

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SIXTH SESSION OF THE MIZORAM
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY HELD AT THE ASSEMBLY
HALL FROM 17.9.1974 TO 14.10.1974.

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P R E S E N T.

Mr. H.Thansanga, Speaker in the Chair, Chief Minister, four Ministers, two Deputy Ministers and twenty three Members.

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SPEAKER : "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious oil ~~ment~~ upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard; that went down to the skirts of his garments. As the dew of Hermon and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion; For there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore!"

Any Member who cannot express himself either in English or in Hindi can address the House in his Mother Tongue.

STARRED QUESTIONS

Now, question No.1, Pu C.Lalruata's question.

PU C.LALRUATA : Mr.Speaker Sir, Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c of the Supply & Transport Department be pleased to state-

- (a) Whether it is a fact that the Mizoram State Transport Authority issue extra Bus tickets to the passengers.
- (b) If so, what action has been taken by the Government?
- (c) Whether any Driver and Conductors of the State Transport are suspended or discharged from service on grounds of overload or carrying extra-passengers.
- (d) If so, how many of them (to be shown separately.)

PU LALSANGZUALA:
MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker Sir, (a) Yes
(b) Considering the pressing need of the individuals, conductor were allowed to issue 5 extra tickets in Medium Bus and 3 extra tickets in Mini Bus with effect from 3.7.74 as a special case. This has since been stopped.

(c) Yes, removed from service.
(d) One Conductor, Shri P. Mangliana.

PU C. LALRUATA:

Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question- This special case seems to be started from 3.7.74 and since when was it stopped? Is it also true that Shri Mangliana submitted to Office the fare he collected these extra-passengers has the receipt of the money be submitted?

PU LALSANGZUALA:
MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker Sir, I could not right now call the exact date, but I would be able to tell our honourable member later on. Pu Mangliana, when his case was under investigation, did not extort any money from any person.

PU C. LALRUATA:

Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question- If Government itself could issue extra-seats, does not that mean overload is permitted? If so, why do they discharge or suspend the driver? Does this mean Government too breaks the rule?

PU LALSANGZUALA:
MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker Sir, It was allowed to issue 5 extra tickets in Medium Bus, which has now been restricted. But, Pu Mangliana takes 13 extra-passengers.

PU SAITLAWMA:

Mr. Speaker Sir, I would like to know whether Pu Mangliana is a Conductor or a Driver, and is he a confirmed servicing man? Also could I be informed on which rule Mizoram State Transport operates?

PU LALSANGZUALA:
MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker Sir, Mangliana is a Conductor, and is also a confirmed servicing man right from the time of the erstwhile District Council. Regarding the rules followed by the Mizoram State Transport Buses- It is run also Civilian run their vehicles.

PU C. LALRUATA :

Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question- Is it possible for the Govt. to easily discharge a confirmed servicing man? Secondly, Basing on which act this special permission- of issuing extra 5 and 3 tickets in Medium and Mini Buses is granted?

PU LALSANGZUALA:
MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker Sir, This special permission was stopped as soon as we realized it is unlawful. Regarding the discharge of Government servants, a detail of the rules can be seen in Civil Service Rules.

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- PU F. HRANGZELA :** Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question- Is there any arrangement being made for road-side passengers to be able to catch a bus on the way ?
- PU LALSANGZUALA : MINISTER.** Mr. Speaker Sir, No proper arrangement is as yet made due to which Conductors are permitted to issue road-side tickets.
- PU SANGKHUMA:** Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question- If both the Government and Pu Mangliana go against the rule and if action is taken against Pu Mangliana, why not also take against the Government ?
- PU LALSANGZUALA: MINISTER.** Mr. Speaker Sir, as I have said, soon after realization this thing was stopped. But, as for Pu Mangliana, he was not given any permission.
- PU BANGKHUMA :** Mr. Speaker Sir, Did he still continue to do this after realization ?
- PU LALSANGZUALA: MINISTER.** Mr. Speaker Sir, Pu Mangliana was not entitled by any law to take extra passengers.
- PU C. LALRUATA:** Mr. Speaker Sir, Is there any driver being discharged on 1.6.1974 when Mobile Court was opened at Bungleh? And are there any other drivers being discharged or suspended besides Pu Mangliana ?
- PU LALSANGZUALA: MINISTER.** Mr. Speaker Sir, as far as I know there is none except this one- Pu Mangliana. But, we will have investigation, and if there are others who got against the rule, we shall disclose them.
- PU SAITLAWMA :** Mr. Speaker Sir, May our honourable Minister tell this House by which rules a confirmed service-man could be discharged ? In other States, State Transport used to have certain laws to stand by. But here in Mizoram Civil Rule just followed which is too vogue for an information in this House. Could it be right to take such a strong measure to somefew while there is no definite state Transport Act being adopted ?
- PU CH. CHHUNGA : CHIEF MINISTER.** Mr. Speaker Sir, what had been said by our Members were true, indeed, and the Government also did go against the rule. But, we must at the same time, remember that Government on the other hand, could be the one who gives command. And I don't think there is nothing wrong in issuing only extra 5 tickets, if there are so many passengers who want to travel. It might also be hurting if a person is mental proceedings. But, as for Pu Mangliana's case, I

Government did the right thing, for he was caught red-handed by our Director and Officers themselves. But, if our Conductor or our Driver opine that our Officers were wrong, he can, as well go to the Court. Such is my opinion regarding this case.

SPEAKER : Question No. 2

PU SAITLAWMA: Mr. Speaker Sir, Let me say just a few more lines. Once, a Transport Driver while carrying a full load of Rice bags took many passengers. So, I reported it to the Director, but no action is taken even after I made a complaint. The name of the Driver was Bande. If action is taken against Pu Mangliana why not also take against this Driver ? Does not it look like thing that concerns Mizos and non-Mizos ?

SPEAKER : Question No. 2, Pu Lalruata's question.

PU C.LALRUATA: Mr. Speaker Sir, my question No.2 (a) and (b) :-

Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c of Supply & Transport be pleased to state-

(a) Whether it is a fact that Bus Service has been arranged for P.M.Govt.College (Day Shift) Aizawl.

(b) If so, since when ?

PU LALSANGZUALA: Mr. Speaker Sir, Question No 2(a)- MINISTER. Yes. (b)- One Mini Bus with effect from 26.6.1974.

PU C.LALRUATA : Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question- Is it true that Bus Service is not arranged due to the fact that the road does not warrant ?

Also, how much POL (Petrol Oil Lubricant) has been consumed since 26.6.1974, and how much money have been realised ? and how many Engine had been damaged eversince ?

PU LALSANGZUALA: Mr. Speaker Sir, Actually, road MINISTER. condition has not change muchh even now. But, before 26.6.74, Bus was not run mainly because we did not have enough Buses at that time. Regarding Income and Expenditure I am sorry I cannot to tell our honourable Member now, but I would be able to do so later on. Regarding Engine- there is minor defect in one Bus and one is off-road so as to clean its oil -filter. That's all I know upto the prese-nt day, so I think there's no more damage besides the above I mentioned.

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PU C.LALRUATA:

intends to leave it as it is ? For, the condition is too bad and too risky that it can be a danger to the student's lives also.

Mr. Speaker Sir, Is there any intention to renovate P.M. Govt. College Road ? and is the Govt. is ? For, the condition is too bad and too risky that it can be a danger to the student's lives also.

PU LALSANGZUALA:
MINISTER.

order to be able to run Medium Bus, P.W.D. at present is having close inspection.

Mr. Speaker Sir, The reason why the Government runs Mini Bus is due to the bad condition of the road. In

PU F.HRANGVELA:

If I'm not mistaken, in Civil Workshop, charging of oil-filter takes only two hours, as such, why this Bus be off-road ? What is the reason ? Is it necessary to off-road our Buses just because of minor defects?

Mr. Speaker Sir, our honourable Minister said that one Bus was off-road so as to charge its oil-filter.

PU LALSANGZUALA:
MINISTER.

interavls. At 10,000 K.M. it has to be changed so as to be prevent a blocade in oil-pipe which could cause damage in Engine. When we say 'off-road' it does not mean for a long time, it can, as well, mean only 1 or 2 days, but that also depends on the workers at Workshop. So, off-road does not only mean for a long time.

Mr. Speaker Sir, cleaning of oil-filter might not take long, but, usually, it has to be cleaned at 5000 K.M.

PU C.LALRUATA:

or it is not yet approved. And, is Central Government do not agreed to the running of Government Buses within a Town ?

Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question- I would like to know whether the road is not safe for running Buses

PU LALSANGZUALA:
MINISTER.

(Pu C.Lalruata: Is 'all weather road' mean for all kinds of vehicle or only for light vehicle ?).

Mr. Speaker Sir, The Road-is declared 'all weather Road' by P.W.D. as such Truck full-load also could be run.

It is all-weather Motorable Road according to the classification of P.W.D. and they called it A-1 Road. In regard to the running of Government Buses within a Town-as these Buses belonged to Mizoram Government it is this Govt. who can a decision, not Central Government.

SPEAKER:

Question No. 3.

PU C.LALRUATA:

is proposing to arrange Bus Service between Aizawl and Sateek sometimes in November, 1974.

Mr. Speaker Sir, my question No.3.

(a) Whether it is a fact that the Govt.

PU LALSANGZUALA:
MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker Sir, Yes, subject to the Road being Motorable, and availability of Mini Bus.

PU C.LALRUATA: Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question- I would like to know what do our Minister mean by 'good road' and when shall we have that. If he does not know, how can he tells newsmen particularly of 'Statement' paper that more Buses is intended to run from November? It is also a well known fact that Buses could not be run as we don't have enough, besides, damaged, puncture and some defects in some Buses. As such, how many more Buses would be purchased and when?

PU LALSANGZUALA: Mr. Speaker Sir, classification of road- whether Motorable or not, would depend on P.W.D., not our Transport Department. Of course, November is our target when more Buses would be run, but this too depends on many conditions like-condition of roads, and condition of vehicles. Now also, many Buses are off-road due to the non-availability of Tyre and spare parts. But, an officer is sent to Calcutta Government regarding this, so I hope we would be able to run more Buses soon. And from October or November. We intended to have 4 more buses of Medium size.

SPEAKER: Question No. 4.

PU C.LALRUATA: Mr. Speaker Sir, Question No. 4.

What is the reason for the present scarcity of K.Oil in Mizoram?

PU LALSANGZUALA: Mr. Speaker Sir, Due to reduction in import of K.Oil, scarcity affects the whole country.

PU SANGKHUMA: Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question- I think there can be more reasons for scarcity of K.Oil besides what had been said by our honourable Minister. In the first place, I would like to know the quota of Mizoram per month, and who used to go and get this out? How many litres reached Aizawl last month? and how many litre is permitted for a person per week?

PU LALSANGZUALA: Mr. Speaker Sir, Twelve months average upto February is 151 Kilo-litres. But, when scarcity of K.Oil pervades the whole country we used to get about 65/75 Tons and for the month of September we expect to get about 66 Metric Tons which is equivalent to 70/75 Kilo-litres.

As I have often said, due to the condition of roads and bad communication there is time when we get less than we expect. That 151 Kilo-litres was also only the average.

PU K.SANGCHHUM: Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question- Has the Central Govt. taken initiative to have a thorough knowledge of the condition of Mizoram regarding this?

PU C.LALRUATA: Mr. Speaker Sir, Is there any intention to place more K.Oil dealers, besides the only two dealers we have at present?

PU LALSANGZUALA:
MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker Sir, -The only two dealers we have - A.O.C.(Assam Oil Company) and I.O.C.(Indian Oil Company)

Agents are the ones to whom responsibility regarding K.Oil is shouldered, Government does not have interference here. Regarding Quota, it is given out according to our Weekly Ration Card. Some-times 1 litre and sometimes 2 litres, that is when we have more Oil. What had been said by Pu Sangchhum that Q.N.Grouping Centre is having investigation was true. But so far nothing had been said after investigation.

PU C.LALRUATA:

Mr. Speaker Sir, It is no doubt that K.Oil dealers could be found in almost every locality of Aizawl Town, but they are only re-sellers from A.O.C and I.O.C. Agents. Se, -What I wanted to know is- would it be possible to open more A.O.C. and I.O.C Agents ?

PU LALSANGZUALA :
MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker, as I have said Government does not have interference here. But, if our Members wish to open more Oil Agents we will see about it.

PU K.L.ROCHAMA:

Mr. Speaker Sir, Is it a fact that our monthly quota which was reduced by 30% is now reduced only by 20% ? If so, have we submitted an appeal to Central Government to multiply our Quota, since we seems to be in a better position as far as K.Oil is concerned ? Secondly, could it be right to allot Quota in population basis ? For there are still many who do not have Electric Light in Mizoram.

PU LALSANGZUALA:
MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker Sir, According to Newspaper, a Quota of 30% for the whole of India was reduced into 20% but officially we have not been informed anything. Anyway, Central Govt. is intending to maintain 100% for Mizoram which means that we would be in a better position than other States. And regarding proportionate distribution- Supply & Transport Consultive Committee had a serious thought about it and their verdict is 25% of Mizoram Quota of Iron Sheets, Corrugated Iron, Cement and K.Oil which be placed under Directorate for reserve requirements of Government and the rest be distributed among the three Districts on population basis. 60% for Aizawl, 25% for Lunglei and 15% for Chhimitpuipui District. Such was how suggestions were made as they think it quite reasonable.

PU SANGKHUMA:

Mr. Speaker Sir, From what I gathered our monthly Quota seems to be 75,000 litres. But, enough K.Oil could never be found in Villages while such was our Quota. As such, could not it possible that there is consumption for some other purposes ?

PU LALSANGZUALA:
MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker Sir, If our honourable Members have doubts, we will check it-up.

SPEAKER:

Question No. 5 -Pu C.Lalruata.

PU C.LALRUATA: Mr.Speaker Sir, Question No.5(a) &(b)
Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c of the
Supply & Transport be pleased to
state -

(a) Whether Government is aware that a large number of off-road
Trucks belonging to the Transport Department are lying idle
for months together.

(b) If so, what arrangement has been made to dispose these trucks?

PU LALSANGZUALA: Mr.Speaker Sir, Question No.5(a)-Yes.
MINISTER. (b) 11 Jeeps, 9 Fargos have been
auctioned and taken away by the bidders.
28 Bedfords have also been auctioned. The highest bidder has
been asked to collect them.

Action to dispose off the remaining
59 vehicles by auction is already in hand.

SPEAKER : Question No. 6.
If Pu Sapliana is not here, let's
call upon Pu Lalkunga.

PU LALKUNGA : Mr.Speaker Sir, Question No.6 (a) & (b)
Will the Hon'ble Chief Minister i/c
of the P.W.D. be pleased to state-

(a) Whether it is a fact that S.D.O.,P.W.D.,Thenzawl Sub-Divi-
sion has been functioning from the Republic Veng, Aizawl.

(b) If so, what is the reason for functioning from Aizawl ?

PU CH.CHH UNGA: Mr.Speaker Sir, Question No. 6 (a)-
CHIEF MINISTER. Yes. (b) - As the fund given by the
Government of India has been limited,
it has not been possible to take up Section V of Aizawl-Thenzawl
Road as expected earlier. As such the Sub-Division has been
allowed to function at Aizawl to help the Executive Engineer,
Aizawl West Road Division.

PU LALKUNGA: Mr.Speaker Sir, supplementary ques-
tion- I would like to know the range
of Thenzawl P.W.D. Sub-Divisions Also,
if Aizawl-Thenzawl range-is regarded as one, why can't they - - -
share Aizawl South S.D.O. ? And supposing Serchh-ip S.D.O.(P.W.D.)
is transfered to thenzawl, does it means that Serchhip would
be left without S.D.O. ?

PU CH.CHHUNGA: Mr.Speaker Sir, There is one S.D.O.
CHIEF MINISTER. at Sairang. But, as there are many
works at hand we thought it convenient
to transfer Serchhip S.D.O. since most of the construction of
roads particularly Serchhip-areas except N.Vanlaiphai Road are
now under the care of B.R.T.F. It was further suggested that
N.Vanlaiphai and Lungdar-Khawzawl Roads would than be placed
under an S.D.O. N.Vanlaiphai eversince S.D.O.'s Head-quarter
is opened at this Village. Hence, we think it unnecessary to
place an S.D.O. at Serchhip.

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PU SANGKHUMA:

Mr. Speaker Sir, Couldn't there be some significant meaning by placing Thenzawl Sub-Division at Republic Veng, Aizawl just because there is no more work for S.D.O. Serchhip ?

PU CH. CHHUNGA:
CHIEF MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker Sir, Yes, there is some reason here. Due to the shrotage of money, Thenzawl Road could not be worked out. So, Thenzawl S.D.O. was also shifted here to Aizawl so as to help Aizawl Division that has lots of work to do.

SPEAKER :

Question No. 7.

PU K.L. ROCHAMA:

Mr. Speaker Sir, Question No. 7, (a) & (b) and (c).

Will the Hon'ble Chief Minister i/c of P.W.D. be pleased to state-

(a) Whether the Govt. has a proposal to appoint Additional Principal Engineer who will be posted at Lunglei.

(b) If so, when will the appointment be made ?

(c) What are the powers delegated to this post ?

PU CH. CHHUNGA:
CHIEF MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker Sir, Question No. 7,
(a)- No. (b)- Does not arise.
(c)- Does not arise.

PU C. LALRUATA:

Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question- Being already sanctioned what could still be the reason for not making an advertisement and an appointment ?

PU CH. CHHUNGA:
CHIEF MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker Sir, The post is to be filled-up by Departmental promotion, due to which, we regarded advertisement unnecessary. However, the matter is now under consideration.

PU K.L. ROCHAMA:

Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question- Is there any proposal to place Additional P.E. at Lunglei ?

And, is it also true that our Lt. Governor had already proclaimed Government's intention to the Public ? Secondly, I would still like to know powers delegated to this post.

PU CH. CHHUNGA :
CHIEF MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker Sir, There is no hard and fast proposal attached regarding the post of Addl. Principal Engineering to be posted at Lunglei. Once, we have thought about it, but, in this ever changing world, our thought could not remain the same as ever. Hence, we cannot put our once thought into practice upto this day. In regard to powers delegated to this post- he could accept Tender, and would be entitled to have the same powers entitled to Superintendent Engineer, Assam that is in technical sanction. And in terms of Supervision, he would have the same powers entitled to P.E. or Superintendent Engineer. But for the rest, he is to function under Principal Engineer.

PU K.L.ROCHAMA: Mr. Speaker Sir, As we know, P.W.D. has a Code that cannot be easily changed by one's own will. And our state too might have adopted the combined Central and Assam Codes. However, from what I gathered, powers delegated to P.E. and Addl.P.E. appeared to be almost same. As such, what is the use of placing P.E. and Addl. P.E. side by side? Couldn't there some misunderstanding then that could be a blockage to our progress?

PU CH.CHHUNGA: Mr. Speaker Sir, we felt that just having a P.E. is not enough as he could not supervise all the field-works. **CHIEF MINISTER.** Supposing there is only one Superintendent Engineer, who generally looks after one Circle, Mizoram would then be regarded as one Circle. Here, S.E. would have many difficulties as he is incapable of looking after all the works. Like so, the same case, the necessity of placing Addl.P.E. was felt so that one of them could do supervision of works. This way, we expect to make better progress. On the other hand, if we are supposed to have 2 S.Es. perhaps creation of Addl. P.E's post also would be right to have reconsideration. But, for the present, and due to the multiplication of works in Mizoram, I think P.W.D. work-load now deserved 2 S.Es. It might as well be necessary now to divide Mizoram into 2 Circles. However, as we haven't draw any definite conclusion, it is not possible to say what kinds of difficulties would attached to the posting.

SPEAKER : Question No. 8

PU LALKUNGA: Mr. Speaker Sir, Question No.8 (a) & (b)
Will the Hon'ble Minister i/c of P.W.D. be pleased to state-

(a) Whether it is a fact that one student from Manipur State is given a seat from Mizoram Quota in Government Polytechnic Training Institute at Imphal?

(b) If so, why?

PU CH.CHHUNGA : Mr. Speaker Sir, Question No.8 (a)-Yes. **CHIEF MINISTER.** (b) When selection was made no sufficient local candidates were available.

PU LALKUNGA: Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question- How many seats are reserved for Mizoram in Polytechnic Training Institute? Is it also true that some qualified ones have not had time to apply for, as an advertisement was not put up in Local Papers? Next, Is it true that our Mizo qualified ones are rejected because of those persons, who had been selected from Manipur?

PU CH.CHHUNGA : Mr. Speaker Sir, In different Polytechnic **CHIEF MINISTER.** Institutes of India, only 15 Seats are reserved for Mizoram. Regarding advertisement, I have no knowledge, but if our members wanted to know, I would be able to tell them later on. The saying that our applicants are rejected might be disappointing to the onlookers. But there are some reasons for their rejection. Some of them obtained too low a mark in Mathematics that they were rejected, and some of them were too old in age. But, as for one person

selected from Manipur, I found no reason to reject our applicants just because of one selection from other state. This has nothing to do with the rejection of our applicants.

PU K.SANGCHHUM: Mr. Speaker Sir, As it's going to be humiliating if we are incapable of having applicants from our own State, could not we find a way, so as to be able to have applicants? And is there any special consideration from this or other Institutes regarding Reservation of Seats? If not, have we tried for it?

PU R.ZOLIANA: Mr. Speaker Sir, supplementary question- Just now our honourable Chief Minister said that the applicants must obtain 45% in Mathematics, but couldn't there be a Tribal Concession here and also in limitation of age?

PU SA-ITLAWMA: Mr. Speaker Sir, I would be very glad if the Minister-in-charge could tell us within this sitting or session- whether an advertisement was made for the selection of students to have training in Polytechnic Institution. I know how many of them who did not obtain 45% in Mathematics are in Jalpaiguri Polytechnic Institution. So, 'under consideration and under process' could not be an excuse.

PU CH.CHHUNGA: CHIEF MINISTER. Mr. Speaker Sir, Regarding trainees of Jalpaiguri Polytechnic Institution, I have no knowledge if they are sent this year. Of course, last year, some of them were sent, but they too had come back. In process of Government, if everything is ready before hand, it will be much a pleasure. It is also wrong to think ourselves as not having anyone to sent for Training, for, we have already sent quite a number of student. Out of 15 applications, 3 were rejected because of their age, and 2 were disqualified as they did not obtain 45% in Mathematics, but now, mark is relaxed. As for Tribal Concession, I don't think there is any.

PU NGRDAWLA: Mr. Speaker Sir, I think we now realized what a commotion it was not to put-up an advertisement or Tender even just for once. Had the Members been informed that it is not permitted to publish advertisements, Tenders etc. from the Government in the Local Newspapers, they would have very much resented. It is therefore, desired that it may be examined if this prohibition to publish such notifications should be lifted-up.

PU CH.CHHUNGA: CHIEF MINISTER. Mr. Speaker Sir, Now, publication of advertisement is already permitted in Local Paper "Tunlai Chanchin" or (Daily News) and it has also been proposed to permit other papers to publish.

Regarding reservation of seats, it won't be that easy unless and until other States give us from their own reservations.

PU SANGKHUMA: Mr. Speaker Sir, according to those explanations given by our honourable Chief Minister none of us in Mizoram seemd to have competency for training, which is so humiliating. Setting aside advertisement, how did they search for applicants? Have every villages been informed of this? and did they make announcement in Radio?

PU CH. CHHUNGA:
CHIEF MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker Sir, It is wrong to think of us not finding any who obtained 45% There would be many who obtained 45% or perhaps more than that among the non-applicants. But, they did not apply for training, may be because they are not interested. Such is how things are.

SPEAKER :

Question hour is overed. Out of 16 questions, 8 questions had been answered. Questions that has not been answered are to be regarded as that had been put on the Table of the House.

Secretary is requested to circulate to the Members answers to those un-called questions within 3 days.

Our next item is declaration of our Panel of Chairman for this Session. They are- Pu Lalhlira, Pu Saitlawma and Pu R.Dotinaia.

I would also announce the decision of B.A.C.(Business Advisory Committee) which was held on 4th Sept. to chalk out a Calendar/Programme for this Session. Guessing business that would come from Government 17th September-25th Sept. was arranged for the duration of our Session. But, out of all the Bills we expected, only 2 had arrived; which would be introduced today as you have seen it in today's programme. As was the case, our next item could not be predicted. It is likely that we finish our Session before our fixed date, that is, if no new business arrives. If not, we'll try to go according to our Calendar. That was how we arranged. And, as Friday is generally a day for Member business, it is arranged for the same. However, our arranged programmed would be followed as far as we can. As it is necessary for the Minister i/c Parliamentary Affairs to move first the proposal of B.A.C., if it is to be adopted in the House, we shall now call upon him.

PU LALSANGZUALA :
MINISTER.

Mr. Speaker Sir, I beg to move that the recommendation of the B.A.C. be adopted (He read out).

SPEAKER :

Any objection ? (Members kept silence.) Well, it is adopted. Now, let me announce another thing- a novel thing. I received a letter from the Mizo Union President and was informed the formation of Mizo Union Legislature Party in this House, which means we have Opposition Party in the House. The Members are Pu R.Dotinaia Leader, and Pu Sangkhuma, Dy.Leader. Such was the arrangement I was informed.

Regarding the recognition of Parties or recognition of groups in the House, I would not make any decision now. However, before such a decision comes, seat arrangement would be like this. I think we know where Dy. Speaker's Seat is. His back row would be occupied by Opposition Party evacuating one row on his left which would be regarded as /artition wall. So, Ruling Party can sit at the back of another side.

You might also have been wondering for not having new furniture which we expected from long before. I am very sorry about this. The thing is that Carpenters from whom we ordered these things are too far away from us to have a word with each other, besides, failing to keep-up their words. That's the main reason for the delay. So, you have to sit again in old furniture. I hope we will have new ones soon.

PU R.ZOLIANA: Mr.Speaker Sir, I do not know whether I mistook what you said. But, why do we make such an arrangement before a Party or a Group Recognised ? Wouldn't it be better to make arrangement after making decision ?

SPEAKER : Recognition could be done later on. It is only seat arrangement. If recognition is given, this House have certain things to do regarding facilities. So, it is only seat arrangement I mentioned. The saying that, 'as a party, they should be able to run the House' means a Quorum. According to our Quorum, 1/3 of the Total Member, which is eleven can recognised as a party. As a Group, there should be at least 2 Members, for one cannot be a Group. The reason why I said that 'we ruling Party are reserved' is only because there are too many things to be considered for the allotment of facilities to the Opposition Party.

Here, I received one notice from Pu R.Zoliana, which is of a privilege motion. So, we shall now call upon him to read out his motion.

PRIVILEGE MOTION TABLED BY PU R.ZOLIANA

PU R.ZOLIANA : Mr.Speaker Sir, Thank you for giving me a privilege of reading out my motion, and also glad that there would be enough time for this House to consider this. Now, let me read my Privilege Motion-

(He reads in English).

Here again, let me read out Rule 164 of Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Mizoram Legislative Assembly, Chapter 21-

(He reads out).

The reason why I moved this motion was due to the incidence that took place in the year 1972. That year, one guy named Sanglura was arrested for stealing one Motor Tyre. Our honourable Member, Pu C.Lalruata, being the one who reported this to the Police Station was held for witness in the Court. But, as he is always away from his dwelling place of Ramhlun Veng, Alzawl he used to absent too from Court, due to which he was arrested on 25.7.74 under warrant of arrest No.10506 of 12.7.74. But, he was released on P.R. Bond, that is in Personal Risk Bond. According to our constitution, when M.L.As. are arrested by Magistrate or other authorities like Police Forces, honourable Speaker is to be informed of the incidence and its causes. But, in case of Pu C.Lalruata, nothing of this sort was done.

Again, our rule states that 'You compliance of this procedure shall amount breach of rules' and since such was the case, it is my appeal that this House really considers the case and consult Privilege Committee to take-up the matter. It might not be necessary either to have such kind of Officer who respects no rule. So, let us see what is to be done here.

Thank you.

SPEAKER : Any objection ? (Members kept silence).
Well, it will be regarded as accepted. This case, being **not** a small matter, it is going to be necessary to have a second thought before we refer it to the Privilege Committee. So, let me first collect certain informations from Home Department before we make a decision.

Our next item is Laying of Papers. So, we shall first call upon Pu Nikhuma, Dy. Minister i/c Health & Family Planning to lay down the rules on the Table of the House.

LAYING OR PAPERS ETC.

PU P.B. NIKHUMA: Mr. Speaker Sir, with your permission Sir, I place the Rules of Advisory Committee for Government Hospitals, Dispensaries and Public Health Centre in Mizoram, 1974 on the Table of the House.

Thank you.

SPEAKER : In addendum, to the list of Business, we have 4 (a), so now Dy. Minister i/c L.A.D. to lay down the rules.

PU P.B. NIKHUMA: Mr. Speaker Sir, With your permission, I place the following rules on the Table of the House.

- No.1: The Mizoram Election Village Council Rules, 1974.
- No.2: The Mizoram Control of Animals Rules, 1974.
- No.3: Rules relating to Grants-in-Aid to Autonomous District Councils, Mizoram.

Thank you.

SPEAKER: Well, the above rules have now been laid down by the Minister concerned on the Table of the H-ouse. This does not mean that they are to be discussed. Placing of Papers on the Table of the House can be divided into two avenues- (1) Only some of the Rules demand the submission of Rules on the Table of the House, in which case, Rules are submitted to the House. But, on the other hand, Minister can voluntarily submit the rules on the Table of the House. So, do not be confused here. Whether or not submitted we can have Democratic Control to scrutinize the rules. Members can have amendment or alteration in the House. But, before taking-up in the House, it generally goes through Sub-Legislative Committee who would have scrutiny to be able to give report to this House later on.

PU C. LALRUATA: Mr. Speaker Sir, Regarding Control of Animals Rules, 1974, in the copy given to me, it was written as 1973. So, which one is correct?

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SPEAKER : Yes, It should be written 1973, Please correct your own copy.

Now, we shall proceed to 4'B', Minister i/c Law & Judicial, Supply & Transport etc. to place the Rules on the Table of the House.

PU LALSANGZUALA: Mr. Speaker, Sir, With your kind permission, MINISTEP . the following rules are laid on the Table namely -

- (i) Rules relating to the duties, fees etc. of the standing Council, Government of Mizoram, Gauhati.
- (ii) The Mizoram Adaptation of Laws Order (No.1) of 1974.
- (iii) The Mizoram Motor Vehicles (Licensing of Goods Booking Agents) Rules, 1972.
- (iv) Mizoram Food (Restriction on service meals by catering Establishments) Order, 1973.
- (v) Mizoram Guest Control Order, 1972.
- (vi) Mizoram Wheat & Wheat Products Dealer Licensing Order, 1973.
- (vii) Mizoram Cement Dealers Licensing Order, 1973.
- (viii) Mizoram Supply & Transport Department (Supply wing Class II Posts) Service Recruitment Rules, 1973.
- (ix) The Mizoram Tyre (Dealer Licensing and Price Control) Order, 1974.
- (x) Mizoram Motor Vehicle Requisition Order.

Thank you.

SPEAKER: Now, item No.5-which is Bill Introduction. Here, our honourable Chief Minister has one Bill to introduce, so we shall call upon him now.

THE MIZORAM URBAN AREAS RENT CONTROL BILL, 1974 : INTRODUCTION OF.

PU CH. CHHUNGA: Mr. Speaker Sir, I beg leave to introduce the Mizoram Urban Areas Rent Control Bill, 1974.

SPEAKER: Are we all agree to the introduction of this Bill? (Members agreed). Well, if you have nothing to say here, he can introduce it now.

PU CH. SAPRAWNGA: Mr. Speaker Sir, What is the use of introducing this Bill and may we know its explanation, so as to have a clear view point.

SPEAKER: If you have the copy of it, there you will see an explanation. If you are objecting the Bill, just say so. After the Bill is introduced, we'll have discussion. So, only from their, we'll consider whether to pass it or not. Now, the Bill be introduced.

PU CH. CHHUNGA: Mr. Speaker Sir, I introduce the Bill.
CHIEF MINISTER.

SPEAKER: Now, the Bill is introduced to the House.
So, Secretary to please read out the title
of the Bill.

(He read out)

Nest item- Minister i/c Revenue to ask for the
introduction of one Bill.

THE LUSHAI HILLS DISTRICT REVENUE ASSESSMENT (AMENDMENT)
REGUSLATION : INTRODUCTION OF.

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PU VAIVENGA : Mr. Speaker Sir, I beg leave to introduce the
MINISTER. Lushai Hills District Revenue Assessment (Amend-
ment) Regulation Bill, 1974.

SPEAKER : Any objection ? If none of you have objection,
he can introduce it right now.

PU VAIVENGA : Mr. Speaker Sir, By your permission, Sir, I
MINISTER. introduce the Bill.

SPEAKER : Secretary please be read out the Title of the
Bill now.

(He read out).

We have now finished our today's items. So, we
will end-up here for today. But, sitting will reserve tomorrow
at 11:00 A.M.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 Noon.

Under Secretary,
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