

10th Sitting of 2nd Session of the Third Mizoram Legislative
Assembly: Wednesday, 23rd March, 1994.

Pu Vaivenga, Speaker at the Chair, Chief Minister, 13
Ministers and 24 Members were present.

QUESTIONS

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

Discussion and Votings on Demands for Grant for
1994-1995

2. Pu Liansuama, to submit to the vote of the House - various Demands for Grant under his charge.
3. Pu C.Vulluaia to submit to the vote of the House - various Demands for Grants under his charge.
4. Pu Saikapthianga to submit to the vote of the House various Demands for Grants under his charge.
5. Pu P.C.Zoramsangliana to submit to the vote of the House - various Demands for Grant under his charge.

S P E A K E R : "The earth is the Lord's and
the fulness thereof, the
world and those who dwell
therein".

Psalms 24:1

We shall start with the
questions. Pu R.Tlanghmingthanga to ask first.

PU R.TLANGHMINGTHANGA : Will the Hon'ble Minister
i/c Education & Human Resources
be pleased to state -

- a) The number of students who have been given free text books ?
- b) Their names and the name of the Schools.

S P E A K E R : Pu Lal Thanhawla, Chief
Minister.

PU LAL THANHAWLA : Pu Speaker, the number of
CHIEF MINISTER : receipts of Free Text
Books are 3444, These free
text books are distributed
in 310 Primary Schools, and 243 Middle Schools.

S P E A K E R : Question No.81, Pu F.Lalzuala.

PU F.LALZUALA : Pu Speaker, I ask my starred
question No.81.

S P E A K E R : Pu Zoramsangliana to reply.

PU P.C.ZORAMSANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, the answer to the
MINISTER : question, 'Does the Government
intend to construct a Sports
Complex in the rural areas of
Lunglei District' is no, not yet.

PU F.LALZUALA : Pu Speaker, what is the reason
for not intending to construct
the said complex ?

PU P.C.ZORAMSANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, the reason is due
MINISTER : to lack of fund provision.

PU K.ROKHAW : Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c
Education and Human Resources
be pleased to state -

- a) The number of High Schools provincialised during the year 1993-1994.
- b) The number of Private High Schools and Middle Schools upgraded to Deficit status.
- c) The number of High Schools and Middle Schools intended to upgrade to deficit status during 1993-1994.

PU LAL THANHAWLA : Pu Speaker, the answer to
CHIEF MINISTER question 87 (a) The number of
High Schools is 62 and Middle
Schools is 87.

b) So far there is none.

c) It is intended to upgrade 11 High Schools and 9
Middle Schools to Deficit status during the current
year.

PU F.LALZUALA : Pu Speaker, Government High
School Teachers have drawn
their salary where as the
Head Masters have not. Is
this due to the fact that there are too many Schools ?

PU ZAKHU HLYCHHO : Pu Speaker, a supplementary
question. The Hon'ble Finance
Minister stated that '20 more
such Middle Schools are pro-
posed to be governed by the system in 1994-95. Does that
mean there is no intention to make High Schools into
Deficit status during 1994-1995 ?

PU LAL THANHAWLA : Pu Speaker, there are many
CHIEF MINISTER proposals but due to lack of
fund only a few more upgraded.
If possible, more than the number of proposals will be
taken up.

PU F.LALZUALA : Pu Speaker, another supplemen-
tary question. Government
High School Teachers have
drawn their salary, but High
School Headmasters like KVM High School have not been able
to draw their salary. What is the reason for this ?

PU LAL THANHAWLA : Pu Speaker, the reason may be
due to late pay-slips.

S P E A K E R : Question No.83, Pu Lalsawta to ask.

PU LALSAWTA : Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Labour & Employment be pleased to state -

What solutions does the Government of Mizoram have in solving the problems of the working labour classes in Mizoram except by reducing the number of labourers. When rates of wages of labourers are increased ?

S P E A K E R : The Minister i/c Pu C.Vulluaia has entrusted Pu Liansuama to answer in his absence.

PU LIANSUAMA MINISTER : Pu Speaker, according to the rates in 1986 the wages of working class labourers are as follows :-

1. Unskilled - Rs 16/- per day.
2. Semi-skilled - Rs 18/- per day.
3. Skill II - Rs 23/- per day.
4. Skill I - Rs 26/- per day.

However, due to inflation the Government revised these scales in April 1993 as follows :-

1. Unskilled - Rs 35/- per day.
2. Semi-skill - Rs 40/- per day.
3. Skill II - Rs 50/- per day.
4. Skill I - Rs 60/- per day.

Due to the increased rate of wages it became difficult to employ the same number of labourers, and some had to be dropped. No other solutions have been made to solve this problem. It may be possible to review the matter in the new budget.

PU LALSAWTA : Pu Speaker, a supplementary question. Is there any intention to give bonuses according to their skills ?

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Speaker, the Department of
MINISTER Labour and Employment cannot
offer to pay bonuses. However,
the Department may pay bonuses
according to their performance. It could also be the
purview of the Finance Department.

PU F.LALREMSIAMA : Pu Speaker, who is the com-
petant authority to catego-
rise the skill of labourers ?
It appears to differ in va-
rious departments like Public Works Department, PHE,
Power & Electricity Department and Sericulture.

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Speaker, it depends on the
MINISTER Head of the Department.

◆ S P E A K E R : Question No.84, Pu Lalrinchhana.

PU LALRINCHHANA : Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c
Home Department be pleased to
state -

When will the SDPO post at Ratu start functioning ?

PU J.LALSANGZUALA : Pu Speaker, the post of SDPO
MINISTER Ratu was created on 19 July,
1993. Due to lack of funds
we have not been able to
construct the Office Buildings and Quarters. They will
function as soon as the constructions are ready.

PU LALRINCHHANA : Pu Speaker, it is like putting
the cart before the Horse. The
buildings should have been
constructed before opening
the post.

PU F.LALRENSIAMA : Pu Speaker, is it not possible to position the Officer and Staff although accomodations are not yet completed ?

PU J.LALSANGZUALA : Pu Speaker, it is possible to function without the buildings, we are doing our best to complete the accomodations.
MINISTER

S P E A K E R : Question No.85.

Dr R.LALTHANGLIANA : Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c Food & Civil Supplies be pleased to state -

The amount of Rice harvested in Mizoram in terms of Metric tonnes during 1993.

PU SAIKAPTHIANGA : Pu Speaker, the expected amount of Rice in 96727 metric tonnes.
MINISTER

Dr R.LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, a supplementary question. From the statistics the Rice harvest in Mizoram is higher than last year. However, the procurement of rice from FCI has not decreased, but rather increased. Is there no co-ordination between the Civil Supply Department and the Department of Agriculture regarding there matters ?

PU F.LALZUALA : Pu Speaker, what is the expenditure on the part of the Government for meeting, the needs of the cultivators ?

PU SAIKAPTHIANGA : Pu Speaker, the latter ques-
MINISTER tion is rather difficult to
answer. Our record is from
the District Agriculture
Officer who maintains the amount of rice harvested each
year. The Department of Agriculture is not authorised
to fix the amount of rice procurement for Mizoram.

S P E A K E R : Question No.86.

PU ZAKHU HLYCHHO : Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c
Education Department be
pleased to state -

What measures does the Government of Mizoram intend to
take regarding certain Middle Schools in Chhimtuipui
District where the Teachers out number the students ?

PU LAL THANHAWLA : Pu Speaker, the District
CHIEF MINISTER Council will take over School
Education in Chhimtuipui Dis-
trict from 1st April. It
will be in their hands to see what will be done.

S P E A K E R : Pu Lalkhama may ask Question
No. 87.

PU LALKHAMA : Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c
Education Department be
pleased to state -

- a) Who are the persons employed for the literacy of
adults ?
- b) Is their work satisfying ? What about the Kristian
Thalai Pawl ?
- c) What is the amount of fund given to the Kristian
Thalai Pawl for this purpose since 1990 till date ?

S P E A K E R : Pu Lal Thanhawla, Chief Minis-
ter may reply.

PU LAL THANHAWLA : Pu Speaker, the answer to the
CHIEF MINISTER question is

- a) Apart from the Department Staff, the Village Adult Education Committee and other volunteers are engaged.
- b) The KTP (Kristian Thapai Pawl) members are not engaged as a group.
- c) As they are not engaged the question of giving funds does not arise.

S P E A K E R : Question No.88, Pu Lalsawta.

PU LALSAWTA : Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c Finance Department be pleased to state -

How much fund was transferred from one Department to another in the Department under the Government of Mizoram during the period of 1.12.93 to 28.2.94 indicating Department wise transfer of fund and corresponding receipt of fund by other Department ?

S P E A K E R : Pu Lahmingthanga, may reply.

PU LALHMINHANGA : Pu Speaker, the total amount
MINISTER of fund transferred was Rs.65,16,000/- and the trans-
action of fund was between -

- 1) IPR to PWD - Rs. 1,54,000,00/-
- 2) Protocal to D.C - Rs. 1,54,000/-
- 3) Tourism to PHE - Rs. 7,000,00/-
- 4) Tourism to PWD - Rs. 5000,00/-
- 5) Education to PWD - Rs. 3,45,000/-
- 6) Sports Deptt. to Forest - Rs.22,5000/-
- 7) Tourism to PWD - Rs 3,91,000/-
- 8) Education to PWD - Rs 9,65,000/-
- 9) Tourism to PWD - Rs 36,000/-

The total of which is R₹ 65,16,000/-.

PU F.LALRENSIAMA : Pu Speaker, for what purpose were these transfers utilised ?

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Speaker, most of these are deposit works. Those who works in the Technical Wing transfer their fund to the Technical Department.

S P E A K E R : Question No.89, Pu R.Tlang-hmingthanga.

PU R.TLANGHMINGTHANGA : Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c Home Department be pleased to state -

Is there any intention to shift the Fire Service Station ?

S P E A K E R : Pu J.Lalsangzuala.

PU J.LALSANGZUALA : Pu Speaker, there is no such intention at the moment.

S P E A K E R : Question No.90, Pu Lalsawta.

PU LALSAWTA : Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c GAD be pleased to state -

What are the Government expenses for conducting of General Election in Mizoram in 1987, 1989 and 1993 indicating the aggregate expenses seperately for each year of General Election in the above years ?

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Speaker, the Government
MINISTER expenditure in the Election
in 1987 was Rs,20,30,155/-
In 1989 the expenditure was
Rs.139,20,688/- and in 1993 the expenditure was Rs.467,
85,124/-. The reason for the high rise in the last
election was due to the engagement of BSF, SSP comprising
of 56 companies, and the increase of polling stations by
a number of 62. Prices of POL have also increased con-
siderably.

PU LALSAWTA : Pu Speaker, a supplementary
question. Is the Minister i/c
Election aware of the fact that
Congress workers took advantage
of the expenses by availing their vehicles for the elec-
tion, for the amount of Rs 32,000,00/-.

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Speaker, the Government of
MINISTER Mizoram requisitioned 17
private buses, 41 Mizoram
State Transport Buses, 63
Trucks and 629 Light Motor Vehicles. All expenses were
borne by the Government of Mizoram, irrespective of
whether they are of the Congress Party Workers, Janata
Dal on Government Vehicles.

S P E A K E R : Question No.91, Pu K.Rokhaw.

PU K.ROKHAW : Will the Minister i/c Rural
Development be pleased to
state -

- a) How many blocks have been selected for NLUP scheme
during 1993-94 ?
- b) The name of the blocks.

S P E A K E R : Pu Liansuama, may reply.

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Speaker, two Blocks namely, Serchhip and Lungdar East Block
MINISTER were selected for New Land Use Policy during the year 1993-94.
I think that answers both the questions.

PU F.MALSAWMA : Pu Speaker, is there any intention to complete the Aizawl Water Supply Scheme Phase II during 1994-95.

PU LAHMHINGTHANGA : Pu Speaker, there is no intention to complete the Aizawl Water Supply Scheme Phase II during 1994-95.
MINISTER

PU R.TLANGHMINGTHANGA : Pu Speaker, what machines has the Printing & Stationery Department purchased since Mizoram became a full fledged state on 20.2.1987 ? The particulars and prices there of.

PU S.T.RUALYAPA : Pu Speaker, the following
MINISTER Are the list of machines purchased and the price and date there of -

<u>Name of Machine</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Date of purchase.</u>
1. Platen Printing Machine.	1 No.	Rs.15,000/-	10.4.1987
2. 90" Paper Folding Machine.	1 NO.	Rs.70,000/-	20.4.1987
3. HMT Automatic letter Press Printing machine	1 No.	Rs536,721,60/-	8.5.1987
4. Zinc sheet cutting machine.	1 No.	Rs 8,905/-	8.5.1988
5. Routing machine (Complete)	1 No.	Rs.34,740/-	23.6.1988
6) Indian made Bavelling machine (German model)	1No.	Rs.34,740/-	23.6.1988
7) Rubber stamp making.	1 No.	Rs.39,626.34	14.7.1988

8) Printograph stop Cylinder Printing machine.	1No.	Rs. 165,321/-	14.7.1988.
9) Raising machine	2Nos.	Rs. 16,424/-	9.10.90 28.1.91
10) Lynotype Model '78	1No.	Rs 1368435/-	20.7.89
11) Hand Proof machine	1No.	Rs 5,000/-	23.1.92
12) Printing Fully Auto letter Press Printing machine.	4Nos.	Rs 634,400/-	14.9.88
13) Automatic Cutting machine 42'	2Nos.	Rs 270,400/-	26.2.92
14) G.B.C. Punching machine	1No.	Rs 15,400/-	5.3.92
15) Resograph RC-56000	1No.	Rs 627,850/-	24.11.92.

PU F.MALSAWMA : Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c
Industries be pleased to state -

- a) What is the purpose of creating the Industrial Growth Centre ?
- b) What is the estimated expenditure ?
- c) The amount of expenditure so far incurred, and for what purpose.
- d) What is the percentage of the completed works ?

PU J.LALSANGZUALA : Pu Speaker, it is created to
MINISTER assist the growth of industries.

- b) The present estimate of expenditure is Rs.25.55 crore.
- c) So far, Rs. 2.59 crores has been spent as per Annexure - I.
- d) About 10% of the work.

Annexure - I
Receipt of Rs 2.59 crores.

- 1) For acquirement of land.
- 2) Wire fencing
- 3) NIDC Project Report.
- 4) Land Survey.
- 5) Purchase of Bulldozer, Road roller, and Air compressor, Vehicle.
- 6) Construction of Office, Quarter, Go-down and Labour shed.
- 7) Construction of Culvert, Retaining Wall and Side drains.
- 8) Construction of Water shed.

PU H.LALRUATA : Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c Revenue Department be pleased to state -

What procedure is practiced by the Government in issuing Land Settlement Certificate within the District of Lunglei.

PU P.C.BAWITLUANGA : Pu Speaker, all Land Settlements are processed according to the Mizo District (Land Revenue) Rules 1967 Chapter II. This is practiced in the District of Lunglei.

PU T.HRANGHLUTA : Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c Industries Department be pleased to state -

- a) What steps have been taken by the Industries Department taken in Lawngtlai. ?
- b) How does it intend to proceed ?
- c) Is the self-educated Unemployed Loan available in Chhimtuipui District ?

PU J.LALSANGZUALA : Pu Speaker, (a) The Industries Department has taken steps in the following -
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- 1) Construction of wire house.
 - 2) Go-down for storage of tools and plants.
 - 3) Machine for weaving made available for public use.
 - 4) Information Centre.
- (b) Propose to open Sub-Divisional Industrial Office at Lawngtlai. Propose to set up Corn Mills under Mizoram Food & Allied Industries Corporation.
- (c) Yes, there is.

PU LALSAWTA : Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c General Administration Department be pleased to state -

Why are the Examination Marksheets for the Mizoram Civil Service and Subordinate Civil Service of Mizoram since 1986 not issued to the successful and the unsuccessful candidates ?

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Speaker, 1) No competitive Examination for recruitment to the Mizoram subordinate Civil Service (Group 'B' Posts) has been conducted after 1986.

- 2) Competitive Examination for recruitment to the Junior Grade of MCS was held on 23rd and 24th January, 1991.

The Examination Marksheets have not been issued to the successful and unsuccessful candidates since the MCS (Competitive Examination) Regulations, 1981 and the MCS Rules, 1988 as amended upto date specially do not provide for issue of marksheets to the successful or unsuccessful candidates.

At the same time, no application from any candidates for issue of the marksheets has been received.

However, the successful candidates had been appraised of their success in the examination with their respective position in the examination vide notification No.A.12024/1/90-P&AR (20) dated April 1991.

PU R.TLANGHMINHTHANGA : Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c Industries Department be pleased to state -

a) The names of the Board Members of Khadi & Village Industries and the term of their tenure.

b) What are the required qualification for a Board member.

PU J.LALSANGZUALA : Pu Speaker, (a) The present MINISTER Board Members and their terms are :-

- 1) Minister of Industries - Chairman. 8.1.94.
- 2) H.K.Chakma - Vice Chairman. 16.4.92 - 15.4.95
- 3) Kapchhunga - Member. 16.4.92 - 15.4.95
- 4) A.Rohnuna - Member. 16.4.92 - 15.4.95
- 5) Rokhawmthanga - Member 16.4.92 - 15.4.95.
- 6) President, MLA . 16.4.92 - 15.4.95
- 7) Secretary, () 16.4.92 - 15.4.95
- 8) Director of Industries. 16.4.92 - 15.4.95
- 9) Dy. Director, KVIC Dimapur. 16.4.92 - 15.4.95
- 10) Asstt. Director, SISI, Aizawl 16.4.92 - 15.4.95
- 11) Lalrengpuia Saila, 16.4.92 - 15.4.95

(b) Government employees and persons associated with KVI programmes are appointed.

S P E A K E R : Question hour is now over. We have before us four Demands to take up. Pu Lian-suama and Pu Vulluaia's Demands will be taken up in the morning and the other two Demands in the afternoon.

PU LALRINCHHANA : Pu Speaker, would it not be convenient to move all the four Demands together and allot about 10 minutes for each member to speak.

PU C. HAWNGKUNGA
MINISTER

number.

: Pu Speaker, I do not think that is a wise suggestion. Let us take it up Demand by Demand and not fix the

S P E A K E R

: Silence, silence.

Dr R. LALTHANGLIANA

: We would need at least 20 minutes each for the four Demands.

S P E A K E R

: Yes, that is a good suggestion.

PU LIANSUAMA
MINISTER

: Your suggestion to take up two Demands in the morning and two in the afternoon is quite reasonable.

PU ZORAMTHANGA

: It will take up more time than we think. Therefore, we will not have time to discuss as you suggest.

PU SAIKAPTHIANGA
MINISTER

: Pu Rinchhana's suggestion seems quite reasonable. It is entirely up to your decision Mr Speaker.

S P E A K E R

: In that case, we will go according to the suggestion of Pu Rinchhana. It will be better as the members will have about 15 minutes each. Pu Liansuama Minister may now move his Demands.

PU LIANSUAMA : Mr Speaker, Sir, on the
MINISTER recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission, Sir, I move the Demand Numbers 5, 12, 17, 42 and 47 for Rs. 51,13,50,000.00 only for meeting expenses during 1994-95 in respect of the following Departments.

Demand No. 5, Election	- 1,00,000,000/-
No. 12, District Administration, Revenue	- 6,00,00,000/-
No. 17, Other Adm. Services, Revenue	- 6,96,50,000/-
No. 42, Rural Development, Revenue	- 35,62,00,000/-
No. 47, Civil Aviation, Revenue	- 50,00,000/-
Total	- Rs. 51,13,50,000/-

Thank you.

Mr Speaker, as entrusted to me by Pu C.Vulluaia, Minister i/c Horticulture, etc. I submit the following demands.

On the recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission Sir, I move the Demand Nos., 4, 31 and 36 for Rs 6,08,70,000.00 only for meeting expenses during 1994-95 in respect of the following Departments -

No. 4, Adm. of Justice, Revenue	- Rs. 1,49,00,000.00
No. 31, Labour & Employment, Revenue	- Rs. 96,10,000.00
No. 36, Horticulture, Revenue	- 3,44,60,000.00
Capital	- 19,00,000.00
Total	- Rs. 6,08,70,000.00

Thank you Sir.

S P E A K E R : Pu Saikapthianga may now submit the Demands under his charge.

PU SAIKAPTHIANGA : Mr Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission, Sir, I move the Demands under my charge No. 35, 41 and 51 for Rs 14,72,80,000.00 only for meeting expenses during 1994-95 in respect of the following Departments.

No. 35, Agriculture,	Revenue - Rs	10,90,20,000.00
	Capital - Rs	79,00,000.00
No. 41, Co-operation,	Revenue- Rs	1,98,50,000.00
	Capital- Rs	35,10,000.00
No. 51, Other general Services,	Economic Revenue- Rs	52,00,000.00
Total -		Rs.14,72,80,000.00

Thank you.

S P E A K E R : Pu Zoramsangliana.

PU ZORAMSANGLIANA : Mr Speaker Sir, on the
MINISTER : recommendation of the Govern-
or of Mizoram and with your
permission Sir, I move the

Demands Nos. 23 and 32 for Rs 8,22,80,000.00 only for
meeting expenses during 1994-95 in respect of the follo-
wing Departments -

No. 23 Sports & Youth
Services - Revenue - Rs 3,64,00,000.00

No. 32 Social Welfare Revenue - Rs 4,58,80,000.00

Total - Rs 8,22,80,000.00

Thank you Sir.

S P E A K E R : Now that the four Ministers
have moved their Demands,
we shall start the discussion
and each member will have
20 minutes.

PU LALRINCHHANA : Pu Speaker, I shall start with the Social Welfare Deptt. This Department is the only means of helping people in distress, there are innumerable handicapped and spastic people in the rural areas. I have come across many such people in my Constituency and inspite of the works already done by the Social Welfare Department, we need more fund provisions to meet the needs of these poor people.

Regarding sports, we have progressed very much due to the concern of the Minister in-charge and the Chief Minister himself. The Department of Trade and Commerce has been having quite enough time to develop but very little advancement is to be seen. The Department has not taken enough steps for development the Minister i/c may kindly take note of this.

Coming to the Department of Administration of Justice Demand No. 4, the Judiciary and Executive are still not bifurcated. The Judiciary Department do not have as much power as they ought to. Unless this is clearly separated it is not possible to have a good Judicial system. We cannot expect 'Justice' to prevail. The two must be bifurcated for better performance of both.

In Demand No.5, Election, the expenditure is very high. This is partly due to the engagement of Assam Police. We should learn to manage with our own Police Forces which will cut down much of the expenses.

Lastly, coming to the Deptt. of Rural Development, the name itself is significant. The various projects and schemes of development are not streamlined in such a way that they can be best utilised. There is also lack of Technical know-how and lack of guidance for the beneficiaries. It is therefore not as beneficial as they should be. The Minister i/c may please look over the matter.

PU ZAKHU HLYCHHO : Pu Speaker, I shall start with the Department of Election. Our main error in Mizoram is the inclusion of minors in the electoral roll. This is very much evident in the District of Chhimituipui. I believe the Election Commission of India has tried to introduce the system of Identity Cards for voters in every state.

If we can practice this in our state, we may be able to eradicate the listing of minor voters in the Electoral Roll. It would also be useful to detect the influx of foreigners in our state.

The District of Chhimituipui is very undeveloped in the Department of Sports & Youth Services. There are no full fledged Football field to mention in Saiha and Mara District.

The Minister i/c Sports & Youth Services visited the area and tried to find means of constructing a standard Playground in the District. Measurements were taken and we waited expectantly with no results till today. We are also happy that the govt. is going to re-build the Indoor Stadium. It is now three years since the old one was dismantled and up till now even half of the work is not yet finished.

A provision of Rs 25 lakhs is made for De-addiction Centre. Due to the fast spread of crime and delinquency, what we need in Aizawl is also needed in the smaller towns. In the District of Chhimituipui, we do not have any De-Addiction Centres. However, the crime rate is as fast as it is in Aizawl and other towns. It is therefore very important to have such centres in the area as soon as possible. We would be very grateful if the government can act upon this at the earliest convenience. Thank you.

PU HRANGTLANGA COLNEY :
MINISTER

Pu Speaker, thank you for giving me this time. My most concern is regarding the Rural Development. There has been a lot of errors made by the public regarding selection of trades for new Land Use Policy. We pointed out this matter to the public when we toured our constituencies. Likewise, the people also need to be educated in this matter. Implementation of the Land Use Policy should be our main stay for self sufficiency. On the other hand the government should see that there is no partiality in carrying out this scheme.

Next, I often wonder if we are giving due importance to Civil Aviation. The present Air port is so insufficient that we are constantly facing air travel problems all the time. The aircraft, Danier is only a 15 seated craft. There is also another small aircraft which has a capacity of 35 seats that may be able to land in a small air-strip. If we could have this type, it would be much Casier. The proposed Air field at Lengpui is a Centrally sponsored scheme and the state government also has to prepare itself for this. We therefore, need to give more importance to Civil Aviation, the provision of Rs 50 lakhs is on the meagre side.

In the Department of Social Welfare, the system has to be streamlined in such a way that the people will benefit most. For instance, which sports goods like football are subsidised in the Urban Areas, the Villagers in Rural Areas may not be able to afford even a subsidy of 25%.

In my Constituency most Villages do not have community halls. This is one thing we must not ignore. The need for De-addiction Centres have also crapped up in the rural areas. This facility is needed throughout the state with specially trained staff on the use and de-taxification of narcotics.

PU LALSAWTA : Pu Speaker, I shall take only a few minutes. I shall start with Co-operation Department. In matters of business and shop keeping, we do not have much problem in the bigger level. However, in terms of gracing stones we need to have more of the Co-operative stones in more places. This will not only check the rise of prices, it will provide with more accessibility to everyday needs and commodities. The present provision is therefore not enough to provide such outlets.

Another important point is the Administration of justice. This is a very technical matter. The absence of proper administration of justice has played havoc in Mizoram. The innocent are convicted while the trespassers are acquitted. What we need in this department is not just more provision but a better system of law and order.

In the field of Sports and Games, Mizoram is not lacking behind. In fact we have advanced upto the international level. However, it may not be the best thing to impose sports and games to all students in the Schools. Their optitude is not equal and when the School season starts with games and sports, many students suffer. It may be better to streamline this activity instead of involving others unnecessarily;

S P E A K E R : It is only two minutes left for Recess.

Recess : 1:00 Pm till 2:00 Pm.

PU F.LALB IAKZUALA : Pu Speaker, thank you for giving me time.

Starting with the Department of Agriculture, our annual paddy harvest is not so little in the state according to the reports of the department. However, this is only according to the DAO Office report. We do not know for certain the exact amount harvested each year. If the government of Mizoram procures rice from Punjab and Haryana at Rs 14/- per Kg, why not purchase our own products at the same rate? This will give incentive to the farmers for better harvests and it will meet the need of the state as well.

I am happy to know that MAMCO has been opened in the Agriculture Department. It will be the marketing pivot for cultivators of cash crops.

Regarding Sports & Youth Services, every village wants to have a standard playground and an Indoor Stadium. However, if this is not possible, we could at least aim to have it constituency wise in the rural areas.

Lastly, I would like to mention the Social Welfare Department. This Department is undoubtedly the mother of the destitute, homeless and handicapped people. The fund provision is too meagre to meet the ever growing needs of the public. I feel that the need to raise the provision is quite reasonable in view of the needs as we have just pointed out. The De-addiction Centre also needs better equipped and trained workers. The Centre should be administered under better and higher authority.

Thank you.

S P E A K E R : Pu Malsawma next.

PU F.MALSAWMA : Pu Speaker, I shall start from Sports & Youth Services. It appears that we have come to a point of stagnation in the department of Sports. We need to chalk out progressive steps to be taken within a five year plan. Otherwise, the present system is not getting us anywhere.

In the Department Social Welfare, I have often felt the need to have a connective Directorate for the De-addiction Centre. It may be a little pre-mature right now but in view of things to come, we may bear this in mind.

Another thing I would like to mention is about the Civil Services in the G.A.D.

Civil Service personnels are widely posted in Departments which is becoming a problem. This posting of Civil Service personnel in Departments has brought about certain problems. The Officers who have spent most of their services in the department are blocked to get further promotions as Head of Department. It may be the correct thing to do in principle, but on the other hand these Civil Service postings often cause moral degradations in the Departments.

PU F.LALZUALA : Pu Speaker, there are many things to say, and I shall start with Sports & Youth Services. What I wish to say is that it is important to de-centralise power. If all power is centralised in Aizawl, the rural areas have very little share. The same case is seen in the Social Welfare Department Powerful people lap up the shares of the poor and handicapped people in rural areas.

The powers of the Labour and Employment Directorate are also by-passed to a great extent. Registration in the employment exchange are often superseded by recommendations from Ministers.

The Rural Development Department is another department of gross misappropriation of funds. In my Constituency there are no Community Halls completed. The sanctions for such constructions are still not fully drawn. These are the little things that man the Ministry.

PU LALKHAMA : Pu Speaker, the Rural Development Department is very good in theory or principle. The only thing is that we misappropriate the whole schemes and projects under this Department.

Choosing their trades for NIUP should be done very carefully. Cultivators should make a through survey of the areas before cultivating Tea and Tung in the land.

Those who choose Piggery should also rear the animals in areas where it will not be a nuisance to the public.

In the Department of Social Welfare, the nutrition programme is very beneficial to the people especially in the rural areas. However, instead of procuring nutrients from other states it would be wise to purchase our own products such as Bananas, other fruits like Gooseberries and Oranges.

The annual rice harvest recorded in the Department is also doubtful. In this view we should be quite self-sufficient with all the amount we procure from outside. Where does our food stuff go to? Are we feeding people of Manipur? It is quite possible.

We should also be very careful in our administration of justice. We attract all kinds of people from Burma, Manipur, Bangladesh etc. who are less fortunate than us. These people are infiltrating our daily lives, our homes and our lands. We should be able to identify ourselves and protect our land and people.

PU H.K.CHAKMA

: Pu Speaker, I shall start with Demand No.35, Agriculture. There is great scope and potential wet Rice Cultivation in my Constituency but the cultivators need help and technical know-how from the Department. Proper irrigation systems are needed to yield double crops annually.

We also need to cultivate seed farms for crops like Lemon, Coconut and Betelnut to supply the whole state. Cold storage is also needed for fish products.

Next, I would like to say a few words in Social Welfare Department. We need an Officer and Quarters in my Constituency. There are also no Anganwadis in Tlabung area. Due to the absence of Anganwadis, all the children have to start School from Class I. We also need to uplift Games and Sports in my Constituency. We need sanctions for the construction of Playgrounds and Indoor Stadiums in Tlabung.

PU B.LALTHLENGLIANA

: Pu Speaker, there are many things to say. I shall start with the Department of Agriculture. Grants and Subsidies should be given to the real cultivators and not those who do it in name only.

The posts of B.Sc Agriculture in the Department should also be filled up.

Regarding Sports & Youth Welfare, the mini sports complex at Kolasib which was stated to have been completed by 75% is regrettably not so. It is at present covered with overgrowth of grass and weeds.

Whatever 'on going' schemes that have been started by the previous Ministry should be continued by the next Ministry.

The Social Welfare Department is our main source of helping the handicapped and old-aged people. Unfortunately, my Constituency is very much in need of such aid for the handicapped. There is much work to do. However, unless the hands of the MLA is strengthened it is very difficult to work depending only on the CDPOs of the Department. That is all,

Thank you.

Dr J.V.HLUNA

■ Pu Speaker, I am deeply concerned with the performance of the Co-operation Department. It is a business department as we may call it. When we look at the Department we have a Gas Agency, Petrol Station and a big Departmental store known as the MIZOFED. Private business enterprises are doing well and flourishing in Aizawl, but the MIZOFED is surprisingly losing instead of gaining profit.

S P E A K E R.

■ It is now 4:00 Pm. We shall have a short Tea-break and continue.

Dr J.V.HLUNA

■ Regarding Labour & Employment, the labourers in the state are mostly from outside Mizoram. It would be good to open a registration for labourers with classification of skills.

The Department of Civil Aviation is also a very important Department. The Vayudoot Service does not meet the need of the public.

Everyday, there are many sick people who need to take medical treatment outside Mizoram. If we could have private airlines such as Sahara to extend their routes to Aizawl, It would be of great public service.

Regarding Sports & Youth Welfare, it would be a good idea to have a School of Sports in a convenient place like Thenzawl where budding sportsmen will be trained in full time. It will also be good for talent hunting.

S P E A K E R : We will continue our discussion.
Pu Remsiam.

PU F. LALREMSIAMA : Pu Speaker, I thank you for giving me the first chance to speak after the break, I shall begin with Demand No. 12 District Administration, and Demand No. 4, Administration of Justice.

I feel that administration is not properly carried out in the Districts. If we bifurcate the districts into smaller ones, the administration will surely be more effective. Supplies of essential commodities will be easily available and power will not be concentrated in cities alone.

In the Administration of Justice, we are still practicing systems that are no longer practiced in other states. Police Officers are still carrying out prosecution work in district courts. We do not have Public Prosecutors whose duty is to check the Police papers, case investigation and case diaries. We need to have Public Prosecutors and Assistant Public Prosecutors for better and efficient administration of justice. It will also, solve the employment problem for Law graduates.

Coming to the Department of Agriculture, it is high time for us to make new moves such as having Agriculture Co-operatives and Field Management Committees. There is sufficient fund to work with such as Rs 144,74 lakhs for Water shed development, Rs 67 lakhs for crop husbandry, Rs 203 lakhs for Food grain development and Rs 167 lakhs for River diversion project.

We therefore, need to have a good management committee to make good use of our provisions.

Training in Agriculture is also greatly needed, those who have gone abroad for such purposes were not farmers or agriculturists and therefore no benefit was reaped.

S P E A K E R : Let that be enough. The next is Pu Zathuama.

PU H.ZATHUAMA

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Pu Speaker, I agree with what the member from Aizawl West II said regarding the District Administration.

I feel that we need to have a more powerful administration in the District. As population grows, it is more and more difficult to have a good and effective administration both in the cities and villages. The power of the Deputy Commissioner also needs to be strengthened. The various developmental schemes under Block Development Officer would also be better utilised if it is in the hands of the Deputy Commissioner.

In Demand No.4, Administration of Justice, we need to bifurcate the Judiciary from the Executive as soon as possible. The Courts are also not functioning as they should. The building itself and the administration is not dignified as it should be. The Court should be functioning in a dignified and honourable manner.

In the Department of Agriculture it is good to hear from the Minister i/c Agriculture that priority would be given to Agriculture and Allied Sector. In order to progress in the field of Agriculture, we need to have better survey and investigations in the field. Coming to the Department of Civil Aviation, we do not need to have this department in a state like ours where we do not even possess one Helicopter. Let us keep it for the time when we have a complete air-field at Lengpui.

The Department of Social Welfare may be nightfull called the development of young people. This is a very important department and is the only means of guidance and help for addicted youngsters. It plays the role of a mother to the distressed people and old aged. The CDPO (Child Development Project Officer) draws a pay scale of Rs 2000/- which in comparison to their counterparts should be raised to Rs 2200/- in view of the nature of work the post calls for.

PU T.HRANGHLUTA

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Pu Speaker, starting with the District Administration, it appears that there are about 72 non-gazetted Administrative Officers who were engaged during the disturbances and are still drawing their salary without any work to do. If these people are still holding their posts, the Government should see that they are engaged effectively.

Regarding Labour and Employment, I would like to relate what I came across at the Employment Exchange, Lawngtlai. The Sub-Divisional Employment Office at Lawngtlai was manned by a single peon. The Assistant Employment Officer was at Saiha. You may understand the way the Office is running with just one Peon to look after it.

In the Department of Agriculture, it is time to have a mechanised Agriculture, if we are to be self-sufficient in food stuff. Chamdur valley and other Valleys in the Lai and Chakma District could be projected for mechanised Agriculture. It could be a five year plan Project. Other wise, our present system of Agriculture is getting us nowhere. The trifurcation of the Agri-culture Department into Horticulture and Fisheries is the beginning of development for Mizoram. The implementation of the fund provisions is the key to all round development. Instead of spending more on buildings and vehicles, importance should be given to cultivation and fisheries. That is all,

Thank you.

PU ZORAMTHANGA : Pu Speaker, thank you. I am very concerned with the Department of Rural Development and its mode of operation. Provisions made for the upliftment of rural areas is not small. In fact the provision of Rs 2700 lakhs which could be of great meaning is concentrated in the Office of the Block Development Officer. We have experts in departments like Veterinary and Animal Husbandry, Agriculture and Fisheries but they do not take part in the execution of the implementation. Everything is done through the Block Development Office. The system is not correct.

Another one in my mind is the small but important Department of Civil Aviation. I once stated to the Aviation Minister, Government of India that it would be very difficult to expect Mizoram to join in the mainstream of the Indian life with just one Donier aircraft which can seat only 19 passengers. That too is only a fair weather flight. We therefore, need to speed up the construction of a full-pledged air-field for a big aircraft to land.

I also agree with what the Hon'ble Member said regarding Labour & Employment. Registration of labourers and having a camp for labourers would solve a lot of problem we are facing at present.

Regarding Social Welfare and Youth Services, we need to be absolutely dedicated to the service of our young people. At the speed we are going now, the rate of death among the young people is increasing every day. It is worth spending any amount as long as we can save their lives. Sports comes as a means to re-juvenate young people who have been degraded to low spirits due to drug abuse and alcoholism. They can utilise their time constructively, especially if they have dropped out of School.

It is therefore imperative that we do not overlook this department.

S P E A K E R : We have taken the Demands of four Ministers. Members may please try to be bried.

PU R. TLANGHMINGTHANGA : Pu Speaker, in the Department of Sports and Youth Welfare we have done quite a good job in constructing a Contact Sports Stadium. In pursuance of this, I have in mind a very convinient place for constructing a Mini Cantact Sports Stadium in Aizawl South. There is a building which can be used for this purpose if we purchase it. The Community Hall cum Indoor Statium in Republic Veng which is not completed due to poor archi tectural plans. can be diverted to the purchase of other stadiums.

Coming to the Department of Election it is learnt that the Government of Mizoram is intending to introduce identity cards to be used in elections. This appears to be a very good ideas. However it would not be advisable to let Contractors do the work for fear of mass production. If the work goes to the contractor, they will produce as many as possible with an eye for profit. It would be better to consider the work as a departmental work.

In Demand No.31, Labour & Employment, it is learnt that non-Mizos have registered in the Employment Exchange. This should be checked and dealt with.

In the department of Agri-culture we find more provisions for fertilizers than that of the previous year. Rs 33 lakhs is also made for subsidies and grants. Although this is not enough, it is quite substantial to work with Farmers have learnt the benefit of using fertilisers, and more harvest is reaped as a result of fertilizers. We need to concentrate on this as much as possible in order to be self-sufficient in our food production.

Irrigation is also vitally important for wet rice cultivation. The distribution of pipes for irrigation are too short, they cannot be used in long distances. So, if we are to distribute pipes again, let it be sufficient for at least 1000 metres distance.

Thank you.

S P E A K E R : Pu Liansuama, Minister may please wind up his Demand.

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Speaker, I have noted
MINISTER down all the points mentioned by the Hon'ble Members regarding my Demand.

As the members have pointed out, the introduction of Identity Cards for voters is of outmost importance. What the members did not see is the provision of Rs 20 lakhs made for this in the Budget book on page 15. However, we will have to be extra careful in issuing the cards for fear of gross mis-appropriation.

Regarding Civil Aviation, there are some members who feel that the need for Aviation Department does not arise. At present the Civil Aviation functions as one wing of the General Administration Department (GAD). After much difficulty gone through in the Ministry of Finance, Government of India, a new era has dawned for Mizoram to have a full fledged aerodrome at Lengpui. This is solvely due to the selfless sucricifice of the land owners at Lengpui who have concented to relinquish their land free for the construction of the air-port.

The bifuncation of Agri-culture into Horticulture and Fi-sherries is indeed a landmark in the development of Mizoram. Horticulture has come to be the backbone of our state. More and more people are opting for Horticulture as their trade in the Land Use Policy. We hope that this will bring about a stable means of livelihood for the people.

If I may say so, members of this House have too often voiced their disapproval of the New Land Use Policy (NLUP) in their respective constiuencies. This has cast a very negative effect on the people. A destructive attitude has been created towards this policy right from the beginning. This is a big mistake and very regretful. There is no reason why the New Land Use Policy will be a failure. We believe that it will be a stable means of livelihood for the rural people. Distribution of funds has also been done through proper channel using

formats for the payment along with the signatures of the recipients. Of course, the beneficiary can make a mistake in choosing his trade. This is a natural thing.

PU LALRINCHHANA : Pu Speaker, the beneficiaries are congress oriented.

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Speaker, a crying baby
MINISTER often gets his milk. This
is their position if they
cry all the time. Those
who do not cry for their share may not get it.

I am happy to have my Demands thoroughly discussed today. I will therefore request the House to pass the following Demands No.5, Election Rs.1,00,00,000/- Demand No. 12, District Administration Rs 6,00,00,000/- No. 17, Other Administrative Services Revenue Rs. 6,96,50,000/- Demand No. 42, Rural Development Rs. 35,62,00,000/-(Revenue) and Rs 1,25,00,000/-(Capital). Demand No. 47, Civil Aviation Rs.50,00,000/- Administration of Justice Rs 1,49,00,000/- Demand No.31, Labour and Employment Rs 96,10,000/- Demand No.36, Horticulture Rs.3,44,60,000/-(Revenue) and Rs 19,00,000/-(Capital). I request the House to pass these Demands.

S P E A K E R : The Minister has moved his Demands and asked for passing of the same. We shall take a voice vote. (All members agree to pass) There is no one who has objected, therefore the Demands of Pu Liansuama is declared passed un-animously by this House.

PU SAIKAPTHIANGA : Pu Speaker, I am happy that
MINISTER the Demands under my charge
were thoroughly discussed
to-day. All the members
had participated in all sincerity and constructively.

The first member who spoke on the Demand, Pu Rinchhana opined that the farmers and cultivators are not getting their due profits in their cash crops.

This is very true indeed. The government is doing its best to ensure that there are good markets for the cash crops such as Chillies, Ginger, Sugar-cane, Pineapple, Passion fruit, etc.

There is also an intention of organise the cultivators of wet rice cultivation in accordance with the working system of the Mizo life. We have provided tractors and power tillers as far as our financial position allows us.

Irrigation plans have also been projected for wet rice cultivation., I may also mention that all types of seedlings are handled by the Department of Horticulture and not by the Agriculture Department.

It may also be true that the Veterinary Department has almost overshadowed the Agriculture Department in producing vegetables. In fact the two departments are not very separate. It is the result of the initial efforts of the department of Agriculture.

Regarding cold-storage, we have commissioned one at Sihphir which we will observe and see if the performance is good enough. If so, we will undertake to set up more of the kind. Regarding the petrol station at Tlabung, some ways and means will be searched to install a reliable pump station by the MIZOFED Co-operation Department.

We are facing a severe problem regarding the employment of B.Sc Agri.. Out of the 54 graduates, 47 are employed as officiating. There are still 24 students sponsored by the government of Mizoram and 12 under NEC, sponsorship.

There have been many queries about MAMCO. Originally MAMCO came about as an agency for marketing our cash crops at a reasonable price. At Present there is no intention to enlarge this co-operation. In fact we do not intend to spend much on the Office set up itself. It is only a means to procure the cash crops of the rural areas.

And now Mr Speaker, I beg the House to pass the following Demands under my charge, Demand No. 35, Agriculture Revenue Rs. Ten crores, ninety lakhs, and twenty thousand. Capital Rs. Ninety seven lakhs. Demand No.21, Co-operation, Revenue Rs. One crore, ninety eight lakhs, fifty thousand. Capital Rs. thirty five lakhs, ten thousand. General economic services Rs fifty two lakhs.

S P E A K E R : Pu Saikapthianga has requested to pass the Demands under his charge. A voice vote will be taken and members may voice their votes by saying 'Yes' and 'No'. (All members agree by saying 'Yes').

The Demands of Pu Saikapthianga is declared passed by this House. Now, Pu Zoram-sangliana may wind up his Demands.

PU P.C.ZORAMSANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, I am happy to
MINISTER wind up my demands No. 23, and 32, which was keenly discussed by the Hon'ble Members.

Firstly, it may not be correct to say that all the supplies for Nutrition in the child development project comes from outside Mizoram. Now, the child Development Officers are calling quotations in their respective areas.

The grievances regarding their salaries is also very genuine. The government of Mizoram is considering the matter and we hope that the pay scale of the CDPO will soon be at par with that of the Block Development Officer.

Much has been said regarding Sports and Youth Welfare. However, no one mentioned the Sports Council Bill, which I had expected to hear today.

We are at present processing the bill and though we had intended to lay it on the Table of the House during this Session, we did not manage to complete it thoroughly.

The Department of Social Welfare has under its wings the Demand Home, De-addiction Centre, Old Age Home and Distress Women's Home. As we are going through these various projects we do need the correctional wing which was opined by the Hon'ble member Pu Zoramchanga. The work of the Officers who are in charge of these humanitarian projects has to be a dedicated and selfless job. It cannot be accomplished without prayers. It is not only a matter of physical remedy, it is also a spiritual matter. Human beings are in our hands. That is a very big responsibility. At the rate we are going, if we have better facilities and wider accomodation we may even have upto 1000 inmates in the De-addiction Centres. The Present place (the old jail) is also being re-novated to accomodate facilities such as a proper kitchen and baths. Catering to the needs of the youth is not an easy matter. We need amusement parks for the less athletic youths, gyms and indoor stadiums to work out their potential talents. We should not forget that the Department is not just social and sports, it is

very much a youth service department.

Lastly, I would like to conclude with my thanks to all the members who have keenly participated in the discussion of my demands.

I therefore request the House to pass the two Demands No.23, Sport and Youth Service - Revenue Rs. 3,64,00,000/-

Demand No. 32, Social Welfare.

Revenue Rs. 4,50,00,000/- only.

Thank you.

S P E A K E R : I shall repeat the Demand of Pu Zoramsangliana and we shall take voice vote. Demand No.23 and 32 for Rs 8,22,50,000/- only for meeting expenses during 1994-95 in respect of the following Department Sports and Youth Services and Social Welfare. (The voice vote was taken and passed unanimously).

We have now finished the business for today. We will meet again at 10:30Am tomorrow. Dinner is prepared and we shall all time together. The dinner is being provided by the Deptts. that we have passed today. The meeting is now adjourned till 24.4.94 at 10:30 A.M.