

And where as in view of the distance and lack of proper communication facilities, the people of Mizoram find it difficult to pursue cases in the High Court at Gauhati.

And where as the salutary effect of cases being decided by the High Court is more or less denied to the people of Mizoram.

And where as in the public interest and in the interest of justice it is necessary to bring the High Court nearer to the people of Mizoram.

This House resolves to request the Govt. of India to take early action for establishing circuit Bench of the Gauhati High Court at Aizawl".

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS.

Bill to be introduced, considered and passed.

7. Pu Zairemtha to beg leave of the House :-

(i) to introduced a Bill to amend the Mizo District (administration of Town Committee) Act. 1955.

Also

(ii) to introduced the Bill.

(iii) to move that the Bill be taken into consideration.

(iv) to move that the Bill be passed

* **DEPUTY SPEAKER** : Judge not, that ye be not judge. For with that judgement ye judge, ye shall be judged, and with what measure ye met in shall be measured to you again. And why be holdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye ? Or how will thy say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye, and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye? Thou Hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.

(Mathew 7.1-5)

Now we shall go to our Business No. 1. and call Brig. T. Sailo to make obituary Reference on the death of Shri Kedar Pande.

* **BRIG. THINPHUNGA SAILO** : Mr. Deputy Speaker Sir, an eminent Trade Union Leader Mr. kedar Pande was born into a Brahmin Fami-

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ly of wealthy farmer at Taula in Chaparan District of Bihar in June 1920. He matriculated from Betliah High School in 1937 and was sentenced to prison for five years of participation in the 1942 Quit India Movement. Released after 11 months, Pande did Msc. in Mathematics in Banaras Hindu University in 1944, followed by Law degree in next year.

Mr. Pande practised in the District Court of Motihari and Betliah from 1945 to 1948 and was an Advocate at Patna High Court in 1949. About this time he made an entry into politics, winning the blessing of both Shri Krishna Sinha and Anugraha Naryan Sinha. From a small time labour leader whose influence was limited to sugar factories Mr. Pande became the key man in the Indian National sugar mills workers' Federation and Vice President of the Indian National Trade Union Congress in 1984. For some time he was General Secretary of the Bihar Fourth Grade Employees Union.

In 1952, Mr. Pande was elected to the Bihar Assembly from Bangala in Champara District. Except in 1962, when he lost the seat by a narrow margin to Mr. Narain Vikram Shah, Mr. Pande remained a member of the Assembly until January 1980. When he was elected to the Lok Sabha from Betliah Mr. Pande became a Deputy Minister in the Shri Krishna Sinha Ministry in 1957. He was the Industry Minister in the coalition Ministry headed by Harihar Singh.

In April 1972, the Prime Minister nominated Mr. Pande leader of the Congress (I) Legislature Party in Bihar. In June 1973, he was voted out as C.I.P. leader and resigned in his Chief Ministership.

President of Bihar Congress (I) from 1977-1979 (when he was arrested thrice) Mr. Pande became the Union Minister for Irrigation in June 1980. He took charge of Railways in November and came back to irrigation in September 1982. Mr. Pande was dropped from the cabinet during the reshuffle in January.

Shri Kedar Pande, M.P. and former Union Irrigation and Railway Minister of Bihar died on March 25.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : We shall now open time for anyone who wants to say something about the life of Mr. Kedar Pande.

PU C. L. RUALA : Pu Deputy Speaker, as stated by our House Leader Mr. Kedar Pande is one of the most important

men in Indian Politics, He was only about the age of 63. He was also very friendly. During the year 1972-73 he became the Chief Minister of Bihar and after that he became the Congress President and led the Party for three years. In the last Ministry he became Minister of Railway and Irrigation. He was hardly criticised in whatever work he does. Even when Mizoram was planning to have a railroad, he himself came to Mizoram. He was really an worthy man and it's a great loss to India that he should pass away so early. Had he still lived he could be one of the greatest workers for the whole of India.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : If we donot have other members to speak in remembrance of him we shall now observe one minute silence in respect of the departed soul (all stands for one minute).

Now we shall go to our List of Business no. 2 and call Pu C.L. Ruala to ask his starred question no. 20.

PU C.L. RUALA : Pu Deputy Speaker, my starred question no. 20. What is the target date for starting Air service from Tuirial Air field.

BRIG. THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Deputy Speaker, the answers to the hon'ble Members question are—
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For the Air service from Tuirial Air field, the govt. of India, Civil Aviation Department and Vayadoot authorities are still busy with it. It is in their hand and they are trying their level best. They are also now in Mizoram. Now I cannot state the exact date for starting the air service. The P.W.D. are doing their best so as to start the air service from Tuirial Airfield as early as possible.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Deputy Speaker, supplementary question- In the year 1976, Dy Director of Civil Aviation came to Mizoram. After seeing the soil a land of Tuirial Airfield, he stated that a Dakota could still land even after excluding the 200ft of land which was caused by landslide and that it should be constructed. And then works like Retaining wall etc. etc. had been started up. But why is it still not completed till date even after six years? Is it because the works of 1976 had not been continued?

BRIG. THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Deputy Speaker, the Tuirial Airfield was made only for short term measure and Lengpui was for Long term measure
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in the year 1979-80,81. But the technicians who came to Mizoram said that it is an impossible thing and we cannot force them. As such we had set this thing aside as an impossible thing for a long period. Again we pleaded for using Helicopter at least and again that was also not impossible. But as soon as there was a new Minister of state we had gone to see him and pleaded him to help us finding ways and means of making a short term measure airfield at least, and he was very anxious. And now there is also a new secretary and a new D.C. Then the Dy. Director of Civil Aviation came to Mizoram and made it clear to us that there will certainly be ways of making a short term airfield, And then we started all over again and works had been speed up again. Since they gave us their word it is now upto the Civil Aviation authority,

PU SAIKAPTHIANGA. : Pu Dy. Speaker, it seems that the aircraft which is supposed to the servicing at Tuirial Airfield is going to be borrowed from Bhutan Airways by the Vayadoot company. Is this aircraft safe enough for the passengers ?

BRIG. THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Dy. Speaker, For the moment it is the only aircraft which is regarded fit.

PU SAIKAPTHIANGA : Pu Deputy Speaker, This aircraft has serviced earlier why is it that they have discontinued their service ?

BRIG. THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Deputy Speaker, According to my knowledge it was not profitable commercially and that they have discontinued their service.

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, Starred Question No. 20. How many Muster Roll Labours have been deployed for the maintenance of Aizawl town road and whether sufficient Labours have been engaged ?

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Deputy Speaker, the Hon'ble Members Question is as follows —
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 How many Muster Roll Labours have been deployed for the maintenance of Aizawl Town road and whether sufficient Labours have been engaged ? (he translates them in Mizo).

Well the Government have deployed 489 Muster Roll Labourers and generally they are not sufficient.

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, Supplementary Question- It is learnt that the wage which was made according to 1982 schedule of rate PWD were not paid to Muster Roll Labourer as yet. Is there any intention of paying them in the near future? If not, what is the reason?

PU LALHMINTHANGA : Pu Deputy Speaker, the present Muster Roll Labourers use to get the wage of Rs. 6/- per day from 1978/79 onward. But as the rates of our daily needs are getting higher and higher their wages was increased to Rs. 10/- per day from 1980. But then again the rates had gone much higher than before and that the government is trying to get their wage increased again. I cannot say as to by how much their wage will be increased. And the government is trying to find ways and means to increase their wage as Rs. 10/- per day has become very little with the rates of things are going higher and higher.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker, supplementary question-when making the wage of these Muster Roll labourers, it seems they require to see the advice of the BRTF and others. As stated by the Minister, their present wage which is Rs. 10/14/15 is also going to be revised. But when there is a vacancy of work charge post in the department, why is it new people are given appointment then those Muster Roll labourers who have rendered ten years service or so?

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, when there's a vacancy of work charge post only new people are not actually taken. Generally for the post of an work charge-we take persons who are regarded as skilled ones. That is also done by examination which is conducted by the E.E's. The Muster Roll labourers and others as well appear in this exam and thus a selection is made by the authority. As they are also among the Muster Roll labourers, they very after get mixed up in the skill line.

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Dy. Speaker, starred question No-22. Is it a fact that the driver of Bus which met an accident at Aizawl to Sialsuk Road has no PSV licence?

PU ZAIREMTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the Driver of that MST
MINISTER Bus no ZRX 84 which met an accident at
 Aizawl to Siatsuk Road on 27 May 1983 has no
 PSV. Licence.

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Dy. Speaker, why is it that our drivers of pas-
 sengers Bus do not have this licence which is very
 important ? And has the driver of the Bus which met an accident at
 Kawnpui got PSV licence ? And also has the Driver of ZRX 77 and ZRX
 68 Bus have this same licence ? If they do not have why is it that these
 drivers drive a passengers Bus ?

PU ZAIREMTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, there is not such rule that
MINISTER drivers who possess this licence only would
 drive a passengers Bus. In this Recruitment
 Rules for drivers of the transport Deptt. There was also no such need of
 giving licence for Public Service Vehicle. But according to our Vehicle
 Rules, drivers having driving licence can be given different types of licence.
 But as we do not have them in our recruitment Rules, drivers are taken
 on the basis of efficiency, skillfulness by our authority. So these drivers
 are regarded efficient and skillful by our authority and they are of course
 able to drive the passenger Bus. And Generally we have some sort of
 problem in giving out the licence and in any case this hardly prevents us
 from an accident. Anyway we are trying to give out licence for Public
 Service Vehicle to all our drivers. Also we do not have drivers in parti-
 cular, sometimes we borrow as well as lend them mixing them up all.

PU C.PAHLIRA : Pu Dy. Speaker, Aizawl to Sateek Road Bus ser-
 vice was discontinued since the month of June.
 When the weather is good and the road is clear Big vehicle as well as
 Private Bus are always able to ply, and now boulders have already been
 laid upto Sateek. So as long as the road is through, will it not be possi-
 ble for a Bus to service ? I find it hard to understand that a Bus service
 should be discontinued just because of rainy season.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker-supplementary question-what is
 the need of having PSV for every Transport
 Drivers ? It appears that an MVI can give out licence to those who have
 First aid Certificate for, driving Public Service Vehicle. If this is so, what
 is the need for demanding PSV licence from Bus and Taxi Drivers who do
 not carry passengers ? And secondly, some drivers misbehave on purpose
 as driving a Bus is not profitable. Is it true that drivers who prefer driving
 truck are transferred to some other Deptt.

PU ZAIREMTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, we do not have Bus drivers in particular. Any driver, who ever is convenient of the transport department use to drive. So all our drivers need licence for driving Public Service Vehicle. Also giving out of vehicle's to drivers is done according to the instruction of the daily caretaker who looks after all the vehicles, giving out to one to another in succession.

PU ELLIS SAIDENGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, it seems that every driver prefers driving a truck to a Bus. For driving a Bus it requires skillfulness. Selection of drivers is also made carefully as many lives are entrusted in their hands. Will it be possible for the Govt. to make selection of the skilled ones as well as giving them more allowances ?

PU ZAIREMTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, whoever is regarded fit are let to drive the buses. It will not be possible to give allowances to the Bus drivers in particular, but an honorarium can be given to them. Even this year we have spent quite a large sum of money for this purpose.

PI K. THANSIAMI : Pu Dy. Speaker, to some extent it's correct that or not having PGV licence does not mean meeting with an accident. But I am sure that accident occurs mostly because of an alcohol, and that is why persons who do not take alcohol should be selected for a Bus Driver. If this is not possible will it not be possible to select person who do not take alcohol during duty at least? Also, is there any possibility of knowing whether they have taken alcohol during duty time? If not, and if they do not check, is there any way of giving importance to the complaints of the passenger?

PU S. VADYU : Pu Dy. Speaker, supplementary question - Earlier all the Bus drivers used to wear an uniform with name, licence number and registration number. Can this be renewed? A Bus driver who take alcohol cause lots of inconveniences to the passengers like not taking lunch along with the passengers taking alcohol causing the passengers to wait starting the Bus in their own sweet time which causes late arrival to our destination very often. So for a Bus driver, even if they take alcohol there should be clear instruction to drivers not to take alcohol during the time of duty will it not be possible for the Govt. to find ways of enforcing discipline more strictly for convenience of the passengers?

PU ZAIREMTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the hon'ble Members questions and suggestions were among the steps taken by the transport Department. Even then something

wrong or unwanted things could still happen. So in order to point out the right from the wrong, it would not be enough to rely only on govt. employees alone. Therefore the public has to take part of the initiative.

PU JOE NGURDAWLA : Pu Dy. Speaker, my starred question no -23- Will the hon'ble Minister in charge co-operation Department be pleased to state -

- (a) Actual amount of profit or loss of state level co-operative societies under MIZOFED.
- (b) Whether there has been effective audit system in respect of these co-operative societies.

PU F. MALSAWMA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the state level co-operative societies is no longer under the MIZOFED. The profit made by MIZOFED of Mizoram state co-operative Marketing and consumer Federation since 1981 December to June 1982 was Rs. 8132/- (Rupees Eight thousand and one hundred thirty two) but the later profit is not yet possible to state. New auditors were also appointed. But they are to give information only after six year of service. Regarding the audits there is of course an effective system and for that Inspector, co-operative societies who have already trained on audit is appointed. And the post of counter Accountant is also being processed.

PU JOE NGURDAWLA : It is really disheartening to see in newspapers that the cooperative society is thinking whether they should continue or discontinue. It is really strange that we cannot have improvement in the society. I am sure the Minister concerned can tell us the exact present position.

PU F. MALSAWMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, a lot of thinking has been made whether the cooperative societies in Mizoram should be continued or discontinued. The whole of India is still facing all sorts of problems. Whichever Party forms a govt, it would be shameful on the part of the govt to give up the co-operative society without being successful and that steps were being taken up for the better. Things goes in two ways things which are in bad taste gets popular very easily but things which are in good taste are said or heard very little. But in most of the villages people benefit from cooperative shops as they could buy things in cheaper rate and at the same items are a bit higher, there are lots of other items found through direct agency at company's rate. I wonder by how much the rates of things would have gone higher if ther were no cooperative shops. The hon'ble members should of course regard cooperative society as an investment and that Mizoram is in

its very beginning phase. There are certain items where the rates have come down because of this cooperative shops. In Mizoram, there are some places where they are not very successful but the government is trying its best to take it as a challenge. Bit by bit wrong doers are being exposed. Actually we want to punish those wrong doers severely and erase their registration numbers. And even if the government plans not to give any sanction or give any help. There are things which still needed verification. To take action is also a very long one and too far back. At present the government is dealing with 40 society cases for taking action for misappropriation and as well as mismanagement.

PU JOE NGURDAWLA : Pu Deputy Speaker, the auditors who audit these different societies are always transferred here and there. Because of this, things could not become effective as it should be. Will it not be possible to post an auditor who can function effectively ?

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Deputy Speaker, one Mizoram government Officer from MIZOFED was sent to Shillong for purchasing Ginger seed. In the Bill, which was submitted on 6th May 1983 there was a balance of Rs. 1,61,634/- on credit as the money taken by him was not enough. All this has appeared in the news paper. Is it true ? Also is it true that this Ginger seed business is done by themselves without any resolution passed by the Board ?

PU F. MALSAWMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, there has been a lot of saying on this Ginger seed business, well, the beginning of this business is like this-it has all started up when the agricultural Department intended popularising good quality ginger in Mizoram and gave out to people at subsidy rates which is at half price. As soon as this MIZOFED was taken up, it seems they were given the responsibility of this ginger seed business. The government does not know anything except that the Board plans and authorise them. But as soon as some case or problems comes up, the government then only takes up the case and thus pursues the matter. On this ginger Business, the government is investigating what the hon'ble member has said and is busying with itself immediately.

PU H. RAMMAWIA : Pu Dy. Speaker, this question is regarding the MIZOFED profit and loss. In Assam a state level society was established since the year 1975. Their financial turn over is 44 crores of rupees. Even then their monthly expenditure is higher than the monthly profit made. So in comparing Mizoram to Assam, Mizoram is

doing much better. Assam is of course doing best in north Eastern Region. There is one thing which I find very hard to understand that is the government just keep quiet even to the good things done by the MIZOFED and to things which are benefited by the people. MIZOFED also face lots of problems. From the MSIDC the MIZOFED is supposed to get about 6 Big trucks as a loan. This loan which could have easily been sanctioned by the Mizoram Government is blocked at the secretary level till date i.e., from the beginning of the year. If things are like this, its very difficult to do things wisely. Anyway as they are not making a loss as yet, I take it as a good sign. As the government cannot just sanction money for us. Even in Assam they take loans by themselves. If things are blocked from the government level things really becomes difficult. I would like to know as to why they block things from the Government levels even if they are to be benefited by the people? Even this year 55 lakhs was sanctioned for MIZOFED. Half of the year has already gone now, and no release had been made till date. Its hard to guess from which level this thing has been blocked again. On the other hand, some could borrow 4 lakhs from the secretaries level without the knowledge of the Board, what is the reason, the Minister please reply my question?

PU F.MALSAI/MA : Pu Dy. Speaker, from the Ministry level I cannot just give reply as we do not know officially this particular case. If there is any stumbling block, I am sure there has got to be some reason. Although the RUS is very busy, he had cope the work together with that of Managing Director very efficiently. Now we are going to have a new separate Managing Director and also, now we have a new secretary who have taken charge the day before yesterday. So, let us hope that things goes for the best from now on.

PU C.L.RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, starred question no-24. Will the Hon'ble Minister in charge Community Development be pleased to state—

What is the total expenditure incurred for construction of Vanapa Hall including fixtures and furnishings?

PU P.B.ROSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the answer to starred question no-24. The total expenditure already incurred for the construction of Vanapa Hall is Rs. 35,88,865.00/.

PU C.L.RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, supplementary question The Hon'ble Minister has just now stated that the expenditure already incurred for the construction of Vanapa Hall is Rs. 35,88,865.00/-.

During the discussion of Budget in the PWD work Schedule as it appears in 1981- Rs. 7.59 lakhs, in 1982-83- Rs. 10 lakhs, in 1992-84 it was Rs. 24 lakhs. So altogether, in our Budget it comes to Rs. 41,59,000.00. I believe all these are taken from every block fund. Is this true? It seems that they are supposed to be divided among the 20 different Blocks from the Block fund. Is this also true? The expenditure incurred was for less than Rs. 46.59 lakhs. Does this mean that even after incurring expenditure and fixture and furnishing, Rs. 5 lakhs is still left?

PU P.B.ROSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the expenditure incurred were from C.D. funds which may also be called Block Fund. But these block funds were given out from C.D. under the head of social Education. Generally they are used for construction of Community Hall/Play ground from the head of social Education. For the construction of Vanapa Hall we started having fund from the budget of 1980/81 onward. And then the total budget allocation comes to Rs. 49. lakhs. And the expenditure already incurred uptill date is Rs. 35,88,865.00/-.

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Dy. Speaker my starred question no 25-Will the Hon'ble Minister in charge Home Department be pleased to state-

- (a) How many Inner Line check gates have been opened in Mizoram excluding the one at Vairengte?
- (b) If there is none, why?

BRIG THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Dy. Speaker, as the information required is delayed from the IGP, the answer given is not very accurate Check-gates were at Vairengte and Kolasib. They are also preparing another one at Kanhmun.

PU SAIKAPTHIANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the honble Chief Minister have stated just now about Kanhmun. We seem to discuss about Kanhmun in almost every session. He stated now that it is being prepared. Upto what stage has this preparation now comes?

BRIG. THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Dy. Speaker, I really find it hard to state upto what exact stage the preparation has now come. This is being done hurriedly giving top most priority. The Kanhmun checkgate will start functioning as soon as it is finished.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker, starred question no 26 - will the Hon'ble Minister in - charge supply and Transport Department be pleased to state -

How many metric tonnes of flour (atta) have been received by the government of Mizoram from FCI for the last one year ?.

PU ZAIREMTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, during last year, we did not receive any flour (atta) from the FCI. But from 150 metric tonnes of wheat, 103 metric tonnes of atta was grinded out.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker, these days they are distributing flour quite a lot in Mizoram. It seems the Central Government have supplied it to be distributed only in Town areas. But why is it also distributed in Villages ? As has appeared in newspapers among the North Eastern region state; why is it that only Mizoram is getting atta very frequently ?.

PU ZAIREMTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, I am not aware that atta is supposed to be distributed only in town areas. Actually atta was distributed only in the areas where rice fall short. And there is not such order from the central government that atta should be distributed only in town areas.

Also, these days we find in the press release made by the congress (I) that why Mizoram only is getting atta all the time while our neighbouring states like Nagaland, Meghalaya, etc are not supplied with atta. Earlier we were not aware of this. Whatever it is, what I know is this. In the Civil Ministers conference also, a demand for rice was made by every state except Punjab, and Haryana. But the Central Government could not meet the required demand. So the demand for rice was again made to Central food Minister by every state. But the central food Minister told us that all the demands for rice will not be made possible as India does not have sufficient supply of rice and requested all the Ministers at the Conference to learn eating wheat or atta also when supply of rice falls short.

PU C.L. RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, starred question no. 27 - Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Education Department be pleased to state-

What Step have been taken to promote Directorate of Physical Education youth welfare and sports ?.

PU F. MALSAWMA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the Government has recently appointed one Dy. Director for Physical Education, Youth welfare and sports. Also one Assistant, one UDC and one Chowkidar are given new appointment. These are the steps already taken by the Education Department.

PU C.L. RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, I am very happy to learn that steps were being taken by the government for promoting the Directorate of physical Education, Youth Welfare and Sports. But in filling up the Vacancies, it seems the government has violated law. In their Recruitment Rule 100% is reserved for promotion. And those persons who are eligible for promotion to the post should be a Physical Education Officer or those having 5 years experience. There were several eligible candidates as required by the Recruitment Rules. But the government has made an appointment against the Recruitment Rules violating laws without considering the eligible candidates. It is not that we are against that person appointed. The main point is why didn't the government fill up the vacancy according to the Recruitment Rules?

PU F. MALSAWMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, the hon'ble members question is quite probable. Well, things are like this —
MINISTER There has been an intention of taking strong steps for promoting Youth Adventure Scheme in India. And for that purpose a Director came and suggested that Mizoram should also start this Youth Adventure Scheme immediately. And then the government of Mizoram gave thought about it and had agreed to set up this scheme and that a Dy. Director will take up this work who have an experience for this kind of job. And for that post we have one Mizo officer who is an deputation in the Mizoram Government is given appointment only for the moment to take initiative part in establishing this scheme.

PU. B. LALCHUNGNUNGA : Pu Deputy Speaker, If there is 100% reserved for promotion in the Recruitment Rules, will it be correct to give appointment without recommendation of DPC?

PU F. MALSAWMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, in Mizoram, the Administrator has the highest authority. So, if the administrator agrees and give approval there is a possibility of going besides the rules. And after giving careful thought by the Government, this person is given appointment as he was regarded fit for the post.
MINISTER

PU SAIKAPTHIANGA : Pu Deputy Speaker, what qualification and what training has this officer got in physical educa-

tion and Youth Welfare and as demanded in the Recruitment Rules, has he got the experience of 5 years as Chief Coach ?

PU F. MALSAWMA : Pu Deputy Speaker, as regard to his qualification and other thing, he was regarded fit by the higher authorities of different departments and that he was given an appointment.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Deputy Speaker, from the Minister reply it seems that the appointed Dy. Director was given an opportunity of appointment when his deputation term is not yet completed. If this is so, does it mean that all other officers who are on deputation will also be given an opportunity to some other posts ?

PU F. MALSAWMA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the reply given to was the way we were thinking. Actually there was not such intention of putting him in that post. But since he was already in Mizoram as deputationist and has all the required qualifications, he was given appointment solely for his fitness.

BRIG. THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Deputy Speaker, a detailed and clear knowledge is required regarding the creation of this post. As India intended popularising Youth Adventure Scheme in the whole country there were a lot of suggestions in establishing this scheme in Mizoram. So we gave thought about it and agreed that it would also be a good thing for Mizoram. And for that purpose an Army Officer was an ideal choice for taking initiative part in establishing this scheme. So one Army Officer was selected. But the problem is an Army Officers pay was higher than that of Dy. Director pay and that the Government couldn't raise the pay of the Dy. Director nor create a Jt. Director's post. So the army officer could not join the post due to these technical problems. But luckily we have one Mizo BSF officer who is also regarded as equally trained and qualified just like an Army Major Officer who is on deputation in Mizoram. He was suggested for that post and was given an appointment.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The question hour is already over and we have not covered even half of the questions. Won't it be better to hand the answers to the Members ?

PU C. L. RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, why didn't the government make a new Recruitment Rules rather than violating

the existing one ? Whether they are an Officer or a deputationist. I wish them anything good and I don't mind their being given any appointment as long as the law permits. But if it is beyond the permissible under laws, many persons are likely to be offended which is very bad. We know that this post is to be filled up by 100% promotion, But if there is no one qualified for promotion there is still some other ways round aren't we just hurting other people's feeling by violating the rules which were made by ourselves ?.

PU F. MALSAWMA : Pu Dy. Speaker, we are very much aware of the feelings of the hopeful candidates who are expecting this post. Whatever it is, the government servants should also comply with and accept the decision taken by the government after giving careful thought about the feeling they may have. The government is trying to find a remedy by taking strong steps in finding ways for them.

PU JOE NGURDAWLA : Pu Dy. Speaker, it appears as if a new post had been created can the Minister concerned make clear whether this post and Recruitment Rules had been created long time back and whether the Recruitment Rule was violated ?

PU. F. MALSAWMA : Pu Dy. Speaker as stated by the House Leader earlier this whole business is completely a separate one. This post had already been created long time back. A new Recruitment Rule was also required separately. These thing takes a long time for approval. Nothing has been said when there was a proposal for recruitment of non-Mizo, but there has been a lot of saying and criticism when our own Mizo Officer is given appointment which I find hard to understand. Because of all this, a new proposal for filling up of this being made and for this the department is required to make a new Recruitment Rule. Now they are sent to central government for approval. It is not known when this will come out, it may or may not take a long time. We have no obligation for using them also. But the main point is to start or establish this scheme now. As stated by our Minister the beginning of this whole business and the Recruitment Rule have no connection with filling up of this post for the moment.

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Dy. Speaker, my starred question no. 28- Will the hon'ble Minister in charge Public Works department be pleased to state -

What is the total length of N. Vanlaiphai to Thingsai Road and the average expenditure per Kilometer for construction of this road ?

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the total length of North Vanlaiphai to Thingsai Road is 40 kms. This 40 kms is not yet completed. Now the construction is completed up to 20 kms only and the average expenditure per kilometre comes to Rs. 3,21,000.00.

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Dy. Speaker, has there been any inflated measurement in that 20 kms. which was already constructed ? And in that already constructed 20 kms is it possible for running a vehicle and what is the total volume of work ?.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, this 20 kms is still being constructed. A jeep can always ply as this road is used for supplying rice to these Villages-Cherhlun, Bualpui, Thingsai and Lungkawlh. But it is not truckable as the constructed is still going on. It will not be possible to state the volume of work now as this is also on the process of construction. We shall of course know the measurement when completion of report is submitted.

PU ELLIS SAIDENGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the road between north Vanlaiphai and Thingsai road is being constructed by the PWD. Some part of the jeep road was chipped off causing lot of inconveniences. As stated by the Minister this particular road is very important. Even now the public as well as constructors are facing problems because of this. Only few labourers are engaged for construction of this road, specially near Cherhlun, where there's a very dangerous cliff. only two labours were engaged. In order to keep this road clear and through for all time, will it be possible to engage more labourers?. Is the government aware of this?.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, as we are constructing a truck road there is always the possibility of chipping off some part of the existing jeep road. As I have stated earlier, this road is very important for supplying rice etc to several villages. The government does not want to cause inconveniences to the suppliers just because of this construction. So the government is also doing its best. At the moment 20 kms is under construction and for maintenance, nothing has been done as yet. Our programme hasn't reached the other 20 kms as yet. So Must. r Roll labourers were collected altogether from road maintenance and from other places and are made to work along the road of Cherhlun where there are dangerous cliffs as well as in some other places.

Due to shortage of fund, we cannot attend to our work immediately and quickly as the public demands. But we are doing and also trying our best not to cause inconveniences specially to the supply carriers.

PU K. LALSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, starred question no - 29.
Will the Hon'ble Minister in charge Health and Family Welfare Department be pleased to State -

(a) Is there any proposal to establish Primary Health Centre at Bunghmun in the near future?

(b) If not, why not?

(c) If so, when?

PU P.B. ROSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, reply to -
MINISTER

(a) Yes, there is a proposal to establish Primary Health Centre at Bunghmun in the near future.
(b) Within the year of 1983-84.

PU K. LALSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, well, if this going to be established within the year of 1983-84, will it be possible to post one doctor immediately after establishing this Primary Health Centre considering how important and helpful its going to be?

PU P.B. ROSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, according to the availability of doctors, one can be posted.

PU SAINCHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker, in the 280 medical plan, there is no sanction for Bunghmun Health Centre. From what fund will the expenditure be incurred?

PU P.B. ROSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, we dont have any fund in that budget as there was some problem in the Planning commission while making this Annual Plan.

But there are ways of using the funds from the different Heads and we are intending to use that fund for this plan. Also due to communication problem, the PWD may not be able to start this work within 1983-84. And for a substitute, steps were being taken up with the help of Public Voluntary Works.

PU C.L. RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, Primary Health Centre building at Thingsul hiah is nearly falling to pieces. All the patients were vacated from the building and were shifted to a public building. Is there any intention by the government to repair the building?

PU P.B. ROSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, maintenance and reconstruction of these buildings were in the hands of PWD. I believe the PWD are informed about this by now.

PU H. RAMMAWI : Pu Dy. Speaker, starred question no-30- will the hon'ble Minister in-charge supply and Transport Department be pleased to state -

(a) How many quintals of rice have been supplied to interior places/centres in Chhimtuipui District since January, 1983 ?

(b) What is the present position ?

PU ZAIREMTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, reply to question no. 30 -
MINISTER

(a) Quintal 36951.57 kg of rice have been supplied from 1st January 1983 to 1st September 1983.

(b) Now rice are being supplied to most of the interior places and an air dropping is also done where vehicles could not reach.

PU H.K. CHAKMA : Pu Dy. Speaker, why is it that rice have not been supplied at Chawngte by the government ?

PU ZAIREMTHANGA Pu Dy. Speaker, the government is very much aware that there's no supply of rice at Chawngte. The government is trying to supply rices by road as well as by sea route. Even now, an air dropping is being done at Borapansuri.
MINISTER

PU C.L. RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, is the government aware that most of the rice supplied to western parts do not reach their destination. ?

PU ZAIREMTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the government is investigating the places where rice did not reach their destination.
MINISTER

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Dy. Speaker, from the Aizawl Godown, about 1560 Quintal of rice were supplied to Darlung Group Centre. All the quintals of rice have reached Darlung except 55kg. But

now it is learnt that 357 Quintals of rice have disappeared. Is the government aware of this ? If so, what kind of steps will the government take in recovering the 375 Quintals of rices. ?

PU ZAIREMTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, as I am not prepared for this particular question. I cannot give reply in detail. Anyway we came to learnt that they have no supply of rice and that supply of more rice and that taking steps for supplying more rice.

PU C.L. RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, a full loaded Jeep and a truck carrying supply of rice which was returning at Aizawl was apprehended at Sairang. What are the actions taken against them? And also what were the actions taken by the government to those hidden 80quintals of rice which was seized below to Dawrpui Sabji Market.

PU ZAIREMTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker. I will not reply this question as I am not prepared from the weather connected with Chhimituipui Supply Movement.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker, starred question no. 31- will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Home Department be pleased to state -

- (a) Whether action to fill in the post of Secretary DSS and A. Board at Lunglei has been taken.
- (b) If so, state the name of incumbent and the date of his joining the post.

BRIG. THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Dy. Speaker, answer to- CHEF MINISTER

(a) Yes.

(b) The incumbent is Chalmawia Pachuau and we are expecting him to join this post by the end of this month.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker, supplementary question-It is learnt that the incumbent appointed for the post of secretary and is an employee of another state. In Mizoram while there are quite a number of persons regarded qualified by the Ex-servicemen Recruitment Rules and as also in the central policy, scheme that preferences

would be given to Ex-servicemen, why is it that an employee of another state is given appointment by Mizoram Government? It is not possible to give appointment who are in Mizoram? Also in the 6th session of March 1981 our Minister stated that the post of D.S.S. and A. for Chhimtuipui is being moved in the central Government since the year 1979. What is its position now?

BRIG. THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Dy. Speaker, let me first reply to the hon'ble Member's Question no. 2-
CHIEF MINISTER As we all know Saiha is under the Lunglei Board. Earlier we have tried several times to separate Saiha from Lunglei Board in the central Government. They told us to send our reply in a measurement form made on the recommendation of the Sainik Board committee. On receiving our reply they didn't feel the need for setting up a separate Sainik Board at Saiha and that it is not justifying. But we have not lost hope as yet and that we are going to pursue the matter again and again.

And regarding his question no-1. I am not very clear about the appointment of Chalmawia as the process of this appointment didn't reach my table as yet.

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Dy. Speaker, starred question no.32- Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Agriculture and Soil Conservation Department be pleased to state-

Total number of different planting materials (seedlings/cuttings/suckers/clumps/grafts etc) purchased by Agriculture Department for the last four years and the total expenditure incurred year wise.

PU P.B.ROSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the total expenditure incurred for different planting materials year wise for the last four years are as follows -

YEARS	PLANTING MATERIALS IN NUMBER	AMONT IN RUPEES.
1979- 80	1,11,75,990	62,27,313.50
1980-81	45,63,590	55,70,857
1981-82	14,43,215	9,70,788
1982-83	6,34,520	8,69,614

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Dy. Speaker, how many planting materials do we have for planting more in the new plot from those purchased in the last four years ? And for replacing the rotten ones how many do we have ?

PU P.B.ROSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, today I cannot say how many rotten plants we have. Anyway these planting materials are bought in large quantity so that we can always replace the rotten ones. We have different kind of planting materials e.g. sweet potatoes, Pangbal etc. which are harvested within a year. May all these be included in my answer. But I am afraid that it will not be possible to give the details of our work done during the last four years unless we have a machine.

PU B.LALCHUNGNUNGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, we also used to receive these planting materials at Lunglei District.

We hardly get them in time and the one we get also are always rotten. Sometimes the head of the department at Lunglei are reluctant to receive them. One day when a truck load of these planting materials (orange) come from Aizawl sent by Soil Conservation Department. The head of the department called me over to look at the materials as they were afraid to receive them. I went over and had a look. Almost all the plants were rotten, all the leaves had already fallen and I don't think even 10% of them were in good condition as these plants had taken quite sometime to reach Lunglei coming by truck. All these plants were kept in such a way that they were heated and specially those kept below are very hot. Even this year planting materials were sent from Aizawl again. But by the time it reached Lunglei they already got rotten. So if we are not going to change this system, it will mean total failure in planting materials particularly in planting oranges.

PU P.B. ROSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the government is aware of what the hon'ble Member have just said. This year also, we have requested every district to give report of the number of plants required and the number of plants availing for purchasing in their district. From Lunglei District their requirement was reported to be 70,000 plants, and the number of plants available there was 30,000 only. The government then made sanction for purchasing the available 30,000 plants at Lunglei and the other 50,000 was sent from Aizawl to Lunglei with much difficult so as to meet their requirements. The government cannot just sanction money more than what is available in their District. Even in Chhimtuipui District we did not send a single orange plant as the district could meet their requirements.

PU H. RAMMAWI : Pu Dy. Speaker, in the statement made earlier by the Minister it was Rs. 62,27,318.50 during the year 1979-80 and Rs. 8,69,614 during the year 1982-83. Why has the requirement become so low now and why so high during the year 1979-80? And regarding orange plants we have in many lakhs within my constituency and have supplied all over Chhimituipui District as well as nearby areas. As Lunglei is much near to Chhimituipui District than Aizawl it will not be possible for the government to find ways for supplying planting materials to Lunglei from Chhimituipui District?

PU P.B. ROSANGA : Pu Deputy Speaker, it is of course possible and for that purpose an advertisement is given to a widely spread newspaper so as to cover the each and every District. And if we don't get any response from the District it is very difficult for the government to know whether they have planting materials in their district. So every district should also be on the alert. And in regard to the difference of figures in 1980-81 to 82-83 was about a Lakh. During the year 1980-81 Rs. 55 lakhs was sanctioned. The difference in figures very much depends on the demands of planting materials. If their demand of high and if we have sufficient fund, the expenditure becomes high and if their demand is little then the expenditure incurred becomes low. We cannot just supply or buy these planting materials by ourselves. We purchase them according to the demands made.

PU C.L. RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, in the month of July one truck load of orange plants was sent to Agriculture Department at Lunglei from here. As the plants were dry and rotten they had refused to accept them. The truck load came back to Aizawl and was sent to Baktawng Village and they were supplied with these orange plants which was already refused at Lunglei. Is this true? And for implementing the 20 point programme 30 families were selected at Thingsulthliah to grow ginger. But they were given Cardamom instead of ginger seed. So it is clear that the government is not meeting the demands made. Is it because they are not available?

PU P.B. ROSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the Government is not aware of the rejection of orange plants at Lunglei and whether a replacement is to be given or not is also not known. And if a cardamom is given instead of ginger at Thingsulthliah, it must be because the ginger seed had fallen short. Although I haven't got any information, some other seedlings must have been supplied in some part as we could not meet all the demands ginger seed. But the government is not aware of all this.

PU PAHLIRA : Pu Dy. Speaker, from the time of Congress Ministry there was a suggestion that in order to have the seedlings in time and in good condition the government should keep a register, for the seed re-growers in every district. But the kind of reply we get is "we haven't finished making the rules and that they are being processed." Even now in this P.C. Ministry also I have made a suggestion on this but we are still getting the same reply. Now I want to know whether there has been any steps taken or we are just keeping quite.

PU P.B. ROSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, steps are being taken and still in the process of making.
MINISTER

PU C.L. RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, I am not satisfied with the reply given. Actually these orange plants were supplied at Hnahthial but they are refused and were carried to Lunglei side but Lunglei had also refused as they couldn't find any orange plants of good condition. So it came back from Lunglei to Aizawl. While the Secretary is aware of this why is it that the government is not aware of this ?

PU P.B. ROSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, whatever it is there must have been some individual who have seen but there's nothing to be found in the official transaction about supplying of orange plants. So I have nothing to add as there's nothing in official although one of our members is not satisfied with my reply.
MINISTER

PU C.L. RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, starred question - 33.-
Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Law and Judicial Department be pleased to state -

Is there any intention by the government of Mizoram to separate Judiciary from Executive ?

BRIG. THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Dy. Speaker, it's not a matter of intending or not intending but on order of the constitution. The point is, in Mizoram we must have a separate Judiciary from Executive. But it doesn't really make a sense if we just say that from tomorrow. We are going to have a separate judiciary from Executive. Actually for separating Judiciary from Executive there's so many things to be done. The government had also done quite a lot already but still there are so many other things to be done. So after doing all the formalities required. Then only we can have the real separation of Judiciary from Executive.
CHIEF MINISTER

And I think its better to give my reply in writing and distribute them to all the members. I would like to request all the members to study my reply carefully and if we have any suggestion to make, they may please be submitted to the Law Secretary.

PU ELLIS SAIDENGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, starred question no. 34.-
Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Health and Family Welfare Department be pleased to state -

Whether the government propose to open ANM Training Centre at Civil Hospital.

PU P.B. ROSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, my reply is - There's no such proposal by the government to open ANM Training Centre at Lunglei as yet.
MINISTER

PU ELLIS SAIDENGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, starred question no - 35.-
Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Home Department be pleased to state -

The reason why Office staff of Police Department are required to wear badges exactly similar to those of Police personnel ?

BRIG. THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Dy. Speaker my reply is - The Ministerial Cadre of the police Department has been converted into uniform cadre with a view to bring them under the police Act. 1861 and the Assam Police Manual for enforcement of discipline consequent upon their conversion into uniformed cadre, the Ministerial cadre staff (office staff) are required to use badges similar to those of the executive Police Staff.
CHIEF MINISTER.

PU ELLIS SAIDENGA : Pu Dy. Speaker. the reply given by the Minister is very short. Normally uniforms are worn with carefully handling and discipline. Now here in the Police Department even the ministerial staffs are ordered to wear uniforms. But the problem is, it is very difficult to defferentiate the Ministerial staffs from the Police personneal as they wear same uniforms as well as same badges. So it is difficult to know whom to approach and whom not to approach also. Is there any interction by the government to makes light differences in their badges of uniforms ? And it seems these ministerial staffs are enjoying compensatory allowance, leave, ration etc when they wear uniforms while staff nurses in the Medical department do not get any compensatory leave, ration etc although

they also wear uniforms. Also while the LDC's are allowed to wear badges equal to their rank, the nurses in the police Department are not made to wear badges equal to their rank, why is this so? Is there any intention to do so? I would also like to know how the post of LDC and Executive post in the police Department are made equivalent? And IV Grade Employees are made to wear uniforms but they are not given any compensatory leave, ration etc. Is this also true? Also, it seems that the MAP's are not given any House rents. Is there any intention of giving them House Rent?

BRIG. THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Dy. Speaker, this thing is still new to us but we will get used to it after some time and we will know whom to approach in time. Even the nurses in the medical department are very familiar to us as they were wearing uniforms since long time back and we are very much used to it. In the Police department LDC's are equal to the rank of S.I, as well as many other category. Regarding the allowances, the government is intending to revise the allowances and also regarding the nurses of Police Department working in the Civil Hospital will surely wear badges equal to their rank if they are taken from Mizoram Police Establishment and get authorised a Pay. And regarding the House Rent, it doesn't mean that the MAP's are entitled to get House rent, but they will be given by the time their Office are ready to do so.

PU S. VADYU : Pu Dy. Speaker, supplementary question - Is the government aware that MAP's from 2nd Battalion are getting only half quota of ration because of the scarcity of rice?

BRIG. THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Dy. Speaker, as this matter is a very important one, the department will look into the matter and do all the needfull.

PU H. RAMMAWI : Pu Dy. Speaker, starred question no. 36- will the Hon'ble Minister in charge PHE Department be pleased to state -

How many water supply schemes have been implemented in villages since 1979 in Mizoram?

BRIG. TIENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Dy. Speaker, since 1979-80 till date water supply schemes have

been implemented in 54 villages in Mizoram.

PU H. RAMMAWI : Pu Dy. Speaker, starred question no-37.
Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge power and Electricity Department be pleased to state -

- (a) How many villages have been electrified in Mizoram since 1979.
- (b) What are the on-going schemes ?

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, a part of that machine got damaged although it was purely a new machine. So a new part is required to supply by the supplier company so as to replace the damaged part. They are going to supply us within a very short period.

PU C. VULLUAIA : Pu Dy. Speaker, last year in the session we have discussed about Tlawng area side not getting electricity. And electrification of Ailawng and Reiek villages, we got assurances that electric will be supplied from Serlui Commission when it is completed. So let us keep aside this one. Lengpui, Rawpuichhip and Hmunpui Villages were the places where steps were supposed to be taken up firstly for electrification. Now we are already in the ninth month of this year, what steps and upto what stage were the work done by the Electric Department for Electrification of Lengpui and Hmunpui Villages. ?

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, now material procurement is being processed. And to work on ground we will not be able to start up the work now due to this rainy season.

PU C. PAHLIRA : Pu Dy. Speaker, at Sateek side few villages were give electricity but we are not getting any light since long time back till date. Can you please give the reason for not getting any light.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, there can be two, three reasons. Firstly, the electric supplied at a Sateek side are taken from Assam Grid supply. Sometime back the Assam flood caused a lot of damages to the

lines of Electricity as well as electricity poles and that those who are taking this Grid supply didn't get light owing to this. While we are not getting the supply of Electricity, one person built a house without our knowledge and it nearly touched the line. Because of this we cannot supply electricity to Melthum and Sateek villages. Now we are thinking whether we should under the house or divert our line the other way round. Generally Grid supply from Assam is not very regular.

PU ELLIS SAIDENGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, last year myself and hon'ble member of Sangau have submitted a petition for electrifying S. Vanlaiphai and Sangau. The reply we got from the government was that plans will be made for electrifying S. Vanlaiphai and Sangau within the year of 1983-84. Can you please tell us what is the position now.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, within this year 11 K.V. line or 33 K.V. line is supposed to be installed from Hnahthial to Tuipubari. It had to be done in a sequence, step by step.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker, out of the already electrified 82 villages since 1979, how many villages are there who are not getting any light like these days in Aizawl ?

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, I think most of the villages are equally getting supply of electricity. But those who connecting Grid supply from Assam do not get light regularly. Those connecting from Power house get light quite regularly but they also get only from 5 pm to 11 pm. And supply we get from Borapani is given to Aizawl town which is quite regular. Grid supply from Assam are given to Sateek side, Seling and Thing-sulthliah. They are not very regular as the Grid supply comes from Assam which is for beyond our control.

PU C.L. RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, damage of transformers is one reason for not getting regular light from Grid supply. There are lots of transformers which are very new in appearances but very old in the inside. These transformers get easily damaged lasting only short periods. Is it true that the cause of getting irregular light is because of the transformers getting damaged constantly ?

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : MINISTER : Pu Dy. Speaker, due to the damage of Transformer, the Grid line was irregular only for a short while. The government

is not aware about the transformers new in appearances only but very old in the inside. I don't think there are any of this kind here. The Grid line is generally controlled from three sectors. For this we do not have good communication and that we face many kinds of difficulties. So not getting good supply of Grid line is not only because of transformers getting damaged but we have many other problems also.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker, starred question no-38.
Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Power and Electricity Department be pleased to state-

The target date for commissioning the Serlui 'A' Micro Hydel Project.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : MINISTER : Pu Dy. Speaker, the target date fixed for commissioning the Serlui 'A' Micro Hydel

Project was July 1983, But the month of July had already passed and still we could not get ready because we have faced lots of problems specially this rainy season. Now we have fixed a new date which is December 1983.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker, what we learnt from the office report was that December 31, 1982 was fixed for finishing this project here. It seems, March 31, 1983 was again proposed. But now our Minister stated that the date fixed was July 1983. Actually this project was started on 20.11.82 and even in Independence day speech made by the Chief Minister, he said the work on this project will be done as quickly and as fast as can be. Now what is the amount already incurred and how much amount will be required for completing this project? After completing this project what will be the cost of each unit?

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : MINISTER : Pu Dy. Speaker first of all making of detail investigation and project report is required.

These things require the approval of the Central Electricity authority and Planning Commission. The investment approval was delayed from the central and we could not start the work as scheduled. This is one reason for not sticking to our target date as fix in the project report. Secondly, in the 1982 Quit Mizoram notice all our worker, most of them being non-Mizos fled home as we could not provide enough security for them. This had really hampered the smooth running of the

work. Again due to this rainy season it is not possible to supply the required materials to the project. This again hampered our work even though we have labourers. So December 1983 has been fixed again for the target date. But this may need postponing again if it continues raining in the month of September and October.

And regarding the expenditure about one crore of rupees have been prepared for this project. General calculation for each unit the expenditure to 19 to 24 paise. And regarding the expenditure already incurred for this project. I cannot say the exact figure but I think we have already incurred 45%.

PU LIANSUAMA : Pu Dy. Speaker, how much have been paid for those huge pipe lying about for the use of Hydel Project? Is it true that the Railway authority have charged a demurrage charge while these pipe were still in their Godown? Did the Government pay the amount charged? If it was paid, was there any Administrative Approval?

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, at the moment I don't have the materials with me. I think the Hon'ble member question is of another one which will be asked tomorrow. This may be kept for reply tomorrow. Now I cannot give reply to all the details.

PU JOE NGURDAWLA : Pu Dy. Speaker, it is really great that the Government is intending to make Hydel Project at Serlui 'A'. Even if the cost of one unit is bit higher, I think it is much worth than taking power supply from the other states. From my constituency also, we have submitted a petition for investigation of Khuai Lui. It is possible to take follow up steps on this or steps had already been taken?

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, I am aware that hon'ble member have submitted a petition for the investigation of Khuai Lui. But unless we wait for coming dry season. I don't think we can do the on-ground investigation now. So we have to wait for the dry season to come. Besides, from the whole of Mizoram 17 places from different places having agricultural potential was selected. This has got the approval of the Central Government and put up for investigation. However on-ground investigation could not be speed up due to this rainy season.

U V. LALNUNZIRA : Pu Dy. Speaker, starred question no - 39.
will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Political Department be pleased to state -

- (a) How many cases relating to MNF surrendered themselves with arms are kept pending ?
- (b) Whether the government propose to dispose off immediately ?
- (c) What is the number of under trial MNF prisoners ? whether the government propose to dispose off those cases.

BRIG. THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Dy. Speaker, reply to hon'ble member's question.
CHIEF MINISTER

- (a) There are four cases pending. They were not given surrender certificate as yet

Yes, the government is propose then off immediately.

- (c) There are 139 of them who are under trial prisoners and the government is proposing to disposed off these cases.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker, starred question no. 40 -
Will the Hon'ble Minister in-charge Public works Department be pleased to state-

Is the Administrative Approval for the following works have been accorded. If not, why ? If accorded the time when the works can be started be stated.

- (a) Construction of road from P.U. College to Forest Zoo section and II.
- (b) Construction of road from Sikulpuikawn to R. Lalawia's House via PHE Water Tank Tuikhuahtlang.
- (e) Construction of link road from Kulikawn to Kulikawn Dispensary.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, reply to question
MINISTER

- (a) Earlier the road from P.U. College to Forest Zoo is not taken up by the PWD. Later the PWD had taken up this road and a separate estimate had been made. But as long as they are not submitted to the government, it is not possible to give administrative approval.
- (b) Administrative approval had been given already. The road construction will be started when the weather is fine and also according to the availability of funds in our budget.
- (c) An approval had not been given for this. Earlier this road was in the hand of the D.C, Aizawl. The main reason for not giving the Administrative Approval is that we do not have any fund in the budget provision. Now we are thinking how much amount will be required for including it in the budget.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker, in the Minister's reply to question-

- (a) he stated as if the estimate was not ready because Administrative Approval was not given. An estimate of Rs. 1,90,000 has appeared in the schedule of work for section 1 and Rs. 16.24 lakhs for section 11, and in reply to.
- (b) Administrative Approval had already been given. Last year also Rs. 70.10 lakhs appeared in the Budget Estimate. For the construction of Link road from Kulikawn to Kulikawn dispensary there was an estimate of Rs. 5.06 lakhs. Didn't the Minister make some mistake in his reply? In 1983-84 budget there was also a provision for Rs. 1 lakh for this Kulikawn link road.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, from the government report
MINISTER

we find Rs. 1,30,000 in 1983-84 Budget provision which is now being processed. And for construction of road from Sikulpuikawn to Pu R.Lalawia's House, Administrative Approval, for Rs.7,30,000 had been accorded on 13th July 1983. But we have Rs. 20,000 only in our budget provision. And for construction of link road from Kul kawn to Kulikawn Dispensary, Rs. 1 lakh was in the budget provision while the estimate was Rs. 5,3,6900/-. As the figures are not very much in tally we did not give Administrative Approval. Anyway, the estimates and other things are being processed now.

DY. SPEAKER : W shall now have recess and continue at 2 p.m. Recess till 2.00 p.m.
After 2 p.m.

Motion of Privilege from Pu K. Biakchungnunga has been received which may pleased be read out by the secretary.

(Secretary reads out)

This letter was received on the 9th by the Assembly Secretary. The letter says that in the booklet of corruption Kawngkhar Vengtu Pamphlet no-2, he had been charged of drawing T.A. and D.A. Rs. 7664.75 which is very wrong as he had drawn T.A. and D.A. for Rs. 1764.75 only. As this motion belongs to Pu K. Biakchungnunga, we may call him now.

(Pu C.L. Ruala : In our rule, a point of order must be raised at first, so let us first raise point of order).

PU C.L. RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the hon'ble member has made a motion of complaint. A member complaining any breach of Privilege should submit his complaint to the secretary on the day of proposing his motion. But after hearing from the secretary, it seems the complaint was submitted on 8th September 1983. So, in the first place we cannot go according to Rule 1145. And looking into Rule 146, there are certain conditions which needs fulfilling. They are divided in 1,2,3, conditions, in condition 2- 'recent occurrence' was interpreted as 'before publicly known'. In this condition our motion was rejected twice in this House. As the privilege covers a wide subjects we have to be very careful. And for this, many guideline books have been made. Also we mostly copy the pattern of the House of commons here. In their rule, there are certain things which needs careful examination by speaker of the House of commons which are divided into a.b.c.. In (b) it says 'whether matter is being raised on the first available opportunity' which means that question should be raised on the first available opportunity. And on this ground, the speaker of Lok Sabha had once rejected one motion in the year 1966. Now the most important thing is, whether notice of Privilege motion was submitted on the first available opportunity. If it was delayed for one or two days, the notice automatically becomes invalid.

This notice is also very much delayed, and if we are to function like any other place, it is not valid anymore.

(Pu Lahmingthanga : That was just to show how important it is not to delay any motion. It does not mean that they are not valid anymore).

Pu Dy. Speaker, whatever it is, let me continue please we have to consider whether this Privilege Question is a complete one or not. There are times when privilege is not enforced also. Here sometime back, unlike the British Parliament, the rule practised was fourteen days before the commencement of the committee of the House. They have now extended it to forty days. So the rule practised is forty days before the commencement of the session and forty days after the session the House members are forbidden for any kind of arrest. The privilege should always be connected with the House. Last year in the 10th of May, two members, myself and Sainghaka were nominated for Tele communication and Advisory Board. Because of this we cannot claim an TA and DA in the House Committee. So any committee not appointed by the House need more careful study. Even this privilege needs careful study. And I don't think we can accept the Hon'ble members privilege in the privilege committee. If there had been any mistakes in the print, corrections could still be made by making press releases by the Party concerned. If not, things will get more complicated by allowing the privilege to cover too wide subjects. Things may be done in a way where privileges can be moved by any member easily as and when the need arises. Quite sometime back, the Hon'ble member of Saitual constituency has also submitted a notice in the Privilege committee. But after the committee had investigated the matter calling some individuals for questioning, it was found that the hon'ble member was doing all this for his personal benefit. These kind of practises are not allowed in the privilege and the matter was put to stop there and then we were very much humiliated by this act. So, I don't think this notice submitted in the privilege could be accepted and is not a complete privilege. And also this thing has no connection with the House. In the Tele-communication and Advisory Board myself and Shri Sainghaka were appointed as a legislatures but we cannot claim a bill as we use to do in this House.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker, even while we were discussing about the point of order, notice in writing to the Secretary before the day on which it is proposed to be made was in Rule 145. And also looking into Adjournment Motion no-61, we find Adjournment Motion shall be given before the commencement of the sitting on the date on which the motion is proposed to be made? So the adjournment motion practised in the past or the motion submitted on the day on which it was proposed to be made was received on 9th by the Assembly Secretary and was considered on 12th. The wordings of Adjournment motion and privilege motion are exactly same and as they are very important any other things may be kept aside. The notice of the privilege motion submitted on 8th May or may not be received by the secretary on 9th, but we should not bother about this date of 9th.

PU K.BIAKCHUNGNUNGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, I feel it very bad that the opposition MLA's have misunderstood what I have got to say in the motion. Actually I am doing this for the betterment of all of us. It was just like what the secretary read out. In the first place we should all put our heart in the right side. What I am trying to say is, if MLA's are not given equal treatment according to their rank or as they are entitled, it becomes very hard for them to serve the public. We should note that the opposition MLA's are also included in this way. Otherwise we will face many problems ahead if we do things in haste. Publication as this plain against in the whole an MLA or MP is not found in the whole of India and I have own confirmed it. And if this case is regarded too plain or simple, then we all have some thing to repent.

As was read out by the secretary, the TA and DA taken by me, as written in their booklet was really too much. Drawing an amount of Rs 7000/- would hardly be forgotten if I had actually drawn, but I have not drawn that much amount. And since I did not draw such amount I have asked for clarification-They are all what the secretary has read out and they are all very true. Actually the bill was in connection with the sitting of Board for quite along time. Earlier one member was just about to say that I am drawing TA and DA without undertaking any journey-This is not correct and things like this should not be said. I have actually undertaken the journey and it was really a tiresome one. Much harm had been done to my reputation and my position as an MLA by spreading wrong news of this kind. I am sure I will feel very hurt if this same thing had been done to any other MLA ? be it Union or Congress MLA. So, I take this thing as trying to pull down and destroy the position of an MLA.

As regard to our rules, in rule 145 we find that notice should be submitted before the date on which it is proposed to be made. The actual meaning of this is-it is a good thing as long as the notice is submitted before date on which it is proposed to be made as these things are very important. And regarding the question of whether the notice was given on first available opportunity, the answer is 'yes'. Earlier one member has stated that the drawing of TA and DA was published in the newspaper of 'Zoram Tlangau'. But as I do not know any 'Zoram Tlangau' newspaper it is out of the question for me to know any thing published in this newspaper. I know only 'Kristian Tlangau' and read everything about it. Well, whatever it is, I happen to come across the booklet 'Corruption Kawngkhar Vengtu' made by the Congress I Committee only a few days back. From here only I came to learn that I am alleged to have drawn TA and DA of Rs.7000/- which is not correct. So this is my first available opportunity and thus submitted my notice.

Some members were saying that my journey has no connection with duty. Actually this committee is very much connected with duty but now all because of this wide spread false hood it has become almost impossible to even perform my duties. This is not just like going to offices. But as an MLA this false accusation harmed my reputation and is going to hamper all my works. As an MLA elected by the people, I really feel very hurt and I am afraid same thing would happen to my colleagues. And this false accusation really harmed my privilege as an MLA as its a 'Breach of Privilege'. Now I am experiencing this breach of privilege in reality. Actually this booklet is not given to only few persons but was distributed in almost every house in the whole of Mizoram. It is bad for Mizoram as well as for them also to spread such kind of false reports. When people will come to know the truth, about this false accusation, they will not any more give importance to any of our speeches and to what we say also. I am doing all this because I want a members privilege to be guarded and want those who have spread this false reports to realise what a wrong thing they had done. All of you being hon'ble members can imagine how for a wide-spread false hood can harm his or her reputation and position as an MLA. I sure you all will feel very hurt more than what you had imagined. So, Pu Dy. Speaker this is about my privilege as an MLA and I feel my privilege should be guarded by the House. And the intervention of the House- is very much required in revealing the truth. Now if my colleagues are willing to say that whatever written about me in the booklet is not true, then I would be relieved of this accusation as well as one way of safeguarding my privilege. This is the only way of making things right from the wrong.

As to reading out no.2 of the rules, for me this was very much of 'recent occurrence.' As soon as I found out that some false allegations had been made against me in the booklet of 'corruption Kawngkhar Vengtu' I gave notice in this session in my first available opportunity. What was published earlier was not known to me and in particular I have not come across this newspaper so far where some allegations against me was published. Maybe this news paper is not a very widespread one. If they were published in leading newspapers and if I happen not to read or know about this publication, it would have been my fault. So, what I am actually trying is, to plead the House to safeguard my privilege as an MLA against the false charge made in the 'Corruption Kawngkhar Vengtu' a booklet made under the guidance of Congress I Committee President and Vice President.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The motion submitted by the hon'ble member claims that this is about his privilege and that the intervention of the House is required. What does the other member think about this ?

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Deputy Speaker, I don't think the House should consider about this motion. In this first place, sub-rule (2) of our Rule 145 says the matter should be of recent. This thing about drawing TA and DA was published in the newspapers in the month of February. The Assembly Secretary had also seen this and have asked the editor of this newspapers for clarification on 17th Feb. 1983. And recently after that we had session also. So there had been plenty of time for him to give notice and it is not a new thing anymore. This is not anymore of recent occurrence and his own ignorance could not be declared as 'Public Unknown'.

And secondly, it says, 'The matter requires the intervention of the House. Now the question is whether the House should intervene in this matter. Actually there is nothing written about disgracing the House in Pamphlet. Even now if we read the pamphlet again, we will find the wording like this let us now look into the People's Conference Party ... so, what was written in the pamphlet was about the P.C. Party and its President. And anything written against him or about his drawing TA and DA was as the P.C. Party President and not as and MLA ? nothing was said against his position as and MLA TA and DA drawn by him was connected with House site allotment committee sitting which has no connection with the House. Supposing I or some other person had raped a girl and was published in the newspapers about the raping, it is not supposed to be moved in the House. The House should intervene only to the matter where the House intervention is required. In this committee also there are many unofficial members, and I don't think the House intervention is required. What the pamphlet actually meant was not his position as the People's Conference Party President. So the intervention of the House in this matter is not necessary at all.

PU P.B. ROSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the Hon'ble member just before
MINISTER me has said that the matter we have been discussing was already published in the newspapers in the month of February and cannot be accepted as 'recent Occurance'. He also stated that the Assembly Secretariat had been aware of this and they have also asked for clarification. But the hon'ble member did not

move his privilege motion just because of these newspapers Zoram Tlangau etc. He rather moved his privilege motion only after seeing the pamphlet no 2 of 'Corruption Kawngkhar Vengtu' made by the congress I where he was charged with drawing TA & DA which is not at all correct. So he moved his motion in this sitting which his first available opportunity. Some members who have raised point of order said that this matter has no connection with the affairs of the house. In the first place it is very important to know how Shri Biakchungnunga happened to be a member of this committee where he had drawn TA & DA, what we should be very clear about is, that Shri Biakchungnunga, was nominated one of the member of this committee because he was an MLA. Now if we look into this pamphlet was actually trying to damage his position as an MLA. Also the pamphlet's main attack was the drawing of TA & DA by Shri Biakchungnunga member of House Site committee and not his position as the PC Party President. This is very clearly a branch of privilege. All of us should consider this matter very clearly and carefully, May be we are efficient or not efficient. Whatever it is, the public had elected us as their leaders and as elected members we have vote as an MLA and can also participate in the House. Being a members we are appointed members in different Government committees. Our position as an MLA is very important and that it really needs safeguarding. The Congress I people may spread all kind of lies but as long as they don't concern about the MLA's position it does not really matter and we never take it as branch of privilege. But here they have written something concerning about the MLA. They have accused Shri K. Biakchungnunga MLA of practising corruption and charged with drawing TA & DA of Rs. 7667/- where the actual amount drawn by him was Rs. 1700/- only. Is there any way of disgracing the House more than this? It is not because we hate the congress I leaders that they are doing this.

In a democratic country many more political organization will come up as well as new MLA's. Today's MLA are not going to be an MLA for all times, we are doing all this because we want to know upto what extent the position of the MLA's need safeguarding. In order to know this, I feel the intervention of the House is required in this matter. This pamphlet 'Corruption Kawngkhar Vengtu' has degraded all the prestige of the MLA's. The House should take severe action and punish those who are trying to degrade the position of the MLA's by feeding the public with all kind of lies.

PU C. VULLUAIA : Pu Dy. Speaker, I feel that the notice needs consideration which was submitted by the hon'ble member Shri K. Biakchungnunga. Some members who have raised point of order

are not very accurate to their points. We should not function as MLA's only in Assembly Sessions in Committees. Being MLA's we are appointed members in many government Departments and we are entitled to draw TA&DA. Some members are quite wrong in stating that they cannot claim TA&DA. In government Departments committee where they can actually claim also. They are saying this just because they cannot claim TA&DA in one of the Central Government Committees.

The reason for submitting notice by the Hon'ble member is not because of Zoram Tlangau or other newspapers but because of the pamphlet 'Corruption Kawngkhar Vengtu' no -2, page 13-14 where 20,000 copies was printed at Exodus Press. The pamphlet's main aim was not about disgracing the P.C. Party or its President but it is Legislative Assembly. So we find that the pamphlet was aiming to disgrace the House. They were just using one of the MLA in name to disgrace the House. Now some members are trying to twist around the main aim of the pamphlet the other way round and I find it very hard to believe. This pamphlet must have already reached the whole of Mizoram by now.

Pu Dy. Speaker, today this notice had been submitted because one of our MLA was accused of drawing TA&DA more than he had actually drawn and which was a breach of privilege. Let me mention this incident - One MLA from Assam was driving a jeep along the Borapani Road. At the same time a DSP along with his people also came along this same road. But when the time came for giving pass, the Assam MLA was hesitant to give pass to the DSP's vehicle. The DSP got very angry and shouted at the MLA taking him by his collar thinking that he was an ordinary man. The MLA of Assam on the other hand submitted a notice in the privilege saying that it was a breach of privilege. The DSP got suspended from his post. Such a severe action was taken against this DSP safeguarding the MLA's position. So whatever it is, it seems the chance of safeguarding the position of an MLA is always there. Now one of our MLA Pu K. Biak-chungnunga had also submitted a notice for safeguarding his position as an MLA as the pamphlet made by the congress I breached his privilege. This pamphlet was not at all made in the month of February. In the cover of the pamphlet it was written 'Corruption is the best means for Assimilation' Brig. T. Sailo. Anyway lets kept this aside for the moment.

Secondly, it was written about me like this 'One should be born again after getting rich by selling liquor and practising Corruption' C. Vulluaia MLA Editor Harhna Dt. Ju.y. 6th 1983. This was published in Harhna Dt. July. 6th in the titbits of the newspaper where words were collected by many

different people. So we can see from here that all the printing and wording in the pamphlet was done very carefully. It didn't really matter if it was written only as 'Editor Harhna' And they treated the non-editorial ones as editorial. But this may also be forgiven as C. Vulluaia being the Editor. They further added MLA to my name which is not by any mistake at all. It is really hard to believe their saying that there could have been some mistake in the print. No mistake has been made in the printing. They were rather printed very carefully. Now even if we are against the pamphlet do we know who hold the responsibility? Well for newspaper and publication, Press Administration Book Act was already passed in the year 1867 during the British Rule. The Publishers are the one who hold the responsibilities and the printers to some extent. So if anything published against the law or violating the law, the publishers are the first person to be arrested. Now our dear colleague Shri Biakchungnunga submitted his notice as the pamphlet headed by the President and Vice President of the Congress I Committee breached his privilege. So in this case they are the first person who should be arrested as they held all the responsibility for the pamphlet.

Here, while they were intending to disgrace and humiliate the position of many MLA's, Shri K. Biakchungnunga had been singled out accusing him of drawing FA&DA of Rs. 7664.75 where the actual amount drawn by him was only Rs. 1764/-. They are now distributing this pamphlet in the whole of Mizoram as widely as possible mainly trying to disgrace and humiliate his position as an MLA. This pamphlet was distributed in school Institutions as well as in Offices in a very systematic manner. I feel that the publishers get punished as demanded by the law. I also feel that it would be a good thing to have discussion and consider this case more carefully that this kind of practices may be avoided in future.

SHRI C.L. RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, it seems other members are also taking this case quite seriously. What we were saying was whether it was a complete question of privilege Whether we are doing the right thing or we are going the wrong way? We have also said quite a lot about the committees I have read quite a lot about the privilege etc. Parliamentary Privilege in India etc. In these books we find that a committee quite different from the other where members are also appointed does not seem to have connection with House. If being an MLA means getting appointed for committee members, we would have also been appointed. However, we are also appointed member in some government Departments Committees. If we study the function of other states, this House site committee does not have connection with the House, then we can have econo-

mic privilege and we can claim TA & DA when we perform journey. When the drawing of TA & DA of Shri K. Biakchungnunga appeared in the newspaper. I have also asked some people from his constituency whether the MLA had actually performed the journey to his constituency. But they said that they are not aware of such visit by the MLA and does not visit his constituency very often. So it seems the member had gone to visit his constituency in paper only without undertaking the journey actually. This cannot be regarded as economic privilege also. It is beyond the purview of economic Privilege if he did not perform the journey actually. If we are going to take all these as trying to damage or disgrace the MLA's position. I was thinking whether I had also already disgraced the position of the Hon'ble Member of Sairang constituency.

Why is it that we claim something without doing anything actually and also why do we claim TA & DA even when we do not perform journeys ? Is this a complete privilege ? we have to consider this case very carefully. Now the question is whether we have privilege but I don't think we seem to have any. It would be another thing if the member had visited his constituency in a spirit form without the knowledge of his constituency. Anyway the question is about the members Privilege. Is it not that the member had gone beyond the purview of privilege ? If this privilege is a complete one we donot mind at all about moving this privilege in this House if any thing had been written in the pamphlet breaching the members privilege.

Also when the member was not aware about the newspaper the hon'ble Secretary had already noticed the publication of his drawing TA & DA in the newspaper. He called the Editor of Zoram Tlangau for explanation on February 17th. Didn't they convey about this to the member ? When the secretary is also aware of this notice should have been submitted at that time. We should check ourselves whether we are in the right or wrong. We might have also gone the wrong way already.

PU P.B. ROSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, Is he quite sure that the member didn't actually perform the journey ? Is not this another breach of privilege ? It is not enough asking only few persons of Lungpho constituency.

PU JOE NGURDAWLA : Pu Dy Speaker, the hon'ble members keep on changing their points. Our main discussion was whether it was a breach of privilege, whether it was a complete breach of privilege. This need careful consideration. We also have books on

Breach of privilege practised in the parliament and we have need quite a lot about it. We all have freedom of Expression but it has Limitation. But if we use our freedom of expression in the wrong way concerning an individual accusing him of drawing TA & DA of any amount more than he had actually drawn, be it an MLA or not, this is wrongly declamation. They generally file in court when anyone is wrongly accused. Regarding the notice from what the member have said earlier it is quite clear whether it was of recent occurrence or not. Whatever it is, our main point of discussion was, whether it was damaging the members position. In politics some members might have easily say that this or that breached my privilege. So what we need to consider carefully is whether it was harmful for the members or whether the accusation has camaged his position. In the pamphlet we also find about the working of the Assembly as well as the MLA's. From this it is quite clear that the main focus of the pamphlet was the function of the assembly. The pamphlet also accused Shri Bhakchungnuna of drawing TA & DA more than he had actually drawn. This very much breached the members privilege. If we were also accused, we would also submit notice in the House notice on the breach of privilege is submitted in the House for safeguarding the position and reputation of the MLA's. But it is always difficult to make conclusions. Even in parliament they face lots of problems in making conclusions. Generally they conclude if it was damaging the MLA's or the individuals reputation. As this notice of breach of privilege is a complete one I don't think it needs arguing. I feel the House should intervene in this matter. In other states we hear many things about the criticism of other political parties. But they hardly criticise about the function of the House. In other states if they admit their fault and ask for forgiveness then the member in the House who had moved the privilege forgive them. Even here if the publisher ask for forgiveness and admit their fault, the members moving the motion may forgive also. Whatever it is, I feel very bad when these kind of damages are done to any person who-ever it is.

PU H. RAMMAWI : Pu Dy. Speaker, I want to make some explanation about the rule 146 of 'recent occurrence'. I myself had also seen this pamphlet only on saturday lying at your table. There might still be some members who have not come across this pamphlet. So this thing is very much of 'recent occurrence' for me as well as for some other members who have not even seen this pamphlet.

And in regard to whether it has breached the members privilege or not the pamphlet main aim was to disgrace and humiliate one of our respectable members before the public. If we read the pamphlet again, it started with

Legislative Assembly followed by writing about the speaker, MLA, PAC and Estimates Committee. I still remember the statement made by one of the Lok Sabha Senior Committee Officer. He said that in the whole of India the sitting of Mizoram Legislative has got the best standard. I just wonder what will they think now after readings this pamphlet. It is very clear that they are trying to degrade the House, pulling down from its respectable position so that other states would look down upon the House of Mizoram. Many times we find the wording MLA written plainly in the pamphlet although their names are very clear to us even when they exclude the word MLA. It is also very clear what their intention is when we see the false accusation of Shri Biakchungnunga's drawing of TA&DA. Pu Dy. Speaker, in a members privilege a political party should not do such things, whether we are in the opposition or in the ruling we should always consider the respectable position of our MLA's.

Now if the hon'ble opposition Leader is wrongly charged of doing something I would be most obliged to move his privilege motion. As this also concerns one of our members privilege, be it an opposition or ruling MLA? this pamphlet breached the members privilege trying to disgrace his position and also humiliate him so that the public would look him down. As things are like this, the question now is what steps should we take? Can there be any breach of a members privilege more than this? I don't think we should any more bother about this and that rule. whether it was of recent occurrence or not. But as I have also seen this pamphlet only this last Saturday and that it could also be of 'recent Occurance' to the member who had moved his privilege motion.

As it is very clear that it has breached the member privilege, we need not argue anymore, we should rather start our discussion safeguarding the member position.

PU B. LALCHUNGNUNGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, as soon as we started this privilege motion, the opposition MLA's started making some problem. They might have thought that by moving this motion something terrible would befall on them. Some of our members have stated very clearly the reason for moving this privilege motion. It concerns all of us sitting here in this House. There is no such intention of Punishing or harassing the publishers of 'Corruption Kawngkhar Vengtu'. But as this thing concerns all the members position as an MLA's? this motion needs moving, I believe the hon'ble member moved this motion as that this kind of thing is not repeated again in the future as we are not going to be MLA's forever. Now MLA's will come up in the time.

The case we have been discussing now is not just an ordinary thing. Well I know some people used to say something or write something with only half truth. But this pamphlet 'Corruption Kawngkhar Vengtu' is not even half truth but only one-seventh as the MLA was charged with drawing TA & DA seven times more than he had actually drawn. I am sure the pamphlet meant to disgrace and pull down the position of an MLA. If the question is whether it is a question of privilege, the answer is 'Yes' it is a question of privilege. As the pamphlet was trying to sow the image of the MLA, it is a breach of privilege. This thing is really very bad. The member of Tlungvel Constituency thinks himself that he had done the right thing saying something about the MLA of Sairang Constituency and of Lungpho Constituency. Well, there's nothing wrong in that as others also do the same thing. We claim and draw TA & DA as permissible by the law but trying to show off as if he were the only one doing something good or right is not at all a good thing either. Now if we say Pu C.L. Ruala, hon'ble member of Sairang Constituency had drawn TA amounting to rupees ten thousand with the approval of the secretary without performing any journey. While he thinks himself not doing anything wrong same as Pu Biakchungnunga. This would not only harm Pu C.L. Ruala but would harm all of us sitting here. As these kind of thing should be harmful to us this motion had been moved. The opposition MLA's should not take this thing as something dangerous. This motion was moved rather to safeguard our positions as an MLA and not to disgrace or humiliate anyone. All the other members are also of the opinion that it is a complete privilege and I am also of the opinion that it is a complete breach of Privilege. Thank You.

PU JOE. NGURDAWLA : Pu Dy. Speaker, I think claim of TA in the Assembly Committees needs clarification as it is of public interest. In the very beginning of the Assembly the secretary of this Assembly told us that we are to stay in our Constituency and that since we do not have any TA we can claim TA & DA from our constituency headquarters. This was during the Congress I Ministry. All the MLA's of that time used to bill TA from their constituency headquarters. Even now some of our congress MLA's still claim TA & DA in this manner. If their own conscience does not allow, then let them not. But this is within the permissible of our rule. As this is legal, I don't think we should argue any further.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the candidates we have from the Congress Party are from interior place where their actual home town is- It would be a good thing if the hon'ble member could give out the names of those candidate from Aizawl but claim their TA & DA from their constituency i.e. from interior places.

What we were discussing about is whether it is a breach of privilege, whether the House should intervene or not etc. Well, in the pamphlet of 'Corruption Kawngkhar Vengtu' we do find something written about the Legislative Assembly, about the speaker as well as MLA's of anything about today's MLA Shri Biakchungnunga, then it would surely be a complete question of privilege. But anything printed in the pamphlet was about the P.C. Party. It was merely trying to point out the corruption practised by the P.C. or its Ministry where Pu Biakchungnunga was also included. You all might say that after all including Pu Biakchungnunga MLA's name in the pamphlet a privilege motion should be taken up in the House and the intervention of the House is required. Pu Biakchungnunga's name appeared rather because of the P.C. Party. Now even if we exclude the MLA after his name some of you would still be asking why we didn't include the MLA after his name as the privilege motion still concerns about the MLA. Whatever it is, from the wordings in the pamphlet, the point is very clear.

PU BUALHRANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker today's main discussion is, whether it is a complete breach of privilege or not. Here a complaint has been made about breaching of his position as an MLA. While Shri Biakchungnunga said he had drawn TA & DA of Rs. 1764 the Mizoram congress I Committee in their pamphlet said he had drawn TA & DA of Rs. 7664.75/- So the difference in the figure is Rs. 5900/- Shri Biakchungnunga submitted a notice saying he had been or wrongly accused disgracing his position as an MLA where ten thousand copies of the pamphlet have been distributed in the whole of Mizoram. If one MLA could draw this much amount within three weeks of the Committee, it means he could draw TA & DA of Rs. 659000/- within his five years term as an MLA. If he had actually drawn this much amount, then he is an unworthy person and very unreliable. But Shri Biakchungnunga said he had drawn Rs. 1764.75/- only and that their accusation is too much to bear disgracing his position, we have rules safeguarding each and everyone's privilege whether they are an MLA or not, if anyone's name is disgraced or humiliated. To accuse Shri Biakchungnunga of drawing Rs. 7664/- where as he had drawn Rs. 1764/- only, is too much. Anyone would take it as an insult and would file in court. But he being an MLA without filing in court rather submitted his notice in the House. As he was wrongly accused in the booklet ten thousand copies of which were distributed far and wide disgracing and humiliating his position as an MLA? I feel this is a complete breach of privilege and should be referred to the privilege Committee.

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PU C.L. RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, I have one point to classify. Our main argument is whether it is a complete privilege. Is the House really concerned with the privilege of a members position? Quite sometime back, in Harhna Newspaper they have published like this about me —

'Do not cast your vote to a P.C. Village Council member. The day he gets elected will be the day meets his death'. And recently after his was published, a village council member of Sateek got murdered Is it not clear who have ordered for the murder? The PC organ newspaper had actually accused me of the murder. But I did not submit any notice as I felt this had no connection with House. While I have stated about this, nobody paid any heed of disgracing my position as an MLA. If I had really been involved in the murder C.L Ruala would not be standing in this House anymore but would be arrested long time back. In the normal function of privilege motion in the House, the House Committee or whatever we say in the House is usually connected with the House as also in other states. It would not be wise if a privilege motion covers too wide a topic. Our main reason for raising point of order is that we feel the privilege is not a complete one.

PU C. VULLUAIA : Pu Dy. Speaker, I cannot help saying that our friends are moving their ground everyone now and then. The main reason for submitting a notice is the accusation of drawing Rs. 7000/- while the actual amount drawn was Rs. 1700/- But they seem to avoid this particular thing. They also said this thing needs clarification. Well, the amount of Rs. 1764.75/- has been drawn by the drawing officer which was approved by the DC Aizawl. From this we should all be very clear, so we all should accept what the secretary had read out about the notice.

Another thing is, whether his position as an MLA has any connection with this? This is very much connected with his position as an MLA. From the very beginning printed about drawing of TA by an MLA starting with Legislative Assembly followed by speaker, Dy. Speaker and other important Assembly Committee like PAC, Estimates Committee and about their chairman. As they have picked up the name of one of our hon'ble member in particular solely aiming at disgracing his respectable position as an MLA as well as lowering his prestige, distributing ten thousand copies of the pamphlet in the whole of Mizoram, it had very much breached the members privilege and we should all accept as a breach of privilege.

PU LALNGHENGGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the oposition MLA's are maintaining their football on the ground that it does not concern the MLA's position. I want to make clear that this very much concerns the MLA's position.

If we read the pamphlet again, the pamphlet was mainly aiming at disgracing the Assembly on the whole.

At first we find something written about the Executive and Legislative Department. And on page 2, we find the speaker's and Dy. Speakers about name intentionally aiming at disgracing them before the public saying that they are the beginning of corruption. The damage done is for more than they think. Disgracing the positions of Speaker and Dy. Speaker means disgracing the Mizoram Assembly House also. They had also accused Shri C. Vulluaia Chairman of Estimates Committee for conducting the functions of the committee for the sake of money etc. They also accused Shri. J. Thankunga, Chairman of Public Accounts Committee for using the government funds for constructing big building. They are actually trying to say that the Assembly Committees are not functioning properly and that the heads of department, as well as some officers holding some financial power need not fear this Assembly Committee even when they misuse the government funds. This pamphlet was aiming at pulling down the image of the Assembly Committees before the Government Officers as well as before the Public. It would really be surprising if all these wrong accusations is not a complete breach of privilege.

They further accused Shri Biakchungnunga MLA of drawing TA of Rs. 7664.75 where he had actually drawn only Rs.1764/- He was accused of drawing Rs. 5900/- more than he had drawn. This really is too much for an MLA to bear. I don't think there could be anything more to write against the Speaker, Dy. Speaker, Assembly Committees, MLA etc. even if they want to. Further argument about concerning the MLA's position is not necessary as the pamphlet accusation clearly concerns the MLA's position. I feel we should start our discussion by now and proceed as programmed.

PU C.L. RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, we will not beat them in argument and in raising hands as they hold the majority.

PU JOE. NGURDAWLA : Pu Dy. Speaker, we all have said quite a lot already its being a privilege question or not. I feel it is high time that we refer it now to privilege committee for consideration.

PU J. THANKUNGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, I am happy that the hon'ble member have moved this privilege motion. From the very beginning the opposition members are trying to say that this motion has no connection with the House etc as the pamphlet was published by their Party leaders.

Last time, sometime back we have considered a privilege notice submitted by Shri L. Piandenga. But this notice had been rejected by the privilege Committee after careful consideration as he stated in his notice that he had gone to his constituency on private affairs.

Raising further argument is not necessary as we are all clear about its being a complete privilege or not. MLA's are elected by the public as we regard them an able and worthy leaders. Any wrong accusation against them automatically harms their position to some extent. Even now after the publication of this pamphlet we do not know to what extent Shri Biakchungnunga's position had been damaged. Anything printed in this pamphlet is all wrong. They even accused the hon'ble speaker as the beginning of all corruption. I think this had gone rather too far. If this kind of accusation is not regarded as complete breach of privilege, I do not think there could be any complete breach of privilege other than this. Criticising or accusing the Speaker is not found in any other state. The members here do not have the right to criticise or say anything against the Assembly Secretariat. On the whole the pamphlet not only accused one member very wrongly but began criticising the speaker and all those working under him. All this needs clarification. The pamphlet also accused the chairman of Estimates Committee for performing the duties only for the sake of money. But this is also not true. They also accused me as chairman of Estimates Committee for using government funds for the construction of my building. Actually there is hardly any money or income other than the government in Mizoram. All our source of income is still mainly from the government. Even when we want to build a house we can not do without getting Loans from the government. For my building also I have got a loan for Rs 2 lakhs. This pamphlet is merely trying to disgrace and damage the position of those having any financial powers. So it is very wrong to say that this is not a complete breach of privilege. Pu C.L. Ruala should have also submitted a notice of privilege if he really thinks anyone breached his privilege. There is no objection at all and we can discuss about it anytime. Here the Public Accounts Committee hardly prevents the Corruption practice. The committee just verify whether the findings of the Audit is right or wrong. Even now the committee is verifying the matters of 972 only which was during the Congress Rule. We did not touch anything as yet of the recent years as the audit did not submit their report to us.

I feel the House should take severe actions against these persons who have published this pamphlet, so that things like this is not repeated again in future. If not, there would hardly be anything to respect in our country. If the elected members are not given due respect, who else do we have to respect in our country ?

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker, I would like to add a few things more to our point. Our argument is not whether it is a complete privilege or not our point was that whether the House should interfere in these matters. We stood to our points as Rule 145 says "before the commencement of the sitting". This phrase has very meaning. Our main argument was whether we should interfere or have a say in this matter as the notice was submitted only on 8th which was received by the secretariat on 9th and taking up the matter today only gives enough reason for disqualifying the case for the discussion. Also as the case was not of recent occurrence and it has no connection with the House.

But we seem to argue rather much about its being a complete privilege or not. It is, very important that the any notice submitted should be of recent occurrence.

In the year 1973, on 27th March one of our newspaper namely Hmar Arsi published about the speaker late attendance in the Office. This was taken up in the privilege immediately on 28th the next day. As this motion was also taken up before the commencement of the sitting we are also making this as our point of argument.

PU LALHMINGTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, I would like to say a few things about the rule. We have already discussed enough its being a complete privilege or not. Our main argument rather aims at referring to the privilege Committee. We have privilege Committee who will examine the motion from every angle whether it is a complete privilege or not. After detail examination of the motion, I am sure the Committee will have some findings. That is all I have to say.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : It is very clear from the case that it is a breach of privilege. Even after enquiring from the D.C. Office, an amount of Rs. 1764.75 only had been passed and no other bill been passed after that. So the accusation against Shri Biakchungnunga as drawing the amount of Rs. 7164/- is very wrong we all seem to agree for referring it to the privilege committee and for that we have to fix the time within what period a report should be submitted let us fix the time now, say one month or two months ?

PU P.B. ROSANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, let us fix one month.
MINISTER

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Then let us fix one month time for submitting the report by the privilege Committee.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker, can we have the copy of the report?

PU C.L. RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, when the House is not sitting, will it be possible to submit the report ?

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker, as laid out in the programme by the Business Advisory Committee, Calling attention motion will not be possible for taking up now as our Rule 57 sub-clause 5-a says the proposed matter shall be raised after the question and before the list of Business is entered upon, and at the half time during the House.

PU C.L. RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, as this point is very specific and as our rule says 'and no other time of the sitting of the House? we will violate the rule if the matter is not taken up tomorrow.

PU H. RAMMAWI : PU Dy. Speaker, for example, 'urgent discussion on the matter of urgent public importance' was written in our rule. So any other urgent matter are to be taken immediately after question hours. In the same manner calling attention is also to be done immediately after question hours. But supposing both the cases crops up at the same time what shall we do ? We still are going according to our rule-now a privilege motion is moved immediately after question hours, and immediately after that calling attention will be taken up and there's nothing wrong in that.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker. whatever it is, if we go according to number 3, it will mean that we are not going according to our programme. Does mean that you hold the power from the chair ? You have violated the BAC programme.

PU JOE. NGURDAWLA : Pu Dy. Speaker. these kind of cases can be placed or set orderly by the speaker as he likes besides what is written in the programme. We should all try to understand even if the privilege question is moved tomorrow lastly. Otherwise it will not be possible for taking up the matter in any other day.

PU SAINGHAKA : Pu Dy. Speaker, shall we not accept the secession of the BAC Chairman ?

PU H.RAMMAWI : Pu Dy. Speaker, it would be a good thing if our friends are not going to object, but if they, by any chance raise any objection, it would be very bad.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Then, let us go to our List of Business no 3. Brig. T.Sailo to lay on the table a copy of report of one Man Enquiry Commission.

BRIG. THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Dy. Speaker, if agreed I would like to submit a report of one Man Enquiry Commission on Lakher District Council and its Expedite memorandum on the table of the House.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The report may be distributed among the members. Now we shall proceed to our list of Business no-5 and call Pu C.L.Ruala to present the ninth report of committee on government Assurances.

PU.C.L.RUALA : Pu Dy. Speaker, with your permission Sir, with the exception of government taking immediate action and having been authorised by the committee, I present this ninth Report of the Committee to the House. Thank you.

On behalf of the Committee I'd like to add this the Minister should device a progress chart for the implementation of each assurance. So that automatic that is gap of this assurance given on the floor of the House and necessary action followed the action taken in time for the implementation of the assurance in the Minimum possible time. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The report may be distributed among the members. We shall go to our Business no-6 and call Brig T. Sailo to move the official Resolution.

BRIG. THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Dy. Speaker. I beg to move the following resolutions "whereas the jurisdiction of the Gauhati High Court extends to the Union Territory of Mizoram.

And whereas in view of the distance and lack of proper communication of facilities, the people of Mizoram find it difficult to pursue cases in High Court at Gauhati.

And whereas the salutary effect of cases being decided by the High Court is more or less denied to the people of Mizoram.

And whereas in the public interest and in the interest of justice, it is necessary to bring the High Court nearer to the people of Mizoram.

This House resolves to request the government of India to take early action for establishing circuit Bench of the Gauhati High Court at Aizawl".

This is the resolution I have for moving. I will just outline the actions taken by the government already. We have sent a detailed proposal to Law Minister, government of India on June 3, 1981. Again, after that we have sent our proposal to the present Law Minister on 17th March, 1982 but we did not get any reply as yet. Now we are moving this resolution in the House hoping that this would help us in pursuing the matter further. I am sure all of us know the reason or necessity for moving this resolution and I will not say any further as time is very short.

PU JOE NGURDAWLA : Pu Dy. Speaker, this is really a very good thing and I am sure everyone of us would like to pass this resolution.

BRIG. THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Dy. Speaker, can we not just pass the resolution without reading it out again?
CHIEF MINISTER

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Please read out again.

BRIG. THENPHUNGA SAILO : Pu Dy. Speaker, I hereby move the resolution - "whereas the jurisdiction of the Gauhati High Court extends of the Union Territory of Mizoram :
CHIEF MINISTER

And whereas in view of distance and lack of proper communication of facilities, the people of Mizoram find it difficult to pursue cases in the High Court at Gauhati.

And whereas the salutary effect of cases being decided by the High Court is more or less denied to the People.

This House resolves to request the Government of India to take early action for establishing Circuit Bench of the Gauhati High Court at Aizawl".

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Here, he is asking for passing the resolution, do we all agree?

PU C.L. RUALA : Pu Deputy Speaker, just one more point of information please. Although we are going to pass this resolution, we must all try to follow our Rule please.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Anyone agreeing for passing this resolution, may please raise their right hand. (everyone agreed and raised their hands). Everyone of us agreed and that this resolution is thus passed.

Now we have one government Bill. As in our Rule no. 77, the members didn't get the copy for days in advance. But since this bill is very important and want it for passing, Pu Zairemthanga may ask permission for introducing the bill in the House.

PU ZAIREMTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, I request your kind permission to introduce. The Mizo District Administration of Town Committee Bill, 1983.
MINISTER

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Do we all agree? It seems all of us agree for introducing the bill. Pu Zairemthanga may introduce the bill please.

PU ZAIREMTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, I hereby introduce 'The Mizoram District Administration of Town Committee Amendment Bill 1983'. (Secretary reads out the Bill title).
MINISTER

PU ZAIREMTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the bill I have introduced 'The Mizo District Administration of Town Committee Amendment Bill 1983 is introduced for the amendment of Mizo District Administration of Town Committee Act 1955. In this amendment of section 20 (a) we want to enter or place the Regulation and Control of Public Roads and construction of Building, which means when the public are in the habit of encroaching the part of public Roads when we build or construct a house and we do not have any rules for preventing this practice. So the need for making rules arises. And for this reason the Mizoram Building and Public Road Regulation Bill is prepared for prevention of encroachment of public Roads by the public.
MINISTER

The regulation Bill needs the consent of the President, Government of India for amendment and introducing and which will take quite sometime. And as the weather is not very good and almost raining for all the time amendment of this bill is urgently required. The only fastest possible way of amending this bill is by making rules by the Town Committee as we find in line '20 of' the amendment of Mizo District Administration of Town Committee Act '—' other works of public utility calculated to promote the health control or convenience of the inhabitants. So in this we can place this 'Regulation and control of public road and construction of Building, as 20 in the rule.

And we shall prepare this Regulation Bill as a rule within a short period of two or three months and enforce the rule in Aizawl town immediately after amendment of the rule. For this reason we are introducing this bill today itself in a hurry.

PU C. VULLUAIA : Pu Dy. Speaker, it is true that we did not even have time for the study of this bill. But I would also suggest this bill so that further constructing of House or building too close to a road is prevented. The main road is maintained by the PWD as well as 15 feet from the main road. For the enforcement of this rule CA in the LAD department are very important and whose consent or advice would be required when anyone is going to construct a house or building near the main roads. I am thinking whether we should pass this resolution today itself.

PU H. RAMMAWI : Pu Dy. Speaker, although we do not have any good book for consultation. I think we should still pass this resolution as the contents of this resolution are very clear and very easy to understand.

PU ZAIREMIHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, I have included in the copy the reason very clearly the need for passing this rule in regard to statement of objects and reasons.
MINISTER

For the maintenance of PWD road alone, the PWD have Road site control Act bill which does not concern the BRTF Road etc. Although the Revenue Department have some condition written in their pass certificate they are actually not good enough for the maintenance of Aizawl town and which is also not that forceful. For this reason, the need for strict rule is required so that Aizawl Town could be maintained in a rather standard manner.

I think the rule would rather be enforced by the town Committee where a body of Town Advisory Committee is constituted for maintaining the Aizawl Town and not by the Local Administration Department alone.

PU JOE NGURDAWLA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the aim and the goal of the resolution is very good but we seem to pass our resolution in haste. As stated earlier by Shri Vulluaia MLA. I am thinking whether the Revenue Department and PWD are also going to execute the rules as done in other states. Constructing a house of building as they like is not allowed within the town areas in other states. If we are also going to execute the rules in this same manner, we will require the services of an architect in the near future. But I am still not very sure whether this would create or solve our problem if the planning of Town is taken up by the committee. And as stated by the Minister earlier, the objects and reasons of the resolution is really good. I feel we should have more time for discussion when passing any resolution.

PU F. MALSAWMA : Pu Dy. Speaker, what we have just heard is very correct. What we are asking now is only the permission for changing the rules a bit. So the most important thing now is to pass this resolution. We can have plenty of time later for studying the rules.

PU ZAIREMTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, the department is considering for placing these two lines in the Town Committee Act. We are just asking the permission of placing the Regulation and control of Public Road and construction of buildings in the act. In regard to its background we can always study the rules later when the department chalks it out.

PU JOE NGURDAWLA : Pu Dy. Speaker, now I am very clear and passing this resolution would be a good thing.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Yes, it is a very good thing. Since all of us seem to agree to passing. This resolution, the Minister may kindly ask the permission of the House for passing this resolution.

PU ZAIREMTHANGA : Pu Dy. Speaker, I request the House to pass the Mizo District Administration of Town Committee Amendment Bill 1983.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Do we not all agree may please raise up their right hand. (All the members raised their hands). The bill is thus passed

We shall now adjourn the meeting for today and continue again on Tuesday at 10.30 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 4.30 p.m.

L.C. Thanga
Secretary.