

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOURTH MIZORAM
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, FIFTH SESSION
12th SITTING HELD ON TUESDAY 25th MARCH
1986 AT 10; 30 A.M.**

PRESENT

Dr. H.Thansanga, Speaker at the Chair, 6 Ministers and 22 members were present.

QUESTION

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

VOTING ON DEMAND

- 2. (a) Pu Vaivenga, Minister to move Demand numbers 6,16,19 and 21 amounting to Rs. 1030,02,000.00 to the vote of the House.**
- (b) Pu C.L.Ruala, Minister to move Demand numbers 4,25,30,31 and 33 amounting to Rs. 17,05,64,000.00 to the vote of the House.**
- (c) Pu Liansuama, Minister of State to move the Demand numbers 38 and 39 amounting to Rs. 369,48,000.00 to the vote of the House.**
- (d) Pu Hiphei, Minister of State to move Demand numbers 14,23 and 32 amounting to Rs.5,66,04,000.00 to the vote of the House.**

Speaker : A sound mind is the life of the flesh : but envy the rottenness of the bones. He that oppreseth the poor reprocheth his Maker : but he that honoureth him hath mercy on the poor. The wicked is driven away in his wickedness : but the righteous hath hope in his death. Wisdom resteth in the heart of him that hath understanding : but it is not known in the heart of fools. Righteousness exalteth a nation : but sin is a reproach to any people.

Proverb 14 : 30—34

We shall call on Pu K.L.Lianchia to ask his question. Question No 81.

Pu K.L.Lianchia : Pu Speaker my question is this-will the Hon'ble Minister i/c Home Deptt be pleased to state :-

Are the Ministerial staff of Police Department who were converted to uniform cadre under Indian Police Act, 1961 given the same facilities enjoyed by their counterpart uniform cadre ?

Pu Sainghaka : Pu Speaker, excepting pay and allowances the Ministerial staff get the same facilities enjoyed by their counterpart in uniform cadre.

Pu K.L.Lianchia : Pu Speaker, a supplementary question please. It is understood that non-Gazetted ranks from Inspector downwards are enjoying the same facilities as their counterpart uniform cadres. The office Superintendents who have been made equivalent to DSP rank do not seem to enjoy this facility. Is this a directive from the Central Government ?

Pu Sainghaka : Pu Speaker, the Office Superintendent and DSP receive Rs.600/- initially for uniform and annual maintenance allowance of Rs. 400/- is also received by them. Could the hon.member be misinformed about this ?

Pu K.L.Lianchia : Pu Speaker, the initial allowance received by the DSP is Rs. 650/- plus annual maintenance of Rs. 400/-. However, the Superintendent receives initial allowance of Rs. 225/- and Rs. 100/- for annual maintenance. Is this a fact ? Secondly, why are the office Superintendents not given vehicles ?

Pu Sainghaka : Pu Speaker, vehicles are given according to the nature of their duties. The allowance of Rs. 225/- for uniform and Rs. 100/- for maintenance is received by the Assistants and not Superintendents.

Pu Rochhunga Ralte : Pu Speaker, a supplementary question. I would like to know if the Ministerial staff of Police Department in other states are made to wear the uncomfortable uniform of police ? Is it because Mizoram is a Disturbed area ?

Pu Sainghaka : Pu Speaker, I cannot answer for the other states. We have introduced this uniform system for the sake purpose of letter discipline. It is not because we are proclaimed as a Disturbed area.

Speaker : Question no. 82, Pi K.Thanslami

Pi K.Thanslami : Will the Hon.Minister i/c PWD be please to state-

(a) What is the total value of work under road construction including retaining wall, etc. executed since April, 1984 ?

(b) What is the total value of road works including wall, etc executed since April, 1984 ?

(i) Through departmental labourers, that is by means of muster rolls or casual labour.

(ii) Through restructured tender.

(iii) Work order without call of tender.

(iv) Through paper call of tender.

(c) What are the conditions or grounds under which call of restricted tender for works is restructured to as per scale ?

Pu Sainghaka : Pu Speaker. the answer is :—

Minister	(a)	Rs. 1862.75 lakhs
	(b)	(i) Rs. 740.02 lakhs
		(ii) Rs. 79.92 lakhs
		(iii) Rs. 561.00 lakhs
		(iv) Rs. 491.81 lakhs
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		Rs. 1862.75 lakhs.

Speaker : Question no. 83 Pu J.Thanghuama

Pu J.Thanghuama : Will the Hon.Minister i/c Revenue Department be pleased to state -

(a) If the Government has taken any decision to pay compensation/house rent for the land/buildings occupied by the security Forces since March, 1966.

(b) If yes, what is the present position ?

(c) If not, why not ?

Pu Vaivenga : Pu Speaker, the answer is as follows :

Minister (a) Yes, the government intends to pay the compensations.

(b) The compensation/Rent paid so far are -

(1) for damaged crop Rs. 4,29,411.00

(2) for buildings destroyed/Damaged - Rs 15,51,350.00
+ Rs 69,977.00

(3) Rental charges on Buildings - Rs. 12 31,667.00

(4) Sanction yet to be paid during 1986-1987
Rs. 8,44,690 00

(c) The answer is - Does not arise.

Pu Z.D.Sangliana : Pu Speaker, a supplementary question — Security Forces are still occupying the IB at Zobawk and Lungsen. Is there any intention on the part of the Government to remove them ?

Pu Vaivenga : Pu Speaker, the Department which looks after the Inspection Bungalows is the PWD. Therefore I cannot say anything from the Department of Revenue.

Pu K.L.Lianchia : Pu Speaker, the Security Forces have made joint verifications with the DC regarding rent of these buildings. Is it necessary to make new verifications every year ?

Pu Vaivenga : Pu Speaker, once the verifications have been made, it is not necessary to renew it again.

Pu Lalhlira : Pu Speaker, are these compensations and house rents paid only in Aizawl ? I am asking this because no payment has been made in Champhai and most of the houses they have occupied are badly in need of repair.

Pu Vaivenga : Pu Speaker, we have a record/list of all the payees along with their addresses. You are welcome to see it for yourself.

Pu J.Thanghuama : Pu Speaker, it would be a good thing if the copies of the Record are distributed to the Members. I would like to ask one more supplementary question.

House rents are to be reviewed every five years since 1974. Is there any intention to review these rents concerning private houses ?

Pu Vsivenga : Pu Speaker, that would be a matter to be settled between the land lord and the tenant.
Minister

Speaker : Question no 84, Pu Vanlalaghaka.

Pu Vanlalaghaka : Will the Hon.Minister i/c Education Department be pleased to state-

- (a) Whether there is Principal at Government Higher Secondary School at Aizawl.
- (b) If yes, who is the Principal ?
- (c) If not, why ?

Pu Rokamlova : Pu Speaker, yes there is a Principal in the Government Higher Secondary School Aizawl. The name of the Principal is Smt. Thannguri.
Minister

Pu Vanlalaghaka : Pu Speaker, a supplementary question. Is Smt. Thannguri appointed as Principal or Officiating Principal ?

Secondly, is there any intention of appointing a Vice Principal ? Thirdly, is there any chance for senior high School teachers from the rural areas to fill up this post ?

Pu K.L.Lianchia : Pu Speaker, what is the pay scale of the present Principal ?

Pu Rokamlova : Pu Speaker, the scale of pay is Rs.1100/- to Rs.1600/-
Minister Smt. Thannguri was given officiating promotion on September 28, 1981 However, her absence now is owing to her illness. She is suffering from a serious ailment and the period of her absence will be for quite some time. Therefore, Shri Hran-kiauva has been appointed as Officiating Vice Principal in her absence.

Pi K.Thansiami : Pu Speaker, I am really happy to know that such arrangements have been made for the sick. What I would like to know is whether she is on leave with full pay since her appointment in Sept. 1981 ?

Pu Vanlalnghaka : Pu Speaker, out of the 30 teachers employed in the Government Higher Secondary School, Aizawl, only 9 of them are male teachers. Female teachers are prove to take more leave and thus problems arise. Does the Govt. have any idea on how it can soive this problem ?

Pu Rokamlova : Pu Speaker, the real problem lies in tne fact that **Minister** previously the teachers were not stationary. However, now they can serve with peace of mind Secondly, the person concerned is on leave without pay. There is no question of of drawing pay as the member asked.

Pu Zosiama Pachuau : Pu Speaker, one of the problems we face in every department is that scale of pay creates rank among employess. Would it be not difficult for the DEO to supervise and take necessary actions over the Principal whose pay scale is much higher than his ?

Pu Rokamlova : Pu Speaker, if their duty requires inspections, there is no reason why DEO would hesitate to do so even if his pay is lower to that of Principal.

Speaker : Question no 78, Pu F.Lalramliana.

Pu F.Lalramliana : Will the Hon.Minister i/c Agriculture Department be pleased to state-

The minor Irrigation Division in Agriculture Department is excuting 12 projects in different parts of Mizoram. Name the projects and amounts spent on each Projects.

Pu C.L.Ruala : Pu Speaker, the names of 12 Minor Irrigation projects **Minister** and amount spent for each Project are as follows :-

Sl.No.	Name of Project	Exp 1984 85 up 17.3.86
1.	Providing lift irrigation at Thingdawl Farm	4,72,190.32
2.	Lift Irrigation scheme at Chite Phai WRC Vairengte	51,622.72
3.	Providing L I at Buhchangphai area	70,822.72
4.	Execution of Lungzawnzau m I Project at Chemphai Section I	30,000.00
5.	Khawzawl M I Project at Chemphai Bikhawthlir Section III	25,000.00
6.	Execution of Thingdelh M I Scheme Chemphai, Bikhawthlir Section III	10,000.00
7.	Execution M I Project at Aidul Teikhang	1,55,600.00
8.	Construction of Darkhuang M I Project, Muallungthu	61,573 00
9.	Construction of 4 Tut Valley M I Projects	1,85,470,00
10.	Construction of M I Project at Lau Valley	33,030,00
11.	Construction of Mailengphai M I Project, Hrianghmun	2,00,000.00
12.	Construction of M I Project at Saikhumphai	2,00,000.00
TOTAL		= Rs 14,95,308.76

Pu F.Lalramliana : Pu Speaker, a supplementary question please. Is the Government still continuing the small (minor) irrigations which were started before ? And is irrigation work to be started in chhimtuipui District ?

Pu C.L Ruala : Pu Speaker, yes, the Government is still continuing the smaller irrigations. These are mostly taken up by the Soil Department. An irrigation Division is to be set up at Lunglei by the Department of Agriculture and this will cover Lunglei and Chhimtuipui District more thoroughly.

Speaker : Question no. 79, Pu R.Lalawia.

Pu R.Lalawia : Will the hon. Minister i/c General Administration Department be pleased to state - Do the Government intend/propose to create more districts for the Administration of Mizoram ?

Pu Liansuama Minister : Pu Speaker, the answer is 'Yes'. However the proposed re-organisation is kept pending due to ban in creation of posts, as creation of more districts will necessitate creation of more posts, etc

Speaker : Question no. 80, Pu Saikapthianga.

Pu Saikapthianga : Will the Hon. Minister i/c Social welfare Department be pleased to state - Whether Government of Mizoram is aware that YMA branch of Hnahlan is Politically used for the dissolution of Hnahlan Village Council,

Pu Rokamlova Minister : Pu Speaker, no, the Government of Mizoram is not aware of the fact.

Pu Zosiana Pachuau : Pu Speaker, a supplementary Question Is it a fact that the Hnahlan Village Council was dissolve ?

Pu Lallawmsanga Zadeng : Pu Speaker, is it a fact that the Village Council Hnahlan can dissolve the Y.M.A.?

Pu Vaivenga Minister : Pu Speaker, as the subject concerns the Village Council, I will try to answer it.

This matter erupted from a local misunderstanding between them. The YMA declared that they did not accept the Village Council and the Village Council also declared the same. However, this is baseless and has no meaning whatsoever. Now they have come to terms with each other. There is no dissolution on the part of the Government, neither is the Village Council of Hnahlan dissolved.

Speaker : Our question time is over and we will go into Demand for Grants. The Minister incharge will move Demands no. 6,16 19 and 21.

Pu Vaivenga : Pu Speaker, on the recommendation of the administrator of Mizoram and with your permission Sir, I move the Demand nos. 6,16,19 and 21 of Rs. 10,30,02,000.00 only for meeting the expenses during 1986-87 in respect of the following Departments.

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| 1. Demand no. 6 | Revenue | Rs. 94,00,000.00 |
| 2. Demand no. 16 | other - Administrative Services | Rs. 1,58,30,32,000.00 |
| 3. Demand no. 19 | Medical Development - | Rs. 1,96,83,70,000.00 |
| 4. Demand no. 21 | Urban Development | Rs.12,00,000.00 |

Thank You

Speaker : Members who wish to speak on the Demands may now do so. Pu J.Thanghuama.

Pu J.Thanghuama : Pu Speaker, I shall try to speak briefly as the time you allot is short.

I do not understand how the Government is having control over the Village Councils. Venghuai V/C was dissolved on the simple ground of inefficiency' whereas the V/C of Muallungthu was not touched inspite of its misappropriation of funds. It appears that the Government is prejudiced against opposition V/C members.

In the Department of Health & Family Welfare, I am happy that we now have a Mizo Officer as Director of Health Services. This has made everything easier for those who come from rural areas. We should also try to have more medicine supply for hospitals. Secondly, our roads in Aizawl town are too narrow and with the ever increasing number of vehicles, we have come to a desperate situation. Widening of the roads with footpaths should be done as soon as possible.

Pu Zairemthanga : Pu Speaker, I will point out only one or two points. Members have often asked about the construction and maintenance of town roads. However,

nobody seems to be really in charge except the Revenue Department. The thin layer of black topping is done by the PWD and the Department of PHE erases their work by laying water pipes which are not properly repaired again. The maintenance of town roads is thus facing a severe hardship.

Another thing I wish to say about roads, is the widening of internal road at Durtlang. This was taken up by the V/C in their own enthusiasm. However this has hurt the feelings of many people as private land has been greatly damaged and compensations not given. The Government has to look into the matter and if private properties have been damaged, compensations should be paid. The Revenue Department and LAD should inquire into the matter. Such high handed behaviour is not the way to do things.

Lastly, I would like to mention that permits for sale of liquor has been our subject for the whole year. As the Hon. Chief Minister had said before, this sale of IMFL should be stopped. The Church and the public are not in favour of this sale of liquor, voluntary organisations like YMA have also pleaded for stopping this liquor permit I had hoped to have a debate on this subject on Friday, but such opportunity did not arise that is why I have mentioned it now.

Pu H.K.Chakma : Pu Speaker. I shall start with Demand no. 16. Revenue. There are no Revenue staff in Demagri only one person in Tlabung cannot cope with all the work in land revenue and settlement. It is therefore urgently needed that more staff from the Revenue Department should be posted in the said areas.

In the Department of Medical & Health Services, the hospital at Tlabung is too small, we need more seats and more medicine as the whole area of Chhimtuipui District flock together in this place. I want to give thanks for the portable loudspeakers given to V/Cs in the Department of LAD.

Pu Lalhlira : Pu Speaker, firstly I wish to point out the state and condition of the meat stalls in our Bazara in Aizawl, Lunglei and Champhai. All these meat stalls are in

very poor condition, unhygienic and dirty with flies everywhere. This is a serious threat to our health. The Department of Revenue should try to upgrade the condition of these meat stalls in the major towns of Mizoram as soon as possible.

Regarding Housing Loans, and other Loans, the distribution is very uneven. Urban areas have been repeatedly having larger shanes every year and the rural areas have been grossly neglected. Towns like Champhai, Kolasib, Serchhip, Khawzawl and Mamit have been neglected. Only Aizawl town appears to benefit from these loans. This policy is not right for the overall development of the state.

Pu F.Lalchhawna : Pu Speaker, this morning we complained about the scarcity of water in the MLA Hostel, this was immediately remedied by the PHE Department for which I want to offer my thanks.

The Revenue Department is at present facing scarcity of staff and this has created a big problem in the Department. Work is at a stand-still in many places. The Government should look into this matter and if possible create more posts in this Department.

The Department of Health and Family Welfare has been widening their steps towards development. There are many on-going schemes in the rural areas. It is also fortunate to have mostly Mizo employees in the Department of Health services.

In spite of scarcity of doctors in the interior rural areas. I am happy to hear that seats are being reserved for the Mizo Medical students who are now graduating every year in several numbers.

Pi K.Thansiami : Pu Speaker, in Demand no. 19, Medical Department. Rs.50 lakhs provision has been made for the extension of the Civil Hospital at Aizawl. The Private Wards of Civil Hospital, Aizawl does not meet the requirement of the public as certain sicknesses need to be isolated and besides this, there are also some people who have to stay in private wards. In view of this, another floor for Private ward would be very beneficial to the public

Coming to the LAD, garbage carriers should dispose the garbage in the right place and not burn them within the town itself. There are also stalls in the Bazar with no roof. These need urgent attention. In the Department of Revenue, our ever persisting problem is that of double allotment of house-site. This had been problem faced in every Ministry.

Pu K L Lisnchia : Pu Speaker, there are many things I wish to point out. Firstly, in the Department of Revenue, the encroachment on public roads in the town of Aizawl is outrageous. Revenue land mark does not have any effect on the public. The construction of houses are as close to the main roads as possible

If defaulters are not given due punishment, we cannot expect anyone to give regards to the Revenue landmarks.

Coming to the Department of Health Services, there are Sub-Health Centres in Ngentiang and Chhingchhip in my constituency without any doctor. I think my constituency is the only one without any gazetted officer. If such is the case, Pu Speaker, administration cannot be carried out as it should be. It is too remote and communication problem is our biggest drawback. It is therefore necessary to have at least one gazetted officer in this area.

Pu Zosima Pachuau : Pu Speaker, firstly, I wish to speak about the need for Doctors for every constituency. The Hon. Minister of Health Department stated that the reason for not filling up posts of doctors is because these posts are being reserved for the 114 Mizo Medical Students. This policy is greatly appreciated we should know that as we wait for these Medical students people in the interior places of Mizoram are suffering and dying every day. Is it not possible for the Government to employ Doctors from other states on deputation? There are many Mizo Doctors in Manipal who are willing to serve in Mizoram on Deputation, and when their term is finished they can be released in favour of the new Medical graduates. It would be inhuman to let the public suffer on account of this problem.

Regarding the health of the general public in Mizoram, it appears that cancer is more common in Mizoram in comparison to the neighbouring states around us. A research survey of this should be made by the Medical Department as to why this fatal disease is so common in Mizoram.

I also wish to mention a few points regarding the Department of Local Administration. The system of waste disposal practiced by the LAD is quite satisfactory. However, there is no proper place for disposing garbage in Electric Veng and the public are disposing their garbage in the drains. This makes the whole area filthy and in the rainy season, the drain is covered with filthy waste material causing great harm to the health of the public. Street lights are also needed in many parts of Aizawl town.

Speaker : We may now call on the hon'ble Minister i/c to wind up.

Pu Lalhmingthanga : Pu Speaker, I would like to say a few things before the Minister winds it up.

The Department of Revenue is undoubtedly the main key of the state. In urban places the Department is satisfactorily equipped with adequate staff. However, this is not enough as the rural areas of the land are also greatly in need of more staff to meet their need.

The Most needful thing to do is to mobilise our resources. Only a few land record and salaries can be included in the Plan, therefore mobilisation of resources is a must.

Another thing I wish to mention is the unequal distribution of doctors in the rural areas. We have highly qualified doctors but we are sadly lacking in medical equipment. Our hospitals in Aizawl, Lunglei, Saiha and Lawngtlai should be better equipped to serve the public better.

Urban development also needs to be uplifted. The System practiced so far is the V/C system. However, it appears that this system is not adequate enough for over-all urban development. Municipal Boards should be set up to look after the cleanliness of towns and maintenance of roads. That's all, Thank You.

Pu Lallawmsanga Zadeng : Pu Speaker, I would like to add a few more things regarding the Department of Health. As the hon'ble member had said just now, the hospital equipments are too inefficient. X-Ray machines are also not good enough to produce clear and good results. The

private wards in the Civil Hospital are also not enough to meet the need of the public. Health Centres all over Mizoram are so ill-equipped that even if there are Doctors, it is almost impossible to admit patients. There are no medicines and facilities are almost nil. The need of the hour is to equip these Health Centres all over Mizoram as the existing number of Health Centres are quite satisfactory.

I also wish to say a few things regarding the Department of Local Administration. Disposal of waste and garbage is a big problem in Aizawl town. The garbage storage bin near Civil Hospital is always full. Flies around in plenty and the smell of the filth is very bad for patients in the hospital. In some places there are no garbage bins for public use. The dispensary at Thakthing also dispose their garbage on the drains as they do not have storage for the same. The meat stalls in Thakthing Bazaar are also filthy and full of dirt. The waste materials are disposed around the locality and it stinks dreadfully. The Department of Local Administration should look into these matters and find some means of eliminating them.

Lastly, the Department of Revenue needs to be mentioned. It is very difficult to get things done in this department. House passes and other land certificates take a very long time to get settled, it takes almost a year. This should be inquired upon by the authorities concerned as soon as possible. Thank you.

Speaker : We have a very short time left, the Minister i/c may now wind up his demand.

Pu Vaivenga : Pu Speaker, I am very grateful to all members who have kindly participated in the discussion of the Demands under my charge. I shall try to wind up as briefly as possible.

In the Department of Local Administration re-election of 10 village Councils have taken place in Aizawl Town. In Lunglei town three V/Cs were dissolved and re-election held and by election of 7 village Councils in Lunglei Constituency was held owing to the resignations of individual V/C members.

Village Councils are usually dissolved only after a thorough enquiry has been made by the Government. The V/C Administration in the whole of Mizoram appears to be very wholesome and straight-forward. The hon'ble member mentioned Hualngohmun and Muallungthu. Verification and enquiry on Hualngohmun has been taken not only by me, but also by Community Development Department. The raise in the honorarium of Village Council members has been made but not to a very high amount. Sanitation is the main factor in the Department of Local Administration. Septic tank loans are being given out to almost 300 households every year in the towns of Aizawl, Lunglei, and Saiha etc.

Coming to the Department of Revenue we have Rs. 94 lakhs. Out of this 74 lakhs is for non-plan and Rs.20 lakhs on Plan, Markets at Aizawl, Lunglei, Champhai, Kolasib, Hnahthial, Tlabung, Sairang, Vairengte and Serchhip are sponsored from this Plan fund. The main works of the Revenue Department is to survey and record the whole of Mizoram. This task will take many many years. We have appealed to the Survey of India to help us in this matter. The Government of Mizoram has now started this big task and we hope to accomplish it in the near future. In Demand no. 19, Medical, we are waiting for financial concurrent for Cancer Detection Centre in Aizawl. A doctor has been specially trained for this job and the necessary equipment for detecting cancer will shortly be purchased.

We also hope to extend the Civil Hospital if we can acquire the plot of the present Police Thana. This is our main hope.

Now, I beg the House to pass the following Demands under my charge, Demand no. 6, 16, 19 and 21 amounting to Rs. 10,30,02,000.00 only.

Speaker : The Minister incharge has wound up his Demand and re-requested the House to pass the same. Therefore, Demand no. 6,16,19 and 21 amounting to Rs. 10,30,02,000.00 is put to the vote of the House. Members may raise their hands to show their assent. (All members raise hands). Now the Demands no. 6,16,19 and 21 amounting to Rs. 10,30,02,000.00 is declared passed by this House. We shall now have recess.

Recess till 2 P.M.

2 P.M.

Speaker : The Hon'ble Minister i/c Agriculture Department may move the various Demands under his charge.

Pu C.L.Ruala : Mr. Speaker Sir, on the recommendation of the Administrator of Mizoram and with your permission sir, I move the Demand no. 4,25,30,31 and 33 for Rs. 17,05,64,000.00 only for meeting expenses during 1986-87 in respect of the following departments :-

1. Demand No. 4 for Administration of Justice-Rs 34,50,000.00
2. Demand No 25 for District Council-Rs.14,53,70,000.00
3. Demand No.30 for Agriculture-Rs.6,18,25,000.00
4. Demand No.31 for Soil & Water Conservation-Rs.3,00,32,000.00
5. Demand No 33 for Forest-Rs.6,02,20,000 00

Speaker : Members wishing to participate in the discussion of the Demand may do so.

Pu R.Lalawia : Pu Speaker, time is very limited, however I wish to mention first that the figures in Demand no.30,Agriculture does not tally with my addition, so please check this with me afterwards.

In the Department of Agriculture we have several projects on hand. However, most of the eastern parts of Mizoram do not feature in these projects. One such projects is found in Pu Zosiana's constituency but according to him this is also a very insignificant project.

The food-grain situation in Mizoram is also very unsatisfactory. Most of the wet rice cultivation in Western Mizoram are yielding low food grains because the real owners are not looking after the cultivation. This is not so in the eastern parts of Mizoram.

In the Agriculture marketing department the best thing would be to build godowns in various places to stock various agricultural products like, tobacco, chillies and corn. These godowns would be of more utility than more market sheds. That will be all as time is very limited.

Thank You.

Pu Zairemthanga : Pu Speaker, I find it rather difficult to study the Budget Book as some figures are not tallying. In the Department of Agriculture we do not find much provision for the new Land Use Policy. We find it only on page 246 and the amount is Rs. 305000/- only. However in the speech of the Lt. Governor it was mentioned that Rs. 105 lakhs was provided for Land Use Policy Provision for soil Conservation is also very meagre. Only one lakh is provided. But on the other hand, we find Rs. 88,70,000/- for this purpose in the speech of the Administrator.

Another thing I wish to mention is the Department of Forests. It is very important to preserve our forests as they are being destroyed everyday. The need to plant new trees is very urgent. Village safety reserves are also being destroyed and posing a threat to environment.

In the Administration of Justice, the low pay scale of lawyers has put a great set back and this has effected the public. The Government should revise this and see what can be done.

Pu J. Thanghuama : Pu Speaker, out of the five Department in this Demand, I would like to start with the Department of Forests. In this connection, I wish to mention the name of the previous Director of Forest, Mr Logang. The mis-appropriations committed by Logang was atrocious. His bank deposits in Aizawl were also seized and it was found that he had taken great advantage of his position as Director of Forests. However, we now have a very reliable officer in his place. I'm sure that he will not behave as Mr. Lagong did.

Secondly, there are reports about frames made of teak wood sold in the market. These appear to be made from stolen teak timber from government plantations. The government should take necessary investigations and enquires on this matter. That is all. Thank You.

Pu Zosiama Pachuau : Pu Speaker, I would like to say a few things on Demand no. 30,31 and 33 only.

In the Department of Agriculture, our products are now worth mentioning. However, I am sure there are better ways of making more progress in these field.

In the Department of fisheries, the hon'ble Minister i/c may kindly see that only those with genuine fish ponds should receive fishery grants. there are some recipients who have no fish ponds to mention and yet they have been receiving such grants.

Soil and Water Conservation has performed very good works specially in my constituency, Ngopa Terraces and WRC with water canals have been accomplished and the results are very satisfying.

The Department of Forests have not progressed much considering the fund allocation. There are 8 persons who have completed ACF training and are awaiting for their postings. However, it is learned that some of these have not been offered their posts. Is the Government aware of this fact? Forest preservation is not progressing as fast as expected. The new plantations are taking years to grow and as the old forests have been cut down, there is a gap between these and at present we have no forests.

Pu K.L.Lianchia : Pu Speaker, I wish to dwell on just a few points. When I study the Demands on forest and Agriculture, there are some points which I find difficult to understand.

It appears that most of the fund provisions are to be used for Land Use Policy. On page 250, we find Rs 44 lakhs for subsidy which is quite satisfactory. However, on page 246, Demand no 30 provision for settlement of 'jhumming family' is 'nil' which is a big surprise. We find Rs. 3.50 lakhs for Soil-Survey of Land Use planning which goes in the form of Grant-in-aid.

It is, therefore, rather difficult to study our Budget as it is. There are also other things on which I would like to speak on, but time does not allow me to do so. Thank You.

Chairman : The Hon.Minister i/c may please wind up his Demand.

Pu C.L.Ruala : Pu Chairman, I have clarified some of my Demands in the General discussion. However, I am happy that members have keenly participated in the discussion of
Minister

my demands. I think the total is correct which amounts to Rs.6 crores 18 lakhs and 25 thousand only. (Pu R.Lalawia : That is why I have said that this Budget book is totally wrong)

Chairman : Please continue to clarify.

Pu C.L Ruala : I do not think there are printing mistakes. Regarding
Minister motor maintenance, the high cost of maintenance is owing to Bul-dozers and Tractors.

The hon'ble member from Sateek mentioned the misappropriations of Mr. Logang, former Director of Forests. Yes, it is a fact that he did practice the said misappropriations, however, on investigation it was learned that the Minister i/c Forests had given him permission. It appears that Mr. Logang paid royalty for his logs too. This is the only evidence we have as it was during the previous Ministry.

Regarding the appointment of ACF posts we have not made the appointments due to the ban on creation of posts. However, these trainees will draw their salary as ACF from the date of completion of their training.

Pu Sainghaka : Pu Chairman, there are certain technicality in budget
Minister making. In one Department we (for example Agriculture) have major heads and under these there are minor heads and sub-heads. The detailed heads for object of expenditure are again under these sub-heads. It is important to know the different aspects of budget making in order to understand our budget.

Chairman : I think that makes it quite clear. The minister i/c may now request the House to pass his demand.

Pu C.L Ruala : Pu Chairman, I beg the House to pass the following
Minister Demands under my charge.

1. Demand No. 4 - Administration of Justice-Rs. 34,50,000.00
 2. Demand No. 25 - District Council - Rs. 14,53,70,000.00
 3. Demand No. 30 - Agriculture - Rs. 6,18,25,000.00
 4. Demand No. 31 - Soil & Water Conservation - Rs. 3,00,32,000.00
 5. Demand No. 33 - Forest - Rs. 6,02,20,000.00
- The total amounting to Rs. 17,85,64,000.00

Chairman : The Minister has requested the House to pass the various Demands under his charge. We shall put it to the vote of the House. Members may raise their hands to show approval. (All raise hands) As the House has unanimously raised hands, the Demands under Pu C.L. Ruala is declared passed by this House.

Now, Pu Liansuama, Minister i/c Industries may move Demands under his charge.

Pu Liansuama : Pu Chairman, on the recommendation of the Administrator of Mizoram and with your permission ! Sir' I move the Demand no. 35 and 39 Rs. 6,39,40,000.00 only for meeting the expenditure during the year 1986-87 in respect of the following departments. Demand No. 35 Industries - Rs. 4,89,40,000.00 Demand No. 39, Sericulture - Rs. 1,50,00,000.00 Thank you.

Chairman : The Demand has been moved and now time shall be opened for members who wish to participate in the discussion.

Pu J.Thanghuama : Pu Chairman, I shall take only three minutes. I do not think this Demand needs much discussion. Coming to the Department of Industries, I wish to mention the need to have Directors who are in technical lines instead of IAS and MCS Officers.

In the Department of Sericulture, the work performance is very good and people are interested, However. this Department is too small and needs to be enlarged for wider benefit of the public.

Pu K.L.Lianchia : Pu Chairman, I would like to ask a few points which I do not understand. On page 20, of the speech of the Finance Minister, a Khadi and Village Industries Board is mentioned. I did not know that such a Board existed. And if such Board exists ; I would like to know who the members are.

The Department of Sericulture, I think there were some families in my constituency who were selected for the new Land Use Policy. However, those with no site for rearing were selected. In the village of Biate, there were some families who received money but never applied for the same. This is very interesting as the ones who were supposed to receive have been left out.

Pu Zairemthanga : Pu Chairman, I would like to request the Minister i/c to clarify the Demand no. 35 Industry. There is no provision for Supplementary of Ginger cleoresin and Dehydration plant. Last year there was a provision of Rs. 12,74,000.00/—and in the previous year the provision was Rs. 6,05,000/—for this plant. It is therefore surprising that there is nothing this year inspite of the Ministers statement of commissioning the plant soon.

The same goes for Khadi Industries and Handicraft. Those who are interested in Sericulture are also not satisfied with the Department. It is very difficult to procure the eggs for hatching. Therefore production cannot really be abundant. I would like to know what improvements we can expect from the Department.

Pu Lalhmingthanga : Pu Chairman, just a few points which I do not understand. As the hon.member from Lungpho has said earlier, it is not wise to appoint IAS Officers in technical posts such as Industries. The previous Ministry had done its best to appoint as many Mizo IAS Officers as possible to serve in Mizoram. However, when their term was over, we find that non-Mizo IAS Officers have replaced most of them. I think our competition should be on how many Mizo IAS Officers we can post in Mizoram.

As we have said before, Sericulture is very suitable for Mizoram. The climatic condition and topography is ideal and it also suits the temperament of the Mizo people who wish to make short term investments. This is the only hopeful industry which will mature in the near future. Therefore, in order to reap more benefit in this field, we need sufficient money. The Government should see to it that allocation is made for Sericulture.

Pu R. Lalawia : Pu Chairman, the budget for Demand no. 36 is very different from that of last year. We were full of thanks last year but it is sad to know that there is nothing to rejoice about this year.

I had also hoped to find provisions for industries such as Plywood factories to be set up in our state. As bamboo is about the only raw material we have in our land, I consider such a factory to be our first

aim. If we find it difficult to set up Plywood factories, we could also set up Chikping Plants. Apart from these, we are not likely to see new industrial set up in our land. If there can be provisions in the Revised Budget for such factories it would be a wise thing to do so.

The members who had spoken before me have mentioned the need to have more supply of eggs in the Department of Sericulture. This is true and with a little more effort the Sericulture in Mizoram will flourish. The same goes for the Ginger Oil Plant at Sairang.

Chairman : The Minister i/c may wind up the demans under his charge.

Pu Liansuama Minister : Pu Chairman, everyone of the members appeared to be concerned about the Director, Industries Department. However, I shall come to that in the latter part of my speedh.

Regarding the question of the Khadi & Village Industry Board raised by the hon. member from Lungpho, yes, this Board was set up in the month of June last year. There are some Rules to be amended and usually the Minister i/c of the Department holds the Chairmanship as it is found in the Act. Therefore, I am holding this post of Chairman right now.

If we look at the Budget book page 307, Industries, there is a provision of Rs. 34.66 lakhs under Revenue head for Ginger and Oleoresin Plant, As the Capital head in major works is finished, we have put it under the Revenue Account.

Chairman : It is now 4.00 pm. Shall we continue our discussion? If we are all willing the hon. Minister may please continue his speech.

Pu Liansuama Minister : Pu Chairman, another thing I wish to say is that the MSIDC has been enlarged and loans amounting to Rs. 90 lakhs as maximum can be given now. It is the policy of the Government to assist those who are sincerely willing to set up factories and cottage industries.

The Department of Forests is taking up the Bamboo Chipping Plant and therefore the Department of Industries is not involved.

As I had already said before, most of the members are concerned about the post of Director of Industries as IAS Cadre Post. This is beyond our Power. Such IAS posts are reshuffled every 3 years by the Centre and we have also made known our wishes to the Centre. No specific reply has been received so far. I now request the House to pass the two Demands under my charge, Industry - Rs 4,89,40,000.00 and Sericulture - Rs. 1,50,00,000.00 Total = Rs. 6,89,40,000.00

Chairman : We will put it to the vote of the House. Members may raise their hands to show their consent. (All members raise their hands). Everyone has agreed to pass the Demand, therefore, the Demands no. 35 and 38 are declared passed by this House. We shall now call Pu Hiphei Minister i/c Labour & Employment etc. to move the various Demands under his charge.

Pu Hiphei : Pu Chairman, on the recommendation of the Administrator of Mizoram and with your permission, I move the Demand no. 14, 23 and 32 for Rs. 5,66,04,000.00 only for meeting the expenses during 1986-87 in respect of the following Departments.

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| (a) Stationary & Printing | - Rs. 1,54,50,000 00 |
| (b) Labour & Employment | - Rs. 37,34,000.00 |
| (c) Animal Husbandry | - Rs. 3,74,20,000.00 |

Thank You.

Pu Lalhmingthanga : Pu Chairman, some of the Ministers are not present therefore, it is not necessary to discuss the Demands. Let us pass it without discussion.

Pu J.Thanghuama : Pu Chairman, it would not be correct to pass the Demand without discussion.

In demand No. 32, Animal husbandry. there is a provision of Rs. 27 lakhs for Motor Vehicles. I would like to know what is the meaning of this. The Poultry Farm at Selesih is also a farm for the officers big shate. There is never any eggs or chicken for the public. In Demand

no. 23, Labour & Employment I want to know the Employment Registration numbers of Non-Mizo police personnel. In other states Registration for outsiders is not possible. The existing order from the centre is that only those who are registered in the Employment Exchange can be recruited for Police Force. Coming to No. 14 Stationery & Printing their work is good, however, I think they should be more careful regarding figures. That is all, Thank You.

Pu K.L Lianchia : Pu Chairman, I found that the A.H & Vety Department has figured in the Budget in my Constituency and for this I am deeply grateful. As it is, our Budget has hardly included my constituency in most of the Departments. Lungpho would be a very suitable place to set up a Veterinary Hospital. The place is good and suitable for various types of animals including gayals(mithun)

Secondly, I wish to know exactly how many non-Mizos are registered in the Employment Exchange. I request the Hon' Minister i/c Labour and Employment to clarify this.

On Demand no. 14, Stationery & Printing, I wish to mention an incident which took place at Calcutta when I went there on PAC tour. One government vehicle belonging to the Printing & Stationery Department was sent to Calcutta to carry the Sofa-set and gas stove of one officer of the said Department. I have the record with me and I think the number of the vehicle is ZRG 1308. Such misuse of Government vehicle is a shameful thing. It is getting too far.

Pu Lalhlira : Pu Chairman, the Printing Department handles printing of all important Government papers. However, their work is very slow, the Rules of Procedure which was given to the Department for printing on November 1985 has not been completed till today. They had agreed to complete it within three months time. If such is their performance, it would be impossible to get things done in time.

Chairman : If there are no one else to speak, the hon. Minister i/c may wind up the Demands under his charge.

Pu Hiphei : Pu Chairman, I am glad that the members have keenly participated in discussing the demands under my charge.

The post of Director, AH & Vety Department is considered to be a technical one. The Vety doctors are the ones who are qualified for this post. The Recruitment Rules are being finalised. He should be a graduate Veterinary and should hold the post of Joint Director at least 3 years.

The poultry and eggs at Selesih Farm are not much in quantity to meet the need of the public. It is not because there is discrimination of any kind. The member mentioned about government vehicle carrying sofa set from Calcutta. This was because the said vehicle was available as it was carrying stationery from Calcutta. The convenience was that it could carry the sofa sets along with the stationery and therefore the two Ministers requested avail the opportunity. It did not go solely for the purpose of carrying the said sofa's.

Regarding the slow pace of work in printing, let me say that it is not due to negligence. Our machines are top class and although the workers have received training they have not yet mastered the machines. Therefore, we still lack the skill and speed in printing important Government papers.

We are now intending to purchase five more machines and every year 10 persons are being trained. When these are accomplished, we hope to have the speed and efficiency we need. We have also decided to employ only sons of the soil and no outsiders.

In the Department of A.H & Vety, we are going to open 2 more Divisions this year, along with three Sub-Divisions and Dispensaries and 10 Rural Animal Husbandry Centres.

I, therefore, request this August House to pass the three Demands under my charge, Demands no. 14,23 and 32 amounting to Rs, 5,66,04,000.00 only. Thank You.

Chairman : The Minister i/c Labour & Employment has requested the House to pass the Demands no. 14,23 and 32 amounting to Rs. 5,66,04,000.00 We shall put it to the voice vote of the House. (All members voice their consent to pass) The House has unanimously voted to pass the Demand therefore Demands no. 14,23 and 32 are declared passed by this House.

Tommorow the 26th is a Holiday, we will resume our Session on 27th March, 1986 at 10 : 30 A.M

Meeting adjourned at 4:22 P.M
