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NOTIFICATION

No.H.14011/1/96-DCA, the 15th July, 1997. Whereas certain complaints in form of "Appeal under Section 20bb of the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution" were submitted on 15th May, 1997 to the Governor of Mizoram, for action under rule 181 of the Mizoram Autonomous District Councils (Constitution and Conduct of Business) Rules 1974 as amended from time to time, by one Pu Vanlalthaliana, Pu F. Chungmanga and Pu Lalchunga Chinzah, all candidates in the recently completed General Elections to the Lai Autonomous District Council;

2. Whereas Shri Rajendra Kumar, IAS, District Magistrate, Aizawl District, has already been appointed under Rule 185 of the Mizoram Autonomous District Councils (Constitution and Conduct of Business) Rules, 1974 as amended from time to time, as the Commissioner for hearing and disposing of such petitions filed under the rule 181 of the said Rules;

3. Whereas another complaint in form of "Appeal to the Governor under section 20bb of the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution" was filed to the Governor of Mizoram on 15th May, 1997 by one Pu L. Chinzah and six others against alleged gross illegal practices, corruptions and riggings allegedly committed also by the Returning Officer himself and others in connection with the above mentioned General Election to the Lai Autonomous District Council;

4. Whereas again some complaints of alleged criminal intimidation and harassment by the Deputy Commissioner Saiha were submitted to the Governor of Mizoram on 11th June, 1997 by one Pu L. Chinzah and seven others;

5. Whereas it is considered expedient in public interest to have these allegations inquired into for the purposes of eliciting the truth and of taking the defaulting agencies/officials to task as well as with a view to achieving the means for future electoral reforms;

6. Now, therefore the Governor of Mizoram is pleased to appoint Pu Denghnuna, I.A.S., Secretary to the Government of Mizoram, Local Administration

Department etc. as one man inquiry commission to inquire into the allegations in the light of the complaints mentioned in paragraphs 3-4 above and to submit his reports within two months from the date of the Notification hereof.

7. Pu Denghnuna shall have all the necessary powers available to a Commission under the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 and the Departmental Inquires (Enforcement of Attendance of witnesses and Production of Documents) Act, 1972, as the case may be only for the purposes of summoning and examining the complainants, witnesses, and all others so required,

All the above-mentioned complaints vide/paragraphs 3-4 and comments thereupon shall be immediately made available to Pu Denghnuna by the Department.

By order and in the name of
the Governor of Mizoram.

P. Chakraborty,
Secretary to the Government of Mizoram.