

SEVENTH SITTING CN 23 MARCH '95

P R E S E N T

PU R.L.VALLA, Deputy Speaker at the Chair, Chief Minister, fifteen Ministers and 17 Members were present.

Q U E S T I O N S

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

DISCUSSION & VOTING ON DEMANDS FOR GRANT FOR 1995-1996

1. Pu Zakhu Hlychho to submit to the vote of the House various Demands under his charge.
2. Pu C.Vulluaia to submit to the vote of the House various Demands under his charge.
3. Pu S.T.Rualyapa to submit to the vote of the House various Demands under his charge.

DY.S P E A K E R : "If a man returns evil for goods, evil will not depart from his house. The beginning of strife is like quarrel breaks out".

Proverbs 17:13-14.

At the out set, I would like to inform the House that Pu H.Zathuama could not attend our Session due to illness.

Now, we shall call upon Pu J.V.Hluna to raise his starred question No. 106.

Dr J.V.HLUNA : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, I raise my starred question No. 106 -

Number of M.S.Rod purchased by PWD during 1994-'95. Is there any intention to make more purchase ?

PU LAL THANHAWLA : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, the
CHIEF MINISTER answer of starred question
No. 106 is as follows :-

1612.20 qtls of MS Rod (8mm) and 13375.25 qtls of Ter Steel Rod were purchased by the P.W.D., during 1994-'95. There is no intention of making more purchased.

Dr J.V.HLUNA : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, supple-
mentary questions ; I would
like to know whether all the
said materials have reached Mizor-
am, and whether they are purchased from the Baid Commercial
Enterprise ? Moreover, an advance amount of Rs. 3,15,66,600/-
was sanctioned on July 1994. Was the said material supplied
out of the sanctioned advance ? What is the total amount in-
curred for this purpose ?

PU LAL THANHAWLA : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, the
CHIEF MINISTER supplier is the Baid Commer-
cial Enterprise, Club Road,
Silchar. A quotation was
furnished and out of the 5 bidders, the said Enterprise is
the only one who agreed to the terms and conditions, and thus
was selected by the State Purchase Advisory Board. The order
was made in the early part of the previous year, but the price
is cleared only this year. The said materials are supplied
in accordance with the wishes of the concerned Department.

DY.S P E A K E R : We shall move on to question
No. 107, Pu Zoramthanga.

PU ZORAMTHANGA : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, I
ask my starred question No.
107 - Is there any intention
of upgrading the High School

of Champhai sub-division to a deficit status during 1994-'95 ?

PU ZCSIAMA PACHUAU : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, there
MINISTER is no such intention.

PU ZGRAMTHANGA : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, supple-
mentary question, is there any
intention of upgrading the said
school during the year 1995-'96 ?

PU F.MALSAWMA : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, supple-
mentary question, the former
Minister of Education had given
an assurance that the High School
of Ramhlun Vengthar would be upgraded to a deficit status. Does
the Ministry intends to fulfil the assurance of our former Minis-
ter ?

PU ZCSIAMA PACHUAU : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, regarding
MINISTER the question of our Hon'ble Mem-
ber from Champhai, a Budget pro-
vision is awaited for upgrading
the High School of Champhai Division to a deficit status, and
necessary actions will be taken up depending upon the availa-
bility of funds.

Coming to the question of our
Hon'ble Member from Aizawl North II, steps will be taken up
as soon as we obtain the required funds.

PU H.THANGKJMA : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, can the
Ministry issue permission to up-
grade the Rawpui High School to
a deficit status ?

PU F.LALREMSIAMA : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, as al-
ready heard earlier, in the Matric

examination of last year, many schools resulted in utter failure with a zero pass percentage. If the same thing happens to the Government and deficit school this year, will the Ministry discard such schools and upgrade the schools with better results ?

PU F.MALSAWMA : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, the Hon'ble Minister has mentioned about the non-availability of funds, while recently, the local newspapers highlighted certain number of schools to be upgraded. Is this a wrong information ?

PU ZORAMTHANGA : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, special attention was paid towards my constituency just before the election, and G.C.I., sheets meant for Khawbung constituency was diverted to Champhai. Besides that, realising that the Tlangsem village was our main vote box, the hon'ble Chief Minister and other leaders had given an assurance that the High School in the said village would be raised to a deficit status. Can their assurance be fulfilled at least within this year ?

PU ZOSIAMA PACHUAU : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, as the MINISTER H.S.L.C., results are extremely poor, the Government set up an Enquiry Committee under the Chairmanship of Pu F.Lalremsiama, whose recommendation is presently reviewed by the Government. In the H.S.L.C., results of the previous year, all the candidates from 98 Schools came out unsuccessful with only one successful candidate in each of the 37 High Schools. In view of such situation, matter concerning the upgradation of High School to a deficit status is being considered by the Government. Hence, the case of Pangzawl and Rawpui High Schools cannot be clearly stated.

PU H.THANGKIMA : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, it is wrong to close permission for High Schools with a good results. Can at least permission be granted ?

PU ZOSIAMA PACHUAU
MINISTER

: Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, the Ministry as well as the public opined not to upgrade the schools with poor results.

The question raised by the Hon'ble Member from Aizawl East II is presently considered by the Government and a decision is not yet made.

Regarding the question of our hon'ble Member from Aizawl 'N', this matter does not appear in the Newspaper, but it is certainly reflected in the Budget Provision of 1994-95. Matter concerning the assurance given by the hon'ble Chief Minister, which was pointed out by the hon'ble Member from Champhai is not known to us. However, if such assurance was given, steps will surely be taken up.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA

: Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, I ask my starred question No. 108.

Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c Agriculture Department be pleased to state - (a) The main occupation of Sihphir, Durtlang, Zemabawk, Zuangtui and Thuampui is Poultry farming and cultivation, who supply the basic requirements to the Aizawl Town. In order to develop and increase their productions, regular supply of water through pipe is needed. Will such assistance and requirements be provided by the Ministry ?

(b) If not, what is the reason ?

In addition to my starred question, I would like to ask supplementary questions. Among the Gardeners and Poultry Farmers, more than 600 persons are in great need of proper water supply, but only few of them are given financial assistance for such purpose. What is the amount of sanctioned fund and the amount proposed to be allotted by the Government ?

PU SAIKAPTHIANGA
MINISTER

: Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, the various places mentioned by the hon'ble Member are not the only important suppliers for Aizawl,

but there are many other neighbouring areas which are equally important in the said task. However, special attention is paid towards Sihphir, Durtlang and Zemabawk as there are the pioneers in the said occupations. As a matter of fact, during the year 1990-91 and 1994-95, the Agriculture Department had provided a water receptacle that can feed both the plants and animals to 30 families, such as 12 families at Durtlang, 11 at Sihphir and 7 at Zemabawk.

Moreover, number of pipes had been distributed free of cost, and we also intend to distribute more pipes which will cost about 10 lakhs within this year. During the year 1990-91 and 1991-92, Rs. 8,000/- each was sanctioned for establishment of reservoir, which had been increased to Rs. 10,000/- . Besides, steps are being taken up to set up proper marketing facilities, where the Agriculture Department and MAMCC are planning to establish the whole-sale market in various localities. Unfortunately, owing to shortage of finance, the Department is incapable of purchasing land required for the said market. In such a way, the concerned Department has rendered sustained efforts in this field.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, the statements made by the hon'ble Minister is highly appreciated. However, I would like to know if the proposed whole-sale market could be set up within this year ?

PU SAIKAPTHIANGA : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, as stated earlier, selection of site for the said market is our main problem. Anyway, all the necessary expenditures and estimated amount will be forwarded to the Government and steps will be taken up as earliest as possible.

DY.S P E A K E R : We shall move on to starred question No. 109, Pu Lalsawta.

PU LALSAWTA : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, I ask my starred question No. 109- What is the percentage of fleet utilisation from all the Buses of State Transport during the years 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95 ?

Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, as discussed by the MNF Legislative Party, the answers of my starred question should be furnished either by the hon'ble Chief Minister or other Ministers and not by a defector, who become a Minister.

DY. S P EAKER : The hon'ble Minister i/c is present and he is well prepared for the answers. - So, let us call upon Pu Zakh Hlychho.

PU ZAKHU HLYCHHO MINISTER : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, if the hon'ble Member from Aizawl 'S' II is not satisfied with my answers, our Hon'ble House Leader could provide additional statements. The fleet utilisation in the Department of Transport is as follows :-

1991-'92 - 45 %, 1992-'93 - 39 %, 1993 - '94 - 40 %. There is slight improvement during the current year and the percentage is 42 %.

PU LALSAWTA : Mr Dy. Speaker, sir, the percentage of fleet utilisation is extremely low in our State. As reported by our Comptroller and Auditor General, the percentage in the All India Level is 87 to 89, 94 to 95 % in Himachal Pradesh, and 59 and 82 % in our neighbouring State of Meghalaya, whereas in Mizoram, the highest percentage is only 45. What is the reason for low utilisation percentage in our State ?

PU ZAKHU HLYCHHO MINISTER : Mr Speaker, Sir, it is true that the said percentage is 87 in the All India level. However, in Meghalaya, the percentage is only 52 and not 87. In Mizoram, our Buses need constant repair owing to poor conditions of road. Hence, the percentage of fleet utilisation cannot be high.

PU H. LALRUATA MINISTER : Mr Dy. Speaker sir, supplementary question. According to the report of the Comptroller and Auditor General, the percentage of fleet utilisation in Meghalaya is 52-82%. But the Hon'ble Minister has given a contradictory statement. Does it mean that the CAG had provided a false report.

PU F. MALSANMA : Mr Dy. Speaker sir, certain improvement is seen after a Joint Director was appointed at the MST Workshop. However

Is it a fact that the Joint Director was not given any authorities to function for further development of the said workshop?

Secondly, can the Buses, unfit for long-run services be utilised for fetching school children? Besides most of the town-buses reject school children thereby creating great problems for them. 111

Will their welfare be considered by the government?

PU ZAKHU HLYCHHO
MINISTER

: Mr Dy. Speaker sir, regarding fleet utilisation percentage my answer was furnished from the Records of the comparative performance of State and the U.T., which is the only record available for us.

Further, the Government is fully aware of the problems faced by the School Children. So, presently, a bus permit is being issued solely for School Children, which has not yet operated.

PU H. THANGKIMA

: Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, I ask my starred question No. 110 - Is there any intention to place the State Transport in the hands of the Corporation ?

PU ZAKHU HLYCHHO
MINISTER

: Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, the Sub-Committee of the Mizoram Government's Cabinet had proposed to keep the State Transport in the hands of the Corporation, but the final decision is not yet made by the Government.

PU JOHN RCTLUANGLIANA

: Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, I ask my starred question No. 111 - Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c Agriculture Department be pleased to state - (a) Is there any intention to open the Irrigation Sub-Division at Zawlnuam ?

(b) If so, when will work be started ?

PU SAIKAPTHIANGA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, the answers
MINISTER of starred question No.111 are
as follows :

(a) Yes.

(b) Work Schedule is being
planned at the moment and application for Post-creation is
being submitted to the Finance and Planning Departments.

PU LALRINCHHANA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, supplemen-
tary question. The Agriculture
sub-Division at Darlawn had
existed for a year without
S.D.O., and proper staff. So, in order to improve the said
division, can the Government take immediate action by appoin-
ting the S.D.O., and other required staff ?

PU SAIKAPTHIANGA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, there was
MINISTER no creation of fresh posts when
the Agriculture Sub-Division
was set up at Darlawn, and the
bifurcation of Agriculture and Horticulture Departments resulted
in shortage of Sub-Divisional Officers. However, the Government
has granted our request for creation of new posts which are being
filled up at the moment.

Regarding the supplementary ques-
tion of our hon'ble Member Pu F.Malsawma, since the previous times,
application for post creation had been submitted to the Govern-
ment, but this is a difficult task as the Government has to consi-
der every pros and cons of the proposition.

DY.S P E A K E R : Starred question No. 112,
Pu F.Malsawma.

PU F.MALSAWMA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, I ask my
starred question No. 112 -

(a) What is the amount of Plan
Budget for the year 1995-'96
allotted to the Mizoram Government ?

(b) What is the amount to be
contributed by the Mizoram Government from its revenue ?

PU J.LALSANGZUALA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, the answers
MINISTER of question No. 112 are as
follows :
(a) A total amount of Rs.24104.25
is expected for the year 1995-'96.

(b) We do not have to make any
contributions for the Plan-Budget as all our revenues go to the
Non-Plan.

PU F.MALSAWMA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, supplementary
question -

(1) Is there any fixation of Loan
payment in the Plan-Budget or
whether there is any provisions for loan repayment ?

(2) Whether there is any fixa-
tion of loan to be obtained from the Insurance Company or Foreign
sources ?

(3) Amount of revenue received
by our State during the year 1994-'95 ?

(4) Total amount of funds received
under Centrally sponscred scheme for the year 1994-'95 ?

PU LALSAWTA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, I would like
to raise supplementary question
to be answered by the hon'ble
concerned Minister. From which
source is the Rs. 15 crores under EAP obtained ? For which
Sectoral Excevatons is the said fund utilised ? If this is
a form of loan, then what is the annual percentage of interest ?

PU J.LALSANGZUALA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, on matter
MINISTER concerning loan, Rs. 1000 lakhs
is fixed for Market-borrowing, Rs.
Rs. 291 lakhs for Life Insurance
Corporation, Rs. 86 lakhs for Rural Electrification and Rs. 25
lakhs for National Co-operative Development Corporation.

Regarding the question of our
hon'ble Member Pu Lalsawta, in the Aizawl Greater Water Supply
Phase II, we decided that the Drainage and Sewage system should
fall under EAP. Accordingly, the Indian Government referred it
to the Government of Switzerland, but unfortunately, no interest
is shown by them. So, presently, the same is forwarded to the
British Government.

Regarding the revenue received during 1994-'95, the figure will be compiled only after 31st March, 1995. If found necessary, copies of which will be circulated among the Members.

PU LALSAWTA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, if the EAP is a form loan, what is the percentage of Interest ?

PU J.LALSANGZUALA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, the EAP is a form of loan taken from the Indian Government, who deals with all the necessary tasks including selection of a Country. However, repayment of loan is made to the Indian Government and not to a selected foreign Country. In the present Plan-Budget, 10 % is estimated as loan and 90 % as grant.

PU F.LALZUALA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, I ask my starred question No.113- Is the Mizoram Government capable of furnishing the New MLA Hostel efficiently ?

PU LAL THANHAWLA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, the Government is certainly capable and is intending to furnish the said hostel satisfactorily. Presently, Rs. 7.49 is being estimated for the said purpose and at the moment, the administrative approval of the Government is awaited. We shall immediately proceed with the task as soon as we get the approval.

DY. S P E A K E R : Starred question No. 114, Pu J.V.Hluna.

PU H.THANGKIMA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, on behalf of Pu J.V.Hluna, I ask starred question No. 114.

DY. S P E A K E R : From now on, information should be given if one is going to be absent.

PU H.THANGKIMA : I ask starred question No. 114 - Whether the Government intends to establish a Maternity Hospital at Aizawl West II (Luangmual area) during the year 1994 - (95 ?

PU C.CHAWNGKUNGA MINISTER : Mr Dy,Speaker, sir, the Government intends to set up a Maternity Hospital at Luangmual, which can accomodate 10 beds. The PWD has been instructed to chalk out the Estimate amount. However, steps cannot be taken up during the year 1994-'95 as the actual site is not yet selected.

PU LALSANTA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, I would like to know the amount of Entertainment tax collected by the Taxation Department since the year 1987. I hereby request the hon'ble Minister i/c to furnish the answers.

PU HRANGTHANGA COLNEY MINISTER : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, the amount of Entertainment Tax collected by the Taxation Department since the year 1987 till February 1995 are as follows :-

1987 - '88	Rs. 7,26,150.50
1988 - '89	Rs. 6,20,456.00
1989 - '90	Rs. 7,85,274.00
1990 - '91	Rs. 5,01,563.85
1991 - '92	Rs. 4,86,646.00
1992 - '93	Rs. 3,50,194.00
1993 - '94	Rs. 5,84,474.00
1994 - '95	Rs. 4,58,369.00

The total amount is
Rs. 45,13,127.35.

PU LALSAWTA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, supplementary question. Considering the price-inflation in different parts of the world, the Entertainment Tax decreases year by year in our State. For instance, the amount of the said tax was Rs. 7.00 lakhs for the year 1987-'88, but this has gone down to 3 lakhs in the year 1992-'93. Can the reason be provided by the hon'ble concerned Minister ?

PU HRANGTHANGA COLNEY MINISTER : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, the Entertainment Tax mostly comes from the Cinema theatres and with the increasing popularity of T.V., and Video in our homes, the number of Cinema-goers decreases, thus resulting in the low entertainment tax.

PU LALSAWTA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, supplementary question. Does the Government collect the said tax from the Assam Rifle's Cinema Hall ? If so, What is the amount collected ?

PU HRANGTHANGA COLNEY MINISTER : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, the Entertainment tax is collected from the Zodin theatre, and the amount collected since the year 1987 till '95 is Rs. 16,84,367/- .

PU H.THANGKIMA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, I ask my starred question No. 117 - Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c School Education Department be pleased to state : When will the Phaileng (S) (Hnahchang) and Lungmawi Private Middle School be upgraded to a deficit status by the Government ?

PU ZOSIAMA PACHUAU MINISTER : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, the matter will be considered on the basis of funds available.

PU H.THANGKIMA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, I would like to bring brief statements on this matter. Both the Phaileng (S) and Lungmawi are tiny and remote Villages with approximately only 50 houses each. There is no proper road communication and their economic condition is extremely poor. Besides, since the past 10 years, the Middle Schools in these Villages cannot function properly. So, I honestly request the Ministry to pay special attention towards the said Villages.

PU B.LALTHLENGLIANA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, I raise my starred question No. 118 - Will the hon'ble Minister i/c Sports & Youth Services Department be pleased to state - What further steps will be taken up regarding construction of Kolasib Sport Complex ?

PU LAL THANHAWLA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, construction of the said task is dis-continued as the concerned contractor is engaged with more other important work. However, the said task will resume as soon as possible.

PU B.LALTHLENGLIANA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, supplementary question. According to the answers of the previous starred question, more than 40 lakhs had been utilised for construction of this Complex provided that 75 % of the work had been completed. Is this accepted as a correct statement by the Ministry ? Moreover, the hon'ble House Leader had assured that vital steps would be taken up to renovate and develop the Kolasib constituency. I would like to know whether the concerned MLA has made any personal request to the hon'ble House Leader for completion of the said Complex.

PU LAL THANHAWLA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, I would like to assure the House that the concerned Minister had reminded me of this matter every now and then.

The total Estimate for the Kolasib Sports Complex is Rs.47,50,000/- and approximately 60 % of the work had been completed.

DY. S P E A K E R : Starred question No. 119, Pu F. Malsawma.

PU F.MALSAWMA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, I ask my starred question No. 119 -

(1) Extent of Forest Department's area in Mizoram ?

(2) Number of trees planted by the Forest Department as per the Department's record ?

(a) Areas where trees are planted?

(b) Number of growing trees as per the Government's record.

DY. S P E A K E R : Let us call upon Pu Zosiama Pachuau

PU ZOSIAMA PACHUAU : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, in Mizoram, the extent of Forest Department's area is 15,825 Sq Km, and trees are planted in areas covering 1,63,740 hectares. The number of growing trees as per the Department's record are 1,63,740,000.

PU F.MALSAWMA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, the performance of the Forest Department is highly appreciated. At the same time, it will be a matter of great satisfaction if such records could be furnished. In order to provide Vocational Employment, can students be employed to survey the extent of the areas and to verify the planted trees ? In case the records are not correct, will action be taken against the guilty persons ?

PU ZOSIAMA PACHUAU : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, the trees are numbered by the Forest Department and if the Government is not satisfied, it is their authority to engage other workers for the said task. Any mistakes committed by the Department should be reported and we will verify the matter.

PU F.MALSANNA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, I would like to ask the hon'ble House Leader if students could be employed in the task of numbering the trees and measuring the area ?

PU B.LALTHLENGLIANA : Mr Dy.Speraker, sir, in the previous year, few number of trees were planted in the area measuring 140 hectares by the side of Tlawng river. Is this counted as the Plantation area ? If so, there could be certain failures.

PU LAL THANHAWLA CHIEF MINISTER : Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, regarding the question of our hon'ble Member from Sateek, I have instructed the Department's head to verify and furnish informations on this matter, which is not yet received by me till date. Anyway, I will provide the answers as soon as possible.

PU B.LALTHLENGLIANA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, to obtain correct information, spot verification should be conducted along with the Village natives.

PU LAL THANHAWLA CHIEF MINISTER : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, if we still have doubts over their findings, I will personally conduct the spot verification. In addition, I would like to point out that the survey undertaken by the Soil Department too requires thorough verification.

Owing to certain reasons, it is difficult to keep the exact record of trees planted. If cross-checking is necessary, many reliable students from NSS could be hired for the task, and this is solely the authority of the concerned Department.

PU R.TLANGHMINGTHANGA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, supplementary question. As we all know, the

Forest Department has a vast extension of land measuring 15825 Sq Km, which is a protected area. Besides, as the Department intends to extend their area further and further, there will be very little left for our cultivators. In such cases, are there any percentage of land to be acquired by the said Department or limitation fixed by the Government ?

Moreover, the inhabitants of Keisalam were asked to vacate the area as it falls within the sanctuary. However, the BSF set up a camp there, and around this area, cultivation is carried on by the Chakma Foreigners. Unfortunately, employees of Forest Department are unable to take up any actions for fear of Santi Bahini. Is the Government aware of this fact and what actions will be taken up ?

PU ZOSIAMA PACHUAU
MINISTER

: Mr Dy. Speaker, sir, I would like to remind our hon'ble Members that all the Reserved Forests are not necessarily the Department's area.

For instance, there are Reserved Forest, Protected Forest and Safety Reserved Forests. So, there is no reason to be afraid or alarmed.

Regarding the extension of Reserved Forest, as Forest protection and Afforestation had become the global issue, the Government of Mizoram too aims at promoting the same issue as far as possible.

Coming to matters concerning Dampa sanctuary, I would like to point out the fact that the BSF is stationed there for security reasons. Besides, as far as Wildlife Management is concerned, the natural products cannot provide adequate nourishments, provided that the thick forest is very often unhealthy for wild animals. Accordingly, we gave instructions to clear the area and plant new trees and if there is shortage of funds, the Rural Development Department will provide financial aid of Rs. 3 lakhs. Finally, I would like to assure the House that in no way is the Forest Department afraid of the Santi Bahini.

Thank you.

DY. S P E A K E R

: Now the time is 11 A.M. Any Member willing to make a statement is invited.

Dr R. LALTHANGLIANA

: Mr Dy. Speaker, sir, thank you for allotting me time to speak. Today,

I would like to make an important statement concerning Economic Measure of our State, and in particular, I request the hon'ble House Leader to pay due attention to what I have to say.

As far as our Ministry is concerned, we have 17 Ministers besides the Speaker, Dy. Speaker and Vice Chairmen of the Planning Board. In my opinion, the expenditure incurred for maintenance of our Ministers excluding the Chief Minister is extremely high. Within 5 years, the total office expenditure of our Minister is as high as Rs. 29,49,000/- . Moreover, within a single term, the expenditures incurred for M.R. Drivers is Rs. 1,00,000/-, Rs. 2,00,000/- for T.A., and D.A., of the Staff, Rs. 6,76,000/- for Private Residence, Rs. 14,46,000/- for Personal pay and certain amounts for maintenance of vehicles and workshop bills. So, even with conservative calculation, the total amount is as high as Rs. 70,71,000/- . Therefore, within a period of 5 years, the total expenditures incurred for maintenance of our Ministers alone is Rs. 14,14,20,000/- . As Mizoram is not a self-sufficient State, I honestly request the hon'ble House Leader to review the whole expenditures incurred extravagantly on our Ministers. In this connection, it is worth mentioning that our hon'ble Opposition Leader Pu Zoramthanga had denied all such facilities entitled by him. Finally, while our State is facing great financial crisis, it is the responsibility of our Hon'ble House Leader to find a way of cutting down the unnecessary expenditures.

Thank you.

DY. S P E A K E R : Let us now call upon our hon'ble House Leader.

PU LAL THANHAWLA
CHIEF MINISTER : Mr Dy. Speaker, sir, at the outset, I would like to point out that there is nothing I can say regarding the stability of our Ministry, and whether or not our Ministry is stable, the public is fully aware of it. I do not deny the fact that we formed a large Ministry, but this was done with the permission of our hon'ble Prime Minister. Besides, the formation of a large Ministry had no adverse effect on our economy as there is no fresh recruitment of staff. In fact, they are merely deputed from one post to another. So, we should not be discontented over this matter. However, if one declines prestigious position and facilities for the interest and welfare of our people, than he truly deserves praise and honour. As a matter of fact, we are the least expensive State among all the States of North Eastern India.

DY. S P E A K E R : Today, we have to undertake the Demands of our hon'ble 3 Ministers for consideration and discussion. As agreed earlier, each Member is allotted 15 minutes. Now, we shall invite the hon'ble Minister Pu Zakhu Hlychho to move his Demand.

PU ZAKHU HLYCHHO : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, "on the recommendation of Governor of Mizoram and with your permission, sir, I move the Demand No. 32,38 and 50 for Rupees 10 crores, eighty four lakhs and ten thousand only for meeting expenses during 1995-'96 in respect of the following Departments -

32 - Labour & Employment	Revenue - 1,11,10,000.00
38 - Fisheries	Revenue - 1,06,00,000.00
	Capital - 30,00,000.00
50 - Transport	Revenue - 7,70,65,000.00
	Capital - 66,35,000.00

Thank you.

DY. S P E A K E R : Now, we shall call upon the Hon'ble Minister Pu C.Vulluaia to submit his Demand.

PU C.VULLUAIA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission sir, I move the Demand No. 4 and 42 for Rupees 4,01,30,000/- only for meeting expenses during 1995-96 in respect of the following Departments-

No. 4 - Administration of Justice	Revenue - Rs. 1,55,10,000.00
No.42 - Co-Operation Deptt.	Revenue - Rs. 2,16,25,000.00
	Capital - Rs. 29,95,000.00
	Total - Rs. 4,01,30,000.00

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DY. S P E A K E R : Now, let us call upon the hon'ble Minister Pu S.T.Rualyapa to move his Demands.

PU S.T.RUALYAPA
MINISTER : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission sir, I move the Demand No. 17, 19, 28 and 29 for Rs. 15,89,72,000/- only for meeting expenses during 1995-'96 in respect of the following Departments -

No. 17 - Printing & Stationery:	Revenue - Rs. 4,13,72,000.00
	Capital - Rs. 3,00,000.00
No. 19 - Local Administration:	Revenue - Rs. 3,00,00,000.00
No. 28 - Housing :	Revenue - Rs. 1,56,00,000.00
	Capital - Rs. 3,12,00,000.00
No. 29 - Urban Development :	Revenue - Rs. 3,78,00,000.00
	Capital - Rs. 27,00,000.00
	Total - Rs. 15,89,72,00,000.00

Thank you, Sir.

DY. S P E A K E R : The Hon'ble Ministers had moved various Demands under their charge for consideration of the House. Now, Members are invited to furnish their statements.

PU F.MALSANMA : Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, at the outset, I would like to lay emphasis on the Department of Transport. In particular, the drivers of Buses and Trucks along with the workshop that takes care of the said vehicles should be given an autonomy, because in the present condition, file-works are always delayed, which greatly hampers the administration of the Department. Another point I would like to suggest is that in order to provide promotional channel for the drivers and conductors, their Recruitment Rules should be thoroughly reviewed by the Government. I would also like to know what incentives should be provided to the efficient conductors, drivers and Mechanics.

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PU LALSAWTA

: Mr Deputy Speaker, sir, as we are discussing the various Demands of our hon'ble Ministers, firstly I would like to lay emphasis on the

Department of Transport. The Members of this August House are fully aware that the said Department serves the public interest besides functioning as a source of revenue. However, as this Department is running at a loss, I request the hon'ble concerned Minister to investigate the cause instead of putting the blame on the officers.

Moreover, for Railway Out Agency, there is a financial allotment of Rs. 13 lakhs. As such, I strongly recommend that the Agency should function with the help of a Computer so that Reservations and Booking could be done easily. It is also learnt that Rs. 35,60,000/- had been sanctioned for Central Workshop. But in this case, we should consider deeply whether Central Workshop is recommendable while the Western Countries and different parts of the world are encouraging Privatization.

Further, Rs. 174 lakhs is likely to be allotted for General Transport. Realising the value of money, the hon'ble Minister should carefully look into this matter. However, I do not understand certain works on Petrol Pump. For instance, the pump and the capital asset are already there, and while Rs. 10 lakhs is estimated for the salary of the workers, the amount of financial allotment for Material and supply is as high as Rs. 60 lakhs. I do hope and presume that clarification of this matter be furnished later.

Emphasizing on matter concerning Administration of Justice, legislation of laws cannot be undertaken by the Law Department alone, but each Department should formulate laws as required by them, which will be reviewed and considered by the Law Department. In this connection, I would like to question whether a special court could be established in our State, because without it, many criminals might have escaped punishments. Moreover, regarding the Department of Printing and Stationery, I would like to point out that there are certain disorder and complications if all the Printing works and supply of stationeries are handled by the said Department. Instead, the requirements of all other Departments should be provided by the registered firms.

In the Department of Local Administration, Rs. 35 lakhs is allotted for salary. However, from the way we estimate the Budget, there seems to be no intention of improving the condition of the V/C, besides the total amount estimated for Housing loan is quite meagre. For instance, Rs. 10 lakhs each will be sanctioned under HUDCO and SHASU, but none will gain complete benefits from such meagre amount. What I would like to suggest is that while the demand for loan under HUDCO is extremely high, can the Planning Board introduce the system of Infrastructural Leasing and Financial Services Limited in our State ?

Next, as discussed earlier, engaging of a single private bus for School's children fails to meet the demands. In such cases, arrangement could be certainly made by the Government as school's buses are required only during the fetching and dropping time of children.

Coming to matters concerning Law & Judicial, being Members of the Assembly, it is our responsibility to legislate laws. But today, the absence of any such laws is extremely wrong even in the eyes of the public. As we all know, our society is morally corrupted day by day, and it is not possible for the Voluntary Organisations alone to reform the society. So, in the midst of such turmoil and confusion, it is the duty of the Government to intervene by enacting and enforcing strict laws and regulations. Therefore, legislation and passing of effective laws should be our target for our next session.

Fortunately, new copies of Indian Constitution, prepared by our hon'ble Law Minister had been circulated among the Members. Here, we see that various items are included in the Concurrent List, which are within the purview of the State's administration. If we are truly concern of our State's interest and welfare, then the social reforms could be initiated in accordance with such laws, provided that the Government could seek the assistance of the Voluntary Organisation only in the enforcement of such laws and regulations. However, in our State, our leaders backed away from their vital duties and responsibilities and left the task of reforming the society in the hands of the said organisations. In return, such organisations are widely criticised and some of the Members even faced imprisonment. This is extremely disgraceful for the Ministry. Therefore, under such circumstances, what we need is not mere impressive statements, but strong and united actions from the Government, and we, the Opposition party is readily prepared to support and assist the Ministry in this field.

Coming to the Demand of our hon'ble Minister Pu Rualyapa, I would like to extend my gratitude on matter concerning Housing loan. Further, as Mizoram is a developing State, the crucial task of Town-planning should be undertaken wisely and seriously by the Ministry. So, it is extremely important to strengthen the concerned Department by giving our full support and assistance. Next, I would like to know whether the construction works under L.A.D., are checked and verified prior to issuing the Bills. At the same time, the work quality should be up to the mark, and if not, the Ministry should not hesitate to withhold the bills.

Finally, it is learnt that the Sodium Vapour Light, proposed to be located at the entrance of Bawngkawn locality had been shifted elsewhere. I would like to remind our Ministry that the localities of Bawngkawn, Ramhlun and Chaltlang are in great need of such light. Besides, as Chaltlang is celebrating its Centenary in the month of September, I honestly request the Ministry to complete the shopping complex at DIET campus before 1st September.

Thank you.

Regarding Labour and Employment Department, it is most unfortunate that the said Department had been totally neglected by the Ministry. So today, I honestly request our hon'ble Minister to open their eyes and realise the significance and importance of this Department. Last, but not the least, Law enforcement and Justice had determined considerably in our State. Therefore, Mr Dy. Speaker, sir, separation of Judiciary and Executive should be considered deeply by the Ministry, so that there can be equal justice among the higher and lower classes.

Thank you.

PU R. TLANGHMINGTHANGA : Mr Dy. Speaker, sir, at the outset I would like to emphasize on Demand No. 50, i.e., Transport. In my opinion, the Road & Water Transport had been named wrongly because as this was under Road Transport. So, this should be amended. Besides, right from the previous times, we merely proceed without knowing the actual meaning of Transport. In reality, transport itself is not concerned with only Motor Vehicles. Whether it is a Transport Secretariat or Directorate, the main objective is enforcement of Rules and Regulations. But in Mizoram, we are not aware of this fact till date. As a result, this Department is unable to function smoothly till today. Above all, the Cabinet Sub-Committee had passed the Cooperation system without any proper consideration and which is totally inapplicable in our State.

Further, technical experts are not appointed in this Department. Instead, appointment is made on the basis of Pay-Scale without considering the nature of works. I firmly believe that the bifurcation of Commissariat and the Technical Wing will give encouragement and incentive to the workers. It is very frustrating for the staff if unexperienced person, be it MCS or other officials continue to take the charge.

Another point, I would like to stress is that the Central Workshop, which is set up for the various Departments is not a Departmental Workshop, but as the entire expenditure is met by the Transport Department, the expenditure cannot be low. So, it is wrong to judge the success or failure of the said Department on the basis of Income or expenditure. But undoubtedly, improvement is extremely necessary in this Department. Unfortunately, I do not have high expectation as long as this Department is headed by a corrupt Minister, who betrayed his own political party for money and position. Moreover, as soon as he was made a Minister, the Transport Truck was immediately detailed for Minister's duty, which was utilised for his personal purposes. Under such circumstances, we cannot expect any great achievements.

Coming to the Department of Local Administration, I would like to suggest that the services of the

V/C should be properly availed by the Ministry, because there are certain loop-holes if construction works are undertaken without the knowledge of the concerned V/C. Therefore, Tender copy should be furnished to the Contractor with the knowledge of the V/C, who in turn, could take up the task of supervision. In such a way, we will be able to obtain better results. In this connection, I would like to remind the hon'ble Minister that in order to possess thorough information and knowledge of our constituencies, such Tender copy should be provided to the concerned MLAs. Moreover, greater progress will be achieved if sanctioning of contract works under L.A.D., are made more flexible. Regarding SHASU loan, the Ruling Party's members are actively involved in it, and apart from them, Members of other parties should also be involved in it as they could provide valuable contributions.

In matter of Urban Development, I regret to learn that the financial allotment has gone down from 267 lakhs to 238 lakhs. This needs proper reconsideration.

Regarding Administration of Justice our High Court remains extremely ineffective. It is learnt that the Mizoram Government did not welcome or entertain the High Court's judges. Is there a way of making some improvements? Finally, in the Departments of Printing & Stationery and Local Administration, the officers are not assigned their rightful tasks but are merely employed to train the new recruits. Besides, the Director post had never been occupied by the Department's personnel. Hence, I request the Ministry to look into this matter and do the needful.

Thank you.

PU LAL BIAKZUALA

: Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, in the statements of our hon'ble Member Pu R.Tlanghmingthanga, certain wordings should be off-recorded

as they sound unparliamentarian.

Thank you.

PU ZORAMTHANGA

: Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, I would like to begin my statement with matters concerning the Department of Transport. Due to inefficiency of ad-

ministration, there is a huge loss in this Department, which requires thorough checking and considerations. Besides, certain problems exist in the Department of Labour and Employment for instance, we have Employment Exchange in some sub-divisions, but they have no authority in the said exchange. I firmly believe that most of our problems will be solved if the sub-divisions are given such authority.

Coming to matter concerning Law, during the period of insurgency, for about 20 years, Mizoram suffered immensely under the special power Act of the Armed Forces. Even after attaining a Union Territory, we were continued to be oppressed as the L.G., was more powerful than the Ministers and prominent politicians. Consequently, the oppression of Mizoram continues till date with the enforcement of Rules of the Executive order, where Rule of Law is non-existent. As such, we need to be rescued from such depressed situation by establishing a permanent High Court Bench in our State. Another point I would like to stress is that an elected Member of the Assembly, our first and foremost responsibility is to enact laws. But in the present situation, our main duty is simply to raise questions and criticise one another. In the absence of Laws and Regulations, various Departments cannot function properly and the administration of the entire State had deteriorated considerably. So, the Ministry should take up steps in this direction.

Coming to matter concerning LAD, with the enormous growth of population, the Aizawl town has become big enough to be a city, which can no longer be managed by the V/C alone. Hence, the need of the hour is to set up a Municipality as it is extremely unwise and degrading to leave our Capital in the hands of the V/C. Besides, I would like to suggest that the nominated seat in a Village Council should be abolished as this creates certain problems. Moreover, the way we treat the V/C is quite surprising. In certain things, they are given total freedom whereas in certain other fields, they are completely controlled and oppressed. The hon'ble Minister of Rural Development had stated that the V/C would be appointed as Drawing Officers on matters concerning the EAS and funds, and that the sanctioning copy would be issued to the MLA. This is a pleasing matter because it is extremely difficult to obtain the aforesaid letter from the V/C. I do hope that the Statement of our hon'ble Minister will materialise and that the V/C be assigned their rightful duty in matter of finance. Lastly, all matters relating to the formation of V/C should not be politicised.

Thank you.

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PU T. HRANGHLUTA

: Hon'ble Dy. Speaker, sir, I am glad to discuss the Demands of our three hon'ble Ministers.

Firstly, Demand No. 32 of Labour and Employment Department - We have discussed about the Asst. Employment Officer in this House on August 1994. They could not yet function till this day. I, therefore, request the concerned Hon'ble Minister to look into the matter and to prepare for the smooth functioning of this office.

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Secondly, we had requested Deluxe Night Bus Service from Aizawl to Lawngtlai. Because, Aizawl to Saiha Night Bus is not convenient and too inadequate to meet the necessity of Public. The hinterland of Lawngtlai is good enough to serve the said Bus. I, therefore, request the Authority to look into the matter to meet the highest necessity of the Public.

Thirdly, Lawngtlai MST Bus Station. The Station is too inadequate and narrow. It lies between the Private Houses. The road, too, are so poor and danger for full loaded Bus. The town as well as the constituency so needs better improvement. I therefore, request better Bus Station while giving thanks to the demands of our hon'ble Ministers.

DY. S P E A K E R : Now let us call Pu Lal Biakzuala.

PU LAL BIAKZUALA : Hon'ble Dy. Speaker, sir, I want to deliver a hort speeches about Fisheries Department.

In Mizoram, especially in the Western side of the land where most of fish ponds are located. For our hon'ble Minister's information and advice. I want to give proposals and suggestions. As there are conveniences of fishing ponds in the western side, a number of people were engaged in fishing ponds. In this regard, I want to point out the problems faced by them.

Although the Government of Mizoram supplies fish seeds to the Private fisheries they could not meet their requirement. If it were supplied, the fish seeds always contains bad seeds and tad-poles. These appear only after four or five months. I, therefore, request the hon'ble Minister and the Department to take steps in this.

The next problem is Marketing. From the present situation, it seems the easiest way for self-sufficiency for Mizoram is fisheries. Marketing is their problem. Whether the price are low or high, we always need marketing. Does the Government purchase their fish at a time ?

And since we produced more fish, is there any way to make fish tin in cooperation with the MIFCO ? Does the Government make proposal in that way ? If there is no such proposal I want to request the Government to have proposal in the coming year. If a family looks after fish ponds carefully, its income is far higher. From this point, it appears good for self sufficiency. I, therefore, thinks that it would be better to encourage fisheries in Mizoram.

Secondly, I want to point out the problems faced by the Village Council, under Local Administration Department. Their responsibility are much that their difficulties require proper treatment.

Thirdly, under the development scheme of Rural Development Department, more funds reach every corner of the Village. As we have been listening yesterday, more development fund may come next year. In this connection, I want to make a suggestion and proposal to lock into the distribution system in order to make neat and clear accounting system. It is inadequate to put only on the hand of Village Council Secretaries.

The next one is Housing Loan. It is pleasing that every Member were given Housing Loan Quota. I, therefore, want to ask whether there is any way to sanction this Housing Loan to far flung Villages.

There are needy ones. Does the concerned Department can arranged Housing Loan for Sub-Towns ? Besides these, I want to ask and request the concerned Ministers to arrange more fund for Housing Loan since the necessity is higher and higher

PU LALRINCHHANA

: Hon'ble Dy. Speaker, sir, thank you for giving me chance to speak with Demand No. 40 and No. 42 of Administration of Justice and Co-operation.

Regarding the Administration of Justice, there is a provision in the Memorandum of Settlement that there shall be a separate High Court. We had earmark it too. But there can be no progress to set up this High Court. I want to point out that if we cannot have a separate High Court we must lock into the High Court Bench for the smooth functioning of the Administration of Justice.

And Co-Operation is very useful to us and started functioning in the different Villages. It is good to encourage more and more in our Society. But in order to be fruitful, it needs better guidance. I therefore, request the concerned Minister to take steps to guide the Co-Operation by imparting better means and ways in different places.

I also want to point out about Local Administration Department and Urban Development. By Private Members' Resolution we resolved that the Rules and Guide Lines of the Village Council be amended last year. The Committee was also constituted. But the Committee was lately constituted that it did not take step to amend the Rules and Guidelines of the Village Council as required. After two meetings we passed for more remuneration of Village Council by directing

through State Resources. I therefore, agree and request the concerned Minister and all the Ministers especially the Chief Minister to give attention to look into the matter and for the Members of Village Council to earn more remuneration and as per the provision to issue Executive order as early as possible. I want and request the concern Minister and the House Leader to make entry as internal necessity.

The Members of our Village Council are very hard working. I would like to inform our Hon'ble Minister to safeguard the right of Village Council Members even before the amendment of the Rules and Guidelines. If we do not safeguard their rights, whether we are MDC or MLA our position may also become flexible. There are attempts to dissolve the Village Council from time to time in different places. It increase till date. As we are the Members who look after the Village Council we must safeguard their rights.

While we are speaking about the Village Council it is connected with the Urban Development. There is difference between the Village Council in the Villages and Village Councils in the towns. This caused difficulty to amend the constitution. In fact, Village Councils in Towns and Sub-Towns should be partly ignored while amending the Constitution. The Towns and Sub-Towns required separate constitution for its administration. I believe that it would be better to constitute Municipal Bill as soon as possible for the administration of Towns and Sub-Towns.

Regarding the administration of our Towns it is too inadequate. For proper development and proper functioning of the Towns we need better administrative system. As such, the present rules be carried out more effectively than the past time. In this regard, Dy. Speaker, sir, I request the Ruling Ministry to carry out Law and Order for proper functioning of our Towns.

Thank you.

DY. S P E A K E R : Let us call upon Dr J.V.Hluna.

Dr J.V.HLUNA : Mr Hon'ble Dy.Speaker, sir, let me start my speech from the Co-Operation, which has the smallest amount of money in the Demands.

Recently, a Senior Officer, who lived in a quarter died leaving his wife and children. The quarter is at private land. The land owner evicted his family soon after his death. In such case, how the welfare committee of the Department take step to help them ? And, a few weeks ago, a Local News Paper published that the cheque of Co-Opera-

tion Department amounting to 20 lakhs of rupees has been lost. I shall be grateful if the concerned Minister explain about this when he wind up the Demand.

And, we all know about the Administration of Justice, there can be no competent services. Being one of the most important administration of State. I want to suggest that in order to have Magisterial power, Judicial Training be given to our MCS Officers.

I also want to point out SHASU under Local Administration Department. SHASU is a short form of Scheme on Housing and Shelter Upgradation. It is a branch of NRY for the upliftment of the poor at the Town. But I don't know whether our Minister knows this, that there are two Houses who received three shares by three names, there is one Class I Officer who received SHASU and two Government servants also received it in our Village. I, therefore, request our Hon'ble Minister to look into the matter for better distribution system.

And, in Village Councils, as it is said before, they were often threatened for dissolution. It is not right to threaten them for dissolution for slightest pretext. If they were elected Members, I request our Hon'ble Minister to safeguard their rights.

Regarding the issue of works under LAD for the construction of steps, I have suggestion to set up Development Committee at Block level under which the members of Village Council be the member under the Chairmanship of MLA in their respective Constituencies. For the upgradation of Village and Constituencies, the Development Fund be utilised through this Committee.

I also want to ask the Hon'ble Minister to explain a proposal for purchase of three Vehicles costing of 1) One and a half lakhs.
2) 14 lakhs, and
3) 15 lakhs under urban Development. And scholarships and stipends are there in three places too.

I also want to point out about the H.B.A... House Building Advance (HBA) was always granted to Government Servants. I agree with it. The Advance were repaid by deducting from their salaries. This is encouraging, if all the needy Government Servants take it, it shall be so progressive.

I also want to say about the Phunchewng Village consisting of 44 Houses. They were governed by the Chaltlang Village Council. There is much inconvenience. I, therefore, request to free them from Chaltlang Village Council and give Village Council not only a Village Sub-Committee.

There are two questions - Starred and Unstarred Question. The Starred question referred 4 lakhs and the Unstarred question referred to 230 lakhs. I want to ask the concerned Minister how can the two questions could exist.

And, regarding handing over or take up of Transport by the Cooperation, I regard it is unfit for our State.

Under Transport Department I come to know that Steel Wire Rope has been purchased for the recovery of Van MZ-CI/3497 amounting to Rs. 7,04,000/- lakhs. I think there is some forgery here, does the concerned Minister know it. I request him to look into the matter.

I had delivered my speech about Labour Wing under Labour and Employment Department last year. The Department played a very important role in our State. But now the Department and its functioning is very inadequate that they could not meet the demand. In this case, I request the hon'ble Minister to improve and upgrade the Wing by creating the Post of Assistant Commissioner, Deputy Commissioner etc. to meet the requirement of our State.

Lastly, I want to point-out that the equipments in I.T.I. is so poor that for better improvement of the requirements the Hon'ble Minister may please look into the matter.

PU K.ROKHAW

: Mr.Hon'ble Deputy Speaker, Sir,
Thank you for you have spared me a chance to speak. I want to point-out Demand No.17

Printing and Stationery Department. Chhintuipui District had no Printing Press. I request the concerned Minister to plant Printing Press at Saiha that will generate more employment, more works, more post which will be a great help to the public.

Secondly, Demand No.50 -

Transport Department - The people of my constituency are very happy for the works of Transport Department. But it is not yet enough. Tuipang has no Bus service of its own. They are depending on Zawngling Bus. But now, the Bus is always full from Zawngling. Hence, Tuipang has no Bus for transportation. I therefore request the concerned Hon'ble Minister to look into the matter and take action to arrange Bus Service for Tuipang
Thank you, Mr.Deputy Speaker, Sir.

DEPUTY SPEAKER

: Let us now call Dr.R.Lalthangliana.

Dr.R.LALTHANGLIANA

: Mr.Hon'ble Deputy Speaker Sir,
I want to point out about the

Notification issued by District Administration Officer, Aizawl District on 23.2.1995 It contains 6 points. As per the Notification, any Village Council who does not follow the Notification shall be punished not only with the dissolution of the Village Council, but also shall be arrested and seriously punished which we are passing laws for their Welfare and Safeguarding their rights, I cannot agree with this Notification. The Bill for Municipality is also dying. We are so slow in safeguarding their Welfare that I want to point out my dislike of bad Notification. Sir,

I also want to inform our Government about the distribution System of Housing Loan Quota to the Hon'ble Members. It was distributed with 7 equal Quota each. Which is equal to 280 quotas. But the Volume of Housing Loan distribution is 714 shares. Here, I think that the distribution system is not good enough. I hope that it would be made better for the coming year.

And, regarding Transport Department two Buses are newly purchased the small and Big ones. Here the cost of smaller one is higher than that of the Bigger one. I wonder how can it happen since they are produced by the same company its building and its type too are the same.

I also want to point out that impartial administration be made regarding Bus hiring system. Different Organisations like Churches, Y.M.A. etc. will be applying Bus for hire. I do hope that impartiality will no more be there in the Department.

Lastly, I want to speak about the Administration of Justice. While we want Justice in reality, our State seems to be practicing injustice. An Editor at Lunglei was arrested and hand-cuffed. Regarding this case the administration of justice had failed. His newspaper and press were locked till date. Mr. Deputy Speaker Sir, I urge that administration of justice be prevailed.

DEPUTY SPEAKER. : Let us call upon Pu Lalkhama.

PU LALKHAMA : Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker Sir, In the L.A.D. Demand "Resettlement of Village in H.P.C. Area" appeared. Is there any HPC Area? I ask to clarify which is the H.P.C. Area? I request the Government to inform the House.

Next to this, a bazaar shed was built at Khatla. This makes Bungkawn and Maubawk area congested. We should be careful in constructing Bazar Shed. A slaughter place at Chaltlang is not so convenient. I urge the LAD to search for the alternative places. Its not suitable or good for sanitation at all.

And regarding Village Council since we are under Democracy, Village Council were formed under Sixth Scheduled. The Central Government also recognised the importance of the Local Administration or Panchayati Raj. I talked about power and responsibilities of our Village Council. We had decided to give them more powers and responsibilities. I am sorry to say that Government does not take steps to implement our proposals. I desire that our Village Councils be given more powers and responsibilities.

Regarding Urban Development, side drains were being constructed, but before the construction extension of the roads are so required. Almost all the roads need to be extended by one or two or three feet. With the rapid increase of population, the need for extension of roads becomes higher and higher. I, therefore, desire and suggest that PWD and Urban Development be made under the same Minister concerned.

And in regards to the disposal of our wastes and waters from our Kitchen, they may be disposed by way of digging the ground. This kind of disposal of waste and sewage was practiced at Roorkee. I request the officers of Urban Development to study such system and to adopt it at Aizawl.

Next to this, I want to make Green Belt Area in and around Aizawl. If there is no fire to destroy it, Green Belt could be made very easily. I suggested Durtlang under Hermon for Green Belt Area, during my tenure as Chief Secretary. In the course of times Green Belt may exist around Aizawl, if steps are taken. I request the Minister concerned to take steps towards this end.

And I want to support Dr J.V.Hluna regarding Labour and Employment. As under present practice, any person who comes to Aizawl can be employed as there is no Police verification, official record nor photograph. As per our requirement, proper records of the persons should be sought for better administration. If there is no Police verification, official record nor photograph. As per our requirement proper records of the persons should be sought for better administration. If there is no such control there may be social tension. This should begin with Labour and Employment Department, so that unfair means may not be practiced in the recruitment of persons in the administrative realms.

And about Transport Department, while revenue is 1.50 crores, the expenditure is amounting to Rupees 8 crores. What I want to emphasize is the need for Privatization. I think it would be better to run MST Bus only on a difficult areas. Privatization should be encouraged, so that there may be better improvement in road transport.

And regarding Inland Water, most Rivers are navigable by blasting some Rocks. I think that this

would be the easiest means to help our Inland Water Transport.

Last I want to point out about the administration of Justice. It is necessity to be more improved in this regard. Generally, the Criminal Justice system, Administration Justice and High Court full Bench required much attention. Does the Judiciary require separation from Executive? I think Judiciary does not so required purely separation from Executive.

And regarding Housing, formation of Corporation is so required as it was done by Delhi Development Authority. We have over 40 persons unemployed among B.E., and B.Tech. Under their guidance, all Blocks Housing be developed one by one. That's all I can speak about Housing.

I also have to speak about Transport. While I was working in the Department, I also utilised the Road Transport Department Bus by hire and purchase system. Does the Minister utilise the bus by hire and purchase system? I request him to tell the House when he wind up the Demand.

Besides this, I want to request our hon'ble Minister, L.A.D., to use only Mini Bus for Aizawl Town Bus. As when the Bazar Buses enter Aizawl Town, there is always traffic jam. To alleviate traffic jam, market be shifted outside Aizawl Town.

I also request hon'ble Minister to repair footpath for pedestrians at Chaltlang.

Next to this, I want to point out about Permanent Bench of High Court in Mizoram. Some days ago, our hon'ble House Leader said that the High Court shall be soon a permanent Bench. I want it to be in reality.

Secondly, regarding the appointment of our Advocate General, if there are no qualified among Mizos, it is understandable if someone other than Mizo is appointed. But if there are qualified among the Mizos, son of the soil should be appointed. I think we should have broad outlook in the appointment of Advocate General.

And, as the hon'ble Member said before, regarding the separation of Judiciary and Executive, we need not hurry in this matter. I want to have Judicial service for Mizo Law Graduates for their improvement. As practise in Delhi High Court, let our Senior Lawyers served the Higher Courts too.

And next to this, I also want to say that as provided under CRPC 1972 Amendment Prosecution Branch be separated from Police Department as practised in most States. Although they are fit for investigation but not fit enough to practise Prosecution. I think that if our Law Graduates practise

Such Prosecution, it will be so helpful for our Legal Practitioners. If not so, Assistant Public Prosecutor post be made for Law Graduates for the upgradation of our Judiciary system.

Regarding Local Administration Department, I want to point out about slaughtering system at the Market. I discussed about this with some Veterinary Surgeons. They agree with my proposal of making Abbatoir at the market or outside the Town. I cannot agree to slaughtering on the road side. As such, at the places of Chaltlang Dawrkawn, Bawngkawn, Thakthing, Khatla, Bungkawn and Vaivakawn slaughtering houses be made.

And Maternity Hospital as said by hon'ble MLA of Aizawl West II. Please share my quota for other Demand, hon'ble Dy.Speaker, sir.

Thank you.

DY. S P E A K E R : Any other who want to speak ?
I'm going to close, Yes. Let us call upon Pu F.Lalzuala.

FU F.LALZUALA : Hon'ble Dy.Speaker, sir, thank you for giving me time to speak.

I want to speak about Demand No. 50 - Transport Department. I want to request the hon'ble Minister to run MST Bus to the following routes -

- i) Lunglei to South Vanlaiphai - to clear the routes without any problem.
- ii) Lunglei to Thenzawl to Aizawl to clear the road and run direct Bus from Lunglei to Aizawl.
- iii) Lunglei to Chawngte - to run MST Bus.

And regarding Fishery Department, I want the Government as well as the Department to develop Fishery particularly in the Southern portion of Mizoram. I also want to know the progress of Fish seeds like nghatun and ngharang supplied for Northern Rivers.

I also want to say about Labour & Employment. Instead of employing other State personels, let us employ Mizos by instructing the techniques of road construction as well as Black Topping. It is good to give training to those who enrolled under Labour and Employment.

Next, let me raise some questions as the following :-

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- i) Printing and Stationery Department how does the Printing and Stationery is run, Department took stationery materials from another stationery without taking from the Government Depot ?
- ii) Regarding land slide at Hualngo Village, the Village was shifted to another place and Government give financial help of Rs.2500/- each. Can the Government increase the amount of money to help them ?
- iii) Is it possible to make Bazaar set at Leitan and Zotlang ?

PU J.LALSANGZUALA
MINISTER

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Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, as I am the Minister i/c Parliamentary Affairs and Chief Whip I urge the Hon'ble Members to keep the dignity of the House.

PU F.LALZUALA

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Mr Hon'ble Dy.Speaker, sir, I pray your excuse if I did against the dignity of the House.

DY. S P E A K E R

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Now, let us call upon Mr Zakhu Hlychho to wind up his Demand.

PU ZORAMTHANGA

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Pu Dy.Speaker, we cannot agree to Mr.Zakhu Hlychho winding up his Demand or listen to his winding speech.

DY. S P E A K E R

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As we have consulted him let us call him to wind up, as it is his Department concerned.

PU ZORAMTHANGA

: Pu Dy.Speaker, we shall not listen to him or pass his demand. Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, we will leave the House.

PU ZAKHU HLYCHHO
MINISTER

: Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, as I am requested, let me try to wind up briefly the discussion on my demand. 12 Members participated in the discussion. I noted down one by one the points and advice delivered by them.

Firstly, as advised by the hon'ble Member of Aizawl N-II, I assure that I myself shall follow the advice and I want to tell the House this.

Secondly, I have to apologise regarding Bus hiring system of Lunglei Baptist Church. As the hon'ble Member had said before, they requested Bus for hiring. But, some of our Buses were under repair at that time. On the day before the time come, after 5 P.M. I was told that the Bus was not convenient, I told the Transport Authorities to cancel unimportant routes. After this, it is required to look for Driver as it was over office hour. But due to the inconvenience of Driver, they were looking for Private Bus. On the next day, at 5 A.M. I run to the Bus Station and see the Church Personels and talked with them. They told me that they have engaged Private Bus. As such, we did not issue Bus for them. In this connection, I want to say that there is no partial administration.

Thirdly, I was alleged to use Transport Vehicle for myself. In this case, I want to clarify that E.C.M., Church asked me to provide vehicle with self support of fuel. I therefore, consulted Director and told me that they helped even other Churches. As such, we helped them with one load only. It was not for private purpose. The Church leaders gave thanks for this act of charity. Another cause, once I used the vehicle as per the rate of Transport Department. Hon'ble Member may enquire the amount of money spent by me at any time.

Fourthly, regarding purchase of two Buses, I think that the hon'ble Member received wrong information. The Buses were - Deluxe Bus and Mini Bus. We spent Rs. 6,33,291.92p for Deluxe Bus and Rs. 5,94,902/- for Mini Bus respectively. The office record and the speech delivered are differ from each other.

And, regarding steel wire Rod too, I think the hon'ble Member received wrong information. We were intending to purchase it from PHE Department at the approved rate. But there is some inconveniences, hence we do not purchase it.

Fifthly, regarding the promotion of Drivers and Conductors, Recruitment Rules had been prepared for them. State Superintendent post had been arranged for this Promotion.

And then, regarding Privatisation of Bus Service, our Government is taking steps. Where there is good road, Buses are to be withdrawn and privatisation is adopted. That's why the speeches of the hon'ble Member from Lawngtlai and Member from Tuipang is under consideration by the Government. Besides these, direct Bus service from Lunglei to Thenzawl to Aizawl and Lunglei to Chawngte Bus is under consideration. Some of the roads are surveyed. Therefore, Transport Department is taking steps. As such, I want to tell the House and give assurance that we are taking note of the advice given by the hon'ble Member.

Sixthly, I am grateful that hon'ble Members discussed about Labour and Employment. Since we have learnt the necessity of upgrading Labour wing, more fund is placed for it. Therefore, the posts of Assistant Labour Commissioner, Factory Inspector and other posts are created. Even the Rules are formulated. As such the Department of Labour and Employment is greatly improved. The laws for Labour Control are also being formulated.

Lastly, regarding Fisheries, Government gives importance to it and give more fund this year. It is regarded that we may have self sufficiency in Fishes. Fish seed farm is encouraged among Privates and the Government itself for self sufficiency. And for the increase of River Fishes, 2 lakhs fish seeds were released at Mat river. As per the All India Pattern, 40 quintals per hectare is produced. As such, we also target such production or at least 20/30 quintals per hectare. If the target is achieved Fish farms may earned over lakhs of rupees in a year. The Department is too earnest in this regard. Therefore, hon'ble Dy. Speaker, sir, I request this House to accept these three Demands No. 32, Labour and Employment, 38 Fisheries and 50 Transport which amounting to Rs. 10,84,10,000/- (Ten crores, eighty four lakhs and ten thousand rupees) only.

DY. S P E A K E R

: The Hon'ble Minister Pu Zakhu Hlychho has requested the House to pass his Demands in respect of the following Departments -

1. Demand No. 32 - Labour and Employment Department Revenue Rs. 1,11,10,000/-
2. Demand No. 38 - Fisheries Department Revenue Rs. 16,00,000/-
Capital Rs. 30,00,000/-

3. Demand No. 50 - Transport Revenue Rs. 7,70,65,000/-
Department Capital Rs. 66,35,000/-

Total = Rs. 10,84,10,000/-

Now, Members who agree to pass the same will say 'agree' (All the Members agreed).

PU C.VULLUAIA
MINISTER

: Pu Dy.Speaker, I am glad that you have spared me time to clarify points raised on the least amount of money on demand. Three hon'ble Members have spoken about Cooperation. It may be collected that their speeches were full of earnestness. Pu Rin-chhana and Pu Zuala stressed the need to uplift the society at the far flung Villages. Dr J.V.Hluna points out that about the demise of our senior officer Mr Lyngdoh. I give thanks to them.

The said family are much poverty stricken after the death of Mr Lyngdoh. The Department too, try to help them as far as possible. The eldest son was given job in this Department. Regarding house site presently occupied by them, the Department help them as far as possible. As such, we do our best to help the family of the said deceased senior officer.

And regarding lost of Rupees twenty lakhs of Cooperation Union fund, the dealing clerk Asstt. is suspected to be the cause for the losts. The dealing person was arrested and detained in the Police custody. The crime wing takes up the case and investigation is going on. And we have not received the result of the investigation.

Secondly, regarding ICDF, Lunglei District was left out, the Selection Board did not select on different grounds. But our authorities tried hard not to leave out Lunglei District. As such, Lunglei District too has Rs. 1,60,000.00 sanction for preparation of Project Report. Staff training is arranged for them along with Aizawl and Chhimtuipui District. But unfortunately, Apex Bank is selected for Project Implementation Agency since it has a case against the Government at the High Court. The High Court cleared the case today; as such, Project Implementation will be done in the next Financial Year.

Thirdly, Administration of Justice. Eight Hon'ble Members participated in the discussion. All the speeches are generally the same. All are earnest to have full-fledged High Court, but it cannot function as desire. All of us want full Bench High Court. The reason for unfunctioning is Chief Justice. I and the hon'ble Chief Minister too had discussion on this subject, but nothing has yet been finalised. The

reason is that no Judge wants to come here. The detailed Judges to come to Aizawl usually take Medical Certificate and always delay the sitting. As such, it is not the weakness of the Government. The Chief Justice told our hon'ble Chief Minister that he would post Judges to function regularly. We only hope and wait for this.

And regarding Advocate General we have not yet had Advocate General. We are now looking for a qualified person who wants to be posted at Home and abroad. Since he is to be our representative, the Government is very careful. That's why we have not yet had Advocate General.

And regarding Special Court, what were said are true. If a case comes for Special Court, we engaged the Judges of Silchar. There is an intention to take up the case at Aizawl, but sanction is required from High Court. This is the case which our authorities has been considering all along.

Regarding Separation of Judiciary from Executive it was the Election Manifesto of the Joint Congress and MJD Party. It is in the Constitution of India. The Supreme Court and High Court informed us to separate Judiciary from Executive. We always clarified and informed them our practice which is partial separation. As such, we are now preparing for pure separation. We are waiting for the full functioning of our Administration of Justice. If the Judiciary system is well enough we hope that we shall soon have Separation of Judiciary from Executive. We are now going this way.

And regarding efficiencies of our Magistrates, we sent them to North Eastern Judicial Officer Training Institute (NEJOTI) and at the Administrative Training Institute (ATI), and even to Delhi, we sent a Magistrate for training last year. As such, we take steps to improve them.

There is also discussion regarding our lawyers. There can be no limitation in the efficiency of our lawyers. I also want to point out that only LLB degree or a lawyer is enough but we need efficiency. According to the efficiency of lawyers, Judges may separate the cases very easily. In this way, our Government is going to take steps in the new Budget. In this way, we are taking steps to improve Prosecution side also.

Lastly, Legal Awareness - Mizoram so needs Legal Awareness. The High Court condemns the Government in 80 % cases. For this reason, the Legal Awareness Cell too takes steps to issue Magazine and sent them to all heads of Institution, all Village Council Presidents and all Organisations in Mizoram. We receive a lot of thanks from Public too. Not only that, we are going to call Seminar on

Legal Awareness. Regarding Legal Awareness, the Government is now going to take step to know how law is practised and made use of. Since we have High Court, the Government is functioning as per provided in the Rules for more employment of lawyers and legal Advisers, the Government is going to set up Institution for improvement of different Departments. Mr Hon'ble Dy.Speaker, sir, I pray the House to pass the Demand No. 4 Administration of Justice and Demand No. 42 Co-Operation Department amounting to Rs. 1,01,30,000/-

DY. S P E A K E R	:	Now, we shall read out Demands of Pu C.Vulluaia, Hon'ble Minister. Members who agree to pass shall say 'agree' or vice versa.
Demand No. 4 - Administration of Justice		Revenue Rs. 1,55,10,000/-
Demand No. 42 - Co-Operation		Revenue Rs. 2,16,25,000/- Capital Rs. 29,95,000/-
Total		Rs. 40,01,30,000/-

Any Members who agree to pass this Demand shall say 'agree' or any Members who does not agree shall say 'not agree'. Now, we pass the Demand.

Now, let us call upon Pu S.T. Rualyapa, Hon'ble Minister to wind up his Demand and pray the House to pass it.

PU S.T.RUALYAPA, MINISTER	:	Mr Dy.Speaker, sir, as the hon'ble Members give thanks to my Department I also give thanks to them.
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Regarding Town Plan under Urban Development Department. Under the Chairmanship of our hon'ble Chief Minister, Urban Development Advisory Board was set up at State in order to give advice in Town Planning and in Development Scheme. The Board consisted of Officers, MLAs and prominent Citizens. Planning and development schemes under various Departments be taken up under the leadership of this Board.

Regarding High Mast (Sodium Vapour Light) placing at Bawugkawn, it can't be done as the price of it is so high costing Rs. 8 lakhs.

And regarding the construction of Bazar shed at Chaltlang, I would like to inform you that it shall be completed latest by September. Then regarding the improvement of steps, we are taking steps to improve it. If one does not fulfill the agreement, he or she no more be engaged to do the works.

Next, Printing and Stationery - we are supplied by the owner of registered firms. The supplied articles are distributed to different Departments. And regarding stock suspense, it is used for purchase of the necessities of different Departments. We purchase for stock and resale them. Here we have more gain than loss. This Printing and Stationery Department earned Rs. 6/- lakhs more than the estimated amount of profit of Rs. 3/- lakhs.

By small saving scheme, we have earned one lakh of rupees across the expected profit of 5 lakhs of rupees. Besides this, regarding 4 lakhs write off, it is kept for self maintenance. Unfortunately, fire may destroy our stocks or may be accidentally gone. In such cases, it is write-off for recovery of such stocks. I, therefore, want to inform you that with the progress of our generation we may need better machinery. In this case, Printing and Stationery keeps self-sufficiency, not only this but it is also a Department that may earn a good revenues.

And then regarding Housing Loan it is lesser than last year. Because, it is taken up by Government unlike in other State. In other State, it is taken up by Housing Corporation or Finance Corporation.

Mr Dy. Speaker, sir, regarding the distribution system of SHASU, we are taking steps to follow the best means and ways. It is financed from HULCO, Better means of distribution is being sought by the Government. And regarding Selection Board Members, different persons from different Villages even from another party member are also appointed. The distribution is done by Board Members, we are depending on them. We do not know how it was distributed whether it is fair or unfair. Regarding the use of Village Council, we are trying to utilise our Village Councils, all work orders were given to them within their Areas. But our hon'ble MLAs are not yet given such work orders.

And regarding promotion of employees in Printing Press, we are now trying to offer promotion for those who are employed in the Department. We are seeking mean for their benefit. We now try to promote them to the Manager post among the employees of the Department.

And then Municipality- we cannot agree to hand over the Administration of our Town or City to the Village Council. We are preparing for Municipality. Even in the Assembly Session 1992 the Municipal Bill was passed. But the Bill is delayed and buried. While delaying, the consti-

tution of India is amended for its 74th Amendment. The Provisions in the Municipal Bill is differed from the spirit of the Constitution 74th Amendment. Thus, we require to draft the New Municipal Bill following the spirit of the said Amendment. As such, we are considering this Municipal Bill as a new Chapter.

Regarding the nominated seat of Village Council, the Committee on Village Council Affairs is now examining the case.

I think that the hon'ble Member of Champhai Constituency has received wrong information regarding the withdrawal of Bill for the Constitution of Church steps, there is no Bill for such construction. Work Order is now only issued for Sub-Town. No bill is drawn for this purpose.

And with regards to nominated seat of Village Council at Serchhip, it is given to them and may form Executive body. And then in the matter of Village Councils Renumeration Rs. 35/- lakhs have been entered under Demand No. 19 and it is only 22 lakhs on the normal rate.

Regarding the construction of steps under LAD, it is not given to V/C directly, all of the construction of steps under LAD is done in Tender system. And then regarding the entry of fund for purchase of three vehicles and there is also entry of fund in other phase. Rs. 1.25 lakhs have been entered under Town and Country Planning on 200 page of Budget Book for the maintenance of three vehicles of our Department. And at the same page Rs. 11.80 lakhs is entered for purchase of three vehicles for use of Sanitation. Since the present Sanitation vehicles are not adequate to meet the requirements. Besides this, Rs. 3 lakhs have been entered for the maintenance of motor owned under non-plan. And Rs. 14 lakhs have been entered for maintenance of the Sanitation vehicles under non-plan of Sanitation Head on 200 page. It is also for PCL and repair charges respectively.

Next to this, Scholarship and Stipend - a question comes on matter. I think the members know that only Education Department has a Scholarship and Stipend. Stipends are usually given to the trainees under Town and Country Planning. Such stipends are entered for those who go on Training.

Stipend is also given to those who are undergoing training under SUME Training under NRY which appeared on 201 pages. Rs. 8.6 lakhs is set aside for trainees in Tailoring, Knitting, Carpentry, Shoe Making etc. At the end of the same page, Rs. 8.9 lakhs under UBSP appeared again. That fund is given for those who are old aged, handicapped and non-Governmental Organisation grant.

And regarding the recovery of Housing Loan, loan recovery is generally good. We always send letter to those who do not repay the loan to make repayment.

And regarding the dissolution of Phunchawng Village Council, it would be better to look into the matter and take necessary action.

And then regarding issue of order against who practise forgery among Village Council Members, it is true that there is an order which states - case shall be filed and shall be published with imprisonment. Since development funds are flowing to far flung villages through Village Council, some Village Councils are usually to be in favour of the fund. As such, some V/C members may use some forgery. Besides this, we have received lot of petition for dissolution of Village Council on ground of forgery. As we know, in the Rules of our Village Council, it is not clear enough about control of funds. In such case, dissolution of Village Council is not adequate for punishment of such forgery. We are, therefore, issuing an order as strong as possible for the safety of our funds. I, therefore, hope that all the hon'ble members know why we had issued such order.

Regarding the distribution system of Housing Loan, it is said that Bhavan List is too much. Here, no Bhavan List has been made. Balance quota of the distributed fund is distributed in different angles. Some are issued through Departmental Authorities or some are issued to those who are recommended by Ministers and some are issued to the concerned Ministers and some are issued to those who are recommended by Party Leaders. I, therefore, request you to know it is not done as the hon'ble Members asked us to do.

And regarding HPC Area. There is no HPC Area. It is to be written or said as HPC Demand Area. I request you all to know it as such.

And then regarding the Abbatir and slaughtering market, we try our best, we cannot complete them on our own.

I also want to inform you that the repair of pedestrian footpath of Chaltiang shall be done as early as possible.

Lastly, regarding Aizawl to Sangau direct Bus, it is not my Private Bus. It is Pu Khuanga's Bus who lives at Hnahthial. But it is on my request that this Bus plies direct. As the people so need that after clearing the necessities in the Government, the Bus is ran.

And then regarding the Department indent of Stationery. If Printing and Stationery Department do not have any indent, it has to issue a certificate of non-availability to the applicant. After that, the Department

looks for indent from any other Stationery suppliers. As such, the Department may get their requirements from other stationeries.

Mr Dy. Speaker, sir, I am grateful that you have spared time for me to wind up my Demands. I therefore, want to request the hon'ble Members to pass the following Demands -

1. Demand No. 17 - Printing & Stationery Department	Revenue Rs. 4,13,72,000.00 Capital Rs. 3,00,000.00
2. Demand No. 19 - Local Administration (LAD)	Revenue Rs. 3,00,000.00
3. Demand No. 28 - Housing	Revenue Rs. 1,56,00,000.00 Capital Rs. 3,12,00,000.00
4. Demand No. 29 - Urban Development	Revenue Rs. 3,78,00,000.00 Capital Rs. 27,00,000.00
TOTAL	Rs.15,89,72,000.00

DY. S P E A K E R : Now, the hon'ble Minister Mr S.T.Ruelyapa requested the House to pass his Demands. Let me read it out and any Member who agree with the Demand may say 'agree', and who does not agree may say 'not agree'.

Demand No. 17 - Printing and Stationery Revenue 4 crores 13 lakhs 72 thousand, Capital - 3 lakhs. Demand No. 19 - Local Administration Revenue - 3 crores, Demand No. 28 - Housing Revenue - 1 crore 56 lakhs Capital - 3 crores 12 lakhs. Demand No. 29 - Urban Development Revenue - 3 crores, 78 lakhs, Capital - 27 lakhs. Total 15 crores 89 lakhs 72 thousand. This shall be passed by agreement. Any member agree to pass shall say 'agree' and not agree to pass shall say 'not agree'. Now, the Demand is passed.

PU S.T.RUALYAPA MINISTER : Mr Dy. Speaker, sir, thank you.

DY. S P E A K E R : Yes, as it appeared in our Calendar, the three Ministers' Demands have been passed and we will adjourn the House for today and commence the sitting again at 10:00 A.M., tomorrow.

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT
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