

10th SESSION OF THE 3rd MIZORAM STATE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY 6th SITTING ON THURSDAY, 19th SEPTEMBER 1996.

PRESENT

Pu Vaivenga, Speaker at the chair, Chief Minister, 16 Ministers and 21 Members.

QUESTIONS

1. Question entered in separate list to be asked and oral answer given.

DISCUSSIONS AND VOTING ON DEMANDS

2. Pu Zosiama Pachuau, Minister to move on two demands under his charge.

3. Pu S.T. Rualyapa Minister to move four demands under his charge.

4. Pu H. Lalruata Minister, to move one demand under his charge.

SPEAKER :

Better is a little with the fear of the Lord. Proverbs 15:16.

Before we take question, we have to note that our Hon'ble Member Pu R. Tlanghmingthanga will not present, he authorised our Hon'ble Member Pu B. Lalthlengliana who is to ask question no 101, and question no 103 which is asked and answers should be given by Minister, Pu Chawngkunga i/c Art and Culture. Now we will call upon Pu B. Lalthlengliana.

PU B. LALTHLENGLIANA : Mr. Speaker Sir, will the Hon'ble Minister i/c Health and Family Welfare Department be pleased to state—

To what extend students health check up is conducted?

SPEAKER : Pu H. Lalruata

PU H. LALRUATA : Mr. Speaker Sir, the answer is, student health check up has been conducted at Primary School level within Mizoram from 22 July to 27 July 1996.

PU B. LALTHLENGLIANA : Mr. Speaker Sir, to supplement, are Health Worker and Primary School teacher competent practitioners? has the health of students improved?

DR. J.V. HLUNA : Mr. Speaker Sir, Supplementary question, are students who were referred by the Health worker examined by Competent Doctor?

PU H. LALRUATA : Mr. Speaper Sir, Health workers and primary teachers are assisted by Competant Doctor. Regarding refferal cases we expect that cent per cent is to be checked up again by Doctors.

PU F. LALREMSIAMA : Mr. Speaker Sir, Regarding check up for MLAs, appropriate time and condition should be arranged by the Minister.

PU B. LALTHLENGLIANA : Mr. Speaker Sir, Regarding my earlier question, Doctor assistance

was not given to large numbers of Schools. Check-up has been conducted only by Health worker and primary teachers.

PU RINCHHANA : Mr. Speaker Sir, The Central Government provided refer-card but it appears that this card has no meaning at Civil Hospital.

PU H. LALRUATA : Mr. Speaker Sir, Regarding Pu Remsiana's question, if we can fix time for check up by ourselves, the department will make no problem.

Regarding question asked by Pu B. Lalhlengliana, we have to look in to the matter, and we try to improve further.

Regarding Referred Card, we have not noticed of such case, if the Referred Card is not approved/entertained by Civil Hospital, appropriate action will be taken.

SPEAKER : Now, we will call upon Pu Lalhmingshanga to ask question no. 102.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Will the Hon'ble Minister, i/c Health Department be pleased to state—

- (a) What is the total expenditure on medical referral case during January, 1994 to August 1996 ?
- (b) Why did patients on medical referred case are given treatment at Nightingale Diagnostic centre, Calcutta ?
- (c) How many persons had been referred to Nightingale Diagnostic centre Calcutta during January 1994 to August 1996 ?

- PU H. LALRUATA :** Mr. Speaker Sir, the Answer for the above questions are, for
- (a) In figure Rs. 1,49,14,002/-
 - (b) The Nightingale Diagnostic Centre Calcutta is recognised by The Mizoram Government.
 - (c) About 184 patients had been referred.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Mr. Speaker Sir, Supplementary question. We have already heard that expenditure is too much. Why should not the Government construct referential hospital, Is there any Intention to do so?

Secondly, The Nightingale Hospital is not a treatment hospital. They charge high fee and they referred patients to other hospital. This implies that the government spent lot of money for nothing. Besides, it had been stated that our house leader is involved in this matter.

DR. R. LALTHANGLIANA : Mr. Speaker Sir, I request the Hon'ble Minister to give us list of persons referred outside. Secondly, why should the Government refer patients only to Calcutta?

PU F. REMSIAMA : Mr. Speaker Sir, I request our Hon'ble Minister to give us assurance to cancel approval of Diagnostic Centre, Calcutta.

PU H. LALRUATA : Mr. Speaker Sir, The Government is intending to construct state hospital. Now we are considering the place, and an estimate of Rs. 10 Lakhs provision was planned.

Mr. Speaker Sir, As the patients always prefer Nightingale Diagnostic other than any other centres, we may presume that the

centre is good enough. Regarding our house leader and the centre, the subject is not relevant because it is personal affairs.

Regarding question asked by our Hon'ble Member, we will give such list. Again regarding cancellation of approval, if sufficient and adequate reasons for cancellation is not found, cancel can not be done.

SPEAKER : Now we have to go to our next question no. 103.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Mr. Speaker Sir, there is still some important matter that is worth to mention. I have already said that as the centre have no treatment facilities, cases are referred to superior medical centres. But now, it appears that the centre enjoys dual authority. If we consider, Kothari & Birla Heart research centres etc. it seems that Nightingale Diagnostic Centre have the power of reference.

For patients as well as for the Government there is double expenditure. It is very clear that there is some thing that went wrong. That is why I have said C.B.I would be required to look into this.

SPEAKER : If the patient prefers it we can not deny it. But, C.B.I have no authority in regard to cancellation of the approval of the centre (medical). It is in the hands of the Government where authority lays.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Mr. Speaker Sir, the situation there of needed special attention and Inquiry.

PU LALBIAKZUALA : Mr. Speaker Sir, it is unwise to blame as having secret agreement

or understanding or any kind between our house leader and the above mentioned medical centre. I therefore suggest that the statement should not be recorded.

PU F. LALREMSIAMA : Mr. Speaker Sir, if our House is involved in this matter, we have to cancel the recognition. So that, rumour and all problems may be solved. I therefore pray to the Minister to consider about this case.

PU H. LALRUATA : Mr. Speaker Sir, If our doctors refer patients to the Nightingale diagnostic centre what shall we say, we have nothing to do with this. Besides, no patient or no doctor or doctors is controlled by our house leader.

SPEAKER : Dr. R. Lalthangliana to ask question No. 103

DR. R. LALTHANGLIANA : Mr. Speaker Sir, our shared starred question No. 103 with Dr. J.V. Hluna is, will the hon'ble minister i/c Art & Culture Department be pleased to state —

- (a) Is there any recruitment rules for Mizoram Library Staff
- (b) Is there any intention to develop existing state library?
- (c) Where is the library act which is not used and?
- (d) What is the reason, and why it was not introduced and implemented?

PU C. CHAWNGKUNGA : Mr. Speaker Sir, relevant answers for the above question is as follows -

- (a) Recruitment rules for Sub-Divisional Librarian. Library Assistant and Counter Attendant has been prepared to implement.
- (b) Yes.

(c). The government has taken step to use Library Act under Art & Culture Department.

(d). The government scrutinised matter contained in the Act so that it may be implemented soon.

Dr. J.V. Hluna : Mr. Speaker, Sir, to supplement: I want to ask why should Art & Culture Department keep the act for a long time - almost three years and also has there been any intention to provide library to 10+2 High School?

Pu F. Malsawma : Mr. Speaker, supplementary question: What is the main reason for the delay in implementing the Act and keep such for a very long period?

Pu C. Chawngkunga : Mr Speaker Sir, we have to note that the government is intending to implement the Act and is intending to provide Library at 10+2 level, but we have financial problems here. If Finance Department approves, step is to be taken to implement soon.

Dr. R. Lalthangliana : Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question: If there is a improble in finance, why? Our State Library is to be improved. To add, when will the Recruitment Rule and Library Act be enacted and implemented?

Pu Lalhmingthanga : Mr. Speaker Sir, in order to pass and implement an Act, financial problem should be cleared. If there is financial memorandum, we cannot blame financial problem.

Pu C. Chawngkunga : Mr. Speaker Sir, I was not present when the House discuss the original act. So I do not know this matter from the beginning. However, I have already mentioned that Library Recruitment Rules has been prepared and is to be implemented.

Speaker : As the concerned Minister have made a statement like that we have confidence that it will be done so. Now, we will go on to our next question. Pu Lalhmingthanga and Pu Lalkhama to ask question No. 104.

Pu Lalhmingthanga : Mr. Speaker Sir, will the hon'ble Minister, incharge of Trade and Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a). At what rate the Mizoram Agriculture Marketing Corporation purchase 1 kg. of ginger.
- (b). From whom and where ginger is purchased and produced?
- (c). Has the government taken step to sell ginger at higher rate?

Pu C. Vulluaia (Minister) : Mr. Speaker Sir, answers for the above questions:

- (a). For the first, Rs. 6.25p. per kg. and Rs. 5.00p for second form.
- (b). Contractor of Karimganj and Silchar.
- (c). The government floated tender to contractors and exporters in order to sell at higher price.

Pu Lalkhama : Mr. Speaker Sir, for the benefit of ginger grower, has the government intention to built storage and outlet in Calcutta and Delhi. So also, has the govenrment intended to fixed the rate for purchasers?

Pu Lalhmingthanga : Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question: The situation right now, is unsatisfactory for the benefit of grower, the government must take step to improve direct export system.

Pu Lalsawta : Mr Speaker Sir, supplementary question: How much amount of money does the MAMCO has during 1995 - 1996? From which Department? and how much during 1996 - 1997?

Dr. J.V. Hluna : Mr Speaker Sir, supplementary question: What is the purchase rate of ginger? At what rate purchased commodity was sold? Why did the MAMCO does not sell all the purchased commodity? What is the rate of profit and lost?

Pu F. Malsawma : Mr. Speaker Sir, whether any intention to raise the price Rs. 5.00 per kg. at Rs. 10.00p per kg. in the current year of 1997?

Pu F. Lalremsiama : Mr. Speaker Sir, MAMCO lost over Rs. 80 crores

for purchase of chilli. Has not such thing happened again in ginger?

Dr. R. Lalthangliana : Mr. Speaker Sir, statements reveals that MAMCO spent Rs. 100 crores for purchase of 20,000 quintals of ginger. Is this a correct figure? Secondly, does the government notice spoiled ginger at CNC Godown at Hunthar Veng.

Pu C. Vulluaia (Minister) : Mr. Speaker Sir, I will try to make an answer brief for the above questions. As we know there is rise in production of ginger in Mizoram, within this year. But we have no adequate market system. This is mainly due to the fact that we have no close trading corporation with Bangladesh. If we look at places such as Calcutta etc. selling rate/price is low, they demand lower rate.

MAMCO purchased 220078 quintals at the rate of Rs. 5/- per kg. and incurring losses about 103 lakhs. Under Trade and Commerce, a provision of 25 crores had been estimated last year.

Regarding storage and stock at different places, the government has no intention to do so. Again, regarding our honourable Minister Pu F. Malsawma's suggestion, I am afraid such suggestion cannot be fulfilled.

Lastly, regarding purchase of chillies and losing Rs. 80 lakhs, I am sorry to say that I don't have definite and relevant idea on the point.

Pu Lalsawta : Mr. Speaker Sir, our honourable Minister does not answer my question to the point. It is unsatisfactory to have such an white answer the Department has 27 crores.

Speaker : Now question hour has ended. We will go on to our next business. Discussion and voting on demands. Let us call upon Pu Zosiama to move his demands.

Pu Zosiama Pachuau : Mr. Speaker, on the recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission Sir, I move the demand No. 23 and 39 for Rs. 19 Crores, 67 lakhs only for meeting expenses during 1996, and

Technical Education, revenue is 867 lakhs. capital 35 lakhs. Demand No. 39, Soil and Water Conservation : Revenue - 565 lakhs, Capital - 600 lakhs, Total .19 crores and 67 lakhs. Thank you.

Speaker : As Demand submitted by Pu Zosiama, do we agree to discuss? If we agree, let us call upon Pu S.T. Rualyapa to move his demands.

Pu S.T. Rualyapa : Mr. Speaker Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission Sir, I move the demand No. 6, 19, 28 and 29 for Rs. 22,27,90,000/- only for meeting expense during 1996 - '97 in respect of the following demands.

Demand No.	Purposes	Amount
6	Revenue - revenue	Rs. 308,00,000
19	LAD - revenue	Rs. 393,00,000
28	Housing - revenue	Rs. 158,00,000
	capital	Rs. 960,90,000
29	Urban development - revenue	Rs. 381,00,000
	capital	Rs. 27,00,000
	Total	Rs. 22,27,90,000

Speaker : Do we agree to consider demand submitted by Pu S.T. Rualyapa, if we agree let we call upon Pu H. Lalruata to move his demands.

Pu H. Lalruata : Mr. Speaker Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission Sir, I move demand No. 26 for Rs. 2263.00 lakhs only for meeting expenses of Medical Department during 1996-'97. Thank you.

Speaker : Do we agree the demands moved by Pu H. Lalruata to consider? If we agree, we will consider demands. We will alloted 10 minutes to each member.

Dr. R. Lalthangliana : Mr. Speaker, demand No. 26 deals with

Medical. In this regard, I have something to say. Our Civil Hospital adopted an old rate for ration. Ration received by patients in Civil Hospital is inadequate to meet the needs of patient. In this regard, approved new rates should be introduced.

Not only that, equipments and instruments used in Civil Hospital needed replacement. Most hospitals in Mizoram are not furnished with adequate equipments and instruments, while demand for Health Department still raise higher and higher. Our Lunglei Hospital is also run without Doctors and other medical staffs. In this regard, Lunglei Civil Hospital needed special consideration.

Regarding demand No. 23 of Higher and Technical Education, Lecturers in Mizoram Polytechnic Institute claimed higher pay scale, equivalent to AICTE (All India Council for Technical Education). But the government made no responses.

Regarding demand No. 6 of Revenue, the government may try to solve problems arising at Lunglei town and in Chhimtuipui District.

Lastly, I request the government to shift security forces of Lunglei town, thank you.

Dr. J. V. Hluna : Mr. Speaker Sir, firstly I want to mention Higher and Technical Education of Demand No. 23. Uptil now the department do not have Director. The government must consider the matter therein immediately. Secondly, for lectureship, a government make age bar. The age bar in Mizoram and what we have adopted in 35 years. But as we adopted UGC Rules, which do not lay down any age bar, I mean to say that UGC fix no upper age for lecturer. I, therefore, request the government from now on to follow the UGC norms. Thirdly, the government must taken care of private colleges. Not only this, Mizo subject at Master level should be introduced.

Regarding Demand No. 39, the government must take care of any misuse of 'shasu' and stone cubic used by contractor and sub-contractors.

Pu F. Malsawma : Mr. Speaker Sir, if we analyse the budget of Higher and Technical Education 95 - 96, it was estimated to be 1112,88 lakhs as compared to 96 - 97 budget of 902 lakhs only. We can see clearly that the budget estimate has diminished. If we look at LAD budget it has risen up from

291 to 393 lakhs.

Whatever the budget maybe, I want to mention problems faced by Bawngkawn in regard to water supply and fountain system. As most of the people of Bawngkawn depend upon fountain, Bangla fountain at Chaltlang played a vital role. But at the month of the fountain, LSC is given to some person and residential house is built for this reason I request our honourable Minister to look into the difficulties of the people and also to cancel existing residential house or LSC or to shift LSC somewhere else.

Not only this, I also request our concerned Minister to have a spot verification of Bawngkawn Bazar. Regarding to Higher and Technical Education - I suggest that government provides students scholarship and stipen for further study whether it is technical or non-technical. So that we may complete at international level.

Pu Lalsawta : Mr Speaker Sir, I would like to say first is that Rs. 50,000/- is nothing. It can do nothing in order to established central University.

Secondly, about Rs. 500 lakhs fund has been estimated for Mat Valley project under T.A.T. externally project aided. In this regard, I suggest that the government (Soil & Water Conservation department) utilised the funds in order to meet the needs of rural people. Unlike other departments Soil and Water Conservation department never received C.S.S. This problems needed special consideration.

Thirdly, the government purchased costly equipment such as X-ray equipment. I do not know whether the machines function properly or not. But if we consult physicians they always advise patients to go to private clinics for X-ray, why? In this regard, the government or Minister should take care of the probable causes of malfunctioning of such equipments.

Lastly, regarding V/C powers and jurisdiction, the government must treat V/C as one of the most important branches of departments not like a peon. The government must pay respect for they are representatives of the people. To add their salary, allowances, powers and jurisdiction should be specified and expanded, thank you.

Pu Rinchhana : Mr. Speaker Sir, the House had already decided that

functions, jurisdiction and administration of Village Council needed review. But, upto now functions, jurisdiction and administration still remains the same. In this regard, I request the concerned minister to explain.

Regarding housing loans, the Minister may explain schemes within this year. As stated earlier, I request our concerned Minister to explain the reason for vacant post of Director under Education and Health department.

Again, I urged the government to take appropriate action for improvement in respect of buildings, equipments and staffs etc. under Civil Hospital in Aizawl Town and at Darlawn. To add, what is the decision and scheme of the government for construction of State Hospital? thank you.

Speaker : Now the time is up. We will have recess. Meeting will be resumed at 2:00 PM.

2:00 PM

Speaker : We will call upon Pu B. Lalhlengliana.

Pu B. Lalhlengliana : Mr. Speaker, regarding demand No. 6 of Revenue, I have something to say that priority is given to LSC without having complicated system of Tax collection and revenue. To say in short, the Department gives LSC without having limit, our land record, revenue and tax system is messed up. Therefore, I should say government policy on Revenue is maladjusted and maladministered.

Regarding Housing Loan board, I suggest that the government to select opposition MLA as a Member.

Mr Speaker Sir, Aibawk Civil Hospital building needed special mention for its building is too old and furniture and any other facilities are not provided. In this regard, I request our honourable Minister to consider the situation thereof.

Regarding Higher and Technical Education, the government provincialised institution alone not of the staff. This matter needed reconsideration.

Again, regarding selection of Technical training, students under NEHU have

no chance to enter as most of the seats have been given to out-station student who score high percentage of mark. In this regard, I suggest that the government reserve seats for students under NEHU, thank you.

Pu Lalhuthanga : Mr. Speaker Sir, regarding Demand No. 6 of Revenue, I want to mention that there is large number of duplicate or fake LSC or House Pass. As this matter is serious, the government has to take appropriate remedial steps.

Again, if we consider LAD, the department has no parent department in the central. Sanctions etc. has always been received from Central Urban Ministry. For this reason, we may have to change its name, so that there may not be difficulties.

Mr. Speaker Sir, we have already heard that Lengpui Airport is under construction. In order to have complicated Airport, Health facility is very important. I therefore, suggest that Health Department be attached, thank you.

Pu Lalhmingthanga : Mr. Speaker Sir, the Demand is very important. It plays an important part in State economy. Especially, Revenue is very important for its plays a vital role in the demarcation of State boundary. For instance, in the West, we have neighbouring State Cachar (Assam). We always have dispute regarding boundary. All disputes can be settled by Revenu, if we acquired land permanently.

Secondly, Higher and Technical Education is the main source of man power. In turn, man power is the very source of a country. Budget provision is to be allocated meaningfully.

Thirdly, I suggest that the government gives more importance to primary health care. Secondary Health care at District level and State level.

Lastly, regarding Village Council, the government must take step towards upliftment of V/C, relating to its position, power, jurisdiction and administration.

Pu Lalzuala : Mr. Speaker, thank you for allotting me time to speak. We know very well that Mizora has a great leap in education. Large numbers of schools and colleges had been opened at different towns. But we are still partly ignorant in law and legal matters. In this regard, I suggest that the gov-

ernment take step to improve law studies further. Likewise, we have trained polytechnicians but large number are unemployed. The government must consider such unfavourable situation and solve unemployment.

At the time of British, LSC can be done by remote areas and District Council at Lunglei town. But now, it is curtailed. I, therefore request the Minister to open Lunglei as a centre. So that many problem will be solved.

Again, I request the government to provide staff for Primary Health Centre at Bunglemun, Buarpui, Lungsen, Haulawng, Chhipphir, Tawipui 'S' and Cherhlun.

Lastly, I suggest that our honourable Minister open Hospital at border area and to provide street light at rural areas, thank you.

Pu F. Remsiana : Mr. Chairman Sir, thank you for allotting me time to speak. To say first, without taking into account of animal population census, village grazing ground has been taken up by Soil and Water Conservation department. Now Rs. 4,00,000/- is allotted for Minor works and Rs. 4,00,000/- is allotted for maintenance. Last year, Rs. 8,00,000/- had been spent. I think this is not necessary, it may only lead to finance leakage and misuse. Not only this, the department intended to purchase 3 vehicles at the cost of Rs. 8,50,000/- . I, therefore, assert that the government to enquire into finance leakage and misuse.

Again, if there is not Director in the Higher & Technical Education, the matter is sensitive as it may cause hardship within the department. For this reason, there should be a Director.

If we look at allocation of fund for different College buildings. For Directorate building Rs. 20,00,000/- is allotted, Rs. 20 lakhs for Aizawl College, Rs. 10 lakhs for Lunglei College and Rs. 35 lakhs for Polytechnic Lunglei. But no amount of rupee is allotted for Hostel building. As that is the way, I request the government to consider Hostel buildings.

Regarding introduction of family planning method, and considering population of Mizoram, we need no family planning. To add, the Mizoram government should adopt Central government Health Service as that of the Central government.

Considering the service of Nurses and IV Grade at Hospital, their duty is full time. They deserve something better than mere bonus. Likewise,

mechanic, Driver and IV Grade under Transport department and some staff in Food and Civil Supplies also deserve overtime allowance. In this regard, the government must consider situations therein.

Mr. Speaker Sir, the government will enquire into misuse of public money at Saiphum where Rs. 5,00,000/- has been allotted for House site preparation but the money was not used for house site preparation. Similar conditions also happens at some place.

Pu John Rotluangliana : Mr Speaker Sir, I will concentrate my subject on Zawlnuam, where student met difficulties in admission. The main reason is we have junior College (deficit) but when new education system (i.e. 10+2) was adopted. We do not have any school to admit students, who intended to join 10+2. In this respect, I request our honourable concerned Minister to keep in mind our difficulties.

Regarding Demand No. 26 (Medical), we have no doubt that our Civil Hospital needs repair, particularly private ward, out patient ward in Aizawl and Zawlnuam Hospital. According to the relevant answer received by me, there are 30 villages/towns that have both PHC and Health Sub. Centre, while large number of villages/town do not have either of the Centre. For this reason, I request the government to shift either of the Centre to needy area.

Considering New Market, the place is too small to cope with the people and sanitation system is almost nil. Therefore, I suggest that the situation should be considered.

Lastly, I request the government to conduct training or such kind for V.C. in order to enlighten their political, social and economic outlook, thank you.

Pu Zoramthanga : Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, fund allocation needed special mention, particularly under Soil and Water Conservation Department, while Rs. 393 lakhs only is allotted for LAD.

If we analyse Soil and Water Conservation's funds allocation, fund is not much for development as compared to other allocation. This needs special allocation.

Regarding LAD Municipality Bill has been delayed for a long time

till now. Our Municipal administration now-a-day is uncomparable to early stage. So urgently, the Aizawl town/city needed reliable municipal bill. Not only this, sanitation administration and system should be reviewed.

Besides above stated, revenue administration rules and regulation needed closer scrutiny, as the rules/regulation is passed by without prior clarification of select committee.

Regarding Health Department, Director should be posted, if it is vacant, it will be filled up as soon as possible. Again, our Civil Hospital which is most important should be furnished with adequate modern instruments facilities and other equipments.

Pu Lalkhama : Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, regarding V/C - V/C Act should be prepared and enacted immediately. So that political advantage and discrimination may be ended.

Secondly, housing system and arrangement in Aizawl and Lunglei town needed special implementation. Housing system in Mizoram is almost uncontrolled, every person or person construct and build houses wherever they like. Therefore, uncontrolled housing system should be controlled.

Thirdly, from UT to State-hood a percentage of share held by the Health Department in budget is diminishing. There maybe certain reason. The government would better remedial action against this.

Fourthly, I suggest that the government adopt Health Insurance Policy/system for masses of the people. So that they may enjoy free treatment.

Lastly, regarding education, Matric result reveals that our education system is not good enough. For this reason, Headmster or Headmistress were dismissed. In spite of the above stated, a concerned Minister is mainly responsible. Therefore we must look ourselves without blaming subordinate officers, thank you.

Pu K. Rokhaw : Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, thank you for giving me time to speak. Regarding Demand No. 26, I want to mention in few words the need to create the post of State AIDS officer assisted by Deputy Director and the like.

To add, especially I want to mention problems faced by Saiha Civil

Hospital. Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, Saiha Civil Hospital building is too old and needed repair. Not only that upto now specialists in medicine and surgery are not provided. In this regard, I request our honourable concerned Minister to keep this point.

Regarding Local Administration Department, government employees in Aizawl town or at Lunglei town may apply HUDCO loan. But employees under District Council may not enjoy the same facility as that is enjoyed in Aizawl or Lunglei town. In this regard, I request our honourable Minister to provide the same right/facility as that of the government employees under Aizawl and Lunglei, thank you.

Pu H.K. Chakma : Mr. Dy. Speaker sir, we know that Medical is one of the most important departments. We cannot set aside its importance to say the truth, its importance plays an essential part in modern society. But we have no outdoor at Tlabung hospital. I, therefore, request the government to consider and solve our problems immediately.

Not only this, as existing Health Sub. Centre is inadequate to meet the needs of the people in Chakma District Council, request again the government to provide the Council more Health Sub. Centre and doctors.

Regarding Revenue Department, I request the government to construct double storey at Tlabung market.

Lastly, what I want to suggest regarding V.C. tent, is that tent in Village Council Court has to be attached to Rest house or it be converted for Rest House. So that many problems of V.C. regarding guest house etc. will be solved, thank you.

Dy. Speaker : The time is 4:00 PM. Now we will have a break. 15 minutes is spared for a break. Meeting will be started again at 4:15.

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Dy. Speaker : Now the time is 4:15. Let us call upon Pu Zathuama.

Pu H. Zathuama : Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, it is worthwhile to mention relationship of V/C and government. The gap is too wide. When we talk

about village council, we usually mean Panchayati Raj or District Council or Autonomous District Council. All these Institutions play an important role in democracy. It stands for Democratic decentralisation. The government (State Government) have to look after the Institutions. But it appears that the government neglect the importance role, administration etc. of Village Council. Therefore, there is a wide gap which has to be bridged.

Secondly, I want to mention that there is an useless street light under LAD but electric Department charges the same rate throughout the year, whether they are lighted or not - without taking verification. In this way, LAD spend lot of money for useless street light particularly street lights that do not function at all.

Thirdly, the government will have to take steps to have various departments under Civil Hospital (i.e. ENT, Surgery etc.) functioned properly. Proposal (relating to medicine, equipment etc). submitted by Medical Department to Secretariat has always been rejected to be considered.

Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, I request our honourable Minister to provide and construct medicine and main building of PHC at Khawdungsei, thank you.

Pu T. Hranghluta : Mr. Speaker Sir, according to the statement made by honourable Minister Pu C. Chawngkunga, when he was a concerned Minister in 1994. Health Sub. Centre had been given in accordance with population and the government had already opened such Centres beyond limits. But we are very sure that many rural areas remain without Health Centre and where there is Centre they do not have building, Staff and other facilities.

If we consider subsidiary Health Centre at Bungtlang 'S', there is no staffs since almost two years and building condition is very bad and unsatisfactory. I should say Sub. Centre is opened at various place but they are not taken care of afterwards. Likewise, Colleges have been opened at different places but we furnish no necessities. For this reason, many problem arised. The government must tackle these problems.

Regarding HUDCO loan system, this loan is given to some persons repeatedly. This should be controlled. Loan should be given to deserving and needy person or persons, thank you.

Pu Lalbiakzuala : Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, regarding our Demand, I

will say the following few points:

Firstly, Director post should be filled up as soon as possible. Likewise, there will be representation of Higher and Technical Department and State Level Co-ordination Committee on education.

Secondly, regarding Demand No. 39, it has been said that Soil and Water Conservation Department is one of the most oldest department in Mizoram. In spite of the above mentioned, we see no trace of work and projects. In this regards, the government must have to take step towards improvement.

Thirdly, it is very clear that there is something wrong regarding house tax and house pass. The government give house pass without limitation but our tax remains the same. For this reason, I suggest creation of Land Record Section under Directorate of Revenue.

Fourthly, regarding Demand No. 19, 26, 29, the government should have to sanction additional fund for V/C. So that many problems faced by V/C Members will be solved.

Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, large number of villages do not have Sub.Centre while Sub Centre have been opened at various places in Aizawl town. The government must consider the matter thereof, thank you.

Dy. Speaker : Now time is limit, we will call upon our honourable Minister to wind up Demand within 20 minutes.

Pu Lalhmingthanga : Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, 15 minutes will be enough to winding up.

Pu Saikapthianga : Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, much time will not be necessary.

Dy. Speaker : Ministers are requested to adjust time, we will call upon Pu Zosiama to wind up Demand No. 23 and 39 and also beg leave of the house to pass his Demands.

Pu Zosiama Pachuau (Minister) : Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, thank you for allotting me time to wind up and beg leave of the house to pass my demands No. 23 and 39.

Regarding Director of Higher and Technical Education, the gov-

ernment also confirmed that Director should be placed at the top.

Regarding University, as soon as Peace Accord 1986 was signed, matter relating to University was put forward. The Mizoram government claimed for Central University project report had been submitted to Central government in the year of 1992. But Central government allowed to claim State University and Rs. 400,00,000 was sanctioned in the year of 1995. The State government allocated the funds under the following heads:

Road and bridges	:	Rs. 300,34,000
Power and Electricity	:	Rs. 34,66,000
Water supply	:	Rs. 65,00,000

But the estimate is too much, we require about Rs. 65,00,00,000. Therefore, we may think that Rs. 4,00,00,000 cannot do a lot of work. Besides, in order to have complicated University, there are certain essential formalities to comply with, for instances, No Objection Certificate from Home Ministry, Memorandum Book of Understanding from NEHU and other. In this regard, the government take steps to attain its aim.

Again, regarding College privincialisation, the government not only provincialised institutions but also the staffs. In this regard, the government is intending to introduce MA in Mizo. On the other hand, in order to enjoy AICTE pay scale by Lecturer, Polytechnic Lunglei, the government look in to the matter and intended to enjoy the scale.

Regarding Law College, Collegiate Hostel and 10+2 admission, the government is alert and try to solve problems faced by students and the people. Regarding post scholarship scheme, the Central government raised scholarship as follows. For Master degree in medical and Engineer scholarship is risen up from Rs. 280/- to Rs. 425/-, Post graduate Science Rs. 190/- to Rs. 290/-, Under Graduate Rs. 175/- to 230/-, Post Matric and 10+2 or PUC Rs. 115/- to Rs. 150.

Pu F. Malsawma : Mr. Dy. Speaker, what I mean to say is, scholarship given by concerned department under Central Scheme is too small.

Pu Zosiama Pachuau : Mr. Speaker Sir, there may be misunderstanding regarding the figure of the sanctioned for which is Mat Project, Rs. 500,00,000 as the project estimate includes all aided projects.

Regarding Village Grazing ground, as agricultural crops or Horti-

culture farm had been spoiled and eaten up by cattle and so also irrigation canal, the government laid responsibilities to Soil and Water Conservation Department. Thus Village Grazing ground is taken up by Soil and a Water Conservation department.

Again, regarding IWDF taken up by Soil and Water Conservation department, it will be taken care of by the government.

Regarding funds of Rs. 1065 lakhs is not Soil and Water Conservation department's fund.

Pu B. Lalthlengliana : Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, our honourable Minister must keep in mind electric criteria.

Pu Zosiama Pachuau : Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, I, therefore beg leave of all house to pass Demand No. 23. Higher and Technical Education. Revenue - 867 lakhs, capital Rs. 35/- lakhs and Demand No. 39, Soil and Water Conservation Department: revenue - Rs. 565 lakhs; capital - Rs. 500 lakhs = total Rs. 967 lakhs.

Dy. Speaker : Now we will take vote on Demand No. 23. Higher and Technical Education department: revenue - Rs. 863 lakhs; capital - Rs. 35 lakhs and Demand No. 39 Soil and Water Conservation Department: revenue - Rs. 565 lakhs; capital Rs. 300 lakhs = total Rs. 1967 lakhs.

Anyone who agree say 'yes' and who disagree say 'no'.

Thereby declared that Demand No. 23 Higher and Technical Education and Demand No. 39 Soil and Water Conservation Department is passed by the House.

We will call upon Pu S.T. Rualyapa, Minister in charge LAD to wind up Demand No. 6, 19, 28, 29 and so also to beg leave of the House to pass his demand.

Pu S.T. Rualyapa : Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, the government is intending to construct Revenue Department building comprising staffs room, consordiuam and Main Hall at Aizawl and Lunglei town. Meanwhile, Revenue department conduct abstract survey at 22 villages and 18 at sub. town. Airial survey is to be conducted by Indian Airforce team.

Not only that, the governemt is also intending to introduce com-

puter to record land, LSA and others.

Regarding LSC, in order to prevent doubled patta and other difficulties, the government has taken up the authority of district Office to provide LSC or patta in the year of 1991.

Regarding compensation on grounds of burning houses, damaging crops and grouping village. 1987 Ministry provided Rs. 4000/- to Rs. 5000/- each. When new ministry was formed in 1987 - '89, compensation was awarded to deserving families at the average of Rs. 6000/- each.

Considering our LSC, Store Pass and garden pass, revenue earned by the department in 1995 - '96 is Rs. 3,02,377 and Land Revenue of Rs. 79,06,288/-. This figure reveals that it is much more than that of our target.

Regarding Mamit constituency, we will look into the matter therein.

Regarding Bairabi House pass and LSC, the department have taken appropriate actions.

To answer question regarding New Market Aizawl - we have prepared Master Plan. We expect that action will be taken soon.

Regarding question relating to mutation, we have existing rules and regulation, we have to follow this rule.

Again, regarding Hunthar Veng land folding/Chaltiang Bangla fountain, Bawngkawn Bazar and Shashu - the government is sensitive about these matters. Therefore, appropriate action has been taken.

Not only the above stated, the government is intending to provide separate HUDCO loan system for Lai and Mara District Council. There is also a scheme to construct market at Lunglei, Serchhip, Super Market Aizawl, Diakkawn, Kolasib and Vaivakawn.

Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, most of all, the Members mentioned the administration of V.C. The government is trying to uplift position of V/C Administration and jurisdiction and is also trying to raise emolument of VCP to Rs. 250/- PM and Secretary Rs. 200/- PM.

Relating to certain matters especially construction of Village Council Court in better condition, we cannot afford to construct due to inadequacy of funds. Meanwhile, the department is intending to purchase vehicles and other materials so that sanitation condition may be better in urban areas.

In order to have an idea on fund, I will highlight certain allotments of fund for the departments. We have Rs. 148 lakhs under Plan and Rs. 63 lakhs under Non-Plan. The total is Rs. 211,70,000/- and the fund is allotted for construction of Fly over, dumping ground, picnic spot, District Park, ICC Footpath, steps, shopping Centre and for purchase of vehicles and so on.

Regarding House Loans, we have Rs. 132 lakhs, which may be added by Rs. 150 lakhs after revised estimate.

Again, regarding municipality, VC have regulation, but this does not mean that the regulation is rigid and good enough, we think that municipal may be introduced.

Lastly, regarding Sihphir VC problem, revenue system, LAD and electric department - the government considers the situation thereof and is expected to take remedial and immediate actions. Mr. Dy. Speaker, I therefore, beg leave of the House to pass Demand No. 6: revenue - Rs. 308 lakhs; Demand No. 19 Local Administration: revenue - Rs. 393 lakhs; Demand No. 28 Housing : revenue - 158 lakhs; capital Rs. 960 lakhs. Demand No. 29 Urban Development revenue Rs.381 lakhs; capital Rs. 27 lakhs. Grand total Rs. 22,27,90,000, thank you.

Dy. Speaker : Now the House will vote on Demands No. 6: revenue - Rs. 308 lakhs; Demand No. 19 Local Administration department: revenue - Rs. 393 lakhs; Demand No. 28 Housing revenue Rs. 158 lakhs; capital Rs. 960 lakhs; Demand No. 29 Urban development: revenue - Rs. 381 lakhs; capital Rs. 27 lakhs: total - Rs. 22,27,90,000.00

Those who agree say 'yes' and who disagree say 'no'.

I, therefore, declare that the said Demand (i.e. No. 6,19, 28 and 29) is passed by the House.

Let us call upon Pu H. Lalruata to wind up his Demand and beg leave of the House to pass his demand No. 26.

Pu H. Lalruata : Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, Demand No. 26 is wholly concentrated on Medical department. To answer the question relating to diet supply rate. The rate is already risen up at attractive rate.

Regarding Plan fund, the 1996-'97, Plan fund will not go on at diminishing rate, it will go on at increasing rate.

Pu F. Malsawma : Mr. Speaker Sir, Rs. 28 crores is allotted last year, now 22 crores is allotted. Is this not a diminishing rate?

Pu H. Lalruata : It will be summed up and increased at higher level. Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, regarding Civil Hospital building, the government is intending to construct new building and also made a decision to construct maternity Centre at Luangmual.

Regarding appointment of Director, the government is intending to fill the vacant post. We have already lined up five persons under zone of consideration. The zone of consideration is mainly based upon ACR. Their ACR have been collected and scrutinised by the government.

As stated by our members, we claimed for state hospital, the government itself is responsible and also trying hard to achieve its claim. We are looking for a place, the government will decide soon.

Again, regarding overtime allowances for nurses and IV grade, the government is considering situation therein.

Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, regarding outsider who disturb doctor on duty at Casualty, competent officers may take action against them. We have to note that Zawlnuam Hospital is under consideration.

Regarding power, the government is intending to purchase generator or UPC, but decisions is not yet made. Our honourable Minister may have to note that Diesel engine or Generator will be required so that sufficient power may be generated in Civil Hospital.

Regarding establishment and opening of Medical college or private health institution, if such college or hospital is opened by private or Society or any other social organisation, assistance will be given by the government. Regarding health insurance, we will consult department Secretary.

To answer question relating to state Aid Officer, the government is serious and appropriate step has been taken.

Lastly, regarding posting and transfer of nurses, the government will take an action viewing department norms.

Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, I therefore, beg leave of the House to pass Demand No. 26 Health and Family Welfare Department amounting to Rs. 22,00,30,000.00 thank you.

Dy. Speaker : We will take Vote on Demand No. 26 Medical, revenue amounting to Rs. 22,00,30,000.00. Those who agree say 'yes' and who disagree say 'no'. I therefore, declared that the Demand No. 26 is passed.

Pu Rinchhana : Mr. Dy. Speaker Sir, as we have various demands and time is limited, we will have to spare and extend time. For this reason, I suggest 15 minutes for each members.

Dy. Speaker : Suggestion made by our honourable member Pu Rinchhana may be considered next monday. Now the time is up. The Meeting is adjourned to be resumed at 10:30 AM next monday.

Meeting adjourned.