

PROCEEDINGS OF THE 3RD MIZORAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SESSION
HELD FROM 25TH MAY TO 30TH MAY, 1979.

1st. Sitting on 25th May, 1979 at 10:30 A.M.

In the Chair - Pi Thanmawii, Speaker Protem
Dr. Kenneth Chawngliana, Speaker.

Members Present- All present

Member Absent - Nil.

PI THANMAWII

SPEAKER PROTEM.

We meet today on a solemn occasion. A new House have been constituted, charged with great and heavy responsibilities for the welfare of the Mizoram and our people. It is fit and proper that we all stand in silence for two minutes before we begin our proceedings.

Secretary, Legislative Assembly read to the House the following L.G's order dated 9.5.1979 -

'In exercise of the Powers conferred by section 11 of the Government of Union Territories Act, 1963 (Act No. 20 of 1963), I, N.P. Mathur, Lieutenant Governor (Administrator) of Mizoram hereby appoint.

(a) Smt. Thanmawii, a member of the Mizoram Legislative Assembly, until the Speaker is chosen by the Mizoram Legislative Assembly, and

(b) thereafter the Speaker or the Deputy Speaker or other person acting as Speaker under sub-section (4) of section 7 of the said Act

(c) as the person before whom the oath or affirmation may be made and subscribed by the members of the Mizoram Legislative Assembly".

PI THANMAWII

SPEAKER PROTEM.

Members will make and subscribe oath or affirmation in the following orders -

- (a) Chief Minister
- (b) Ministers
- (c) Other members constituency-wise.

(d) On the name of a member being called by an officer of the House, the member will proceed to the side of Secretary's table, where a copy of the form of oath or affirmation (in Mizo or in English as may be desired) will be handed over to him

- (e) The member will face the Chair and make the oath or affirmation.
- (f) The member will go up to shake hands with the Speaker Protém. The member will then pass behind the chair to the other side of the Secretary's table where he will sign the roll of members and thereafter take his seat in the House.

Oath taking of Ministers and members before Speaker Protém, Pi Thanmawii -

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| (1) Pu Thanphunga, Chief Minister | (16) Pu Lalthanhawla |
| (2) Pu Lalhmithanga, Minister | (17) Pu J.H.Rothuama |
| (3) Pu Zairemthanga, Minister | (18) Pu L.Fiandenga |
| (4) Pu P.B.Rosanga, Minister | (19) Pu J.Thankunga |
| (5) Pu F.Malsawma, Minister | (20) Dr.K.Chawngliana |
| (6) Pu Hiphei, | (21) Pu C.Chawngkungu |
| (7) Pu H.Rammawi | (22) Pu Saikapthianga |
| (8) Pu S.Vadhyi | (23) Pu C.Vulluaia |
| (9) Pu Shona Kumar | (24) Pu P.Lalupa |
| (10) Pu H.K.Chakma | (25) Pu Lalthanzauva |
| (11) Pi K.Lalsanga | (26) Pu Bualhranga |
| (12) Pu B.Lalchungnunga | (27) Pu K.Biakchungnunga |
| (13) Pu Ellis Soidenga | (28) Pu C.L.Puala |
| (14) Pu Ngurchhina | (29) Pu Sainghaka |
| (15) Pu J.Ngurdawla | |

Secretary read the following L.G's order.

"In pursuance of sub-rule (4) of Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Mizoram Legislative Assembly, read with sub-section (3) of section 7 of the Government of Union Territories Act, 1963 (Act No. 20 of 1963) I, N.P. Mathur, Lieutenant Governor (Administrator) of Mizoram hereby appoint Smt. Thanmawii, a member of the Mizoram Legislative Assembly to perform the duties of the Speaker from the commencement of the first meeting of the Mizoram Legislative Assembly until the Speaker shall have been chosen by the said Assembly under sub-section (1) of section 7 of the said Act.

PI THANMAWII

SPEAKER PROTÉM.

Upto 3:00 P.M. on the 24th May, 1979 i.e. the time fixed for receipt of nominations to fill the office of the Speaker, one nomination paper nominating Dr. Kenneth Chawngliana, M.L.A. was received. This name had been proposed by Pu J.Thankunga, M.L.A. and seconded by Pu C.Vulluaia, M.L.A. The nomination paper has been scrutinized and found to be in order. As no other name has been proposed for filling the office of the Speaker, I declare under sub-rule (4) of rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure, that Dr. Kenneth Chawngliana has been duly elected as the Speaker of the House.

Dr.K.Chawngliana has now been duly elected as the Speaker of this hon'ble House. May God bless him and guide him through his tenure of office to be able to perform his duties efficiently and successfully. I give him my best wishes.

Our new Speaker may please come forward to occupy the Chair of the Speaker. Our hon'ble Chief Minister and Opposition leader may please accompany him on his way to the Chair.

PU THONPHUNGA:
CHIEF MINISTER.

Pu Speaker, you are now elected as the Speaker of this respectable House. On this occasion, I, on behalf of all members congratulate you.

As we all are aware, the position of Speaker is a very important one. We strongly believe that while guiding of the House, you will exercise powers truthfully and perform your duties enthusiastically. We also will try to take up every task that lays ahead of us under your guidance.

PU K. BLAKCHUNGNUNGA: Pu Speaker, first of all we would like to express our joy on the occasion of your election as the Speaker of the House. We hope and believe that you will give the House and the members proper guidance and direction. Our good wishes for your health. And we also offer you our best wishes for success and efficiency in your duties as the Speaker of the House.

PU LALTHANAWLA:

Pu Speaker, we congratulate you on your unanimous appointment as the Speaker of this respectable House.

It is our desire that you will keep up the dignity of your position and of the House and will lead the people and the country with truth and grace. We also want you to seek God's guidance in all your way. May he grant you good health and wisdom so that you may preside over this House. Justly without any partiality. I and my friends here pledge ourselves to extend our full-hearted co-operation and every possible assistance in shouldering the responsibilities bestowed on you.

PU BUALHLANGA:

Pu Speaker, I, first of all would like to offer you my heartiest congratulation on your appointment as the Speaker of

the House. My heartfelt congratulation is with you with anticipation that under your guidance, the House will set new ideals and guidelines which our new generations can approve of and appreciate.

PU HIPHEI:

Pu Speaker, of the 30 members, you are elected to be the Speaker of the House without any other contestant. On this occasion I, and on behalf of the people I represent congratulate you, for, it was our presumption when we learnt the victory of P.C. Party that you would become the Speaker.

As you are elected unanimously without any other contestant, it is evident that you are truly the representative of all the people of Mizoram, for, members who elect you are the representatives of the people of different constituencies. We wish that you will successfully carry out an important task entrusted to you. I hope and believe that you will take up your responsibilities with success and efficiency. I also wish you courage and wisdom to lead the House with truth and dignity.

SPEAKER: Leader of the House and all the respectable members who are present here, I feel very much delighted and much privileged to have been inducted in this august office, Speaker of the Mizoram Legislative Assembly.

As always was the practice, this office requires an impartial and judicious incumbent, as such, I too need to compose myself to assure you that it shall always be my endeavour to uphold the traditions of impartiality and equal treatment to all despite our differences in political ideologies. I assure you that in taking decisions, my guidelines will be rules and regulations which are in our possession written in black and white, and not dictated by party considerations or individuals.

I will therefore try my level best to conduct myself in this office as to infuse confidence in the minds of all to raise the standard, solemnity and honour of this House. I therefore appeal to you all to lend me your Co-operative and constructive heads, hands minds, and souls to maintain the high traditions set forth by my predecessors.

Understanding that I have been inducted in this august office not by virtue of my being worthy of it but solely on your mature will and endeavour for giving a place of importance to the young people. I can assure you that with my youthful vigour and vision I will, with your help, be able to work what the office requires of me.

Our next item is election of Deputy Speaker. Upto 3:00 P.M. on 24th May 1979 i.e. the time fixed for receipt of nominations to fill the office of the Deputy Speaker, one nomination paper nominating Iu Chawngkunga M.L.A. was received. This name was proposed by Iu Bualhranga M.L.A. and seconded by Iu Biakchungnunga, M.L.A. The nomination paper has been scrutinized and found to be in order. As no other name has been proposed for filling the office of Deputy Speaker, I declare under sub-rule (5) of rule 8 of the Rules of Procedure, that Iu C. Chawngkunga has been duly elected as the Deputy Speaker of the House.

Iu Chawngkunga has now been elected as the Deputy Speaker of the House un-contested. This is the third time he is elected as member of Mizoram Legislative Assembly. I, personally and on behalf of the members of the House offer heartiest congratulations on his appointment as Deputy Speaker.

PU THENPHUNGA:
CHIEF MINISTER.

Pu Speaker, we have just elected Pu Pu Chawngkunga as Deputy Speaker under your guidance. I, and on behalf of my friends congratulate him on his election as Deputy Speaker. I think this is not the first time he is elected as Deputy Speaker. Being well aware of his responsibilities we know that Pu Chawngkunga will be a helpful assistant to our Speaker. It is understood that we will be needing his guidance in the days to come. At the same time, we strongly believe that he is capable of giving us proper guidance and directions. I therefore congratulate Pu Chawngkunga.

PU BLAKCHUNGNUNGA: Pu Speaker, I am truly glad that Pu Chawngkunga has been re-elected as Deputy Speaker un-contested. It is a privilege for us to have a man of experience and virtue for Deputy Speaker under your guidance. It is our hope and desire that he will discharge his duties efficiently and successfully.

PU LAITHANHAWLA: Pu Speaker, we want to express our joy on the election of one of the senior most members, Pu C.Chawngkunga to fill the office of Deputy Speaker. We hope that he will be a great help to you in guiding this House with truth and grace. We also believe that he will be as efficient as you in conducting the business of the House in times of your absence. I and on behalf of my friends here therefore congratulate him on this occasion.

PU BUALHRANGA: Pu Speaker, I offer my heartiest congratulations to Pu C.Chawngkunga, one of the senior-most members on the occasion of his appointment as Deputy Speaker of the House.

Having been your assistant in the 2nd Assembly, we hope and believe that Pu Chawngkunga will be an efficient helper to you in conducting the House.

PU NGURDAWLA: Pu Speaker, I want to congratulate Pu Chawngkunga on his election as Deputy Speaker of the House. Pu Chawngkunga, as we know is an experienced and studious man. Having been together in the first Ministry, I know him to be a lover of truth and firm in purpose. Hence, it is a great privilege for us to have him as Deputy Speaker. As a rule, Deputy Speaker shares the burdens of the members in which case I know that Pu Chawngkunga will have good understanding of the difficulties and position of the members.

PU C.CHAWNGKUNGA:
DY.SPEAKER.

Pu Speaker, I want to thank each member for electing me as the Deputy Speaker of the House today.

I strongly determine to exert my top-most ability to help and relieve the members of their difficulties without any reservation on my part. I, at the same time request each member not to have any reservation in informing me their troubles and difficulties so that I may try my level best to help if there is anything I can do to help. I appeal to you Pu Speaker and to members to extend your assistance and co-operation without which I know I am in-capable of coping with the responsibilities bestowed on me. I, once again thank each member for electing me for Deputy Speaker inspite of my in-adequacy.

Thank you.

SPEAKER: Our entire business for today had been taken up. We will therefore adjourn the House. Meeting will be resumed on Monday, i.e. 28th May, 1979 at 10:30 A.M.

Meeting adjourned.

D.N.GADHOK
SECRETARY.

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