

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOURTH SESSION OF THE MIZORAM LEGISLATIVE
ASSEMBLY HELD AT THE ASSMEBLY HALL FROM 25.9.73 TO 10.10.73

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P R E S E N T

Pu H.Thansanga, M.A.B.T., Speaker in the Chair, Chief
Minister and four Ministers twenty-seven Members.

B U S I N E S S

1. Questions:

2. CONSIDERATION OF NOCONFIDENCE MOTION.

SPEAKER: "It is not good to have respect of
persons in judgment. He that saith
unto the wicked, Thou art righteous; him shall the peo-
ple curse, nations shall abhor him;

But to that rebuke him shall
be delight, and a good blessing shall come upon them"
(Proverb 24: 23 - 25)

Now, we shall take up Question No.
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STARRED QUESTIONS TO WHICH ORAL ANSWERS WERE
GIVEN

PU SANGKHUMA Mr. Speaker, will the Minister i/c,
Medical Department be pleased to
state -

(a) Whether it is a fact that the
Deputy Speaker sent a W/T Message from Saiha to the
Civil Surgeon, Lunglei in the third week of August
last requesting him to send a doctor immediately to
Saiha to give treatment to Pu Rammawia, S.D.O, PND,
who was suffering seriously.

(b) Whether the Civil Surgeon sent
a Nurse instead of sending a Doctor.

PU VAIVENGA

MINISTER:

Mr. Speaker, sir

(a) Yes.

(b) Due to non-availability of
Doctor to proceed to Saiha at the time, an experienced
Nurse was sent to Saiha as a first-aid, with instruc-
tion that the patient be brought to Lunglei for opera-
tion, but the life of the S.D.O. expired before giving
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sufficient treatment as Civil Surgeon deemed necessary.

PU VANLALHRUAIA Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question; Is it true that only one L.D.A and U.D.A are looking after Civil Hospital, Lunglaid? If so, has the Government proposed to give more staff to this Hospital?

PU VAIVENGA
MINISTER: Mr. Speaker Sir, at that time, there was no Doctor at Saiha. As such one Nurse was sent to Saiha immediately. But the S.D.O. expired before we could give medical help. I am very sorry for this.

PU SAPLIANA Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question; How did the Civil Surgeon know of the disease from which the patient at Saiha was suffering?

PU NIKHUMA
MINISTER: Mr. Speaker Sir, let me give a short explanation on this. The Doctor has already looked after Pu Ramawia at Saiha before he also diagnosed the disease. When he received a message from Saiha saying that the S.D.O. was in a critical condition, he knew at once that he could be cured of his suffering only by giving operation. He then sent one Senior Nurse with instruction to Saiha, one hour after receipt of the telegram.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA: Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question; The S.D.O. was suffering from a serious disease and he could be saved only by giving operation. I think it would be better to ask the Government to lift this officer by Helicopter instead of merely sending a P/T message. But we forgot to do this. Is the Government trying to make proposal for purpose of providing Helicopter to the officers in time of such emergency?

PU CH.CHHUNGA
C. JEF MINISTER Mr. Speaker Sir, Government can demand Helicopter but if it is not available at Aizawl, Lunglaid it will take a long time to wait for permission and arrival from Silchar. Besides, there is no surety that the demand will be successful.

PU LALSANGZUALA: Mr. Speaker Sir, do the Government Doctors visit villages or should they not?

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PU VAIVENGA
MINISTER:

Mr. Speaker Sir, Doctors should visit villages. Our Hospitals have their respective areas, where there are Doctors, they should visit the comprised Villages. (Speaker: Is not Doctor posted at Saiha ?) We have Hospital and Doctor in Saiha.

PU J. THANGHUAMA

Mr. Speaker Sir, Pu Lalrammawia, S.D.O died prematurely who suffered illness long time ago. We pleaded to the Government not to transfer him to Saiha. The Government persistently transferred him to Saiha from Vanlaiphai. Does not the Government bear the responsibility on his death ?
(Speaker: It is not relevant)

PU CH. CHHUNGA
CHIEF MINISTER

Mr. Speaker Sir, Government can make provision of lift for Officers who are ill which can be cured here or more serious cases that cannot be cured here. However, it is believable that emergency cases like this cannot wait for permission and the like.

PULALKUNGA

Mr. Speaker Sir, if Doctor was posted at Saiha, why should the Hon'ble Dy. Speaker sent W/T message to Lunglei Civil Hospital Surgeon to send Doctor there ?

PU P. B. NIKHUMA
DY. MINISTER

Mr. Speaker Sir, we posted Doctor at Saiha who left Mizoram for his native State due to difficulty. The unfortunate death occurred during the absence of Doctor.

PU ZALAMA:

Mr. Speaker Sir, was it not possible to take treatment if there is Hospital at Saiha ?

PU CH. CHHUNGA
CHIEF MINISTER:

Mr. Speaker Sir, as the Hospital is not well provided such serious cases cannot be treated there.

SPEAKER:

We don't have much questions. We have not received replies to questions; so, that's all for now. Now we shall have Unstarred Questions.

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WRITTEN REPLIES TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS:

SPEAKER Do we have supplementary questions on the Unstarred Questions?

PU J. THANGHUAMA Mr. Speaker Sir, hundreds of Unstarred questions are put to which answers we received is, "It is laid on the table", but we have not received the answers. The Ministry should tell us if it dares not answer us. But where is the detailed Statement of that which, "is laid on the table". Replies to questions like, how many different Departments are in P.W.D., the number of Contractors, registered ones, and the volume of work, are nil. We cannot accept this, "it is laid on the table" but without replies.

PU VANLALHRUAIA Mr. Speaker Sir, we are given what Pu Thanghuama complained for how is it that he does not get? (Pu J. Thanghuama: you may be given 10 pages without detail statement)

PU J. THANGHUAMA Mr. Speaker Sir, Pu Vanlalhruaia received only 1 page of reply without detailed statement.

PUC LALRUATA: Mr. Speaker Sir, our opposition Leader's statement is true, as replies are not given to many of our questions. I have submitted some are simply, then while there was one month time before the Session; questions like 'why in some Division of PWD Carpenters are paid at revised rate while some are deprived of such pay?' It is clear from our not receiving replies after 10 days since the Session that no Department respect MLA's questions, just as questions raised by Estimates Committee are neglected. The Ministry should instruct their concerned Departments the importance of MLA's questions, otherwise what we want to know in the Session shall be nothing. The Officers should be instructed.

PU J. THANGHUAMA Mr. Speaker Sir, before we move no confidence and vote down the Ministry, that cannot control its concerned Deptt., the Ministry should resign

SPEAKER: You clearly say what part of detailed statement you want, what has been placed here was not distributed. If you make clear what you want the Minister shall be enabled to do it, the Secretariat shall clear and I hope we may get it tomorrow. If you cannot say regarding today's or other days we shall drop questions and take up Motion. Yesterday, 6/7 of you said your ideas, on the No. Confidence Motion, now we shall resume.

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PU J.THANGHUAMA Mr.Speaker Sir, no reply to our questions are received. Let them reply, then supplementary questions, if any will come up. (Speaker: Is it reply to Unstarred Question that you mean? All Unstarred Questions are replied) But it is said "detail" statement is laid on the Table". (Speaker: You have to demand this). We demanded since the commencement of the sitting. It is said, "it is laid on the Table", which table? Give it to me then?

PU R.ZOLIANA mr.Speaker Sir, "On the Table" means on that table. But what our Opposition Leader demanded is "statement each on the table of the Member". Besides, all of us expect that full statement could be made available for each member which is nil.

SPEAKER That's it. "On the table of the House", does not mean your tables, rather it is this table. If the Minister is to lay paper he shall put it here. (Pu J.Thanghuama: Let them give me now). What starred question number you want to see? Full Statement is not given to all, as some Unstarred Questions' replies cover them. Say exactly what you want so that Secretariat will be able to look to it, we may do it tomorrow. If you don't have anything to say regarding particular day's concern we shall leave questions and ~~business~~ ^{business} motion discussion.

CONSIDERATION OF NO-CONFIDENCE MOTION AGAINST THE MINISTRY.

PU NGURDAWLA Mr.Speaker Sir, Rules 269, Sub-rule 1, 6th - line reads "Member while speaking shall not use the President's or Governor's or Administrator's name for the purpose of influencing the debate" which seems to refer individual's name, but yesterday we decided that mention of Lt.Governor also is included in the provision. I think it means not to mention individual's name; accidental slip of tongue is probable, should that not be put as individual's name? It seems to mean the Lt.Governor's personal name instead of L.G. (Administrator).

PU C.LALRUATA Mr.Speaker Sir, I opine the purpose is more important than the name. Mention of his personal name or as Administrator as did our Opposition Leader yesterday may not be harmful, but we accepted as wrong. The name of Lt.Governor(Administrator) was mentioned to influence the House, which is wrong.
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SPEAKER: The mention of proper name without giving designation is meaningless for those who are not acquainted with the person. President, Governor are the head of States while Lt. Governor is for Union territories like us. It is not permitted to mention their names and designation for the purpose of winning a debate. Their position is more important than mere name, and should not be mentioned in the House. We accepted as meaning the proper name. The mention of names of Head of States for the purpose of influencing debates is not allowed, which is the intention and that is the meaning. Otherwise, mention of mere name without position or dignity is not wrong, the position is more influential.

PU SAITLAWMA: Mr. Speaker Sir, it seems not to allow mention of proper name and the position. For instance, it seems to disallow mention of President with his proper name.

PU R. DOTINAIYA: Mr. Speaker Sir, as Pu Saitlawma said to mention Administrator merely is not wrong, but to say, for instance, Administrator Thanga etc calling proper name is not allowed.

SPEAKER: Whatever the matter, the intention is to influence and make common of it as they are head of States. The President is the Head of Indian Union, therefore, to mention for the purpose of influence is not allowed.

PU C. LALRUATA: Mr. Speaker Sir, at the time of framing the rule by the Rules Committee it was said that there may be different interpretations of this as some Members said, but the intention is as you have explained. We should accept it in that form.

PU SANGKHUMA: Mr. Speaker Sir, I hope we should follow our Rules instead of our *idea* regarding its intention as we imagined. So we should take as the Rule provided, and make amendment if we are not satisfied.

PU CH. SAPRAWNGA: Mr. Speaker Sir, we spent much time in such trivial matter, our Hon'ble Speaker's statement is true. If we say, 'Mr. Mukherjee does such and such' it is meaningless because there are many person of that name. If I mention Mr. Mekherjee of Silchar to influence the House it is not wrong. The intention is President, Governors etc., without necessarily mentioning the personal name. The rule is clear.

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The Heads of States like President, Governor, etc., are not Party people and we should not mention their names in our Political debate. It may be unfavourable for them in some sense. So, the intention of the Rules is to prohibit mention of their Offices and positions for the purpose of influencing the House. The Administrator's name proper name should not be mentioned, the intention of the Rules is the Office and the position.

PU SAPLIANA: Mr. Speaker Sir, Rules 303, chapter 29, page 123 clearly laid down that "If any doubt arises as to the interpretation of any of the provisions of these rules, the decision of the Speaker shall be final". This is clear.

PU R. THANGLIANA
MINISTER:

Mr. Speaker Sir, our Chief Whip's idea is right to me as there may be various interpretation. We can cite Assam as example, the Assam Governor may be anybody, but his position is more important than his name in the Assembly debate, like Governor or President says so and so etc. That is the intention of the Rules. To mention the position instead of the name of the Governor etc. to influence the debate of the House is not allowed. I opine that our Rules should be revised if it does not satisfy us. We should let it mean and enforce as Hon'ble Speaker interpreted yesterday.

PU K. SANGCHHUM: Mr. Speaker Sir, I accept your decision as final, but the Rules is written otherwise.

SPEAKER: Time is valuable, we shall stop debate. As it is written "Name" your idea seems right. To mention only name without position is meaningless. The intention is that a Member while speaking should not mention the name and position of the head of State, Governor etc. to influence other members in a debate. It is incident intension, as in Lok Sabha Rule. Yesterday Pu J. Thanghuama said, "Lt. Governor wanted to buck up the Ministry, but it seemed the Ministry was incapable of being help and now I don't know his idea". Pu Sangchhum also charged me as addressing Lt. Governor, in our discussion on his address. We made interpretation yesterday and that should not be challenged again. The Member concerned withdrew, if misunderstanding prevails, informal discussion should have been made, it cannot be challenged in the House. Interpretation of Rules 303 is as Pu Sapliana has read. Now of the intention is bad and to say such while

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discussing his address is right. Interpretation depends upon the matter. If we insist on using the term "Name", it shall be referred to Rules Committee and revised if we are not satisfied.

Most of the Opposition Members spoke yesterday, today I shall call the Ruling Party Members, including the Ministers.

PU J. THANGHUAMA: Mr. Speaker Sir, we know this is No-Confidence Motion. The Speaker accepted the decision of Business Advisory Committee to give the whole Monday for Opposition Members to speak. But the Ruling Party Chief Whip yesterday (Interrupted by Speaker). (Speaker: The B.A.C. did not decide to give the whole Monday (to Opposition Members) nor was there division of members in group, instead it will be discussion and if the Ministry is not yet prepared to reply the next day also will be available for the discussion).

Anyhow, it is No-Confidence Motion. Six Opposition Members will charge and the Ministry shall reply all the charges. We were not given enough time to rise our points on being dis-satisfied, we need more time to say points of our charges the Ministry will make defensive statement. I could not sat all my points of charge yesterday and you many Hon'ble Members need time to challenge, charge and move down the Ministry, if time is insufficient for this purpose, our Motion will be in vain.

SPEAKER: You misunderstand this and time is passing. The Speaker shall give equal time to each Group in No-Confidence Motion discussion, we have only two Groups. The Opposition Group finished and the Leader was given 1:15 hours time, minute detail statement could not be made in the House. If we do on the contrary we shall look like only a mere children play and degrade the dignity of this August House. I have told you to prepare your points, we did not economise time strictly. Only Pu Saprawnga spoke from the Ruling Party members. We shall give the mover time to reply.

PU CH. SAPRAWNGA: Mr. Speaker Sir, we misunderstood Opposition Chief Whip's idea who said Members are Judges. If so they too are Judges. Then the mover and supporter only should speak and the Chief Minister and Finance Minister shall reply, why should he call only us the Judges? we all should be Judges to make decision.

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PU NGURDAWLA: Mr. Speaker Sir, I am worried about our actions, we look like children playing with toys. People are listening us, our view on the Government's action and progress is wrong. Visitors on the Galleries will not expect this.

SPEAKER: What is your aim?

PU LALKUNGA: Mr. Speaker Sir, he is considering the views of people on the Galleries. I am not considering anybody's idea. If they are not satisfied with our Government's progress it is other case, but their mode of moving the motion is baseless, (Speaker: What do you mean by 'playing') I heard the Hon'ble Speaker mention and applied to their dis ~~o~~ying me. (Speaker: You don't apply to the No-Confidence Motion? I don't accept that). I want them to read more not to disturb me. I did not disturb them while they are speaking. We know our Government and have to criticise it to improve. I thought they will treat this No-Confidence Motion seriously but I am surprised at their putting it like starred Questions. Is that the common practice? I myself am not sure to call it the wrong practice. Other States don't put questions on the No-Confidence Motion, they move it to move down the Ministry. We have many Starred Questions, if we are going to do more in future we should do it.

I want to earnestly request the mover to withdraw his motion so that we may consider important business for Mizoram, our pending business should be considered together. Mizoram will hardly progress in this way. Mizoram image will be reflected through the Legislative Assembly, your No-Confidence will render Mizoram hopeless to other's view. If we don't work together our mentioned difficulties will not be clear. If the Ministry is unsatisfactory we should inform and help instead of defaming each other. This No-Confidence Motion bears no important subjects except some trifle things. If we are to repeat this, we should do meaningfully. I earnestly request the Mover to withdraw the Motion to save the face of Mizoram from the future generation, India and the whole world. Thank You.

PU HRANGAIA: Mr. Speaker Sir, Hon'ble Member Pu J. Thanghuama, Opposition Leader raised irrelevant points and shouted for, one and half hour (1½ hr) to move down the Ministry. He spoke like an orator. He violated Rules and withdraw his words when the Speaker instructed him, and begged pardon at the same time. (Members = cheer up thumping their desks). He said, "I respect Pu Ch. Chhunga personally and admire him."

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but he should resign because he cannot drive his Ministry. Similarly, I say, "I admire Pu J. Thanghuama, as we originated together from 'Bakthing' Veni, with good understanding, as the English man would say; I like him to remain in this world as one of creatures" (Members cheer up clapping hands!!).

I tried to note his points of charges against the Ministry, but his points are all baseless, maybe he is still influenced by question hour. All his charges can be replied after receiving replies from Department heads. I thought they shall follow other State's procedure in moving No-Confidence Motion. Saying the Congress Party policy of 'peace and tranquility' and expressing their dislike of the Ministry. But, instead, all his statements are in the form of questions. Therefore, I conclude that they have no point to criticise the Ministry. His speech reminds me of his statement to the people of Khawhai Village at the time of election campaign. At that time an airplane came carrying supplies of commodities for air-dropping, he said to the people, "What is written on the under side of the wings? It is 'J'. Maybe he thinks that we will believe him like the ignorant village folks. He asked us many questions yesterday but only six(6) members agree with him. (Pu Hrangia points to the 6 Members mentioned while other members cheer and clapped hands)

2) On criticising the Ministry's weakness I suppose he shall say his aim and plan to improve Mizoram and we might have agreed with his plan provided it is favourable; but he shouted as though he hates the Mizo Union Ministry itself. Instead, he should have loved as we have loved Congress Members. Such should be the aim of those who professed to aim at "Peace and Security" (Members cheer and clapped hands). I wished to sprinkle cold water on the Opposition Leader to see whether he was awake or asleep (Members cheer) criticising others don't improve and progress Mizoram, they should know this.

If our wives oppose our actions, our family will hardly be happy, resulting in vacancy of bed. (Members cheer up). Similarly even if your benches are not empty you may have no one to oppose. (Pu J. Thanghuama: You are going to join us !!) Anyhow, in order that Peace and Security prevails in Mizoram our action and the Gospel should be in harmony, which will make us happy.

3. He said, "Mizoram Union Ministry is like a leaning tree", yet he brought Axe and hoe to cut it down. Our Ministry is rather like a big branching tree providing good shelter which cannot be easily cut down, come and shelter yourself there with us. (Members cheer up).

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4) He said some part of Forest reserve is devastated, let us look back to the time our Opposition Members took charge of District Council. Safety Reserve, Supply Reserve were devastated and make it a desert, if they had taken charge of Ministry now we will see nothing green.

5) He beckoned us, "to look to the manner of allotting house sites" well, let us look back. When they took charge of the last part of the term of District Council, they allotted all the reserved forests and placed which the Mizo Union reserved for public and Government purposes. Private houses are built in all road bends. If they had formed the Ministry! I dare not think !!! (Member cheer).

6) He read out my speech on the first budget session, by that time I thought the budget was prepared by our Minister but on learning that it was for the continuance of P.W.D. work I did not mention in the 2nd Budget Session.

7) He showed us bundle of papers saying "Ninety (90%) per cent of the population of Mizoram no longer new the Ministry, they should resign", let us look to their method of collecting the papers which is shameful. They twisted my constituency people of Thing-sulthliah by asking whether they are satisfied with insufficient supply compared with the sufficient supply from Assam Government whoever replied, "NO" are considered to be dissatisfied with the Ministry. Further, they asked whether they are satisfied with the method of Village Councils allotting 'Farms' whoever replied "NO" are said to be dissatisfied with Ministry. Very wonderful !! (Members laughed). Let us put questions as they did - "Are you satisfied with appointment of 200 L.P. Teachers more are to be appointed this year? If you ask whether they are satisfied with Ministry's progress cent per cent will favour our Ministry. There may be 44 per cent available who dislike the opposition members.

8) Hon'ble Member Pu Zalawma questioned, "The Principal Engineer's release order was already issued but his remaining still is due to Ministry's weakness and why don't he leave if he is 'released'?" which I approve. Why doesn't he leave for his native States? Is it not because 2/3 Congress members wired Central Government to let him remain here? Who is responsible if that's true?

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9) Hon'ble Member Pu Lalkunga compared building a house with formation of Ministry saying, "In building house we select good materials. But due to our carelessness regarding materials the house is not good". If we glance from his view point it may be true. I don't know the badness of the house we built. But if some of the supervisors urge the workers to work idly it is difficult to complete properly and the work itself is sure to suffer. Is it not a fact that we are at the point of seeing such idle workers today? We shall build if you cooperate with us instead of making a noise.

10) Opposition Leader criticised educational line, but comparing it with previous position educational line is where we make a good progress. Looking back to District Council period the criticiser himself was in charge of Education. I did not know his progress besides threatening teachers. Was not one teacher boxed on the District Council compound? We progress much than at that time.

They accused us of favouring "Selected fund", most of our P.W.D. Contractors in U.T. Government are Congress. Those who get favour are all Congress man.

11) Hon'ble Member Pu Lalsangzuala accused the Ministry of favouring only Mizo Union while neglecting Congress, to the extent that my constituency Tlungvel and Pu Lalruata's Chhingchhip as showered with crash scheme. I want to tell him Crash Scheme is nil in Tlungvel. He further accused us of defuncting 6 (six) Village Councils due to Congress majority. Let's look to District Council's last part of existence the present Opposition members took charge of it and dissolved 348 Village Councils.

PU LALRINLIANA: Mr. Speaker Sir, I am sorry that this motion comes. No man can be perfect, even the man we thought best is imperfect, hence the crucifixion of Christ, the son of God. Our Ministers too are imperfect, but this makes me think deeply. The Ministry is young learning no practices even MLAs and Ministers are going to learn. Mistakes are many, in all these we better cooperate giving advice and showing better way instead of defaming each other.

We see our political affairs in local newspapers, if possible we decide and hope to merge, but this No-Confidence Motion will shatter our politics. It seems we put bars between us and the people in doing this. It appears our duty is to cooperate and advice each other in weak points. We said something yesterday which may be true to some extent. AS I said R.zht/-

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our Ministers too are beginners and can safeguard some though not all, there we need good understanding. Anyhow, seeing Mizoram as it is we have to be like one. We are tired of chaos, we have not soundly slept for 6/7 years. It makes me think this will embolden our past deeds, which we don't like. Anyhow, we have done, our deed is never to be regretted for; I earnestly request them to withdraw it. Otherwise, we can't face the gossip of people, Mizoram is disturbed area and seamour shall spread like the young Ministry is shattered by members. We shall save the image of Mizoram and the people if, on the other hand, we are to act like this the mover of this himself may not be blamed and he may be even worse if he is to form the Ministry. I wish this thing would stop dead then and there.

PU SAITLAWMA: Mr. Speaker Sir, as Hon'ble Members said it is the first most undesirable thing for the infant Mizoram Ministry, it is not worth repeating and better avoid it. I noted Opposition Leaders speech yesterday. He mentioned the police check gate as a reason for putting down the Ministry. That is too small a ground for moving the Motion !! I believe his grievances will be redressed if special movement permit is given him as a special case in future. I thought he was going to criticise non-release of grant for M.E. Schools and Deficit High School, but he complained only the delay of increase, which is a trifle thing for challenging the Ministry. He said some teachers could reduce their age while other could not, such are baseless reason. It will be impossible to have stable Ministry. If we move the Government on the ground that some could not pass B.A. Think before you speak. As Hon'ble Members said though trying to break the Ministry they still request it to explain their questions, it is self-contradictory. He asked "Basic Training School was pulled down, where are the materials ?" which should not be repeated in this August House for the purpose of moving down the existing Ministry. What I noted down and much surprised me in his speeches is this, "I understand if the businessmen and the Government servants try to cheat the Government". It is strange that he being dissatisfied and moving this motion against the Ministry he understands if Government servants and businessman try to cheat the Government after all. He contradicts himself.

The Opposition Leader laid stress on corruption. But he is supposed to be the best one to know corruption, being P.A.C. Chairman of the Mizoram Assembly. I asked him "Do you find out anything being a Chairman ?" which he replied, "We have done nothing as there was no time" Considering his speech conclusion,

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Yesterday as we don't move this motion only to get upper hand for the Congress, rather for better Co-operation developing Mizoram and the people making progress". I want to make a request today to withdraw this right now and we shall intentionally forget his speeches before and after and ever after. If he wants to really please the whole Mizoram including us, he should withdraw his Motion, Thank You.

PU C.LALRUATA: Mr. Speaker Sir, Hon'ble Members requested the No-Confidence Motion mover to withdraw, let him make clear whether he can or not, if he can I shall not speak. But he is silent, when we shall take vote it will be the same as withdrawn, let him make clear.

I cannot digest what he said yesterday, first of all I want to extend our Ruling Senior Member's speech. Yesterday, Pu Lalkunga said our Government is careless in selecting the workers and useless which I cannot digest while our Officers work hard and change the shape of Mizoram within one and half 1/2 year, his calling them as useless makes me grieved. They usually worked hard especially during the preparation of Budget some did not sleep. All the workers may not be good and deligent, at least some are good. Since we have our own Government our Officers, workers know and take it as their own, reducing corruption and bad practices. Many times we hear them say working as their own, and can be proved from their manner of work. It is not our duty to mistrust our workers and speak it as if we had no confidence on them. We spoke much regarding Party favouritism, our Chief Whip's speech yesterday made it clear. Since some-one took charge of the District Council this become rampant, people also nourished a hope in a wrong way, when the said Party formed the majority favouritism became rampant. I find no sign of favouritism in appointments and other things made by the present Ministry. We don't differentiate Union or Congress If such is the way they acted it means they showed more favouritism than we do. In April, 1972 nearing MLA Election, those who were Executive Members of the District Council dissolved the Village Councils on their way of journey. While I myself was at Chhiahtlang from Serchhip. Likewise, they dissolved Village Councils on their way of journey. We can call imagine what our condition would be like if the Ministry is in the hands of those who opposes us. The Opposition Leader said the poor become poorer and depend only on EGS & TR etc. It would be so of course since they in calcate such spirit in the mind of the people promising them to give GR, EGS etc. During the term of District Council, in my

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present constituency of Lungpho, old women were called together shouting 'Grandmas, come and shake hands with me if you want supply of rice etc. As that was our method of teaching, people will surely expect T.R., G.R. etc free of cost. If I remember it alright some of our friends present here have not paid tax on land etc. for a long time. Even the leaders being a such the people will surely expect T.R., G.R. etc. free of cost and that is not strange because we are poor due to outbreak of disturbance which makes life miserable. If the leaders themselves teach the people to get free of cost and decline to pay our debt to the Government, we cannot blame the people. The movers of this motion therefore have to redress their characters. Yesterday they said our Ministers have not set good example for the people, let themselves think themselves. They all said regarding Law & Order at which they shall have to check themselves. Mizoram is declared disturbed area some years ago till today, people know we are now a bit free regarding movement restriction we should not forget what our Government have done. Some incidents occurred at some place, some lost lives, looting of Government money at gun point took place, though we don't know the culprits Government suspected them as underground elements. Government cannot avoid taking Security measure, like imposing Curfew. Professing to be patriots, but criticising Government recklessly whether the points are right or wrong by publishing in the News-papers is much undesirable. I request Opposition Members to be careful in your method of public teaching. We want Peace and Security in Mizoram, but I ask of you "What is your aim and what step have you taken to bring Peace and Security in Mizoram"? You can do many good things on Party Level. I used to think what you have done while you took charge of District Council. Instead of blaming each other let's work together.

We want Peace and Security in Mizoram by working together, we have to work and good co-operation in everything.

PU VANLAL-IRUAI : Mr. Speaker Sir, we are not seniors regarding experience, I myself have experienced the last part of District Council period when we met No-Confidence Motion three times, now our Opposition Party's No-Confidence Motion is regretful. I cannot think today will be the day to move No-Confidence Motion against the Ministry, because we decided to merge for the purpose of developing Mizoram to bring Peace and Security. The Mizo Union is thinking of merger with Congress Party. If this comes out successfully Congress Ministry may be formed. At such a time moving of No-Confidence Motion by our Congress brothers is much regrettable. I wonder how the.

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Central Government will think of us. I noted down the points raised by them with a mind to support them if they raised important points. But most of their speeches are in the form of question, besides attaching our Officers instead of the Ministers. In their concluding speeches though they did not frankly declare their withdrawal they suggested reshuffle. If their intention is only as such, one may think how they move No-Confidence Motion. It is not yet late for withdrawal, I will be glad if they withdraw. In their speeches yesterday they mentioned my constituency, perhaps out of ignorance, which I want to clarify. My constituency is no doubt, far and under-developed and Government give special consideration. In every Assembly Session Ngopa EGS., is referred, even now Pu Lalsangzuala yesterday said that in Ngopa and Khawdungsei only the Mizo Union People are given EGS., Pu Darliana (father of Pu Lalhuna formerly Zomi Editor of Congress Party probably, was allowed to contract EGS of Ngopa and Khawdungsei, which makes clear that not only Mizo Union are given EGS, besides allotment of E.G.S. Contract of Khawdungsei at Rs. 10,000/- to Lallawma Unit Secretary of Congress. Our friends never go in detail in business. Our Ministers don't exercise Party favouritism. We should not take business lightly, if we really mean business we should give consideration. Whatever the matter, if a certain person gets contract or EGS etc., it is good as it is meant for the development of Mizoram. It is unfair to try to move down the Ministry only because our favourites are not given contract.

They mentioned Mission Veng road which is my residence area, and I know every detail of it. The Opposition Leader yesterday demand "Who is the Contractor"?, though I told Chief Minister some portion, I shall repeat for all. We know the road has been awaited anxiously by the people of the area, ^{and the Govt. makes the dream come true} The Motor road was constructed cutting the compounds of the nearby people. The people whose compound are cut are given the Contract under P.W.D. whether it is Crash Scheme or not. Anyhow, this is baseless point, we should not fight against each other these days. We should rather work together. The Central Government may gravely consider Mizoram situation, and at such a time we should not attack each other. No-Confidence Motion seldom promotes development and progress. If something is wrong we shall inform each other. Our Ministers are not perfect, I never expect them to be perfect. I dare say the movers of this No-Confidence will not be perfect if they had stood in the position, as we have experienced earlier when they were formerly C.E.M, E.M.

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etc. of the District Council. We have to examine ourselves first of all, these kind of business seldom promotes development, and we should work together if we really want to be developed. If we are going to see only the dark side of others we shall never be satisfied. As Pu Lalrinliana said even Jesus Christ was crucified hence we should not expect to get perfect Ministers. If we find out wrong things we should bravely inform each other. It will be a vain hope to expect our M.L.As who now becomes Ministers to be magically wise and powerfull. We have gone only 1½ (one and half year, as we often said we build new Government in empty space and without any assets.

Our Officers, Staff and M.L.As and Ministers worked hard throughout the whole night, they could not properly eat meal, and we come to this stage, this proves things cannot be quickly done. We should expect good result not excessively. Our boundary lines are put to question, I am surprised at our expectation of our Ministers to clear it today. We could not make agreement during the period of District Council. How shall they be able to clear our boundary crisis in such a short time. None of us will be able to do it. But this shall go on, if we are not satisfied with the result of their action we should criticise at that time. We are trying hard now and criticism is to be avoided at this time; if I am remember it correct, Pu Zalawma said Mizoram is disturbed and in turmoil, people are frightened. I am afraid we shall accuse our Ministers or U.T. Government of this disturbance. it rather started in 1966. which is still going on. We should not accuse anybody. Since our U.T. Government was born having Ministers of our own, our Under-ground brothers show mercy improving our condition. Movement restriction with permit and curfew are lifted have we not anxiously waited for this from the time of District Council? Instead of thanks, criticising and yet expecting Our Ministers to be like Almighty God is wrong. Anyhow, we shall work together whole heartedly. You should not oppose our Ministry generally which may show down development, you should bravely tell them the good and the bad to improve development of Mizoram. This no-confidence motion which you have moved is preposterous and not convincing. None of you could say anything amounting to the change of the Government. None of you could point out any wrong against the Government definitely except that you asked many questions and that is all. For the purpose such questions you have a good opportunity in the next session-s, I would therefore request you to withdraw this No Confidence Motion. You may put it as Starred Question in the next Session, we should not question ourselves

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here. As it did not start off well don't feel shameful to withdraw.

Thank you.

PU K.SANGCIHUM: Mr. Speaker Sir, whatever the matter, our Ministry is responsible to the happenings in Mizoram, if it goes on well we will be happy, if not, we will grieve and cry. Some of the points mentioned by the Opposition Members are true as we see and the general public know what is happening the public face difficulty, development and survival is needed, likewise the learned younger generation is in a hurry for what they desired to attain what they are to be. We have to consider the result of our decision to improve Mizoram and relief the people. Whatever we are to do, without decision the task cannot come first to bring fruit. Mizoram needs decision whatever the result, the people want to reap whatever the harvest. Some Members raised points so much so that we can't help accusing Departmental Heads in some cases. The Ministry is responsible for the Departments. Parents are the heads of family depending on them. We have to consider whether this motion is befitting. It is also necessary to see what progress we have made since the British period, and Indian Independence till today. We also have to consider the condition of Aizawl especially, the whole length and breath of Mizoram under Assam Government.

The new Government is $1\frac{1}{2}$ (one and half) year old, Aizawl looks like free freshly washed, this shows that the sum total received by Mizoram from the Central Government for the purpose of establishment of new Government is not too small. The money received is much more than previous sanction which lifted us to some position. I am going to say whether the Chhintuipui District is satisfied or not. Whether you employ a peon in the Directorate or employ one Transport for private purpose does not concern Chhintuipui District. I am thinking whether we should go this way. We have to think in what way we step out of order regarding development. There is nothing that shows the mistake we made in the way of administration. What the Opposition side pointed out are only minor things. If a great failure or mistake in the administration affecting the people as a whole can be pointed out, that will deserve consideration for the change of the Ministry. Such minor incidents as the trouble in Chawngtlai and disagreement between Contractors does not concern Tlabung.

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Our neighbouring States have run far in the race while we, as Members said, are building new Government, if we start another new one while building one, it cannot be built to satisfaction. It is time to meaningfully build while there is time.

There is hope for some in the new Government, for big town already developed to some extent. We have much more hope for Villagers, we expect the Government to recover the previous negligence by showering development. In order that our neighbours would not leave us behind, let us work and co-operate with each other.

PU C. CHAWNGKUNGA : Mr. Speaker Sir, Hon'ble Ministers said much, our speeches in general mean there is nothing grave between us, the Opposition's idea is our idea too. Hence, we have to tell each other our ideas frankly. No-Confidence and Congress goes together, but after the new Ministry of our own I don't expect this. For those who aim at promoting Peace and Security, this is not Peace, we have to talk and consult each other. The idea of each member of the Ruling Party is all the same, I request you to run the race of development and promoting Peace and Security. Now let's give 5 minutes time for Hon'ble Opposition Members to surrender, under General Amnesty.

PU ZALAWHA : Mr. Speaker Sir, I left out many subjects unmentioned yesterday because they disturbed me. We know this is an August House, we are glad in having chance to address it on our plans for development of Mizoram, if we abuse it on the other hand the dignity will be degraded. The Motion on Mal-Administration in which the Members' pointing out some facts, which the Ministers in charges made, was said to be wrong, but that is right. The motion has to be passed. We can no longer tolerate Mal-Administration and pointed out names, positions etc. of the responsible ones. Their accusing us of the method of moving as wrong and meaningless is more meaningless. If they could check and found out what we have said as cause for Mal-Administration, will it not be better? In democratic State No-Confidence and other motions are permitted, it is not prohibited by Law nor is it shameful. It rather glorifies the Ministry as long as the Supporters are in majority. I came to know that the .

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Ministry badly needs assistance from the way the Ruling Members answered all our questions for them, I wonder how they despise them. We have not practiced this method even in the time of the District Council. It amounts to disrespect to the Ministers if the Members said what the Ministers had to say. As this appears the wrong practice let's not repeat it in future. On hearing the Ministers badly need assistance this Motion is moved at the right time, on seeing the way Ruling Members try hard it is a right time, and further think it might have come after half past year. Sometimes they flatter them. We were dissatisfied since the first Session, what we discussed in the Members' Room are never disclosed in the House by Hon'ble Members who flattered and look down upon them. If we are really Christians should we not accept what Jesus Christ came down for? Should we not dare express the truth we learned? Our Cowardin in not daring to express the truth degraded Mizoram. They came with their minds filled with thought for improvement of Mizoram. It is regretful to think that the Mizo Union leaders in establishing Mizo Union Political Party in 1946 did not have sound philosophy. Our present Chief Minister was called out will he was studying in College, along with others, saying "Mizoram needs you", and they came without proper thinking of their thought. Why don't you understand our elders who worked hard and put them in respectable positions? You criticised them on the other hand. Have you not newly elected Members, left other means of life to concentrate on the service of Mizoram to develop it? They are all called out for this purpose! We cannot make progress in our Politics. Our Mizo Unions' respectable policy is self Determination, which by political term means Independent. They proceeded on, what was their next policy? - they dropped Eastern Tribal Unions' Hill State, they aimed at Mizoram State Assembly. Again dropping that they aimed at Union Territory Assembly, driving out Pu Bawichhuaka and his followers. In leading the people we should know our target and policy clearly. Political Goal is not attained at one leap, but depending on our fore-sightedness we should lead them to the Goal. What is the result of lack of such Capacity, we are all responsible for the outbreak of disturbance in Mizoram, especially our leaders. Their subject, the younger generation are no longer satisfied. Why didn't we try to stop them? Our intention to stop them after the outbreak is too late. I say, use your capacity provided by Almighty God. Hon'ble Ruling Members, are you satisfied with our Ministry, you are not, I know very well. I don't envy you. If we can still pretend, Mizoram should be better put under Dictatorship. You dare not express your desire to be under

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Dictatorship, you are not to express, you referred to this House which fall on deaf ears. We have to be mature now is the time. As I said yesterday Merger with the Congress is said, if that is really meant I beckon you Hon'ble Ruling Members, let's form Congress Ministry today; if you want to be Opposition side, oppose the Congress as you wished. It is wrong to go on neither heat nor cold which Jesus Christ never permits. The Ministry decided to introduce Excise Bill in Christianised Mizoram, on which Pu Lalrinliana said, 'We are going to extend Satan's empire which is regretful'. We may introduce Prostitute Bill some day. The previous mentioned Bill cannot be withdrawn let the Ministry shall break. Discipline shall vanish, Mizo Convention, which makes us respectable shall vanish. We have 'Love' which is not in the Indian Constitution, we have 'Tlawngaihna' or Chivalry(Eng)' which is not in the Indian Constitution. Our Constitution handed down from our forefathers like Social Statute, Social Customary Law etc. existing without written document enforced even till today shall vanish. Let us consult Christian Thalai Pawl, Synod and the Churches regarding the Bill to be passed. Let us keep it pending for other time.

(Speaker: Not to the Bill!) The Bill is to be taken up later, as it is No-Confidence give me 5 minutes more.

SPEAKER: We shall rest and resume at 2:00 P.M.

Recess till 2:00 P.M.

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SPEAKER : We shall listen to the replies of the Ministry on the motion. (Pu Lalsangzuala. Mr. Speaker Sir, I have not finished 2/3 points yesterday, may I say now.) Let's make it 5 minutes.

PU LALSANGZUALA : Mr. Speaker Sir, Our Ministry seems to ignore Minority Community, those who visited Chhimtuipui District will see. Their District Council functioned about one (1) year, their Offices are very bad, like Town Hall. The road between Lawngtlai and Saiha is almost nil; it seems we ignore them while we spend crores of Rupees for town development. While under

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Assam Government Supply was airdropped what the Assam State, the poorest of Indian States could do, it seems we don't want to do good for them while we draw Central Fund. In some place Salt cost around Rs.3.50p. per kg.

L.P. Teachers were deprived of their rights to be under District Council, as provided by Rule, Hon'ble Ministers interfere in petty local affairs like Pawi District Council. From these, it seems they don't want to show favour to them.

Nothing is done to provide them Water Supply under P.H.E. Department. In the changing of Demagiri into Tlabung discussed earlier, one Hon'ble Member said Demagiri was so named from religious point, but I was surprised when hon'ble Chief Minister agreed with the majority. Therefore, I conclude that we don't respect minority Community's religion.

We neglect development of villages. For instance, 11 (eleven) Willys Jeep was provided for P.P.V. Centres by the Government in 1967, which were withdrawn; hon'ble Minister in his reply to questions some day ago said they are employed for Transporting Supplies, which is wrong. Deputy Commissioner employ ZRM, Lunglai S.D.O. uses ZRM 701 while Fire Brigade uses ZRM 697. Instead of using them for Supply & Transport purposes they were diverted.

The climate of Mizoram is peculiar, trees immature in plains are mature here, in the same manner good Christians in Shillong are no longer good here. It seems we lack good Officers. Yesterday, hon'ble member expressed his dissatisfaction with Indira Gandhi's Ministry, but she dares admit her mistake saying " We do not want to hide our mistake". Our Ministry never dares admit their mistakes saying it won't last more than our week's gossip.

America was cited as example for corruption, but in America marriage of man to man at the permission of the Church was conducted by a Pastor ! If we are going to copy America pattern, I am afraid the Ministry shall present a Bill to the House to legalise marriage of man to man.

They consider consumption of Petrol in large quantity as a sign of hard work, we don't criticise

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of petrol for working purposes, we make critical consumption consumption for private purposes, outside Government purposes. We may know who shared the profit earned by the Ministry, from their safeguarding Speeches. In no State the Minister knows all the detail matter, but in every State only one person is important, if the head is strong even the smallest can become strong.

SPEAKER: We shall listen to the Ministry now.

PU VAIVENGA :
MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker Sir, I would like to say matter regarding 'false Certificate'. I have replied similar question in the question hour, which have not yet satisfied them. No man is perfect committing some mistakes. I thought improper to tell how decision was made to take action etc. and punishment. Instead of saying in detail how action has been taken, I replied in short that action has been taken. Our forefathers said "Do not kick the dead animal". After Government has taken action on the wrong things done by false practicers, I replied action has been taken without disclosing the detail decision in this August House which may lower its dignity. The Headmaster of Hnahlan High School was discharged and disallowed to serve in any High School, even the Deputy Commissioner and the Police Department were informed to do their part. Another teacher named Lalthanzami claimed Matric Scale saying she passed Matric Exam, who is suspected and action may be taken if she is found out to be wrong. Another question was whether the Education Department contacted other States regarding this, the Department is supposed to be responsible regarding contact with other States. These undergoing Technical Training are under each Departments' deputation. The Education Department sent 12 B.T. Trainees, and 60 Hindi Trainees to other States.

Our I.T.I. was at Silchar as Guest Institute which was not satisfactory, but due to disturbance building could not be constructed to locate it and it remained at Silchar. We hope to bring it up here this year as the Assam Government requested us which we wanted to do. As materials like Cement etc. was scare we could not finish building construction earlier, we requested Assam Government to let it remain there one more year. 12 Trainees have passed out the training.

School Text Book Committee was formed.
Our Opposition Leader was formerly in charge of School,

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who know all the imperfect method. We thought of it in the District Council, but it is no easy task. Now we have formed the Committee seeing what to do which is expected to do good work. Available paper is a low quality one. We applied for foreign paper to the UNESCO, if such will be available Text Books will be improved.

We wanted to have Bus for Colleges, the P.W.D. is making the road as we need good road first of all.

Our Tahan Minority Community felt neglected, but Education Department is trying it best. They are in the corner of the State at the time of creating the Post School Children were few. This year Government Provincialised M.E. Schools of Borapansuri, Demagiri and Tuipuibari, along with Demagiri High School raised to District Level, Primary Schools are opened. The three District Council have authorities to look after Primary Schools. We proposed to hold Conference of C.E. Ms. to discuss the matter relating to formation of Committees to look after the affairs.

We proposed to constitute Development Committee of the three District Councils as they are a bit more backward than us, though we are not yet fully developed.

Sanction is not easily available for the maintenance of District Council as it is given in the form of grant-in-aid from Central Government. They maintain or manage their own affairs, we should keep them with grant-in-aid Sanction when they cannot meet the expenditure. We cannot interfere in their affairs. Their buildings etc. are their responsibilities.

Pu Lallianzuala's case was mentioned. On 21.1.72, the inauguration day of Mizoram Union Territory, Assam Government sent us telegram, superseding the previous one, to reinstate him as he was formerly under Assam Government service, but to reinstate him on the strength of the telegram seems improper. On 25.5.72 order to re-instate him was finalised. During his absence one Officer was posted as his substitute hence the question of two Officers in one and the same post arose. We had to pay them both during the period between 21.1.72 and 25.5.72. Pu Lallianzuala was re-instate afterward but his teaching method was not attractive. We don't like Assam Government to neglect decision of Mizoram Government, we therefore informed Assam Government to re-employ him.

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Regarding School Establishment we thought we improved much more than under Assam Government in Educational Department.

Village Council affairs was mentioned, if we see our Rules, in Village Council election only because one Party gets majority the Village Council cannot be reshuffled. Whether we are satisfied with the Rules or not is other thing, the position of the President, being elected, is stable. There is no provision in the Rules to discharge him from Office, if he doesn't submit resignation or by premature death. Even if the majority don't like him there is no provision to remove him. If his Party is weak and his colleagues also dislike him he should be wise enough to resign. In some Villages a kind of No-Confidence motion was moved, which the Rule does not provide. ~~After~~ Union Territory Government 22 Village Councils held re-election in which Union or Congress are elected. In the dissolution of Village Councils enquiry was made through A.O., C.A. etc. (Pu Zalawma : In the dissolution of Village Councils the Circle Assistant consulted only Union Party men !) We propose to amalgamate Circle Assistants, C.Is. etc. but the L.A.D. alone cannot employ them all, hence we try to see whether we could locate them in Revenue Department. The Secretaries of both Revenue and L.A.D. are to arrange the suitability, nothing improper would be involved.

In Medical Department, fee for operation was said to be charged, which is wrong. It is paid only in Paying Ward which we don't have hence patients don't pay fee for operation. (Pu Lalsangzuala : If so, is operation free of charge ?) We charge no free. Something was mentioned regarding financial position. We cannot depend on Assam Government. Firm since we have U.T. Government, but we had no firm of our own yet, and have to purchase medicines from Local Stores. We called quotation from Firms and spent much for medicines. Even the C.B.I. is making investigation, where something wrong was found out, action was taken. If more is found it shall be charged. (Pu Zalawma : Mr. Speaker Sir, was the suspension done by C.B.I. or the Department concerned) The Government suspended the alleged person.

PU R. THANGLIANI:
MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker Sir, there are many things to say if all of us want to speak.

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Our Opposition Members have many things to say, good advice for the Ministry. There are petty things which in detail. Will take time and also may bore us. I shall explain public importance as some are put to Starred Questions in the previous Budget Session.

Firstly, Supply & Transport is problem for Ruling and Opposition Members and Questions concerning it are put in every Session. The task is no easy for the Minister-in-charge, I am glad we all pay attention to it. In fact, Supply & Transport was improper since long time ago, account was not maintained and the expenditure on One Jeep, could not be calculated, prior to our Ministry. We all know the problem and solving it is not easy, serious illness is slow to cure. I shall reply Opposition Leader's question, as he is too anxious and can't sit properly. As he said difficulty is too deep rooted; the Motors laying there unserviceable are due to nonavailability of Parts which are lost somewhere. The serviceable are tenderly cared now, keeping the expenditure account and the distance covered by maintaining Log Books, which means improvement is made than before. As Supply & Transport is under one and the same Directorate we cannot mentioned separately, as hon'ble members said, Supply is quite a problem and their criticisms are rights. Improvement is tried and the employees are around One thousand (1,000) in Mizoram, along with Porters, the biggest number under one Directorate. The previous method is adopted, and location of Porters is being sought; previously they were detailed to escort Officers in their tour which is no longer needed, but they cannot be simply dismissed as they are helpless. Proposal to post them as IV Grade employees is being considered. Even the A.O.s pity them, so also the Contractors while we are shouting condemning corruption a wise man may contemplate corruption. (Pu J.Thanghuama : Mr. Speaker Sir, we did not pass the Budget to employ Transport as Porters and domestic servants. I am directly asking you whether it is a fact that some Officers employ them as domestic servants ?) Supply is a problem in the whole of India. I shall reply hon'ble Member's question, there are no Transports on duty in the Ministers' Houses

(Pu J.Thanghuama: The Ministers are said to be employing them !) Our Officers are entitled to employ them as Peon and Chowkidars who shall be regularised later on, even Director keeps such, but the numbers mentioned is wrong.

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These shall be later on employed as Peon or Chowkidar etc. and may be their servants. Regularisation is meant to reduce Porters. Since 1959 the deficiency of Supply in Mizoram is chronic but we can hardly manage to survive, we may blame Officers and some individuals, there is truth to some extent. I am glad the Supply Department could do this for after such difficulties. Formerly, air-dropping was the means of Supply which is costly, and loss is inevitable. Headload System is meant for the people for earning their income. Loop-hole is on all sides, we lost in Headload too, something is wrong somewhere. In spite of such difficulties we can hardly survive till today without loss of lives for which I praise the Supply Department.

One hon'ble Opposition Member said about the Block which he said to be neither Arunachal Pattern nor All India Pattern. We proposed to create 20 Blocks under All India Pattern, but the Planning Commission suggested Arunachal Pattern under which 20 Blocks with few staff and sanction will be made, but we refused this. The Commission allowed creation of 20 Blocks under All India Pattern. In the mean while the existing Blocks are not closed but are all functioning, where A.Os. and even Overseers took Block Officer's charge. Though the 20 Blocks are under All India Pattern, we have to find a way to manage ourselves as Central India is a bit poor this year. We shall do that later.

You mentioned the Agriculture Department's employment in the wrong sense. As the Chief Whip said, we have no hope in Agriculture, we have new hope of success in Dry Terrace Cultivation. You were invited with a hope that you may propagate it, but you interpreted as picnic which is regretful. We should encourage it. I thought you were busy in your works, but you interpreted as picnic. I want to say promotion in Agriculture though it concerns only few persons. You said, "You back-dated some while neglecting others", which is true to some extent. Those who were back-dated already hold the charge of their present occupation, those who were not back-dated are those who have not previously taken charge. For instance, Dr. Zokhuma, having taken charge long ago was back-dated as best possible. Pu K. Lalliana, D.A.O. after having taken charge long ago was back-dated on D.P.C. basis (instead of the strength on his having taken charge) So, also is the matter with Pu H.T. Chhunga, Soil Conservation Officer.

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In other Department too, like Civil Surgeon was back-dated from the date he took charge as well as the Principal, College (P.M.G.). The practice is used in Agriculture Department too. Those who have not taken charge cannot be back-dated.

Hoe distributed by Agriculture Department was displayed here by the Opposition Leader. I thought it will be bad quality, but it is not so bad. As rumour spread that something was wrong the Director was called and ordered to replace this before the Consultative Committee, I don't know how it is processed now. The Opposition Leader said only Rs.1 lakhs was incurred during the period between 1st May and 8th September, I am glad such could be incurred during 5 months. I think be calculated from the answer given. Forest Department have problem, duties are detailed in Forest Check Gate but 10% is difficult to make. But they cannot watch the whole night.

The Education Minister said running of College Bus, Government don't permit us running Bus in the Street, it should run to Lunglei and other places. In other big Cities Government never runs Town Bus, it is run in National High-Ways. If private Bus can be run with Government Subsidies rate, Permit can be had at any time. If it does not run regularly like Town Buses Government don't approve it.

The Opposition Leader said our Cement Quota at Calcutta was black-marketed which I cannot digest. Our quota allotment for the period between January and March was 500 Metric tonnes, out of which 95.2 Metric tonnes was received. During the period between April and June 1,100 Metric tonnes of allotment received, and in the hands of the P.W.D., Pachhunga & Sons shared 47.6 Metric tonnes. During the period between July and September 1,000 Metric tonnes (about 1,000 Bags) was received (out of 330 Metric tonnes). For the period between October and December, 1500 Metric tonnes was allotted to us, including the P.W.D. We expect 10 Wagons of our Cement Allotment which is meant for public, the P.W.D. quota shall come later. The Central Government orders every Firm to Supply such and such Metric tonnes to Disoram, our dealers here at Aizawl happen to be the Firms' Agents. The Firm sends and the acknowledgement copy is given to Supply Department. Our dealers left no allotment unlifted. I don't know why our Cement allotment should be black-marketed at Calcutta, for which our Oppo-

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sition Leader is not satisfied. If the whole allotment is black-marketed it is other case. What the Firm released with information to us are no left unlifted. From the month of January onwards to June, due to drought electric power could not function, we have to know that the whole of India suffered for this. From July to September, out of 1,000 Metric tonnes allotted for us, 330 Metric tonnes arrived. 4,100 Metric tonnes is the total allotted for us for this year, including some for P.W.D. Public Works Department have separate allotment from Supply Secretary. What I said is for public use, the unlifted is P.W.D. allotment.

The question, 'Why we received half quota of Rice Supply' is often put, I want Members to know the reason. The F.C.I. Godown was full of Boiled rice, more than 8,000 Quintals, but no other rice was available, we refused Boiled rice but we could not help starving, so we Ordered by Telephone to send all available Boiled Rice. Yesterday about 1,000 quintals arrived Aizawl and Lunglei. We don't like boiled rice for Mizoram. Rice is costly even at Aizawl. But there is no other way, from next week Boiled rice may be supplied at Aizawl. Mizoram gets the best supply in Chini. In other States like Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Calcutta etc. adult gets 100 grams per week, while we get 200 Grams ~~here~~. Even when we make it half, it is equal to full quota of other places. If F.C.I. Godown have no Sugar we know other places from where to get.

Our Opposition Leader advised us, that if it is insufficient we should demand more, if it is sufficient he shall see for himself.

Mr. Speaker Sir, non-controlled Sugar is unfit for supply, To tell the truth, when non-controlled Sugar is released from Factory the price has to be high, when the price rise it results in stickes in other States also. The Traders are dis-interested. If we are to import non-controlled Sugar, we shall have to make it Rs.5/- per Kg. here. Government cannot afford such and avoid. (Pu Zalawma: For what purpose the Chief Secretary keeps 10 Porters, and the Director 8 Porters ?) Mr. Speaker Sir, Director does not keep 8 Porters, he keeps 4 Porters as Office Peon and Chowkidar. The Deputy Commissioner to keeps 2 Porters likewise. (Pu J.Thanghuma: Mr. Speaker Sir, allow me to read out- 1. Hagalrin; 2. Ali Husain; 3. Lalmawia; 4. Laipawnga; 5. Ali Kuran; 6. Lalthakima; 7. Deva Kuran; 8. Sangkhuma and many others. Whom we keep regularly).

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PU KHAWPINECHUMA: Mr. Speaker Sir, I want to clarify about the allegation that Finance Department has no control over the expenditure which leads to corruption.

Firstly, I shall say Industry concern, we have Rural Industries Project (R.I.P.) and propose to appoint Project Officer. Interview was held. This is Centrally Sponsored Scheme, not through Home Ministry, as the Industrial Development separately sanction this, the Fund is insufficient and delay appointment of the Officer, through interview was held. We still demand more fund for the purpose.

(Pu Zalawma: Is it true that though the pay scale was fixed at Rs.750/- in the Advertisement, it was reduced to Rs. 350/- ?) Due to shortage of Fund we could offer only Rs. 350/-, we cannot afford Rs. 750/- pay scale yet. Even if it be shameful, there is no help if the Central Government have not provided or do we pay him from our Salary. Director of Industries is under Non-Plan which is to be created. The applicant should have good experience in Industrial matter as the task is important, we cannot appoint an experienced person as there are Industrial Schemes and don't want to start it imperfectly. We request Central Government to give hints by sending Deputy Director or Jt. Director, they suggested names whose confidential reports are sought for, which is under process.

Industrial Loan, Grant-in-Aid etc. are given to those whom the Board considered to be reliable for implementative & repayment of the Loan. Sewing Machine was mentioned which was given after the Industry Department Staff made verification. The remainder are given to those who are recommended as needy.

Revenue Department was said to have no set-up. Since the Union Territory Government, District Council's Revenue Staff, were re-organised and there was no staff to work. After that period organisation was made appointing Officers which is not yet sufficient. We required experienced Officer to guide Revenue Department. Revenue Department (re) Organisation is started, we expect to be able to appoint Officers. The Revenue Department's Directorate Office was said to be unfriendly to the public, which may be true. The Staff Members, from the lowest to highest try to cooperate with the public, it may be due to heavy rusk of public they cannot show full Co-operation. The Staff Members try to help and cooperate the people. Even before one whole year pass, around 1,700 Passes have to be made for this

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purpose we need more Staff and better Office to accommodate the staff. Sanction for additional need has been received, I hope they shall be friendly and cooperation then.

In the Revenue Department, 'Selected C.As.' are said to be posted, C.As. appointed as Field Supervisors served and have experienced in the work, the Board selected the fit ones, C.Is. are not still deprived of their rights, some C.As. are still serving as C.As. (Pu Lalsangzuala; If so, how many C.Is. are included?) If some C.Is. are excluded it must mean they lack experience.

The Revenue Department is being de-Centralised as far as possible. Officers, Asst. Settlement Officer and other Staff are given power within their capacities. If much more is needed, it shall be done.

The Opposition Leader said Pu Thangliana was given site for Stall by the Revenue Department but the Revenue Minister denied, hence there is confusion, either of them is wrong. Pu Zalawma in his question No.36 asked "Whether there was proposal to close down public step between Jail Road and Bara Bazar Main Road and give it for private Stall ?" Bazar Area Stalls are to be re-adjusted as some people occupy more space than the Pass held. If empty space is made out of re-adjustment Pu Thangliana shall be given hence the reply was 'No'. The empty space is other place. The form of question was "whether it is a fact that Space" as it is so we don't gave the space, occupied by public step, to Pu Thangliana.

I might have given unsatisfactory reply to the question regarding Pu Thangliana's building Construction at Electric Veng without permission. He personally consulted me whether there is inconvenience to start construction, I told him occur intention to make it permanent and allowed him to do. Hence he started construction. I beg your pardon on this.

The responsibility of Finance Department regarding Expenditure Control is like this: Grants for various Departments is passed by vote in this Legislative Assembly, and the Finance Department should see whether they are using it as it is supposed to be. The Grant was Lump-sum, and the detailed expenditure is the responsibilities of each of the Department Heads. The Finance Department have to see whether each of the Department Head use the Grant as it should be.

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The Finance Department being excluded as Expenditure Department is supposed to enforce Financial Rules. In the General Provision Fund Rules, 6 and 7, all Standing Officers in regard to Expenditure should be careful and take it as their own, as such all our Officers are expected and supposed to be doing so; the Finance Department is not supposed to see whether Corruption is rampant or mis-expenditure comes high due to non-control or liberalisation.

Our Opposition Member mentioned Economic cut. We received Government of India's Circular regarding instruction to spend less expenditure. The Finance Department re-circulated the instruction to all Heads of Department and Heads of Office. The Central Government instructed us to spend less for Travelling Expenditure, Contingency. Construction of Non-Functional building, where progress is not being achieved, no filling up of posts remaining vacant for more than 6 months. Consumption of Petrol for Staff Cars, Telephone charges etc. The Finance Department re-circulated the instruction to all Departments. (Pu Lalsangzuala: Does it not contradict Ruling Party President's point that those who consumed more Petrol worked more ?) We requested the Central Government to lift Economic cut regarding Plan and Development which may be curbed, but the reply is not yet received. We hope they shall allow us according to their oral answer. We may have consumed much Petrol as it may be necessary, we shall try to economise. The Finance Department prepared Rule to regulate use of Vehicle and consumption of Petrol, on 5th September, 1972; which was circulated to various Departments in the month of February, 1973. We don't know further how they applied, as it is not the duty, just a Government Order. The Department Heads are responsible for this.

Mis-use of Vehicles by Ministers was mentioned, I learned that when Ministers use Government Vehicles for private purpose they paid the rate fixed by the Government, I myself paid. Mis-use of Cars by Ministers was often mentioned. If you look at Section 6, Clause (C) 3 of salaries and Allowances Bill, passed some days ago, Speaker, Dy. Speaker and Ministers, during one quarter of Year can use Ministerial Cars at 5 Miles (8 KM.) distance from Station where they cannot bill T.As. During one month 600 Km. is fixed to be covered by Ministers' Cars. If that exceed they should pay the hire rate of Staff Car. Ministers don't over use that much, I want to tell this House that the Ministers rather use half their allotment. Thank you.

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PU J. THANGHUAMA: Mr. Speaker Sir, I charged him that prior to Excise Act licenses was issued to 3 persons. I would like to know whether it is right or wrong. Our Finance Minister, not Pu Khawtin-khuma, has given himself some bigha of Land at Luangnual, the exact area? Does the Government provide Motors to our Secretariat Officers? Other States' Secretariat don't provide, except Nagaland. What is the meaning?

SPEAKER: Let them reply.

PU NGURDAWLA: Mr. Speaker Sir, I am sorry that this kind of No-Confidence Motion comes. It is wrong to criticise the changing of Demagiri into Tlabung, which Majority have passed, as they laid base on religion. Are they going to make new Religion? If we say as they do, we can say Tlabung from Religious point, we may call it the Cliff of Tlabung where Satan fell. It is wrong to lay base on loose foundation. It means disrespect of the House.

SPEAKER: We shall call the Chief Minister.

PU CH. CHHUNGA: Mr. Speaker Sir, our sitting today brings friendly atmosphere than CHIEF MINISTER. hatred, I am glad to see that the Opposition Members unexpectedly show mercy. It is not like No-Confidence Motion moved in other States, we mostly use as a question and clarification time. We should do like this, in friendly atmosphere.

Our Opposition Members are not satisfactory with ~~our~~ progress, Our Officers actions are brought to light. You don't look as I look, and I don't intend to look as you do, if you had looked as I do No-Confidence Motion will not come. You put your Statements in question form, but as it is not question hour you cannot compel me to reply in this No-Confidence Motion; even in question hour if the Minister-in-charge is unwilling to reply he can do so. I will not reply this, not because of unwillingness, but because it shall take too much time, there are many questions some of which are replied during this morning's question hour. Our Officers commit mistakes

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as they are not perfect men, which are pointed out, but giving reply here will not automatically clear the problem, so we shall see to it later on. It is good that you should point out such thing within and outside the House. We, the Ministers have to be pardoned, not to mention we don't satisfy the Opposition Members, we don't satisfy the Ruling Members, I myself am not satisfied, I admit your criticism and No-Confidence Motion against me, especially the Opposition Members' activities.

We all know that Union Territory Government come into existence since last May, now One and half year have passed since, what we have done are not satisfactory, even the way we lead. Even in advanced States No-Confidence Motion is inevitable, as in Assam and even in the Indian Parliament. It is a must, I am not surprised at our Opposition Members' moving of it. When we attended Assam Assembly, while under Assam Government, they never mentioned Mizoram and we never had interest in it. Now we have our own, the responsibility burden falls on our shoulders, so we try our best to keep it up.

In building house we need materials first of all, for which we worked hard, the quality and quantity of the materials have to be considered. We too, in building new Government have to consider the lowest and highest Government servants, some may be what we cannot catch hold of. We earlier said we should dare admit our fault, which I admire and feel shameless to admit my insufficiency. In collecting the materials, the size and behaviour of the staff have to be considered, we hastily made Acts, Rules etc. in which our Secretariat Staff deserved praises. They worked day and night, our Secretariat can prepare the Budget, and we could have Budget Session in the last part of the year. We negotiated how to spend, starting creation of posts; formerly, Secretaries of Offices like District Council, Deputy Commissioner etc., who were stationed providing 1/2 Cars, we have to acknowledge the difficulty to work for them. We could make appointments in February at present though not satisfactory, we can hardly proceed on, various Departments are now a bit mature. The Departments will be able to develop our land. We did not have experienced Officers, we promoted Officers from low grade to high grade which is still going on. I want you to know that we shall be able to really work after this business will be finished.

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I think they expect too much of us to function as other States who are already 100 or years old, while we have One and half years back. (Pu Lalsangzuala: Mr. Speaker Sir, We don't expect them to function like 100 years old States, we expect them to function as One year and 5 months old Ministry.) Their expecting us to function like One Year and 5 months Ministry is too much, they are expecting us to do all and everything, they are asking where have we done development ! We are just beginning!! Mal-Administration cannot yet be made, complain may be made, even when we investigated reports action will be too heavy for the fault, even when we investigated the report that a certain Government have 2 private Motors, no Motor Vehicle is in his own name. There are many meaningless sound which complicated things.

As our Government Officers and Staff have more materials I expect they shall work faster. Yesterday, one Member said the workers are plenty while there is no work, but it will be difficult to do work without workers. Suppose I intend to work without workers, importing machines, but someone will have to do the work of fetching. I want you to understand the difficulties we met. We are careful regarding appointment trying to be neutral, our Mizo Union Youth felt neglected and grumbled while, on the other side, our Congress brothers are grumbling too. I think it is irrelevant to criticise in this points, the person from Ngopa Village whom I hoped was Congress, which I didn't know, I think I recommend my favourite persons just as you do. I just recommended him. Pu Rosian, Executive Member of defunct Mizo District Council was attacked by some people saying "You play too much favouritism to some people in allotting house sites" and he replied, "Why should not I favour some ? Should I not favour those who try to uplift me, than those who try to degrade me ?" I recommended whom I favoured, we all recommended, I commit a mistake which you also commit.

In some Department we shall not make much progress, for instance Medical Department. We imported 7 Doctors from other States they fled home because they were frightened at the date of A.Os and looting. We presently offer 11 posts of Doctors from other States, I don't know whether they shall come or not. As Doctors are insufficient, senior Nurses shall have to look after some dispensaries. We decided to post them even where Doctors

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are present, than abandoning due to absence of Doctors. We don't have enough Compounders, it is probable that we shall have to post senior Nurses in absence of Compounders. I want you to understand the difficulties we met due to our not having enough experienced men.

We see how our Government have progressed, for those who have not seen Aizawl, they may think it to look like Jericho, though we have not actually seen what Jericho was like. Aizawl is develop by Crash Scheme, if we had not done it so, progress will be checked. In various places, various Departments are enlarged. We shall try more in Medical Department, trying to find more Doctors, we shall need your help.

I would like to say Quavadis ? Quo Vadis is a beautiful words and good in notion picture and ineteresting. I may not say Quo Vadis interesting everybody is thinking where shall we lead Mizoram ? We may be of one accord in where shall we go and what shall we aim at. It is not difficult to find the best way. If we asked where shall we go today, it will easy, it means only development and prosperity of the people, which is our aim. It is necessary to think of the ways and means how we shall achieve. Careful consideration is necessary. What we consider to be the best its implemenation is difficult. For instance, in order to establish Industry road is essential for communication. In Agriculture, too, to be successful Road is a must, we need to have integrated plan. The road and the paddy field, terrace etc. have to be communicable, otherwise, machines will be useless. Formerly Plan were never made as it is not easy to make, which I think is not shameful to say. Even Central India impart Plan experts, constituting Planning Board and Members, Planning Commission was constituted. Planning Board Members are put in Minister-level Departments. They made Plan like 5 Year Plan which are sent various Departments which are again submitted to the Planning Board where many Plans are cut. I think we are not expert in making Plan and we asked whether they could send us Plan experts.

It is easy to say orally the way we propose to proceed, we shall think together how to make it successful. We can't avoid trying to make more means of communication, by Road or River, otherwise development cannot progress.

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We have to find better way of Cultivation, it seems we concentrate on Terrace Cultivation more than past years. We dare not yet do it greatly thinking whether it shall be successful or not. If it comes out unsuccessful we shall ruin the land. Now, as Pu Saprawnga said the experiment appears to be successful from the example of paddy field where it was practical. We shall make it bigger, which shall be insufficient; we have to think whether we shall turn to Horticulture or other way.

We have to think whether we shall experiment the practice of Chin Hills dividing into 2 Blocks, growing corn where rice fails and start eating Atta? Location of Industry have to be considered; sufficient water is needed and the condition of the workers have to be considered along with communication, what and how shall we do? Shall we have market? The consumption and demand of 3 lakhs people is small. Suppose we do in Commercial State how shall we manage and the Market have to be considered, it is no joke. Our Land is in the Corner without good Communication and is uneasy to develop like other States. Our task is big which we should all know, I think we find out the necessity of Cooperation and good understanding.

In Educational line we should get interested more in Technical Education and Doctor Line, otherwise we shall be dominated by other advanced States. Our Students are disqualified to undergo Medical Training like Doctor, where Science is the criterion of decision. Our Students have to concentrate on Science study. We shall face Un-employment problem. For patriots and teachers with national feeling, Firm business should be aimed at than Clerical works. It has been put to question some days ago, like, why don't you employ Police Constables from outside Mizoram? We don't want to employ them of course. Why we have only few posts? As I said within 10/20 years we are surely going to face Un-employment problem. If we are to employ those who already got job and served under Assam Government, there will be too many of them.

SPEAKER:

Hon'ble Member Pu Ngurdawla pointed out Pu Lalsangzuala's mistake, let Pu Lalsangzuala explain it.

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PU LALSANGZUALA: Mr. Speaker Sir, Hon'ble Member Pu Satya Priyo Dewan stated that Demagiri was so called from religious point of view, in the year 1876 if I remember it right, and requested us to respect it, yet we passed the changing of the name. The passing is other thing, hon'ble Chief Minister, representing the Ministry, said there is no objection to pass !

SPEAKER: That is passed Resolution during this very Session. I shall read Sub-Section (1) of Section 269, and (IV) of our Rules, Debate :- " A member while speaking shall not use offensive expressions about the Conduct or Proceedings of Parliament or any State Legislature" and (IV)- " A member while speaking shall not reflect on any determination of the House, except on Motion received it ". This Resolution has been discussed and passed in the House, it is not permitted to criticise it again. As such I request Pu Lal-sangzuala to withdraw. Can you withdraw ?

PU LALSANGZUALA: Mr. Speaker Sir, though I don't find the fault, I withdraw as you requested me.

SPEAKER: I shall call upon the mover the Opposition side, though it is not compulsory. If the Chair permits him he can do so. As I promised him time to speak. Let him say what he wants to reply.

PU J. THANGHUMA: Mr. Speaker Sir, this No-Confidence is moved as the Chief Minister appealed to us. "Don't you speak much about Corruption in Mizoram, nobody is caught red-handed; whether the people are aware that corruption is rampant, the Hon'ble Members are well informed of such Mal-practices and I request them to help Government in driving away corruption. It will be highly improper if such thing happened. Enquiry Committee with have to be formed to enquire into such case". As he requested us so and that Enquiry Committee shall have to be formed to enquire into corruption, yet such Committee is not yet formed and we have no alternative other than this.

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I would like to reply some short points mentioned earlier, Pu Saitlawma said ' Pu J.Thanghuama, being Chairman of the P.A.C. should have reserved this for other time, he does what he ought not to do', but the P.A.C. cannot hold emergency meeting, the mis-expenditure of Mizoram will be audit later by the Accountant General Staff, we shall know after receiving report and consider it later on. Hon'ble Member Pu Saprawnga pointed out other States as example, regarding corruption, whether corruption is rampant or not in other States does not concern the welfare of Mizoram, but his pointing out for example makes we think that there is something boiling inside him and may be he has connection in the corruption practices. Pu Vanialhruaia pointed out the progress of Crash Scheme in Mission Veng, saying it was meant for the earning of livelihood for the poors, which we appreciate. We question the emergency of construction of road between Mr.F.C.Nghina's house and Mission Veng. The procedure is wrong, there is no estimate, it is possible to make estimate according to the general procedure; the residence of Director of Education is about to slide, but intention to put under Crash Scheme is not yet made. We criticise only that much, we don't say working is unnecessary.

Mr.Speaker Sir, I want to make appeal to you regarding our proceedings of yesterday and today, I want All India Radio to know that I am not satisfied with the manner of news broadcasting and I request you to tell them this. If they are to release tonight the proceedings of today, let them announce the admission of all the opposition regarding Mal-Administration and Corruption of the Ruling Party. They cannot say even a single charge we made as lie. In England Constitution Convention is important, recently one Minister got involved in a Scandal regarding call Girl, and having Moral obligation he resigned. Moral obligation should be shown regarding these Corruption practices pointed out, the Finance Ministers' issue of 3 Permits prior to having Excise Act is worth the point for resignation. We don't mean the other Ministers should resign, we just mean they strayed and did wrong things to resign; we are sorry that Moral obligation is nil. The Ministry don't deny all our charges and amended all, yet it still remains silent regarding dissolution. It is unwelcome news to hear.

We gremble at our standing Government though we dare not say all the 200 Primary Teachers we appointed were fit, but in order to console some and the

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Party they should have appointed some percentage of them in their appointment of 220 Primary Teachers. We are not satisfied that there appears to be intention to ignore the other Party. Our Ministry prepares 5 Year Plan and work days and nights and contacts Delhi many times, in which they don't consult the opponent Party. Even when VIPs visits us, they never consulted us to have talks with them, we know their procedure after they left. From all these points I conclude they don't need our help. We are not responsible for their undisclosed actions and I hope they will understand if we criticise them.

10752 The whole of Mizoram ~~face~~ famine, much more, than while we were under Assam Government. We don't blame our Ministry for the past, as that was beyond their scope and power, but even after having our own Ministry the past mal-practices, instead of checking it, are more rampant as if encouraged. The Central Government cares us tenderly and provide sufficient provision, but 50% of those are in the hands of some people while only the other half are shared by the people. These makes ~~me~~ feel angry.

Think of our Union Territory Government. Construction of some buildings are going on in Aizawl, Offices are beautifully furnished like Director of Supply and Transport Office. We too visited Offices of other States like Nagaland etc. our method here is not to be found elsewhere. While we are enjoying luxurious life, the general people who lift us to this position are stricken by famine, they can't find even labour work and don't know what they shall eat tomorrow.

In the Mizo Union Parliamentary Meeting presided over by Pu Vaivenga, on 12 May, hon'ble Member Pu Saprawnga said about the Ministry as " It is like a stagnant water" Mr. Speaker Sir, shall I mention the names of the concerned persons ? (Pu Ch. Saprawnga: Mr. Speaker Sir, I was not present at the meeting.) Don't deny, we know all about your Committee. Some of the Ruling Members appreciate this Motion. Why don't we bravely stand fast for what we learned to be true ? Why are you going to deny your decision outside the House by Vote of Demand that "if the Ministry will not resign we ourselves will resign", Are we not going to stand fast bravely for truth ?

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While the people of Mizoram are facing famine, in some corner hundreds and thousands of quintal of Rice are left rotten. The Minister-in-charge cannot hold his post, he should resign. If the Central Government had not provided rice and money, we can understand, but rice is provided why do we let people starved? The brother of Supply Minister is a Contractor of Mamit, after sufficient supply was sent, excess 800 Quintals of rice was allotted for Phaileng and Lallen Villages, which was sold outside the Government fixed rate and we lost about Rs. 4,88,000/- or so for the cost of Transport. Ranjit Porter P.H.E. Contractor, of Karimganj, got contract under P.H.E. without Tender being called and we lost around Rs. 2/- lakhs for this. The Villagers of Vairengte draw Rs. 6,000/- or so for Soil Plantation, though Grant is never sanctioned for the kind of work. It was reported that Mizoram Forest woods are taken to Silchar and sold at high price, and Divisional Forest Officer was sent to detect, but where is the report? Let's not devastate our Forest any more, while we get about Rs. 1 lakhs as profit, millions of Rupees are in Somebody's hands.

Who issued Completion Certificate to Tipaimuk Forest Guard Quarter? Rs. 13,500/- was taken as Advances. The D.F.O. Quarter area near Lungremsei slid, the estimate for construction was Rs. 15,000/-, I have not mentioned this earlier as I found it not just this morning, Rs. 21,500/- was the total Bill for construction, but where have all the stones gone?

Saha Engineering supplied us Tools and Gears, and we lost Rs. 2,25,000/-. Aizawl-Thenzawl Road, Section 4 was contracted by one person, which was estimated at Rs. 1,66,000/-, in which he draw Rs. 6,000/- when Advance Measurement was taken. Many Government servants are Contractors, which Conduct Rules prohibits, how can they be allowed to Contract? If we cannot follow the Rules let us permit Government servants, the direct dependants to contract. The Minister-in-charge should see the Registration Book and publish cancellation. The Ministry don't follow Rules, we don't blame neither the Departments nor Officers, we blame the Ministry. According to our Rules, if one Minister makes mistake the whole Ministry is collectively responsible, hence we blame the whole Ministry for one Minister's fault, so it should resign collectively.

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If they don't intend to resign or we cannot make them resign, we will not be satisfied since they admitted all our charges, and yet they don't intend to take action we shall report to the Central Government. If we cannot make this Ministry resign for our No-Confidence Motion, we shall such other way, like reporting to C.B.I. Now the Ministry knows all its weak points and I want it to accept the way we want, but till today none of such is fulfilled. Sweepers were appointed, how many sweepers are loitering? They do whatever they liked and draw salaries at the end of the month. Did we pass the Budget for that purpose? The existing Ministry exists to represent the people of Mizoram, yet the poors are becoming poorer, while only few people like Ministers' relatives, M.L.As, Party men who are close relatives etc. are profited; they become richer and richer and run unhealthy race which results in neglectful and luxurious way of life. Is the Ministry ignorant of all these? No, if so, why does not it try to improve it?

The Retailer of Kolasib disposed 572 Quintals of Rice, 65 Quintals of Sugar, supplied for the public. Where are those supplies? The Village Council Members and the general public wanted to have talk with the hon'ble Chief Minister, on his return journey from Delhi, but they could not meet him; the Chief Minister went directly to the House of the Retailer and ate delicious food. What did the Retailer say? He announced that even if he were suspended, it will do him no harm, as his 'Master' shall save him. He was bailed immediately, and still work as Kolasib Retailer till today. What is the meaning? We don't expect the Ministry to be perfect, as no man is perfect, corruption and means of Administration carried out by the Ministry which we pointed out are less than 50%, we expect the Ministry to take action on what we said, as we did this your request, but if you will do nothing it is bad for us.

Mechanical Division was created and located somewhere, but none of Government Motor Vehicles are repaired there as they are all entrusted to Private Workshop. If so, for what purpose the Mechanical Division is created? In Agriculture Department, D.P.C. is practiced, somebody's son superceded his seniors. Just because he is the son of an important person in the Agriculture Department, he superceded his senior. Seniority class efficiency are ignored. If only the well-to-do families are to survive, flying over the poorer classes, we will be dissatisfied at our Ministry's way of leading us.

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Trade Licence was issued by the Ministry which was Cancelled, it was given for a long period, which was extended after expiry. We contacted Home Minister, K.C.Pant regarding M.N.F. Returnees Rehabilitation, I think the Ministry too met him, Mr.K.C.Pant said they wanted to Rehabilitate M.N.F. Returnees as early as possible. The Ministry don't think of rehabilitating M.N.F. Returnees, it satisfies itself with the giving of Rs. 200/- or more to each at the time of their surrender. Regarding Law and Order we can't help charging the Ministry with no intention to promote and bring about Peace and Security in Mizoram. Even though we mentioned our condition while under Assam Government the Ministry is not responsible for that we now look to our condition since having our own Ministry. Have we sought for the formula and principle to improve the bad practices while we were under Assam Government ? Have we sought for the formula why we faced famines every consecutive year ? We have mentioned all sorts of corruption, have we sought for a formula to stop it ? Though nobody goes round Vanlaiphal, somebody billed as going round and Government lost some lakhs of Rupees. That was known. What action has been taken ? We are not satisfied with the administration of the Ministry. Here we can enjoy luxurious way of life, having Cars and living in luxurious Bungalows, with sufficient food supply, but are the people who lifted them to these positions happy ? No, they don't have rice and other supplies. Thinking of these, it is necessary to pull down the Ministry to save Mizoram while there is time. Moral obligation should be shown. The Ministry cannot counter act all our charges, but if nothing is going to be done to improve the condition of Mizoram, it should not be called land of the Christians.

In the Central India corruption may be rampant as population is thick, nobody knows who his neighbours. In Mizoram, not to speak of neighbours, we know each other very well. It is possible for us to set Model Government, worth copying for other States. But there is no intention to set such example, our Ministers, as if having no work, loiter and chat endlessly. There is no intention to check out P.W.D. Contractors' reports, or sanction of Cash after completion, or are there really any Government servants as Contractors etc ? Action is not taken, though they noted down all what we said, it will vanish easily. I am afraid there will be nothing done.

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The people of Mizoram are now ^{mourning} when there is advertisement of any vacant posts, hundreds of candidates appeared. Why do we want to hold Government Service and desperately long for it? Have they sought out how a Government Servant can be satisfied at his station just as farmers and business men can be satisfied in their respective stations?

Visit the Villagers, what are their conditions? It is unpleasant to see them, they have nothing to eat, in my Constituency even Atta is not available. Here we have everything, yet we ignore our people.

Someday, God's grace will stop, he will not like to see us who are to look for the welfare of the people but ignore them. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for giving me more time.

PU NGURDAWLA: Mr. Speaker Sir, the word "toying or playing" was said Un-Parliamentary. Let him please explain how he use it. (Pu J. Thanghuama: It is unnecessary.) If so, he spoke Un-Parliamentary.

PU CH. CHHUNGA : Mr. Speaker Sir, the Opposition CHIEF MINISTER. Leader accused us of admitting all their charges against us. (Speaker: I shall read the Rules) (Pu J. Thanghuama: It is unnecessary to read out) (Members cheer and clapped hands.) (Speaker: Is it unnecessary to read out?) They may be too eager to say of us admitting their charges. We just said we shall enquire into it; even yestersay's questions are included, so also your charges against us. Regarding this Motion, we are not compelled to answers all your Questions, because it is not Questions. Hour. (Pu J. Thanghuama: We asked specific points and you should reply all our charges against you, for instance, we charged whether it is a fact that the Finance Minister issued 3 Permits prior to passing of Excise Bill? If that is not true, let it be that we lie). There are many things we have not heard yet, which are to be enquired into, our Members replied your charges yesterday and this morning, we don't admit your charges. They said 'We will be satisfied if they themselves enquired into them for us. Which is our aim',

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which we promised to do as best we could. You wanted me to reply today or tomorrow or someday, which was not replied, though it is a question it is not compulsory to reply. You should have charged us on our faults, but their charging us for what they themselves don't know is meaningless. Their charges being so, we keep it pending. (Members clapped hands). It is wrong of him to say we admit all their charges against us, this reminds me of last year's incident. He said Mizo Union M.L.As appreciate our No-Confidence Motion. Why deny it now? which I think is wrong and don't accept as truth. Suppose we accept as true, such is the condition. It may be due to difference of ideas. It was mentioned earlier, during incomplete 2 Years in the District Council, we reshuffled 4 times when they got majority. As such resignation is infavourable, as they may crush us to death. If they take up the Ministry, I am afraid they shall disagree within 2 months and disperse, they are impatient. If they had perserverance arrangement can be made easily in a Party. No-Confidence Motion moved by one Party against itself is rare, yet they moved against themselves. Their moving against us is right, but their moving against themselves is unhealthy for a mature man to take part. (Members clapped hands) We cannot resign out of fear that they may hold the Ministry. (Pu J.Thanghuma: Mr.Speaker Sir, they are about to move No-Confidence motion against themselves.) It may perhaps be so in the future. (Pu Hrangaiia: Pu Thanghuma will still grumble even in Heaven!) If such ever happen, we shall reshuffle ourselves and resume work as if nothing happened. I think we will not have the nerve to do as they did, so I decided to hold on, we are afraid they will think of us as the worst. We tried our best to promote Peace and Security, as we said yesterday, it is necessary to carefully consider the condition of our M.N.F. brothers, we don't say we shall not rehabilitate our M.N.F. Returnees who surrendered under Amnesty period; we are planning bigger Scheme as difficulties may arise. I beg pardon, there are many who lost lives in the hands of M.N.F. and Security Forces and who cannot live peacefully in their own Homes. There are other well-to-dos who never dreamt of labouring to earn their daily food, but now labouring hard, In order to avoid crisis we proposed to lift grouping of villages, and to consider rehabilitating of the M.N.F. Returnees. The last time I visited Prime Minister I left a demand that we shall need at least Rs. 5 crores to rehabilitate those driven out from their homes, which the Prime Minister replied as suggesting our planning of proper Schemes. As looting and killing is rampant again it stands in the way of the Scheme. Let us face the fact together and we may be able to develop the country. Why shall we be ignorant of our weak points?

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Why don't we want to see the difficulties in devotion ? Security is the main point. We the Mizos are responsible for this disturbance. We should not think each other as ignoring our Underground brothers, we show preferences to them as best we could, we said just because they are M.N.F. they should not be deprived of this right if they apply for any post. Therefore, it is wrong to assume that we neglect M.N.F. Returnees, but it may not be satisfactory. Will we be able to satisfy all ?, this is a big question. We don't ignore them in general, somebody is expert in encouraging others to create misunderstanding between two parties. Anyhow, we still survive by the Grace of Almighty God.

We are beginning to progress in Development work, Staff and other workers will sure make progress. It is not that we admit all their charges against us, we will not hesitate to verify all that can be enquire into.

SPEAKER:

We are discussing the motion on Mal-administration carried out by the Ministry, if the House no longer trust the Ministry, as it depends on the House, they should resign, if the House still trust the Ministry it shall stand. It is unnecessary to make repetition, as Members may make ideas. (Pu J.Thanghuama: We demand Secret Ballot Voting, please allow us) It is not necessary, but we shall make it in the way counting of Votes is possible. (Pu J.Thanghuama: Make it a Secret) By Secret Ballot, do you mean Division ? Division should be latter, if we are not satisfied with the first one. The usual practice is Voice Vote, but now we shall make it to count Votes. Now we shall bear your ideas regarding the motion. (Pu Saitlawma: Mr.Speaker Sir, we requested him to withdraw, please ask him about that.) Some Members asked to withdraw it, let the mover say his ideas. (Pu J.Thanghuama : Mr.Speaker Sir, not to mention withdrawal, I demand Secret Ballot, Vote will be different. Don't feel safe in the House, you don't have people, don't depend on the people) It's enough. (Pu Saitlawma: Mr.Speaker Sir, I am afraid they will long for the time prior to their moving) I shall read out the motion and take vote "This House expresses its want of Confidence in the Ministry led by Shri Ch.Chhunga for the following reasons -Mal-administration in Mizoram". Those of you who have no trust in the Ministry, please stand up. (6 Opposition Members stood up). Those who still have trust in the Ministry

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please stand up. (Members stood and clapped hands). I shall announce the result of the Vote, the Motion "This House expresses its want of Confidence in the Ministry led by Shri Ch. Chhunga for Mal-administration in Mizoram" was supported by 6 Members, 26 Members still have trust in the Ministry who wins, so the motion is lost.
(Pu J.Thanghuana : Now, Secret Ballot ?) It's nearly 5 P.M. now, we shall meet again at 11 A.M. tomorrow. We shall be able to take up our pending Bill.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

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