MIZORAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

BULLETIN PART I

(Brief Record of Proceedings)

No. 35 (10:30 A.M.)

Thursday, 19th March, 1981.

1. Starred Questions

Starred Questions Nos. 44, 45, and 46 with Supplementaries thereto were orally answered.

2. Unstarred Question

Reply to Unstarred Question No. 10 was laid on the Table of the House.

3. <u>Representation of the Budget</u>

Pu Lalhmingthanga, Finance Minister presented to the House the Annual Budget of the Government of Mizoram for the year 1981-82 and the Supplementary Budget for 1980-81.

4. Government Resolution

Brig. Thenphunga Sailo, Chief Minister moved the following official resolution-

"WHEREAS, the Government of India have, after considering the recommendations of the Committee on Recruitment Policy and Selection Methods set up by the Union Public Service Commission under the Chairmanship of Dr. D.S. Kothari which examined the system of recruitment to the All India and Central Services, decided on the inclusion of a compulsory paper on one of the Indian Languages listed in the Eight Schedule to the Constitution of India and also the option to the candidates to answer the various papers, other than the paper in English language, in any one of such languages.

AND WHEREAS, this House is of the view that-

- (i) Such a decision would adversely affect the interest of the candidates whose mother tongue is not included in the Eight Schedule to the Constitution of India, and more particularly the members of the Schedule Tribes hailing from the North Eastern States and Union Territories, such as Mizoram:
- (ii) Such a decision denies the fundamental rights to equality, enshrined in the Constitution;
- (iii) Such a decision may militate against the All India Character of such services and may even affect national integrity; and
- (iv) On practical considerations, it seems that the decision is not necessary as even in the present system, the candidates are required to pass examination in language of the State to which they are allotted at the Academy and subsequently in the States, which is serving the purpose adequately;

Now, therefore, this House do hereby resolve that the Government of India be urged to reconsider the decision immediately and to restore the arrangement which was being followed before the decision to introduce compulsory paper on languages and the medium of answer in the All India Service Examination."

The following Members took part in the discussion-

(1) Pu Lal Thanhawla

(2) Pu H.Rammawi

(3) Pu Lalthanzauva

(4) Pu C.L.Ruala

(5) Pu Joe Ngurdawla

(6) Pu Sainghaka

(7) Pi L.Thanmawii

Brig. Thenphunga Sailo, Chief Minister and Leader of the House wound up the debate. The resolution was put to the vote of the House and was unanimously adopted.

12:38 P.M.

The House was adjourned till 10:30 A.M. on Monday, the 23rd March, 1981.

J. MALSAWMA Secretary.