

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

**LIST OF BUSINESS**

**FOR SECOND SITTING ON THURSDAY, THE 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2010  
(Time 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM and 2:00 AM to 4:00 PM)**

***PRESENT***

**Pu R.ROMAWIA**, Speaker at the Chair, Chief Minister, Deputy Speaker, 11 Ministers and 24 members were present.

***OBITUARY***

1. ***Pu LAL THANHAWLA*** to make reference on the demise of Pu L.N.Tluanga, former Member of Legislative Assembly of Mizoram.

***QUESTIONS***

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

***ANNOUNCEMENT***

3. The ***SPEAKER*** to announce Panel of Chairmen.

***LAYING OF PAPERS***

4. ***Pu R.LALZIRLIANA*** to lay on the Table of the House a copy each of the followings :
  - (a) The Mizoram State Employment Guarantee Fund Rules, 2009.
  - (b) The Mizoram Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, 2009.

***PRESENTATION OF REPORT***

5. The ***SPEAKER*** to report to the House the Time Table chalked out by the Business Advisory Committee for the current session.

***DISCUSSION ON MOTION OF THANKS***

6. Discussion on Motion of Thanks on the address of the Governor (to be concluded)

S P E A K E R : Jesus said to her “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?”

John 11:25-26

Now we will have obituary on Pu L.N.Tluanga, former member and invite Pu Lal Thanhawla, House Leader to make reference.

Pu LAL THANHAWLA CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Speaker, today it is very unfortunate that we have to make obituary reference on Pu L.N.Tluanga who was very well known among the Mizo people for his many works for public. First of all, let us hear about his bio-data. Pu L.N.Tluanga was born in Samlukhai on 26<sup>th</sup> August, 1928 to be the second eldest between Pu Salthuama and Pi Kapthiangi. He married Pi Zaithanchhungi on 16<sup>th</sup> March, 1960 and had four sons and two daughters. All their children are graduates and three of them hold Master Degree. In 1970, with his wife they studied B.T and passed and became the first Mizo couple to hold Teaching Graduate Degree.

During his student year, he excelled in his study and held the first rank in Mizoram in Class-III and Class-VI examination. After finishing Matric from Mizoram he joined GC College at Silchar to study Intermediate of Arts. He then went to Cotton College, Guwahati to finish his B.A. After this he applied for the post of Asst. Co-operative Officer, Asst. Block Officer and Middle School Headmaster at the same time and was selected in all of them. He chose the Headmaster post and was placed in Dawrpui Middle School in 1957. After he served for 15 years he quitted and started his own business and registered as Class-II Contractor and after 8 years became Class-I Contractor.

He was involved in many public works and held the post of President and Secretary in different organizations. In 1968 he was elected as Asst. Secretary in CYMA and became Vice President in 1972-1973. He became President during 1973, 1977, 1979 to 1983. During his presidency he worked for the betterment of the country. During his time he held many posts as follows :

- (1) President, M.E. School Teachers Association, Mizoram (1960-1971)
- (2) Founder President, Mizoram Boxing & Wrestling Association (1963). He appointed me as Secretary also.
- (3) President, MZP Headquarter (1972-1978)
- (4) Founder Secretary, Managing Board, Republic High School (1961)
- (5) Founder Secretary, Mamawii Higher Secondary School (1972)
- (6) Chairman, Aizawl Citizen Committee (1983) and later became Secretary for a short time.

- (7) President, Mizoram Contractors Association (1985-1989)
- (8) President, Hrangbana College Governing Board (1981-1985)
- (9) Member, V/C Election Tribunal (1983)
- (10) Chairman, Lushai Trading Company Ltd. (1967-2002). This is the first Limited Company among the Mizo and still functions. Besides these, he also was involved in many other organizations.

During his tenure as leader of the Teachers Association we were under Assam Govt. Infrastructure was badly needed in every corner whether it was in Hindi, Grant-in-Aid, Deficit and Craft teacher. In these respects, he took an initiative in urging the Assam Govt. to provide us our needs. He was the one who proposed school uniform and student March-pass in the Republic Day and Independence Day function.

In 1984 he entered politics and joined PC Party and was later elected from Tlungvel Constituency in PC Party ticket in 1998. He held the post of Govt. Chief Whip for 11 months. While being member of the Assembly, his health deteriorated and had to attend the Session on wheelchair. After finishing his term, he withdrew from politics due to his health.

In 1998 it was found that he had high blood pressure and heart problem and had to go through check-up outside the state for many times. In the middle of 2008 he had stroke and his speech slurred but recovered and the attack came again in 2009 which left him incapable of walking and talking. On 16.11.2009 he was admitted to Civil Hospital ICU and died on 23.11.2009 at 2:45 AM.

It is very sad that we lost a commendable person who was hardworking and gave all his best in whatever he did. Personally I know him very well as his family and mine are well acquainted. During the insurgent period of 1966 his family came to live in our house as a bomb exploded in their house. Today it is a great loss for the country as well as for me and we pray for his family and dear ones. Thank you.

S P E A K E R : Who will be next ? Let us all know that we still have question hour. Now, we will invite Dr.R.Lalthangliana.

Dr.R.LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, today it is very sad to observe obituary in respect of our former colleague and member of the Assembly Pu L.N.Tluanga. Personally I knew him long and well and can be said that he was one of the most well known social workers among the Mizo. He held many post in different organizations and became its leader in all of these. He held the post of Adviser in MNF Gen. Hqrs. till his death and it is

going to be a great loss for us. His advices were intelligent and speak his mind openly without holding anything back.

He gave importance to education and was one of the members who actively gave advices to me during my tenure as Education Minister. Today, I want to point out his contribution in this House in regard to co-curricular activities for student. Because of his hard work and initiative till today students participate in March pass in national functions like Republic Day and Independence Day in Mizoram. I think this is an outstanding work of his and praise worthy.

Besides, he gave his attention to the people of his constituency and saw to their needs. We all know that he was not a very healthy and strong man and cannot move around easily but his mind and thoughts were strong and was interested in the running of the country and his constituency. Today, it is very sad that we lost a great human being and we will pray for the bereaved family. Thank you.

S P E A K E R : We will invite Pu Lalsawta and then Pu K.Liantlinga will follow.

Pu LALSAWTA : Pu Speaker, today while we observe  
MINISTER obituary in regard to Pu L.N.Tluanga I want to point out two things. He used to be our Headmaster in Dawrpui School and we used to respect and afraid of him.

First of all, I would like to point out his interest in education. While being a student he used to labour for his studies by becoming a cook for his friend. It is very important that we remember and learn from him the need to work hard and dedication in order to gain good education.

Secondly, I remember him saying while we were in Class – V that “we are Mizo and that solves the problem of being called thief among the non-Mizos, whether we are in hostel or outside state’. The name of Mizo according to others means ‘he is free from theft’. He gave importance to being Mizo and I also think it is very important and we should keep up the good name. Besides, I cannot forget his translation of “India – The Land of Wonders”. While most of us translated India as land of wonders’ he translated it ‘Land of the wonders’. While there are many traits to describe him I just want to point out these two to commemorate him. Thank you.

Pu K.LIANTLINGA : Pu Speaker, I am very thankful that today we have obituary reference on our former member Pu L.N.Tluanga. I know him very well as he used to be our Headmaster in Dawrpui M.E. School.

His love for the country and dedication and spirit to guide the young was a remarkable trait of him that we should follow. Besides, his diligence and his encouragement of others are wonderful. I still remembered what he said about hard work while we were in Class-VI. He said that we are not to be ashamed to do any works in order to support our family which shaped my life till date. I convey my condolence to his bereaved family and pray that God will be with them, thank you.

S P E A K E R : Today we lost one of the most important and significant men and I know that many of us have a lot to say about him. But as we still have another business to do, we will close the discussion and observe one minute silence to show our respect. Now let us all stand.

( One minute silence observed).

I gathered from attending Conferences in many countries that questions and answers are taken speedily and I think that is what we all desire also. Therefore, while taking question we will allow one supplementary from the owner of the question and one from other member. Now, we will take Starred Question No.1 and invite Pu Lalduhoma to ask his question.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Speaker, will the hon'ble minister for Industries Department be pleased to state –

Whether plan was made to make Geology & Mining into a full fledged Directorate.

S P E A K E R : Let us invite Pu S.Hiato, minister for Industries to reply.

Pu S.HIATO  
MINISTER : Pu Speaker, answer to Pu Lalduhoma's question is – it is under process and will soon be put up for cabinet discussion.

S P E A K E R : Pu Lalduhoma will ask his supplementary question.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Speaker, the matter has been submitted as a resolution in the last Session and was promised to be taken up by the cabinet. Does the government try to implement or not ?

S P E A K E R : Let us invite the minister to reply.

Pu S.HIATO  
MINISTER : Pu Speaker, to put Geology & Mining into a full fledged Directorate there are many steps to go through as it concerns with provisions of Business Rules, 1987. Right now it is prepared to be submitted to GAD and it will then be forwarded.

S P E A K E R : Now, let us invite Pu B.Lalthlengliana to ask hi Starred Question No.2.

Pu B.LALTHLENGLIANA : Pu Speaker, will the hon'ble minister for Public Works Department be pleased to state –

The time for completion of black topping of road between Saron Veng to College Veng.

S P E A K E R : Let us invite Pu Lal Thanhawla, hon'ble Chief Minister in-charge Public Works Department to reply.

Pu LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Speaker, the length of Saron Veng to College Veng road is 1.80 Kms. From this re-surfaced of 950 meters was finished and the remaining will be done when there is fund.

S P E A K E R : Supplementary question Pu B.Lalthlengliana.

Pu B.LALTHLENGLIANA : Pu Speaker, the road I mentioned is very important as we faced traffic jam everyday. Many govt. servants used this road to avoid traffic jam and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Bn. MAP are also in this area. Therefore, it would be appreciated if the concerned minister can give us another fund in order to finish it during the dry season. Can he give us his word ?

S P E A K E R : The hon'ble Chief Minister in-charge PWD may reply.

PU LAL THANHAWLA CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Speaker, re-surfacing will be done soon throughout the city and the mentioned road will be among them.

S P E A K E R : We will invite Pu Lalduhoma to ask Starred Question No.3.

PU LALDUHOMA : Pu Speaker, will the hon'ble minister for Public Works Department be pleased to state –

- (a) Works done by the department within Aizawl West I constituency and their works schedule.
- (b) Whether it is convenient to give information to the concerned member regarding the work done by them.

S P E A K E R : Let us invite the hon'ble Chief Minister, in-charge PWD to reply.

Pu LAL THANHAWLA, CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Speaker, answer to Starred Question No.3 is :-

- (a) the ongoing works and works schedule within Aizawl West I constituency are as follows :

Ongoing works

- 1) Resurfacing of Chhangurkawn to Ropaiiabawk
- 2) Resurfacing of Vaivakawn to Zotlang (Mara House)
- 3) Patch repair of Maubawk Hmuia Veng, New Luangmual
- 4) Patch repair of Vaivakawn to Ramrikawn
- 5) Improvement of Sakawrtuichhun to PTC Road
- 6) Construction of R/Wall near Baptist Church, Luangmual
- 7) Construction of R/Wall near V/C House, Govt. Complex

Works schedule

- 1) Improvement and widening FCI go-down to Sakawrtuichhun
- 2) Improvement of road from Zohnuai to Ropaiiabawk
- 3) Construction of toe Wall on Vaivakawn to Ropaiiabawk.
- 4) Soling Metalling approach road to river Tlawng.
- 5) Improvement of Sairang Internal Road.
- 6) Construction of R/Wall on Vaivakawn to Ramrikawn road.
- 7) Construction of R/Wall on Vaivakawn to Ramrikawn road at 4.730kmp (Pu Lianchungnunga)
- 8) Construction of R/Wall near Rev.Lalengzauva's house on approach road to G&M office.
- 9) Construction of R/Wall near Lianchhingpuii's house, Vaivakawn.
- 10) Construction of RCC slab culvert near Pu Lalbiaka's house, Luangmual.
- 11) Construction of R/Wall near ch.0.390kmp (a) Luangmual.

- (b) All Departments are notified in this regard. If information is not yet given, we will give reminder strongly.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Speaker, I am very thankful that detail answers were given to me. It would be appreciated if work schedule can be given to each member in order to have a good working relation with the concern deptt.



Regarding the ongoing work on approach road to Zotlang from Vaivakawn, can priority be given as it still was not shown in the work schedule? On work schedule, the road between Zohnuai to Ropaaibawk has not been done yet while it appears fund was there. Can the govt. speed up the work before dry season is over ?

Lastly, Pu Speaker, it may not seem relevant. But I want to request the govt. to give more time for the occupants of Zonuam PWD Quarters. Most of them are IV Grade whose children are already admitted to their respective schools besides they domesticated pigs they reared in order to support their family. Can the House Leader and the police give them more time before eviction?

Pu LAL THANHAWLA CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Speaker, regarding approach road to Zotlang from Vaivakawn, if the concerned MLA and the local leader can negotiate with the land holders I think there can be a way to widen the road. If the concerned MLA agrees, we can also find a way to make it into a one-way road for public safety resulting to an easy task for traffic and vehicles.

Regarding PWD quarter, it is to our knowledge that the local people desire to have a strong and capable police station there. On the other hand, it will not be right to vacate the quarters which will cause hardship for the current occupants. Therefore, I will ask the department officials to keep in mind their situation when the time comes.

S P E A K E R : Now, we will invite Pu C.Ramhluna to ask his Starred Question No.4.

Pu C.RAMHLUNA : Pu Speaker, will the hon'ble minister for Public Works Department be pleased to state –

Date of completion for Assembly Secretariat Annexe building.

Pu LAL THANHAWLA CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Speaker, answer to starred question No. 4 is – Civil Work was supposed to be ready on April, 2010 and 8 (eight) passenger lift in June, 2010. Therefore, it will be possible to occupy in April, 2010 without installing the lift.

Pu C.RAMHLUNA : Pu Speaker, first of all I would like to know why the work was delayed so much. Was the estimate revised during this period? If so, what is the difference between the original and finishing amount? Who is at fault in delaying the work, the concerned deptt., or the contractor ? Fourthly, is there a way to speed up the work so that we can shift our current recess room which is too small to hold us?

S P E A K E R : The hon'ble Chief Minister in-charge PWD may answer.

Pu LAL THANHAWLA CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Speaker, it appears that we are all in a hurry in this regard especially the member. From Pu Vaivenga's time proposal was made for construction and during the period of Pu R.Lalawia work was started. During the construction, many problems were faced in regard to fund and its contractor. For members' information, I want to speak about its estimate. While the original estimate was ₹. 430 lakh, the revised sanction amounts to ₹. 850 lakh. The works was started in July, 2003 and then continued to face many problems like demolition of the old building and scarcity of cement and mistiri. Besides, two basement has been added which was not in the original estimate. ₹. 834 lakh was used for its construction till date and ₹. 16 lakh is put in work schedule of 2009-2010.

In 22.12.2009, work order was given to Laser Friction Powers, Ramhlun 'N' amounting to ₹. 20 lakhs for installation of lift which capacity will be 8 (eight). It was to be completed within 6 months and Otis Elevator Company product will be used. For construction of link way between the old and new building ₹. 20 lakh was estimated. But this has not been yet sanctioned. The name of the contractor is Pu T.Dela, Chaltlang and the finishing period estimated was 32 months. The building will be 8<sup>th</sup> floor and the overall size is 50307 square meters. Those are the reason why works cannot go according to our expectation. Thank you, Pu Speaker.

S P E A K E R : Now we will go to our next question and invite Pu Lalduhoma to ask his Starred Question No.5.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Speaker, will the hon'ble minister for Rural Development Department be pleased to state –

- (a) No. of family within Sairang Dinthar V/C area. Also no. of family at Model Piggery Village, Kawlkulh II, Sairang.
- (b) No. of Job Card holder within Dinthar V/C area.

S P E A K E R : Let us invite Pu R.Lalzirliana, minister for Rural Development Department to reply.

Pu R.LALZIRLIANA : Pu Speaker, answer to Starred Question  
MINISTER No.5 are as follows –

- (a) Information is collected from Vety Department as Rural Development is not the nodal department
- (b) There are 394 job cards within Dinthar V/c area.

S P E A K E R : The member is not the representative of Sairang but Aizawl West I. Now, supplementary question Pu Lalduhoma.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Speaker, Sairang is also within my constituency. The hon'ble minister does not furnish my question regarding number of family within Dinthar V/C area and the number of job card. I want to repeat the question for information. It appears that within this V/C area there are extra job cards which cause trouble among the people. I want to request the hon'ble minister to look into the matter.

Pu R.LALZIRLIANA : Pu Speaker, I am very thanful for that  
MINISTER information. The govt. already issued order to surrender any extra job cards. If that is the case in this area, we will look into the matter immediately.

S P E A K E R : He also asked about the no. of family within Dinthar area and that is not furnished.

Pu R.LALZIRLIANA MINISTER : Pu Speaker, there are 394 job cards in Dinthar. Does the question include only Kawlkulh II.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Speaker, the question is no.of family within Sairang Dinthar V/C area and that is my first question.

Pu R.LALZIRLIANA MINISTER : Pu Speaker, it is not our purview. Therefore, we will ask LAD and will later furnish the answer.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Speaker, it is not satisfactory. While R.D. is the concerned dept. to give out job card, they know the details of the no. of family in every V/C area. If the minister refuses to answer it, it is hopeless.

S P E A K E R : The answer furnished by the minister has some truth in that matter. It is LAD which is responsible in regard to V/C record.

Pu B.LALTHLENGLIANA : Pu Speaker, if members ask a simple question like that, the minister is expected to furnish the answer. What is the use if they cannot furnish a simple answer?

Pu LAL THANHAWLA CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Speaker, while preparing the answers, the dept. can also be misguided if they do not know what the member really wants.

Regarding job card, there are many among the govt. servant who have no scruple and who do not mind to make extra card in order to gain money. Nevertheless, we will try to find out the culprit and take action accordingly.

S P E A K E R : Now, we will go to Starred Question No.6 and invite Pu K.Liantlinga to ask his question.

Pu K.LIANTLINGA : Pu Speaker, will the hon'ble minister for Sports & Youth Services Department be pleased to state –

- (a) Progress made so far in order to renovate A.R.Ground.
- (b) No. of Boxing Ring which are in good condition for use.

Pu ZODINTLUANGA MINISTER : Pu Speaker, answers to Starred Question No.6 are as follows –

- (a) For renovation of A.R.Ground, govt. put 4 crore and step has been taken to install artificial grass.
- (b) Two Boxing Ring has been purchased and will be given to Saiha and Kolasib.

Pu K.LIANTLINGA : Pu Speaker, supplementary question. Is the fund for renovation of A.R.Ground from plan fund ? Is there proposal to submit DPR at the central? Regarding Boxing Ring, to install the ring at least 60 ft. wide hall is needed. Is there a proposal to make this kind of Boxing Ring?

Secondly, if there is a plan to install this kind of ring, will it be from state fund or central fund ? Has DPR already been made as we are already eight month behind?

Pu ZODINTLUANGA MINISTER : Pu Speaker, as we already pointed out, fund for renovation of A.R. Ground was put in the state fund. Therefore, there is no need to ask for additional fund from centre. Besides, due to the earnestness of our Chief Minister and leaders, step is taken to put artificial grass at Ramhlun Sports Complex.

Regarding Boxing Ring, two has already been given to those who possessed the facility. Others will follow suit when the require facility is ready and the govt, prepared plan for this purpose.

Pu LAL THANHAWLA CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Speaker, fund has already been put aside for putting artificial grass at A.R. Ground. The Sports Minister also made plan for the construction of two Pavilions. Extra room for players will also be constructed and the over all estimate is three crore ninety eight thousand. Besides, to avoid hardship, we thought it will be good to construct 4<sup>th</sup> floor. In this regard, we have to be patient as the laying of artificial grass takes time but we hope to finish before the coming Christmas.

S P E A K E R : Now, question hour is over, we will go to other business. I will announce members of the Panel of Chairmen during this Session 1. Pu B.Lalthlengliana 2. Pu Nirupam Chakma 3. Pu Lalduhoma 4. Pu K.Lianzuala. Today, two of our members asked permission for leave of absence Pu P.P.Thawla for two days due to family affairs and Pu K.S.Thanga due to severe cold.

Now, we will go to laying of paper and invite the hon'ble minister Pu R.Lalzirliana to lay on the Table of the House "The Mizoram State Employment Guarantee Fund Rules, 2009" and "The Mizoram Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, 2009".

Pu R.LALZIRLIANA MINISTER : Pu Speaker, Sir, I lay on the Table of the House a copy each of the following "The Mizoram State Employment Guarantee Fund Rules, 2009" and "The Mizoram Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, 2009", thank you.

S P E A K E R : Distribute the copy. Now I will present the programme chalked out by the Business Advisory Committee on 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2010 and I hope that we will all agree. The copy may be distributed. Can we all agree ?

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Speaker, our present budget is not yet finalized. If that is the case our current session is the same as Vote on Account. It is my first knowledge to have a session which is neither Budget Session nor Vote on Account. Is the revised estimate going to come as Supplementary Demand ? If that is going to be the case, a large portion of our budgets are not going to be discussed in the House. Can you explain what kind of session we are going to have?

S P E A K E R : There is nothing to show that it is not a full fledged budget. Only we do not have the detail plan size. When we have the detail, our surplus will come as supplementary or additional.

In the past, after Budget Session supplementary came the next year before another session and that was introduced as Supplementary Demand. Therefore, we will go along with this and I want the members to know that this Session is a Budget Session. It is not going to be on Vote on Account and when we receive another fund, that will go as additional or supplementary.

Dr.R.LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, it is the first time we face this kind of Session hence we need clarification. Are we going to expect the Finance Minister to present the budget as last year's budget size ? If that is going to be the case, we already have a discussion on our entire budget this year. We need to be more specific in this regard.

Our Session is very important as we are to discuss about money matter. The nature cannot be called Supplementary as it differs from Supplementary we used to have in the past. Our main discussion in this Session is going to be the main budget and that differs from others we used to have. I request the House Leader to make clarification in this matter as we are going to discuss demand next week.

S P E A K E R : Just think it is clear. Assam and Meghalaya also practice this kind of session. It is humiliating to go along with vote on account. Therefore, let us be clear in our mind that we have a full fledged Budget Session. If there is a difficult situation to face, we will all face together when the time comes.

Pu LAL THANHAWLA CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Speaker, what you say is true. There is nothing to show that this is not a full fledged Budget Session. We are still standing in our current plan size. Plan discussion will be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> and the Working Group are already dispatched. When finalized, if the Plan increase the Finance Department will add to the budget. If needed, the Speaker can always summon another sitting for discussion.

Besides, we do not expect to jump our plan size due to our fiscal deficit and revenue. Therefore, to avoid further problems, this session is summoned so that all the Members can participate in the discussion and give their advices if there is addition or subtraction in our plan. Besides, this will help in the process of the document.

Pu LALRINLIANA SAILO MINISTER : Pu Speaker, only one point. Are we going to approve the Business chalked out? Our current discussion can be discussed in the Budget. Let us finalize the business.

S P E A K E R : I fear that this will be our main problem as we are going to discuss our budget in demand wise. That is why I asked all of you whether you can agree to the programme or not.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Speaker, I think we can all agree to the programme. But in future, it would be appreciated if they give us a hint and consult us regarding our plan size and the nature of the coming session. Now in practice, after summoning the session, they call us to chalk out the programme and we cannot do anything to alter the session. We will now have to satisfy in this and accept the budget that will be last year's budget



and lost the opportunity to discuss the supplementary budget. This is the first time in Mizoram whether you have never practiced it or not.

S P E A K E R : Listen to me, it will be insignificant if all the allocations are similar, yet we still do not know whether they are similar or not.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Speaker, we may not see it, just now our House Leader said that it will stand as last year plan size. If plan size cannot be determined, it is a fact that we have to stand as the going year. There is no difference in the name we give between full Session and Vote on Account in our current Session. As I already pointed out, it would be good if the treasury bench consult us before summoning the Session.

Pu LAL THANHAWLA  
CHIEF MINISTER : Pu Speaker, what the member suggested was a good idea. I hope it will become enlightenment for us in the future if this kind of incident arises.

S P E A K E R : As the House Leader said, we will remember it in the future if needed. We all know it is the Governor not the Speaker who summons the Assembly. It is very pleasing that we all agree to approve the business chalked out by the BAC.

Now, we will have discussion on Motion of Thanks. Will five minutes be sufficient for each Member ? We will give priority to Group Leader as practiced before. Before we invite the mover, we have to decide on the time.

Dr.R.LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, as we are going to conclude the Governor's speech today, ten minutes would be sufficient as practiced before. Besides, not all the Members participate in the discussion in the past and we, the opposition are not large in number. Let us try to maintain 10 minutes in this discussion as we used to do in every general discussion.

S P E A K E R : Do we agree ? If so, let us try to maintain 10 minutes. Now, let us invite Pu John Siamkunga to move the motion.

Pu JOHN SIAMKUNGA : Pu Speaker, thank you. From the Governor's Speech, we learnt the government's policy and its prospects. and there are many to thank for today. Hence, I am going to move the Motion of Thanks.

As we all know, this govt. has taken step towards implementing its Election Manifesto. The govt., knows where to take the people and aim to achieve that goal. It is the govt., who put development of the country their first priority and because of their love and thoughtfulness of the people, they try to establish a clean and clear govt. From what we see in the Governor's speech ₹. 2527 crore is earmark for 120,000 families in NLUP, which will be sufficient for the Mizo people to achieve development. It will be initiated under eight departments.

The govt. gives importance to transport communication as pointed out in the speech. From this, Inland Water Transport, Multi Modal Transport Project worth ₹. 680 crore in which a route for a ship to reach Mizoram will be made. Beside these, ₹.526 crore was set aside for Tlawng lui and for construction of 400 kms of road to reach 80 villages. NH54 which used to be under the BRTF will also be handed over to PWD soon.

To be self sufficient in power, the govt. put forward the following to be developed. Firstly, Kolodyne Hydel Project which is projected to give 460 mega watt followed by Tuirial Hydel Project - 60 mega watt and Tuivai Hydel Project - 210 mega watt. When these projects are finished, Mizoram will be very self sufficient in power and we will be able to face whenever power crisis looms. It is one of the most important factors in development.

On law & order, our Governor pointed out that criminals are arrested without any delay. This shows the good administration we had in law & order. This will result in attracting tourists to visit our land under peaceful atmosphere and will become an important factor in tourism sector. Regarding Fire & Emergency, under the direction of the Director, we can see much improvement. Now when emergency arises they acted promptly.

The Governor in his speech stressed independent Judiciary. Many Court buildings were constructed and new judicial services were recruited. Family Court was set up in Aizawl, Lunglei, Kolasib and Champhai. Besides, Gram Nyayalayas which used to be a Village Court will soon be set up in a phase manner in every village. This will help in solving dispute among the villagers which were kept pending in a Law Court. All these will enable the function of separation of judiciary in the future.

The government's policy of 'Catch them young' will enable many of our youth to expose their skills to the world through football, hockey etc. Besides, the ongoing constructions of Rajiv Gandhi stadium and through PYKKA talented sportsmen are recruited which are highlighted by the Governor in his speech. In Kolasib, SYS Football Academy will be set up soon and State Hockey Academy will also be set up in Kawnpui. All these showed the improvement in the field of sport.

Regarding RMSA, we are fortunate in becoming the first state to utilize it. With this, we can improve the quality of education specially in the secondary level. We also see step taken to emphasize Technical Education. With this in mind, step has been taken to open Polytechnic at Champhai, Kolasib, Lawngtlai and Mamit. This will enable our student to broaden their education in vocational/technical line which the govt., in turn hope, will help them to attain self-sufficiency. The establishment of National Institute of Technology in Aizawl is a pioneer project for our future progress in technology.

Regarding Government Press, it is re-equipped and the old machines that were used for a long time are equipped with new one. Plan has been made to establish Printing Institute which will be the first in the northeast. About 8.75 crore was estimated for this and will enhance Mizoram in printing technology.

It is also very interesting to know that under 11<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan they drafted a developmental work within agriculture sector. From what the Governor's said, about 4% increases growth is expected in GDP. Besides, 20,500 hectares was proposed for cultivation of Oil Palm's high yielding variety.

Under NREGS, 1,87,773 families were provided and constructed houses for 1895 families under IAY and repairing was done to 1120 families. Besides, basic services were done and built a house big enough to accommodate many homeless families from fund received from Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme which was under the Urban Poor. It is also very pleasing to know that under National Rural Drinking Water Programme, the govt. took an initiative to supply drinking water to 151 Villages.

Under Soil & Water Conservation, 330 hectares was put aside for terracing which will prevent soil erosion. This govt. also took an initiative in growing cocoon for the benefit of the down trodden and disabled persons. Our Governor's speech includes progress made so far by this govt. and steps taken towards development of departments like Land Revenue & Settlement, Disaster Management and construction of Sainik School and to strengthen Cooperatives Societies. Besides, for structural adjustment this govt. will take a loan of ₹.470 crore from ADB and the 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission gave us 8805 crore. All these showed that this govt. takes steps towards developing the country.

The emergence of development in health care, the plan to upgrade Civil Hospital as well as to equip District Hospitals with suitable equipment as well as to build several new District Hospital clearly points to the government's

concerns for health care as highlighted by the Governor. Besides these, the govt. commitment towards development of our state and trade relations with other country can be seen in the ongoing NLUP scheme and construction of Composite Land Customs Station at Zokhawthar. Further, intention to lay a road from Rih to Tiddim, from Rih to Falam as well as making Tlabung a Land Custom Station and intention to make the western sea a major export/import center makes it clear that Mizoram economy will develop substantially in the future. Initially, the decision to make Kawrpuichhuah as a Border Trade Centre points to the state development.

I agree with the hon'ble Governor's speech that making world record by Cheraw was a proud moment for us and exposed us in a positive light to the rest of the world. I believe that the many projects undertaken by the govt., those to be undertaken, and those that are yet to be undertaken are all important for the development of our state. Therefore, I urged this House to vote with me on my Motion of Thanks, thank you.

S P E A K E R : Is there anyone who wants to add or speak on the subject ? Or should we vote? If there is no one else to speak, let us call upon Pu R.Lalrinawma.

Pu R.LALRINAWMA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. The one who moved the motion makes it very clear and so makes it unnecessary for a lot of discussion. I will not repeat what the mover in said his vote of thanks on the Governor's speech which he highlighted very clearly but to give my support to the motion I just wanted to add that it is indeed a huge accomplishment for the govt., in just one year looking at the development in all the department.

I just wanted to point out that V/C election slowed down many governmental work not to mention that we have now used code of Conduct at V/C election and further, there is MP election ahead. Despite all these, the scheme is continued to give permanent livelihood to 120,000 families under NLUP and the good works of Agriculture and Horticulture deptt., will hugely benefit those farmers in Durtlang, Sihphir, Zemabawk and within Aizawl, all these, hon'ble Speaker, I find very pleasing. There is also many development in Sport deptt., and many stadiums are being built which greatly spurred the youth. I am also glad that during 2009-2010, 8231 persons will be given old age benefits under the Welfare Activities.

Speaking further, I am glad to note the positive development in Law & Order as pointed out by the Governor. Law breaking, murder which was never solved in the past are nowadays solved. The murder of a taxi driver, the murder of Zarzokima of Bungthuam and that of the young woman from Tuikual, the

apprehension of masked burglars in Saron Veng, all these points to a marked improvement in the workings of the Police Deptt., which can be partially credited to the peoples' co-operation but mainly to the fact that we now have a very competent Home Minister.

It is also clear that if the govt., is right and straight, the people are still very obedient. This is clear from the ceasing of bursting crackers in New Year's Eve and the ceasing of mass boycotts by govt., employees which the previous govt., failed to curtail, all these points to improvement in Law & Order.

This govt., in its manifesto clearly says that it will use administration of justice as its principle in governing the state, the prove of which we can see from the Governor's speech. I am glad to point out that we now have implemented Separation of Judiciary from the Executive control. Further, the changing of Raj Bhawan Complex to High Court, which is better than the original plan is also pointed out in the speech. The intention to implement Family Court at Aizawl, Lunglei, Kolasib and Champhai Districts and also the scheme to built several new court buildings at various location proved that the govt., is committed to having a straight and just govt. In a short period of time 12 Civil Judge (Junior grade) and 6 Senior grade were given appointment and as the mover pointed out, Gram Nyayalayas (Village Court) was also implemented during this short period.

There is also improvement in court judgment after separation of Judiciary. Hon'ble Speaker, I just wanted to point out in this House that the present House Leader was accused of several charges of corruption on which they never did find prove during 10 years but when separation of Judiciary was implemented and the Court functions independently, he is found to be clear of all charges. Hon'ble Speaker, I wanted to point this out in the House because it is a great victory, thank you.

S P E A K E R : Can we adopt the motion ? Do we still want discussion ? Yes, Pu Lalduhoma.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Speaker, today as well as Budget general discussion is the only time that a member like me can have general discussion and today I intend to do just that.

The pattern of our politics in democracy is that we exchange power from one to another. The party made their manifesto in which they made their intention clear as to which way they will govern the state and in which they should make clear whether they intend to continue a scheme of the previous govt., or not. For the dozen or more govt., we have had, I detected a general pattern of reluctance to

continue previous government's schemes and this gives the general people a lot of headache. For example, one govt., is very bend on Garden Colony but the succeeding govt., did not continue it. Likewise, there are NLUP, Jhum Control, MIP followed by a better MIP and now we have a new and improved NLUP. Because of all these, I think the people are unable to follow and really settled in these govt., schemes. I am not pointing to any one govt., but the development of our state depends on building on the works of previous govt.

If we continue to follow this practice in our state, ultimately, the people are the victims. Be it on the issue of the Airport, on the issue of damming Tlawng River, on Referral Hospital, there are a lot of accusation and counter accusation, which we have heard frequently here in the House. This continued even today, now we talked about Piggery Village and there are some 30 families in Chawilung at my constituency who are at a loss as to how the govt., will proceed regarding this scheme. When we talked about Health Care, even if we are not satisfied with how the previous govt., operates it, it is high time to have a replacement, which do not seem to be the case even now. The people are losing hope.

Turning to Education, there are several institutions to receive Lump sum Grant and Adhoc status in the previous govt., even if there is some inconsistency which even I can see. It is time that the present govt., makes a decision on this issue instead of letting it languishes and makes an improvement and set right any inconsistency. (SPEAKER : We shall now change chair) Pu Deputy Speaker, I take out my old constituency Sakawrdai as an example. After 2 year of giving water connection about 20 – 30 families were stopped their connection citing it as 'fake connection' and have not been reconnected since then. Instead of project being not good or the policy of it not being embraced, the actions hinted more in the line of revenge because 'someone' implemented them or are beneficiary of other party. If that is not the case, it will be very close to it.

Moreover, when there is a new govt., those things which cannot be proved clearly are expected to be made clear. For example, the death of Rev.Chanchinmawia, many people were uneasy over his death and there are certain things which seem to link it to certain party. Now that the govt., is run by those who assumed to know the truth, is it not time to make the case clear ? If not, the people will just assume that politicians are liars and evading truth and our status will be that of liars in the public and I personally think this is already happening which I deeply regretted.

Those who shouted about the disappearance of a whole floor of Hospitals are now the ruling party in this House and I wanted to know whether it really disappears or not. Another is the so-called fake Suangpuilawn kidnapping case, can the present govt., make it clear if that is real or not ? We also make lot of noise concerning the buying of an alleged second-hand Mobile Van as a new Van, can the issue be made clear now today. If, while we are in the opposition, the accusation we labeled against the ruling are not made clear when we are in power, then the people will perceive all politicians as practicing this kind of deceits we will never steer the country in the right path.

Lastly, we all have something to learn and to unlearn something, including me. Just as the Bible says that the ruler are anointed of God. I believe this and consider past rulers and those behind them as anointed of God. I believe we are all anointed of God but is it not excessive the way that we fight each other ? In this House, the Leader seems to note our speech and I am grateful for it. I believe that we are making a new tradition and whatever party comes into power, it is good to have a positive attitude towards them.

While this is the case, on the other hand, it seems that investigation is done making direct or indirect legal cases against others and exacting revenge pattern seems to be there. If this continues, it is clear that when new govt., comes into power, the present govt., and those who are in it will face a similar situation. If this is the trend the people think we followed, then no respected person will want to enter into politics. This pattern of counter investigations and allegations are making the face of politics in our state very dirty.

Pu Speaker, when David has the chance to kill Saul, he did not take the opportunity but left to God. Can we not follow the example of David and leave the judgment to God ? Let us put our land in the hand of God. Let us not be too fearful of not being in power because it leads to unsavory tactics. We will slowly tread and not hurt even if we come to power. I think it is wise to stop the present pattern of using legal cases to attack each other. This is the way I wanted to lean my speech, thank you.

Pu JOHN ROTLUANGLIANA : Lt. Col. Z.S.Zuala.  
DEPUTY SPEAKER

Lt. Col. Z.S.ZUALA : Pu Deputy Speaker, thank you. It seems that the Governor's speech is longer and grows heavier and will be in volumes at the end of our terms. It seems the longer it is, the more there is to be happy about.

What I wanted to discuss about is Fire & Emergency Service. It seems they are going to get 8 new fire tender and in the previous session we requested the Home Minister to put Fire Station in the south area and it is possible that we may be covered now. I think gratitude is in order on behalf of the south area.

The Home dept., follows the correctional model in its administration of the Central jail and I think this is good. In its education, vocational training is included by which they can have proper employment when they come out of jail and I think this is the purpose of the govt.,. We also hear that somebody got a doctorate degree from it.

The Backward Region Grant Fund from central govt., is put to good use by the two Districts in the South. This is good laying foundation for infrastructure in the developmental scheme of our land.

Pu Dy. Speaker, plan for construction of World Bank's financed road of Aizawl-Lunglei via Thenzawl is initiated by the previous ministry formed by Congress party. I must say that visions of the then leaders concerning this project were indeed, praiseworthy as we are now beginning to enjoy the outcome. Even travellers from the southern most regions are now able to reach Aizawl by daylight on the same day. This indicates a remarkable achievement of the government. In this relation, I think it is important for the government to take precautionary measures against Highway Area Encroachment which may come along with the development in future. Regarding Highway Encroachment Safeguard, I supposed it will be done by the concerned authority.

Matter concerning Tele-consultation with each district headquarters, Pu Dy. Speaker, it is truly a remarkable achievement as it will now be possible for patient with a complicated case, to consult a particular doctor at the interior through this programme. This scheme will be benefited mostly by the people in the remote places with undeveloped hospitals.

We are grateful to learn that intense effort is made for upgradation of our NCC Wing as most of military recruitments pursued from Mizoram were lower ranks. If plan for upgradation is achieved, it will give rise to opportunity for the upcoming youths to apply for recruitment of military officers such as Air Force and Naval Force. My personal concern in this connection is that no Mizos has yet achieved officer rank in the Executive Branch of Naval Force where as only 2 persons achieved pilots and a few more in Civil Aviation. This surely will be a remarkable achievement.

Pu Dy. Speaker, it is deeply regretted that burning of forests costs the life of 6 or 7 persons recently despite intensive efforts made by the department, NGOs and the concerned Village Councils. Mizoram, being the highest in the country in possession of forest area, I think it is important for the government to emphasize on maintenance of ecology with the neighbouring states. In future, it may also be wise to determine recruitment of Territorial Army and Ecological Force. Again Pu Dy. Speaker, it is appreciated that there is a plan to set up Mizoram Survey Institute at Hualgohmun, the village where I was born.

I also appreciated that the government is going to achieve the demand to set up Sainik School. I must say that it is the result of approach made to DoNER Minister by our Speaker, Dy. Speaker, Ministers of States and debut MLAs while attending Orientation Course at New Delhi. I, therefore, wholeheartedly support this Motion of Thanks.



Pu B. LALTHLENGLIANA : Pu Dy. Speaker, as I came across points of appreciation stated in the Governor's speech, I also feel the need to express the same as most of the projects stated here were initiated during MNF ministry. It seems to me that the Governor hardly have point to say of the achievement of his Government while the ministry is enjoying 1 and a half year of its term as he has mentioned in the fourth para of his speech that '.... even though it is difficult to access the progress made by the government elected for five years'.

Pu Dy. Speaker, first para of first page of the Governor's speech indicates that ₹.2527.20 crore is now at its final stage under Planning Commission. Obviously under the same provision, the hon'ble Chief Minister pointed out in his inauguration speech of Sports Academy at Kolasib but with different figure which is very confusing. Anyway, we may accept figure pointed out by the Governor instead.

In this connection, it is interesting to know the reason for exclusion of GAD and Planning Department among the departments listed for supervision of NLUP programme. Besides, ₹.100 crore is reported as allotted for NLUP for the current year. I am afraid that the amount allotted is lapsed as the given period is almost over. I wonder if revalidation is possible or the allotted amount is diverted.

At his speech on celebration of clearing of his legal case at Congress Bhavan, the hon'ble Chief Minister pointed out that NLUP will not be given to any party other than his party. Pu Dy. Speaker, he must be aware of the fact that his party won large number of vote from outside his party because of NLUP and if it is ignored, it will definitely cause his downfall in the next general election. Anyway, what my party and the people could do now is to watch if the ministry is working with a positive approach.

Pu Dy. Speaker, it is sad to learn that during this dry season, incident of burning houses is common in which 7 or 8 persons had even lost their life. Whether the government has a plan to relieve families of such victims? If not, I insist on the government to consider the case as there are families whose livelihood completely destroyed by the fire.

Regarding the project of 'Housing for the poor' to be set up at Lawipu, it is learnt that construction work is now stayed following verbal order. Pu Dy. Speaker, as the project concerns homeless within Aizawl city who selected trade mostly of piggery and poultry farming, it is not convenient for them to live in rented houses. It will, therefore, be pleasing if the work is resumed with immediate effect.

Next, I want to say that MNF ministry of the previous government certainly deserves credit for reviving Serlui 'B' project which was abandoned by the ministry of Congress party and it is now almost completed. Not only this, permission of forests clearance also had already been obtained during MNF

ministry yet, the other one which is said to be completed soon, may be pursued by this government with a positive approach.

Pu Dy. Speaker, it is learnt that there are number of Commissions which will soon be implemented in our state. In order to maintain such Commissions effectively, it is important for the government to take necessary steps for their improvements beforehand as we have various problems with Youth Commission and Law Commission which obstructs their effective functioning.

Lasty, Pu Dy. Speaker, I request the government to take necessary steps regarding access of gas supply at Civil Hospital as gas pipeline had already been installed to each ward. Thank you.

Pu JOHN ROTLUANGLIANA : Next, Pu T.T. Zothansanga.  
DEPUTY SPEAKER

Pu T.T. ZOTHANSANGA : Thank you, Pu Dy. Speaker. At the outset, I want to say that I feel lucky to be a member of Congress party whose main concern is the welfare of poor. Pu Manmohan Singh, the Prime Minister of India, keeping in mind the need to uplift condition of poorer sections of the people in the country laid down 15 programmes. Our government too is taking the steps following the said programmes. Hopefully, gap between rich and poor will be narrowed down with the help of such programmes.

As Arnold Newman quoted on the debating issue of Christmas Day as on 25<sup>th</sup> Decemeber, 'It is not the day that matters, but the idea associated with it', I strongly hope the concerned people benefited NLUP, the flagship programme of the government headed by Congress party even though opposition parties strongly criticized the policy. In the same manner, what is more important is the purpose of NLUP instead of the day for disbursement of the provision.

In this relation, we are fortunate to be able to benefit steps taken by the government concerning rural and urban poor. During 2009-2010, the government provided housing to 1895 families and repaired 112 under IAY scheme. Not only this, under the policy of Services to Urban poor, 408 houses were constructed and still 688 to be constructed.

Pu Dy. Speaker, it is also pleasing to learn that there is a plan to extend the same to other district headquarters such as Lunglei, Champhai etc as there are number of families who are living in rented house.

Our policy regarding Power Sector, there are number of improvement works laid down by the government. If the policy of this ministry for

improvement of power supply is well heeded especially by some members from MPC party whose main concern is self-sufficiency in power supply, they may change their mind and join my party instantly.

Another point which is highly appreciated is plan for improvement of our Hospitals. There is an intention to furnish Civil Hospital with upgraded machineries so that the concerned patients no longer need to get the same service from outside Mizoram.

Regarding infrastructure development of colleges, financial provision for upgradation of colleges such as Saiha, Lunglei, Serchhip and Zirtiri Residential Science College is under processed. Besides, Polytechnic Training Institution will be set up at Champhai, Kolasib, Lawngtlai and Mamit with a view to minimize number of students pursuing their career only for Art stream and to provide career opportunity to students in their respective district headquarters.

Pu Dy. Speaker, we, the members today may not live for another 20/30 years. Hence, it is important for us to consider the best for our children of the coming generations as we are sons of the soil, who are born and bred in Mizoram. We must devote our today for their tomorrow. It is pleasing that the Governor too, keeping in mind of that need, today put forward plans laid down by the government. So, I give my support to this Motion of Thanks to the Governor's Speech.

Thank you.

Pu JOHN ROTLUANGLIANA : We will now have a recess. The evening  
DEPUTY SPEAKER session will be started at 2:00 PM.

**2:00 PM**

S P E A K E R : To continue our discussion on Motion of  
Thanks to the Governor's speech, I call  
upon Pu C. Ramhluna to have his  
speech.

Pu C.RAMHLUNA : Pu Speaker, it is appreciated as the  
Governor's speech highlighted mostly  
projects which was introduced during the  
previous ministry. Particularly,  
plantation of Red Oil Palm introduced under the Department of Sericulture, it is  
pleasing to learn that the government continue to make effort for the achievement.  
Besides, we are grateful to learn that projects of centrally-sponsored schemes such as

IAY, IWDP, BADP and BRGF which were all introduced during the previous ministry are going smoothly. Much as well, I am delighted to hear that construction of Aizawl-Lunglei via Thenzawl road started by the previous ministry too is now completed and in good condition.

Pu Speaker, it is learnt that Multi-Model Project too will soon be started much to the benefit of our people particularly of the southern region. Again, a remarkable achievement was made by the government with our beautiful cultural dance 'Cheraw' by achieving Guinness Book of World Record. In this connection, the government obviously incurred large amount of expenditure for the preparation and the concerned authority may carefully look into the matter so that sale proceed of large amount of bamboos used in the function is not wasted.

Again, it is pleasing to hear that Mizoram ranked No. 1 in preservation of forests. Efforts made by Department of Environment & Forests Mizoram, Fire Protection Committee, various NGOs and VDFC in this regard were truly praiseworthy and I must say that Mizoram would not achieve the said status unless their cooperation.

Pu Speaker, it is regretted to learn that there are two departments that has been excluded in the Governor's speech such as Department of Minor Irrigation and Labour & Employment Department. I wonder if it was excluded deliberately as the Governor regarded the two departments as less important. It will be pleasing if the reason of exclusion of the aforesaid departments is clarified later.

At para 2 of page 1, the Governor made a comment on his government as development oriented clean efficient and responsive administration. At para 3 of page 1, he further pointed that the highest priority of his government is to ensure social and economic justice to the poor. It is certainly pleasing to hear the statement but I am afraid that his words may end up in smoke.

As pointed out by the Governor, his government has now completed 15 months of its term. I opine it is time to show some sorts of achievement within 25% of its term. It is sad to learn that despite moving towards improvement, the government fails to provide better quality of rice for the people. Besides, Pu Speaker, some retailers are issuing ration quota of only 26/27 kgs of rice to BPL family where as their actual entitlement is 35 kgs. In this regard, complain was made a couple of time but to no avail. Hence, it may be pleasing if this House is aware of that practice so that immediate action is taken by the concerned authority.

Pu Speaker, despite repeated request from certain members for payment of head loading charge of rice to the concerned people, it is a shame that this ministry, who proclaimed the poor as their VIP could not make payment till today.

Regarding BRGF, Pu Speaker, the Gov't of India released financial provision for the year 2009-2010 on the 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2009 yet, no fund is made available till today. In this connection, the hon'ble Chief Minister reportedly made assurance to the people, on his campaign visit to Lawngtlai for MDC election to

release 70% of their District Council. I want to inform the House that the concerned people were waiting in vain for the issue till today. (SPEAKER: Your time is up). If so, thank you.

S P E A K E R : Next, Pu Lalthansanga.

Pu LALTHANSANGA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. In my opinion, the Governor's speech contains points which are highly appreciative for the concerned people such as plan and estimate for NLUP, which is said to be completed soon and will be benefited by all the deserved family. But it is doubtful that the said plans are achieved as no sign is yet to be seen till today.

In this relation, it is much desirable if the government makes available to the members Action Plan of the government so that we may also be able to determine agricultural prospect of our state. For example, detail project of the government in respect of Agriculture is unknown to the members except that central assistance which is said to be applied for 1900 families but no outcome is yet to be seen till today. Under Minor Irrigation, it is further learnt that the government planned to take up lands which is more than only 20 hectares. In this regard, I opine this policy is inappropriate and should be modified as the size of most of cultivable land in Mizoram are less than 20 hectares.

Regarding Fisheries Department also, we have learnt the total amount of financial provision received from NFDB for purchase of fish seeds during this year but we have no knowledge of whether it is distributed in region-wise. It may be appreciated if any variety is issued on the basis of condition of soil of a particular region as I have learnt from the concerned farmers within my constituency that growth of major carb variety is said to be slower than other varieties. The department may, therefore, determine such conditions while issuing fish seeds to farmers.

Next, it is important for the government to give concentration to the problem of electric power supply so that our youths may catch up with development of the world today. It is regretted to learn that Maicham Phase-II project could not be completed till today. Now, the government is taking up Inland Waterway projects at Kolodyne and Tuivai for which 5 crore rupees is sanctioned. In the meantime, it may be wise to determine the possibility of taking up Daneshwari Project which Pu J.V. Hluna too, had moved to House in the previous year and unanimously passed by the House.

In this relation, it is necessary for the government to consider installation of more L.T. lines as requirement particularly in rural areas as demand of

power supply is no less important as there are number of farms which could be improved if power supply is made available.

Regarding National Rural Water Deveopment Programme(NRWDP), it will be much appreciated if the concerned authority determine wider coverage of this programme as water problem in some rural areas is intensely high. It is deisrable if the concerned authority determine to install pumping system to resolve water problem in my constituency.

Pu Speaker, I must say that the government's expenditure on construction of infrastructure of roads and bridges is higher than expected despite exclusion of much deserved roads within my constituency. I, therefore, ask this august House to give priority to the deserved persons or places in taking up any programme. Thank you.

Pu NIRUPAM CHAKMA : Thank you. As we have seen here Pu Speaker, the Governor's speech contains 47 points of steps taken up by the government which clearly indicates that the government is moving towards progress.

At the out set, I want to express my appreciation to the introductory paragraph of the Governor's speech which indicates his feeling of gratitudes as his government is moving in the direction of fulfillment of the promised he had made in his address of 17<sup>th</sup> March last year. This clearly indicates that the government is moving towards progress. As the Governor expressed his government as to "Provide development oriented, clean, efficient and responsive administration", it is pleasing not to hear any plan going in a negative direction. Besides, it is pleasing to learn that the Governor praised achievement of the government in the light of its policies, goals, projects and objectives. It is appreciated as he further give credit to the hon'ble Chief Minister and his Council of Ministers for their hard work during this 15 months to fulfill the manifesto. In the same manner, I would like to express my appreciation to our Chief Minister and other ministers for laying down the programme of New Land Use Policy which concerned upliftment of poor.

We have been receiving so much criticism regarding selection of NLUP beneficiery. In this relation, it is to be noted that in my constituency of Tuichawng village, all the families were selected even though supporters of MNF party outnumbered Congress party.

Yersterday, I have witnessed supporters of MNF party supplying candles as a movement against insufficiency of power supply under the Congress ministry and this reminds me of how much the government under MNF party produced during their last two ministries and comparatively the amount to be produced by this government after 5 years. It is shameful that majority of the people

continue to use candle even after completion of 10 years and this clearly indicates that no effort was given for improvement of power supply.

As pointed out by the Governor, it is pleasing that self sufficiency in power supply will be achieved within 7 years with the help of hydel projects such as Kolodyne Phase-II, Tuivai, Tuirial taken up under this ministry. It is a waste of time to make a debate here as we will see when it is achieved.

Regarding 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission, the amount exceeded 12<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission by a margin of 88.92 % i.e. 8805.26 crore rupees. This indicates that sufficient provision for development work is available. Besides, the three Autonomous Districts will receive 25 crore rupees. Pu Speaker, Mizoram may not be able to make a sufficient revenue yet ranked No.1 in a state level competition. In order to make the best use of financial provision coming from the central, it is important for each of the person in Mizoram to maintain honesty in our respective works otherwise development will not be there. So, with a hope for the future of Mizoram and the people, I support this Motion of Thanks moved by our fellow member Pu John Siamkunga. Thank you.

S P E A K E R : Next, Pu K. Liantlinga.

Pu K. LIANTLINGA : Pu Speaker, I opine it is important for us to determine this Motion of Thanks very carefully. I personally am confuse as to whether we have reason to thank on the speech made by the Governor.

Pu Speaker, the Governor's speech comprises of 47 points in which NLUP is placed at No. 1. If my memory serves me well, plan provision of ₹.2527.20 for 120000 families as the Governor stated here contradicted the statement made by the hon'ble Chief Minister last year. According to Chief Minister, ₹.25000 crore is put for NLUP and ₹.1,250 crore for infrastructure out of which ₹.1200 crore will be given to 120000 families. It is, therefore inappropriate to interpret to the people that the whole amount is to be distributed. It is, therefore, important to determine which of the statement is to be accepted.

Next point, Pu Speaker, in accordance with the policy of this new ministry, an Ethic Committee was formed to see conduct of the ministers and MLAs which is appropriate. But it is regretted to learn that there is no terms of reference till today even though its been a year since the committee came in to existence. Pu Speaker, if the new ministry truly gives important to eradicate the practice of corruption, why not put this at No.1 and NLUP at No. 2?

Besides, Pu Speaker, the Governor should have included in his speech about step taken by the government to resolve water problem in Aizawl as AWGSS Phase-II remains incomplete due to suspension of its contractor.

Coming back to NLUP, the Governor, in the speech (No. 6) made in 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2009 assured that immediate step will be taken up for setting up of Farmers Commission. I wonder if the said plan is given up as no point relating to the said is seen here in the Governor's statement.

Again, Pu Speaker, speech he had made last year indicated financial sanction of 60 crore rupees received from Ministry of Food Processing, Gov't of India including 15 crore rupees specially planned for Mega Food Park. Where is the provision now? It seems that the Governor's speech is drafted by some officials and included wrong information therein.

Pu Speaker, I opine the Government must stand on any assurance which had been made and points which may be given should be studied carefully beforehand. I am confusing whether we have reason to express our thanks to the statement of our Governor this time.

In the same manner, the Governor's statement regarding plan for construction of Court buildings is not convincing enough as it is learnt that Law & Judicial department could not afford to give its matching share i.e. 50%. Hence, I have no idea whether to accept the Governor's statement.

At point No. 20 of the same speech, it is stated that during the year 2009-2010, plantation of Mulberry as being taken up in the area of 1500 acres of land. Pu Speaker, it is doubtful that the said is taken up actually as more than 100 acres of Mulberry plantation within my constituency had been abandoned by the concerned farmers due to lack of appropriate seeds and maintenance. Likewise, the same problem persisted at plantation in Zokhawsang. So, Pu Speaker, it may be wise for the concerned official to make correction to such baseless statements being included in the Governor's speech.

Pu Speaker, the Governor further stated Civil Service Coaching as being opened already by the Youth Commission. I have visited their website and learnt that only 4 subjects such as Philosophy, Sociology, Geography and Public Administration and in the section of general studies, only essay and general English are included. This indicates that the concerned youths will not be able to appear in the examination with the present strength of their coaching institution.

Again, the Governor's speech further stated that Infosys and Wipro will be approached to help ungraduation of our Youth Commission but no such plan is notified in the the website. Hence, Pu Speaker, I find no reason to accept points laid down by the Governor.

Lastly, the Governor stated that our budget provision under the 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission is increased by 88.92%. Pu Speaker, I am afraid that the



people may over-estimate the amount as rate of increase is not as much as it seems where as increase rate of 12<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission is 83.84% and the difference is only 5.08%. So, considering the amount of our budget provision, it does not necessarily mean that progress is made by the government as 5% increase rate is not that much considering the up-coming inflation after 5 years from now.

So, Pu Speaker, I opine it is necessary for the government to review the Governor's speech so that plans which has been laid down may be taken up effectively as achievement of the said is doubtful with the present situation. Thank you.

Dr.R.LALTHANGLIANA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. As Pu Lalduhoma had stated, it is pleasing that certain unfinished projects which had been started by the previous ministry were resumed.

It is highly appreciated that plans such as Municipality, Youth Commission and improvement of Mizoram Fire & Emergency Service which had been initiated by the previous ministry were resumed. In the same manner, it is pleasing to learn that this ministry resumed matters which deals with Voluntary Retirement Scheme(VRS), ADB loan and Health Care Scheme for which budget provisions had also been placed. Likewise, construction of Aizawl-Lunglei-Thenzawl road is now in progress and resumption of Multi-Nodal Transport for Zokhawthar of Champhai District and Kawrpuichhuah of Lunglei District has also been considered.

As the previous ministry had given effort for improvement of Sainik School, it is pleasing to learn that financial provision is now on its way. Yet, it is regretted that the Governor's speech missed out achievement of government under the previous ministry for setting up Kendrya Vidhyalaya School at 7 districts in addition to Serchhip district.

It is also pleasing to learn that this government begins to take the benefit of the State Election Commission set up by the previous ministry. Likewise, we have also seen effort made by the government in regard to continuation of Universalization of Secondary Education (RMSA).

Pu Speaker, this government is now spending 15 months of its term. It means that 25% of the term had already been spent. It is regretted to learn that no remarkable initiative has yet been made except continuation of the on-going projects started by the previous ministry.

Point which I felt to be important but excluded in the Governor's speech is improvement of Lengpui Airport particularly construction of Instrumental Landing System (ILS). The hon'ble Chief Minister is expected to kindly explain the situation later in his wind up speech. Not only this, point regarding plan

for construction of Saitluk Airport and Kawmzawl Airport is hardly seen in the Governor's speech. In this connection, government of the previous ministry made proposal to consider a separate administration for the southern zone which may be governed by a Commissioner, but no such point had been made in the Governor's speech. Besides, the previous ministry put a separate DIG Range for the southern zone keeping in mind of the need to maintain Law & Order effectively. But it is regretted to learn that this government hardly give attention to full functioning of the said establishment.

Pu Speaker, I opine it is time for the government to give attention to the welfare of whom the ruling party called as their 'VIP'. It is a shame that scarcity of cooking gas, one of the most basic needs of the poor now pervading the whole state of Mizoram. It is, therefore, necessary for the government to examine itself.

Pu Speaker, it is much desirable if Health Care Scheme is renewed immediately as there are number of underprivileged patient who could not afford to go to the hospital where they are referred. If my memory serve me well, the previous ministry provided such patients with not less than 3 lakh rupees. I am not saying that problems of scarcity of food-stuff and power supply are less important, but the government should give priority to health care of the people as it concerns life and death.

In reply to my question (Unstarred) in the previous Session regarding missuse of funds of BAFFACOS, it is stated that missuse of funds of BAFFACOS was found but no enquiry was made to that effect. Pu Speaker, it is much desirable if the government, from now on, made a report to the House the exact condition of the matter in question and stop giving vague reply to any question. In the same manner, question regarding investigation conducted against alleged missing of one storey of AIYUSH Building of Civil Hospital, I do not think there is a problem for the government to find out the truth and so, appropriate answer should be furnished from now on.

In regard to the 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission, if we compare the award of 12<sup>th</sup> Finance with 13<sup>th</sup> Finance of each of the state, highest rate of increase happened to be of Arunachal whereas Mizoram ranked 17 out of 20 number of States. It is, in a away degrading for Congress party of Mizoram to be placed in the last portion despite their outstanding performance in the last general election.

Pu Speaker, I congratulate the concerned minister of Forests Department for being the highest rates of increase of the budget provision. I opine the department is having enough fund to continue employment of the existing Forest Guards and other office staff. I suppose there will be no harm in absorbing even more to the regular service.

Last but not the least, Pu Speaker, I regret to mention that this is my first time in the House with a budget which is so indistinctive and poorly prepared. It is unreasonable for the members not to have knowledge of the amount of budget to be passed in the House. In this regard, it may not be appropriate to lay the

blame on the government of Mizoram as it is, in a way, the result of delay made by Central Authority to finalise the budget statement. Hence, members from the opposition bench opined that this House may reschedule another time to vote on matters which has not yet been discussed such as Budget Plan. Thank you.

S P E A K E R : Alright. 11 members including mover of this motion participated in the discussion. I, now call upon the hon'ble Chief Minister to wind up the discussion.

Pu LAL THANHAWLA  
CHIEF MINISTER : Thank you Pu Speaker. The spirit of speeches made by the members were quite appreciative as it concerned for a positive approach to the development of our state. The Governor did not fully point out each of the plan and step to be taken by the government as it will take a couple of hours. Even though only few important points were selected for the speech, it is pleasing to learn that it has drawn attention of the members very strongly.

Speech made by certain members indicates that this government is believed to be able to achieve any plan barely within a year. It is, in certain ways appreciative yet, I regret as it is impossible to do so as expected. But it should be noted that we still have time to pursue as this government may have a chance to carry on even for another 5 or 10 years. I must say that Mizoram will be highly developed after completion of 3 successive terms.

Regarding recommendation of the 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission in respect to the Government of Mizoram, we are not saying that the amount allotted is more than sufficient but considering our condition, it is appreciative. For example, fund allotted in respect of NLUP is 100 crore and still we are allowed more but we did not accept to receive it in excess as it will not be spent up in due time. In regard to recommendation of the 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission, it is to be noted that we are not dishearten and we don't need anyone to egg on us to have such ill feelings against the central authority.

Regarding the unprivileged as our VIP, it does not include those who are poor due to laziness but those who work hard from dawn to dusk. It is the policy of the government to help such people stand on their feet. The result may not been seen right now but we will, when the times come.

Pu Speaker, there are number of particularly supporters of Congress party striving to survive for the last decade as development funds from the government were beyond their reach. So, lifitng up those people is not a task to be accomplished in just a few day as expected by certain members.

The statement of Pu Lalduhoma regarding the Mizoram politics, it is certainly appreciated as it indicates his true feelings for betterment of our state. In this connection, it is to be noted that our policy is not to take political revenge against any other parties or to only continue unfinished plans initiated by the previous ministry. It is truly pleasing to hear opinion of a member from the opposition that achievements which has been made so far as completion of projects initiated by the previous ministry. We could even take if he alleged my government as making no new plan but concentrated only on continuation of unfinished projects.

In the previous years, there was a policy of Garden Colony. After determining a better policy, our leaders decided to take up NLUP which could be stated as continuation of the previous policy. As the ministry changes, another policy emerged by the name Jhum Control which was a substitution to the previous policy. It is, in a way, admissible that NLUP taken up by the previous ministry of Congress party was not successful but our aim now is to learn from that lesson and make improvement of the policy.

The government desire to carry out operation of the policy as early as possible but it is to be noted that central authority, keeping in mind to take up NLUP in Mizoram as a model project, wish to make cautious step and we have no reason to give pressure.

Regarding unfinished projects such as Bairabi Hydrel project, the previous Congress ministry had done its best despite allegation read in various news papers. It is to be noted that the state government, during that time, had the power to take up project upto 3 Mega watts only and I thought we had made progress within our capacity with the help of 75% grant received from Non-Conventional Powers and Energy Ministry.

As time changes, demand for power supply increased as even 25 mega watt power is said to be insufficient with the problem of inflation. Hence, Bairabi Hydrel Project was thought to be good enough as it is a Multipurpose Project. Unfortunately, clearance could not be obtained in due time and was followed by changing of the ministry. As the late Pu Ladenga and his party came into power, the same had yet been taken up, but left unfinished.

Since the said ministries failed to achieve the project, Brahmaputra Board was appointed to take up Survey Investigation once again. Intensive effort was given while Pu C.L. Ruala held Minister in-charge of Power & Electricity but could not be completed due to delay of completion of DPR. DPR was then obtained by a coalition government formed by MNF and MPC, the two parties who often claimed the project as meant to deceive the public.

The problem now is compensation component which may exceed the project cost, but necessary step will be taken as Clearance is already obtained in the previous ministry.

Regarding Aizawl-Thenzawl-Lunglei road, it is a continuation of the project initiated by the Congress ministry in 1997 and was supposed to be commissioned by the year 2007. The work is now in progress.

Pu Speaker, I want to inform the House that it is not the nature of our leaders to take political revenge against any party as we have seen in the Bible that avenge will be taken by God. But some Anti-Corruption NGOs such as SoSA, PRISM submitted FIR and PIL against fake compensations in regard to Tuirial Hydel project that consequently resulted in failure of the project otherwise, it will not be necessary for MNF party to show false sympathy to the public by distributing candles. The case now is under jurisdiction of the Guwahati High Court as insisted that investigation will be taken up by CBI. It is to be noted that we have no responsibility even if CBI is involved in case. The law shall take its own course, we have nothing to say. Mizoram Christians are praying hard that the government be driven by justice and efficiency. It is, therefore, our responsibility to bring about positive result of that prayer as I am confident that God will bless our efforts to that effect.

Regarding Ethics Committee, I have attended its first meeting in which Terms of Reference too had been taught in detail. However, follow up action or a committee has not taken place since then as the concerned members hesitated to do so as Order of Terms of Reference was not issued appropriately. As soon as our leaders learnt that the committee remains inactive, instruction was given to call a meeting to repeat teaching of Terms of Reference and Guidelines of the committee. It is pleasing to learn that the committee is now beginning to move on its own.

In regard to effort given for eradication of the practice of corruption, I truly invite correction and suggestion of the members as we, the leaders are not complete as we are human beings as well. We must not hesitate to put the concerned leader in disgrace if any fault is found in his action as it is the main purpose of the Ethics Committee.

Regarding Serlui 'B', the project was abandoned by the previous Congress ministry as production cost was higher than expected. Otherwise, it may cost problem to underprivileged as it will be necessary to give out at the rate of 90 paise to the consumers. However, the project was revived as MNF party came into power. Our findings now is that my ministry inherited an outstanding of more than 28 crore rupees to the company whereas all the three projects are not in condition for immediate commission. I am afraid that none of the project will be commissioned before this coming dry season. On asking one of the concerned engineers the estimated cost of production of that project, I was shocked to learn that it could not be less than ₹. 5.50 crore and may be more than ₹.7.50 crore if grant is included. Even if the project is commissioned, I do not think we are in a condition to utilise it instantly.

It is questionable that our problem with power supply will be alleviated if Tuirial Hydel Project had not been abandoned. We have now an obligation to continue with Serlui 'B' Hydel Project, a project initiated by the previous ministry so as to evade criticism but it caused my ministry to inherit the burden of an outstanding of 28 crore rupees.

Regarding Mega Food-park, we are fortunate that Food Processing Plant initiated by the previous Congress Ministry has now returned coincidentally as this new ministry came into power with financial provision of ₹. 65 crore plus ₹.15 crore for procurement of Abbatoire. Necessary step is now being taken. In this regard, it is to be noted that it does not have any connection with the delay of MIFCO staff drawing their pay.

Regarding Instrumental Landing System of Lengpui Airport, plan had already been made during government of the previous Congress ministry but could not be achieved during the last decade. We have discussed the matter with our Governor as soon as my party came into power. For this project, ₹. 2 crore was sanctioned and installation is completed. It is expected to be functioned as soon as approval of the Civil Aviation is obtained. It is regretted that this delay is due to petty problems caused by mistake with fitting of some parts and pressure has been made to the concerned company for immediate action.

Pu Speaker, it is regretted that some departments failed to maintain their official website regularly and so instruction is given to each department to put more effort in that regard but hardly effective as some were started without appropriate plan. I, therefore, make an appeal to the House to witness the situation.

Pu Speaker, my party, even before this ministry was formed, have revealed Health-care System in our manifesto and that it will be given priority and improvement of the system is assured. The concerned minister, as soon as occupying his office studied the matter and found out numerous problems in the process and 10 to 20 crore rupees which is shown as unused but not to be found. Since the new government is not in a condition to refill the loss instantly, we have to determine alternative measures so that the system is benefited by the people as soon as possible. Necessary steps has now been taken by the concerned officials.

Pu Speaker, it is learnt that there are reputed firms who have given interest on investment with Winery in Mizoram. However, there are some problems relating to its financial management. But it is not possible to hand-over to any firm unless the problem is resolved first. Yet, we will try our best to clear up the problem.

Regarding Bamboo Plant, an experiment had already been conducted yet machinery acquired during the previous ministry could not function as the machine is meant for wood plant. It is, therefore, necessary to make some modification so that it is befitted for bamboo plant. Not only this, it is not an easy task for a new government to resolve financial problem that involved 200 lakh rupees which had been handed over to K.K. Shah. It is, therefore, important for the government to clear up the problem prior to taking up follow up action for such projects.

I have already pointed out that matter which is regarded as important may not be included in the Governor's speech due to limit of time as with

plan for construction of Airfield at Saitlukkawn. It is to be noted that 3 engineers from Airport Authority of India had been brought in to survey the area but could not reach the spot due to non-availability of approach road, yet air survey was done. According to the said engineers the area is good. We have even pointed out this plan in the 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission but it could not be considered as there is no DPR to be produced. However, we have taken the matter into account with the thought of its connection with plan for Multi-Kaladan Transport Project in the southern region.

Regarding plan for construction of Airfield at Kawmzawl, there is an opinion that the area, by making few extension, may be able to accommodate a small size flight such as North-East Shuttle. We have even made an approach to NEC to provide us fund.

In this connection, the government opined to arrange Helicopter Service to all district headquarters for which Pawan Hans Company, a central government undertakings has already been approached.

Pu Speaker, we have been pressurized by certain members to make investigation on BAFFACOS scandal. In this regard, it is to be noted that we are not afraid to do, but misconception of that idea as a political avenge held up the concerned authority to take immediate action. If the said group insisted to do so, we are intended to give general consent to CBI. We are ready to pave the way to CBI so that they could be brought into Mizoram.

Regarding Suangpuilawn kidnapped case, it is not yet concluded as the previous ministry formed an Enquiry Commission and members of this House were appointed to investigate the case. This government, therefore, have no reason to make any objection to the findings and recommendations submitted by such members but to accept as it is. Hence, this is not a matter to be treated as political weaponry against the ruling party.

In the same manner, the people of Mizoram as well as leaders of our churches knew the truth behind the case of Rev. Chanchinmawia's death. Even though CBI was deployed to investigate the case, the then Chief Minister, at the same time, critically pointed out that CBI as not being fully reliable. After a couple of week, it was reported that the case as of suicide. Pu Speaker, I daresay that unless the case is re-opened, people will never forget this unexpected conclusion, yet, it is important for concerned authority to take step carefully. I, therefore, would like to emphasize the need to reopen the case as it is completely wrong and unacceptable not to disclose the truth about the death of a well-known person among the Mizos.

So, Pu Speaker, it is important for all of us to understand that we, the members are elected to serve the people and our state with Almighty God above to see our performances. I, therefore, appeal to all the members to give their valuable support to my leadership with constructive thoughts for betterment of our state and the people. Thank you.

S P E A K E R : I know call upon Pu John Siamkunga to speak what he feel to be necessary and then beg leave of the House to adopt his Motion.

Pu JOHN SIAMKUNGA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. I am happy to learn that various members expressed their opinion in regard to this Motion as most of the opinions are positive response. The House Leader, in his wind up speech, already made detailed explanation of the Motion. I, therefore, beg leave of the House to pass this Motion of thanks to the speech delivered by the Governor.

S P E A K E R : As known to us all, we have discussed about Motion of Thanks to the Governor's speech that 'the Members of the Mizoram Legislative Assembly assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the address which he has been pleased to deliver to the Assembly on the 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2010'. Members who agree to pass may say, 'Yes' and those who don't may say, 'No' [Members: - Yes]. Alright. This House has unanimously adopted the Motion of Thanks.

Our business for today is done. Sitting will be resumed tomorrow, Friday, 19.3.2010 at 10:30 AM.

Sitting adjourned. 3:50 P.M.