move on to Official Resolution. The Official Resolution submitted by our hon'ble Minister Pu Zodintluanga has been approved and we will invite him to move the resolution.

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, with your permission and the permission of the House I move the Official Resolution

“WHEREAS elimination of dry latrines and manual scavenging, and the rehabilitation of manual scavengers in alternative occupations has been an area of high priority for the Government. Towards this end the Central Government had enacted the Employment of Manual Scavengers and Construction of Dry Latrines (Prohibition) Act, 1993.”

AND WHEREAS consequent upon the enactment of the said Central Act, under clause (1) of Article 252 of the Constitution of India, resolutions had been passed by all Houses of Legislatures of the states of Andhra Pradesh, Goa, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Tripura and West Bengal for the adoption and regulation of the said Central Act by the Parliament by law; and accordingly, the said Central Act stood automatically applied in those states in the first instance.

AND WHEREAS sub-sections (2) and (3) of Section 1 of the said Central Act provide that:

“(2) It applies in the first instance to the whole of the States of Andhra Pradesh, Goa, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Tripura and West Bengal and to all the Union Territories and it shall also apply to such other State which adopts this Act by resolution passed in that behalf under clause (1) of Article 252 of the Constitution.”

“(3) It shall come into force in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Goa, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Tripura and West Bengal and in the Union Territories on such date as the Central Government may, by notification, appoint and in any other State which adopts this Act under clause (1) of Article 252 of the Constitution, on the date of such adoption.”

AND WHEREAS a writ petition W.P (C) No. 583 of 2003 was filed in the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India by Safai Karamchari Andolan and others against Union of India and all States and Union Territories, praying, inter alia, for directing the Respondent State Governments which had not adopted the said Central Act ‘to explain on affidavit the steps taken by their respective Legislatures to pass appropriate resolution under Article 252 of the Constitution of India for adopting the said Central Act.’

AND WHEREAS by its order dt. 11.12.2007 in the said Writ Petition, the

Hon'ble Supreme Court observed and directed as follows:

“It has been brought to our notice that the states of Jammu and Kashmir, Nagaland, Himachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Sikkim, Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh, Delhi and U.T. of Chandigarh have not adopted the Employment of Manual Scavengers and Construction of Dry Latrines (Prohibition) Act, 1993. The concerned States and U.T. shall file affidavit explaining the reasons for non-adoption of the Act in their respective States.”

AND WHEREAS in pursuance of the directive of the Hon. Supreme Court, the Sixth Mizoram Legislative Assembly in its tenth Session moved and passed a resolution for the adoption of the said Central Act in the whole state of Mizoram.

AND WHEREAS taking into consideration the continued prevalence of manual scavenging, the Parliament has recently enacted a new Central Act viz. “The Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013” (Central Act No.25 of 2013). This Act, inter alia, has provision for elimination of insanitary latrines and complete prohibition of employment of manual scavengers. The provisions in the new Act encompass those in the previous Central Act of 1993.

AND WHEREAS Section 3 of The Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their rehabilitation Act, 2013 stipulates that:

“The provisions of this Act shall have effect notwithstanding anything inconsistent therewith contained in the Employment of Manual Scavengers and Construction of Dry Latrines (Prohibition) Act, 1993 or in any instrument having effect by virtue of any other law.”

AND WHEREAS the Central Act of 1993 has now outlived its utility and may, consequently, be repealed.

AND WHEREAS Section (2) of Article 252 of the Constitution of India provides that:

“Any Act so passed by Parliament may be amended or repealed by an Act of parliament passed or adopted in like manner but shall not, as respects any State to which it applies, be amended or repealed by an Act of the Legislature of that State.”

Now, therefore, as required under Article 252 of the Constitution of India, the Seventh Mizoram Legislative Assembly in its Sixth Session proposes to resolve as follows:

“That the Employment of Manual Scavengers and Construction of Dry Latrines (Prohibition) Act, 1993 stands repealed in the whole State of Mizoram.”

DEPUTY SPEKAER : Do we have anything else to add?

PU R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, this 2013 Act will repeal the 1993 Act. If we do not adopt for this Act, does this mean that we will function without this Act?

DEPUTY SPEKAER : This 1993 Parliament Act was adopted By Mizoram during the Sixth Legislative Assembly, Tenth Session, the 28th March, 2012 as we were requested by the Supreme Court to provide explanation. It seems like this Act does not require for us to adopt and will override the 1993 Act. Let us invite our hon. Minister to elaborate and to ask the House for permission to adopt if it is necessary.

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, thank you. It is our understanding that we are not required to adopt this new Act. With that Pu Deputy Speaker, I request the House to adopt our resolution, “That the Employment of Manual Scavengers and Construction of Dry Latrines (Prohibition) Act, 1993 stand repealed in the whole State of Mizoram”.

DEPUTY SPEKAER : Those who are in the agreement, say ‘Agreed’ and those who do not say ‘Not Agreed’. I declared that this House has unanimously agreed to adopt this resolution.

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

DEPUTY SPEKAER : We will move on to Financial Business and invite our hon. Finance Minister, Pu Lalsawta to move Vote on Accounts, August-October, 2015.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, with the recommendation of the Governor and with your permission, I would like to request this House to pass the following Demands-

1. Legislative Assembly	-	446.58 lakhs
2. Governor	-	2.65 lakhs
3. Council of Ministers	-	142.73 lakhs
4. Law & Judicial	-	652.84 lakhs
5. Vigilance	-	132.05 lakhs
6. Land Revenue & Reforms	-	554.83 lakhs
7. Excise & Narcotics	-	704.84 lakhs
8. Taxation	-	320.14 lakhs
9. Finance	-	18,562.79 lakhs

(Since No.10, i.e. Mizoram Public Service Commission is not included here, it will be necessary to include in the Appropriation as it concern Charge on the Consolidated Fund of Mizoram State.)

11. Secretariat Administration	-	2364.83 lakhs
12. Parliamentary Affairs	-	12.98 lakhs
13. Personnel & Administrative Reforms	-	50.47 lakhs
14. Planning & Programme Implementation	-	23,696.34 lakhs
15. General Administration Department	-	1,485.73 lakhs
16. Home Department	-	13,247.44 lakhs
17. Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs	-	6,153.74 lakhs
18. Printing & Stationery	-	390.39 lakhs
19. Local Administration	-	1,809.94 lakhs
20. School Education	-	20,920.82 lakhs
21. Higher & Technical Education	-	4,613.88 lakhs
22. Sports & Youth Services	-	294.00 lakhs
23. Art & Culture	-	200.00 lakhs
24. Medical & Public Health Service	-	9,069.06 lakhs
25. Water Supply & Sanitation	-	4,093.49 lakhs
26. Information & Publicity	-	282.39 lakhs
27. District Council	-	5,374.71 lakhs
28. Labour & Employment	-	446.14 lakhs
29. Social Welfare	-	3,459.26 lakhs
30. Disaster Management & Rehabilitation	-	336.35 lakhs
31. Agriculture	-	5,640.37 lakhs
32. Horticulture	-	2,550.13 lakhs
33. Soil & Water Conservation	-	430.17 lakhs
34. Animal Husbandry & Veterinary	-	1,258.04 lakhs
35. Fisheries	-	181.65 lakhs
36. Environment & Forest	-	2,889.53 lakhs
37. Co-operation	-	421.77 lakhs
38. Rural Development	-	10,282.14 lakhs
39. Power & Electricity	-	7,305.40 lakhs
40. Industries	-	1063.38 lakhs
41. Sericulture	-	374.03 lakhs
42. Transport	-	1079.69 lakhs
43. Tourism	-	368.22 lakhs
44. Trade & Commerce	-	222.33 lakhs
45. Public Works	-	6,040.57 lakhs
46. UD & PA	-	5,065.04 lakhs
47. Minor Irrigation	-	2,260.54 lakhs
48. Information & Communication Technology	-	380.86 lakhs

GRAND TOTAL - ₹1,67,635.27 lakhs

DEPUTY SPEAKER : We will now open question and answer time to clear any doubts that may have arise. We will start with Er. Lalrinawma.

ER. LALRINAWMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, thank you. Having been unable to have a full budget for a couple of year now, will it be possible to have a full budget from Supplementary Demand for Grant with the aim to rearrange in the future.

Also, I would like to request our honn'ble Finance Minister to elaborate and explain in detail the NLUP system and the interest it generates. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Is there anyone else?

PU JOHN SIAMKUNGA : We have been functioning without regular Budget since 2014. Would our hon. Finance Minister give an explanation regarding this matter?

The professional tax ceiling increased from ₹2500 to ₹12000 at the 14th Finance Commission. In order to utilize this have the contribution being amended? Is so, can we start using the ceiling.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let us invite hon. Finance Minister to request the permission of the House to pass Vote on Account.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, I would like the permission of the House to pass Vote on Account i.e. ₹16,76,35,27,000/-.

Due to the immense take up of Budget plan by the Central Govt., we are unable to provide a full Budget and I apologize for that.

In answer to the question posed by Er. Lalrinawma, we have about ₹553 crore under NLUP during 2014-2015 financial year. However this will be distributed after careful consideration and research by NLUP Implementing Board led by Pu J.H. Rothuama. Also, we promised by our House Leader that NLUP will be continued during our term.

We have not yet utilized the new professional tax as amendment is yet to be made by the Parliament.

Lastly, Pu Deputy Speaker, I would like to request the House to pass Vote on Account for 3 months i.e. August, September and October a total o ₹1,67,635.27 lakhs.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Those who are agreement, say ‘Agreed’; those who do not say ‘Not Agreed’.

The House has unanimously agreed to pass Vote on Account for August, September and October.

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

DEPUTY SPEAKER : We will move on to Legislative Business and invite our hon. Minister Pu Lalsawta to ask the House to introduce, “The Mizoram Entry Tax Bill, 2015”.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, I would like the permission of the House for the introduction of, “The Mizoram Entry Tax Bill, 2015”.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Are we in agreement? Let us invite Pu Lalsawta to introduce and move the Bill.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, thank you. “The Mizoram Entry Tax Bill, 2015” is structured around the Indian Constitution, 7th Schedule entry 52nd. It is a means for us to regulate the goods that are imported into Mizoram. The capital gained from this tax will be used for infrastructure development.

There are many instances where heavy maintenances, equipments, vehicles and goods are imported without paying the required tax because the owners and importers circumvent the rules thereby causing the Govt. to loss revenue.

This Bill has already been implemented in other North Eastern States and the Govt. felt that it is the appropriate time to introduce the Bill.

Lastly, I would like this House to pass the “The Mizoram Entry Tax Bill, 2015”. Thank you.

PU S. LALDINGLIANA (CHAIRMAN): We will now open discussion period with 5 minutes given to each members. We will start with Er. Lalrinawma.

Er. LALRINAWMA : Pu Chairman, thank you. The one question I would like our members and leaders to ponder is that will this Entry Tax have an adverse effect on VAT? This is because there is a huge percentage difference between the entry tax and the amended Mizoram Value Added Tax Rules, 2005.

Also, use of personal way bill was prohibited even though it was allowed by Mizoram Value Added Rules, 2005 Rule No. 97 sub-rule 2. There is still no

amendment regarding this issue and I would urge our hon. Minister to address this issue. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : We are at the end of our session and we will start again at 2:00 p.m.

2:00 P.M.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : We will continue with our discussion of “The Mizoram Entry Tax Bill, 2015”. We will start with Dr. K. Beichhua.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Pu Deputy Speaker, regarding the Rules concerning entire shopping, we have to make sure that proper and fair value of tax is imposed in keeping with the market value. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Pu Lalruatkima.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, thank you. First of all I would like to request that in the future copies of Bills and Amendments be sent to us at least one week in advance so that members have time to study them.

Under rules No.4, Sub No. 4, there is no clear definition of commissioner in the clause, ‘The Commissioner may exempt such person for payment of Entry tax’. This can cause confusion in the future and I would like to suggest that the definition of Commission be included here.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : I agreed with our respected members and would like to request our Ministers and Departments to inform and provide our members with copies of Bills well in advance.

We will invite our hon. Minister to explain and request for the passing of this Bill.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, I apologize for the delayed distribution of this Bill to our members and I take full responsibility for this.

Pu Deputy Speaker, first of all I would like to mention that out of all the North East States, Mizoram is the only State where majority of the business belong to its own people and we intend to safeguard that.

MVAT and Entry tax Act does not contradict each other instead it runs synonyms with each other. If this Act does not define any clause or word, this is

because it corresponds to same meaning and definition given in MVAT.

Regarding Personal Way Bill, this action was taken to safeguard the business run by our own people and to govern the movement goods within Mizoram.

Lastly, Pu Deputy Speaker, I would like the permission of this House to pass “The Mizoram Entry Tax Act” which will be “The Mizoram Entry Tax Bill, 2015”. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : All those who are in agreement, say ‘Agree’ and those who do not ‘Not Agree’. This House has unanimously agreed to pass, “The Mizoram Entry Tax Bill, 2015”.

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

DEPUTY SPEAKER : We will move on to other Legislative Business. Let us invite our hon. Minister Pu Zodintluanga to introduce “The Mizoram Municipalities (Third Amendment) Bill, 2015”.

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Deputy Speaker, with your permission and the permission of the House I would like to introduce “The Mizoram Municipalities (Third Amendment) Bill, 2015”.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Are we in agreement? Let us invite our hon. Minister to introduce and move this Bill.

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER : Pu Deputy Speaker, with your permission and the permission of the House , I introduce “The Mizoram Municipalities (Third Amendment) Bill, 2015”.

This Bill has been amended several times over the years starting from 2007 due to the changing lifestyle and growing population, which leads us to this Third Amendment. This Amendment can be categorized into 7 parts.

1. We have no definition of Mayor and Deputy Mayor in the previous Bill which led to the inclusion of Mayor under Section-2 Sub-Section 18(a) and Deputy Mayor at 39(a).

2. Amendment regarding Election and Preparation of Electoral Roll under Section 28, 29 and 363.

3. Amendment regarding Board of Councilors’ Meeting under Section 52 Sub Section (1).

4. Amendment specially election of service condition of staffs at Municipalities under Section-66

5. Amendment regarding Building Regulation under Section 113 and Station 137.

6. Amendment regarding cleanliness and pertaining to cleanliness under Section 157(a) and Section 164.

7. Amendment regarding penalties under Municipalities Act which comes under Section 374.

Pu Speaker, this Amendment has been distributed among members including the main Act. Thereby, I lay before the House, “The Mizoram Municipalities (Third Amendment) Bill, 2015”.

SPEAKER : We shall now open discussion period for this Bill.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, I am delight to mention that a Consultative Committee was organized by our hon. Minister giving us time to study this Bill in detail.

My complaint is the inclusion of annexure-II in statement of object and reasons is no annexure-I in the Bill. This may be printing mistake and I would like to highlight this. Thank you.

Er. LALRNIAWMA : Pu Speaker, thank you. There might be some contradiction in the Mizoram Municipalities Act, 2007 Section-103 Sub-section-3 which imposes penalties on addition to street alignment or building.

However, Mizoram Municipalities (Property tax Rule and Management) Rule No. 15 states that ‘Where any building is constructed unlawfully the property tax on such property shall be payable by the owner of such illegally constructed property from the date of completion or occupation whichever is earlier until the date of demolition of that building’. These two phrases seem to contradict each where penalties are given in one section and property tax was imposed on another.

Another issue faced by the rural population is the lack of space for Maxi cab thereby creating problems for Aizawl visitors casting them time and money due to this. I would like to urge the ministry to look into parking areas for Maxi Cab so that this problem can be resolved. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Let us invite hon. Minister to ask the permission of the House for the passing of this Bill.

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, thank you. I do apologize for the error regarding annexure-II and we will take to heart your grievances and complaints and will attempt to address your concerns. Lastly, I would like this House to allow for the passing of, “The Mizoram Municipalities (Third Amendment) Bill, 2015”.

SPEAKER : All those who are in agreement, say ‘Agree’ and those who do not ‘Not Agree’. This House has unanimously agreed to pass, “The Mizoram Municipalities (Third Amendment) Bill, 2015”.

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, thank you.

SPEAKER : We shall now invite our hon. Finance Minister to ask permission of this House to introduce “The Mizoram Appropriation No.4 (Second Vote on Account) Bill, 2015”.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, I would like to request the permission of this House to introduce, “The Mizoram Appropriation No.4 (Second Vote on Account) Bill, 2015”.

SPEAKER : Do we all in agree? Since this Bill has already been passed on August-October, 2015. I believe discussion on this Bill is not required. We shall invite our hon. Minister to elaborate and ask for the passing of this Bill.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, thank you. Let the copies be distributed please.

SPEAKER : If we all have our own copy, we may call upon the hon. Minister to move the House for passing this Bill and may explain what he felt to be necessary.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: As mentioned before, this is the Second Vote on Account Bill during this Financial Year. We have five (5) changes and consolidated fund of Mizoram. They are Legislative Assembly, Governor, Law & Judicial, The Mizoram Public Service Commission and Public Debt. The following are the detailed revenue: -

*VOTE ON ACCOUNT 2015 - 2016 Estimate of Expenditure for Vote on Account
for the month of August - October, 2015 during the Financial Year ending 31st March, 2016*

□ in lakhs								
Demand No.	Table of Appropriation		Total Provision			Amount required for "Vote on Account" for the Month of August - October, 2015		
			Revenue	Capital	Total	Revenue	Capital	Total
I	II		III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII
1	Legislative Assembly	Charged	87.20		87.20	21.80		21.80
		<i>Voted</i>	1736.30	50.00	1786.30	434.08	12.50	446.58
2	Governor	Charged	496.43		496.43	124.11		124.11
		<i>Voted</i>	10.60	10.60	10.60	2.65		2.65
3	Council of Ministers	<i>Voted</i>	570.90		570.90	142.73		142.73
4	Law & Judicial	Charged	595.48		595.48	148.87		148.87
		<i>Voted</i>	1792.64	813.00	2605.64	449.59	203.25	652.84
5	Vigilance	<i>Voted</i>	528.20		528.20	132.05		132.05
6	Land Revenue & Reforms	<i>Voted</i>	2193.88		2193.88	554.83		554.83
7	Excise & Narcotic	<i>Voted</i>	2819.36		2819.36	704.84		704.84
8	Taxation	<i>Voted</i>	1280.57		1280.57	320.14		320.14
9	Finance	<i>Voted</i>	47462.00	26302.00	73764.00	11987.29	6575.50	18562.79
10	Mizoram Public Service Commsn.	Charged	533.00		533.00			133.25
11	Secretariat Administration	<i>Voted</i>	9459.30		9459.30	2364.83		2364.83
12	Parliamentary Affairs	<i>Voted</i>	51.93		51.93	12.98		12.98
13	Personnel & Admn. Reforms	<i>Voted</i>	198.30		198.30	50.47		50.47
14	Planning & Prog. Implementation	<i>Voted</i>	4628.65	89701.00	94329.65	1271.09	22425.25	23696.34
15	General Admn. Department	<i>Voted</i>	5933.21		5933.21	1485.73		1485.73
16	Home	<i>Voted</i>	52893.03		52893.03	13247.44		13247.44
17	Food, Civil Supplies & Con. Affairs	<i>Voted</i>	6770.53	17826.60	24597.13	1697.09	4456.65	6153.74
18	Printing & Stationery	<i>Voted</i>	1535.54		1535.54	390.39		390.39
19	Local Administration	<i>Voted</i>	7237.46		7237.46	1809.94		1809.94
20	School Education	<i>Voted</i>	78352.00		78352.00	20920.82		20920.82
21	Higher & Technical Education	<i>Voted</i>	16869.50		16869.50	4613.88		4613.88
22	Sports & Youth Services	<i>Voted</i>	1129.00		1129.00	294.00		294.00
23	Art & Culture	<i>Voted</i>	796.85		796.85	200.00		200.00
24	Medical & Public	<i>Voted</i>	33826.80		33826.80	9069.06		9069.06

	Health Services							
25	Water Supply & Sanitation	<i>Voted</i>	11707.98	4066.47	15774.45	3076.87	1016.62	4093.49
26	Information & Publicity	<i>Voted</i>	1125.00		1125.00	282.39		282.39
27	District Councils	<i>Voted</i>	21084.00		21084.00	5374.71		5374.71
28	Labour & Employment	<i>Voted</i>	1626.12		1626.12	446.14		446.14
29	Social Welfare	<i>Voted</i>	12222.86		12222.86	3459.26		3459.26
30	Disaster Management & Rehab.	<i>Voted</i>	1345.41		1345.41	336.35		336.35
31	Agriculture	<i>Voted</i>	20129.75		20129.75	5640.37		5640.37
32	Horticulture	<i>Voted</i>	9240.50		9240.50	2550.13		2550.13
33	Soil & Water Conservation	<i>Voted</i>	1719.23		1719.23	430.17		430.17
34	Animal Husbandry & Veterinary	<i>Voted</i>	4871.42		4871.42	1258.04		1258.04
35	Fisheries	<i>Voted</i>	714.15		714.15	181.65		181.65
36	Environment & Forests	<i>Voted</i>	11230.10		11230.10	2889.53		2889.53
37	Co-operation	<i>Voted</i>	1219.78	420.00	1639.78	316.77	105.00	421.77
38	Rural Development	<i>Voted</i>	32816.00	3977.00	36793.00	9287.89	994.25	10282.14
39	Power	<i>Voted</i>	28831.15		28831.15	7305.40		7305.40
40	Industries	<i>Voted</i>	1465.57		4310.61	1079.69		1079.69
41	Sericulture	<i>Voted</i>	1465.57		1465.57	374.03		374.03
42	Transport	<i>Voted</i>	4310.61		4310.61	1079.69		1079.69
43	Tourism	<i>Voted</i>	443.58	1000.00	1443.58	118.22	250.00	368.22
44	Trade & Commerce	<i>Voted</i>	399.75	482.00	881.75	101.83	120.50	222.33
45	Public Works	<i>Voted</i>	21928.29	1268.00	23196.29	5723.57	317.00	6040.57
46	Urban Dev. & Poverty Alleviation	<i>Voted</i>	5967.86	13980.14	19948.00	1570.00	3495.04	5065.04
47	Minor Irrigation	<i>Voted</i>	1542.71	7370.36	8913.07	417.95	1842.59	2260.54
48	Info. & Com. Technology	<i>Voted</i>	1333.00		1333.00	380.86		380.86
49	Public Debt	<i>Charged</i>	32158.77	25113.79	57272.56	8039.69	6278.45	14318.14
		TOTAL OF CHARGED	33870.88	25113.79	58984.67	8467.72	6278.45	14746.17
		TOTAL OF VOTED	479413.45	167256.57	646670.02	125821.12	41814.15	167635.27
		GRAND TOTAL	513284.33	192370.36	705654.69	134288.84	48092.60	182381.44

Pu Speaker, the total for the voted is ₹ 167635.27 lakhs, charge on the consolidated fund of Mizoram State is ₹ 14746.17 lakhs. The grand total for the

coming three months is ₹182381.44 lakhs. I would like to request this respectable House to pass “The Mizoram Appropriation No.4 (Second Vote on Account) Bill, 2015”. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Those who are in agreement, say ‘Agree’ and those who do not, ‘Not Agree’. This House has unanimously agreed to pass, “The Mizoram Appropriation No.4 (Second Vote on Account) Bill, 2015”.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, thank you.

SPEAKER : We are at the conclusion stage of the Sixth Session of the Seventh Legislative Assembly and is a Budget Session (Vote on Account).

The following are the main Business performs during the Session:

1. **QUESTIONS**

Starred Questions:

a) Nos. of Question entered	-	69
b) Nos. of Question admitted	-	67
c) Nos. of Question rejected	-	2
d) Nos. Question entered in the List of Business	-	33
e) Question answered in the House	-	12
f) Question not answered in the House	-	21

Unstarred Questions:

a) Nos. of Question entered	-	29
b) Nos. of Question admitted	-	21
c) Nos. of Question rejected	-	8
d) Starred Question converted into Unstarred Question	-	34

We applaud all the Departments for the hard work in answering these questions. However, there are one question each not answered from Finance Department and Social Welfare Department.

2. **OBITUARY**

An obituary was held for Brig. Thenphunga Sailo, former Chief Minister, Govt. of Mizoram and Pu Lalnghenga, former member of Legislative Assembly of Mizoram which was led by Pu Lal Thanhawla, House Leader. Message of condolence and comfort was delivered by the following members: -

- 1) Pu Vanlalzawma
- 2) Lt. Col. Z.S. Zuala
- 3) Pu Lalthanliana

- 4) Pu P.C. Zoram Sangliana
- 5) Pu Lalruatkima

3. **PRESENTATION OF BUDGET**

Vote on Account 2015-2016 (August-October, 2015) with allied papers was presented by Pu Lalsawta, Finance Minister.

4. **PASSING OF DEMANDS**

Vote on Account (August to October, 2015) was unanimously passed by the House.

5. **STATEMENT BY A MINISTER**

Explanation and statement was given by Pu R. Lalzirliana Minister regards to the kidnapping of M.D. Eklas Uddin (30) S/o M.D. Abdul Manik, Zarkawt, Babutlang on 4th July, 2015 at 7:30 P.M.

6. **SPECIAL MENTION**

Special mention was made by Pu Lalruatkima in respect to the ambush of Government Assurance Committee and Assembly Official by HPC(D) during their Spot Visit at Zokhawthiang on 28th March, 2015.

7. **PRESENTATION OF REPORTS**

Nine (9) Reports was presented by different branches of Assembly Committee during this Session.

- 1) Sixth Report of Business Advisory Committee
- 2) The First Report of Committee on Petitions.
- 3) The First Report of Committee on Public Undertakings relating to Zoram Industrial Development Corporation.
- 4) The Second Report of Subject Committee-III on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the First Report of Subject Committee-III relating to Public Health Engineering Department (Renewal and Augmentation of Greater Saiha Water Supply Scheme and Greater Lawngtlai Water Supply Scheme).
- 5) The Statement of Action Taken on Action Taken Report of Committee on Estimates, Public Works Department on Pradan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY)
- 6) Ninth Report on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Fifth Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Report of C&AG of India for the year 2009-2010 relating to Higher & Technical Education Department.
- 7) Tenth Report on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Report of C&AG of India for the year 2009-2010 relating to Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department.

- 8) Eleventh Report on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Seventh Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Report of C&AG of India for the year 2010-2011 relating to Environment & Forest Department.
- 9) Twelfth Report on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Eighth Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Report of C&AG of India for the year 2010-2011 relating to Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Department.

8. **LAYING OF PAPERS**

The following Government demands are laid at the table of the House:

- 1) Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India on State Finances for the year ended 31 March, 2014.
- 2) Report of Comptroller and Auditor General of India on General, Social, Economic, Revenue and Economic (PSUs) Sectors for the year ended 31 March, 2014.
- 3) The Mizoram Municipalities (Ward Committee and Local Council) (Second Amendment) Rules, 2015.
- 4) The Mizoram Municipalities [Election of Councilors (Second Amendment)] Rules, 2014.
- 5) The Mizoram Municipalities (Election to Local Councils) Rules, 2015.
- 6) The Mizoram Grants-in-aid to Aizawl Municipal Council (Amendment) Rules, 2015.
- 7) The Mizoram Factories Rules, 2014.
- 8) The Mizoram Information Technology (Electronic Service Delivery) Rules, 2015.
- 9) The Mizoram Food Security Rules, 2015.
- 10) Guidelines for Selection of Beneficiaries under The National Food Security Act, 2013 in the State of Mizoram.

9. **BILLS**

The following Bills are submitted and passed by the House during this Session

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1. "The Mizoram Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Bill, 2015.
2. "The Mizoram Entry Tax Bill, 2015".
3. "The Mizoram Municipalities (Third Amendment) Bill, 2015".
4. "The Mizoram Appropriation No. 4 (Second Vote on Account) Bill, 2015".

10. **OFFICIAL RESOLUTION**

An official Resolution, "That the Employment of Manual Scavengers and

Construction of Dry Latrines (Prohibition) Act, 1993 stands repealed in the whole State of Mizoram". Submitted by Pu Zodintluanga, Minister and was Adopted by the House.

We have come to the conclusion of this Session and I would like to thank all the members and Legislative Assembly Secretariat for their hard work and declaration.

The House is adjourned, *Sine Die*.
(3:15 P.M)