# SIXTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MIZORAM (THIRTEENTH SESSION)

### LIST OF BUSINESS

FOR ELEVENTH SITTING ON TUESDAY, THE 26th MARCH, 2013 (Time 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM and 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM)

### **QUESTIONS**

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

# **CALLING ATTENTION MOTION**

 Pu LALDUHOMA, to raise a matter of urgent public importance under Rule 59 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Mizoram Legislative Assembly.

# LAYING OF PAPERS

3. **Pu S. HIATO,** Minister to lay on the Table of the House a copy of the Twenty Seventh Report of Mizoram Khadi & Village Industries Board 2011-2012.

4. **Pu H. LIANSAILOVA,** Minister to lay on the Table of the House a copy of the Statement on six monthly review of the Finance Minister on the fiscal position of the Government of Mizoram for the first half of 2011-2012 (APRIL, 2011 – SEPTEMBER, 2011).

# **PRESENTATION OF REPORTS**

 Pu C. RAMHLUNA, to present to the House the Twenty Third Report of Public Accounts Committee on the Report of CAG of India for the year 2007-2008 relating to Health & Family Welfare Department.

6. **Pu C. RAMHLUNA,** to present to the House the Twenty Fourth Report of Public Accounts Committee on the Report of CAG of India for the year 2007-2008 relating to Horticulture Department.

# FINANCIAL BUSINESS DISCUSSION AND VOTING ON DEMANDS

7. **Pu J.H. ROTHUAMA,** Minister to submit to the vote of the House various Demands under his charge.

8. **Pu ZODINTLUANGA,** Minister to submit to the vote of the House various Demands under his charge.

9. **Pu NIHAR KANTI,** Minister to submit to the vote of the House various Demands under his charge.

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NGURTHANZUALA Secretary **SPEAKER** : Rescue those being led away to death; hold back those staggering toward slaughter.

Proverbs 24:11

We will continue with Q&A and invite Pu T.T. Zothansanga to ask starred question no.161.

**Pu T.T. ZOTHANSANGA**: Pu Speaker, thank you. Will the hon'ble Minister for Trade and Commerce be pleased to state: -

Was DPR of ginger/turmeric processing plant accepted?

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite our hon'ble Minister Pu Lalrinliana Sailo to answer.

**Pu LALRINLIANA SAILO, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, DPR of ginger/turmeric processing plant has been sent to Planning department, government of Mizoram in Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India and we are awaiting their decision.

**SPEAKER** : Supplementary question from Pu T.T. Zothansanga.

**Pu T.T. ZOTHANSANGA** : Pu Speaker, where will the site be situated if the DPR is approved? What kind of aid can be given to private growers of turmeric and ginger? Are there any plans to control or block outside companies entering Mizoram so that we can promote our local product? Local producers are exempted from giving tax, is this long term plan? And how long will they be exempted?

**Pu LALDUHOMA** : Pu Speaker, what will be the capacity for this plant? Will it be owned by the government? How much will be the expenditure? Also, sundry has the highest rate and as such are there any way of providing help to those who want to follow this process?

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite our hon'ble Minister Pu Lalrinliana Sailo to answer.

**Pu LALRINLIANA SAILO, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, in answer to their question, we have not yet decided the place. They are called National Institute for Inter Disciplinary Science and Technology Thiruvananthapuram and are under All India Processing Authority and as such we expect them to be reliable. It will be PP mode with an intended budget of 3.5 crores.

As for companies entering Mizoram market, we have no control over that and believe that it will provide positive competition.

**Pu T.T. ZOTHANSANGA** : Pu Speaker, regarding Sahara and MDH companies entering Mizoram market, they only reduce their rate to destroy the market for Mizo producers and have every intention of raising their rates again. This is not healthy competition and would get in the way of our Mizo producers who are trying to enter and survive in this market.

**SPEAKER** : If our hon'ble can answer Pu Lalduhoma's questions.

**Pu LALRINLIANA SAILO, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, as we all know, we have limited resources at MAMCO and as such we cannot control every aspect of the market. However, we do regulate the market to some extent so that total control does not fall into the hands of outside companies.

**SPEAKER** : We will now move on to question no-162 and invite Pu P.P. Thawla to ask the question.

**Pu P.P. THAWLA** : Pu Speaker, thank you. Will the hon'ble Minister for Cooperation Department be pleased to state: -

- a) As per the recommendation of Vaidyanathan Committee, if the State Government has more than 25% share at Short Term Cooperative Credit Structure (STCCS), the excess amount should be converted to grants. At present does the State government own more than 25% share at Apex Bank and Primary Agriculture Credit Societies?
- b) If they do, when will they convert that into grants?

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite our hon'ble Minister Pu J.H. Rothuama to answer the question.

**Pu J.H. ROTHUAMA, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, in answer to the question, the State government has more than 25% share at present and conversion of grants is still in deliberation.

**SPEAKER** : Supplementary question from Pu P.P. Thawla. Pu P.P. THAWLA: Pu Speaker, Memorandum of Understanding was signed by the government in 2009. If the above 25% share is not converted, the revival package is liable to lapses and I believe action should be taken so that this does not happen.

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite our hon'ble Minister Pu J.H. Rothuama to answer.

**Pu J.H. ROTHUAMA, MINISTER** : It has been submitted to the government and we expect the government to make a decision as soon as possible.

**SPEAKER** : We will now move on to question no.163 and invite Pu Lalthansanga to ask the question.

**Pu LALTHANSANGA** : Pu Speaker, will the hon'ble Minister for School Education department be pleased to state –

Is there any intention of appointing a science teacher at North Vanlaiphai government high school as they do not have one since January 2012?

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite our hon'ble Minister Pu Lalsawta to answer.

**Pu LALSAWTA, MINISTER**: Yes, we are planning to appoint a science teacher at North Vanlaiphai government high school.

SPEAKER:Supplementary question from Pu Lalthansanga and Pu JohnSiamkunga.

**Pu LALTHANSANGA** : Pu Speaker, thank you. There are 117 students and 2 teachers at Lungkawlh Primary School. Can we have more teachers? Also, we have only one teacher each at Lungchhuan Primary School, Chekkawn Primary School and East Lungdar Primary School-II, can these schools have more teachers?

**Pu JOHN SIAMKUNGA:** Pu Speaker, thank you. Muallianpui high school is without a teacher for a long time now. We have requested our hon'ble Minister for a teacher and were given an Arts graduate teacher; however, we are in need of a science graduate and would like to know if we can have that during the new school session.

**SPEAKER** : There might be several members with similar problems. Let us invite our hon'ble Minister to answer the question.

**Pu LALSAWTA, MINISTER**: Pu Speaker, there were two B.Sc graduate teachers posted at North Vanlaiphai. However, due to the illness of one of the teachers, arrangement was made between them which we were not aware of. Due to this, we were under the impression that there were two teachers present. As soon as we were aware of the issues, an arrangement was made and we have a new teacher to start as soon as school session resumes.

We are aware of the problems at Lungkawlh, Chekkawn, East Lungdar and Muallianpui and we are trying our best to solve that issue. At present there are 1710 vacant post and 300 VRS pensioners and as such there is shortage of teachers at present. However, we are doing all we can to take care of this issue.

**Pu C. RAMHLUNA** : Pu Speaker, in respect to the teacher taken out of Diltlang high school, which Diltlang will it be? And doesn't Diltlang high school need a teacher also?

**Pu LALSAWTA, MINISTER**: Pu Speaker, we are all in need of teachers, however, appointments are made according to the needs and numbers of the students.

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite Pu R.L. Pianmawia to ask question no.164.

**Pu R.L. PIANMAWIA** : Pu Speaker, will the hon'blr Minister of GAD be pleased to state –

What is the possibility of increasing the current budget of Sinlung Development Council from 300 lakhs?

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite our hon'ble Chief Minister Pu Lal Thanhawla to answer the question.

**Pu LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, it will be considered according to their performance as well as availability of funds.

SPEAKER:Supplementary question from Pu R.L. Pianmawia.Pu R.L. PIANMAWIA:Pu Speaker, Sinlung Development Council is under theguidance of GAD. Due to the workload of GAD, will it be possible to use Planning departmentas their parent department?

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite our hon'ble Chief Minister Pu Lal Thanhawla to answer.

**Pu LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, every department has heavy workload; also the government can appoint any department it wants to look after the Council.

**SPEAKER** : We will now move on to question no.165 and invite Pu C. Ramhluna to ask the question.

Pu C. RAMHLUNA : Pu Speaker, will the Minister for Trade and Commerce Department be pleased to state –

- a) What is the sanctioned amount for the completed rest house at Hruitezawl?
- b) Who is the contractor and where is he from?
- c) Is there any intention of furnishing the rest house?

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite our hon'ble Minister Pu Lalrinliana Sailo to answer.

**Pu LALRINLIANA SAILO, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, the sanctioned amount is  $\gtrless$  28, 55,000/-. The contractor is Pu Lalnunmawia from Khawhai. There was no intention to furnish the rest house, however due to the importance placed by the members during this Session, we will plan to furnish in the future.

**SPEAKER** : Supplementary question from Pu C. Ramhluna.

**Pu C. RAMHLUNA** : Pu Speaker, my supplementary question is that the rest house is renovated recently, what is the sanctioned amount or cost of the renovation? Also, if it is not furnished soon, it will fall into disrepair again.

SPEAKER : Pu Lalduhoma

**Pu LALDUHOMA** : Pu Speaker, Hruitezawl has provided us with pigs for a long time now and is considered to be the place where the recent flu originated from. Is the government regulating this and are there any measures taken to control this?

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite our hon'ble Minister Pu Lalrinliana Sailo to answer.

**Pu LALRINLIANA SAILO, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, we will try our best to furnish the rest house as soon as possible. Renovation was undertaken not only on the rest house, but Choro quarter and two others.

In answer to Pu Lalduhoma's question, Dilzawl is a thoroughfare for pig trade, oil and machineries with no proper control or regulation from excise or custom. I believe Veterinary department does not have a stamp there as well. However, we are building a food testing laboratory at Thenzawl and hoped that this will cover Dilzawl. **SPEAKER** : Let us invite Pu P.P. Thawla to ask question no.166.

**Pu P.P. THAWLA** : Pu Speaker, will the hon'ble Minister for School Education

Department be pleased to state: -

- a) How many RMSA High School are there in the following districts such as: -
  - 1. Aizawl District
  - 2. Lunglei District
  - 3. Saiha District
  - 4. Champhai District
  - 5. Kolasib District
  - 6. Mamit District
  - 7. Lawngtlai District
  - 8. Serchhip District
- a) How many buildings have been constructed for RMSA High School and how much more do we need?
- c) What is the salary for RMSA High School teachers and headmasters?

SPEAKER :	Let us invite our hon'ble Minister, Pu Lalsawta to answer
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**Pu LALSAWTA, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, my answer to starred question no. 106 are as follow -

- a) There are 81 RMSA high schools in Mizoram.
  - 1. Aizawl District 16
  - 2. Lunglei District 17
  - 3. Saiha District 7
  - 4. Champhai District 5
  - 5. Kolasib District 11
  - 6. Mamit District 11
  - 7. Lawngtlai District 9
  - 8. Serchhip District 5
- b) There are 23 completed buildings and 58 buildings which are not yet completed.
- c) The teachers and headmasters at RMSA high schools all have a salary of ₹27,000.

**SPEAKER** : Supplementary question from Pu P.P. Thawla and Pu R. Lianzuala.

**Pu P.P. THAWLA** : Pu Speaker, will the buildings suffice and is there any intention of asking for additional sanction?

**Pu K. LIANZUALA** : Pu Speaker, when will they start construction on Sialhau and Khawbel RMSA High School?

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite our hon'ble Minister Pu Lalsawta to answer.

**Pu LALSAWTA, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, we have proposals for more schools other than the 81, we are waiting for approval from the PAB Project Board.

We are planning to start construction for Sialhau and Khawbel RMSA High School.

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite Pu John Siamkunga to ask question no.167.

**Pu JOHN SIAMKUNGA** : Pu Speaker, will the hon'ble Minister for Education be pleased to state –

Is there any intention to provincialize Adhoc Aided School/Deficit Schools?

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite our hon'ble Minister Pu Lalsawta to answer.

**Pu LALSAWTA, MINISTER**: Pu Speaker, depending on their performance and other variables, Adhoc Aided Schools/Deficit Schools will be considered so that they can be provincialized. In 2012, 44 middle schools from Autonomous District Council were provincialized with their pension contributed by LADC and MADC.

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite Pu B. Lalthlengliana to ask question no.168.

**Pu B. LALTHLENGLIANA**: Pu Speaker, will the hon'ble Minister for Education be pleased to state: –

How long has it been since SSA teachers are paid their salaries?

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite our hon'ble Minister Pu Lalsawta to answer.

**Pu LALSAWTA, MINISTER**: Pu Speaker, SSA teachers from Aizawl, Champhai, Kolasib, Mamit, Serchhip and Lunglei District have been without salaries since January, 2013; and teachers from Saiha and Lawngtlai District since December, 2012.

SPEAKER	:	Supplementary question from Pu C. Ramhluna.	
<b>Pu C. RAMHLUNA</b> teachers?	:	Pu Speaker, are there any plans to regularize language	
SPEAKER	:	Pu B. Lalthlengliana.	
<b>Pu B. LALTHLENGLIAN</b> paid?	<b>A</b> :	Pu Speaker, when can we expect the SSA teachers to be	

**Pu LALSAWTA, MINISTER**: In respect to the regularization of CSS Hindi teachers, only 54 lakhs is sanctioned to us even though our requirement is 2500 lakhs. We are trying our utmost to make that happen. As for the teacher's salaries, we have started to receive the funds for their salaries. As soon as this is completed, salaries will be given to District Project Coordinator (DPC) by accounts transfer who will then distribute to the teachers.

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite Pu Hmingdailova Khiangte to ask question no.169.

**Pu HMINGDAILOVA KHIANGTE**: Pu Speaker, will the hon'ble Minister for Education be pleased to state –

- a) Is there any conversion of government primary school into English medium school within Mizoram? If there are, what is the point of this conversion?
- b) Is there any conversion policy made by the government?

Pu LALSAWTA, MINISTER : Pu Speaker, in answer to the questions-

- a) There are several government primary schools converted to English medium school. This is mostly due to the preference of the public. There is a criteria set by SCERT when these conversions are made.
- b) There is no separate policy for the conversion of these schools.

**SPEAKER** : Supplementary question from Pu Hmingdailova Khiangte.

**Pu HMINGDAILOVA KHIANGTE**: Pu Speaker, thank you. I have made a proposal to our hon'ble Minister to convert Hortoki primary school-II to government primary school-III as well as Nisapui English medium school. I would like our hon'ble Minister to honor my request. Thank you.

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite Pu Lalduhoma to ask question no.170.

**Pu LALDUHOMA** : Pu Speaker, will the hon'ble Minister for Agriculture Department be pleased to state –

Can there be provision from NLUP to provide for those who would like to setup an industry?

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite our hon'ble Minister to answer.

**Pu H. LIANSAILOVA, MINISTER**: Pu Speaker, there are 29 schemes under NLUP Industries Sector called Micro Enterprise/ Micro Industries to provide for those who would like to setup an industry.

**SPEAKER** : Supplementary question from Pu Lalduhoma.

**Pu LALDUHOMA** : Pu Speaker, Micro Enterprise has a ceiling of 1 lakh and that is not sufficient for bigger industries such as Agarbati industries where machineries are required. Is there any provision under NLUP for those industries that require at least 5 lakhs?

**SPEAKER** : Let us invite our hon'ble Minister to answer.

**Pu H. LIANSAILOVA, MINISTER**: Pu Speaker, most of the schemes undertaken by NLUP are family oriented for the beneficiaries. At present we have helped several families under hand Holding Scheme and if that is successful, we have a road map to help those who need a more sizeable capital to build their industries. There are several trades that we need to review under exit protocol as they do not perform as expected. However we are trying our best and planning to increase the size of our capital and industries.

**Pu LALTHANSANGA** : Pu Speaker, what is the reason for the delay in helping Samuel Tea Factory at Biate?

**Pu H. LIANSAILOVA, MINISTER**: Pu Speaker, we are cautious in simply handing over the capital and after careful deliberation, we felt that the factory in question is in need of more machine blades. However, we felt that an MOU has to be signed and security/mortgage required. This process took longer than expected and is now in the final stages and has been vetted by Law and Finance.

### **SPEAKER** : Question hour has ended now.

Calling Attention Motion has been submitted by our respected member Pu Lalduhoma under Law 59 and has been admitted. We will now invite Pu Lalduhoma.

**Pu LALDUHOMA** : Pu Speaker, thank you. Since 2005 Dental Surgeons are hired on contract basis by the government under NRHM with 28 dental surgeons currently employed. They are on strike as of now due to some grievances. They are-

- 1. These dental surgeons are notified several times that their employment will be terminated. They have had enough and preferred to be terminated instead.
- 2. Their starting salary was the same with Ayush doctors and MBBS doctors under NRHM. They have not received any remuneration since then and some doctors working in difficult areas have their salaries decreased. They prefer not to work under NRHM if they do not enjoy equal pay with the other doctors.

Since 1998, only 4 dental posts have been regularized with only 27 dental surgeons at present. They would like and hope to have their post regularized. If they do decide to terminate their contract, we have no one else to replace them. I would like to request the government to take immediate action before the public suffer the consequences. Thank you.

**SPEAKER** : We shall now invite the concerned Minister to address these issues.

**Pu LALRINLIANA SAILO, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, I would like to express my gratitude to our respected member Pu Lalduhoma for bringing to light the issues faced by our dental surgeons. However, I would like to explain some details regarding this issue.

In 2009, we were given permission by the Central government twice to employ 20 dental surgeons. However we failed to find doctors who are willing to be posted in rural areas and as such as an incentive they are given a salary higher than the amount accepted by the central government. This salary varies according to the area they are posted in.

In 2012 and 2013, the central government reduced the salaries if dental surgeons without giving reasons. Even so, their pay is still higher than most of the other NE States. We would like to regularize their post but it takes time to plan and create posts and we would like

them to be patient and have some understanding during this time. I'd also like to mention that we hear their grievances and trying our utmost to solve this issue. Thank you.

**SPEAKER** : We will now move on to Laying of Paper and invite hon'ble Minister Pu S. Hiato to lay before the House 'A copy of the 27<sup>th</sup> Report of Mizoram Khadi and Village industries board, 2011-2012'.

**Pu S. HIATO, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, with your permission and of the House, I hereby lay a copy of 'the 27<sup>th</sup> Report of Mizoram Khadi & Village industries Board, 2011-2012'.

**SPEAKER** : Let the copies be distributed. Let us now invite our hon'ble Minister Pu H. Liansailova to lay before the House a copy of 'the statement on six monthly review of the Finance Minister on the fiscal position of the government of Mizoram for the first half of 2011-2012 (April, 2011-September, 2011)'.

**Pu H. LIANSAILOVA, MINISTER**: Pu Speaker, with your permission, I lay before the House 'A copy of the statement on six monthly review of the Finance Minister on the fiscal position of the government of Mizoram for the first half of 2011-2012 (April, 2011-September, 2011)'.

**SPEAKER** : Let the copies be distributed. We shall now move on to Presentation of Reports and invite our respected member Pu C. Ramhluna, PAC Chairman to present these PAC Reports: -

- The 23<sup>rd</sup> Report of Public Accounts Committee on the report of CAG of India for the year 2007-2008 relating to Health & Family Welfare Department.
- The 24<sup>th</sup> Report of Public Accounts Committee on the report of CAG of India for the year 2007-2008 relating to Horticulture Department

**Pu C. RAMHLUNA** : Pu Speaker, thank you. I would like to start with Health & Family Welfare Department. This is in respect to the Incinerator at Haulawng which was meant for Lunglei Civil Hospital. Due to the location, the incinerator allotted at Haulawng is barely used, it has fallen into disrepair. PAC visited the site and recommend that an action should be taken upon the officer for his decision to place the incinerator at Haulawng.

In March 2005, ₹3.50 crore is received from Indian System of Medicine & Homeopathy for construction of Ayush building and for purchase of equipments. However, the expenditure was not recorded and PAC recommended the use of register to maintain their

financial activities. It also recommended for the establishment of a separate directorate for Ayush.

Aloe Vera growers at W. Lungdar are in need of 3-phase power supply to operate their distillation units. We urge Zoram Biotech Society and Global Biotech Limited to honor the MOU they have signed so that they can provide a market for aloe vera.

We have only one Centre of Excellence at Thiak and this is not sufficient. It is recommended that COE should be established at every district with provision made from department budget.

Integrated Mushroom Unit could not yet provide for Mizoram market and this is mostly due to the lack of supply of wheat grain. PAC recommends the tie up of this unit with Food & Civil Supplies so that they can have sufficient supply of wheat grain.

With this Pu Speaker, with your permission I present to the House the 23<sup>rd</sup> Report of Public Accounts Committee on the report of CAG of India for the year 2007-2008 relating to Health & Family Welfare Department and the 24<sup>th</sup> Report of Public Accounts Committee on the report of CAG of India for the year 2007-2008 relating to Horticulture Department. Thank you.

**SPEAKER** : We will now move onto Financial Business with three demands from our Ministers being laid out. Let us invite our hon'ble Minister Pu J.H. Rothuama to submit his demands before the House.

**Pu J.H. ROTHUAMA, MINISTER**: Pu Speaker, on the recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission Sir, I move the demand No. 6, 7, 33 and 37 for ₹70.37300 crores for meeting expenses during 2012, 2013 and 2014 in respect of the following departments: -

Demand Nos.	Department	Amount
Demand No.6	Land Revenue & Reforms	₹18,51,56,000.00
Demand No.7	Excise & Narcotics	₹22,30,90,000.00
Demand No.33	Soil & Water Conservation	₹18,19,53,000.00
Demand No.37	Co-operation	₹11,01,74,000.00
	TOTAL	₹70,03,73,000.00

Thank you.

**SPEAKER** : We shall now invite our hon'ble Minister, Pu Zodintluanga to submit his demands before the House.

**Pu ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER**: Pu Speaker, on the recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission Sir, I move the Demand Nos. 8, 22, 46 and 48 for  $\overline{166}$  crores, 58 lakhs and 79 thousand only for meeting expenses during 2013-2014 in respect of the following departments: -

Demand Nos.	Department	Amount
Demand No.8	Taxation	₹11,54,90,000.00
Demand No.22	Sports & Youth Services	₹11,81,16,000.00
Demand No.46	Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation	₹139,61,01,000.00
Demand No.48	Information & Communication Technology	₹3,61,72,000.00
	TOTAL	₹1,66,58,79,000.00

Thank you.

**SPEAKER** : We shall now invite our hon'ble Minister Pu Nihar Kanti to submit his demands before the House.

**Pu NIHAR KANTI, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, on the recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission Sir, I move the Demand Nos. 30, 34 and 41 for ₹68,91,44,000 for meeting expenses during 2013-2014 in respect of the following departments: -

Demand Nos.	Department	Amount
Demand No.30	Disaster Management & Rehabilitation	₹17,28,01,000.00
Demand No.34	Animal Husbandry & Veterinary	₹40,06,58,000.00
Demand No.41	Sericulture	₹11,56,85,000.00
	TOTAL	₹68,91,44,000.00

Thank you.

**SPEAKER** : Discussion is now open for these demands with each member allotted a time of 10 minutes each with Group Leaders 15 minutes each. Let us invite Pu Hmingdailova Khiangte.

**Pu HMINGDAILOVA KHIANGTE** : Pu Speaker, thank you. I would like to start with Demand No.22, Sports & Youth Services.

We have seen tremendous improvement since the start of this ministry due to the hard work of our House Leader and our hon'ble Sports Minister as they both truly deserve credit.

The welfare of the youths happened to be the main concern of the leader of the House as so vision of the Olympic 2016 comes into being. Under this programme, 9 disciplines have been selected in which hockey game is included as an artificial grass-turf ground for this particular discipline has even been constructed at Thenzawl and the same at Kawnpui is under construction. We need one more at Aizawl as it is unbecoming for a state capital not being able to host hockey tournament. So, a convenience place within the premise of AR ground is being verified for the said purpose but found to be a bit congested. Thus, an alternative is being determined by the concerned authority to turn the dreams of enthusiast hockey players into reality.

Coming now to Demand No.46, UD & PA, we have seen that the appearance of our capital city is rapidly changing as a result of efforts made by the hon'ble minister and concerned officials. Not only of our capital, our district headquarters too have been developed remarkably, thanks to the efforts made by the hon'ble minister. In this connection, I request the minister to also consider development of Thingdawl as it is done so with Kolasib, the district headquarter.

Next, Demand No.6, Land Revenue & Reform, Pu Speaker, considering the system as well as our conception on compensation, I opine we need moral reform. In this connection, I request concerned authority to expedite the process of acquisition for construction of Serkhan to Bagha road as this particular road is an important road for transportation.

Demand No.7, Excise & Narcotic Department, I opine it is important to determine alternative measure to resolve heavy work-load in the department.

Regarding Demand No.33, Soil & Water Conservation, it is learned that the quality of rubber plants received by the beneficiaries of NLUP is not good. So, it is important for concerned authority to resolve the problem immediately as most of them are dying.

Demand No. 37 Co-operation Department. I opine it is important for the government to concentrate on promotion of co-operative society as prices of the commodities are usually cheaper than that of any other shops.

In demand No. 30, Disaster Management, I thank the hon'ble Minister for providing the need of Silpaulin to rural people.

Lastly, Demand No. 34, A.H. & Veterinary Department, I congratulate the hon'ble Minister for milk production is in progress which results in reduction of the cost of supply of milk in our state. In short, I do support the Demands made by the three Ministers for their respective departments. Thank you, Pu Speaker.

**SPEAKER** : Pu Lal Thanzara, next.

**Pu LAL THANZARA** : Thank you, Pu Speaker, To start with, Demand No.46, UD & PA; I thank the hon'ble Minister as Aizawl city has now becomes a clean and healthy city. In the meantime, it is much important to expedite implementation of drainages and sewages system for the same. Regarding construction of building under EWS, Pu Speaker, I request the hon'ble Minister to expedite the work including the approach road so that it is completed at the earliest possible.

Regarding Demand No.8, Taxation department, obviously there is a proposal of imposition of entertainment tax on football. I request the hon'ble Minister to review the case since the same is not imposed on cricket even in the central.

Coming now to Demand No.22, Sports & Youths Services Department, the state government spends ₹4 crore for installation of artificial grass-turf playground at AR ground, Rajiv Gandhi Stadium and Kawnpui Hockey playground. In this connection, it is learned that FIFA authority funded installation of the same in Mumbai, Bangalore, Shillong, Imphal and Goa where as only West Bengal, Meghalaya, Sikkim and Mizoram are funded by the state government.

**SPEAKER** : NBSA, Lunglei has also been upgraded with artificial grass-turf.

**Pu LAL THANZARA** : Following artificial grass-turf playgrounds, FIFA has even set up grass-root Level Football Academy for 6-12 years old boys through the All India Football Federation in which 300 boys are now undergoing training under international football Coach. The officials of our fellow state such as Kerala are speculating how our state is able to enjoy this opportunity. As stated before, it is the result of interests given by the hon'ble Chief Minister and the Sports Minister. Hopefully, some World Class players may emerge from our youths very shortly.

Lastly, it is much appreciated that installation of flood-light at AR Ground is achieved thanks to the effort made by the minister of Sports as the same for Lunglei playground is under-completion. I suggest that such playgrounds of artificial grass-turf be taken care by the concerned officials and if possible, concerned department may formulate rules that concern the safety of such playgrounds. In short, I do support the demands made by the three ministers for their respective concerned departments. Thank you, Pu Speaker.

**Pu C. RAMHLUNA** : Pu Speaker, let me start from Demand No.6, Land Revenue & Settlement Department. The Revenue target last year was ₹326 lakh and the collection ₹110 lakhs only. Even so, revenue target during this year is ₹300 lakhs which I opine as to much comparing to last year's target.

Next, Pu Speaker, I would like to suggest concerned authority to determine Land Ceiling, classification of land of Agriculture, Horticulture, Forest, etc. with the help of Science & Technology. If not, gap between the haves and the have-nots will increase.

Pu Speaker, Land Acquisition Act, 1894 has appointed Deputy Commissioner to deal with the case of land acquisition. But now, a Senior Revenue Officer deals with land acquisition under multi-modal Transit Road from Lawngtlai to Myanmar and the Deputy Commissioner no longer involve. It will be appreciated if the hon'ble Minister clarified when winding up his demands.

Next, Demand No. 7, Excise & Narcotic Department. Pu Speaker, is there any mean to resolve the problem of illegal selling of liquor at Rangvamual? I opine it may be achieved if cooperation of NGOs is acquired.

Coming now to Demand No.33 Soil & Water Conservation Department, budget allocation to the department is decreases comparing to the last year yet, it may be refilled with fund provision of NLUP. In the meantime, I want to state that the work of Soil & Water Conservation is connected with that of Forest and Agriculture Department. In fact, the two are put under the same undertaking as both concern protection of soil and water relating to human beings. So, it may be more appropriate for our state if the same is followed.

Coming now to Demand No.37, Cooperation Department, it is known that the Government of India gives priority to Cooperation. It is a fact that large amount of fund provision is available from the central if ways and means determined.

Next, Demand No.8, Taxation Department, Pu Speaker, the House determines remedial measures for the burden of tax to the public due to implementation of value added tax under the Government Mizoram. In doing so, I suggest it is wise to reduce the rate of taxable goods from 4% to 1% under scheduled 11, Item No.6. At the same time, I opine it is necessary to review Public Demand Recovery Act as recommended by Public Accounts Committee. It is necessary to examine to what extent tax will be imposed as it is not provided in the provision. Regarding the

Certificate Officers, I believe it is not appropriate to assign the office under D.C. but should remain under the concerned department.

Demand No.22, it is learned that DoNER Ministry has sanctioned ₹630.45 crore including ₹17.15 crore for construction of Sports Academy at Zobawk. May I know how the said fund provision is spent and when will the remaining be received? In the meantime, I would also like to state that PYKA fund is generally given to BDO but the beneficiaries are not aware of the said fund provision is being provided for their concern. Thus, I opine it is necessary to review the system of distribution of fund. Thank you, Pu Speaker.

**Pu K. LIANZUALA** : Pu Speaker, let me start from Sports & Youths Services Department. It is fortunate for us to have an efficient minister to look after sports department. I am proud to mention that we have already achieved 293 Nos. of playgrounds with 45 Nos. under construction and 17 Nos. being proposed for construction within four years. In fact, the Leader of the House deserves credit on this remarkable achievement in sports. I thank the hon'ble Minister for giving priority to construction of Multipurpose Stadium at Tlungvel, headquarter of my constituency.

On the contrary, it is unfortunate to learn that budget provision of this department is decreases. So, I request concerned authority to provide a sufficient fund provision to this department for a remarkable achievement in building of sports-infrastructure.

Coming now to Demand No.30, Disaster Management & Rehabilitation Department, I suggest reviewing the guidelines of financial assistant provided to the victims so that the amount is increased.

Now, Demand No.34 AH & Veterinary Department, I request concerned minister as well as the department to take timely preventive measures by providing necessary medicine to animals as an epidemic is spreading which further endanger the health of not only the animals, but human-beings also. In the meantime, it is quite an achievement for the department as artificial insemination is being carried out successfully with dairy farming, piggery and chicken farming. Besides, the Department successfully carried out animal treatment, thanks to the efforts made by concerned minister and his official staff. In the meantime, insufficiency of staff such as VFA is the main problem of the department. So, i request the hon'ble Finance Minister to favor the department when budget fund is allocated.

Lastly, Demand No.7, Excise & Narcotic Department, Pu Speaker, 20 years has passes since implementation of MLTP Act in our state. Yet, insufficiency of staff manpower as

well as vehicle remains the problems. In fact, liquor is seized everyday but the supply could not be stopped completely. So, the MLTP Act needs revision and then be set to accommodate with the situation. Thank you, Pu Speaker.

**Pu B. LALTHLENGLIANA**: Thank you, Pu Speaker. To start with, Demand No.7, Excise & Narcotic Department. Despite implementation of the Mizoram Liquor Total Prohibition Act, supply of liquor could not be put under control. In fact, numbers of death due to consumption of liquor particularly among the youths is increasing from time to time. So, it is time for us to change our mind-set and review our system of control of liquor.

Coming now to Soil & Water Conservation Department, Demand No.33, the budget provision is reduced by ₹1,775 lakhs. I request the hon'ble Minister to clarify the reason. Here, budget estimate is not seen but work programme for plantation of rubber, coffee and broom stick appears and most of the demands concentrate on coffee plantation. Soil & Water Conservation Department encourages coffee plantation for a long time but no fruitful product is seen till date. I, therefore, suggest the department to encourage plantation of rubber and broomstick instead of coffee plantation.

Pu Speaker, no budget provision under RKVY is seen except ₹1500 lakhs of work programmes. So, I insist on to the government to keep transparency with budget allocation.

In Demand No.22, Sports & Youths Services Department, I thank concerned Minister for implementing the programme set by the former ministry. I extent my best wishes to him in dealing with the coming work schedules. Yet, budget provision is also reduced from ₹2934 to ₹ 549 lakhs which may be reconsidered.

In UD & PA Department, I do support step taken by SIPMIU and I request government to expedite steps taken by SIPMIU so that it is completed as early as possible. In the meantime, it is also important to resolve traffic problems caused by motor workshops and two wheeler workshops located on roadsides of the city. It is wise for AMC to involve in the case. Regarding construction of households for the poor, I opine it is more appropriate to do so in different localities. It is as well much important for concerned authority to determine allotment of house site to those who have not any.

In Demand No.48, Information & Communication Technology Department, telecommunication towers have been constructed at various places by various companies such as BSNL, Airtel, Aircel, etc. out of which some discontinued on ground of massive unpaid bills. I request the hon'ble Minister to see such problems and take necessary action.

Pu speaker, in Disaster Management & Rehabilitation Department, I would like to point out that the ruling members hardly opposed supply of Polytarpauline the prices which is higher than Silpauline. I opine this should be resolved immediately. Thank you, Pu Speaker.

**SPEAKER** : We will have a lunch-break now and discussion will be resumed at 2:00 p.m.

#### <u>2:00 P.M</u>.

(Deputy Speaker at the Chair)

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : To continue with our discussion, let us call upon Pu R.L. Pianmawia.

**Pu R.L. PIANMAWIA** : Pu Deputy Speaker, let me start from Demand No.33, Soil & Water Conservation Department. It seems that there are a number of works to be done. In the meantime, I request the hon'ble Minister to remember Water Harvesting Scheme for Darlawn constituency as only 5 kgs of coffee is received by concerned farmers last year. The R.O. quarters and Rest House have now becomes worn-out and no longer fit for livings, no MR employee is being deployed to look after the said quarters. If such buildings have to be abandoned, it may be allotted only for public purposes.

In Demand No.37, Cooperation Department, obviously there is a proposal to provide Grant-in-Aid to Cooperative Societies. I, therefore, remind concerned minister that there are a number of cooperative societies even in my constituency. I also request the hon'ble Minister to inform the House if there is proposal to set up Cooperative Council in our state.

In Demand No.22, Sports & Youths Services Department, I thank the department for various steps being taken in my constituency as there is also proposal for construction of playground at five villages, proposal of multi-purpose Sports Centre for Northern Mizoram with an estimate of ₹498 lakhs. Hence, I express my appreciation on behalf of the people of my constituency, Pu Speaker. A part from this, the hon'ble Chief Minister assured construction of Indoor Stadium at Sakawrdai for which proposal has already been made but DPR is on held due to inadequacy of staff. I would also like to request the hon'ble Minister to provide Sports goods for my constituency even if it is not available to other members. In Demand No.46, UD & PA, I thank the Department for lump-sum grant which has also been provided to Darlawn. Yet, no IAY is allotted to Darlawn despite a sub-town. So, I request the hon'ble Minister to cover IAY for 20 or 30 households.

In Demand No.48, IT, as soon as IT is implemented in our state, many schools have computer sets. In this connection, I request concerned minister to consider the application of Vaitin High School for allotment of computer sets. Again, I thank to him for covering my constituency with RIK Projects 13 Nos.

In Demand No.30, Disaster Management & Rehabilitation Department, I thank the hon'ble Minister for providing large number of silpaulines for my constituency.

Coming now to Demand No.34 AH & Veterinary Department, I thank to the hon'ble Minister for construction of staff quarters at Darlawn and Ratu. I further ask him to set up animal sterilization centre in Darlawn constituency. I, again thank him for the proposal to set up Dispensary at Sakawardai and Rural animal Health Centre at Zohmun and also request to expedite the process. Besides, in order to resolve the problem of health of the animals, I would like to suggest concerned authority to immediately create the posts of VFA.

In Soil & Water Conservation Department, I would like to mention once again that 80% of NLUP beneficiaries in my constituency selected broomstick trade. So, I request concerned minister to consider posting of R.O. in my constituency. Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : Next, Pu P.P. Thawla.

**Pu P.P. THAWLA** : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker.

To start with, Demand No.22, Sports & Youths Services Department, I first of all would like to express my gratitude to an efficient minister who has made a remarkable achievement for our state.

Pu Deputy Speaker, it is learned that ₹19.77 lakh is sanctioned for construction of two playgrounds at Tuipang, headquarter of my constituency. In compare to fund provision for other playgrounds, the amount is less sufficient on which I request to provide more. An agreement has already been made with the Assam Rifles as the District council too has acknowledged the situation. So, may I know in which agency the fund is sanctioned, Pu Deputy Speaker? Besides, it is much appreciated as 6 Nos. of Sports Academy have already been achieved in various places. I, therefore, ask concerned minister to setup at least one within Siaha

District. Next, Pu Deputy Speaker, the quality of sports materials we received from the department is not good enough and so may be improved.

Pu Deputy Speaker, it is learned that said that the construction of Ramhlun Indoor Stadium particularly placement of its post at ground level is said to be unsafe for the coming generations. So, it is important for concerned authority to give attention to this problem.

Pu Deputy Speaker, it is learned that preparation for the coming Olympic Game, 2016 is in full swing with plan to send our enthusiast youths to participate in certain disciplines. I would like to know in which disciplines we are planning to compete and how much fund is allocated in the budget for that purpose. It is regretted to see that the budget of Sports & Youths Services Department decreases comparing to last year.

In Demand No.33 Soil & Water Conservation Department, Divisional Office of the department and staff quarters have already been constructed in the former ministry but no office is functioning till date. Is there any proposal to put the said office at Saiha into function?

In Demand No.30, Disaster Management & Rehabilitation Department, safety measures being taken against disaster is truly appreciated. In the meantime, a demand for supply of silpauline is very quite high for which I request the hon'ble minister to make enough stock for the coming monsoon season.

In Demand No.30, Sericulture Department, I would like to request concerned Minister to give more attention to the problem of a cooperative society of Sericulture within Saiha District as families who are engage in sericulture farming are working hard enough to achieve their farms.

Lastly, Demand No.34, AH & Veterinary Department, it will be much appreciated if the department carried out regular checking of imported animals from Myanmar via Phura and Laki of my constituency to evade consumption of unhealthy meats. Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker.

**Pu LALTHANSANGA** : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. To start from Demand No.6, Land Revenue & Settlement Department, it will be much appreciated if the department notified reserved area along the National Highway or other roads to control construction of house with permission which may be issued by concerned VCPs as number of houses encroaches the roads which is unsafe for concerned villagers and travelers.

In Demand No. 7 Excise & Narcotic Department, revision of MLTP Act is reiterated in the House. In this connection, I suggest setting up of site office in various localities to improve the situation.

In Demand No.33 Soil & Water Conservation, the former ministry concentrated on plantation of coffee as financial assistance had also been provided as necessary. But now, the provision is stopped. So, I request the department to resume financial assistance in favor of concerned farmers who are depending on coffee plantation.

Regarding Demand No.37, Cooperation Department, I would like to point out that various cooperative societies have been facing problems with their respective societies. For example, MULCO having 100 Nos. of Society is facing shortage of wheat bran as supply quota received on regular basis could hardly meet the demand. Is there any means to increase their supply quota?

In Demand No.22, Sports & Youths Services Department, it is regretted to learn that the amount of budget provision decreases despite major plan taken up by the department as to so send our youths to compete in the coming Olympic Games. Apart from this, in order to resolve shortage of coaches, vacant post may therefore be filled up immediately. Pu Speaker, I also suggest the name of Sports Council may be changed with Sports Authority of Mizoram and assign it under the supervision of an IAS Officer. At the same time, may I know when construction of Sports Complex at Bungtlang and Keitum will be completed? I also request the hon'ble Minister to turn his attention towards east of the river Tuichang where no step has yet been taken for development of sports.

Regarding Demand No.48, Information & Communication Department, may concerned authority enquired the reason for deduction of top-up balance on cell phone by various companies such as Airtel, Aircel, BSNL etc. to resolve problem of the people as a whole?

In Demand No.34, AH & Veterinary Department, dead cows of NLUP happened to be a repeated issue in this Session. In this connection, Pu Deputy Speaker, even though the hon'ble Minister stated that the same breed will again be imported, I insisted not to do so since we have experienced with such breed which produces only 6 to 8 litres of milk per day while expected amount of production is 15 to 20 litres.

To conclude my speech with Demand No.30, DM&R Department, I suggest concerned department to continue with supply of Silpaulin instead of Poly-tarpaulin since it is much more useful for the people in rural areas. Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker.

#### Pu R. LALRINAWMA : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker.

To start with, Demand No.41, Sericulture Department. Pu Deputy Speaker, number of building is constructed by the department in their farm of North Zemabawk. It is wise for the department to let some buildings to the needy in the areas but not occupy entirely by the department.

In Demand No.34, AH & Veterinary Department, I would like to request the hon'ble Minister to appoint VFA to look after Zuangtui and the surrounding villages such as Muthi, the village which is known for production of milk. Concerned farmers of Muthi have even submitted their demand to the government to transform their village to a model village of Dairy Farming. I also want to inform the House that concerned beneficiaries of NLUP are anxiously awaiting for supply of cows in compensation to their dead cows as assured to them by the hon'ble Chief Minister.

In Demand No.30, Disaster Management & Rehabilitation, I would like to suggest equal distribution of financial assistance to each district. Likewise, financial assistance to the victim of natural calamities may also be increased and necessary equipments for searching of dead-body may also be provided to NGO of each district.

In Demand No.48, Information & Communication Technology Department, I thank concerned minister as well the officials for expediting the project of basic services which concern rural people to enable them acquiring residential or other essential certificates from their own places.

In Demand No.46, UD & PA, Pu Deputy Speaker, I would like to know the progress of construction of households for the poor at Zuangtui. At the same time, what about survey of land for a common graveyard in the area of Falkland? Considering mode of extension of Aizawl city towards this locality, I opine the area under survey is not appropriate but instead, another site in the remote may be surveyed for the same. Again, it will be much appreciated if improvement of dumping ground near Tuirial Airfield is expedited as it concern public health.

Coming now to Demand No.22, Sports & Youths Services Department, I must say that the department has not taken any step in regard to development of sports within the constituency of Aizawl East-1. As such, may I request concerned Minister to construct at least Volleyball Court at Zuangtui and also to implement proposal for construction of Multipurpose Hall at Zemabawk. In Demand No.8, Taxation Department, I am glad that the hon'ble Minister has an opportunity to visit Japan, Canada, etc. as a leader of the Indian Delegations. At the same time, I would like to suggest shifting of the check gate from Zemabawk to the outskirt of the city to prevent entry of smuggling goods through some alternate routes as this will on the other hands alleviate traffic problems of our capital city.

In Demand No.37, Cooperation Department, I thank the Minister for setting up of Cooperative Council in our state as this will surely help the department in resolving various problems concerning cooperative society.

In Demand No.33 Soil & Water Conservation Department, it is a remarkable achievement of the government to transform this department into an important one through NLUP. I must say that this department was totally failed under the previous ministry.

In Demand No.6, Land Revenue & Reforms Department, despite hundreds of family living in Aizawl without house-site, it is unfortunate to learn that House-site plan of Mitla Mual, Zemabawk and of Falkland could not be carried out as yet due to insufficiency of staff. It will be much appreciated if concerned authority took initiative to this concern.

In Demand No.7, Excise & Narcotic Department, I thank the Department for being able to publish seizure list in media and newspapers. It will be much appreciated if list of convicts for drunks and drug abuse also is published to reduce social evils. In this connection, it may be noted by the members no lawyer should decline to take up the case of any convict. Some convicts might have been released on bail due to lack of witnesses. In such case, it is wrong to lay the blame on such lawyer since it is his fundamental rights and of a professional ethics. Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker.

**Pu K. LIANTLINGA** : Pu Speaker, to start from Demand No.6, Land Revenue & Settlement Department, I would like to point out that every developed country maintains a good Land Record. Pu Speaker, ₹40 lakhs is here allocated under the Modernization Programme of National Land Record to cover 4,000 Sq. Km. of Mizoram. I believe the allotted amount is less sufficient to cover entirely. Thus, we must also determine how to maintain accurate land record to improve our system. At the same time, classification and land ceiling should be properly made.

In Demand No.7, Excise & Narcotic Department, I would like to stress the need to remove MLTP Act, to prevent consumption of unhealthy liquor among the youths. Since it is

not possible to control consumption of liquor effectively, it is wise for concerned authority to determine supply of good quality liquor before it is too late. Even the neighboring and other major states had once tried the total prohibition of liquor but later chose to legalize it knowing that it is not possible to control effectively. It is learned that the Total Prohibition Committee too has recommended legalizing liquor. In this regard, the government or concerned authority should not hesitate to do what is best for our future.

Regarding imposition of excise duty, we have once met problem in dealing with wine processing of Champhai in which  $\gtrless$ 14 is fixed per bottle. As concerned department proposed imposition of VAT from the item, it could not be carried out since the policy of Ministry of Commerce & Industry indicates such item as 100% free of excise duty and VAT should not be imposed up to 7 or 8 years of the establishment. As such, it is wise for Excise or Taxation department not to hurry with imposition of the said taxes on such item. As for me, I opine it is better to stop the total prohibition on liquor but to determine supply of good quality as this will help not only saving the life of our youths, but will also provide a good source of revenue for our state.

In Demand No.37, Co-operation Department, we have Co-operative Act (Amendment) 2011 and  $\gtrless22$  crore for Cooperative development. I would like to ask the hon'ble Minister whether the Mizoram Cooperative council has already been set up.

Demand No.8, Taxation Department, I have to praise Taxation Department for implementing e-governance successfully. It is suggestive for the government to implement the same to all other departments so that one may be able to study the system from home and also to bring convenience to public concern.

Regarding Tax Deduction Source (TDS), I have once submitted a bill for Tax Deduction Source that concern deployment of our youths to prevent flowing out of our budget outside Mizoram but was rejected unfortunately. Pu Speaker, it is time for us to determine introduction of TDS system to supplement our revenue collection from non-tribal Companies, Contractors or Suppliers of infrastructure developments. I have once asked for a newly printed rupee notes from RBI on which I was informed that the no Bank have ever receive newly printed notes from RBI nowadays as we are always being referred to the Banks of Karimganj or Silchar to draw 40/50 crore or more which happened to be flowing out of our budget being deposited in such Banks. It is sad to learn that huge amount of our budget fund is being accumulated in the neighboring Banks. Hence, it is time for us to wake up and determine preventive measures by collecting more taxes from non-tribal business men with the help of Tax Deduction Source system.

In Demand No.22 Sports & Youths Services Department, It is learned that ₹125 lac only is allotted in the budget for infrastructure, coaching and supply of sports materials. On the other hand, allotment of the budget is also reduced from ₹25 crore to ₹11 crore despite the department without having office building of its own for 28 years. It is, therefore, important for concerned authority to give priority to construction of office building of Sports & Youths Services Department.

Regarding Scout and Guide, the budget provision is only  $\gtrless 3$  lac and so, should be increased. On the other hand, I am very happy to learn that  $\gtrless 40$  lac is allotted for construction of Boxing Hall. At the same time, it is important to determine storage of ground-water and rainwater harvesting system in every plan of infrastructure developments.

In Demand No.46, UD & PA, it is sad as we are transforming Aizawl into a city of Silpauline since every locality is emblazoned with the materials as we can see here and there. As such, we need to determine having a planned city. I opine town planning by the late Pu C. Pahlira (1952-1959) remain in use. Under SIPMIU, technical sanction amounting to 188 crore has already been made in 2006-2007 but no action has yet been made till today. In regard to sewage system also, there is a plan to start from Aizawl 'E'. If so, I suggest selecting the meeting point of Chitelui and Mualpui for the site so that it is benefitted by all the localities from Kulikawn to Bawngkawn.

Lastly, I would like to suggest concerned authority of Aizawl Municipal to formulate appropriate regulations for development of Aizawl by including health and sanitation concern with immediate effect. Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : Now, let us call upon Pu Lalduhoma, Group Leader.

**Pu LALDUHOMA** : Pu Deputy Speaker, let me start with the problems concerning my constituency.

We have a good Basketball Court at Chawlhhmun thanks to valuable concern of the hon'ble Minister. We have once hosted a tournament with the hon'ble Minister as our Chief Guest. There, he assured the players to construct a house by the site of the court for storage of chairs and benches. I would like to remind him that we remain awaiting for implementation of his assurance. We have a good training centre at Tanhril. The residents and land owners there were requested to co-operate with the Department, and they, too, were very eager to do as requested however, as it took much longer than expected, some of the landowners are beginning to withdraw themselves. So I request that the situation be looked into as soon as possible. Likewise, I request the Department to look into the Cricket Ground and Football Ground in Sihhmui as they are generous donations from individuals.

The other day, while we were passing the Entertainment Tax Bill, I mentioned that most of our tournaments are held through sponsorships; it would not be fair to demand taxes on all sports activities. I'm not certain if there is an exemption provision, and if there isn't, I suggest that it should be amended.

With regard to Vety, as we all know, swine disease has taken over all of Mizoram. It was not so long ago that we had cow disease. The government made an announcement on Friday to distribute free vaccinations, so have the vaccines arrived? The owners have to deal with huge expenses including medicine and petrol, and I suggest in such matters it should be free of cost, or at least included as subsidy. Most of the pigs we receive are imported, so I suggest that we try to be more self-sufficient.

Our honorable Minister and I had paid a visit to the DM&R, and we even rode on a boat together. I had mentioned our need for speedboats, but that request seems to have been denied. We, instead, received a Rubber Boat, which has to be deflated on the shore with four men having to carry it. Therefore, we are in dire need of at least I speedboats.

Coming to Revenue department, I have a list and there are 90 people who have an LSC pass on government property, which cannot be owned by individuals. There are also 157 homes without LSC or pass who have been residing there for years. So I request that these people be given passes by the government.

The way we affix taxes is also not proper. New rates have come up showing an increase once again. The Grade–I shop/stall rate in 2005 was ₹ 500/- per sq.km; it then dropped to ₹ 200/- the next year as we experiences immense fluctuation in the rates. The new rate has increased to ₹ 300/- which, is quite reasonable. We still followed the 2006 annual revenue, and that has now doubled. If we are to increase any taxes, it should be revise by small percentage.

I have mentioned discarded iron many times. It involves huge fund. We Mizos have been incapacitated for too long in this field. Now that we have a factory, I suggest that those shops dealing in discarded iron be asked the amount of tax they pay, and how many there are exactly in Aizawl.

This is the third time I have been mentioning about rubber in Soil & Water Conversation. We have a potential area of 5,75,00 hectares for rubber plantation, and we have

covered only 50 hectares, which is not even 1%. The NLUP covers about 300 families. We have been planting rubber in Mizoram since 1960, and we have not seen much development. A study team was sent to Tripura where plantations were tended for 6 years. They are now the second largest producer in our country. If we improve and develop in this area, our per capita income and GSDP will increase and we shall have something to leave behind for the future generation. We should therefore, distribute good seeds with high survival rates under the Rubber Board.

I've learnt that nurseries have been set up in 3 places by the Department in PPP Mode costing about 57 lakh. We have spent huge amount on private nurseries without seeing much development. They have not been told what to plant or where to sell, and there are no approach roads. The vehicle could not even reach the nursery that the PAC tried to visit in Vairengte. If transportation cannot reach our nurseries, how can they flourish? I suggest that it be privatized to have a flourishing and developed nursery. Joint ventures are recommended. We shall have a market for it soon in our State, so let us calculate the expenses and think of the best way they can profit without much loss from the government.

I think we are on the verge of receiving RAY scheme under UD&PA. We have 3 places – Sihhmui, Sairang and Sairang Dinthar – which are not included in the municipal or rural areas. They have refused to pay IAY, claiming that they are not rural area. We will not be able to receive from either scheme, so I suggest that the RAY cover these three areas.

The SJSRY reported that they have 19,121 trained members. As of June 2007, there are 1400 trainees. This is accessible way for helping families without them having to seek government jobs. How many of the members have utilized their training to earn and have jobs? It is a kind of skill development, and it provider jobs without having to depend on any government job. I wonder if the government provides anything else besides a promise to favor them in getting BPL loans.

SIPMIU has made tremendous progress in our constituency. They provided Zonal Tanks in Tanhril. The ones they distributed earlier were too small, we were asked to demolish the old ones. I was thoroughly against it. There should be better planning. I want to know when the setting up of zonal tanks will be completed and its capacity. What is the progress of the construction work of main feeder at Chanmari booster which would supply Luangmual, Tanhril, Central Jail and Sakawrtuichhun? As per work schedule Lungverh Battalion Headquarter has not been included, so I would like to know the reason.

Rangvamual and Phunchawng are now almost like one locality. Pipes can reach Rangvamual, so I suggest the same be done for Phunchawng.

Lastly Pu Speaker, with regard to Excise, my constituency has been mentioned several times. They sell inferior quality liquor at high rates, and the area has .become so unhealthy. This is a huge social problem. Thank You, Pu Speaker, for giving me times.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : If there are no more members to speak, let us now call upon hon'ble Minister, Pu J.H. Rothuama, to wind up the discussion on his Demands.

**Pu J.H. ROTHUAMA, MINISTER** : Pu. Deputy Speaker, I have 4 departments under my concern and I will try to summarize it.

There has been a lot of issue concerning Land Revenue. We have submitted a Bill on Land Revenue and Reform, and the Bill to replace the former will be discussed next week. Land has always been an issue in any government, the reason being that we are not careful enough while giving out lands not only in Aizawl but also in the rural areas. We find generous distribution of lands on request. We have stamp and seal letters which becomes very difficult to cancel. We have now taken steps to improve the matter.

We have many other objectives before us. One is Government Complex which honorable member, Pu. Duha, mentioned. It would be difficult to trace back when giving out land properties to individuals began. Several vacant areas were filled as well. The locality is recognized they have V/C, YMA Branch and church. We went to survey Government buildings and private houses there to settle matters. We still have matters to settle with GAD as they have not specified which Government houses are to be included. However, it is up to the Government to deal with those with passes and without pass.

The Land Revenue Department has divided it into 9 blocks out of which 1-7 have been submitted to the Cabinet and passed. Space has to be allotted for Colleges, churches and different departments. The first thing needed to be done is construct an approaching road. PWD were able to construct which has left everything else pending as that is the first work to be done. About vacating of Assam Rifles land; the Committee has met twice and discuss about it. We even had a survey. Nothing much can be done as of now since it is not yet vacated. The lower land area next to it still needs to be surveyed, but that will be done after it's vacated. Some are quite apprehensive as the area could end up in private lands; but we are making sure that does not happen. The land is meant for public. Regarding Revenue tax, our target is lower than last year's as the reason being the city coming under AMC. We received revenue from issuing of passes for construction of churches and such other buildings. We are unable to even equal last year's amount as the largest sum is now submitted to AMC. We are yet to reach our target, but steps are being taken to collect them within the month of March. We have few members who collect, and employing others has proven quite difficult due to financial problems.

We have made the infrastructure for Land Revenue and we had also decided that SDOs and BDOs become District Collectors in their areas. However, we are yet to practice as we have to survey Saitual, Khawzawl and Hnathial, which have been affixed as District Headquarters in the Sub-Divisions. Even if MCS Officer is there, we still need a good technician to work on the odd jobs. Due to less man-power, we are still unable to follow our infrastructure. It was only after careful and specific measurement by the Revenue that houses could be built close to the roads. Aizawl is getting more populated and the people are getting more stubborn; so such reserves cannot be made anymore. As I had mentioned earlier, the Land Revenue and Reforms Bill will be discussed next week and we can discuss in detailed.

Demand No. 7, Excise & Narcotics. We have few workers who put in lots of effort. We take pride in the fact that prices of liquor and drugs are high. As demand goes higher, supply has to keep up with it. As hon'ble member Pu Lalduhoma had mentioned, we have to consider those living in 2 Pastoral sections which include Phunchawng, Rangvamual and even Vaivakawn. We are also aware that several vehicles and bikes are often seen in Sairang area around 4-5 O'clock in the evening. Our duty is to be more vigilant. The Excise troops work day in and day out, trying to keep matters under control. We also get support from Central YMA.

Demand No. 33, Soil & Water Conservation is a very old department with property and quarters in various places. It started deteriorating and now it almost stopped functioning. But due to the NLUP, they have been reused with the help of Coffee, Rubber and Boom. The best in Land Use this year went to a broom cultivator from Sairang, and the Soil Department, feeling very proud of this achievement, even sent a certificate of honor. The third prize also went to a rubber cultivator; some had two high honors from the Soil Department. You mentioned how small the budget is; it was 400 lakh last year, now it is much lesser than that this but we do hope to get central aid. Our neighbour Tripura has developed its rubber plantations, as we, too have seen potential areas within our state with the sound support from our hon'ble Chief Minister. Those in the western areas beginning to start with the plantation process but we cannot make a specific plan as the funds are low. We first need to carry out a survey. Our hon'ble Governor asked the Chairman of the Rubber Board to come to Mizoram and we had a discussion with him. We hoping receive are to

₹30,000/- per hectare from the rubber board. It is further learned that financial aides may also be acquired from the central ministry of Trade & Commerce. I further request the hon'ble Chief Minister to give attention to the needs of this department.

Various steps have also been taken in regard to Soil in several areas. Besides that, rubber, broom and coffee plantation too are developing under the NLUP. Hriphaw was recently declared as the highest producer of coffee which proves that the soil here is quite suitable for coffee cultivation.

To move on to Demand No.37, Cooperation, it is quite difficult to make progress in this department. Co-operation concerns public needs and the 11 society levels covers areas such as handloom and vegetation. It is good news for Vety Department as our production of milk increases and that it is supplied through the co-operative society from MULCO. The government and our hon'ble Chief Minister have given it much importance which is why we have seen much improvement. We have had winners at the All-India level almost every year. The co-operative society has set up stalls in several villages as price control being observed. As a result of our was requested of financial aids to the Central government, we received provisions amounting to  $\overline{\mathbf{x}}$ 2458/- lakh with matching share of 90% from the Central government and 10% from the state government. The amount of  $\overline{\mathbf{x}}$  2,014 lakh has been released with the help of the Finance Department. We still have to settle 25% of the shares to turn it into grant-in-aid. We shall distribute it through NABARD covering primary society and the state level Society. We also have about  $\overline{\mathbf{x}}$  2 cores for development of handloom and will be released after everything is completed. So, Pu Deputy Speaker, I ask this august House to pass the following demands:-

Demand Nos.	Department	Amount
Demand No.6	Land Revenue & Reforms	₹18,51,56,000.00
Demand No.7	Excise & Narcotics	₹22,30,90,000.00
Demand No.33	Soil & Water Conservation	₹18,19,53,000.00
Demand No.37	Co-operation	₹11,01,74,000.00
	TOTAL	₹70,03,73,000.00

Thank you.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : Now that the hon'ble Minister has winded up discussion of the Demands. All those in favor may say 'aye'.

The Demands are voted and passed.

### Pu J.H. ROTHUAMA, MINISTER : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : Let us now call Pu Zodintluanga, hon'ble Minister to win up the discussion and request the House to pass it.

**Pu ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER** : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. First of all, I thank our honorable House leader for giving us the time to hold our final budget session for this term. I was given 4 different departments to look after in these 4 years, and I am truly grateful. I am also grateful to you, Pu Deputy Speaker, and to the speaker for having helped a first time Minister in carry out my responsibilities. The different department officials have also so understood and I am sure having overlooked many of my shortcomings. It is because of them that we have seen immense development. Our department officer and I are eagerly awaiting the next Budget Session under the new government.

Pu Deputy Speaker, my fellow members expresses their gratitude towards various developments. It has made me realize that the fall of Pu Lal Thanhawla's led government in 1998 led to the realization of the shortcomings of the MNF government. I believe it is a blessing from God. Saikuti Hall, Civil Hospital and DC Bungalow in Lunglei were all tender during the 1998 Congress government.

Turial Hydel Project, Referral Hospital had also been set up for public service. They received the very potential Aizawl Greater Water Supply Scheme Phase-II and it has been received by Pu Lal Thanhawla's government within 4 years only. The MNF government proved that they no longer deserve to rule after their poor performance in those 10 years.

Pu Deputy Speaker, under the leadership of our honorable Chief Minister, we have governed for 4 short years. Plant is undergoing to set up important buildings in Lunglei, which will be sanctioned by DPR Central government to Pu Mathana's constituency. Honorable member, Dr. R. Lalthangliana, claimed that we are just continuing what had been started by the previous government. They, however, destroyed everything that had been started by their predecessors. They governed without observing the strict rules, without clearance from the Forest Department. Our State has witnessed tremendous from the within these 4 short years. We received 8.44 core from the Central Ministry of Urban Development for the commendable work done by the UD&PA. We are yet to receive an additional sum.

We are all aware of the objectives of the Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation. The city of Aizawl will witness deterioration of we do not have a proper outlook as our election manifesto. We need a proper plan for the development of the city. We are understanding several scheme through the UD&PA, Pu Deputy Speaker, such as construction and repair of roods and water supply (Aizawl Water Supply Phase-I renovation).

Seven of our have members spoke on Demand No. 46, Urban Development. I don't think we need to react to each of them. But I will try to answer each question the best I can. I will explain Pu Lalduhoma's question on RAY scheme Sairang, and how SJSRY employs and about zonal tank. We train a lot of people from financially poor families. With help from MHIP, NGOs and YMA, we now have several schemes for their employment. Some of them already have stable jobs. The capacity of Tanhril Water Reservoir is 4000 liters. The contract agreement says that it will be completed in May, 2013. Contractors for the Water Supply feeders have been selected, and the approval of Ministry of Urban Development is being awaited.

Regarding Pu R. Lalrinawma's question on dumping ground and solid waste management, we are awaiting sanction from the Central government. All the wastes of the city will be converted to soil or burnt. We have acquired additional property for that purpose. Regarding Pu K. Liantlianga's question on sewage, workers have been selected and tender has been made. We are waiting for sanction from the Ministry of Urban development, as well as permission.

Pu Deputy Speaker, to answer Pu R. Pianmawia's question, Rajiv Award Yajna is a new central government scheme. We have a pilot project in Pu R. Lalrinmawia's constituency of Zuangtui. We have received the sanction, and we will construct homes for some poor families for free. We shall first take it up here, then in the district capital and later other areas.

**Pu K. LIANTLIANGA** : Pu Deputy Speaker, this sewerage system is at its first phase, and will include several areas in Aizawl 'E'. We shall set up a treatment plant, which our engineers say is the best in the world. Dirty Water and such will flow through the pipelines and be treated in the plant. The venue for this plan has been purchased in Chite Lui. After treatment, the water will be usable again.

 Pu LALDUHOMA
 :
 Pu Deputy Speaker, what about Phunchawng and Lungverh? Won't they be included?

**Pu ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER**: Pu Deputy Speaker, I am unable to talk about Lungverh and Phunchawng, though I am sure it is included in our scheme.

The Urban Development has made a lot of undertakings in making notified towns develop. We have provided homes to the poor in District Capitals, and there are a lot of scheme for the upliftment of these District Capitals and Notified towns. We are undergoing construction in Serchhip to have the best auditorium in the North-East; Stadiums are being set up mot only in Lunglei, but in Champhai, Serchhip, Kolasib and Mamit.

Deputy Speaker, there were 11 members who spoke in Demand No. 22. What they failed to mention is sports infrastructure. We have a new NCC Air Wing which will prove very useful for our youth. Our own youths are now able to train in flying plane for fee. It is a huge achievement of the government. We are aware of the skills and talents of our youths, and we have held tournament and talent searches through the PYKKA scheme. We had talent searches at the Village level and Block level. Then they moved on to the District level, and the ones who shone at the District level moved on to the State level. We even took them to the National level, which is a huge accomplishment in bringing up our youth from the rural areas. Most of our hon'ble members conveyed their gratitude, too. Pu PP Thawla had a question.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : Could you please wait? It is 4, but our Minister is in the middle of winding up; so let us wait for him to finish, and then we can serve refreshments.

**Pu ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER** : Deputy Speaker, we usually cannot complete implementing at one go, so we have Ongoing Works each year. There is a high demand for sports goods, and we often have to focus on the quantity instead of quality; so you need to understand our situation.

Honorable member, Pu PP Thawla, also mentioned Ramhlun Indoor Stadium. It was initiated by the previous government, but because of the bad quality, it was discontinued. Central government funding was also stopped. The residents of the constituency worth honorable member Pu H. Liansailova, took it up again so that it would serve a good purpose for the youth and public. We have planned to construct a building which will include an auditorium, contact sport centre, shooting gallery, which will be set in 2 months. The foundation was also carefully inspected by the PWD engineer.

We selected 9 disciplines for our vision 2016, which are boxing, taekwondo, shooting, archery, judo, wrestling, badminton, weightlifting and table tennis. Ten children for each discipline have been selected, and the NEC has sanctioned funds to have their training for 300 days... The NEC has given a first installment of 22 lakh and the total amount will be 32 lakh. We have made about 100 developments within this Financial Years.

As mentioned earlier, 10 cores were sanctioned for the Zobawk Academy. Under the leadership of our honorable Chief Minister, we made DPR of 34 cores to set up the Academy. A contractor has been appointed and work is being undertaken. The youths are also doing their best to be noticed at the higher level, and they put in hard work without seeding any help from the Government.

We have half North-East shooting tournament for 2 years now, and Pu Deputy Speaker, you will be pleased to know that Mizoram topped the Rifle and Air Pistol contest of 10 meter Air Rifle. The NRA President claims that he has noticed some Mizo children who would be able to complete at the next Olympics. We will so be able to witness football matches being played at night at the AR ground. The 12th Finance Commission sanctioned 25 cores for the construction of Aizawl Stadium in 2005, and the sum was untouched even in 2008. The new government of 2009 then set up the Rajiv Gandhi Stadium under the leadership of our honorable Chief Minister and Home Minister. A tender has been related for resuming of the work.

Pu Deputy Speaker, Demand No. 8, Taxation, is the most important Department of the Government. We do not sanction them many as much, but they work hard with utmost dedication which I think is the reason they top the e-governance. E-governance enables one to work through one's own shop instead of going to the office. Everything is served via the computer instead of having to walk or drive to the concerned officers. The Taxation department has shown tremendous development.

Regarding our honorable member, Pu Lal Thanzara's question on sports and entertainment is that we listed out the different areas in which Mizoram Entertainment Taxes, 2013, can collect taxes. We also made provision for exemption grant. Pu C. Ramhluna's question was also very important, Pu Deputy Speaker, we rake 13.5% of the goods in Schedule-II part d. It was lowered by 5% in January, 2013. The Class-I contractors many also give 3% as well. The Public Demand Recovery Act does not fall under the Taxation Department. In order to collect pending taxes, we need to amend the m-vat act.

In answer to Pu Lalrinawma's question on the Zemabawk Check gate, we have made preparations and we also think the location is not very good. The work is still going on.

Tour member talked of ICP, Pu Deputy Speaker, and I want to street on its importance. In order to have a paperless Government, we have a project at the ICT Department and Vigilance. A pilot project to have e-governance is also being implemented. With the support of our honorable Chief Minister, we hope to increase internet connections. An optic fiber cable, high speed Internet is now available in Aizawl. As we had a few minor setbacks, we are continuing with overhead, and we hope that the internet connections in each office will help develop more. Under the leadership of honorable Chief Minister, we are now familiar with certain ministers of the Central Government, and they have permitted us to have software Technology Park. It will also pave way for employment of our youth and help in online shopping.

After the PGCIL optic fiber cable functions properly we can have big call Centre here in Aizawl, too. Pu Deputy Speaker, I ask that the house pass the following Demands:-

Demand Nos.	Department	Amount
Demand No.8	Taxation	₹11,54,90,000.00
Demand No.22	Sports & Youth Services	₹11,81,16,000.00
Demand No.46	Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation	₹139,61,01,000.00
Demand No.48	Information & Communication Technology	₹3,61,72,000.00
	TOTAL	₹1,66,58,79,000.00

Thank you.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : Pu Zodintluanga has wound up and asked the House to pass the demand totaling ₹1,66,58,79,00/- core. All those in favor may say 'Aye'. (Members: Aye) The demands have been passed unanimously (Pu ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: Deputy Speaker, thank you).

We shall have refreshments now and we'll return at 5:0 p.m.

#### <u>5:00 P.M.</u>

**SPEAKER** : Let us now call hon'ble Minister, Pu Nihar Kanti, to wind up and plead to pass.

**Pu NIHAR KANTI, MINISTER** : Thank you, Pu Speaker. Under your guidance, I have presented demands as an MOS and had them passed. I thank God and our House Leader for enabling me to make it this far. I am, by chance a politician who happened to end up in this position after the demise of my father. The officials have backed me up in spite of all my shortcomings, and I am truly grateful.

Pu Speaker, the demand I have is aiding the needy and being self-reliant on animal farming and Sericulture. Everyone around the world is given much importance to disaster due to global warming and deforestation. Therefore, our government also gives the department a lot of importance; it is a huge establishment at the Central Government. The honorable Prime Minister is the National Disaster Management Committee Chairman. We have Disaster Committee in the different District DC's Block Levels and Village levels.

Pu Duha is senior member, and he mentioned the necessity of speed-boats. We have discussed it with the officials, and though this may not be an assurance, I will look into it. Pu Speaker, I would like to remind the people of Mizoram to be careful as we have many manmade disasters. We have ongoing plans with MIRSAC and Hazard Risk and Vulnerability Analysis (HRVA). We have National School safety program me with trainings given in 200 Schools of Aizawl and Serchhip District. We are preparing Mizoram Landside Management Action plan/project.

Pu Speaker, due to the sinking of soil in Ramhlun, Aizawl, DPR of ₹ 21,01,27,200/- was submitted to National Disaster Management Authority. Plans are being made with Geology & Mineral Resources and the Architectural Engineering Company.

Pu Speaker, disasters which are mostly of man-made occurs during the monsoon season. It disturbs the development of the state and we need to be careful. We have District Emergency Operation Centers in the 8 Districts of Mizoram, along with IT and rescue kits.

Lastly, we cannot really avoid disaster but we can be careful. That's all I can say on Disaster Management & Rehabilitation. Pu Speaker, I'll now talk of Animal Husbandry. The Economic survey of 2012–2013 reveals how insufficient we are in meat, milk and eggs. As mentioned earlier by our members there are so many kinds of diseases befalling the animals? Immediately after hearing the never an Emergency Meeting was held by the Officials. We have 30,000 doses of Swine Fever Vaccine for free distribution.

Pu Speaker, the Vety Department is fortunate due to NLUP; we are working towards being self reliant in meat and eggs. There are 9,923 Nos. beneficiaries who opts Vety Department in the first phase and 12,970 Nos. in the second phase.

I would like to point out a few of our achievements through NLUP. After a year from the first phase, we had 42 lakh litres of milk, 30,415 qtls. of pork, 1, 70,752 of baby pigs, 44,544 qtls. of cattle, 229 lakh eggs, 34,171 qtls. of broiler meat. We hope everyone becomes self reliant in chicken and eggs after the second phase is completed. We also have planned to compensate for cattle death which was mentioned earlier.

Pu Speaker, we are experiencing increase of animals due to the NLUP, but we are short of VFAs (Vety Field Assistants). If we could have more VFAs, we would have seen more developments.

Pu Speaker, we constructed Rearing Houses, Granaries, Cocoon stires, Farmers Training Hall and cold storage by spending ₹150/- lakh under the NLUP Infrastructure. The DSO Office has also been renovated. Pi Lalsiami of Phaileng 'S', Lunglei District received the 4<sup>th</sup> prize in the whole of Mizoram for using the NLUP fund at best. She worked under the Sericulture Department. There were only 5 individuals practicing Sericulture prior to NLUP, but now we have more than 1,000. We have no problem in marketing as there is a good prospect in Sericulture.

### **SPEAKER** : I opine Pi Lawmsiami deserves full honor.

Pu NIHAR KANTI, MINISTER :Pu Speaker, that is true. So, Pu Speaker,I request that the following demands of my concerned departments be passed:-

Demand Nos.	Department	Amount
Demand No.30	Disaster Management & Rehabilitation	₹17,28,01,000.00
Demand No.34	Animal Husbandry & Veterinary	₹40,06,58,000.00
Demand No.41	Sericulture	₹11,56,85,000.00
	TOTAL	₹68,91,44,000.00

**SPEAKER** : Pu Nihar Kanti has finished winding up discussion of his demands and has asked to pass it. All those in favor say 'Aye' (Aye) so; we don't have any objections, do we?

The Demand of Pu Nihar Kanti, hon'ble Minister, totaling ₹68,91, 44,000 has been unanimously passed.

**Pu NIHAR KANTI, MINISTER** : Thank you, Pu Speaker.

**SPEAKER** : We have finished our business for today. As tomorrow, 27/3/2013 (Wednesday) is Holi, government holiday. We shall meet again on 28/3/2013, Thursday, at 10:30 a.m.

Sitting is adjourned at 6:20 p.m.