

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

**LIST OF BUSINESS**

FOR EIGHTH SITTING ON THURSDAY, THE 21<sup>st</sup> MARCH, 2013  
(Time 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM and 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM)

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NGURTHANZUALA  
Secretary

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**SPEAKER** : 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'  
Acts 20:35

We will start with the Question hour and Pu Lalduhoma to ask Starred Question No.101.

**Pu LALDUHOMA** : Pu Speaker, my question is for the concerned Minister of Soil & Water Conservation department.

- a) How many families in Mizoram are engaged in the cultivation of tea?
- b) What is the total area of cultivation?
- c) How is the harvested in a year?
- d) Is there a plan to establish the Tea Board office in Mizoram?

**SPEAKER** : The concerned Minister to answer the question.

**Pu J.H. ROTHUAMA, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, I believe there is a mistake by setting this question to Soil & Water Conservation department since the department had stopped taking any kind of steps in this regard. So, there is no such record as of the area or its plan as asked by the member.

**SPEAKER** : Have we not checked the questions properly? If this question is not concern with Soil & Water Conservation, who will be the concerned minister to answer it?

**Pu H. LIANSILOVA, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, cultivation of tea is placed under Industry department but after implementation of NLUP, it is under the subject of Horticulture. I apologise for not being able to give the required information.

**SPEAKER** : We will continue to discuss this matter later on.

**Pu LALDUHOMA** : Is the cultivation of coffee remains under Industry Department?

**Pu H. LIANSILOVA, MINISTER** : Yes, it is.

**SPEAKER** : We will move on to the next question. Pu C. Ramhluna to ask starred Question No.102.

**Pu C. RAMHLUNA** : My question is for the concerned Minister of Public Works Department: -

When will black topping of Diltlang – Chawngte road be started?

**SPEAKER** : The concerned Minister, also the hon'ble Chief Minister may answer the question.

**Pu LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, it will be started soon.

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

**Pu C. RAMHLUNA** : I am grateful that there is a plan to start the work soon. Will it be done within this year?

**Pu LALDUHOMA** : Pu Speaker, will the approach road to our Zoo at Lungverh be repaired?

**Pu LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, detail project report for blacktopping has been submitted to Ministry of road as we are waiting for the sanction to be released.

On the question raised by Pu Lalduhoma, we will review this matter as soon as possible.

**SPEAKER** : Regarding the cultivation of tea as seen under “The Gov't. of Mizoram Transaction of Business Rules, 1987 and the Gov't. of Mizoram Allocation of Business Rules, 1987 as amended up to December, 2007’, Tea plantation is undertaken by Soil & Water Conservation Department. Anyway, we will move on to Question No.103 and Pu K. Liantlinga to ask question.

**Pu K. LIANTLINGA** : Thank you, Pu Speaker. My question is for the concerned Minister of Rural Development: –

- a) How much fund is allotted for MGNREGS between the year 2010-2011, 2011-2012 and 2012-2013? May the information be provided in the year-wise allocation of funds?
- b) Is there any problem with the allocation of State Funds? If so, what is the reason?

**Pu R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER** : Answer to the hon'ble member's questions is: -

- a) The amount of fund received under MGNREGS are as follows: –  
2010-2011 - ₹30,636.36 lakhs

2011-2012 - ₹39,043.44 lakhs

2012-2013 - ₹28,010.81 lakhs

- b) Yes, the first installment for 2012-2013 has already been received as the 2<sup>nd</sup> installment is short by ₹34.94 lakhs which is mainly due to shortage of our Plan Fund.

**SPEAKER** : Supplementary question from Pu K. Liantlinga and will be followed by Pu R.L Pianmawia.

**Pu K.LIANTLINGA** : Thank you, Pu Speaker. Is the monitoring information system operating smoothly? I suggest only the deserving as underlines in the criteria should benefit the provision of job card and the rest should be cancelled. Can this method be implemented? Is there any problem with fund provisions which may be received under MGNREGS?

**Pu R.L. PIANMAWIA** : Pu Speaker, if the course (100 days employment) is completed accordingly in each district?

**SPEAKER** : The concerned Minister to answer the question.

**Pu R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, due to failure of computer system, we are unable to keep ourselves updated for quite a while but we are keeping ourselves updated. The amount of State share which has not been received is ₹34.94 and we hope to receive this soon. The guidelines do not mention anything as to whether not to permit the government servants or their family members, so we let the families of Grade IV employees engage under NREGS.

Regarding the question of Pu R.L. Pianmawia, labour budget will increase and we are hopeful to open another session in the coming term.

**SPEAKER** : The hon' ble member Pu Joseph Lalhimpuia to ask Starred question No.104.

**Pu JOSEPH LALHIMPUA** : Pu Speaker, my questions are: –

- a) When will the construction of State Sports Academy at Zobawk be completed?
- b) What is present status?

**SPEAKER** : The Concerned Minister Pu Zodintluanga to answer the question.

**Pu ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER :** Pu Speaker, answer to the hon'ble member Pu Joseph Lalhimpuia's questions are –

- a) According to the agreement, it will be completed on 23.6.2014.
- b) Construction is now in full swing.

**SPEAKER :** Pu Joseph Lalhimpuia to ask Supplementary question.

**Pu JOSEPH LALHIMPUA :** Thank you, Pu Speaker, Will the hon'ble Minister give the detail information about the scheme? May the plan for Football Ground, Hockey Ground, Track Ground and Gallery be included?

**SPEAKER :** After the supplementary question, Pu R.L. Pianmawia will ask his question.

**Pu LALDUHOMA :** Pu Speaker, is there any plan for construction of Sports Directorate Building? Is the fund expected for Zotlang Sports Center received?

**Pu R.L. PIANMAWIA :** Pu Speaker, is there a way to prevent the decreasing budget of Sports Department? Do you agree the Budget of Sports be increased for the development of our youths?

**SPEAKER :** The concerned Minister to answer the question.

**Pu ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER :** Pu Speaker, answer to the supplementary question of hon'ble member, there will be a Football ground, Athletic track, Hockey ground, Archery range, Shooting range, Tennis Court and a very large Indoor hall for Boxing, Badminton, and other disciplines of contact sports as gallery will also be constructed. The work is now in full swing so that it is completed on time.

Regarding the question by Pu Lalduhoma, GAD provides site for the building of Sports Directorate within the premise of the Secretariat Complex in between the office of KVI and ATI and is planned to be constructed by the next Five Year Plan. We have also received funds for the construction of Zotlang Sports Centre as detail estimate being completed and selection of the contractor is under process.

On question raised by Pu R.L. Pianmawia, though we would like to increase the Budget for Sports Department as mentioned earlier, the Central Government is in short of

finance. At present, it is not possible to do so despite effort made by the department of Finance and Planning.

**SPEAKER** : Pu Lalduhoma to ask Starred question No.105.

**Pu LALDUHOMA** : Pu Speaker, my question is for the concerned Minister of Planning & Programme Implementation. Is BAFFACOS audited by Comptroller & Auditor General of India? If so, what is their opinion on it?

**SPEAKER** : The concerned Minister to answer the question.

**Pu H. LIANSILOVA, MINISTER:** Pu Speaker BAFFACOS is audited by Comptroller & Auditor General of India and their opinions are clearly stated in the Report of Comptroller & Auditor General of India for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2009 (Chapter-I).

**SPEAKER** : Pu Lalduhoma may to supplementary question.

**Pu LALDUHOMA** : Pu Speaker, It is learned that BAFFACOS fund has been loaned to Industries such as L.S. Bamboo Industry, R.P. Bamboo etc. without proper agreement. How much is recovered from the capital and what is the interest? Besides, Bamboo link road has also been constructed with an amount of ₹2.58 crores. Is there a record of this matter and when will it be completed?

**SPEAKER** : Pu T.T. Zothansanga.

**Pu T.T ZOTHANSANGA** : Pu Speaker, is it true that the former ministry utilized funds allotted to Forest Department for combating bamboo flowering under BAFFACOS?

**SPEAKER** : The concerned Minister to answer the question.

**Pu H. LIANSILOVA, MINISTER :** Pu Speaker, the amount allotted during 2004-2005 for BAFFACOS was ₹125 crores and we could see from the performance report that funds are distributed in 15 different departments without giving priority to the core activities. Regarding the loans, it is written in the report that no legal action against the loan to recover the loan should be initiated in 2009. The Department stated that an inquiry is underway and confirmed that no legal action may be initiated for the recovery. From the report, it is clear that there is no recovery of the said loans.

**Pu T.T. ZOTHANSANGA :** Pu Speaker, my question is: – Is it a fact that Forest Department submitted its project report to the Central Government as the amount is distributed to different departments as soon as it is received by the State Government?

**Pu H. LIANSAILOVA, MINISTER :** Pu Speaker, it is obvious from the report that no proper plan was made prior to receive of the fund sanctioned and so is distributed to 15 different departments.

**Pu LALROBIAKA :** My question is for the concerned Minister of department of PWD. Which division of PWD concern for construction of Bawlte road since the Division there denied it is not under their authority?

**SPEAKER :** The concerned minister i.e. the hon'ble Chief Minister to answer the question.

**Pu LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER :** Pu Speaker, Bawlte road is the connecting road of Rawpuichhip-Buarpui and it is under the authority of PWD Mamit Division.

**SPEAKER :** Pu Lalrobiaka to ask supplementary question.

**Pu LALROBIAKA :** Pu Speaker, my question is: – Will the connection road to Darlung be constructed since we frequently suffer land slide in this area?

**Pu LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER :** Pu Speaker, if the road is damaged, it our responsibility to repair it.

**SPEAKER :** Pu Lalduhoma to ask starred Question No. 107.

**Pu LALDUHOMA :** Pu Speaker, my question is for the concerned minister of Industries Department: –

- a) When was the Industrial Estate at Bairabi established? What is the amount spent for its establishment?
- b) Does the industry function today?

**SPEAKER :** The concerned Minister Pu S. Hiato to answer the question.

**Pu S. HIATO, MINISTER :** Pu Speaker, answer to the hon'ble member questions is: –

- a) Bairabi Industrial Estate was established in 1990 with an amount of ₹10 lakhs. But due to the lack of funds it cannot be completed and Bamboo Development Agency utilizes the site for Bamboo Chipping by spending ₹80 lakhs.
- b) It does not function as an Industrial Estate but the section taken over by the Bamboo Development Agency is organized as Industrial Complex.

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

**Pu LALDUHOMA** : Pu Speaker, my supplementary questions are: – The audit report shows that an amount of ₹1.15 crores is utilized for completion which may be used from BAFFACOS funds. Is there a possibility of running this factory since we have invested a large amount of funds for the purpose?

What is the present status of the 9 chipping units? Do they serve the purpose? Is there a possibility to monitor such units?

**SPEAKER** : The concerned minister to answer the question.

**Pu S. HIATO, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, as mentioned by the hon'ble member, it is the funds allocated for BAFFACOS and I visited the site and the work remain incomplete but being reported as completed.

At present, products from Bamboo chipping Industry are sold to Cachar Paper Mill Industry.

**SPEAKER** : Pu K. Lianzuala to ask Starred Question No.108

**Pu K. LIANZUALA** : Pu Speaker, my question is for the concerned Minister of PWD: – When will the black topping of road Muallungthu-Khumtung road be completed?

**Pu LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, answer to the hon'ble member question is: – Time for completion for Black topping work of Muallungthu-Khumtung road cannot be predicted at the moment.

**SPEAKER** : Pu K. Lianzuala to ask supplementary question and will be followed by Pu K. Lalrinthanga.



**Pu K. LIANZUALA** : Pu Speaker, my supplementary question is – Is there any plan for black topping of Lamchhip-Chhiahtlang road?

**SPEAKER** : Did you mean Lamchhip-Hmuifang-Chhiahtlang road?

**Pu K. LIANZUALA** : Yes, it also connects Hmuifang and Hmuifang-Khawilung road being constructed by PWD at the moment.

**SPEAKER** : Supplementary question from Pu K. Rinthanga.

**Pu K. LALRINRTHANGA** : Pu Speaker, Vairengte-Phainuam road is constructed under PMGSY and the concerned department too has made initiative for black-topping. If so, what is the present status?

**SPEAKER** : The concerned Minister to answer the question.

**Pu LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER:** Pu Speaker, the balck-topping work estimate for Mualungthu-Khumtung Road is ₹18. 24 crore and the sanction is still under process. So, we are unable to predict the time of completion. Lamchhip-Chhiahtlang road is constructed from balance of funds from other projects and we are in the process of repairing these roads through Red Road network Improvements.

**SPEAKER** : Pu R.L. Pianmawia to ask Starred Question No.109.

**Pu R.L. PIANMAWIA** : Pu Speaker, I have made it earlier.

**SPEAKER** : Then, we will move on to the next question. Pu Joseph Lalhimpuia to ask Starred Question No.111.

**Pu JOSEPH LALHIMPUA** : Pu Speaker, my question is for the concerned Minister of PWD: –

- a) Is there a plan to repair the connecting road of Dawn-Haulawng via Ralvawng?
- b) How much is sanctioned for the purpose?
- c) When will the construction work be started?

**SPEAKER** : The concerned Minister Pu Lal Thanhawla to answer the question.

**Pu LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER :** Pu Speaker, yes, there is a plan to repair the connecting road Dawn-Haulawng via Ralvawng and the amount sanction for the purpose is ₹3 crores. The work will be started within this dry season.

**SPEAKER :** We have now come to the end of question hour. Now, the hon'ble member Pu K. Lianzuala, the chairman of Committee on Estimates to present, 'The First Report of Committee on Estimate relating to Public Works Department on Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in the House.

**Pu K. LIANZUALA :** Thank you, Pu Speaker. With your permission, I present "The First Report of Committee on Estimate relating to Public Works Department on Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY)" on the table of the House.

**SPEAKER :** Let the copy be distributed. Now, Pu Joseph Lalhimpuaia, the Chairman of Subject Committee-I to present to the House, "The Second Report of Subject Committee-I relating to Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana Scheme ( RGGVY) under Power & Electricity Department".

**Pu JOSEPH LALHIMPUAIA :** With your permission, Pu Speaker, I present to the House, "The Second Report of Subject Committee-I relating to Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana Scheme (RGGVY) under Power & Electricity Department".

**SPEAKER :** Let the copy be distributed.

**Pu C. RAMHLUNA :** Pu Speaker, I think there is correction to be made at page 5 in which the name 'Pu Lalramthanga Toehhong', Principal Secretary should be corrected as 'Lalramthanga' as 'Toehhong' should be removed.

**SPEAKER :** We do not have Lalramthanga Toehhong in our Committee on Estimates.

**Pu LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER :** I will take this opportunity to say that we should be aware of the importance of our official names and take precautions not to make a mistake in this regard.

**SPEAKER :** We will now move on to Financial Business and the hon'ble Minister Pu S. Hiato may submit the following Demands No.25, 40 and 43 in the House.

**Pu S. HIATO, MINISTER :** On the recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission Sir, I move the following Demands of the departments under my concern such as: -

<b>Demand Nos.</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Demand No.25	Public Health Engineering	₹1,10,56,00,000.00
Demand No.40	Industries	₹425,01,46,000.00
Demand No.43	Tourism	₹5,83,02,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>₹1,58,40,48,000.00</b>

Thank you.

**SPEAKER :** Pu R. Lalzirliana, the hon'ble Minister may now submit the following Demands such as No.11, 16, 35 and 38.

**Pu R. LALZIRLIANA MINISTER :** Pu Speaker, on the recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission Sir, I move the Demand of the following departments under my concern: -

<b>Demand Nos.</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Demand No.11	Secretariat Administration	₹77,07,00,000.00
Demand No.16	Home (Including Prison)	₹4,60,47,02,000.00
Demand No.35	Fisheries	₹6,70,55,000.00
Demand No.38	Rural Development	₹99,05,40,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>₹6,43,29,97,000.00</b>

Thank you.

**SPEAKER :** The two hon'ble Ministers have submitted their Demands and we will start our discussions. Each member will have 10 minutes. Who will start the discussion? Pu C. Ramhluna.

**Pu C. RAMHLUNA :** Thank you, Pu Speaker. I want to start from PHE, Demand No.25. The budget decreased immensely from ₹9,589 lakhs to ₹5,870 lakhs. Since the department is very significant, I suggest the budget this year should at least be equalized with its previous budget. The department is working hard enough as it covers 711 rural villages.

Pu Speaker, I am grateful that the PHE decided to cover Bungtlang S' and Kawnpui in their water supply scheme for the area. At the same time, Nghalimlui and Vaseikai are two villages which could be further covered as they are not far apart from each other. It would not be too difficult to include them in the scheme. I would also like to request the hon'ble Minister to take a look at the water supply for Tuisentlang which we thought would be sourced from Myanmar water-table but they pumped the water from a nearby source which dries up every now and then.

I would like to urge the officials to be careful in distributing funds for rural sanitation such as latrines and commodes because the fund tends to be misused in the hands of the people.

Moving on to Industries Department, their budget has been reduced drastically from ₹9973.16 lakhs to ₹1679.73 lakhs for this financial year. The most nagging thing about the department is their weak structural organization. There are several vacant posts which are essential for the smooth function of the department and yet they are somehow neglected by the government so far.

This is the same under Tourism whose employees are almost all appointed temporarily. If the present employees could be regularized by the government, I am certain their efficiency level will see a dramatic rise.

Under Home Department, I thank the hon'ble Minister for giving us two buildings at Bungtlang S' as the quarters there are in sore need of repairs and maintenance. Bungtlang is a big village and hence I request the posting of an SDPO to maintain law and order in the area as we are near the Myanmar border.

**SPEAKER** : Pu K. Lianzuala and then Pu Hmingdailova Khiangte.

**Pu K. LIANZUALA** : The PHE has taken extensive measures to provide drinking water to the people. In fact, they have provided drinking water to as many as 700 villages at this time for which I would like to congratulate the hon'ble Minister. Our water sources are not going to last forever. They are definitely going to dry up soon which compel us to safeguard the precious few we have. I do not know if you have laws but we should preserve our forests and punish those who disregard them.

I would like to thank the hon'ble Tourism Minister for making a proposal to build a tourist lodge at Baktawng finally. Big industries usually fail miserably in the state due, mostly,

to lack of raw materials and resources. The department should contemplate upon this very carefully because industries are the wheels of development and unless we have a stable industry, our pace of development will be hindered continually.

Serious attention needs to be projected towards our state prison because the buildings are falling apart and there is no appropriate maintenance provided. Is the government intent on continuing the 100 days employment? Also, the tin-roof distribution is a vital part of caring for the poor. Will the government continue it? Has the government reinforced our police forces and equip them with modern arsenal?

**SPEAKER** : Pu Hmingdailova Khiangte.

**Pu HMINGDAILOVA KHIANGTE** : I would like to begin by expressing my gratitude to the hon'ble Chief Minister and PHE Minister for their recommendation to sanction ₹88 lakhs for water supply project of Hortoki. In the meantime, I would like to know the progress made on the Chal lui water project and also the developments made in each village.

We need a tourist lodge at Kawnpui for which I urge the department to look for a construction site as soon as possible. The construction of a cottage at Thingdawl Highway Restaurant compound has also taken too long to complete. I also request the concerned Minister to provide us with sewing machines and blacksmith equipments.

Under Home Department, I would like to know if compensations were given to Sakhan villagers chased out of their homes by Bru insurgents. Where are the 3 IR Battalions created by the former Ministry located?

I request the Rural Development Minister to turn his attentions to Hortoki farmland areas because the place is perfect for fish-farming and with only a little support, its huge potential could be realised. We have distributed tin-roofs in our MLA constituencies but the amount we are supplied is hardly sufficient for the people and I request the Minister to provide us more to cater to their needs. I also remind the hon'ble Tourism Minister to construct a tourist lodge at Kawnpui since the PWD IB can no longer accommodate the number of travelers anymore.

**SPEAKER** : Pu Lalrobiaka.

**Pu LALROBIAKA** : Thank you, Pu Speaker. I would like to express my gratitude to the PHE Department for providing drinking water to my constituency which has

been neglected prior to this Ministry. Since scarcity of water is a major problem in the state, I wonder if private water supplying could be legalized after their water is tested by government laboratories.

We have a tottering industrial infrastructure in the state and most of our big industrial ventures have panned out to be nothing more than a dissipating dream. However, our leaders have made strenuous efforts to consolidate its foundations and we are starting to see its positive results.

We are in sore need of an appropriate tourist lodge at Marpara which is a minority region, because we often entertain VVIP guests such as Union Ministers and Secretaries making spot checks. I beseech the Minister to start the construction as soon as possible since the estimate has already been prepared last year.

The rural areas are largely dependent on Rural Development and I would like to encourage them to work even harder for the betterment of the poor.

**SPEAKER** : Pu B. Lalthlengliana.

**Pu B. LALTHLENGLIANA** : Pu Speaker, the hon'ble Leader of the House has promised in the last session to put a Police Station at Bungtlang but no work has been initiated till today. When will it be finally constructed? The area is a vital point bordering Burma and India and security needs to be addressed urgently.

The budget for Fisheries Department has been reduced drastically this year but let us hope that the NLUP Budget of ₹840 lakhs will shoulder assistance for the projects it has omitted this year. This is an important department and if we wish to be more self-sufficient, the department is required to work as hard as possible.

I believe the RD Department is going to give us GCI this year. Whereas some constituencies receive 260 bundles, we were given only 16 bundles but we are grateful anyway. At the same time I hope the distribution will be more even this time. When work tenders are invited under the department, they are given to applicants from Aizawl and other places. These applicants later sell their shares and ultimately the works are done poorly. The fund for implementation of the NREGA is taken from the salaries of government employees at Kolasib. This is a strange action by the government since there is an appropriate norm to be followed in regard to fund accumulation for the project.

Under the SAD, files processing is extremely slow and huge amounts of files are pending. Their inefficiency creates numerous problems for the people and I sincerely hope they will become more efficient in the future.

I am grateful that the Tourism Department has constructed a tourist lodge in my constituency but the furnishings and facilities are of extremely low quality. I request the hon'ble Minister to provide us better furnishings and acceptable accommodations. The Institute of Hotel Management building near Bung bungalow is now almost completed at this time. I hope the Department of Tourism will soon create the necessary posts such as Principal, Lecturers, Office Staff, etc. for efficient and smooth functioning of the Institute right from the very beginning.

The PHE has constructed a reservoir in my constituency for which I am deeply thankful. In the meantime, as my fellow member has said yesterday, these projects should be prepared to cover large areas instead of fragmenting them into separate small projects, to turn the wheels of development even faster.

Finally, the water supply fee has risen dramatically after the water meters were fitted. I request the Minister to look into this problem quickly because there are many families severely beset by the overwhelming fees.

**SPEAKER** : Pu R. Selthuama.

**Pu R. SELTHUAMA** : As a member of the House Committee, I have taken a firsthand look at the Aizawl Greater Water Supply Scheme twice. I have noticed, in these visits that the engineers and department are working extremely hard to complete the project as soon as possible. I am impressed by their dedication and efforts and I take this opportunity to thank them. When the project is eventually completed, they will need continuous supply of electricity to pump water and I would like to take this opportunity to request the P&E Department to provide them with their power requirements.

The pipe distribution system at Khatla Veng seriously needs to be reconsidered. There are places where 20 or so pipes are intertwined making it difficult to even walk the steps. It would not take too much fund to correct this and it should be done quickly because the pipes disable the function of the drains which is not healthy and detrimental to the beauty of the area.

The hon'ble Home Minister deserves echoing praises for his successful ban of fireworks during Christmas and New Year. This is a feat that no one has ever been able to achieve in the past and I am sure the sick and elderly are extremely grateful, not to mention the general populace. I heard they have recently purchased modern armaments which I would

personally like to see if it is possible. Also can you give compensation to the people of Vangmun who evacuated their homes in fear of Tripura insurgents? Will it be feasible to construct water tanks at strategic key points of the city for firefighters?

In regard to tin-roof distribution under the Rural Development, some of us in Aizawl have no quota at all last year and this is the same for NREGS. Therefore, I expect to receive a bigger amount this year. Only ₹100 lac is allocated for purchase of tin-roof in the budget which might be a mistake since we need at least ₹400 lacs.

**SPEAKER** : With that we will now take a break, the session will be resumed at 2:00 p.m.

**2:00 P.M.**

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : Let us continue our afternoon discussion with Pu Joseph Lalhimpuia.

**Pu JOSEPH LALHIMPUIA** : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. First of all, I thank the PHE department for tackling our problem by supplying water to Dawn and Hlumte villages.

With the increase in population, Lunglei Greater Water supply Scheme is no longer able to provide sufficient water to the people and since there were hints to make a new project at Mat Lui under Urban development, I request the Minister to push the proposal forward and resolve our water scarcity problem.

I was informed in writing, that the Leite Water Supply Scheme has been commissioned but I believe this is a misinformation since water is still to be pumped to Leite while reservoirs and pipes are yet to be constructed and laid for Rotlang E'. I hope it will be appropriately corrected.

In regard to Home Department, the hon'ble Minister upgraded the Lunglei Fire Sub-Station to a full-fledged station. He also gave us sanction to finish the construction of the SP Office and 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion MAP Office. With the rapid increase of vehicles in mind, I also request him to open a proper Traffic Police Branch at Lunglei.

We are starting to use the IWMP in my constituency also, and I believe it will be extremely beneficial for the people. However, in the IWMP road map, Rotlang E' was unfortunately omitted. As the omission could have a disadvantageous consequence for the farmers there, I urge the department to rectify this error as soon as possible.



Although we are not included in the BADP area, the government created Lunglei High Power Committee to ensure faster development. I wonder if the opinion of the people were ignored when projects and schemes were made because these BADP coverage areas still have so many requirements that are unsatisfied by the schemes they enjoy. Finally, I thank the hon'ble Chief Minister for granting us the Lunglei High Power Committee; I also hope that when the office building is completed, it will be inaugurated by him.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : Pu S. Laldingliana.

**Pu S. LALDINGLIANA** : I would like to start by expressing my gratitude to the PHE for giving us water tanks to harvest rain water in my remote constituency. At the same time, I urge the department to complete the Lunglei Greater Water Supply Scheme as soon as possible to ease the burden of the people.

Under Tourism, we heard about construction of tourist lodges in several places. We used to have a PWD Inspection Bungalow at Lungrang which has fallen down now. I request the hon'ble Minister to build a lodge in its place at Lungrang. The tourist lodge at Tawipui S' was inaugurated some time back but they still have no electricity so far.

The dramatic increase of vehicles is a huge problem for Lunglei as accidents occur constantly. I urge the Home Minister to find a way to increase the number of our traffic police to avoid such misfortunes. We also have no police outpost or beat post at Chhimthlang and I request the Minister to create the post for better security.

Moving on to Demand No.38, the Rural Development is a vital and essential department for the rural areas and we depend heavily on it. Due to IAY Scheme, most of the houses at Upper Lungrang has now CGI sheet as their roof. We are capitalizing on IWMP Project and have constructed several toilets, bathrooms and market sheds. Lastly, I pledged my support to the demands laid out by our hon'ble Ministers. Thank you.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : Pu Lalthansanga

**Pu LALTHANSANGA** : Pu Deputy Speaker, thank you. I would like to start with the most pressing issue within my constituency which is Demand No.25, Public Health Engineering.

There is a serious shortage of water and problems with pumps and pipes within my constituency causing problems in the daily life of the people. The water pumps at East Lungdar, Sihpui and Bungtlang has a limited working capacity and as such the water they received is insufficient.

Under Demand No.43, Tourism, we have no tourist lodge at Khawlailung. The location has already been selected and the funds sanctioned. There are no other rest houses there as well. If the ministry could speed up this process as well we would be very grateful. Also, if we could have a timeline for the opening of tourist lodge at E.Lungdar and N.Vanlaiphai as well as the construction of the approach road we would be grateful.

Moving on to Demand No.38, Rural Development, we are seriously understaffed at BDO Office and we are in need of more staff.

I believe we need to increase our presence and activities at Home department (Demand No.16). We are very appreciative of the plan for the construction of Police Station and quarter at North Vanlaiphai. East Lungdar is the junction for other places and is in need of a police outpost or at least an IR presence.

Moving on to Fire Department, will it be possible to distribute fire equipments in rural areas? It would be advantageous if the village councils and NGOs have their own fire equipment. Thank you.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : Pu K.S. Thanga

**Pu K.S. THANGA** : Pu Deputy Speaker, thank you. I would like to start by commending our Home Minister for his tremendous effort in Home Department (Demand No.16). He guided us from 'lawlessness' to 'rule of law' and maintain a peaceful state.

He modernize the Police Department by providing satellite connectivity at Police stations, update the police armory, establish forensic science laboratory and provide arms to IR battalion. He also introduced Aizawl City Surveillance Project at a cost of more than ₹30 crores.

Under Demand No.38 Rural Development, there is tremendous improvement under NREGS in the form of community hall, link road, internal road and concrete pavement. We can also solve water shortage problem by harvesting our rain water and construct concrete structure to store water at various places.

We have seen growth in fisheries and there is high demand for Mizoram fish at a high rate. We could construct fish ponds along Vairengte border which will double as boundary lines.

There are several projects undertaken by Tourism department such as the introduction of PPP Mode and privatization. I would also like to enquire about the opening of Aibawk, Sialsuk and Hmuifang tourist lodge.

Under Demand No.25 PHE, I applaud our hon'ble Minister for the successful establishment of Greater Aizawl Water Supply Scheme Phase-II which now covers Lungleng, Samtlang, Lungleng-I, Lungleng N, Muallungthu and Falkawn. It is also an impressive feat to complete 16 large projects such as Water Pumping System and I would again like to congratulate our Minister on his achievements. Thank you.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : Pu R. Lalrinawma

**Pu R. LALRINAWMA** : Pu Deputy Speaker, thank you. I would like to start with PHE department by thanking our Minister and the department for putting Sihphir on their priority list for Greater Aizawl Water Supply Scheme Phase-II. I am also thankful to our Minister for prioritizing the installation of Zemabawk water distribution line.

Under Demand No.43 Tourism, I'd like to enquire about the work programme for viewing gallery at Sihphir and the status of this development.

I felt that the Industry department has neglected our industrial estates such as Zuangtui Industrial Estate which is in serious need of renovation.

Home department has shown extraordinary progression in Police department especially traffic and anti-corruption branch. I would like to compliment the department on their rapid growth. Zemabawk and Thuampui are in urgent need of Fire sub-station and I would like our Minister to consider this project.

I commend Rural Development Department for their work on social education as well as distribution of CGI Sheets. Lastly I would like to pledge my support to the demands submitted by our Ministers. Thank you.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : Pu K. Liantlinga

**Pu K. LIANTLINGA** : Pu Deputy Speaker, thank you. Most of our Industrial

Estates are abandoned except for Zuangtui Industrial Estate which is barely operating. We have to take more action so that these estates do not go to waste.

Previously, our hon'ble Minister for Geology and Mineral Resources stated that the post of Director for the department is not reserved for Central Service post. However this is not the case now and I believe this affects their productivity and I would like to suggest that the post of Director should be an in-house post.

The budget for PHE (Demand No.25) has decreased by 12.22 crores from last year. I would also like to highlight that they have no work programme, performance budget and annual report.

I have been questioning our tourism approach and felt that instead of constructing concrete buildings for tourist lodges; a more indigenous approach might be more appropriate and effective in attracting more tourists.

Under demand no.16 Home Department, they have a perfect work programme which is admirable. However, the TA/DA for police department has not been sanctioned and I would like to request for the sanctioning of TA/DA on their behalf. It is essential that we raise awareness regarding forensic science as well as establish a stronger forensic presence. However, I do appreciate the modernization of police force as well as their campaign against arms smuggling.

Lastly, my constituency and the constituencies of Col. Sangzuala and Pu Lalsawta are without fire station and would like to request the hon'ble Minister to provide us with one. Also, I would like to suggest a budget for fire protection and control and the modernization of fire service. Thank you.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : Pu RL Pianmawia followed by Col. Z.S. Zuala and Pu Rina.

**Pu R.L. PIANMAWIA** : Pu Deputy Speaker, I would like to compliment on construction of police buildings at Sakawrdai and Darlawn as well as fencing for both buildings under the able Home Minister and the Home Department. At the same time, we are eagerly waiting for the establishment of SDPO Post at Sakawrdai, 5<sup>th</sup> IR Company headquarter at Darlawn and renovation of Zohmun BOP.

I appreciate works taken up under Fisheries (Demand No.35) department and would like them to continue with their performance.

There are many reasons to thank Rural Development Department (Demand No.38) such as construction of roads at Chhanchhuahna khawpui, Sunhluchhip, North Khawdungsei, Zokhawthiang and Ratu. I also appreciate the construction of community hall at North Serzawl, Ratu and Lungsum.

It is much appreciative of the fact that PHE (Demand No.25) has done so much work for my constituency as Phase-I of fitting latrine to individual household latrine is initiated as Phase-II will be soon be started. It is pleasing to note that composite water supply scheme will soon be implemented by covering Chhanchhuahna khawpui, Sunhluchhip and North Serzawl. Concerned department is requested to take immediate action regarding Zohmun which remains without water supply from PHE.

At the same time, I request concerned authority to open Rest house constructed under Tourism at Darlawn and Sakawdai at the earliest. I am pleased with the Industrial Policy 2012 as it will open employment opportunity. Pu Deputy Speaker, considering the demand, it will be much appreciated if more funds is provided for ground water development.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : Lt. Col. Z.S. Zuala

**Lt. Col. Z.S. ZUALA** : Pu Deputy Speaker, I supposed concerned minister is ready to note down important points I have to mention. As we have experience recently, Fire station is seriously needed in the Southern Aizawl with a convenient site available at Ngaizel and Kulikawn. If not possible as yet, at least a fire van should be placed.

Under police modernization scheme, what is most important is concerned people and then comes resources and equipments. We have 3<sup>rd</sup> MAP camp at Mualpui which is well taken care of. However, the approach road is very poor in condition and should be black-topped with immediate effect. Can this be included under police modernization scheme?

I would also like to point out regarding Sainik School ah Chhingchhip out of which no compensation is claimed. The people of Chhingchhip truly set a good example for others.

There are numbers of reasons to be thankful for the implementation of Greater Aizawl Water Supply Scheme. Within my constituency, the people of Hlimen and Melthum are now receiving a regular supply of water. In the meantime, it may as well be pleased if supply line

is provided to Tlangnuam Vengthar and private connection for Ngaizel and Kulikawn are given.

Pu Deputy Speaker, it is learned that intensive effort is given to exploration of oil and gas within Mizoram. It will be pleasing if report of the progress of work is given in the House. In this connection, I would also like to know which department is the nodal department.

Much as well, it is truly appreciated as roofing materials are provided under Rural Development Department as it further indicates progress of the government. Thank you.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : Pu K. Lalrinthanga

**Pu K. LALRINTHANGA** : Pu Deputy Speaker, let me start from PHE. It is noted that Aizawl Greater Water Supply Phase II is about to be completed. It is expected that water crisis in Aizawl will be relieved to a great extent and we are pleased with the progress. However, there are many places such as Vairengte, Saipum, Phainuam and Thingthelh where scarcity of water supply remains a severe problem. I earnestly request concerned authority to alleviate the problem.

Pu Deputy Speaker, I opine it is necessary for the Subject Committee to investigate Chalfilh tourist spot which is claimed as enough revenue as not being received to cover the expenditure for the maintenance. Whereas, plan for transformation of Serlui 'B' into a Tourists Destination is in progress, thanks to the effort of concerned officials.

Under Rural Development Department, I would like to request concerned minister to construct community halls at Serlui constituency. At the same time, I thank him for distribution of roofing materials in my constituency. So, I pledge my support to the demand of our Ministers. Thank you.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** : Pu Lalduhoma

**Pu LALDUHOMA** : Pu Deputy Speaker, I would like to start by requesting our Home Minister to provide a bus and ambulance for Central Jail. There is stagnation in the administration of Central Jail's staffs due to little chance for promotion as well as unavailability of Prison's staff manual which hampers the administration.

Regarding Fisheries Department, it is a very old department having 240,000 hectares of potential areas out of which 12% is being developed. We are, somehow able to produce 36% of the total requirement of Mizoram. During the last 21 years, no new officer is

recruited in the department. The state Government sent number of student to study Bachelor of Fishery Science whom may be absorbed in the department as soon as completion of their studies.

In Tourism Department, the Board headed by the House Leader decided privatization of tourism in which P.K. Dong, an expert from Sikkim is being deployed by the government of Mizoram to initiate the plan. But I opine this taking too long even though necessary document has already been submitted. So, the concerned authority should be urged by the government to expedite the process.

In this connection, I would like to know the progress of Sialsuk Tourism Project. It is learned that utilization certificate has not been submitted to the concerned authority. I, therefore request the hon'ble Minister to explain the exact situation when winding up his demand. At the same time, I request the government to give more attention to Delhi School of Planning which seems to be the main authority in dealing with consultancy and other matters concerning Tourism department. It is further learned that large amount of funds is received by Mizoram Tourism Development Authority the members which comprises of the same officials of Tourism department. During the previous ministry, sanction of funds amounting to ₹298.38 lakh was received in 2008 out of which ₹32 lakh was spent for purchase of Hot-air Balloon but the where-about of the material is unknown till today. It is further learned that ₹15 lakh was spent for purchase of para-glider, ₹46 lakh for setting up of Aero-Sports at Tuirial and ₹19 lakh for purchase of para-hand glider. Apart from this, Pu Speaker, it is learned that an amount of ₹103 lakh as being transferred to PWD for construction of Dormitory for Boys & Girls, Aircraft Hangar and Administrative Building. So, I request concerned Minister to clarify if the said are actually done and where to see.

In Industries Department, it is learned that the department sent a tour study to Tripura for development of rubber plantation in Mizoram. What benefit is drawn by the study? As far as my knowledge is concern, rubber planters in Tripura received financial support from the government up to six years which enabled them to achieve successful plantations. But in Mizoram, beneficiaries who have opted rubber plantation are being supplied with poor quality of budding rubber plants obviously purchased from Silchar. I have once criticized supply of the same as survival chance for such budding rubbers are quite slim as half of the beneficiaries are bound to fail with their plantations. If we have to proceed with the supply, only green budding rubber of at least knee-length high and the quality verified by the Rubber Board kept in a poly-pot should be supplied.

Regarding skill development, the nodal department to this concern has not yet been assigned. So, it will be much appreciated if it is done with immediate effect considering the

urgency. Pu Speaker, it is much grateful as the Industrial Policy, 2012 is being formulated as it concerns number of forest-based Industries and Food Processing. In the meantime, I request the hon'ble Minister to explain about the ideas of foreign investment which happened to be the burning topic in India nowadays.

Lastly, I request the hon'ble Minister to be careful in selection of beneficiary of Industrial loan so that it is benefitted only by the deserved ones. Much as well, it is necessary to take safety measures in dealing with industrial sick units. Thank you.

**SPEAKER** : The time now is 4:00 p.m., we will have a break and discussion will be resumed at 4:30 p.m.

(Recessed at 4:00 p.m.)

#### **4:30 P.M.**

**SPEAKER** : (Technical problem)

**Pu P.P. THAWLA** : Thank you, Pu Speaker. To start with, Demand No. 38, Rural Department. It is regretted to learn that the budget demand is reduced by ₹3872 lakh comparing to last year's demand. In 2010, an amount of ₹1000/- lakh was allotted under Backward-Area Grant Fund for Saiha District alone. In this connection, I would like to inform the House as my membership to the Committee is strongly objected by leaders of the Congress party of Saiha District and they successfully ousted me from being the member. I was told by a former CEM of Mara Autonomous District Council that I was rejected because BRGF fund is misused for construction of private house of certain leaders and that I may inform the case to the Vigilance Committee. Pu Speaker, as the said fund involves development of my district, attention may be given by the government so that it is used purposely.

In this connection, I would like to point out that construction of Community Hall from BADP/BRGF at Lawngban village remain on halt. May the concerned Minister explain the actual position? Apart from this, I request concerned minister to improve approach road to Lawngban, the village who will be hosted Women Conference of ECM Church. In the meantime, I thank the government for construction of approach road to Lungdar. Again, Pu Speaker, since fund allotted for development of Tuipang is diverted for construction of approach road to Hloma, a village in Myanmar; I request your kind consideration to allot development of Tuipang village when another sanction is received.



Coming now to Demand No.16, Home Department, implementation of Police Modernization Scheme is truly appreciated. I opine, in addition, it is important to increase TA/DA in appreciation of their remarkable performance in detecting crime and to encourage them in their service for the future. In the meantime, control of using crackers during Christmas festival is noteworthy. Yet, the same should be done in the celebration of Puja as well. Pu Speaker, I would also like to inform the House that Police Staff-quarters at Saiha as well as in the outpost of Tuipang and Phura have becomes old and thus need immediate improvement. So, attention may be given by the government.

In Demand No.35, Fisheries Department, I request concerned authority to improve Fishery office of Saiha as numbers of NLUP beneficiary opted trade under Fishery department.

In Demand No.16, PHE Department, it is learned that there is a proposal for pumping of water from Tuisi Lui which is proposed to cover the adjoining seven villages. In this regard, I request concerned authority to see the work is done appropriately.

In Demand No.40 Industries Department, it is regretted as that the budget demand is reduced by ₹5,980 lakh in compare to last year. In this connection, I request concerned Minister to give priority to any recommendation which may be made by the members when Industrial Loan is applied.

In Tourism Department, I am truly grateful as the progress of the department is witnessed within my constituency such as Longmasu, Zawngling and Chapui. With a vision that the southern part to be the gateway of our state, more steps may be taken by the department for improvement of tourism.

Again, in Industries Department, I opine it is important for the department to continue with supply of handicraft tools to the members as it is widely benefitted by the members as well as one who delivered such tools on their behalf and the amount may further be increased at least to ₹25,00/-. Thank you.

**Dr. NGURDINGLIANA** : Thank you, Pu Speaker. I will start from Demand No. 25 PHE. Concerned minister of PHE and the officials are truly praiseworthy for their service to the people as some staff works day and night to maintain sufficient supply of water to the people. Much as well, steps taken by the government for the achievement of Greater Aizawl Water Supply, Greater Lunglei Water Supply Scheme and Greater Serchhip Water Supply Scheme are

much appreciative as 78% of the work has now been completed. The department has further taken up a large scale Water supply project at Saiha, Lawngtlai and Tlabung which indicates concern of the government towards the people within the Autonomous District Council as well.

Being the newest member here, I am not supposed to speak much on the Demand but only to ask as there are many works within my constituency which may be covered by certain programmes. Matter which concern supply of water, we still have many things which need to be improved from Khawruhlian to New Vervek. So, I request the hon'ble Minister to inform any project which may be taken up in my constituency. As my first request in the House, we need improvement of water supply for Phuaibuang and the surrounding villages. I, therefore ask the minister to kindly consider inclusion of our need in the departmental project.

Regarding Demand No.43, a large Tourist Lodge constructed at Vanbawng with an estimate of ₹500 crore remains un-inaugurated even after completion. I request concerned Minister to consider immediate inauguration for the benefit of travelers in this area to enjoy the magnificent sight of Rungdil which consist of twin lakes, male and female which are known for emitting reddish color beams by the end of every month.

In regard to Demand No.16, Department, it is much grateful to learn from this budget statement that the Police have now becomes more active in their duties as a result of the Police Modernization Scheme. The result could also be seen from the recently concluded General Election of our State in which our police forces rendered an active service to maintain peaceful election atmosphere. This further indicates efficiency of the hon'ble Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries. My constituency, being a sensitive area, the hon'ble Home Minister set up two Police outposts at Vanbawng and Khawlian. I request the hon'ble Home Minister to provide vehicle for the two outposts and of Suangpuilawn as it is necessary in some emergency cases.

Coming now to Demand No.38, Rural Development Department, we are now able to see many RCC buildings even in remote villages thanks to the efforts made by the department. Apart from this, it is truly appreciated that the government constructed number of buildings for the poor. Yet, there is no IB in my constituency as Community Hall of Phuaibuang village also needs repair. So, I request concerned minister to note down the problems of my constituency for his kind consideration.

Pu Speaker, I do support passing of the Demands of all the hon'ble Ministers.  
Thank you.

**Pu JOHN SIAMKUNGA** : Thank you, Pu Speaker. To start from Demand No.25, PHE, the Committee on Greater Aizawl Water Supply Scheme Phase-II made a spot-visit to the project and it is grateful to learn that the work is in progress and may be completed when it is again visited. As known to us all, Water Supply Scheme of our state covers 652 villages with 124 villages partially covered. Pu Speaker, there is a proposal to set up water pump for Cherhlun village of my constituency also but no initiative is made till today despite our problem which is intensively high now-a-days. So, I request the hon'ble Minister to expedite the work. In the same manner, the problem of water supply for Bualpui 'H' remains unresolved despite ₹40 lakh was spent. So, I request the hon'ble Minister to note down the problems I have mentioned and if possible, an official spot-visit may be made.

Coming now to Demand No.16, Home Department, It is truly appreciative as the government is able to maintain peace and harmony in Mizoram till today. In the meantime, we have seen improvement in Fire & Emergency Service as well as in Anti-Corruption Branch which is now headed by IGP level Police Officer. In the meantime, I would like to request the hon'ble Minister to consider construction of Police Station and repair of the Check Gate both of Thingsai. Also, SDPO may immediately be posted at Hnahthial as the previous one has already been transferred to other place.

In Demand No.38, Rural Development Department, Perspective Plans under BADP which have been formulated many years back is still applied in our state. So, it is necessary to accept the suggestions made by the members of the House for reviewing such perspective plans to achieve more progresses.

In Demand No.40, Industries, the department has achieved 22% of GSDP last year. It has 8,088 units registration which are of Small Scale units. With the progress in construction, the department's contribution on GSDP becomes 18%. Geology & Mining contributed .06% of GSDP which is expected to be able to increase if more efforts are given. In the meantime, it is learned that demand for sands, boulder-stone and iron rod are higher than ever before which indicates the necessity of strengthening the department with more staff so that checking gates at various places are regularly maintained. It is grateful to learn that New Industrial Policy is protecting manual labors to some extents as we are beginning to be aware of the importance of preferring local workers to non-tribal workers from outside. Yet, we still need to learn to prefer any local product or merchant instead of other sources or manufacturers if we were given a choice. On the part of the government and the general people, we should invest any fund within our state. In short, I do support passing of all the demands we are discussing today. Thank you.

**SPEAKER** : Next, Pu Nirupam Chakma.

**Pu NIRUPAM CHAKMA** : Thank you, Pu Speaker. Demand No.38, Rural Development Department. The process of Perspective Plan has now become long and complicate and therefore needs revision on different grounds. The importance of UID is known but awareness should be given to the people particularly of rural areas. But awareness has not been given till date on which the hon'ble Minister is requested to clarify it when winding up his demands.

Coming over to Demand No.35, Fisheries Department, Pu Speaker, I opine it is important for the department to set up fish-seed farm in each district to maintain smooth supply of fish-seeds to each beneficiary who opted fishery under NLUP. At the same time, cold-storage is needed for better marketing facility and to enable the department achieving self-sufficiency with supply of fish.

Demand No.38, Home Department, I am deeply regretted to learn that arms & ammunitions were seized allegedly from some Chakmas at Lengpui when I was at Chawngte. I wonder how they could reach Lengpui Airport with such belongings. I assume it is Santi-bahini who is behind such illegal trafficking. Since regrouping of Santi-bahini, Chittagong Hill Track has now become a disturbed area. So, the state government should give more attention to protect our state's international-boundaries as we are now setting up border-trade with Bangladesh and Myanmar.

In Demand No.40, Industries Department, the former Congress Ministry set up Sub-Divisional Office at Chawngte but the ministry of MNF party has closed. I request the hon'ble Minister to consider reopening.

In Demand No.25, PHE, Pu Speaker, even though Chawngte is situated between two rivers, the problem of water supply is intensive as it is often neglected by the department. I strongly demand to the government to provide water supply for Chawngte on regular basis. Thank you.

**SPEAKER** : Pu T.T. Zothansanga.

**Pu T.T. ZOTHANSANGA** : Thank you, Pu Speaker. Demand No.25 PHE, there is a plan for construction of dam at Murlen River to provide water supply to Hnahlan as approval of DP & AR has already been obtained. To look after water supply of Hnahlan and the adjoining 11 villages, Finance Department and Council of Ministers approved opening of SDO Office at Hnahlan for which notification was issued on 6<sup>th</sup> August, 2008 by indicating staffs to be

deployed there. But Pu Speaker, no office has yet been set up till today. It will be appreciated if the hon'ble Minister re-acted to that effect. It seems that the project cover 1.4 hectares of land owned by Forest Department which I opined as negotiable between the two departments.

At the same time, Pu Speaker, approach road to Champhai Greater Water Supply Scheme is quite poor and is traversable only with Gypsy. I request the hon'ble Minister to note down the matter for immediate consideration.

Demand No.38, Rural Development Department, IWMP is of much important project for upliftment rural people in Mizoram. But step taken within my constituency is hardly satisfactory as concentration is given only in few areas. So, it will be much appreciated if equal distribution of work is done.

Coming now to Demand No.16, Home Department, it is necessary to set up a Police Outpost at Hnahlan as there are 11 villages in the vicinity which are all far from the Police station. Since the area happened to be of a convenient route for Insurgency group from Myanmar and Manipur, kidnapping of some government servants is a common incident and special attention thus should be given by the government.

On examining work programme of Home department, we have seen financial provision of ₹800 lakh for construction yet, it is unfortunately to learn that my district in not included. For the period 2009 to 2013, the government spent ₹1219 lakh for purchase of arms which indicates our performance in regard to Police Modernization is not bad despite construction being lagged behind.

Pu Speaker, in regard to Prison, any case of criminal in Champhai district is being referred to Aizawl since there is no Session Judge in Champhai District to deal with such cases. Apart from this, such cases are usually sent to Aizawl via Maxi-cab service which is found to be unsafe. In fact, my district needs an Ambulance/Prison van for safety measure.

Pu Speaker, the hon'ble concerned minister inaugurated a Tourist Lodge in the adjoining area of the alleged station of insurgent groups and therefore necessary for the government to consider construction of border fencing in the area as it is located in the remote area. Plus, I would like to suggest that proper security should be provided.

Pu Speaker, we have a building of the Integrated Industrial Development Centre in Champhai but not utilized as purposed. From the information I received, it is being rented out as recreational centre for Public. Hence, I would like to know if revenue is received from this centre. If not, it is wise for concerned authority to let the building to Fishery department for cold

storage. Pu Speaker, I give my support to the various demands which are submitted today. Thank you.

**Dr. R. LALTHANGLIANA :** Pu Speaker, we are in the last day of the last budget session of this ministry. We may have some problems if the plan discussion is delayed like last year. Anyway, it is pleasant that we are having a healthy atmosphere in the discussion. It may be noted that the hon'ble member Pu Nirumpam Chakma needs help regarding sub-Division of Industry department before the coming election.

**SPEAKER :** I give my support from the Chair to consider the case of loss of sub-Division of Industry department.

**Dr. R. LALTHANGLIANA :** Coming now to Demand No.25, PHE, I have mentioned several times the scarcity of water on various villages of my constituency. I have even approached the Chief Engineer in this regard. However, the Planning department usually kept us every year at the bottom of priority list. I would therefore, I have to urge concerned department to resolve scarcity of water supply at Buarpui. Plus, the water supply at Lunglei is no longer sufficient due to growth in population.

Coming to Tourism, it is regretted as most of the employees are of MR as I have the record here. However, I applaud management of the department. I request if the hon'ble minister could give at least a rest house at Buarpui as we do not expect huge building or lodge. I request the hon'ble minister to note down this matter. Pu Speaker, during the previous ministry, steps were taken to set up hotel management institution at Bung Bungalow, however, it remains unfulfilled till date. I, therefore, request the hon'ble minister to take necessary steps. One more point in Tourism, despite completion of Darzo Tourist Lodge, it is not in a position to function as the construction quality is below par standard. I request concerned authority to take necessary action.

In Industries, Demand No.40, it is unfortunate that we are unable utilise the Industrial Policy accordingly. In spite of Mizoram being a high in literacy, the government under the previous or the present has done nothing much for improvement of industry department. It is time we wake up for the future of our youths. There is educated unemployed loan facility for the youths but there is no smooth co-ordination between concerned Banks and the department which hampers the loan facilities.

Being a minister of Industry department in 2008, I was invited by the University of Warwick to give power-point presentation at the United Kingdom Telecommunication

Academy. After attending the programme, I realized how vast the opportunities for the youths under Information technology. Thus, we should broaden our horizon. I would also like to mention that Youth Commission is not utilized to its purpose.

From the information we received, there is a proposal for amalgamation of MAMCO and ZENIC under Registration department where as MIFCO is not included. Pu Speaker, MIFCO is unable to pay its employees salary for 4 or 5 months. However, in this years' budget, the Planning department has approved the pay but it is not highlighted in the budget and therefore needs to clarify. In Assembly committee, we have discussed several times the need to pay more attentions to corporation and if situation arises, they should be bailed-out. In fact, Pu Speaker, the fund allotment of these Corporations are such that, they are unable to perform due to lack of fund.

Demand No.16, I have raised question regarding jail at Lunglei and Aizawl. First, I would like to request hon'ble Home Minister to visit Lunglei Jail while attending the function at Lunglei. Pu Speaker, we should give priority to these two jails for it is unsafe as the fencing needs reconstruction. As there is no vehicle or ambulance, what the hon'ble member from Champhai has stated implies with these jails as well.

It is most unfortunate that we are unable to retrieve five of our people who are being kidnapped in time. Pu Speaker, recently an AK-47 along with two machine guns and ammunitions was apprehended at the outskirts of Aizawl. What I want to imply is that the previous govt. was criticized many times on issues such as kidnaps, but the fact is, the present government is also accountable for the kidnapping of twenty of our people so far. I would like to request the govt. to introspect and wake from its slumber. With regards to police, they have never shown any discontent, it would be of great help if they are given their TA/DA which has been stagnant. Hence, I urge the govt. to take the matters in hand seriously and also provide the police better facilities.

Lastly, hon'ble Speaker, I would also like to mention regarding Foreign Direct Investment (FDI). Unless the government takes appropriate steps in this matter, the future of our children may not turn out as desired. It is quite impossible to make initiative using only the State Fund for such project as steps taken by a single department is not sufficient as well. That is all I have to say, hon'ble Speaker, thank you.

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

**Pu LAL THANZARA** : With respect to what Pu R. Selthuama has said, Pu Speaker,

two brothers who are amongst the kidnapped are from my constituency; hence, while we are discussing Home Department, I would like to say few words.

As we have heard, our men who have been kidnapped are being held captive in a foreign land. As request made by the public and NGO's and also the Home Minister, we are abiding to the request. Therefore, it would be of great relief for us and the family of those who have been kidnapped if our Home Minister would later shed some light about this matter.

I give thanks to Pu Duhoma MLA, leader of Zoram Nationalist Party, and Pu Thangtea, group leader Mizoram Nationalist Front for giving their support of the views shared by the Home Minister which is an *eye for an eye* if anything happens to them. With respect to what Pu Sialthuama said, during the reign of MNF (previous govt.), seven policemen were killed by Bru Militants. During that time, not even a word, of tragedy, was mentioned by the former Chief Minister and Former Home Minister against the militants. Let's get facts straight; twenty people have not been kidnapped during this ministry.

Moving on to other matters concerning my constituency, there are places at Edenthar and Hunthar still without water supply. Water has to be connected from brooks which they boil and filter for domestic use. This in-turn is having an adverse affect in their health. So, I would like to ask the Head of the Department to take this issue into account and also the Minister to acknowledge this problem.

Lastly, we all know that Zuangtui Industrial is a place where many industry units are set up. Some problems are there due to lack of water supply and congested roads. I kindly request the Minister to look into the matter. Thank you, hon'ble Speaker.

**SPEAKER** : Thank you. So far, twenty three members have participated in the discussion. let us now call Honorable Minister, Pu Haito to wind up his demand.

**Pu S. HIATO, MINISTER** : Thank you, hon'ble Speaker. Twenty three members have participated in the discussion. I shall not be very specific nor will I have the time to react to each and every issue raised by the members. Before I begin, I would like to give a report of our visit to Rangoon but not in detail. During our visit there, our collaboration was with the Indian Chamber of Commerce, Indian Federation of Industry, and Indian Foreign Ministry. All these are connected with Trade and Commerce Business and other Industries; I expect it will bear significant impact.

Our primary purpose here was to establish a good relationship with big names of Myanmar which is a part of Look East Policy. The project will begin from Myanmar itself. We had a meeting with Chief Minister of that State along with his Cabinets and Chamber of



Commerce discussing plans on how we can have commercial trade with one another. Talk was also held with Transport Minister, a retired Army General, as to how we could have transport from Akyab and also via sea route. After that, we met with the Minister of Agriculture, who was also a retired Army General, accompanied by his Cabinet Ministers and others under him we discussed on how our state their country can work together in terms of their Agricultural products as well as with our Food Processing Industries. We also had a meeting with the Construction Minister and the Tourism Minister. A visit was also made with the Chief Minister of Rakhine District who was with all his Cabinets, Chief Justices and other important army officials. There was enthusiasm during our conversation. What we learnt from our meeting was that, they were, as much as we were very much interested with the Kolodyne Multi Model Project. Cultural Exchange and Education were also viewed as an important element for better relationship in view of the fact that we are much more ahead in the field of education than them, and also showed their interest in investing.

During our visit there, the presence of other business men made our venture really lucrative. A meeting was also had with the Tourism Minister, Niapi Thawh, and the Tourism Authorities in Rangoon. We learnt from them about visit made by their Tourism Director and his experiences at Rihkhawdar. He also mentioned his interest about the lifestyles of the Mizos and also Rihdil. This prompted him in having an interest to develop a Mizo feature film. So, script for this film is being undertaken by us along with the Art & Culture Department. Moving on to Trade & Commerce, the officials from Sittwe (Akyab) are ready for a meeting at Salachhuah, along the boundary where a business deal could be made between their Chambers of Commerce and our (Chamber of Commerce). The date for the meeting, however, will be decided by us. Therefore, much development needs to be taken in terms of construction of port and even roadways. During the dry-season, it is not possible for ships to sail and anchor due to decrease in water. The initial plan of ESSR Company Bombay was for ships to be able to sail from Sittwe up till Kalewah to Zorinpui.

Trade will now be made possible through this sea-route. Once, the sea-route becomes open, it will open a trade route for other foreign countries, such as, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, Cambodia, Japan and China. We will be having a 'Gate Way' for trade. I would like to request our youth to prepare themselves.

Out of the four departments, the smallest depth is Geology & Mining and Mineral Resources. The numbers of staffs are relatively small in size, and hence, an effort to increase its size at once is not an easy task. There have been questions raised numbers of times as to why members of this department are appointed as Directors. This is so because it is cadre post i.e. an IAS post, so is meant to be held by IAS officers.

I would also like to thank the members here for sharing their concern about tourism. It is a known fact that in spite of our many successes we also have our shortcomings. Even so, we can find its usefulness here in Mizoram. When tourists and government officials pay our state a visit, especially in the rural areas, tourists lodges are there for them to stay. There are many tourist lodges which have been built but are not opened yet due lack of workers to look after such lodges. This year alone, we have regularised 34 Muster Roll employees which in turn has helped in further development of these tourist lodges.

There are some of you here who have showed their interest in opening a tourist lodge in our own constituencies; however, as of now, there are plenty of other lodges which is not even looked after nor is it suitable for lodging. So, an effort to build another under such circumstances would only prove to be pointless as we have said there aren't enough people to look after these lodges. The ones that are already there, however, cannot be neglected nor can we allow it to be in ruin. A plan to privatize 16 lodges has also been thought of in order to lighten our burden.

One of the reasons why we are rather slow in terms of privatization is that we are unable to get the right consultant. In the beginning, we hired one person under probation but very soon we had to keep changing due to their incompetence, and finally, we found Pu P.K. Dawnga who had been rejected twice by the govt. but was approved in 2012. However, the problem is, as soon as he was joined his work, he is our travelling again on other matters. He has also been unable to even send a proposal for privatization so far. Meanwhile we are also having problems in terms of overall-development and marketing. Hence, I would like to humbly apologies for our moderately slow pace.

Regarding the Indian School of Planning, we have hired them only because we were advised so by the Ministry of Tourism. However, we personally are quite not very fond of this. As of now, they are on a project and also on a project at Sialsuk. But, since we are quite unsure of their work progress, we consulted our Chief Minister and now Pu Robert in undertaking the construction there. So, we are now waiting for 25 lakhs to be sanctioned to carry on the work.

Moving on to other matters, we are unable to pass the U.C. because the project sanctioned in 2010-2011 which contains the architect design was not completed on time by the PWD. Hence, this project was stuck for more than a year. So, we sent the report of whatever was completed to the U.C. which was not accepted. We are asking for an extension of contract which we think, if given, will allow us to complete the work this time. Unfortunately, this year, other

states have also been unable to get any sanction for their Projects. Maybe, our Tourism Ministry in Delhi is having a problem which is unknown to us.

**Pu LALDUHOMA** : Honorable Speaker, if there is a trust issue with the Delhi School of Planning on our side; why not discontinue their service or what are we to do in this matter?

**Pu S. HIATO, MINISTER** : Had we not been funded by the Ministry of Tourism, we would not have hired the Indian School of Planning. But, as of now, since we have hired another, let us hope we can gradually find a way to stop hiring them.

We have also been taking steps to promote Para-gliding and have also set up an Aero Spot for sport activity. We have also bought a few equipments for Para-gliding although we do not have any proper place to store them. International Para-gliding was also organized last year at Serchhip. We are taking initiative to promote Para-gliding by even hiring experts. Places such as Thenzawl, Serchhip, Hmuifang and Muthi have also been used for such activity.

**Pu LALDUHOMA** : What about the air-balloon and how long have it been used?

**Pu S. HIATO, MINISTER** : I really have very less knowledge about the air-balloon since we are not an expert in this field nor were we courageous enough to take a flight with air balloons. I would request Pu Thlenga to answer it since he was the in-charge of tourism before me.

Honorable Speaker, an effort is also being made with best of our capabilities to complete the construction of Hotel Management at Bungbanga. Once it is completed, it shall be a centre where different types of training shall be provided for students all over the region and not only the north-east. We have also undertaken plans to recruit faculties for this institution once it is completed.

A number of tourist lodges have been constructed which unfortunately, are in a very bad and are in deteriorating condition. These have been repaired from time to time by the PWD. We have also been urged to open these lodges quite a few times already. However, the good news though is we might be able to open them by the month of April this year. In some of the lodges, there is no furniture and the ones that have furniture in them have also been damaged pretty badly: some are broken and some have been damaged by rodents. We are trying our best even though we don't have much money to buy whatever is necessary, such as furniture,

approachable roads to the lodges, water tanks and electrical supply. The lodges at Darlawn (constituency of Pu Piana), Darzo, South Vanlaiphai, Sangau, Bualpui NG (Pu John Siamkunga), and Thingdawl (Pu Hmingdailova) are all planned to be opened within this financial year, by March.

In terms of Industry, as you all know, we are not the ones responsible for setting up an industry. Our main duty is to assist and aid those who are interested in setting up an industry. As we all know, we are still very incompetent, or shall I rather say, very young, in terms of Industries. This is so because our govt. is also still very young. But in spite of this, we are very happy to have been able to formulate the 2012 Industrial Policy as it had been many years we were unable to even come up with such plan. However, we do have areas that we still have to work and improve on.

When we talk about investment, on our own it is, as matter of fact, a difficult task. The rich (Mizo) are not very much interested in industry and also in investment. There are none who have even thought of setting up a 5 star or at least a 3 star hotel here in Aizawl. We have been looking and even found investors all around India who were keen to invest here for hotels and also for different industries. However, in spite this, we are still unable to have a positive approach to find and encourage people here to come and invest in these matters. It is possible to have development in this field once we have educated individuals who have the interest and right mindset in this field. There are many investors who want to invest here in Mizoram due to its soothing climate, peaceful atmosphere and many educated people whom they can communicate with in English, but the one problem is the unwillingness of the people to sell their lands to others who are not Mizos. In terms of employees, we are very in-sufficient in numbers. We have only three District Managers with no DGM in 8 Districts, so we are taking steps to have more posts. There was a question earlier whether or not the nodal department is also a responsibility under the Skill and Development department. After consulting Pu Liansailova, I would like to say that it under the responsibility of the Labour & Employment and steps are being taken here for development.

**Pu LALDUHOMA** : In the words of our House Leader, the Govt. of Tripura is in fear of us having the upper hand and benefit if we are able to find oil and natural gas in our land, so it would be of our best interest if top most priority is given in this matter. So it would be wise for all of us here to work together in this matter.

**Pu HMINGDAILOVA KHIANGTE:** Hon'ble Speaker, I would like to also say that if we do not take an immediate effort to have access to oil and natural gas here in our land, we might

lost it to Tripura who is also looking to gain it. There is a possibility of all the oil and natural gas being drained away from our land by Tripura, so let us invest all our skills in this area.

**Pu S. HIATO, MINISTER :** Due to our deal and agreement with Oil & Gas Commission and Petroleum Ministry, I shall not be able to disclose anything in detail about the work progress and process of the company as of now. I would request the House Leader to answer it on my behalf. Our Director and Jt. Director of Geology & Mining are also being given the responsibility in this matter as well.

Hon'ble Speaker and Respected Members, I would like to make a bold statement .i.e. in terms of PHE, we have had much more progress than the previous Ministry who were in charge of PHE ten years ago. We have covered many places in Mizoram where we are trying to make water supply available and possible where only nine areas are yet to be covered. Steps for constructing 19 pumps (which in other years were not even 10) in semi-urban areas are being undertaken right now. These include places such as Tuipang, Lawngtlai, Sangau, Lungzarhtum, Hnahthial, Tlabung, Phaileng and Bilkhawthlir which are the constituencies of Pu Thanga and also places like West Phaileng and Bilkhawthlir where water is scarce. So, steps to provide good water supply are taken here as well. Regarding Aizawl Greater Water Supply, the problem we are facing now is something we have had in the beginning. Effort is being taken here for its completion using funds from the state, from special fund and fund from the central govt. Although we are receiving fund from the central govt., the actual amount has not been sanctioned as promised which was ₹5 crore. However, in spite of all these, we hope to complete this project by April. Although it may be so, there is a possibility we may not be able to carry this plan out effectively a first. This is so because the manner in which we, here in Aizawl, use water is quite careless. Rather than being cautious, we are wasting it as though it is in abundance. We are doing our level best to re-construct water-dams which have run dry. Steps are also being taken to draw underground water. However, easy as it may sound, I would like to say that we shall be able to complete all these projects if we continue to remain in power in the next election. Many steps are also being taken in maintenance of water-pipes which have rusted, but its repair is being undertaken by the UD & PA and SIPMIU. In order to have adequate amount of water supply, we must also be very vigilant with the environment. Tlawng River, which we thought could never run dry, unfortunately now has the tendency to run dry. There are times when the water really decreases creating problems whereby drawing water through pipes becomes a problem. So, in order to help preserve our natural resources, we are working together hand in hand the NGO's, YMA and Village Councils so that we will have no problems with water scarcity in the future. Steps are also taken to save rain water in a reservoir. When rain water is collected and stored for about 4 to 5 months, the rain water saved is available for use for about 3 to 4 months. Collection and saving of rain water is being practiced in schools, churches and

homes in rural areas. There is one thing that is really annoying, and that is the problem faced by people in Chawngte. Now, Chawngte is located near the river, so how is it that they are facing such a problem. However, we are looking into the matter and measures are also being taken to solve this issue. Therefore, let us hope that we don't have to resolve our issues through No-Confidence motion here in the House.

**Pu P.P. THAWLA** : Hon'ble Speaker, since there is a possibility of Tuisumpui river running dry just like that of the Tlawng River, would it not be wise to draw and pump water from the Kolodyne River to Siaha as this would prove to be more convenient?

**Pu S. HIATO, MINISTER** : Hon'ble Speaker, initially, Tuitlawk was the preferred river to Tuisumpui for drawing water. However, the complication involving Tuisumpui is that a dam is to be constructed there which will generate a power of 460 Megawatts. So, as of now, we are unsure of up to what level the water may rise. We are in fear that the water in the dam might submerge the pump itself once the water in Tuipui (Kolodyne) is pumped. Hence, cautious step is taken here. There are even plans to take the project further if the Phase-II of this becomes ineffective. With respect to Chawngte, a concept note involving ₹13 crore is been undertaken and is up for consideration in the Planning Deptt. One very important thing is that we have insufficient staffs in the SDO, PHE along with technical staffs. Due to this, we have not opened a sub-division in areas such as Kawrthah, Tlungvel and Champhai even after much request from the minister in-charge of these constituencies.

I would like to inform Pu Siamkunga, although he is not here, that we shall be implementing PHE project at Cherhlun. We are trying our level best in terms of having proper sanitations and toilets in schools and Anganwadi. Toilets are constructed in other places as well, however, there may be places where these toilets have been misused, but, let me assure you all that we are monitoring each of these with the best of our abilities.

**Pu LALROBIAKA** : Hon'ble Speaker, there is one very important matter I want to share. We did a very careful study on the construction of proper sanitation or I may say total sanitation, toilets and installations of drinking water in schools. The question I want to ask is, was total sanitation really that necessary or important in schools where such projects were implemented? Did they really need it? Because, as far as things are concern; without first understanding the situation and without any co-ordination, these projects were implemented without any positive outcome. Many filters were being given for installation in schools out of which some were or I may say are being left there in ruin without even being installed and fitted, since, it is not possible to fit the filters in some schools. So, as things are now, it has to be used for its real purpose. Hence, it is important to know that whenever a project is to be implemented

or undertaken, before its work is carried out, one needs to keep in mind that proper co-ordination from both the sides, that is, the Education Dept and the department responsible to carry out the work process. So , in the future there will be many other projects to be undertaken and carried out, so let us ensure that there is co-ordination between department in order t have a more positive outcome.

Apart from sanitation and toilets, it is also important to have a clean drinking water. To ensure this, we have numbers of laboratories where water for domestic use are tested to make sure that they are safe for consumption at homes. So, it can be said that even without buying Zo Aqua, it is safe to drink the water that we are giving for supply. As of now, we are formulating a law where water sold by private suppliers will also require a testing. This is so because these untested waters sold by them are impure and un-hygienic; on top that, they are sold at very high price. Sometimes, it is hard to understand the mentality of people. When we increased tax on water by just a hundred rupee, there would be much discontent due to their unwillingness to pay a bit more when they receive their water bills. The irony with this is that although they are unwilling to spend money which is provided by the govt. on a price that seems very reasonable they eagerly spend ₹ 4000 to ₹ 6000 from private suppliers whose waters are not even tested or may I say, impure. Anyway, what I want the public to know is that we have to pay taxes to the revenue like they do in spite of the small amount of bill we are charging. However, a new law will soon be implemented upon private water suppliers.

**Pu B. LATHLEGLIANA :** Hon'ble Speaker, there are some meter gauges which are malfunctioning thus causing bills, as in water bills, to rise as high as Rs. 2000 and above. So, I guess, it is reasonable for Pu Hiato to tell us the reason behind this.

**Pu C. RAMHLUNA :** Hon'ble speaker, even though Pu S. Hiato has stated that he has noted down all of our queries, he has not reacted in full. If action be taken to all the points?

**Pu S. HIATO, MINISTER :** So far, hon'ble Speaker, we have adopted measures to provide water supply in all the constituencies.

Regarding hikes in water bills, complains have been received from time to time that meter gauge as the prime factor. One point we have to acknowledge is that we have found, in many cases, the meter gauge is being tampered with thereby causing irregular rise of water bills. However, it would be wrong to assume that the root cause is entirely due to this practice. The size of family could also be the factor considering amount of water used for washing, bathing, cleaning, cooking, watering etc. Whereas it is, indeed, easy to spend water without even noticing how much it may cost. As such, water consumption bill of a particular family bay be as

high as Rs. 2,000/- per month. As stated earlier, why grumble or complain when we are willing spend Rs.4000/5000 on water supply through a second party (Private water suppliers). So, it may be noted that the amount may differ from household to another as to whether schools or hospitals etc. as it depends on the consumption.

**Pu K. LALRINTHANGA :** Pu Deputy Speaker, contrary to what he has explained just now, I too agree that there is a possibility of malfunction of meter gauges without being tampered by anybody as i observed it from my own water tanks. We have two water tanks of the same size along provided with two separate supply pipes and meter gauge respectively. However, it is not at all surprising to see that when we receive the bills, it always differs even though the exact quantity of water is filled in both the tanks. So, if there is any explanation to that effect for I would like to know the reason why it is so?

**Pu S. HIATO, MINISTER :** As I have said earlier, there are some people who often tamper the meter gauge so that the bill may be lower.

**Pu B. LALTHLENGLIANA:** Hon'ble Deputy Speaker, it is not wise to lay the blame to a single act of vandalism. This is so because there are times when we receive less water on certain occasions but the bill hardly changes as most of the times it rises above Rs.2000.

**Pu S. HIATO, MINISTER :** Whatever the problem is, we shall look into the matter as even the minister of UD & PA is trying to figure out the real reason behind this. But, I would like to say that the bills for water are bound to differ in hospitals and hostels etc. However, some cases which may be found as unusual may be taken care of.

Hon'ble Deputy Speaker, it is indeed a privilege to be able to speak in front of all the members here today. We have been together here almost for 5 years and considering our verbal exchanges in the discussion, it is a privilege for the House to have members particularly of the opposition who are having diversive quality of speech in compare to the ruling members who does not have such quality. Sometimes, it is hard to understand the heads and tails of my reports or speeches but I am glad that you all take it for granted. Soon, we shall have the general election as some of us may be elected once again as some of us may not; but whatever the outcome of the election maybe, let us hope that all of us meet here again to discuss the next Budget Session.

I thank all the members as well as our hon'ble Speaker for your patience and for your valuable suggestions. So, to wind up the discussion, I now ask the House to kindly pass the Demands of the departments under my concern: -



<b>Demand Nos.</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Demand No.25	Public Health Engineering	₹1,10,56,00,000.00
Demand No.40	Industries	₹425,01,46,000.00
Demand No.43	Tourism	₹5,83,02,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>₹1,58,40,48,000.00</b>

**SPEAKER** : Those who agree to pass the Demands of the hon'ble Minister, Pu S. Hiato, say "agree". Alright, the Demands of Pu S. Hiato is voted and passed by the House.

**Pu S. HIATO, MINISTER** : Thank you, Pu Speaker, and thank you to all the members.

**SPEAKER** : Now, I would call Pu R. Lalzarliana, hon'ble Minister, to wind up the discussion of his Demands and then request the House to pass it.

**Pu R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER:** Thank you, Pu Speaker. Today, I am happy that much has been discussed about the Home Dept., Jail and Rural Development. Apart from what have been mentioned, Fisheries (....interruption....) Stationing of SDPO, poor condition of Police quarters and Jails so as the problem of Beat post at Diltlang as stated by Pu C. Ramhluna which will be reacted afterwards. In this regard, it may be noted by the member that appointment of any security personal/guard for the Rural Bank of India whichever place is not the purview of the state government. We may provide with one if demanded but the salary, foods and lodging is supposed to be borne by the bank itself. However, due to failure of the Bank to provide as stated, we have withdrawn our security-guards who were hired by them. As such, they may hire private securities for we have already passed the Private Security Act. Some individuals may also be hired provided the license which may be issued by the state government.

Regarding BADP, it is illegal for anyone to purchase any sub-contract work from anyone. Even so, we do not actually go to place as to see such practice is taken place. However, there are problems relating to such cases which involved mostly of government servants but it is opined that taking some actions is not the best solution nor is an easy task. Let us hope that we somehow be able find a solution to solve the problem.

Moving on to the distribution of roofing materials as stated by Pu Hmingdailova, he has claimed that it was responsibility and obviously he even had a conversation with the concerned BDO. However, to clear the things up, distribution of roofing materials lies under the responsibility of the BDO. We have a good government which is a quite transparent and therefore is not advisable to favor someone without appropriate reason. We all have been treated

with equity in the distribution of roofing materials or silpauline but it is important to note that only those who deserves benefitted such as the poors who could not afford to have one.

Pu Speaker, regarding proposal for setting up a Police Station at Dungtlang Police Outpost, measurement has already been taken for the site but the case still in pending under the DP & AR. For creation of such Police Station there, we will need one SI, ASI and Head Constable respectively as well as one driver and one Grade-IV employee. The number of constables at Dungtlang Police Outpost increased from 3 to 8 and headed by a single Head Constable. I think it is possible to carry on construction of police station there as we already have members whom we may appoint to work there once it is completed.

In terms of BADP, we have been given provisions from time to time but as pointed out earlier, it would not be wrong to say that many contract works have been purchased on sub-contract basis in which even some members are allegedly involved in it. Let us see whether they are re-elected or not. Likewise, we may appoint some members of a particular constituency and in such case; we may take it for granted and try to understand the situation. (**Pu B. LALTHLEGLIANA**: Pu Speaker, it's not that I don't understand the situation, but my concern is the importance of carrying out any contract work as it is supposed to be. During the administry of MNF, ₹15 lakhs was sanctioned for construction of Tiau road. Out of the amount sanctioned, only ₹5 lakhs was spent and the rest being pocketed and as consequence, the condition of the said roads remains very poor till today. I have shown my grievance only for wants of improvement of any contract work). Thank You, Pu B. Lalthlengliana for we both concern for improvement of quality of work. Let me assure you by saying that construction of Tiau road will be carried out as your wishes by deploying the service of YMA.

Regarding the SDO, Civil Engineering, it is not under my jurisdiction completely. There are problems here and there due to insufficiency of BDO as of Lungdar and other places. Tallying up the amount asked by the member, Pu Speaker, our department has given him more that ₹33 crore for the last 3-4 years. Even if some weakness is found in the works of some areas, I hope that the member is satisfied with favors he have already been received.

**Pu LALTHANSANGA** : Hon'ble Speaker, how about the two Water Reservoirs at Vanlaiphai? The PHE department is still unwilling to store water in both the tanks since they were not constructed by the department.

**Pu R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER** : I have already asked the minister of PHE to store water and to reprimand those who are unwilling oblige the instruction.

**Pu LALTHANSANGA** : How about the Rural Sport Complex on which the people of Lungdar has made a request via NLCPR?

**Pu R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER** : Yes, it has to be taken up but the file is not with me at present. As such, I cannot give a definite answer as of now.

**Pu P.P. THAWLA** : Pu Speaker, will the recommendation which may be submitted by a member from the opposition be entertained as well so that at least two or more people within our constituency benefitted NLUP?

**Pu R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER** : Regarding Fire department, point raised by Col. Z.S. Zuala is true. However, the department has a problem in regards to parking of such vehicles and a convenient site for the office is needed.

Regarding point raised by Pu Thawla, I will inform the department to look into the matter with immediate effect. As of contract work, it is regretted as allotment was made to some who are not sincere in the execution of works.

About the the ongoing works under Champhai District as stated by Pu T.T. Zothansanga, there are more than 20 projects but not only 5 as stated. However, we cannot speed up the work as we have to follow the central guideline to execute the work in order.

**Pu T.T. ZOTHANSANGA** : Pu Speaker, my point is disparity in distribution of the projects.

**Pu R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, it depend on the project project which may be submitted. Some projects take 5 or 6 years for completion. At the same time, it also depends on how the projects are maintained.

I also want to point out that under the 12<sup>th</sup> Five Years Plan; there is a proposal to set up Urban Fire Station at Thuampui, Lunglei Serkawn, Keifang and Khawzawl and Rural Fire Station at Lengpui, Thenzawl, Aibawk, Chawngte, Hnahthial and Vairengte. Apart from these, from the DPR submitted for construction of Police outposts, Suangpiulawn and Zohmun have been selected.

To clarify kidnapping case, Pu Speaker, allegation from the opposition member such as 20 cases of kidnapping as being occurred during this ministry is absolutely untrue. We have kidnapping incident 4 times whereas in the three; the victims were of non-mizos and only

the existing case involved the Mizos. Here, we hope to rescue the victims without bloodshed. On the contrary, Pu Speaker, I would like to mention that during the previous MNF Ministry, there were 23 kidnapping cases and 3 ambushes in which 16 Police personnel lost their life. In addition, our police forces are being attacked with bomb 43 times.

Pu Speaker, I am pleased to hear that some members mentioned Fisheries Department as well. Under Fisheries, we have fishponds covering 4,001 hectares with 9,390 families involves in it and out of which 1,447 families are of NLUP. Our production of fish-seeds could not serve our demands as yet as we have to import 60% from outside. As known to us all, Fisheries Department is a small department without any improvement even with lapse of time. However, we try our best to improve as we are now approaching DP & AR to review our Recruitment Rules so as to improve our works. In the mean time, Pu Speaker, we have a vast land of 24,000 hectares which is expected to accommodate numbers of fishpond and also for cultivation. The department is now setting up fish-seed production at Lengpui, Tam Dil etc. Our demand for fish-seeds which is 300 crore could not be met as yet. Apart fro fish, we have a plan to include prawn-seeds farm at Lengpui as prawns are expected to have a profitable marketing value as fishes.

Ngengpui Fish Seed Farm is under our direction while Zo-Fish-fed undertakes 8 farms which are being set up for seed farm to be funded by the state government. Among the 8 farms under Zo-Fish-fed, only 5 such as Lengpui, Tam Dil, Zobawk, Ngengpui, Sopali and Maubawk are taken up. The production result is not bad as we produce 9,85,000 lakh from Lengpui, 2,30,000 lakh from Tamdil, 3,50,000 from Zobawk and 3,35,000 lakh from Ngengpui. However, we still cannot meet our demand as we have to import from outside. Besides, the department watches over the natural fishes in the river with care. While this is the case, there are many fishers which need awareness along the rivers and our forests and we have to educate the people to preserve our rivers. I want to say that let us reserve our river and work with the NGOs and the government to fulfill our demands.

On Demand No.38 Rural Development, as mentioned earlier, MGNREGS is introduced in 2006-2007 and we implemented in Mizoram in 2008-2009. It is being set up for 100 days labour in a year. It is regretted to learn that some districts loss the opportunity to apply this fund due to the negligence of the staff. In this regard, our government servants need to examine ourselves. In 2012-2013, we received ₹24312.54 lakh from the Central and in addition, ₹2821.99 lakh from our State share that is 9:10. Therefore, the total fund we received during this year amounting to ₹27134.459 lakh. From the new scheme for labour Person's Day, we have ₹128 and ₹5570 crore. During 2013-2014, we expect to receive ₹16.35767 lakh of fund for labors wages.

**Pu B. LALTHLENGLIANA** : Pu Speaker, How about Kolasib district where the labourers are not included.

**Pu R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, we will look into the matter. We have to determine the effect of NREGA very carefully as to whether it brings idleness among the concerned people or their economic status is alleviated. We have to be careful in the selection also as the programme concern only a family in which no member is employed under the government. The selection therefore needs some revisions. While discussing this topic, I would like to add that if the any beneficiary depends solely on the programme, he may become idle which often lead a person to poverty. We must use it accordingly to help us in alleviating our livelihood. The time allocated for working is 8 hours a day. In order to have a smooth operation, social audit is done twice a year as the report goes to the Central and C & AG. In addition, we have to give a space to the beneficiaries of MNREGS so as to achieve the purpose. With a view for the same, the Central government revised Act, 2005 to enable the beneficiary to engage in an alternative farms to increase his production.

Coming now to IAY, there are 48,500 beneficiaries under the new construction scheme. The amount will be increased after April to ₹75,000/-. The amount for upgradation will also increase after April. Under this scheme, those who are verified as meeting the criteria will be put in a permanent wait list with his name shown in the Notice Board. If he is not willing to show his name, it will not be displayed.

**Pu LALTHANSANGA** : Pu Speaker, even though allotment of IAY quota to the members is made, it has not been taken into account but concerned V/C made all the selections. Is there a way to make some changes in the guidelines?

**Pu R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, I don't think it is necessary to change the guideline, but instead, we should all follow the guidelines and in such cases, we should discuss the matter with the NGOs.

**Pu LALDUHOMA** : Pu Speaker, I thought that we agreed in the Meeting that the practice of other states should be followed in the selection of Gramsava beneficiaries. I heard that the same process is followed in Kolasib District. In this regard, I opine that concerned BDO and MLA may be taken into account. Some villages within my constituency such as Sairang, Sairang Dinthar and Sihmui are not included in the Municipal or Rural which causes a problem as no fund under IAY is benefitted for development of their particular areas except of NREGS. I,

therefore, request IAY may be made to cover in the areas as they are deprived of the benefit of municipality.

**Pu R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER :** Pu Speaker, complaint should be submitted as the list is shown in the Notice Board. If his name is not found in the Notice Board, it means he has violated the rules. On the other hand, it is possible that one may take down the list or a marking plate from his house for he is ashamed to have it. We determine how to take action against such practices. This year alone, 1524 Nos. house has already been constructed under the programme.

Regarding IWMP, it was started in 2009-2010; we are going to have 64 projects during 2013-2014 in which concerned BDOs, NGO and line department are the implementing agency. Under IWMP, we received ₹40,30,37,000/- funds from the Central and ₹3,32,30,000/- from State Government.

Regarding NRLM (National Rural Livelihood Mission), name of the programme is now changed as SGSY (Swarnajayanti Gram Swaraj Yojana) but the guidelines and application for funds remain the same. This project is solely for the purpose of upliftment of the poor through in any self-help group or an individual may apply for the funds. The fund will be distributed through the Banks through credit system. However, in our State, problem is frequently faced by the beneficiary in dealing with the Banks. Application for NRLM or SGSY concerns a female family member of any BPL family who is also a member of any self-help group that comprises members of a village/block/group. The governing body and State Mission Unit have already been set up and functioning under the CEO with office of its own. Last year, we received ₹223,15,000/- under NLRM and we are hoping that the amount is increasing by 2013-2014. We expect to cover Mizoram within 7 years as pilot project has already been started at Kolasib, Thingdawl, Bilkhawthlir, Serchhip, and E.Lungdar. For Saiha, Champhai, Mamit and Lawngtlai District, it will be started by the next year.

We also have another CCS called NERLP (North-east Rural Livelihood Project) which will be funded by Ministry of DoNER (NE Region) and World Bank. The objective of this project is alleviation of the economic condition of rural poor by providing funds to start their own business. This project is 100% central funding and was started from Thingsulthliah of Aibawk Block and Lungsen (Lunglei District).

As pointed out by the members regarding BADP, it is to be noted the central authority did not agree to cover the entire region of Mizoram under RD despite its location at the International border. Hence, only 16 Blocks are covered under RD but funds coming from the central covers 100% of Mizoram. During 2012-2013, we received ₹4017 lakh for construction of

roads, bridges, community hall, playgrounds, water tanks, school buildings and for repairing of hospitals and go-downs. The fund was utilized for the best possible means as the Technical Wing of RD spends day and night for preparation of the estimate. By prioritizing power supply, 4594 Nos. solar lantern, 1557 Nos. tubelight and 374 Nos. of streetlight are being provided in 16 RD Blocks. In order to maintain regularity, a third party inspection was formed since last year. Apart from this programme, we have another CCS known as BRGF which has already been introduced in Lawngtlai and Saiha District. ₹1,182 lakh is provided to Lawngtlai District and ₹1,176 to Saiha District as execution of work and maintenance of the account is done by the autonomous council itself.

Besides, we received from NEC an amount of ₹432.16 lakh for Irrigation & flood control in Ngopa including ₹317 lakh for embankment of water on the eastern region of Ngopa so as to provide a sufficient water supply for their cultivations. We are hoping to complete the work within this year so that concerned cultivators immediately enjoy abundant supply of water for their cultivations. Besides, Aloe Vera project is concentrated at Chhanchhuahna Khawpui and for this purpose; an amount of ₹177.78 lakh is received though we are expecting to receive ₹490.4 as assured. We will begin the work from the next Financial Year.

Regarding our State Plan under NEC, we received ₹5,000 lakh last year for direction and Block Level administration. The fund was sparingly utilized for the purpose of maintenance of bills such as medical reimbursement, POL, vehicle repair, travelling and advertisement and was distributed to the directorate and to the 26 RD blocks. For that reason, we were able to cover most of the requirements as we saved at the end enough fund for purchase of new vehicles.

Despite priority given to social education, we were not receiving fund last year which impede construction of several halls under RD. This year, we received ₹300 lakh which enable us to continue the on-going projects and start some new. Pu Speaker, I am regretted to mention that we are not able to continue construction of Tlangnuam BDO office as we have not receive fund for construction of staff quarter since last year. We somehow received 300 sheets of roofing material for Social Education only after intensive approach made to the concerned authority.

On Rural Housing, it is truly appreciated as our leaders pointed out its importance. We have ₹100 lakh allotted for this year with which we may be able to cover at least 750 houses. Our fund for this year is estimated to cover 3136 buildings and concerned officials will do the selection with care.

Next, Home Department, I am thankful that we do not face much problem in maintenance of Law & Order. Even when there is problem, our police forces are smart enough to control the situation before it becomes widespread. While this is the case, we the Mizos could hardly give up our inner compulsion of setting up a mob rule as we have recently witnessed incident that involved destroying of some houses and vehicles by local people of Bethlehem veng. Many local people who came to the Police Station to see the face of the culprit were uncontrollable even after they were told he was no longer under the custody of the Police. This unruly incident cost us 4 or 5 lakh as some vehicles and houses were destroyed. I would like to inform the House that necessary action will immediately taken against such violent conducts as some faces are identified through CCTV camera.

For the past 50 years, we have experienced noise pollution particularly during the season of Christmas and New Year which further compelled some churches to conduct midnight service on New Year's Eve before the exact time. However, such practices were stopped not only because of the efforts made by the police forces, but initiative of the NGOs and cooperation of the people concern. Now, we are able to live in harmony as Mizoram turns out to be the most peaceful state in the country. In bye-election of Chalfilh Constituency also, we have tried our best to maintain peaceful election but some party tried to create havoc by spreading false SMS. However, we captured the culprit who is from Aizawl. Pu Speaker, I must say that we are fortunate for being favored with the blessings from God.

Much as well, we the Mizos are fortunate to have a great leader who always with us in times of needs. During 1997-1998 riots in Sakhan hill range, many mizo families fled their home as the government immediately arranged foods and shelters to those families. Likewise, the Tuikuk refugees are being rehabilitated in Mizoram by providing free ration and ₹50,000/- to each family. Now, the Central government increased the amount to ₹1,50,000/- per family which will be given to 51 families as soon as it is received. Another 32 families who remains in Tripura will also be given by the Tripura government.

**Pu LALTHANSANGA** : One minute, Pu Speaker. I doubt the statement of the hon'ble Minister that those faces who allegedly causing havoc in the incident at Bethlehem Veng as being captured by CCTV camera since no such electronic media is being introduced in our state at that time.

**Pu R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER** : Pu Speaker, They are sending them off to Central Jail that night. Besides, no one have time to watch Television as they all came straight away. As I said, we already informed their leader the situation.



Regarding transfer of the Battalion, it will be appreciated if we are able to control ourselves not to involve in dealing of such transfer. The previous ministry recruited 3,000 polices to win more votes in the upcoming general election but without any plan for their placement and other requirements beforehand. Now, we are preparing a DPR worth 31 crore for placement of 3<sup>rd</sup> IR Bn. at Thingkah which will soon be released and only waiting for approval of Law Department and Finance Department. However, we all know the system of dealing of files and let us hope it is not delayed.

We often discuss about our State boundary. At the same time, opine it is important to discuss our boundary with Cachar and Zampui as well. In the Assam Gazette Part II of 15.3.1933 in Inner Line Notification, the boundary of Mizoram and Tripura lies in the center of the street of West Phuldungsei. As a result, we claim it as our land and try to conduct V/C election that the Tripura governments object. As such, the Home Department reports immediately to the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India. The Central take this seriously and send Surveyor General to do spot verification in attendance with the Mizoram and Tripura government official. In this regard, we are taking step as fast as we can.

As discuss by our leaders, while the Police Department is not a developing department, we have many things to develop. In this, we develop CCTV, CCTNS (Crime & Criminal Tracking Net Work System) where we become one of the top in its exercise in the country. Therefore, Aizawl is selected for its pilot district and hope to link other district within the month of June as desired by the Central. In order to have a smooth operation about 1727 of our police personnel undergo IT basic training. To help catch criminal in the city we are going to put CCTV in 33 places with cameras amounting to ₹13 crore 25 lakh.

DPR for Police Station connectivity underway and we have in mind to make this successful. Our leaders seem very interested in weapons and I hope that we will have time for demonstration after this session. We purchased ammunition for the following weapons – MP5, FMG (clock 19 pistols) Colt M 4 Carbine; we also possess a new weapon that is much better than AK 47 with its ammunition. Besides, we have fund for purchase of ammunition of Insas Rifle and have abundant supply of SLR ammunition. We purchase 18 Heckler & Coach MP5 A3 9mm for the use of Commando. We also purchase Coach MP5 K50 and 116 Nos. of 9mm Colt 19 pistols was delivered to us. Beside these, purchase of one of the most reputed best guns in the world Colt M4 Carbine 200 is almost finished. In addition, many of our Police personnel's pensions this year and other will follow in a not so long distance. We feel this is not good and therefore we have a mind not to recruit many MPS at once. We recruited 10 MPS Junior Grade this year, will conduct examination for another five, and are in the hand of the MPSC.

Regarding the deployment of our Police Forces to other States, we received many letters regarding this. I opine that if our Police are flexible, it will be good for their outlook to station them in other States. During November and December, we deploy some of our Police in Gujarat for the general election. Besides, we also deploy some for the Commonwealth Games, and according to someone, they drink heavily. This is the result of our ignorant and shows that we need more exposure. On February, we also deploy them to Tripura and Nagaland election. Many of our leaders talk about their request of Out Post, Beat Post, and Police Station. While we can fulfill some, we cannot cover them all due to the problem of fund. The said Posts and Stations have needs staff which in turn led to creation of new post and their TA/DA etc. While it is heartening to know that the people have faith in our Police Forces, it is disheartening to say that we cannot fulfill all demands due to shortage of fund. In the Northeast region, our neighboring States also trusts our Police. We deploy them to Nagaland where there is dispute among the people to guard sensitive Polling Station. On the other hand, we may not know the progress we made in Forensic Science Laboratory. We finished their building and open on 27<sup>th</sup> November. They take care 739 cases and from 5153 crime exhibit, they solve 2012 cases.

On Fire & Emergency, we open Fire Station at Mamit. Pu Speaker, we have in mind to open another at Aizawl. Now, we have an ongoing works at ITA and the Police give us their land in Khatla. We also have a Station in Armed Veng, Champhai, Saitual, but these are not full-grown. All these needs Reservoir as the capacity of the Fire Tender is not enough to extinguish fire. Therefore, we are going to build Water Reservoir at SCERT Complex, Chaltlang; Mizo High School, Mc Donald Hill; 1<sup>st</sup> Bn. MAP and at the Fire Directorate; Synod Complex, Aizawl SP; Vaivakawn. We are very thankful to them for giving us their lands.

Regarding Sainik, no one mentions in his or her discussion. However, as I think our achievement is great I want to say a few words on Sainik. We are going to build Sainik School at Chhingchhip and select its contractor. The estimate amount is ₹165 lakh. We are going to receive ₹564.23 lakh from NLCPR and ₹5000 lakh from the 13<sup>th</sup> Finance. We almost finished construction of the road.

On Prison, some of our leaders discuss about the need for development. The 13<sup>th</sup> Finance gives us ₹30 crore-₹3000 lakh for construction of three Jails and two Sub-Jails. From this, we are trying to finish Serchhip and Mamit and it is almost finished. The latest Cabinet Meeting on 7.3.2013 release us ₹50 crore and with this money we will finish and open it. Regarding the MR post, all the Jail Warders are recruits on MR basis, as the government cannot make recruitment on a regular basis. However, we regularize 20 not long ago including one Medical Officer. Regarding transportation, we are going to buy one Bus for Central Jail staff and one each for the other Districts along with 5 Maruti and Ambulance. In addition, we also placed

11 Solar Water Heater at Central Jail. Regarding the decaying of its building and walls, we will repair them according to the fund we have.

Pu Speaker, I am thankful that the hon'ble members patiently listen to my discussion. Now, I will conclude my discussion and beg the House to pass my demands as follows:

<b>Demand Nos.</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Demand No.11	Secretariat Administration	₹ 77,07,00,000.00
Demand No.16	Home (including Prison)	₹4,60,47,02,000.00
Demand No.35	Fisheries	₹6,70,55,000.00
Demand No.38	Rural Development	₹99,05,40,000.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>₹6,43,29,97,000.00</b>

Thank you.

**SPEAKER** : Pu R.Lalzirliana, Minister used 1 hour 45 minutes to wind-up various departments under his and begs the house to pass his demands. Those who are in favour say 'agree' and those who are not in favour say 'not agree'. As we all agree to pass the demands, this house passed the following demands under Pu R. Lalzirliana, Minister: –

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

**SPEAKER** : I thank the hon'ble members for their diligence and do not show weariness. Now, our business for today is over. We will recess and meet again tomorrow the 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2013 at 10:30 AM.

Sitting adjourned.