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1ST SITTING OF THE FOURTH SESSION OF THE THIRD MIZORAM
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY: ON MONDAY, THE 7TH NOVEMBER, 1994.

PRESENT

PU VAIVENGA, Speaker at the Chair, Chief Minister, 16
Ministers and 22 Members were present.

OBITUARY

The Speaker to make reference on the demise of Pu Tlang-
chunga Ex-MLA.

QUESTIONS

QUESTIONS entered in separate list to be asked and
oral answers given.

PRESENTATION OF REPORT

The Speaker to present to the House the Report of the
Business Advisory Committee.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Bills to be introduced.

1. PU J. LALSANGZUALA to beg leave of the House to
introduce The Mizoram Salaries, Allowances and
Pension of Member of the Legislative Assembly
(Amendment) Bill, 1994.

ALSO

to introduce the Bill

2. PU P.C. BAWITLUANGA to beg leave of the House to
introduce the Lushai Hills District (Revenue
Assessment) (Amendment) Bill, 1994.

ALSO

to introduce the Bill.

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S P E A K E R : "I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life".

St. John 8:12.

The first item of our business is obituary reference on Pu Tlangchhunga Ex-MLA.

Pu Tlangchhunga, Ex-MLA of Mizoram Legislative Assembly died on the 26th Aug. 1994 at around 6:00 P.M. He was 51.

Pu Tlangchhunga S/O Pu Chuahnauna(L) was born on 7.7.1943 at Seling Village. He passed Primary School at Seling Primary School and Middle School at Dawrpui Middle School, Aizawl. He passed matric from Government Higher and Multipurpose Mizo High School, Aizawl. And, B.A. in 1969 at Pachhunga Memorial College.

In 1978, Pu Tlangchhunga was elected MLA (PC Party Ticket) from Sairang Constituency. He was a devoted Christian and ordained elder of Dawrpui Presbyterian Church.

He is survived by his wife and 4 children.

PU LAL THANHAU LA : Pu Speaker, I raise to make obituary reference in honour of Pu Tlangchhunga Ex-Member of this August House who have passed away on the 26th of August, 1994.

Pu Tlangchhunga was a simple straight forward and honest person. I know him to be a devoted Christian. He can even be regarded as a backbone for the Presbyterian Church of Zarkawt. By his death the House as well as the people of Mizoram have lost a promising personality.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Speaker, I rise to say a few words in honour of late Pu Tlangchhunga who used to be a sitting member of this august House. Pu Tlangchhunga has left us many remarkable qualities. When the People's Conference Party was formed in 1975 he was the leader of the Party Youths.

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In those days, we had seen his deligency in his work. When he was elected as an MLA, he worked very hard not only for the people within his Constituency but also for the people of Mizoram. He then became the Treasurer of the party general Headquarters. He was reliable and trustworthy in his dealing of the party fund. He worked very hard for the Unity of the Mizo people.

As he wanted to play a role model for Mizoram to be self sufficient in certain industries, he had established Brick Industry.

In his death the Country as well as the Church lost an able politician and a great Leader.

On behalf of the House and on my behalf, I exteard my heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families.

P U Z O R A M T H A N G A : Pu Speaker, I would also like to say a few words in honour of the late Pu Tlangchhunga. I had known Pu Tlangchhunga for quite some times. As stated by the House Leader, he was an honest person and very polite. There is a great example in his life. He was also known for his deligence and hard work in the society.

His contribution to the Church is also remarkable being a Church elder, he spent most of his life for the working of the Church. He had set a good example in his life.

In his death at the relatively young age of 51, the country as well as the House lost a remarkable personality. I am sure we will long remember him as his death has left a vacuum which will be difficult to fill.

S P E A K E R : The House will now observe 2 minutes silence to pay our homage to Pu Tlangchhunga. shall we all stand.

(2 minutes silence was observed.)

Let us come to item No.2, Starred Question No.1, to be asked by Pu B.Lalthlengliana

PU B.LALTHLENGLIANA : Pu Speaker, I ask Starred Question No.1, to be replied by the Minister in-charge G.A.D.

Is there an intention to delete the names of foreigners from the intensive revision of Electoral Roll of 1994 ?

S P E A K E R : Pu Liansuama.

PU LIANSUAMA MINISTER : Pu Speaker, If the names of foreigners contained in the Electoral Roll by mistake, the government intends to make a deletion.

Regarding Electoral Roll, the Hon'ble Chief Minister had conducted a meeting with the representatives of political parties. PRO, AERO and the District Election Officers on the 26.9.1994. In that meeting, the subject was to have satisfactory electoral roll. So, I hope that the latest revision of Electoral Roll will be more satisfactory than the previous ones.

PU F.MALSAWMA : Pu Speaker, a supplementary question please. In the case of Chawngte and Lawngtlai Constituency, there are many foreigners in the Electoral Rolls. The reason may be that the rolls have not yet been finalised. In this regard, I would like to request the Hon'ble House Leader to give instructions to the concerned Officers in the Districts.

PU LAHMINGTANGA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. Infiltration by foreigners have been very common in India. In Delhi alone, more than one lakh of foreigners have been detected. Knowing this, the Central Authority has instructed all the state government

to issue voter photo identity card. In Mizoram, as mentioned by the Minister, the representatives of the States Government and various political parties have decided to follow the instructions given by the Central Government. However, when the enumeration begins, the government fails to delete foreigners from the electoral roll especially in the Western Belt. It is also reported that large number of foreigners are still included in the electoral roll particularly in Chawngte Constituency. As photo Identity Card is supposed to be issued according to the electoral roll precautionary measures have to be taken in this case. Therefore, I would like to request the Hon'ble Minister to explain whether foreigners who have no domicile certificate are to be deleted from the Electoral Roll.

PU LIANSUAMA
MINISTER

: Pu Speaker, the member just stated that foreigners are still included in the Electoral Rolls of Chawngte and Lawngtlai Constituency. This matter will be checked as early as possible.

Instructions have been given to the responsible officials that those who are detected as foreigners should be deleted from the roll. Therefore, I think the information received by the Hon'ble Member of Aizawl North I seems to be rather premature.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA

: Pu Speaker, the information I have received is not premature. The printing of Electoral Roll has even been started now. Hence, the government should take action now.

PU LIANSUAMA
MINISTER

: Pu Speaker, the case of registration of the Electors in the roll is not to be undertaken by the states government. The Election Commission of India has appointed states government officials to take up the registration work. As the Election Commission of India has an instructions in the case of registration of election, the states government is not suppose to take initiative. Therefore, the government has been proceeding according to the instruction of the Election Commission.

S P E A K E R : According to the instruction given by the Election Commission of India, there would be no place for the foreigner in the Electoral Roll.

PU LALSAWTA : Pu Speaker, a supplementary question please. The Hon'ble Minister had stated that the revision of Electoral Roll in 1993 was more satisfactory as a number of names were deleted from the Roll. In this regard, I ask whether those names deleted from the rolls were foreigners?

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Speaker, previously, it was found out that some persons have two votes in separate constituencies. It is also found that the names of dead persons were still included in the rolls. In the revision of Electoral Roll in 1993 all these defects were amended it is therefore, regarded as more satisfactory.

PU LAL THANHAWLA : Pu Speaker, as a result of the discussion between the Leaders of various Party Leaders, the Electoral Roll of 1993 was found to be more satisfactory than the previous ones. In this case of the present revision also, the Leader of Political Parties and the Government have decided to conduct the registration cautiously. However, there may be a chance of mistake in this case.

As already mentioned by the Minister concerned the main responsibility lies with the Election Commission of India. We acted only as the agents of the Election Commission. Though the instructions of the Commission are quite clear, it is found to be contradictory in some cases. And so, the officials are somehow confused. Nevertheless, the government is always ready to make amends if there is any errors.

Another problem faced by the government is in regard to the issue of photo identity card. The Election Commission of India has instructed us to issue photo identity card according to the 1995 electoral roll.

But, the roll of 1995 has been under revision at present. Therefore, this case needs careful consideration.

PU LALKHAMA : Pu Speaker, Rule No.20 of the Registration of Electoral Rules, allows that if there is foreigner found in the Electoral Roll against the Foreigner Act, that name should be deleted from the Roll. Therefore, we should depend on the Foreigner's Act. The Government should know this.

PU LALSAWTA : Pu Speaker, starred question No.2, to be answered by the Minister in-charge Law and Judicial Department -

- a) Does the government intends to form Mizoram Land Acquisition Rules ?
- b) If yes, when ?

S P E A K E R : Pu C.Vulluaia.

PU C.VULLUAIA MINISTER : Pu Speaker, the answer to starred question No. 2, is No.

PU LALSAWTA : A supplementary question please. Almost all the States in India have their own Land Acquisition Act. In the case of Mizoram, we use the Assam Land Acquisition Rules, 1964, as we do not have our own Rules. Still, the Minister in-charge has just stated that the government has no intention of forming Land Acquisition Act. In this case, I would like to ask the Minister whether there is even consideration for forming this Act.

PU C.VULLJAIA
MINISTER

: Pu Speaker, there is a good motive behind this question. When the Revenue Department make a suggestion in the light of this question, Law and Judicial Department will take action.

S P E A K E R

: Starred Question No.3, to be asked by Pu F.Malsawma.

PU F.MALSAWMA

: Pu Speaker, I ask Starred Question No.3. Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Sports and Youth Services

be pleased to state -

Whether there is proposal for the renovation of Ramhlun Indoor Stadium.

S P E A K E R

: Pu P.C.Zoramsangliana, Minister

PU P.C.ZORAMSANGLIANA :
MINISTER

Pu Speaker, regarding the repair of Ramhlun Indoor Stadium, the Engineers have been preparing the plan and

Estimate. Repair works will begins as soon as there is fund.

PU F.MALSAWMA

: Pu Speaker, a supplementary question please. I ask whether the repair works on Ramhlun Indoor Stadium could be started during this financial year.

PU ZORAMTHANGA

: Pu Speaker, a supplementary question. I would like to ask the Minister whether he could ensure us that repair works on Ramhlun Indoor Stadium would be done satisfactorily.

PU P.C.ZORAMSANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, as I have stated
MINISTER before, repair works will be
done as soon as possible.

As requested by the mem-
ber, It will be done satisfactorily.

S P E A K E R : Starred Question No.4, to be
asked by Dr.R.Lalthangliana.

DR R.LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, I would like to
ask the Minister whether
Stamp Act is enforced in
Mizoram.

S P E A K E R : Pu C.Vulluaia.

PU C.VULLUAIA : Pu Speaker, Indian Stamp
MINISTER Act has been enforced in
Mizoram.

Dr R.LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, there are regu-
lations attached to the use
of judicial and Non-judi-
cial Stamp. But, these
regulations do not seem to be observed in Mizoram. Does
the government aware of this ?

Secondly, most of the time,
Stamp Papers have become out of stock in Mizoram.
What is the reason for this ?

Thirdly, I understand that
House Tax pay ee certificate holders are not required
to produce stamp paper. In Mizoram, there are number
of non-Mizos who have no HTPC and therefore required
to produce Stamp Paper. In this regard, does the
government make proper regulations ?

PJ C.VULLUAIA : Pu Speaker, Indian Stamp
MINISTER Act 1899 and the Court
Fees Act 1870 are being
used in Mizoram since the
the time of the British. From the light of your ques-
tions the government will examine the use of this
judicial and non-judicial Stapp.

PJ F.LALREMSIAMA : Pu Speaker, I ask whether
these judicial and non-
judicial stamps are being
sold by private enterpre-
vours and the amount recieved for this account.

PJ C.VULLUAIA : Pu Speaker, Revenue Stamp
MINISTER has been sold from the Post
Office. In the case of
Court Fee Stamp, the Deputy Commissioner has selects
private firms on contract basis.

PJ F.LALREMSIAMA : Pu Speaker, does the Minister
aware of the fact that enter-
tainment tickets are sold
without stamp ?

PJ C.VULLUAIA : Pu Speaker, the case menti oned
MINISTER by the member has to be taken
up by the department of Taxa-
tion and not by Law and Judi-
cial Department.

S P E A K E R : Question No.5, to be asked
by Pu Lalsawta.

PJ LALSAWTA : Pu Speaker, I ask Starred
Question No.5,
What is the reason for the
delay in introducing the
Mizoram Civil and Criminal Code Bill, 1990 for passing
in the Mizoram Assembly ?

PU S.VULLUAIA
MINISTER : Pu Speaker, the Bill mentioned by Pu Lalsawta has not been introduced in the House for passing as the government sent the Bill into the hands of the expert committee for final checking. And It is still in the hands of the Committee.

PU LALSAWTA : Pu Speaker, I would like to ask the Minister. If the Bill could be introduced in the House in the next Session ?

PU LALHMINGTHANGA
MINISTER : Thank you, Pu Speaker, It is highly important to have Civil and Criminal Code for Mizoram. It is also important to know that the Code should be adoptable to our Cultures. Hence, I would like to ask the Hon'ble Minister to give us an assurance that the new code would be adoptable to our cultures, and traditions.

PU S.VULLUAIA
MINISTER : Pu Speaker, as stated before, the drafted code is in the hands of a Select Committee for final examination. If there is any point which needs alteration, that may be done so.

PU F.LALREMSIAMA : Pu Speaker, the Minister should have prepared answers to questions. If he has no such answers, it means that the Minister have no respect for this House.

S P E A K E R : As assured by the Minister the case under discussion may be examined by the House.

PU LALSAWTA : Pu Speaker, It seems that the Minister has misquided us in this subject. Therefore, he should study and examine his department in future so as to avoid further misunderstandings.

S P E A K E R : Question No.6, to be asked by Dr R.Lalthangliana.

Dr R.LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, starred question No. 6 -
What is the expenditure incurred for Advocate General ? for the year 1993-94.

S P E A K E R : Pu C.Vulluaia.

PU C.VULLUAIA
MINISTER : Pu Speaker, the expenditure incurred for the advocate General for the year 1993-94 are as shown below -

1. Salary - Rs 1,37,690/-, Salary of 3 Muster Rolls Labourers Rs.58,235/-, Stationery - Rs.67,877/-.
 2. Vehicle Expenditure - Rs 47072/-.
 3. Purchase of Books on Law - Rs.2,25,098/-.
 4. Professional charge - Rs.2100/-
- Grand Total - Rs.5,38072/-

Dr R.LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, a supplementary question please. The total budget for the year 1993-94 was more than Rs.10 lakhs. But, the statement given by the Minister, shows that only Rs.5,38072 was spent during 1993-94. What is the reason for this ?

Secondly, In the year 1993-94 there was no Advocate General, However, we have seen that a large sum of the budget was spent without the management of the Advocate General Please clarify the reason for this.

PU C. VULLUAIA : Pu Speaker, at the Office of
MINISTER the Advocate General, one
Stenographer, 1- UDC, 1-LDC,
2-Pions and one Sweeper
Cum-Chowkidar were employed. Their Salaries have been
inserted at the Salary Head.

was no Advocate General.

During the said period there

PU LALKHAMA : Pu Speaker, what is the reason
for not having an Advocate
General till date ?

PU C. VULLUAIA : Pu Speaker, It is expected
MINISTER that the subject of Advocate
General would be finalised
at the next Cabinet Meeting.

S P E A K E R : Pu F. Lalremsiama.

PU F. LALREMSIAMA : Pu Speaker, I ask Starred
Question No.7, to be answered
by the Minister in-charge
Land Revenue & Settlement
Department.

S P E A K E R : PU P. J. Bawitluang.

PU P. J. BAWITLUANGA
MINISTER

: Pu Speaker, the answer to the first question is that the S S B has proposal for establishment of base at Tanhril

and Sakawrtuichhun areas.

the Government have not considered the case yet. Regarding the second question,

S P E A K E R

: Dr. R. Lalthangliana.

Dr R. LALTHANGLIANA

: Pu Speaker, I ask Starred Question No. 8.

What is the total fund last received from National Cooperative Development Corporation for the three Districts of Mizoram ?

PU C. VULLUJIA
MINISTER

: Pu Speaker, the four Cooperative Societies of Aizawl District have received an amount of Rs. 760,000/- from

the NCDC. The two Cooperative Societies of Lunglei Districts, have received fund amounting to Rs 385000 and Khawiva Food and Vegetable Marketing Cooperative Society has received Rs. 14,0000. During this current year, Rs. 317,0000 has been given to the 15-Societies within Aizawl District and Rs. 786000 was given to the three Societies of Lunglei District. The Societies of Chhimituipui District have not received fund from the NCDC. The total fund received from the NCDC by the two Districts have come to Rs 3950000 lakhs.

For the Integrated Cooperative Development Project Sanction has been received only for the two Districts of Aizawl and Chhimituipui. Rs 526 lakhs has been sanctioned for Aizawl District and another Rs 171 lakhs has been sanctioned for Chhimituipui District.

Regarding the omittance of the fund for Lunglei District, some government Officials were sent to New Delhi to press the National Productivity Council or NCDC to make sanction for Lunglei District. As a result, the National Productivity Council has approved this and now the project report for Lunglei District are being prepared. As soon as the project report is completed, special messenger will be sent to submit the same to the Headquarters of NCDC.

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S P E A K E R : Question hour is now over. Pu R. Lalthangliana will be allowed to raise one more question.

Dr R. LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, one more supplementary question please. Allotment of Fund, for Integrated Cooperative Development Project for Lunglei District has not been made as the Project Report for Lunglei District was not submitted in time. The Minister had stated that according to the performances of the two districts of Aizawl and Chhimtuipui, fund for Lunglei District will be considered. In this regard I would like to request the Minister to clarify his statement.

PU ZORAMTHANGA : Pu Speaker, as the question hour is over, I have one request to make at this time of Zero Hour. When we entered the House we have seen a copy of the clarification of talks between the two Chief Secretaries of Mizoram and Assam. However, the decision made by the two Chief Secretaries is not being revealed. As we all know, the people of Mizoram as well as the members of this House are eagerly waiting for the decision of the two Chief Secretaries. Therefore, I request the government to reveal the decision.

S P E A K E R : We shall proceed to over next business.

PU ZORAMTHANGA : Pu Speaker, once again, I would like to request the Hon'ble Chief Minister to tell us the decision made by the Chief Secretaries of Mizoram and Assam.

S P E A K E R :

S P E A K E R : The Hon'ble House Leader have heard your request.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Speaker, the memorandum of agreement signed by the two Chief Secretaries of Mizoram and Assam does not seem to be an agreement, but a penalty for the Mizos for their crimes. It also appears that the Chief Minister have no concern for the welfare of the Mizo people. Though it is said that the agreement has been signed by the two Chief Secretaries, actually, the real initiative was taken by the Chief Ministers of Mizoram and Assam. The agreement has been signed at the expense of the government of Mizoram while the Assam government does not have to spend a single amount of money. It is going to be a great financial loss for the state of Mizoram. Therefore, this matter requires discussion in this House.

S P E A K E R : The Home Minister has beg leave of the House to make a statement to which is permitted. Before, going to another subject. It is necessary to approve the report of the Business Advisory Committee. The copy of the report may be distributed to the members now.

PU LALSANTIA : Pu Speaker, can you make it convenient to include the subject of discussion just raised by the member to be included in our business list ?

S P E A K E R : Anyone who would like to make a speech may do so.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Speaker, the programme settled by the B.A.C. is merely a proposal and therefore liable to be altered. If the subject we would like to discuss could not be accepted by the Speaker, I suggest that the business reported by the B.A.C. be cancelled and fresh proposal be made.

S P E A K E R : Can you accept list of business proposed by the Business Advisory Committee, will it be accepted ?

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Speaker, I do not agree with the Business proposed by the Committee.

PU LALRINCHHANA : Pu Speaker, do you permit me to move the Adjournment motion ?

S P E A K E R : I cannot permit you that.

PU LALRINCHHANA : Pu Speaker, If you give permission to move the Adjournment Motion, It shall be discussed on the same day.

Dr R. LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, why are you so heritated to give permission for the discussion of this subject ?

S P E A K E R : The Adjournment Motion should be submitted earlier so that it could be included in the Business.

PU ZORAMTHANGA : Pu Speaker, as this is an urgent public importance, an Adjournment Motion has been moved. If it is not so important we should have availed for some other time. As stated before, It is so urgent that we have asked for the

permission to discuss in the Zero Hour. Therefore, the other business should be adjourned.

PU LAIHMINGTHANGA : Pu Speaker, chapter 13, No.63, of our Rules stated that motion for adjournment on the matter of public importance could be submitted one day in advance before the commencement of the sitting. And so, this motion has also been submitted on the basis of our Rules.

PU ZORAMTHANGA : Pu Speaker, It is necessary to discuss this subject today as it is regarded as public urgent importance. This is why we move for the adjournment of other business for today. Even if the adjournment motion is not admitted, our request in this Zero Hour should be permitted. The Hon'ble Chief Minister should have clarification raised by the members on the points.

S P E A K E R : As I have already told the mover of the Adjournment Motion, the adjournment motion could not be admitted today as we have other business on schedule. At the same time, the Hon'ble Home Minister has also beg leave of the House to make a statement which was already permitted. Therefore, I will examine the motion and consider the matter.

We shall now go on as schedule.
Let us now call the Hon'ble Home Minister to make a statement.

PU J.LALSANGZUALA : Pu Speaker, thank you for giving me time to make a statement on matters that are of great importance to the representatives of Mizoram and the members of this House.
MINISTER

On the 26.9.1994, five non-Mizos had hired truck No. MZ-01 3829 owned by Pu Thanchung-nunga of Tuikual. The Driver of the Truck was Lalsangzuala S/O Biskdanga and the Handyman was David Laltanpuia S/O Pu Thangchhuaka, Ramhlun (N). Those five Non-Mizos and the Driver and the Handyman had left for Cachar on the 26.9.1994 at 2:00 P.M. At about 11:00 PM when they were about to reach Bagha Bazar the Non-Mizos had told the Driver to stop the Truck. As soon as he stop the Truck, they stabbed the Driver and the Handyman with a dagger. After that 4 of the assailants fled but one of them drove the Truck towards Bagha Bazar. After they reached Bagha Bazar he too left the Driver and the Handyman in the Truck. And then, the injured Handyman, Laltanpuia had drove the Truck towards Vairengte. Fortunately, just before they reach Lailapur they met a person named Pu Zira who took over the Truck and took the Driver and the Handyman to Vairengte. The Driver Lalsangzuala passed away on the way to Vairengte PHE.

I was informed of this matter at the next day at 6:55 AM. As soon as I heard this I left for the residences of Lalsangzuala and Laltanpuia. And I was told that another Bus is required to recieve the body of Lalsangzuala. As there was the possibility of public riot the Police Department was also given instructions. As there was shortage of Police Personnel the trainees at the Police Training Centre were also detailed on duty. On the evening of the 27th, I made an appeal to the public not to make any trouble. The body of Lalsangzuala had reached Bawngkawn at 7:50 PM. Though It was suggested that the body of Lalsangzuala should be taken directly to his residence, there were some extreme persons who liked to go on a procession along with the body of Lalsangzuala. And the body was taken in a procession up to Bazar Buugkawn.

The procession made the matter worse and it resulted in the ransacking and plundering of the shops of Non-Mizos. One shop of Non-Mizo was even burnt at about 6:10 PM. Not only within Aizawl Town. The Vehicles owned by Non-Mizos were damaged. As learnt by the government so far the number of shops and vehicles destroyed are as follows :-

- (1) Shops burnt - 5 nos.
- (2) Shops ransacked - 92
- (3) Vehicles - 55.

From the previous times, the Cachar people had created numerous problems for our people, and many had lost their precious lives in their hands. So, the murder of Lalsangzuala had ignited the anger of our people which led to the outburst of this trouble.

It had been said that law and order had failed at the incident on the 27th of Sept., 1994.

That day, the atmosphere of Aizawl Town was tensed the whole day. It was also considered that whether curfew would be announced within Aizawl Town. If a strict curfew was enforced, there would be a possibility of the loss of lives and the condition would be worse. As there was not a single loss of life on that day, the law enforcing authority deserved praise. The next day I had visited most of the places where shops were damaged- and a Press Conference was called on the same day at my Chamber. At the Press Conference, I had explained the importance of having communal harmony and the policy of the government in this regard. Again on the 11th of Oct., another Press Conference was conducted and the important points are as follows :-

- (1) To find out the real cause of this trouble and to arrange compensation for the victims, one-man commission was constituted in which Mr.T. Gupta, an IAS Officer was appointed.
- (2) A Peace Committee was also set up under the Chairmanship of our Home Minister and the members comprising of representatives of various church denominations and social organisations.
- (3) Accommodation was arranged for distressed Non-Mizos. The government servants who look after them and the churches and social organisations who provided foods to them are praiseworthy. The Border Food Organisation, Assam Rifles and the CRPF are also praiseworthy.
- (4) The government has arranged the transportation of 7649 Non-Mizos from Mizoram to other states.
- (5) A meeting was conducted with all the VCPs and the Secretaries of Village Council on the 6th Oct., 94 in which the case of foreigners were discussed and the assistance of the government was sought.
- (6) Good Will Team headed by Rev. Zairema had visited Vairengte on the 11th of Oct., 1994. This visit had caused peaceful atmosphere at Vairengte and its surrounding areas.
- (7) On the 27th Oct., 1994, The Goodwill Team had visited Silchar under the Leadership of Rev. Zairema. The Team had a fruitful meeting with the leaders of the various organisations of Cachar.

On the 15th Oct., I had a meeting with the Assam Chief Minister, Mr. Hiteswar Saikia, Mr. P.M. Sayeed, Union Minister of State for Home and the representatives of various organisations at Silchar. In the same meeting Mr. Sayeed had stated that there was Central Rules which allow compensation for the victims in this regard. On the same day, another meeting was held

between the Assam Chief Minister, Central Home Minister and, the Chief Minister and Power Minister of Mizoram. In those meetings the main subject was to create peaceful atmosphere between Mizoram and Cachar.

On the 17th of October Good-will Team of 52-members headed by The Health Minister of Assam from Cachar had visited Mizoram. The Good-will Team from Cachar had a meeting with the Peace Committee, the Non-Governmental Organisation and even the Chief Minister of Mizoram. The Team also had a discussion with the owners and Drivers Associations seperately. The main décesion of those meetings are as belows :-

- (1) A Co-ordination Committee consisted of the representatives from the various Non-Governmental Organisations may be set up. (This has already been set up and it first meeting will be held at Kolasib on the 11th of Nov.).
- (2) A meeting for the Officials who are responsible for their respective administration should be held at least once a month.
- (3) Steps should be taken up by each and everyone in order to create peaceful atmosphere between Cachar and Mizoram.
- (4) To continue trade by those who possess trade licence.
- (5) Those who, possess Inner Line Permit may return to Mizoram.

As agreed by the two Chief Ministers of Assam and Mizoram, the Chief Secretaries of Assam and Mizoram had talks on th 20th and 21st of Oct., at Gwahati. In order to hasten the peace progress the two Chief Secretaries had made the following decisions :-

- (1) The Governments of Assam and Mizoram will confirm by writing the terms agreed by the Chief Minister of Mizoram and the Assam Chief Minister.
- (2) The Government of Mizoram has accepted those Non-Mizos who possess Inner Line Permit to return to Mizoram.
- (3) Non-Mizos who have temporary or permanent trade licence are allowed to continue their trade within Mizoram.
- (4) The Go ernment will give assistance to those Non-Mizos If they have difficulty in finding shops.

- (5) Assam Liaison Office will be established at Aizawl to which the government of Mizoram will give assistance as necessary.
- (6) The Government of Mizoram will announce "Communal Riot" on the basis of SRCC (Strike Riot Civil Commotion Act).
- (7) To examine the grievances of the people the Deputy Commissioner and Superintendent of Police from both states, will have a meeting once in every month.
- (8) Grievance cell will be set up in the Office of the Deputy Commissioners of Aizawl and Cachar.
- (9) The representatives from the Government Servants, and from the Non-Governmental Organisation will visit Silchar to clarify the policies of the Mizoram government towards Non-Mizos.
- (10) It was also decided that the 6-points of a agreements made by the two Deputy Commissioners in regard to compensation should be submitted to the Gupta Commission.

The Six points discussed by the two Deputy Commissioners are the followings:-

- (a) In regard to damage of vehicles compensation may be given to those who cases are applicable to the Third Party Insurance.
- (b) In the case of loss of property, compensation will be given if there is specific list of property loss.
- (c) Vehicles which are off-road due to the present tension between Cachar and Mizoram be given compensation at the rate of lowest or minimum wages formulated by the Central Government if there is any.
- (d) If there is any difference in the report of the MVIs of the two states, in regard to damage of Truck; It may be checked.
- (e) The report of the Assam MVI be accepted in regard to the return of Assam Vehicles which are returned without the inspection of Mizoram MVI.

(f) Rules for giving of compensation.

(N.B: The above points were proposed by the two Deputy Commissioners of Silchar and Aizawl and left for the consideration of the Chief Secretaries of Cachar and Mizoram. However, as no final decision was made by the two Chief Secretaries, these points will be submitted to the Gupta Commission.)

We convey our heartfelt sympathy to the family by Lalsangzuala and a compensation will be given to his family.

I also sought the support of the members of this House in order to get mutual understanding between the people of Mizoram and Barak Valley.

S P E A K E R : We shall go on to our next Business. (Interruption).

Dr R.LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, we have only requested the Hon'ble Chief Minister to inform us of the assurances made by the two Chief Ministers of Cachar and Assam at Kumbigrem Airport.

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Speaker, after the meeting of the two Chief Ministers, the Chief Secretaries from Assam and Mizoram had another meeting and left certain points for the consideration of the Enquiry Commission. This is the purview of the Enquiry Commission and therefore cannot be separated. And, if the Speaker does not accept the Adjournment Motion, he did the right thing.

PU ZORAMTHANGA : Pu Speaker, we just wanted to know the decision of the two Chief Ministers. The Enquiry Commission is not going to enquire into the decision of the two Chief Ministers as it is not within its purview. And if you are not going to admit the Adjournment Motion today, there is no sense of having Adjournment Motion such as this.

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PU LALSANTA

: Pu Speaker, the Enquiry Commission was constituted on the 3rd of Oct., But, It's first sitting was

recorded to be held only on the 17th of October and during that time all the harm was already done. And after 20-days of the first meeting, talks between the two governments was only held. Therefore, the subject that we have demanded to be discussed today should be admitted.

PU LALHMLICTBANGA

: Pu Speaker, The Ministry has been interfering with the investigation of the Enquiry Commission and therefore pre-

vented the Commission from finding out the truth. The two Chief Secretaries of Assam and Mizoram were also forced to a position to sign the decision already made by the Assam Chief Minister and the Mizoram Chief Minister. The decision made by our Chief Minister has caused the Mizo people great burdens as our financial condition has to suffer.

PU ZORAMHANGA

: Pu Speaker, I would like to know the reason why our Chief Minister became so hesitant in telling us the decision he

had made with the Chief Minister of Assam. The people of Mizoram have the right to know the decision he has made. Even if he is not able to tell us today we can be satisfied if he could set the date for some other time.

PU LIANSURMA
MINISTER

: Pu Speaker, the Adjournment Motion does not demand for the Chief Minister to make a statement. It was only moved to

make a discussion on our present subject.

We all know that this subject is of great public importance. However, the Speaker has stated that this subject should not be discussed for the present as the Enquiry Commission has been working on it. As I have stated before, the adjournment motion that you have moved does not contain provision for the Chief Minister to make a statement. You have only asked for the discussion of a certain subject to which the Speaker does not permit on the basis of Rule No. 64.

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PU F. LALREMSIAMA

PU Speaker, the dispute between the people of Cachar and Mizoram started on the 27th Sept., 1994. Today, after a lapse of almost two months, the Speaker does not permit to admit our motion for the discussion of this issue. As the members before me have stated we are only demanding for the Chief Minister to make a statement in regard to the talks at Kumbigram Airport.

PU ZORAMTHANGA

PU Speaker, the Enquiry Commission is not constituted to enquire into the agreement between the two Chief Ministers of Assam and Cachar. Therefore, the subject that we want to discuss is not within the purview of the Commission.

PU SAIKAPTHIANGA
MINISTER

PU Speaker, If we study our Rules carefully, we can see that our Rules does not allow us to discuss the statement given by the Chief Minister or any other Ministers. Hence, the Speaker has the right to carry on according to our Business.

S P E A K E R

PU Lalrinchhana.

PU LALRINCHHANA

PU Speaker, Our Chief Minister and the Assam Chief Minister held a meeting at Kumbigram Airport and made an assurance which concerns the present atmosphere in Mizoram. We have moved a motion for the Chief Minister to inform us of this assurance so that we could have a discussion. We have only ask for the chance to discuss this issue. But, you have rejected our motion. The issue is a public importance as it concerns the entire state of Mizoram. So, it is our duty to discuss and consider this case.

PU P.C. BANITLUANGA
MINISTER

PU Speaker, you did the right thing by rejecting the motion. Our Rules No.64, does not permit us to discuss any case which are being undertaken by a Commission or a law court.

PU F.LALREMSIAMA : Pu Speaker, it is highly important to have a discussion now.

PU ZORAMELANGA : Pu Speaker, you have rejected our Adjournment Motion. Not only that you have rejected all our requests for discussion on the decisions made by the Chief Minister of Assam and Mizoram. The Chief Minister should have said something so that we can become satisfied.

PU P.C.ZORAMSANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, you have preserved the dignity of this House by following our Rules and Regulations.
MINISTER

PU SAIKAPHIANGA : Pu Speaker, It will be the best. If you carry on our Business as schedule.
MINISTER

Dr H.LALTHANGLIANA : Pu Speaker, the Enquiry Commission was not constituted to study the agreements made by the Chief Ministers as it was constituted long before the Chief Ministers had a meeting. If you read the text of the Adjournment Motion, you can see that we demand for the Chief Minister to announce the clause of assurances he had given to the Chief Minister of Assam, so that we could have a discussion on it. You have stated that our Rules does not permit us to discuss any case which are being undertaken by the Enquiry Commission. But, in this case, the assurance made by the two Chief Ministers is not the case to be undertaken by the Enquiry Commission.

S P E A K E R : As it is 1:00 O'clock now, we shall have a recess.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Speaker, our Rules Chapter 13 states that "Notice of an adjournment motion shall be given before the commencement of the sitting on the day on which the motion is proposed to be made...".

Pu Lalrinchhana, the mover of the Motion has exactly followed this rule when he moved his motion to the House. Therefore, I find no point in rejecting this motion.

PU LALRINCHHANA : Pu Speaker, are you going to admit my motion ?

PU ZORAMTHANGA : Pu Speaker, If you cannot accept the adjournment motion, we the Opposition will have to walk out of the House in the afternoon Session.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Speaker, I have supported Pu Zoramthanga.

2.00 P.M.

S P E A K E R : Our next Business will be the introduction of Bill by Pu J.Lalsangzuala.

PU J.LALSANGZUALA
MINISTER : Pu Speaker, I beg leave of the House to introduce the Mizoram Salaries, Allowances and Pension of Members of the Legislative Assembly (Amendment) Bill, 1994,
Thank you.

S P E A K E R : As the members have agreed to introduce the Bill, Pu J.Lalsangzuala may introduce the Bill.

PU J.LALSANGZUALA
MINISTER : Pu Speaker, I beg leave of the House to introduce, "The Mizoram Salaries, Allowances and Pension of Member in the Legislative Assembly, (Amendment) Bill, 1994".

S P E A K E R : The copy of the Bill may be distributed to the members.

PU P.C.BAWITLUANGA : Pu Speaker, I beg leave of
MINISTER the House for the introduction of "The Lushai Hills District Revenue Amendment Bill, 1994.

S P E A K E R : Do you agree? As the members have agreed, the Bill may be introduced.

PU P.C.BAWITLUANGA : Pu Speaker, with your permission I have introduce
MINISTER "The Lushai Hills District Revenue Assessment Amendment Bill, 1994" to this House.

S P E A K E R : We have finished our Business for today. As tomorrow is a Holiday our sitting may be resumed on the 19th at 10:30AM.

Meeting Adjourned.