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(EIGHTH SESSION)**

LIST OF BUSINESS

**ELEVENTH SITTING ON THURSDAY, THE 21st JULY, 2011
(Time 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM and 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM)**

QUESTIONS

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

FINANCIAL BUSINESS

DISCUSSION AND VOTING ON DEMANDS.

2. **Pu R. LALZIRLIANA**, Minister to submit to the vote of the House various Demands under his charge.
3. **Pu S. HIATO**, Minister to submit to the vote of the House various Demands under his charge.

NGURTHANZUALA
Secretary.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The days of the blameless are known to the Lord, and their inheritance will endure forever. In times of disaster, they will not wither.

Psalm 37:18 & 19

Pu Joseph Lalhimpuia to ask starred question No.131.

Pu JOSEPH LALHIMPUA : Pu Deputy Speaker, will the hon'ble Chief Minister be pleased to state – Is there any intention to repair the road to Tlabung?

Pu LAL THANHAWLA CHIEF MINISTER : My answer is 'yes', Pu Deputy Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Supplementary question, if any?

Pu JOSEPH LALHIMPUA : If so, when will the work be started? How will it be repaired? Will the construction of the whole road up to Tlabung be covered?

Pu LAL THANHAWLA MINISTER : Pu Speaker, the said road is in dire need CHIEF of repairs. The distance from Lunglei to Tlabung is 97 kms As DPR has already been prepared and will be funded by a special accredited road development programme for the North East.' The work will be started shortly.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Since Pu K. Liantlinga could not attend the session, I call upon Pu Lalduhoma to ask starred question No.132 in his stead.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, will the hon'ble Minister for Planning & Program Implementation Department be pleased to state –

- 1) If the government actually has a plan to implement the Performance Budget?
- 2) If so, will the performance report, work programme and annual report be submitted at the Budget Session?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let us call upon the hon'ble Minister, Pu H. Liansailova to answer it.

- Pu H. LIANSAILOVA
MINISTER : Pu Deputy Speaker, the answer is: –
1) Yes.
2) Yes.
- Pu LALDUHOMA : It is good to hear that we have made some progress in that area. May the reports be more updated and accurate?
- Pu H. LIANSAILOVA : Pu Deputy Speaker, we still have a MINISTER weakness in many aspects yet, we are doing our best to provide the information as updated as possible.
- DEPUTY SPEAKER : Starred Question No.133 which is shared by Pu B. Lalthlengliana and Pu Lalthansanga. Let us invite Pu B. Lalthlengliana to ask the question.
- Pu B. LALTHLENGLIANA : Pu Deputy Speaker, Will the hon'ble Chief Minister be pleased to state: –
1) What happened to the proposal for creation of a Vigilance Commission?
2) When will it be done?
- Pu LAL THANHAWLA : Pu Deputy Speaker, the main reason for CHIEF MINISTER the delay of setting up a Vigilance Commission is lack of funds Since Lok Pal Bill will soon be introduced in the Lok Sabha and if it is passed by the parliament, it may not be necessary for us to set up a separate Vigilance Commission. In the meantime, we already have ACB and the CBI to do investigation as necessary.
- DEPUTY SPEAKER : Supplementary questions from Pu B. Lalthlengliana and Pu Lalthansanga.
- Pu B. LALTHLENGLIANA : Pu Deputy Speaker, I asked this question out of concern for the Vigilance Department which I opine as less efficient in the prevention of corruption and the practice of promoting an officer with liabilities in the previous posts. If the commission is set up, I believe such practices could be checked.
- Pu LALTHANSANGA : Pu Deputy Speaker, the government has included the setting up of a Vigilance Commission in the election manifesto and I think that they are very committed to its creation. However, they have changed their tune a little with the upcoming introduction of Lok Pal Bill in the Parliament and used it as an excuse to downplay the need for a Commission.

I am sure the establishment of such a Commission will be deeply beneficial for the people since they can participate more in the government administrative machinery. Therefore, I request the government to set up the Commission as they had promised.

Pu LAL THANHAWLA MINISTER : Pu Deputy Speaker, we believe that a CHIEF Vigilance Commission will prove efficiency in curbing corruption and that is exactly why we included it in the election manifesto. But from the government's perspective, as we assumed power, we found that the Chief Vigilance Officer/Chief Secretary is able to function as the Commission if it is being set up.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Pu T.T. Zothansanga to ask starred Question No.134.

Pu T.T. ZOTHANSANGA : Pu Deputy Speaker, will the hon'ble Minister for Rural Development be pleased to state:-
What is the amount of fund allocated for Rural Housing Scheme during 2010-2011?

Pu R. LALZIRLIANA : Pu Deputy Speaker, the answer is ₹400 lakhs MINISTER

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Supplementary questions from Pu T.T. Zothansanga and Pu Lalduhoma.

Pu T.T. ZOTHANSANGA : My supplementary questions are: –
1) No. of family who has already received GCI roofs and the cost of 1 bundle?
2) Is the material for 1st installment being distributed?
3) How much is set aside for 2011-2012 and for how many beneficiaries?

Pu LALDUHOMA : There were several complaints regarding selection of the beneficiaries during the first implementation. Therefore, I would like to request the hon'ble Minister if MLAs of each constituency is sought after for advice in the future.

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

Pu P.P. THAWLA : Pu Deputy Speaker, how much will each beneficiary receive? Is it distributed in cash or in kind? Also, may I be invited at the time of distribution?

Pu R. LALZIRLIANA : Pu Speaker, one bundle of roofing MINISTER costs around ₹3,250. There are 3,145 beneficiaries from 36 R.D. Blocks and we have bought 12,581 bundles. Pu Deputy Speaker, I am aware of the complaints and I have sent my representatives to make a spot check but it was not that serious as being complaints. (...interruption....)

Pu LALDUHOMA : This is exactly what is wrong with the government schemes. No penalty is given to miscreants since they are supporters of a particular party. The complaints are quite real but if the leaders keep turning a blind eye to their activities, it is just an encouragement to practice more corruptions.

Pu R. LALZIRLIANA : As I have said, Pu Deputy Speaker, my MINISTER representatives went there to rectify the problem. They did everything they could and I trust their actions. As to Pu P.P. Thawla's question, we provide them in kind, not cash and each family receives 4 bundles.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : On behalf of Pu K. Liantlinga, Pu Lalduhoma to ask starred Question No. 135.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. Will the hon'ble Minister for Soil and Water Conservation Department be pleased to state: –

- 1) In which places go-down for broom cultivators being constructed?
- 2) How many?

Pu LAL THANHAWLA : Pu Deputy Speaker, we have not yet CHIEF MINISTER constructed the godown. We intend to construct as per number of beneficiary in each village. There are 3900 families under broom cultivations for which 441 Nos. of go-down is estimated.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, whether the government has a plan to take up broom

cultivation in other areas too? If so, what steps has been taken so far?

Pu LAL THANHAWLA MINISTER : Pu Deputy Speaker, experts says that CHIEF even the stalks and leaves of bamboo are processed for other purposes. Therefore, the government determines how to take the step to this concern.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Now, Col. Z.S. Zuala to ask starred Question No. 135.

Lt.Col. Z.S. ZUALA : Pu Speaker, will the hon'ble Minister for Sports and Youth Services Department be pleased to state: –

For what purpose the Sports & Youth Services Department planning to do with the vacated office of Land, Revenue & Settlement Department at Kawltheihuan, Mission Veng? What is its present condition?

Pu ZODINTLUANGA : Pu Deputy Speaker, it is intended to be MINISTER used as a Youth Centre - cum - Indoor Sports Complex. We are expecting a land lease shortly and the construction of the building is proposed under the 12th Five Year Plan.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let us now call upon Pu Joseph Lalhimpuia to ask starred question no. 137.

Pu JOSEPH LALHIMPUA : Will the hon'ble Minister for Sports & Youth Services be pleased to state: – What steps has been taken so far for development of sports in Lunglei?

Pu ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER : Pu Speaker, so far, the following steps has been taken: –

- 1) We are preparing to lay astro-turf at Thuamluaia field.
- 2) Under SAI, there is a plan to cover the following set up within LDFC Ground No. 2 of Lunglei:
 - a) Sports Hostel.
 - b) Multipurpose indoor hall.
 - c) Basketball court.
 - d) Volleyball court.
 - e) Tennis court.
- 3) The following projects have also been started: -
 - a) Construction of Electric Veng football ground.

- b) Construction of Theiriat football ground.
- c) Construction of indoor hall at Luangmual, Lunglei.
- d) Construction of tennis court at Sethlun.
- e) Construction of tennis court at AP Tlang, Lunglei.
- f) Construction of football ground at Serkawn.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Dr.R.Lalthangliana to ask starred question No. 138.

Dr. R. LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Deputy Speaker, will the hon'ble Minister for Industry be pleased to state:-
 May the government continue to issue furniture tools and sewing machine on subsidized rate?

Pu S. HIATO : It has already been stopped due to MINISTER financial problem during 2008-2009 and 2009-2010. Yet, it will be resumed from 2010-2011.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : On behalf of Pu. K. Liantlinga, Pu Lalduhoma to ask starred Question No. 139.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Deputy. Speaker, will the hon'ble Minister for Industries be pleased to state:-
 1) Has the Cabinet approved the proposal to set up the department of Food Processing?
 2) May the copy of draft of the proposal be furnished in the House?

Pu S. HIATO : Pu Deputy Speaker, the answer is: -
 MINISTER 1 No such proposal has yet been made for Cabinet approval.
 2 There is no such copy to produce since no draft is made.

Pu LALDUHOMA : It is certain that Food Processing Department will be much helpful in the development of our state. So, if it is established, will it be based on PPP or Privatized method? What efforts have been made so far by the government for setting up the said department?

Pu S. HIATO : The government is aware of the need of MINISTER R having Food Processing Department.

But we have just started the NLUP programme and hence priority could not be given to this concern as yet. The central has already sanctioned fund for the said purpose but we have no expert to prepare the DPR to that effect. As we were determined to acquire assistance from some experts from Kolkata, the sanction was cancelled by the central. We are doing our best to have the fund back.

Pu LAL THANHAWLA MINISTER : We have been prepared to sign MoU CHIEF with Sikkim which will take over the management of food processing under MIFCO whereas meat processing is of a different case and will be considered separately.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Question Hour is over. We will now take up Demands from Ministers, Pu R. Lalzirliana and Pu S. Hiato. The hon'ble members Pu K. Liantlinga and Brig. T. Sailo as well as the hon'ble Speaker, Pu R. Romawia are absent from today's sitting due to personal reasons. Let us first invite the hon'ble Minister, Pu R. Lalzirliana to submit his demands.

Pu R. LALZIRLIANA : Pu Deputy Speaker, with your MINISTER permission and on the recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram, I Move the demands No. 16, 27 and 38 for ₹654,76,59,000 only for meeting expenses during 2011-2012 in respect of the following departments: -

Sl. No.	Demand No.	Department	Amount
1	Demand No.16	Home (Including Prison)	Rs.361,75,32,000
2	Demand No.27	District Council Affairs	Rs.180.53,27,000
3	Demand No.38	Rural Development	Rs.202,28,59,000
TOTAL			Rs.654,76,59,000

Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Now, Pu S. Hiato to submit the demands No. 25, 40 and 43.

Pu S. HIATO MINISTER : Pu Deputy Speaker, on the recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission sir, I move the demands No.25, 40 and 43 for ₹161,99,56,000 only for meeting expenditures during 2011-2012 in respect of the following departments:-

Sl. No.	Demand No.	Department	Amount
1	Demand No.25	Water Supply & Sanitation	Rs.115,92,58,000

2	Demand No.40	Industries	Rs.40,74,87,000
3	Demand No.43	Tourism	Rs.5,32,11,000
		TOTAL	Rs.161,99,56,000

Thank you, sir.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Both the Ministers have submitted their demands. As you all have the copies. We will begin the discussion. Pu P.P. Thawla will start.

Pu P.P. THAWLA : Starting with demand No. 16, Pu Speaker, it is my knowledge that MAP, MRP and PSOs are not provided with sufficient TA/DA while high ranking officers receive their TA/DA regularly. What is the reason? We now have 5 Nos. I.R. Battalions yet, we do not have enough Headquarters. May the hon'ble Minister explain the reason? Also, we requested posting of I.R. Battalion at Saiha and the location has already been approved. However, no action has yet been taken since then. What is the reason? May the government determine pension for Home Guards? Besides, Pu Speaker, construction of Saiha jail has been pending for quite sometimes allegedly due to concerned contractors who are the official head of the department themselves. Is this true? May I know when this jail will be able to function? Relating to this department, even though most of Heads of District Department are being transferred after a short duration whereas the Superintendent of Jail at Saiha is remains at the same post for a long time. What is the reason?

In Demand No. 27, when peace accord was signed, the leaders of our state government promised to look after development of the 3 Autonomous Districts. Even after 25 years, we feel neglected and abandoned as 15% of the total population of Mizoram lives in the 3 Autonomous Districts and we receive only 3% of the total plan fund. In this connection, I request the hon'ble Minister to explain how and where the BADP fund is utilized. Pu Speaker, fund for construction of road to Lungdar, a village in my constituency which is not connected by roads till today remains in K-deposit. May the minister determine release of the said fund to expedite the project?

I would like to extend my gratitude to the hon'ble Minister for setting up a PHE Division at Saiha. Not only this, the hon'ble Minister has also inaugurated the Pump Project of Tuisih River which will feed its surrounding 7 villages. It will be much appreciated if the hon'ble Minister determines immediate completion of the project.

In Industry, the department allotted a quota of 5 Nos. sewing machine and carpentry tools to each MLA to be delivered on subsidized rate. However, the system has not been continued. May the hon'ble minister consider resumption of the system?

Pu Speaker, the Department of Tourism has almost finished construction of staff quarters at Tuipang, the headquarters of my constituency. I request concerned minister to

expedite the construction and inaugurate as soon as it is completed otherwise it may collapse as so happened with the previous construction. Thank you.

Pu R. LALRINAWMA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. I would like to thank the Home Minister for the progress which has been made in maintenance of law and order. So much so that we have passed a motion here in the House itself, efficiency of the police force is commendable. There are times when it would seem that the perpetrators of crimes are not punished as they deserved. This is exactly why it is imperative that we set up a Directorate of Prosecution as soon as possible.

In regard to Fire & Emergency Services, we have an ideal location for the establishment of Fire Sub-Stations at North-I and East-I constituencies and I have taken a look at these places with the AMC leaders. We would be able to arrive quickly at the places of fire accidents if Sub offices are set up at these locations avoiding the congested traffic.

Under Demand No. 38, we have come to discern clear cut lines between urban and rural aspects of development thanks to efficiency of the officials as we are now able to use development funds correctly.

Under Demand No. 25, we have seen quite a leap in development under this Ministry. The Aizawl Greater Water Supply Scheme Phase-II has seen immense improvements and even Durtlang areas are now proposed to receive water supplies under the Phase-II. I would like to take this moment to request the Minister to provide water supply to Sihphir village as well and to change the pipelines at Zemabawk with bigger pipes.

Finally, I would like to extend my gratitude to the hon'ble Minister for Tourism for taking action upon my request to prepare Sakawrhmutuai Tlang as a tourist spot. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Pu R.L. Pianmawia, next.

Pu R.L. PIANMAWIA : Pu Deputy Speaker, starting with Home under Demand No. 16, I believe that this Demand we are going to pass will be able to cover within its budget, the repairs of damaged housings and the construction of Company Headquarters at Darlawn Khumlohawl as well as providing more petrol for the police outposts. Therefore, I convey my thankfulness first of all.

In the meantime, I wonder if we should allocate more funds for the Secret Services since our appearance of strength depend largely on them. It would also be welcome if the government can promote the remaining 17 havildars to S.I. rank as the former Ministry had done.

Although it is far from ideal, I am pleased by the increase of allocated fund under the RD department. This department holds a vital part of rural livelihood and I hope it

will stress more and more upon rural education in the future. In regard to IAY, since we are not included in the BPL census, we cannot expect to receive the assistances under UD & PA. I hope the new Secretary will make note of this and find a way to save us from our predicament. I also wish that the state government would pay the state matching share as soon as possible since it affects the whole populace.

I commend the efforts and efficiency of the PHE department although there are still so many hurdles to overcome. I am quite surprised that the funds for construction of water tanks are not set aside in the budget. I would also like to know what happened to my request to the department to take up a major project to pump water from Tuivawl River.

We now have several tourist lodges around the state but the approach roads are in decrepit conditions. It would also be a huge achievement if carpentry tools could be provided to people of the rural areas.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Pu Lalduhoma.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. Under the Industry sector, we have trained several Mizo in our handloom training centre but the modified Burmese version has better quality products. However, due to various regrettable incidents, the handloom operators are chased out of the state every now and then. I think it would be advisable to have some special considerations for the Kawl people who help a lot in generating employment in the handloom industry.

The Geology and Mining is a young department whose budget is quite pathetic despite the revenue they submit each year. I request the government to provide them with more funds and facilities since they will apparently play a vital role in the exploration and survey of natural resources in Mizoram. I would also like to know our coal quota and how much we are selling.

The government is working with 3 tour organizations and I would like to know the nature of their contract, how useful are they? Are they worth it? We are going to have a State Institute of Hotel Management at Bung bungalow and at this point, I would like to know when the project will be completed. There was only one project submitted among the priority list to the NEC which was a great disappointment. Unless we develop tourism, the hotel industry has no real hope of survival. Although we have immense potential, we keep neglecting the tourism sector. It is time we undertake these projects seriously if we are to generate sufficient amount of revenue.

I am keen to know how many registered units we have in the handicraft sector. Are the 9 bamboo chipping units really operational? Are they really used as a livelihood as claimed?

The people pay for the damage of road cutting when water connections are being fitted. However, the PHE Department normally does not repair the roads. What are the

finer used for then? We have asked for a hand pump at the central jail for a long time now, and I request the Minister to take actions quickly. The Sairang Water Supply Scheme has been submitted to the central a long time ago. We would like to know what progress has been made in its realization.

The PTC at Thenzawl was proposed to be completed with an estimated fund of ₹31 crore but before its completion, we have already moved in. I would like to know if the ₹32 crores will be sufficient to complete it and when will it be finished? The trainees are rumored as paying the electric fees from their ₹70 stipend. Is this true? The Assam rifles are supposed to submit a quarterly report at Zokhawsang. Will they be able to move there at the specified time?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Pu Lalthansanga.

Pu LALTHANSANGA : Pu Deputy Speaker, it is very sad that the natural citizens follow the rules with complete obedience while the immigrants are almost always the perpetrators of crimes in the state. We now have a boundary Commission and I hope that they will be able to settle the boundary disputes with Assam.

I hope we will soon allocate a separate fund for the reinforcement and provision of facility for the police force in the plan fund while also using the fund from the modernization scheme. The 13th Finance recommended the construction and setting up of a police outpost at ITI Veng, I would like to know what progress has been made on the matter. I am thankful to the Home Minister for taking a first-hand look at the outpost construction site in my constituency and I hope they will be able to finally complete the police quarter at Vanlaiphai which was started in 1982.

I hope the NREGS will be implemented without gaps because there are thousands of people dependent on it for a lot of reasons. We have received the sanction from the central and the state has already paid its matching share so I do not see any reason for it to be held up.

We have received IDAP and IWMP funds from the central but we have no clue on how it is being used. I request the hon'ble Minister to throw light on how the funds are being managed.

The District Council budget has fallen drastically this year and it would be extremely helpful if the Minister can explain the reason.

There were some concerns about the funds received from the central under Industry. I think the government should allow more freedom to the beneficiaries so that they will become more responsible in the future.

Pu HMINGDAILOVA KHIANGTE : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. I think it is our duty to express our gratitude to the Home Minister for his achievement in developing

our security as much as possible. Under his care, the police were able to work unhampered and they have caught criminals almost as soon as their acts are uncovered. The congested traffic within the city is one of the biggest problems and the Home Minister tackled it with systematic and strategic planning. In the meantime, I request him to finally act on the proposal to set up an outpost at Bukpui.

The government has implemented the NREGS for the upliftment of the poor and thus it is a huge concern when the people themselves are the ones who displayed laziness and lack of commitment. I hope the government will organize more awareness programmes.

The PHE has constructed a water tank at Thingdawl but it is not sufficient to feed the whole village. So, I request the Minister to construct another one to ease the burden of the villagers. Also, I thank the hon'ble minister for repairing the water tanks at Raj Dali and Serkhan.

The Finance Minister mentioned that some revenues were generated under the Industry and I hope the PSUs will work even harder to generate higher earning profit revenues. There is also no tourist lodge at Kawnpui which creates problems whenever government officials have to visit the place. They are willing to donate the land and I hope the hon'ble Minister will take action as necessary.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Pu B. Lalthlengliana.

Pu B. LALTHLENGLIANA : Pu Deputy Speaker, the hon'ble Home Minister should be appreciated for his achievements in the Home Department and I hope he will be able to set up a permanent outpost at my constituency. There seems to be a lot of corruption regarding the reception of the repatriation benefit and I urge the Minister to take actions immediately.

The Pukpui YMA captured 500 bottles of whiskey but the police were unable to unearth the real owner. I hope there are no high officials obstructing the police investigations.

I would like to request the Minister to take more care in letting the VCs handle the material components of the NREGS because there are several cases of corruption complaints from the people.

The government should seriously consider the establishment of ISPAT at Lengte because the environmentalists are fearful that it might have a detrimental effect.

Finally, I express my gratitude that the tourist lodge at Farkawn and Khawbung are going to be inaugurated soon.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Pu K. Lalrinthanga to start the afternoon discussion.

Pu K. LALRINTHANGA : Pu Deputy Speaker, it is good to see that there is a considerable increase in the budget of the Rural Development. In the meantime, the laziness and lack of commitment shown by the workers are very disappointing.

We have seen considerable development in the Home Department and I personally applaud the conviction and commitment of the Home Minister for the maintenance of peace in the state.

Under Water Supply and Sanitation, I know for a fact that the Minister is doing his best to provide clean water supply to all parts of the state. The Minister is also deeply committed to the development of Tourism and I am certain that we will see the result of his efforts shortly.

I am a little concerned that so much fund have been allocated for government employees salaries but we have ₹389.72 lakhs under non salary Grant in Aid which raises my hope that more projects will be initiated in the rural regions. Tools and machines are being distributed at subsidized rates but there were many members who were not informed of the subsidy. I hope we will have better information in the future. Finally, I recommend the passing of the demand to the House, thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Pu K.S. Thanga, next.

Pu K.S. THANGA : Starting with Rural Development, it is indeed encouraging and motivating that development funds are now being handled by the villagers themselves. When it is converged with the NLUP, I am sure it will prove even more beneficial for the poor. In the meantime, as we are not included in the BADP or the BREGF, I request the Minister to find a way to construct a community hall in my constituency.

I commend the Home Minister for his quick and efficient action in the maintenance of law and order in the state. The Fire Department has also been provided with better facilities and I am sure the people will feel a lot safer with the new stations being established.

The PHE Minister has personally visited my constituency and saw for himself, the demand for water supply in the area. As a result, we now have a public water point and I hope the department will provide us with home water supply. I also request the Minister to construct bigger water tanks at places which the Phase-II cannot reach.

Pu C. RAMHLUNA : Pu Deputy Speaker, promotion chance for the staff of Industry Department is quite rare. Even so, 8 Nos. posts of Functional

Manager could not be filled up due to difference in preference to the appointment. So, the government is expected to sort out the problem as soon as possible.

Pu Deputy Speaker, despite a remarkable achievement in Tourism department, it is regretted as the Wayside Restaurant at Tawipui remain unattended by the department. So, I request concerned minister to resolve the problem otherwise it may be closed. It will be grateful if a permanent worker is appointed to attend this establishment. It will be pleasing if tourist lodge is constructed at Vaseikai also.

I have to express my thanks to the department of PHE for proposing a major water supply scheme for my constituency. It is learned that ₹905 lakhs has been set aside for Lawngtlai Water Supply Scheme and I have even witnessed the progress of work in this project. In the meantime, it is regretted to learn that some contract works are being allotted without inviting a tender.

Much to our comfort, Pu Deputy Speaker, the crime rate in Mizoram is decreasing drastically ever since the current Home Minister assumed his office. The department has also constructed an outpost at Vaseikai as jail is being set up in my constituency. In the meantime, I request the hon'ble minister to take immediate action regarding a van carrying large amount of liquor seized by the Police force.

Again, we are thankful as financial assistance under BADP and BRGF is distributed. And last, but not least, I request the government to reconsider the case of reduction of District Council Budget which causes large problem to concerned autonomous council areas.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Pu Lalrobiaka.

Pu LALROBIAKA : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. I am pleased to see that a sizeable amount of funds has been allocated to the Home Department. I am quite impressed by the achievement of the hon'ble Home Minister and it is appropriate that the Home department should be strengthened to maintain peace in the state.

The residents of remote areas depend largely on the Rural Development and hence I hope that the implementing departments will send verifying officers to ensure the successful implementation of the rural development schemes in the future. I sincerely hope that the waiting list for the IAY will be prepared in such a way that it will not be affected by political influences.

I would like to thank the PHE Department for the construction of Phaileng water pump which will feed Phaileng village and the surrounding areas thereby making their lives considerably easier.

The hon'ble Minister highlighted the progress made under the Industry Department and I would like to advise the department to propose projects which will immediately affect the development of the rural regions.

Pu CHAWNGTINTHANGA : Pu Deputy Speaker, reflecting on the chaotic condition of the state not long ago, I am grateful that we have such an efficient Home Minister who is not afraid to maintain law and order at all times. It is imperative that we defend the peace from internal and external threats. The department has sanctioned ₹18 lakhs for construction of barracks and an outpost at Vanbawng for which the people there are deeply grateful. I am thankful that the hon'ble minister is with a vision for the importance of having a strong border defense.

There are several programmes being implemented under the Rural Development and as my fellow members have mentioned earlier, they truly are the source of livelihood for those areas exempted from BADP/BBGF assistance. I hope the hon'ble minister will attend to our needs as soon as possible.

Coming now to Demand No.43, Tourism Department, the progress of Tourism in our state is remarkable as we already have nine tourist destinations at different places. In this connection, I would like to request the hon'ble Minister to set up tourist destination at Phuaibuang and Phullen also as these two villages are located near Tuivai Hydel Project. This will further accommodate any visiting tourist to see the beautiful sight of Mawmrang hill and Hriangmual cliff. Thank you.

Pu N.P. CHAKMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, Demand No. 16. In reviewing law & order situation for the last two and a half year, it is fortunate for the government to receive a good cooperation from the people particularly in dealing with disaster. It is truly appreciated as progressive effort is made in regard to border trade development. I would also like to thank the government for achieving construction of Police station at Chawngte whereas the same for Borapansuri too soon to be constructed. Not only these Pu Deputy Speaker, it is appreciated as large number of police quarters are constructed in the South. Yet, the police frequently faced the problem of transportation particularly in rainy season. So, it is important for the government to provide a speed boat for each of the Police station in the area.

Pu Deputy Speaker, i must say that administrative system of the Autonomous District Councils is improving with implementation of various schemes. In this connection, I would like to point out that reduction of revenue expenditure as well as increase of development fund is necessary. In the meantime, it is learned that central Government is planning to hand over BADP fund directly to the District Councils. I hope that in such case, the hon'ble minister would know how to deal with it.

In regard to Rural Development Department, it is grateful as the government is supplying roofing materials to all the eligible families regardless of which political party the beneficiary is supported. In Industries Department, I would like to request the hon'ble minister to increase the number of loaners of PMEGP as it is an alternative measure for solution of employment problem. Regarding Sub-Divisional Office which has been inaugurated

during the former Congress ministry, it is regretted that the office is not functioning and is always closed. In this connection, it may be wise for the government to set up Industrial Estate within Lai, Mara and Chakma District Councils.

Lastly, I have to say that the prospect of Tourism in Chakma District is quite promising. However, no tourist wants to revisit the area due to scarcity of liquor. It is, therefore, necessary to legalize liquor in our state.

Pu T.T. ZOTHANSANGA : Pu Deputy Speaker, do we have Recruitment Rules for Microbiologist, Environmental Scientist and Limnologist, the officials concerned for supply of pure drinking water? According to experts and doctors, most of diseases are water-borne diseases and therefore necessary to have a pure drinking water.

SDO post which has been created for Hnahlan in 2008 is not yet filled up till today. I request the hon'ble Minister to clarify the situation in his wind up speech. Regarding supply of water for Samthang and the neighboring villages, spot verification for the source has already been made yet no action is taken till today. What is the reason?

Pu Deputy Speaker, I have to state that Peace Accord signed by MNF Party and the Government of India brings so much controversy due to its impact on transfer of ownership of land and its resources as it is no longer in the hands of the state. Since Peace Accord cannot be altered, we have been facing various problems as the government makes an approach to exploration of Oil and Natural Gas. However, we now have 'Deed of Agreement' and I request concerned minister to furnish a copy to me. It will be necessary for the government to clearly resolve the state's share since petroleum and natural gas will then be one of the most important resources of revenue in our state. Reportedly, 58% of the exploration work is completed. It is suggestive if exploration is done in the eastern side also.

Besides, Pu Deputy Speaker, I request the hon'ble Minister to set up Police Station at Hnahlan and Dungtlang to check insurgency groups entering from Myanmar. It is important to construct guest house at Vaphai, Dungtlang and Khuangleng to accommodate tourists and historians.

Lastly, I want to point out various problems arises out of upgradation of 337 schools during the former ministry yet it is appreciated as this ministry implemented improvement of our educational system in the election manifesto. So, I support this demands for passing. Thank you.

Pu JOHN SIAMKUNGA : Thank you Pu Deputy Speaker. It is very pleasing to see that all members from Ruling and Opposition party are satisfied with these demands.

To start with, Demand No.16, Home Department. It is much pleasing to know that this government manages to bring about peace and harmony in our state whereas

administrative system of each state's department is remarkably improving. Posting of Director to administer Fire & Emergency Service, DIG to Anti-Corruption and a separate S.P. for Traffic Control indicates improvement of our administrative system.

In this connection Pu Deputy Speaker, I would like to point out that Police Station is set up at Thingsai to prevent infiltration from outside yet, it still need improvement. In the same way, Police outpost of S. Vanlaiphai also needs proper maintenance. It will also be highly appreciated if SDPO is posted at Hnahthial with immediate effect.

Under Rural Water Supply Scheme of PHE, more than 93,000 people benefitted supply of drinking water during 2008-2011. In this connection, I thank the hon'ble minister for the plan to install water pump at Hnahthial and Cherhlun.

Regarding Industry Department, it is learned that the General Secretary of MNF Party has LSC within the site of Girls' Hostel, Handloom & Handicraft at Luangmual. I request the hon'ble minister to verify the spot so that the case is resolved immediately. In Rural Development Department, the government spends BADP fund as it is supposed as 2 playgrounds and 5 community halls have been constructed in my constituency. Apart from this, Auditorium, School buildings and Health sub-centres are also constructed. The people of my constituency too witness such achievements of the government.

Under IAY Scheme, homeless are given priority by the government. In order to proof the work under this scheme, booklet attaching photographs of beneficiaries will be handed over to the government later on. Accordingly, fund under NREGS is utilized as supposed due to proper instruction given by the government.

In Tourism Department, it is learned that proposal is made for inauguration of Tourists Lodge at S. Vanlaiphai and Darzo. I request concerned minister to expedite the said inauguration. I would also like to request the hon'ble minister for Tourism to determine construction of Tourists Lodge to accommodate the visiting people to enjoy the sight of two rivers Tiau and Kolodyne meeting in rainy season. In short, the budget is good and satisfactory as I support for passing. Thank you.

Pu R. SELTHUAMA : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. Demand No.16, Home Department. We are fortunate to have an efficient minister like our Minister for Home Department. I would like to express my gratitude for the noisy sounds of crackers during Christmas and New Year was no longer heard due to effort made by the hon'ble Home Minister. This indicates that we, the mizos are starting to a new chapter under good leaders.

During the former ministry, various insurgent groups disturbed peace in our state by kidnapping our people. As of now, such kinds of incident were heard no more due to effort given by hon'ble Home Minister. He himself truly deserves credit for being able to rescues hostages unharmed. I must say that plan manipulated for such missions were no less inferior to the plan for capturing Osama Bin Laden and Entebbe Airport to save hostages. In the meantime,

police personnel involved in such missions deserved much credit. So, it is necessary for the government to determine handsome rewards for such police personnel.

In Fire Department, It is truly appreciated as stand for fire ambulance is made at various localities so that any incident of fire is extinguished in time. Demand No. 38, Rural Housing Scheme, I would like to point out that in our city, there are number of underprivileged as in rural areas. So, I request the hon'ble minister to provide roofing material to such families within the city also. In this connection, I request the hon'ble minister to note down that localities such as Maubawk and Nursery Veng have no community hall till today. It may wise for the government to determine the case so that the need is immediately fulfilled.

In Demand No. 25, the system of water supply in different parts is improving. I request concerned minister to take immediate attention to the problem faced by Bungkawn Vengthar.

Demand No. 40, Industry Department, Oil & Natural gas will surely be of a good source of revenue as stated earlier. So, concentration should be given by the government and approach may be made to the company to expedite the project. In short, the demand is good and I do support for passing. Thank you.

Lt.CoL. Z.S. ZUALA : Thank you Pu Deputy Speaker. Let me start from Home Department. The hon'ble Chief Minister and Minister for Home set up Sainik Office in two Districts such as Champhai and Kolasib which is truly appreciated. The function of Sainik, as known to us all, is to help any army who may be discharged from their service unconditionally, to claim their pension or allowances etc. to concerned authority.

I also want to point out that any family member of police who have lost their live in an encounter with insurgents must be given employment opportunity on compassionate ground as it is the policy of the Defense Ministry.

In this budget, we have seen expenditure for deployment of CRP. Pu Deputy Speaker, we have three battalions of MAP and five battalions of IR Police under the government of Mizoram. So, it may be wise to deploy MAP or IR battalion instead of CRP to reduce our expenditure.

Regarding location for Fire Service's sub-station being verified at I.T.I veng, it is appreciated as the eastern side of the city from Salem veng to Bethlehem veng will then be possible to serve from this sub-station effectively. In relation, I request concerned Minister to give more attention to maintenance of Police Training Centres such as CTI Sesawng and PTC Thenzawl.

Regarding shifting of Assam Rifle at Zokhawsang, it is learned that 82.8% of the work is completed. Is not it necessary to approach central authority to expedite their shifting?

Regarding distribution of GCI Sheets for housing purpose, it will be much appreciated if priority is given to poor families in the city as their conditions are not better than rural poor since schemes which concern such community have come to an end after AMC is in function. I, therefore, beg the hon'ble Minister to consider their problems. Thank You.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The time now, is 4 PM. We will now take a recess and discussion will be resumed at 4:30 PM.

4:30 PM

DEPUTY SPEAKER : To resume the discussion, may I call upon Pu H. Zothangliana.

Pu H. ZOTHANGLIANA : Pu Deputy Speaker, let me start with Demand No. 16 Home Department. Most of the members expressed their appreciation to the government in maintenance of Law & Order in our state. I also support them. I would like to point out that the state police who are involved in rescuing 2 staff of ABCI kidnapped by UDLA militants truly deserve praises. It is wise for the government to show its appreciation at least by offering promotion to encourage others. I would like to thank to concerned Minister as well as Parliamentary Secretary for Home in dealing with the case of Bank robbery in Lawngtlai. In connection to this, I request the hon'ble Minister to take initiative for setting up Police outpost at Vawmbuk village to prevent social evil in the area.

In Demand No.27, District Council Affairs, the opposition members criticizes the budget allotted to District Council Affairs as insufficient. If we compare the budget Estimate and the revised Estimate for the year 2010-2011 and 2011-2012, it increased by 4281.87 lakhs. Regarding IAY, it is successful as almost all the deserved families are already covered by the policy. Even in my constituency, number of beneficiary under this ministry increases 3 to 5 times than that of number of beneficiary under the ministry of MNF Party.

Lastly, considering potentiality of our state in Geology & Mining, I would like to request concerned authority to determine more opportunity for the students to pursue their career to technical knowledge of Geology & Mining. Thank you.

Pu JOSEPH LALHIMPUIA : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. It is truly appreciative as the minister for Home & Rural Development Department expresses during Question hour, his confidence to the officers. It indicates that the officers execute their respective duty at their level best.

Regarding Fire Department, I want to point out that Fire Sub-station was established at Lunglei in 9.9.1974 but no improvement is made since then. So, it is truly appreciated that this ministry carefully determined the situation and is now upgraded to a full-

fledged Fire Station. Apart from this, there is a plan for construction of the building from fund provision coming under the 13th Finance Commission. It truly indicates a change in the government.

Now, Demand No.27 District Council Affairs, I appreciate increased of the budget this year including fund provision of BRGF in favour of Lawngtlai and Saiha District. Apart from this, Lawngtlai and Mamit District received ₹20 lakhs each for multi-sectoral development. Regarding NREGS, fund is utilized for Thenhlum village as it is supposed to be as the beneficiaries are now able to set out happily to their respective work. Pu Deputy Speaker, I also want to praise Congress party as priority is always given to poor section of our community. Yet, we still need improvement in other fields which may be determined by concerned authority. In this connection, it is also necessary to point out that BRGF has also been implemented effectively.

Regarding Water Supply and Sanitation, we have visited on the spot pump House of Greater Aizawl Water Supply scheme at Tlawng River and Durtlang Booster in which a remarkable progress is seen within a few months. In the same manner, progress has also been made on Greater Lunglei Water Supply Scheme with sanction of 11 crore rupees from DoNER Ministry. Initiative has also been taken for the project of Vanzema Li of Mat River for which spot visit has already been made by PHE Officials. I request the government to start the project as soon as possible.

Much to the appreciation of the people of Leite and Rotlang of my constituency, there is a provision for supply of pure drinking water and the same for project for Dawn, Leite and Maudarh will soon be started. I would like to thank the ministry that implementation of supply of pure drinking water to rural people is included in their party's election manifesto. In this connection, I would like to request concerned authority to strengthen the Underground Water pump Wing of PHE.

In Tourism Department, it is worth mentioning that 100% of Central fund is utilized for construction of Tourist Lodges at different places. Yet, insufficiency of staff hindered the progress of the department and as a result, Tourists' Lodge constructed at various places could not be functioned as planned. I, therefore, suggest concerned authority to adopt PPP Mode in the state.

In regard to LAD, number of park is constructed at various places. It may be wise to generate such parks as sources of revenue by coordinating LAD and Tourism department. Thank you.

Pu LALRINMAWAIA RALTE : Pu Deputy Speaker, Demand No.25
Water Supply and Sanitation
Department, it is learned that contract agreement is cancelled on ground of failure of contractors to implement the agreement in 2009. So, the department of PHE carries out the work without any delay on which it is truly appreciated. Again, I would also like to express my appreciation to the step taken by the department that concern rural health.

I also want to thank to the Government for the proposal to increase Water Tariff. In my constituency, 21 villages situated at the plain and other 10 villages situated on the hills. Is there a way to set up a common water Supply scheme for the community inhabited on hilly as well as plain region? I would like to request the concerned Minister to determine the case with immediate effect.

Pu Deputy Speaker, Industries Department earned 21.97% of state revenue for the year 2010-2011 which is almost equal to 1,600 crore rupees. The state has implemented new Industrial Policy yet, it does not afford to fulfill demand of the state. So, it is appreciated that the Minister is determining to take immediate step to that respect. In 1952 when Mizoram was governed under District Council, the main concern of the then leaders was Hydro Electric plant for pumping of water and foods grinding and so a memorandum was submitted to the visiting Home Minister of central government. Vision of our leaders was off course truly appreciative at that time but we are more fortunate as we now have leaders and experts who formulated this new Industrial policy which the former leaders had never dreamt of.

Relating to Tourism Department, I opine our state needs relaxation of MLTP Act so as to attract larger portion of tourists and simultaneously to increase our revenue. In short, it is necessary for the government to give more concentration on Tourism department. So, I support this Demand. Thank you.

Dr. R. LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Deputy Speaker, achievement of our police forces in a recent incident truly deserve honor. So, I do support a suggestion of compassionate appointment to the bereaved families. In this connection, I request the hon'ble Minister to set up Police Out-Post at Buarpui and DIG Range and also to consider posting of DIG at Lunglei. Apart from this, construction of Jail Staff Quarter at Szaikawn, Lunglei may also be expedited. Again, considering sensitivity of Lawngtlai and Saiha region, no police battalion is deployed there. It will be appreciated if the case is determined by the government.

Pu Deputy Speaker, to commemorate the 20th Anniversary of Peace Accord, a function was held at Vanapa Hall in which central minister for Home Affairs was invited to witness our highly valued function. In recognizing emotions of the people of Mizoram, we were offered 180 crore rupees as Peace Bonus which clearly indicates peace prevails our state. The Indian Today has even declared Mizoram as the most peaceful state in the country. It may be taken for granted if some members criticized the reality.

To speak of the achievement of Police department, the Government set up 4 Police battalions during the previous Ministry through which 4,000 youths got employment. The achievement was truly worth-mentioning. So, I am questioning to this august House how many police battalion this government will also set up in this ministry.

Regarding filling up of vacant posts of MRP and IR, it is regretted to learn that this government overruled MoU in the process as the said posts have already been filled up during the previous ministry and the post of Director of Police. Police and Superintendent of

Traffic Police were created at the same time. Besides, Pu Deputy Speaker, Police Manual was formulated in 2005 and Police Life Insurance Scheme in 2006 which both falls within MNF ministry. According to the record, 85.73% cases were cleared during the previous ministry and 1750 to 2000 Nos. of Police attained promotion.

Regarding Rural Development, we should remember that the former ministry too provided G.C.I. sheet to the poor if not as the flagship programme. Coming to District Council affairs, it is sad as allotment of budget to the department this year is reduced by a huge amount and so to PHE. I am afraid as we may encounter a critical problem with supply of water by the end of this year as Aizawl Zonal Tank remains uncompleted. In this relation, I request concerned Minister to take initiative to the project of water pump of Mat River.

Regarding Industries Department, it is highly important for the government to give attention towards what we called as 'Sick Units' of the state corporation.

Regarding Educated unemployment loan, I think it is necessary for the government to interfere in the case as most of the beneficiaries faced some sorts of problem in the process of withdrawing their loans.

Regarding PWD, PWD Bungalow at Buarpui has now become old and need reconstruction. Plus, I request concerned Minister to consider construction of approach road from Lunglei to Buarpui via Sertlang without compensation.

Lastly, I request the government to expedite construction of Tourist Lodge at Zotlang, Lunglei and the Institute of Hotel Management near Bung Bungalow. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Now, I call upon Pu R. Lalzirliana, Minister to wind up the discussion of his concerned departments.

Pu R. LALZIRLIANA MINISTER : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. Before I proceed, I request your understanding as I may take time longer than expected as I have many things to say.

Regarding TA/DA as pointed out by the members, more than ₹600 remains unreleased and we are trying our best to release soon. Regarding the quality of the building of District Jail Lawngtlai recently inaugurated by the concerned Parliamentary Secretary, it is very poor considering large amount of fund spent for the construction. Besides, the approach road and supply of water too is very bad which it is all because of concerned contractor. Regarding the question of budget allotment to the Autonomous District Councils, allotment of last year was made with an increment of 70%. I opine allotment for this year is quite reasonable comparing to last year.

Certain members pointed out regarding direct funding to Autonomous District Councils. It has already been approved by the cabinet but no sanction is yet received from the central government. It will be implemented as soon as the sanction is received.

Pu Pianmawia pointed out regarding setting up of IR Battalion but the location has not yet been settled though the suggested place Khumlozawl is opined as quite convenient. However, the plan could not be carried out at present due to lack of fund. There is proposal to increase allotment of S.S. expenditure. Pu Deputy Speaker, I am confident that the Police can always be stronger with the present allotment of fund if it is utilized appropriately. Regarding promotion of Police Havildar, we should not imitate an unfair process which might have been applied by the previous ministry. Yet, we will try to patch up portions which are incomplete and weak.

Regarding Youth Commission as pointed out by Pu Lalduhoma, I want to clarify that in Demand No.28 Labor & Employment, 50 lakh rupees is allotted as token and expenditure may exceed the allotted amount but depending on the availability of fund.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, I would like to know if a separate retailer is appointed to PTC.

Pu R.LALZIRLIANA MINISTER : If a separate retailer is not yet appointed to PTC, I request concerned Minister for Food & Civil Supply to do so. Matter relating to shifting of Assam Rifles, it is not the purview of the state government but Home Ministry and concerned contractor. The contractor should submit progress report to the Home Ministry quarterly and we may request to give the same to the state government. Pu Deputy Speaker, Dungtlang may be smaller than Khawbung, Farkawn or Vaphai but the location is more convenient as it lies at the junction of north, south, east and west of Tuipui East constituency. Presently, we have posted only 2 or 3 polices there yet, it may need strengthening.

Pu Deputy Speaker, I have never known the existence of double beneficiary among Bru refugees. If the member himself got list of such refugees, he may hand it over to me and necessary action will then be taken. Speaking of Mr. Elvis, I opine it is safe for our side not to cooperate with any opponent of Mr. Elvis since he himself is on the government's side.

Pu B. LALTHLENGLIANA : This boy is quite clever and we believe he is the one who manipulated all the plans.

Pu R. LALZIRLIANA : Regarding taking back of Bru refugees, MINISTER
NGO once determined to verify the population on the basis of electoral roll of 1995 yet, no effective outcome is seen. As revision was conducted in 2003, the Election Commission of

India instructed the government of Mizoram to have the revision on the spot and the government of Arunachal is expected to do the same. If concerned refugees refused to cooperate with instruction of the authority, the central may take necessary action. As the election of MP and MLA were conducted, the cabinet of that community refused to cooperate with the government. So, the revision of 2003 was determined on the basis of electoral roll of 1995 in which some newly qualified to vote were added and some were deleted. Thus, number of voter increases every revision. So, as a sovereign state, our government too is bound to oblige with central authority even if it against our judgment. (.....Interruption.....)

Pu B. LALTHLENGLIANA : Pu speaker, addition made with the descendants of refugees from Mizoram may be taken for granted but I think it is necessary to make a revision regarding enrollment of the domicile of Tripura and Assam.

Pu R.LALZIRLIANA : Yes, it is necessary as some officials MINISTER were sent on the spot but the report is not yet received.

Regarding the allegation that liquors as being distributed by means of Police's vehicle, I kindly request each member to inform so that action is taken as necessary.

Pu C. RAMHLUNA : Pu Deputy Speaker, may we give information to the minister secretly?

Pu R. LALZIRLIANA : Pu Deputy Speaker, it is a good idea as MINISTER the name or number of vehicle will not be revealed.

On 23.12.2010, YMA Pukpui seized 496 bottles of liquor (Rum) from a Scorpio van of C. Lianmawia of Saron Veng, Lunglei and inquiry was taken by SDPO Lunglei. According to the report of the inquiry, it included names of 3 military personnel of 40th Battalion AR who were lifted on the way. As YMA on duty stopped the vehicle for checking, the driver, without knowing what is contained in the luggage of his passengers, he willingly offered for checking as 496 bottles of Rum were found.

Pu B. LALTHLENGLIANA : Pu Deputy Speaker, as information I received from Pukpui Branch YMA, YMA on duty humbly requested the driver, who is also owner of the vehicle for checking of the vehicle but were refused abruptly. As the vehicle was checked against the will of the driver, bottles of liquor were found. It was not of the alleged Assam Rifles personnel but Pu C. Lianmawia, the General Secretary of Lunglei District Congress Committee. The case is examined by DSP Lunglei and was proved.

Pu R. LALZIRLIANA : It is of the Assam Rifles personnel and MINISTER the case is investigated as SDPO,

Lunglei has even requested Commandant of the Assam Rifles to take necessary action.

Point raised by Pu C. Ramluna regarding case record of 86 murders, 499 rapes and 1856 thefts during this year. Pu Deputy Speaker, it is to be noted that precaution measures could not be taken against such violations yet, achievement of the police forces for registering such an amount of cases is truly appreciated as it indicates their efficiency.

Pu Deputy Speaker, maintenance of Police Out-post and posting of IR battalion as stated before, the site has already been surveyed but no decision has yet been made by the government. So, no further statement can be made at present. As of BRGF, it is wrong to accuse the minister since it is not his purview. Yet, he may give his recommendation to concerned authority if he is strongly insisted on to do so.

Pu C. RAMHLUNA : Pu Deputy Speaker, I have a copy here and it will be appreciated if I have a chance with the minister to examine the case.

Pu R. LALZIRLIANA : Yes, we will see it later. Regarding MINISTER NREGS, we have 2,22,456 lakhs fund allocated for this year, but the main problem is the state's matching share.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Can you inform the House, the amount of fund which is lapsed due to lack of matching share? I also want to ask the hon'ble Minister if the additional central assistance can be used for state's matching share.

Pu R. LALZIRLIANA : During the current year, government has no problem in providing state's matching share for the authority concerned has given priority to it. Hopefully, there will not be a problem to make the same by the coming year. MINISTER

Pu C. RAMHLUNA : Regarding NREGS, Pu Deputy Speaker, concerned workers in Lawngtlai are provided only with 94 work days out of 100 days. Will the remaining days be benefitted in the next year?

Pu R. LALZIRLIANA : Since it is the on-going programme, we MINISTER still have much more work days coming ahead. So, let the remaining days be gone.

Pu C. RAMHLUNA : To some extents, Pu Deputy Speaker, it is the Responsibility of concerned officials as this deficiency is due increase of material components. So, I opine adjustment should be made by the next year.

Pu R. LALZIRLIANA : Increase of work component indicates MINISTER increase of infrastructure assets such as construction retaining wall, roads or bridges of a particular constituency instead of 100 days work for the people which are still appreciative as long as it concern for development of the area. I do not think adjustment could be made as suggested by the member. In NREGS, work proposal is sent to central authority by Management Information System (MIS) through Internet. So, it is not necessary to go to the New Delhi to submit any work proposal. Mizoram is one of the highest states in the application of this Management Information System. Hopefully, fund provision will be received if state's share is submitted in due time.

Under IAY, allotment of fund for new construction is Rs.48,500 lakh and Rs.15,000 lakh for up-gradation. In this regard, it is to be noted that no minister could be involved in the dealing as IWDP is made on the basis of permanent wait list. But there may be an exceptional case such as natural calamities, etc. In such cases, some sorts of consideration may be important.

Under BADP, amount of fund received during this year is ₹3,702 lakh. The fund can be utilized for all purposes like construction of community Hall, Playground etc.

In rural Development Department, keeping in mind of the need for replacement of poor condition vehicles attached to various development blocks, 8 new Gypsy were purchased from fund pulled from various centrally sponsored schemes as no fund is allotted in particular for that purpose. Besides, out of fund provisions of 6 crore rupees being received from Union Home Minister, 4 crore is spent for payment of some parts of workshop bills. In this connection, it may be noted that the department of Rural Development has not any workshop bill or medical reimbursement to be paid. In Social Education which concern generally of construction of Community Hall, ₹217 lakhs is spent for the ongoing programme where as only 82 lakhs rupees remain for the coming year.

Pu P.P. THAWLA : Pu Deputy Speaker, whether work under the said ongoing scheme is again to be allotted to the same work agency or supervisor or to others to be selected anew?

Pu R. LALZIRLIANA : Under Social Education programme, MINISTER fund is generally used for construction of Playground and community hall. The work is done by the concerned organization under the supervision of BDO.

Regarding Housing for Project Staff, we now have ₹273 lakhs. The fund is generally spent for maintenance of staff quarters and office of BDO. Likewise, office building of BDO Tlangnuam will be constructed from the said fund.

Relating to Rural Housing Scheme, I must say that the ministry of MNF had no policy for distribution of GCI sheets. Yet, the said materials stocked by the previous congress ministry were distributed as MNF party came into power. In this regard, leaders of my party of the previous ministry should be blamed as they were over-confident to continue with the following ministry but missed the chance to deal with large amount of GCI sheets being stocked during their ministry. In this year, ₹400 lakh is provided for procurement of GCI sheets and ₹400 lakh for the coming year. It will be provided only to the deserved families.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Will it be provided for School too?

Pu R. LALZIRLIANA : No, only to the poor, Pu Deputy Speaker.
MINISTER

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, I request the minister to kindly provide one lakh each for construction of MUP building and community hall in my constituency.

Pu R. LALZIRLIANA : It depends on the attitude of the member,
MINISTER Pu Deputy Speaker.

In Home Department, I must inform the House that the government is very pleased with cooperation and valuable support from the people in maintaining Law and Order.

In this connection, I would like to point out most familiar cases during this ministry such as: -

- 1) The case of 5 years old girl who was killed after being raped found in the garage at Thakthing.
- 2) The case of death body of a woman found in Saiha.
- 3) The case of kidnapping of ABCI staff.

Pu Deputy Speaker, even though such cases were critical, our investigating teams manipulated the plan wisely and they manage to find out the criminals without much problem. It indicates that the police forces not only of Aizawl but also of the whole state are reliable in their respective services. Yet, there are some cases which remain unsolved such as mysterious case of the death of Rev. Chanchinmawia, which is valid till today and remains for further investigation.

In this regard, we now have Crime and Criminal Tracking Network System (CCTNS) which covers the whole country as Mizoram ranked No.1 in crime and criminal record thanks to the effort of our police forces.

Coming now to IR Battalion, it is known to us that the 5th IR Battalion is now being deployed in Assam. Besides, they were also deployed in various places such as security guard at Commonwealth Games at New Delhi, on election duty in Assam, Bihar and West Bengal etc. I am confident that they will improve their talent and efficiency from their experience outside Mizoram.

In Fire Department, I would like to point out that 43 vacant posts were filled up and the post of driver also will soon be done. The department purchased number of fire fighting equipments and vehicles and fire extinguisher will be made available on subsidized rate to members and concern NGOs.

In Sainik Welfare, the post of 2 Deputy Directors were filled up and 2 District Offices have been open at Champhai and Kolosib.

In regard to Home Guard, 164 lakhs is allotted from the state's fund as 5% of MPF scheme came to end. As shown in the budget Pu Deputy Speaker, inadequacy of fund for salary is ₹4,493 lakhs and in DTE, too, ₹448 lakhs.

Regarding maintenance of Jail, ₹750 lakhs is expected from 13th Finance Commission which will be allotted as Non-Plan. We need to increase Non-Plan fund as we have 7 jails with 1010 prisoners at present. Serchhip District Jail is now ready for inauguration but we have no fund to employ staff as yet. It will be inaugurated as soon as fund is made available.

I extend my appreciation to all the members for patiently listening to the wind up speech I have made for my demands. So, I beg the House to pass my demands such as: -

Sl. No.	Demand No.	Department	Amount
1	Demand No.16	Home (Including Prison)	Rs.361,75,32,000
2	Demand No.27	District Council Affairs	Rs.180.53,27,000
3	Demand No.38	Rural Development	Rs.112,48,00,000
TOTAL			Rs.654,76,59,000

Thank you, sir.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Pu R. Lalzirliana, Minister has wound up his demands and begged the House to pass it. Now it shall be voted.

(The demand is voted and passed).

Pu R. LALZIRLIANA : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker.
MINISTER

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Now, let us call upon Pu S. Hiato, Minister to wind his demands and beg the House to pass it.

Pu S. HIATO : Pu Deputy Speaker, I would like to MINISTER
thank the hon'ble Members for their
zealous discussion of the House.

First of all, I would like to thank Pu Pianmawia, Pu P.P. Thawla and Col. Z.S. Zuala for their appreciation to the work of PHE. Pu C. Ramhluna pointed out regarding works under Lawngtlai Water Supply and I would like to inform the House that most of the roads constructed under the new project were of departmental work as quality of most of the roads constructed by the contractors were weak and unfit for heavy vehicles.

Regarding Water Supply and Sanitation, I have to state that coverage of Aizawl Greater Water Supply scheme Phase-I is not extensive where as the work of Phase-II is in progress. As the work is in the hands of the department, 67% is now completed with an expenditure of ₹696 lakhs. It is expected to be completed in 2011-2012.

Durtlang is under the coverage of Universal Supply Phase-II with the reservoir near the Television station is successfully trialed on 9.6.2011 by means of diesel pump. The work may be completed by the month of December this year. Sihphir is not covered by Phase-II and the work will be started by the coming year. Falkawn, where Referral hospital is located is planned to be covered by extension of Greater Aizawl Water Supply Scheme Phase-II. Falkawn, Samtlang and Muallungthu etc. will be covered by rural water Supply scheme. The work is expected to be completed in 2012. The work of Lunglei pumping Scheme is in progress for which ₹867 lakh of augmentation scheme is made out of which ₹476.85 is already released. After 70% of the work is completed, 2nd installment of the scheme will be released. Again, the approved amount of augmentation of Greater Serchip Water Supply Scheme is ₹687.50 lakhs out of which ₹377.92 lakh has already been released. Now, 68% of the work is completed. Pu Deputy Speaker, 6 out of 8 District headquarters received water pump and for the remaining 2 such as Lawngtlai and Saiha, ₹2564.50 lakh for Lawngtlai is received already out of which ₹1005.56 is has already been released and deed of agreement too is done.

Sanctioned has also been received for number of Sub-Divisional headquarters such as W. Phaileng - ₹9 crore, Sangau - ₹4.89 crore, Tlabung - ₹7 crore, etc. Apart from these, the programme covered 373 villages by extension of pipelines and Rain-water Harvesting Scheme during 2008-2012. Priority is given to Chawngte also as it is planned to be covered from the state government. As for Khawbung South, it is planned to be done by the next Financial Year. Step is taken for Phuaibuang, Bualpui (NG) and Lungzarhtum also and the sanction is coming from NEC. 25% of the work for Phuaibuang is completed.

Regarding plan for construction of sewerage system of Aizawl city, MOU has already been signed with the Hindustan Pratap Ltd and the assigned company will determine the detail project and fund raising to that effect.

The government also gives importance to total sanitation as all BPL and APL families, Schools and Anganwadi are equipped with latrine.

Last year, the government determined revision of water tariff due to lack of revenue, as proposal to that effect has already been approved by the cabinet.

Regarding water meter, it is learned that the public strongly criticized installation of water consumption meter. So, the department, after carefully scrutinizing the case, decided to do so as to enable accurate billing of water tariff on the basis of water consumption. Apart from this, it will increase our revenue from water supply as it will then possible to determine whether the supply is equivalent to consumption as it will prevent wastage of the supply. Since installation of meter for water consumption in 2008, the government put maintenance of each meter in the hands of concerned consumer where as replacement and repairing of meter is done by SIPMIU from ADB funded project.

Pu Deputy Speaker, I would also like to explain regarding investment of money made by officers and staff of Industries department as pointed out by Pu Duhoma. In 2007, LIC investment of 47 lakh rupees was made. As soon as a report is received, investigation was prevailed immediately as we have found out that Rs. 63.63 lakh (including the interest) was invested at LIC market Plus Plan-I by the name of officer and staff. Secondly, in 2011, Rs.71lakh invested at LIC by the name of Officers and staff was again invested with the interest at LIC by the name of ZIDCO. Thirdly in 2007, Rs.33 lakh invested at Bajaj Alliance with the interest amounting to 45.41 lakh rupees was again invested by the name of ZIDCO at LIC market Plus Plan-I. In 2007, Rs.37 l lakh invested by the name of officers and staff of Bajaj Alliance was again invested with the interest by the name of ZIDCO.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, the government should have known the incidents as the said investments by the name of some individuals were of a couple of years back. Can we proof that those investments including the interest were actually entered into ZIDCO?

Pu S. HIATO : It is difficult to know every details of MINISTER the department as soon as I took the charge. But sum invested is supposed to go to ZIDCO but not in the hands of some individuals. However, if the sums invested were of share holdings, each share holders are supposed to profit their own share.

As known to us all, Pu Deputy Speaker, Industry Department has no large Scale Industry as it concern only of rural areas. But, with implementation of NLUP, most of the beneficiaries opted trade under Industries department which include 30 trades. Under NLUP, 2 trades each is allotted to each concerned villages. As a beginning, plan is estimated for 4000 beneficiaries but it may be increased due to the need to include some beneficiaries within Aizawl who have no land-base in other areas. Thus, the department received ₹1100 lakhs from NLUP out of which the 1st installment is issued except to one cluster. As soon as this budget is passed, fund will be issued immediately. Hopefully, condition of the underprivileged will be upgraded by this NLUP.

Pu Deputy Speaker, Integrated Infrastructure Development Centre (IIDC) is set up at different places. Due to lack of entrepreneurship, the department takes initiative to organize seminar and workshop for the entrepreneurs and study tour is conducted.

The department makes a good progress in Handloom industry too. The products are exported to other states such as Manipur. In the meantime, our handloom industries occasionally meet some sorts of problem as most of the laborers are of foreigners. The department divided handloom industry into cluster and concentration is given only in Aizawl and Thenzawl whereas about 300 persons received training every year.

The department is also taking step for processing products from cash crops to be sold at a lower rate. Since Industrial policy is of an important policy of Mizoram, a new policy is in the process which is expected to be passed by the House shortly. Bamboo chipping industry is set up at 9 places with an intention to be sold at a profitable rate. The department is setting up large scale production of Agarbati its marketing which is considered as having a good prospect.

On the other hand, Pu Deputy Speaker, our weaknesses in public sector is known to us all yet, the department is giving the best effort to improve it. So, the government feels the need to reform public sector enterprises and initiative has already been made in this regard.

In reply to the question of Pu Lalduhoma, the Central government has given us share for coal production in which ZIDCO is the assigned agency. As an agency, 20 lakh has already been received. However, we are not able to continue as Coal Authority of India increases the rate by 60%, yet, approach has been made to the central to make concession.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, may I know for what purpose coal is used in our state? It is learned that the product is sold up even before entering into Mizoram. Is that true? Plus, in regard to the problem faced by Handloom industry, I would like to suggest concerned authority to make agreement with Home department so that work certificate is issued to the said laborers since strengthening of work force is necessary for such industries.

Pu S. HIATO : Pu Deputy Speaker, it is, indeed a MINISTER good suggestion regarding consumption of coal in our state, it is mostly supplied in the areas where production of brick is concentrated like Thenzawl and Bairabi and I have no idea how or where the rest is disposed. In this connection, coal is received from three sources out of which we could not continue to lift from 2 sources from West Bengal due to the problem of transportation. We could afford to lift only from the source from NEC amounting to one lakh ton per month. So, only small amount of the product is imported in our state.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, what I want to know is the whereabouts of the amount which is not lifted.

S. HIATO MINISTER : Pu Deputy Speaker, the fund is received by ZIDCO as an Agency and sale agreement is also made with ZIDCO. Fund received by ZIDCO is not less than ₹20 lakhs. Now, there is a proposal for establishment of brick industry. For that purpose, Ministry of Coal, Government of India is planning to follow the system of Captive Coal Block Allotment. Thermal Power Project will be set up by ZIDCO in co-operation with the contractors.

Pu Deputy Speaker, as known to us, the purpose of the department of Geology and Mining is groundwater investigation and exploration of oil & natural gas. Now, survey work for gas exploration is in progress as 58.9% is completed. Survey of 5,340 sq. km in the area of Hortoki and Kolasib is completed by ONGC and verification is being processed. Apart from this, survey of the same is in progress in the area of Serchhip and Aizawl district. For Lunglei, Lawngtlai and Saiha district, work could not be started due to poor condition of road.

Pu B. LALTHLENGLIANA : Pu Deputy Speaker, the work is not started till today even though initiative has already been made under my supervision as concerned minister of Industries department in 2008. What is the reason for the delay?

Pu S. HIATO : Pu Deputy Speaker, he himself will know better. It is to be noted that we are not involve in the process of drilling as concerned work agency are of companies from various countries. Availability of oil may be known after completion of underground drilling of 1000 to 1500 metres more. Presently, concentration is made in the area of Chhiahtlang and Thenzawl. It is regretted to mention that the work could not be expedited even though expected time of completion is 2008. Oil India Limited will start the work in a few days when land acquisition is done yet, the case is confidential and it is not convenient to give the report in detail. Pu Deputy Speaker, due to the prospect of oil, the state government too is determining to prepare the youths to undergo training. ₹52, 24, 000/- is collected by Revenue Department as license fee on 31.3. 2011. It is truly appreciated as certain members criticize budget allotment to Industries department as less sufficient even though large amount of revenue is collected. I strongly hope that concerned minister for planning department will determine to increase the budget as a result of demand made by the members.

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, why the case is treated as confidential?

Pu S. HIATO : Pu Deputy Speaker, it is the case which concerns the company. I believe the assigned work agency is afraid of claiming of compensation.

Regarding setting up of DIC at Chawngte asked by Pu Nirupam Chakma, it is regretted to mention that in addition to DIC offices in the 3 districts, we are not able to set up another 5 for the remaining district headquarters. Yet, approach has been made to DP & AR as well as Finance for immediate permission.

Regarding the registration of Industry as asked by Pu Lalduhoma, National Unit Record during the year 2010 – 2011 is 8238. As of number of unregistered, I cannot give since no survey is done in this regard. Since registration of small scale industry is optional following MSAED central Act 2006, it is unknown whether registration to that effect is continued.

Regarding PMEGP, it is the flagship programme of the Prime Minister of India as the main objective is to provide employment to educated unemployed persons. However, concerned Banks often declined to provide loan to beneficiaries who are considered by the department as deserved. As such, it is necessary for the government to urge all concerned Banks to consider the case.

Pu LADUHOMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, why did concerned officials have no knowledge of the Banks which can provide loan under PMEGP?

Pu S. HIATO : In this regard, Central Guidelines is MINISTER followed. Meeting with Bank officials has also been conducted to resolve the problem but no positive outcome is seen.

As known to us all, Pu Deputy Speaker, Tourism is a small Department with the budget provision amounting to 5 crore rupees only. However, the department is strengthened by centrally sponsored development funds. Despite our lack of appropriate tourists' attraction, many are visiting our state every year and the department is giving it best effort to receive them. So, tourists' accommodation is set up by the department across the state but the main problem is insufficiency of staff.

Dr. R. LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Deputy Speaker, is not it better to hand over the work of supervision of construction of tourists' accommodation in the hands of trustee voluntary organization of concerned local village council?

Pu S.HIATO : There is a proposal to apply PPP mode MINISTER in major towns where as the same may not be applicable in rural areas and the central government too is satisfied with the suggestion. This year, we received funds for certain places and we have some which are ready for inauguration.

With a view to upgrade the department of Tourism, Board of Director is set up under the chairmanship or the hon'ble Chief Minister. The Board formulates policies as

members are requested to provide their recommendations. If there is any point which is not reacted, we may discuss it later personally. Thank you.

Pu B. LALTHLENGLIANA : Pu Deputy Speaker, will the hon'ble Minister clarify regarding ISPAT Industry at Lengte?

Pu LALDUHOMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, may subsidized items allotted to the members be issued without partiality?

Pu S. HIATO : Pu Deputy Speaker, I will try my best. MINISTER
The setting up of ISPAT Industry at Lengte is brought before Mizoram Public Investment Board. If ISPAT Industry is achieved, iron rod will be made available at a lower rate in which more than 300 employers of son of the soil are expected to be absorbed by the industry and more than 3,000 people will directly benefit the product. Besides, source of raw material has already been determined as there will also be an opportunity for local people to dispose their waste iron materials to the industry. It is pleasing to learn that the assigned company is reliable enough as its staffs are of technically experienced persons since the same kind of industry has already been established in the neighboring states. Environment and Forests clearance for the said has already been obtained.

Like others, they are given permission to settle in the selected area and items expected to be manufactured by the industry includes billets, ingots, TMT bars etc. The names of the applicants are: - Rajendra K. Agarwal, Amit Agarwal, Manish Pawan Baid, Heman Baid and C. Lalduhawma. That is all, Pu Deputy Speaker.

Pu B. LALTHLENGLIANA : Pu Deputy Speaker, if pollution clearance is issued, does it mean that no air pollution is caused by this industry?

Pu T.T. ZOTHANSANGA : Pu Deputy Speaker, what about the question Regarding Recruitment Rules of PHE and an agreement made with ONGC and IOC as I am about to return to my constituency headquarters as soon as session is over?

Pu S. HIATO : Pu Deputy Speaker, with your kind MINISTER permission, I beg this August House to pass the following Demands: -

Sl. No.	Demand No.	Department	Amount
1	Demand No.25	Water Supply & Sanitation	Rs.115,92,58,000
2	Demand No.40	Industries Department	Rs.40,74,87,000
3	Demand No.43	Tourism Department	Rs.5,32,11,000

TOTAL	Rs.1619956000
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DEPUTY SPEAKER : The hon'ble Minister has wound up his Demands and begged the House to pass it. So, we will vote the demands.

(The Demands are voted and passed).

Pu S. HIATO : Thank you very much, Pu Deputy MINISTER Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Now, business scheduled for today is finished and next sitting will be resumed tomorrow at 10:30 AM.

The sitting is adjourned at 8:00 P.M.