

**SEVENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MIZORAM
(SEVENTH SESSION)**

LIST OF BUSINESS

FOR ELEVENTH SITTING ON TUESDAY, THE 20th OCTOBER, 2015
(Time 10:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. and 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.)

QUESTIONS

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NGURTHANZUALA
Secretary

SPEAKER : Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. Ephesians 4:29

Before we take up the questions, our hon. Chief Minister asked for a leave due to sickness and he authorized Pu R. Lalzirliana, Hon. Home Minister to act on his behalf.

Now, I call upon Pu Lalruatkima to ask Starred Question No. 168.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, Will the hon. Minister of Finance Department be pleased to state-

- a) The amount of fund provision demanded from the 14th Finance Commission for establishment of a new district. For which District it is requested and if it is accepted. b) If so, how much is accepted?
- c) The amount of fund provision demanded from the 14th Finance Commission for establishment of Lok Ayukta and how much is accepted?

SPEAKER : Finance Minister to answer the question.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: Thank you Pu Speaker. The answer is-

- a) ₹75.83 crore is demanded from the 14th Finance Commission for establishment of a new District. The memorandum did not specify any particular district. The 14th Finance Commission did not recommend the memorandum for State Specific Needs by Mizoram and other states.
- c) ₹122.20 crore was demanded from the 14th Finance Commission for setting up Lok Ayukta but the 14th Finance Commission did not make specific recommendation to that effect.

SPEAKER : Pu Lalruatkima.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, despite fund provisions from the 14th Finance Commission, I opine we still are able to arrange for the same from No-Plan Fund and Untie Fund. Will a measure still be still taken for setting up a new District? In reply to my previous Starred Question No. 48, it was stated that ₹432 lakhs is needed for setting up Lok Ayukta. So, may the amount required be made available from un-tie fund?

SPEAKER : Hon. Minister to answer the question.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER : Pu Speaker, I believe the Govt. does not have any proposal as to whether to utilize our own fund for setting up new District where as our funds are for of our state's needs.

Regarding fund provision for Lok Ayukta, it is planned to be utilized within 2015-2016 and the annual requirement is estimated at ₹4.32 crore. The State Planning Board under the head of the hon. Chief Minister will decide as to whether our fund will be used for Lok Ayukta and The Planning Department will study requirement of the state.

SPEAKER : Starred Question No. 169, Dr. K. Beichhua.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. Will the hon. Minister for Personnel & Administrative Reforms Department be pleased to state: - The reason that MPSC is not conducting examination of several Mizoram Technical posts like Medical Doctors, Engineers, Vety etc. every year.

SPEAKER : Since our Chief Minister is absent, I request Pu R. Lalzirliana, hon. Home Minister to answer on his behalf.

PU R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Speaker. The vacant posts of Medical Doctors (Grade-III of Mizoram Health Service), Engineers (junior Grade of Mizoram Engineering Service) and Veterinary Doctors (Grade-V of Mizoram Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Service) could not be filled up as yet due to financial problem. Such vacant posts may be filled up at once and as per requirement.

SPEAKER : It is not convenient for the hon. Home Minister to take up the supplementary question, if any, for he is authorized to answer the main question only.

PU K. SANGTHUAMA : There is no rule to work over any supplementary question even in the absence of the concerned Minister.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, I opine it is unsafe for the members to ask any for the concerned minister may be deliberately absent from the House just

to evade a particular question. So, this practice is not appropriate for the House.

SPEAKER : Let us hope it will not happen. Pu Lalruatkima to ask Starred Question No. 170.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, Will the hon. Minister, DP&AR be pleased to state-

- a) The number of employees recruited under MPSC during 2010-2015; if there is any recruitment apart from Group-A & B; if so, how many, and for what purpose?
- b) How many are recruited under Group-A & B?
- c) How many time Combined Civil Service Examinations had been conducted; and, how many of MCS and MPS being recruited (year-wise) so far.

SPEAKER : Pu R. Lalzirliana, Home Minister to answer the question.

PU R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, number of recruitment as recommended by MPSC during 2010-2015 is 729 Nos. as shown at the Annexure 1 in year-wise. As of recruitment of Group-A and B employees, Group A – 387 Nos., Group B – 347 Nos. Since implementation of The Mizoram Civil Service (Combined Competitive Examination) Regulation, 2011, so far, examination is conducted 3 times in which 35 Nos. MCS officers and 25 Nos. MPS officers were recruited. (As shown in the Annexure-I shows in year-wise).

SPEAKER : Er. Lalrinawma to ask Starred Question No.171

Er. LALRINAWMA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. Will the hon. Minister, Art & Culture Minister be pleased to state: -

- a) If the concerned department continues maintenance of Bungalows which were built during the British rule?
- b) If so, which Bungalows?
- c) How much is spent for maintenance of such Bungalows during 2014-2015?

SPEAKER : Pu R. Romawia, hon. Minister to answer the question.

PU R. ROMAWIA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, the answer is:

- a) Yes.
- b) The PWD handed over maintenance of Thiak Bungalow to the Art & Culture Department but not officially to the rest. The following Bungalows were repaired from the 13th Finance Commission grant under the Heritage Conservation: -
 - 1) Thiak IB, Aizawl District
 - 2) Pachang IB, Lunglei District
 - 3) Tlabung IB, Lunglei District
 - 4) Sialsuk IB, Aizawl District
 - 5) Paikhai IB, Aizawl District
 - 6) Bung Bungalow, Aizawl District
 - 7) Tawitaw IB, Kolasib District
 - 8) Kawlkulh IB, Champhai District.
- c) The following Bungalows were repaired during 2014-2015: -
 - 1) Thiak Bungalow, Aizawl District - ₹3.50 lakhs
 - 2) Tawitaw Bungalow, Kolasib District - ₹3.50 lakhs
 - 3) Pachang Bungalow, Lunglei District - ₹3.00 lakhs

TOTAL - ₹10 lakhs

SPEAKER : Supplementary question from Pu Lalrinawma.

Er. LALRINAWMA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. Many are remains under maintenance of the Govt. My question is: -

- i) If LSC and land assessment had been done to such Bungalows?
- ii) Is the Govt. aware of the fact that due to the project of Oil exploration, compensation is being given to numbers of LSC on the site of Tawitaw Bungalow?

SPEAKER : Another Supplementary question from Pu Lalrinliana Sailo.

PU LALRINLIANA SAILO : Pu Speaker, relating to answer given on the repairs of British handiworks IB, Paikhai Bungalow is not repaired but only brick fencing being done. So, is there a way to repair such buildings with skilful means? It will become a good source of revenue if it is renovated at least by painting inside and outside.

SPEAKER : Supplementary question from Pu Sangzuala.

Lt. Col. Z.S. ZUALA : Pu Speaker, may the locally named Sikul Sen and Govt. Boys ME School of Mission Veng be taken up as the Heritage building?

SPEAKER : Minister to answer the question.

PU R. ROMAWIA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, dealing of LSC is not the purview of Art & Culture Department. From the said repaired IBs, only of Thiak is handed over to PWD but is closed at present due to shortage its Gatekeeper which is beyond our authority to appoint one. The PWD is now taking care of Tlabung Bungalow, Sialsuk IB, Kawlkulh IB where as Pachang IB, Paikhai IB, Bung IB and Tawitaw IB its caretaker is unknown. The Department necessitated their repairs since they are heritage sites and as per the wish of the INTACH. The fund is also not shown in our Annual Budget and we repaired them with the fund provided by the Finance Commission. Though Paikhai IB is a convenient lodging for tourists and travelers, it is not our purview.

Regarding our cultural heritage site as mentioned by Col. Zuala, we have many sites to preserve but there is a conflicting opinion in the minds of the mizos; many wants to preserve them as our heritage where as there are others who want to destroy all the evidence of the British Ruling within our state. Anyway, it is the wish of the Department to preserve them as much as possible, Pu Speaker.

SPEAKER : Pu Lalruatkima to ask Starred question No.172.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. Will the District Council Affairs Department Minister be pleased to state:-

- a) Is it a fact that there are 192 Nos. Muster Roll being employed under Lai District Council. If so, when?
- b) How much is spent for the salary of such employees per month?

SPEAKER : The Dy. House Leader, Pu R. Lalzirliana, Home Minister to answer the question.

PU R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, my answer is:-

- a) As on 1.4.2015, there are 192 Nos. Muster Roll being employed under The Lai Autonomous District Council.
- b) ₹10,14,860 is spent for the salary of Muster Roll employees every month.

SPEAKER : That is of Lawngtlai and so is not convenient for the Minister to enquire for any supplementary question at the moment. The concerned

member may therefore take this for granted.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, it seems that the members are more and more confined with our questions. Every question has a supplementary question behind it and we usually prepare for that. If answer could not be provided, let it be, but I have to make one, Pu Speaker.

We often made appointment of Muster Roll despite the Office Memorandum of the Finance Department not to so. What is the opinion of the Govt. in this regard?

SPEAKER : If the Minister is ready to answer this supplementary question, he may take his time.

PU R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, I cannot exactly say opinion of the Govt. in this regard, but the Lai Autonomous District Council is an independent body and it may be done so as far as availability of fund provision and the Govt. of Mizoram has no power to involve in such cases directly.

SPEAKER : Dr. K. Beichhua to ask Starred Question No. 173.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Pu Speaker, will the Minister of Sports & Youth Service Department be pleased to state:-

- a) If the DPR is submitted for laying artificial turf at Lawngtlai.
- b) If so, in which central Ministry?
- c) If such DPR approved?

SPEAKER : Hon. Minister to answer the question.

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, my answer is:-

- a) Yes.
- b) In the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt. of India under Urban Sports Infrastructure Scheme (USIS).
- c) It is under consideration.

Pu Speaker, fund provision for artificial turf at Lawngtlai playground had already been approved by Ministry of the previous Govt. as it was among which is in

line for the release of its funds. But, the policy immediately changed all over India as the new Ministry assumed the Central Govt. and so was notified not to lay any synthetic artificial turf for any football playground in India. But since the said fund has already approved, I made an approach to the Central Minister thrice and after much deliberations, we received a letter from the All India Football Federation followed by a letter from the Central Youth Affairs & Sports Minister indicating change of policy with the India Govt. and the case of the artificial turf playground being reconsidered. So, we applied for it and we are now waiting for the outcome. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Supplementary question from Dr. K. Beichhua.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Pu Speaker, the hon. Sports Minister, as the Chief Guest on Independence Day celebration at Saiha mentioned that the DPR for our artificial grass turf as being prepared. So, I am asking if this is from the Sports Department or UD & PA and the DPR was made from which Ministry?

SPEAKER : Supplementary question from Dr. Ngurdingliana.

Dr. NGURDINGLIANA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. Our Sports Department has been taken major steps on infrastructure development all over the state. It is also appreciating that new measures are taken for several Sports Body Associations and for our athletes under the Mizoram State Sports Council. I cannot mention each of the programme but it would be much appreciated if our Minister gives us some details.

SPEAKER : Supplementary question from Pu Lalrinliana Sailo.

PU LALRINLIANA SAILO: Pu Speaker, our Sports Minister has taken intensive measures to develop the youngsters as laying artificial turfs. Is there a way to include Khawzawl under such project of artificial turf for the people are of football enthusiasts as well?

SPEAKER : Minister to answer the question.

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, in regard to Dr. K.

Beichhua's question, Urban Sports Infrastructure of the Central Govt. cannot make a project of more than ₹5 crore. So, we give preference to Saiha and that is why a project of ₹2,498.14 lakhs is made.

Regarding the Urban Sports Infrastructure, 52 projects were sanctioned under this scheme all over India till 9th September, 2015. Here, 5 projects were completed out of which 3 projects were of Mizoram. We completed the 2 ongoing projects and we have 5 projects under the Urban Sports Infrastructure. So, I would like to mention that Mizoram performs really great. This ₹2,498.14 lakhs sanction covers standard football ground, gallery, synthetic athletic track, sports equipment materials, shot-put, long jump, discus throw and 520 stadium chairs. I would like to inform the House that we have submitted the DPR to the Central Govt.

In response to Dr. Ngurdingliana, it is stated that the Govt. has been taken major steps in developing sports through the departments of Sports and Urban Development. Several Associations have mentioned their needs of training on various disciplines as necessary steps are being taken by our Chief Minister, Home Minister and the Senior Ministers to make such provisions as far as possible. As a result, we have even completed Boxing Hall at Ramhlun Sports Complex to accommodate 2 boxing rings; there is also a camp for any state representatives. The Govt. also set up Table Tennis Hall at Kawltheihuan especially for the Table Tennis Association to accommodate numbers of table in it. Presently, our players hold No. 1 and No. 2 ranking in junior Table Tennis. Besides, Taekwondo Hall at Republic Veng and Judo Hall at Zemabawk are under construction as a Cricket Stadium being constructed at Sihhmui.

The Hall at Mualpui which is supposed to be the largest Hall in Mizoram is almost ready for inauguration; we have given permission to the Mizoram Boxing Association to use the Hall for conducting Pro-fight. A shooting range also is under construction below the Hall and this connection, I would like to mention that this Hall is planned to accommodate the National Level Badminton, Table Tennis and Basketball as well. The Govt. is also undertaking the project of construction of Stadium at different Districts where as of Champhai, Kolasib and Lunglei will soon be accomplished. Such Stadiums are planned to accommodate 4 lane-athletic tracks of 800 mts. and 8 lane of 400 mts. with gallery and synthetic athletic etc.

Lastly, in reply to the question of Pu Lalrinliana Sailo, we also give

importance to infrastructure for Khawzawl knowing how athletic and talented the youngsters are. But, the Govt. can only move step by step and we are now turning our attention towards the District Capitals.

A project is also made for artificial turf for Saitual playground as DPR being submitted. After completing the work at the District Capitals, we will continue with the towns like Khawzawl which have not yet been declared as the District Headquarters officially.

SPEAKER : Moving on to our business, Starred Question No. 174, Dr. K. Beichhua.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. Will the Minister of District Council Affairs Department be pleased to state the reason for resignation of the Chief Executive Member of Chakma Autonomous District Council?

SPEAKER : Our Dy. Leader Pu R. Lalzirliana to answer the question.

PU R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, the reason for resignation of the Chief Executive Member of Chakma Autonomous District Council is he no longer won confidence of majority of the members of CADC.

SPEAKER : Pu Lalruatkima to ask Starred Question No. 175.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. Will the Minister of District Council Affairs Department be pleased to state if the Lai Autonomous District Council spent ₹153,41,000 for construction of Rulkual - Chhimtuipui road of Multi Modal Project. Is 4 kms the actual length of the construction?

SPEAKER : Dy. Leader of the House to answer the question.

PU R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, The Lai Autonomous District Council did not spend ₹153,41,000.00 for construction of Rulkual - Chhimtuipui road of Multi Modal Project; and, 4.2 kms is the length of that road but not 4 kms as in question.

The initial plan was 7 kms but was changed to 4.2 kms since the area has a rugged topography. Therefore, re-appropriation was made from ₹153,41,000 to ₹74.74 lakhs after shortening the distance; formation cutting, retaining wall and culvert are made from this fund provision.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Our Minister had mentioned that we do not have full authority on Autonomous District Councils. All their expenditures will be audited by the new Finance Committee and the rechecking which should be done by the Committee on Local Fund Accounts Assembly and the Audit Account. So, we need to be very careful on our expenditures.

SPEAKER : Pu Lalruatkima to ask Starred Question No. 176.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. Will the Minister of DP&AR be pleased to state:-

- a) What kind of preference does the Govt. has for CS/ST handicapped?
- b) How many handicapped are appointed under the Govt. during 2010-2015?

SPEAKER : Dy. Leader of the House to answer the question.

PU R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER: My answers is:-

- a) The Govt. does not make any special preference for the handicaps but the PWD Act reserved 3% of all posts.
- b) 10 Nos. handicapped are being appointed under the Govt. during 2010-2015.

SPEAKER : Pu Vanlalzawma to ask Starred Question No. 177

PU VANLALZAWMA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. Will the Finance Minister be pleased to state:-

- a) The estimate budget amount for Mizoram by the 13th Finance Commission.
- b) The actual amount received and under which financial Head.
- c) How much is the remaining and the reason for such unpaid amount.

PU LALSAWTA, MINISTER: My answers is:-

- a) The 13th Finance Commission estimated ₹8805.30 crore for Mizoram.
- b) ₹8599.94 crore was received under the 13th Finance Commission under the

following financial head such as: Non-Plan Revenue Deficit Grant, Share of Taxes, Local Bodies Grant (Urban Local Body and Panchayati Raj institutions), State Disaster Response Fund, Capacity Building for SDRF, Maintenance of Forest, Improvement of District/State Statistical System, Elementary Education, Incentives for Unique Identification, Water Sector, Employee/Pension Database, Improvement in Justice Delivery System, Maintenance of Roads & Bridges, District Innovation fund, Reduction of Infant Mortality Rate and State' Specific Needs.

c) ₹278.09 crore was not received and the main reasons are as follows:-

Grants-in-Aid:-

1. The condition made by the 13th Finance Commission cannot be achieved:-

(a) Water Sector (Minor Irrigation) : The 13th Finance Commission made a condition in order to receive installments continuously for Water Sector as per the report Para 12.58 & Annexure 12.8 - "Special Category States should step up recovery rate for irrigation by at least 3% points in 2011-2012 over 2009-2010 (BE) and then by 3% points in successive years during the forecast period".

Since Mizoram cannot fulfill this condition, we received only ₹100.00 lakhs (1st installment) from the expected ₹400.00 lakh.

(b) Elementary Education : Likewise, the 13th Finance Commission made a condition in order to receive installments continuously for Elementary Education as per the report Para 12.23 & Annexure 12.1 - "Expenditure i.e., Plan and Non-Plan under Elementary Education i.e., Major Head 22023 and Sub-Major Head-01, exclusive of the Grants recommended should grow by 8% annually."

Pu Speaker, Mizoram cannot fulfill such conditions and we therefore received only ₹100.00 lakh (1st installment) from the expected ₹500.00 lakh.

2) Due to the delay of fund release:

(a) General Basic Grant/General Performance Grant (LAD): On 17.2.2014, the Finance Department send the utilization certificate of General Basic Grant fund of ₹1336.51 lakhs which was received in 2013-2014 and the other installment that we received on 25.3.2015 was ₹1336.52 lakhs. This other installment was received only after 1 year and a month from the submission of utilization certificate. So, when the fund received got delayed, there is no time for the state Govt. to thrust another installment and this also affects the release

of General Performance Grant.

- 3) **The Implementing Department faced problems:**
- (a) Forest Grants (Preservation & maintenance of forests): The 13th Finance report Para 12.47(i) states that all the forest grants can be released only after the Ministry approved at least 80% of the state's Finance forest working plan. Even though the Environment & Forest did their best, there are some who owned private Land Settlement Certificate and periodic data on reserved forest area. The Ministry cannot give approval if those LSC and Periodic data are not cancelled. So, this is why some Forest Working Plans are still not approved till today and these are the reason why forest grant are not fully received.
- (b) Improvement of Justice delivery System:
- (i) Mizoram does not have Heritage Court Buildings, morning/evening courts and court managers where the fund by the 13th Finance Commission is to be spent on. Moreover, the Guahati High Court finds it unnecessary to make morning/evening courts or holiday courts, Alternate Dispute Resolution Centre, organizing Mega Lok Adalats and making court manager post since Mizoram has less case pending.
- (ii) The Law & judicial Department cannot make use of their received fund for a long time and since it took 3 years for the approval of the High Court the Department cannot submit the utilization certificate on time.
- (iii) Except for the Training of Public Prosecutor, the Department cannot get involved without the authority of Gauhati High Court Aizawl Bench and Mizoram State Legal Services Authority. It takes a long time for these State holders approval and this is why the received fund cannot be completely used.
- (c) Incentive for Unique identification (UID): As per the 13th Finance Commission report, Para 12.71(iii), a condition was made. "All subsequent installments will be released on re-imburement basis as per the following procedure:-
- (i) The Unique Identification Authority of India will certify the number of persons from beneficiaries of NREGS, RSBY, PDS, old age pensioners and other welfare schemes of state and central Govt. who have been registered in a state and included in the Central ID Data Repository (CIDDR)
- (ii) The eligibility of state will be computed on basis of a grant of ₹100 for every UID issued from the state and included in the CIDDR

(iii) The amount paid earlier will be deducted from the entitlement so computed and the balance will be released as that tranche.

The bio-metric enrollment for UID was started in Mizoram only in 2013 and that is why ₹12 lakhs received in 2010 are not fully spent before the end of 2014-2015. Therefore, we cannot receive another installment.

- (d) Employee/Pension Database (Accounts & Treasuries): The 1st installment of ₹250 lakhs from the expected ₹500 lakhs was instantly released without any condition. But, as per the 13th Finance Commission report Para 12.110, a condition was made for receiving another installment. ‘The balance will be released after the States certify that it has created a database which provides at least the date mentioned in Annexe 12.15 and that this has been functionally integrated with the treasury on a transactional basis. The States should also confirm that they will be able to provide to the 14th Finance Commission projections for salary and pension expenditure based upon such a database’.

All the Departments under the Mizoram Govt. and Accountant General Office need to work together on the making of Employee/pension database. The Nodal Department Accounts & Treasuries was also in a delay to enter the database of employees and pensioners since there were several issues that cannot be easily cleared. So, it cannot use the received fund for a long time. Therefore, the database made by this Department cannot be used even when the 13th Finance Commission period was over (31.03.2015). We cannot receive other installments since we cannot achieve the conditions on time by the 13th Finance Commission

State’s Specific Needs:-

1. Emergencies: The Fire & Emergency Services Department made a proposal to construct a Fire Station at Bawngkawn Brigade area on 2012-2013. But, a proposal was made to change the residence at Kulikawn due to unavailability of the allotment. Then again, it was known that the allocated location at Kulikawn was within the area of Aizawl Master Plan Vision 2013 undevelopable zone. So, the high level monitoring committee meeting approved the construction of Fire Station at Kolasib according to the Department’s proposal on 15th Dec, 2014. Therefore, due to these emergencies, the received fund cannot be used for a very long time.

2. Technical Problems: The Ministry of Finance made a condition for operational guidelines for State’s Specific Grants of letter no.11 (2)/ 2010 FCD Dt.26.4.2011) “for projects involving construction, 10% of the grant will be withheld

and released on submission of a Completion Certificate (CC). States are requested to ensure that Completion Certificate (CC) are submitted well before March, 2015 so the final release can be made within the award period of FC XIII (2010-2015)".

So, the expected fund cannot be received fully because most of the construction works under the State's Specific Needs are unaccomplished.

3. Apart from these, there are often times when the Treasury Department cannot give funds to the Implementing Department due to the state Govt.'s financial crisis. This problem delay the works as well as causing the delay of submitting Utilization certificate. Thank you, Pu Speaker.

SPEAKER : Pu P.C. Zoram Sangliana begs leave of the House in written and he is granted. We will now move to Presentation of Reports and I request Pu Lalrinliana Sailo to present to the House, "The Second Report of Committee on Estimates relating to Public Works Department on construction of Bridge at Tupui 'D' (Darzokai).

PU LALRINLIANA SAILO: Thank you, Pu Speaker. We have quite active members of the Estimate Committee including Pu Dr. Ngurdingliana, Pu Vanlalzawma, Pu T. Sangkunga, Pu R. Vanlalvena, Pi Vanlallawmpuii Chawngthu and myself, as its Chairman. This Report is about the collapsed of Darzokai Bridge on the 13th Dec, 2014 where some lives were lost. The non-Mizo workers filed FIR against the Govt. of Mizoram and we chose this as our main subject since it is regarded as of important matter.

In this report, a typing mistake is seen at Pg-4. The collapse took place on the 13th Dec, 2014 and not in 2015 as written here. After a spot visiting, it is learned that the work order was of 19th Nov, 2012 and to be completed within a year. Despite the work order, the committee found that the work has been delayed immensely as we have opined the disaster as the result of negligence of the contractor. It is further believed that the PWD has not supervised the work appropriately as the Committee thus recommended a regular supervision in order to escape further accidents.

So, Pu Speaker, with your permission and of the House, I present to the House "The Second Report of Committee on Estimates relating to Public Works Department on Construction of Bridge at Tupui 'D' (Darzokai)". Thank you.

SPEAKER : Let the copy be distributed. And now, Pu T. Sangkunga to present to the House, “The First Report of Subject Committee-II relating to Environment & Forests Department on Mizoram State Pollution Control Board”.

PU T. SANGKUNGA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. The Subject Committee which was established on 24.3.2014 consists of members such as Pu P.C. Zoram Sangliana, Pu Nihar Kanti Chakma, Pu R.L. Pianmawia, Pu Vanlalawma and Pu Lalruatkima. Its main objective is to study the internal works of each concerned Departments. This report concerns the Pollution Control Board. Child labor is in practice in the wasteland of Tuirial and also at Tuibur manufacture at the bank of Lungli Lui, ITI. The strains from manufacturing Tuibur are absolutely polluted but cannot be stopped even though the ITI Local Council lodged a complaint to DC and the Pollution Control Board. The Local Council of Republic Veng also filed a complaint since it is unhealthy for the nearby High School students and also for the people living in the vicinity. Despite such complaint, the manufacturers refused to stop their business with the said manufacture. So, in order to keep Aizawl city and the surroundings healthy, we submit this report for necessary actions.

Pu Speaker, with your permission and of the House, I present “The First Report of Subject Committee-II relating to Mizoram State Pollution Control Board under Environment & Forests Department” on the table of the House. Thank you, Sir.

SPEAKER : Let the copies be distributed. We will now proceed to the Financial Business. We will discuss the Demands of our 3 Ministers and I request Pu Zodintluanga to move his Demand Nos. 22, 25 and 46, a total of ₹4,28,66,17,000 for discussion.

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, on the recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission, sir, I move the Demand Nos. 22, 25 and 46 for ₹4,28,66,17,000 only for meeting expenses during 2015-2016 in respect of the following Departments:-

Demand Nos.	Departments	Budget Amount
22	Sports & Youth Services	₹21,72,88,000.00
25	Public Health Engineering	₹1,96,24,87,000.00
46	Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation	₹2,10,68,42,000.00
TOTAL		₹4,28,66,17,000.00

Thank you, Sir.

SPEAKER : Next, Pu Lalrinmawia Ralte to move his Demand Nos. 28, 33, 36 and 37, a total of ₹1,46,60,88,000 for discussion.

PU LALRINMAWIA RALTE, MINISTER: Mr. Speaker Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission, I move the Demand Nos. 28, 33, 36 and 37 for ₹1,46,60,88,000 only for meeting expenses during 2015-2016 in respect of the following Departments:-

Demand Nos.	Departments	Budget Amount
28	Labor & Employment	₹19,39,22,000.00
33	Soil & Water Conservation	₹20,94,80,000.00
36	Environment & Forests	₹82,48,56,000.00
37	Co-Operation	₹23,78,30,000.00
TOTAL		₹1,46,60,88,000.00

Thank you, Sir.

SPEAKER : Pu C. Ngunlianchunga to move his Demand Nos. 18, 30 and 34, a total of ₹98,89,65,000 for discussion.

PU C. NGUNLIANCHUNGA, MINISTER: Mr. Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Mizoram and with your permission, Sir, I move the Demand Nos. 18, 30 and 34 for ₹98,89,65,000 only for meeting expenses during 2015-2016 in respect of the following Departments: -

Demand Nos.	Departments	Budget Amount
18	Printing & Stationery	₹15,69,38,000.00
30	Disaster Management & Rehabilitation	₹19,07,33,000.00
34	Animal Husbandry & Veterinary	₹64,12,94,000.00
TOTAL		₹98,89,65,000.00

Thank you, Sir.

SPEAKER : The Ministers had laid their respective Demands and we will proceed to the discussions. One member will be given 10 minutes as usual. Pu Thanliana.

PU LALTHANLIANA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. I find this budget quite difficult to understand. I would like to start with Demand No. 25, Public Health

Engineering Department.

May be due to the objective of economizing our financial management, it seems that we restrain ourselves a lot particularly with the budget allocation under O.E, O.C. and Other charges. Whereas during 2014-15, PHE department had barely ₹100 lakhs on revised estimate which is now increased at ₹344.88 lakhs for 2015-16; I questioned myself on how this fund allocation under Other charges will be utilized. Earlier, the Minister of Disaster Management & Rehabilitation Minister mentioned that ₹39 lakhs being allotted for water connections to Rehabilitation Centre at Ramhlun Sports Complex which certainly is appreciative. I request the Minister to expedite the work for numbers of persons have moved in as the demand for water is extremely high.

In regard to Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation Department, I find the amount allotted for capital asset is quite less.

Next is the Labor & Employment Department. We received Grant in aid of ₹125.9 lakhs on General non-salary budget estimate for this year and we also have the Annual Work Programme of ₹264 lakhs for Skilled Development Initiative Scheme Training Course under SDIS. I have no idea if these two provisions are the same or not because I have not seen in the demand for grants on our budget book where as the amount also differ.

Here, the Soil & Water Conservation Department has ₹3.61 crore for Rubber Plantation and it may be appreciated if the Minister explained as to whether this fund provision is for the department or for private farms assistance. I also believe that we have a good prospect of rubber plantation and more efforts should be given.

I would like to discuss about wages on Environment & Forests Department. Here, we had ₹781.03 lakhs from non-plan, plan and CSS on Actual in 2013-14 and ₹705.21 lakhs during 2014-2015; we now have ₹872 lakhs which is on Revised. In this connection, I request the hon. Minister to explain what is non-plan, plan and others. Anyway, the budget estimate of 2015-16 as a whole is quite less with only ₹389.76 lakhs on wages while ₹872.34 lakh was allotted in the previous year on revised estimate.

Coming now to Demand No. 18, Pu Dy. Speaker, we still have some

Departments which do not acquired stationery items from the Printing & Stationery Department. I opine it is meaningless for Stationery department to function unless any state department ordered it stationery requirements from Stationery department. As such, more efforts may be given in this regard.

Pu Dy. Speaker, initiative of the Disaster Management & Rehabilitation Department to minimize landslides at Ramhlun Sports Complex, Ramhlun Vengthar. Unfortunately, there is a crack at the ground once again and is much threatening for the people in the vicinity as some even left their homes and takes their refuge in some other places. So, it would be appreciated if the Department looks into this matter. At the same time, measures taken by the Govt. for landslide at Laipuitlang are truly appreciative.

Regarding the Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Department, it is appreciating to know that fund provision amounting to ₹3.47 crore is made for the project of Animal Feed Plants at Ramrikawn and proposal of the department to reduce the price of animal feeds. I support the Demands of our Ministers and, thank you, Pu Dy. Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : We all must feel to express our opinions as well as our appreciations to the Govt. or else. Next is, Pu R. Vanlalvena.

PU R. VANLALVENA : Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir. I would like to grab this opportunity before we have problems with the microphone again.

We are discussing the demands of hon. ministers, I will not take long. The hon. member Mr. Zawma has argued not to over-praise the works of our ministers, but their performance is praise-worthy, especially Sports & Youth Services Department. On seeing how much our youths have progressed in the stream over the years, especially footballers all over the state has made a handsome career; I am pleased on how the minister has planned and put up such tremendous work.

PHE Department has made great progress. It is important to know that with the growing population, it will never be possible to provide sufficient water as desire. My concern is the Water Storage System which is located at hilltops like Tuikhuahtlang and Laipuitlang. If earthquakes like that of Nepal were to shake our State, then our Water Storage System could be very hazardous, especially for hon.

Member, Pu Zawma who lives below the storage at Tuikhuahtlang. Therefore, it would be best to distribute water evenly so that the storage is not too full or occupied at all times. And even though our hon. minister had given thought to it, I feel that it could be more appropriate if we build the storage at lower levels to avoid such calamities.

One reason the Department of Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation is praiseworthy for is that, in the past years, the community tend to dispose their wastes in drains which piles up during the summer and once monsoon hits us, all these dirt and wastes crumbled all over our streets. Due to the actions taken by our hon. minister, even though all of these have not been erased, it could be said that 80% has disappeared. Among other issues, public health is utmost important. On 15th October, school students celebrated Global Hand Washing Day and were taught the proper way of washing hands. The Department of UD & PA, PHE, Soil, Environmental & Forest could all be stated as sharing the responsibility in helping us acquire a healthy lifestyle. The World Health Organisation has provided the average lifespan of a man over 179 countries in which India stood in the 141st position. While the average lifespan in countries like Korea and Spain is 82 years, it is only 66 years in India. All of these are related to cleanliness and if there is insufficient amount of water, it is hard to acquire cleanliness.

Looking at Aizawl city, it is evident that in order to be clean, water is a must. In order to have the desired amount of water, each family is required to have 3-4 connections. I request the hon. Minister to look into the matter. Almost every locality has its natural source of water. Wells can be constructed properly for these sources and maintained in PPP mode so that the community can have more water without the usage of water meter and make payment lesser.

Even though the Environment & Forest Department has made progress, the fast degradation of our forests has caused decrease in the amount of water as well. Forest Department should promote the importance of planting and saving trees. However, different YMA Branch members and community members both from urban and rural areas have claimed that deforestation needs to be controlled and prevented by the Department.

At the same time, I would like to request our hon. minister to consider the National Bamboo Mission Society, taken up by the department. It seems that we have

placed good machineries without usage at the outskirts of Lengpui. Can these machineries be put to use?

There is a fund allocation of ₹3 crore for Animal Feed, under Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Department. Last year, RKVY gave 150-200 good breed of chicken along with building aid for the coop. However, raising this particular breed proves unprofitable. 150 baby chicks consume 5 bags of food each month which causes ₹1850/- per bag; meaning ₹9,250/- per month. After a month, the growing chicks require a different kind of food which rises from ₹50/- per kg to ₹70/- per kg. And they now consume 9 bags per month which is worth ₹22,950/-. It takes about 9 months for the hens to lay eggs and by the time they do so, they have already lost ₹81,100/- even after the money they receive from selling the chicken and eggs have been deducted. This is due to the high cost of feed. Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I am sorry for exceeding allotted time; I support the demands of our three hon. ministers.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let us now call upon Dr. Ngurdingliana

DR. NGURDINGLIANA : Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, and let me waste no time before the microphone goes off.

Let me start with Sports & Youth Services. I have had the chance to represent Mizoram nationally as well as internationally by the grace of God, my parents as well as my superiors.

The hon. minister had stated about their progress, and I would like to stress on Sports & Youth Services. Mizo youth have different hobbies and interest ranging from athletic to painting, art and crafts etc. Since our society is bound to the church, the talent in music is growing immensely. But it may not always be appropriate to use the church instruments to explore their talents which could be of pop music or dance music etc. As I have mentioned in the past, not all of our youths afford to pursue their dreams in these areas. I would like to make a request for building a sound-proof auditorium with the latest musical instruments where our youths can pursue music at low cost, as we have given to other sports discipline.

Demand 25, Public Health Engineering Department, I am pleased with their progress. Last year, I had mentioned that the chemicals used in our water system needs to be revised as the burning sensation in the stomach, experienced by the

masses could be its effect. I am pleased to know that they had taken actions both in and outside Aizawl. It is also pleasant to know how the department has worked closely with the Forest Department in preservation of water. A few days ago, almost 300 members from PHE Rural Western Division and Forest Department from 12 villages in my constituency volunteered, and we plant trees at Chalfilh, ending the day with a feast. Whether it is US President or German Chancellor talking about global warming, I am glad to spread such awareness with PHE and Forest Department. Even though I am uncertain of the exact percentage, I believe Mizoram has the most forest area in North East; it is advisable to maintain the percentage.

I am also thankful to our hon. minister and PHE Department for providing water supply and sanitation at Khawruhlian, Daido and Phuaibuang during a work programme last week in my constituency.

Demand 46, Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation Department seems as parent department for Revenue, PWD, PHE, SIPMIU, P & E. This is because, as being Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation, it needs to check all these other departments. However, even though PHE and SIPMIU hold the same interest, they do not seem to work together, and the honourable minister and authorities should find a way to co-ordinate for productivity.

Exercising PPP Mode in the Solid Waste Management & Disposal is a good move. Piles of waste that we use to see lying in our streets on Sunday mornings are now scarce, but we should check the excessive usage of polythene in our city because metropolitan cities are now promoting the use of paper bags instead of plastic. We must find a way to do the same so as to reduce the level of pollution.

Demand No. 48, Labour & Employment Department, despite being a small department, it has helped the youth with career guidance and maintains a healthy statistic. The fact that they put up welfare schemes like Building and Other Construction Works to help disadvantaged villagers is praise-worthy.

I have already mentioned the progressive works of the Forest Department. By the grace of God and the authorities, I have been elected for two consecutive terms, during which I had never wrongly signed off a warrant to avoid the forest check-gate. This is because cutting even a single tree is a crime when it comes to global warming, it is pleasing to know how the department have taken serious measures.

Moving on to Printing & Stationeries, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, the department is taken up by the government; and as we have learnt in the beginning of the session, we, including the hon. minister, tend to purchase stationeries from private enterprises rather than the government. It would be advisable if the honourable minister and other departments purchase from Printing and stationery.

Coming to Demand No 30, Disaster Management and Rehabilitation, whether it is landslides or subsidence, the hon. minister visit the sites sincerely .He even accompanies me at my constituency Phullen and allot a fund of ₹50,000,00/- (Rupees Fifty Lakhs) only. The Chief Minister and the authorities had kept an appropriate person at the the right post and I hope he remain in the same post.

The hon. minister and Department of AH & Veterinary provided us sufficiently with dried pork and chicken, I would like to recommend for the reduction of supply as it causes a rise in my blood sugar level. With this, I support all the demands of the Ministers.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Before I call upon Mr. Zawma, the two hon. ministers had mentioned about fearing to have problems with the microphone. As we all know, we had uncalled technical problems yesterday and the Assembly takes full responsibility. However, I would like to point out that what the Assembly staff wants is the smooth functioning of the House. And to accomplish that, officers and staffs of Assembly had tried their best and worked till late at night for days before the Session starts.

What we want here is for the Opposition and Ruling to have uninterrupted proceedings without discrimination. The nature of the Session had always been complementary and I had often mentioned this during the Presiding Officers Meeting in other states. While we want to have a smooth and uninterrupted session, we apologize for the inconvenience. I now call upon Pu Zawma.

PU VANLALZAWMA : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, thank you. Deputy Speaker has apologised for the inconvenience and I would like to mention that Assembly is not to blame as it is beyond their control.

Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I would like to mention that the Lawipu Middle School in my constituency was destroyed by cyclone, which forced them to take

classes in one of the halls of the church. Since our honourable Education Minister has said that help would be given, I would like to take this chance to thank him because I wasn't able to do so yesterday.

And since the subject of "over praising face to face" is mentioned every now and then, I would like to say that I still stand on my opinion because this has become a problem even in our party. The people who talk behind our leaders are often the ones who praise and adore them face to face. Our House Leader is absent today, and I think that if we all received the amount of praise that he receives; we would all be falling for it. However, he is quiet mature about it and it is at times like this that we witness the meaning of having an experienced leader. It is okay to praise one's attributes face to face, but is not very Mizo to talk behind the backs of the people we had praised. We used to call this as 'in pawih fak' and this has a wrong influence in the political field.

Anyway, I support placing as many artificial turfs in playgrounds by the Sports and Youth Services Department because, whether it is in small villages or cities, this allows us to utilise the fields even in rainy seasons without any muddy consequences. And if we can make earnings from Rural Infrastructure, it could be a means for us to draw resources from the Central Government.

Secondly, I have talked about the Public Health Engineering Department a few days ago. There is a plan to build Water Storage System at Khatla hilltop and sanctions have already been initiated by SIPMIU and PHE. The pending of this work is affecting the community because there is only a single storage system at present which provides water to 2700 families. The sooner the construction is completed, then the community can receive sufficient amount of water supply.

I have also mentioned before that the smooth functioning of Rain Water Harvesting Scheme is very important for Mizoram. If such schemes were included during the planning of New Secretariat Complex, then we might have sufficient rain water without the need for PHE connections. What if this very Assembly had a rain harvesting scheme, then we might have our desired amount without relying on the PHE. We receive heavy amount of rainfall. The only problem is that we lack the place to store it.

Our fore-leaders had made a good parking plan and space at the Assembly

Annex; it could have been the same with Rain Water Harvesting Scheme. If I am not wrong, ten years ago, the Government of Chennai rejects any building without a Rain Water Harvesting Scheme. I think it was related to our hon. UD & PA Minister, and even the AMC. So, I would like to make a request to kindly consider this and take the necessary actions as soon as possible.

Regarding the Department of UD & PA, I feel the need to revise the way that power and responsibilities is exercised by the AMC. A few days ago, I attend the new COLFA Committee with our hon. MLA Mr. John Siamkunga. After much discussion, many government servants tend to work in the namesake. The UD & Pa, being autonomous, might find it hard to control this, but should over see it. One funny thing is that they are saying, "There is insufficiency of office workers". If they feel that their workload is too high, why won't they place some of the work in the hands of contractors rather than grabbing loads of departmental work?

If I am not mistaken, Soil & Water Conservation Department has been very important since the time of District Council. Their works can be seen in Aizawl and other areas; but still remain a small department till date. What could be the reason behind why such an essential department with much importance remain in the shadows of the other departments? Relating again to my constituency, I have laid questions about the Zawngkawt Micro Water Set Project at Maubawk in the Assembly Booklet but no answers were given. Apart from that, I would like to enquire more about this project and the Nghalchawm Micro Water Set Project at Mamit. My question was who took the charges of these projects? It seems that these projects are to be in the hands of the District but it is the Directorate who took the charge.

The Directorate's duty is to supervise on how the District exercises their power, but they still hold the charge even though the authorities have been informed to make the changes. The CS had given out the order on the 12th but nothing has still been done about it. I don't know what information our honourable Minister holds, but word from that constituency is that not much has been covered on the Zawngkawt Micro Water Set Project, even though the reports hold that the project is 80% completed. I would like the Honourable Minister to keep this in mind and give his answer later.

Regarding the Environment & Forest Department, I believe Mizoram don't

need to strictly follow all the rules and policies laid down by Central India. The rules are made on the basis of the degrading forests in the majority of the country, while Mizoram still has plenty of Forests and green areas even though much development is still needed. Developments like having separate agriculture linked road, Hydel projects are all related to forests. In spite of strictly following all the rules, we need to bend them without breaking them according to our situation and instead, focus on the 'development' part. This is very common in other countries. When third world countries like Brazil fought against the other developed countries on the deforestation of the Amazon Basin, their stand was acknowledged. Similarly, we cannot give forestation the major priority for our state to be more developed. Whether it's the hydel project or road construction, we need to bend the rules in ways which are most beneficial for our state's development without breaking them.

When it comes to the Co-operation Department, what I cannot understand about the Mizos is that we can easily establish NGO's and other Social Welfare Groups while we find it so hard to run a successful self-help groups that requires the cooperation of groups for the upliftment of one another. In the other states of India, running NGO'S as difficult because people don't appreciate the policy of 'working without pay' where as they are willing to work together when it comes to Co-operative Society. This could be because we don't give sufficient awareness and if this is the case, there are so many things that we can achieve for the community if we work together. I would like to advise the concerned Minister to look into this and concentrate in giving more awareness campaign.

Last but not the least, we use to receive silpaulin from the hon. minister of Disaster

Management but now we have to pay for it. It is not comfortable to ask for those in need to pay us back for the silpaulin we provide and even though we should be willing to sacrifice some for the betterment of our constituency, it would be great if the department look into this and do something about it at the level they can do best.

I have already spoken about the AH & Veterinary Department while we discuss the general demands. Subsidising Animal Feeds is very important as it can automatically helps in uplifting the rearing of animals and the materials required to do so. I know that overly stocking Feeds is unnecessary but it would make a huge difference if the prices are lowered. Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I had taken a lot of time

and the reason I had to speak out before the others is that I have another programme to attend in the evening and won't be able to sit here for long. I, therefore, request you to kindly understand. Thank You.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Since he is the Group Leader, he was given more time. Next, Mr. K. Sangthuama.

PU K. SANGTHUAMA : Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir. Our Sports Minister works very efficiently and I would like him to do that in my constituency as well, as the Luangmual Football Club from my constituency is one of the top teams of the state.

With the Public Health Engineering Department, my constituency is facing insufficiency of water supply. There are lots of pipes at Sairang but only few of the localities have house connections. I know the honourable Minister has worked hard in this area and fruitful results can be seen. But my constituency is still facing the problem of insufficient water supply. Not only Sairang, but PTC and Sakawrtuichhun are also facing the same problem. It will be great if water supply can be made as sufficient as Aizawl City.

As mentioned yesterday, ₹31,10,31,100/- was used within 5 years in the UD & PA Department. This was mostly well distributed among 19 wards. However, while some wards were given 1 billion, others were given 2 billion. It would be better if the distribution among these wards is made even more evenly. Looking into how we have spent this much amount within 5 years, I find the end results in Aizawl City to be below my expectation with not much of a development. Since the AMC takes charge of the majority of this, I would like to advise them to take their work more seriously. Also, one lakh times 3000 is a huge amount and if such worth of work was done in different localities and wards, developments should be seen here and there. These works are carried out either on tender and non-tender form and since the AMC holds all the money for beautifying our city, it would be more productive if our hon. Minister supervises them. That will be all for the Sports & Youth Services.

Within the Environment & Forest Department, there is Japan International Co-operative Agency at Bethlehem Vengthlang, under which ₹4,99,00,000/- was received for Rehabilitation, ₹30,00,000/- for Furniture and ₹36,00,000/- for technical and consultancy. A total of ₹5,65,00,000/- was received and the building has now been

completed. But till date, the building has not yet been opened and I think it should be opened soon because the workers are residing in unmaintained quarters.

And since the building is for training purposes, and has been built beautifully with good structures, it should be opened soon.

And from the ₹30,00,000/- for furniture and equipments, ₹16,00,000/- has already been released and they are holding this as an excuse. But, if furniture worth ₹16,00,000/- were bought, then there is no reason why the building cannot be opened now. We can always buy more furniture later especially when the building has been completed beautifully and I think it is worth being opened by our hon. Chief Minister.

Forest Department should also be careful when it comes to MR, because the Auditors are finding many issues such as using the same signatures for billing many MR's worth 30-40 lakhs. In this way, they can avoid many of the objections made by the auditors. And if we hire employees, they should be cautious on the grounds they hire them.

Another thing is, many of our forests are now destroyed. And even though planting new trees is carried out greatly, the number of trees that actually grow is very low. Therefore, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, in spite of increasing the number of trees that we plant, we should concentrate on caring for these newly planted trees and make sure they stay healthy and strong.

The trees that we've planted beside the Airfield in 1999 can still be seen because good after-care was given. Despite the fact that many trees are planted each year, only 10% survives the plantation. From now on, we should concentrate on the quality and not the quantity. Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I'm in the middle of my discussion so please let me continue.

Like they have mentioned earlier, the Animal & Husbandry Department should give importance to Animal Feeds. In order to produce quality farm animals at lower rates, Animal Feed making machine is initiated at my constituency. I thank the Honourable Minister for this and like one officer told me a few days back 'Our minister is by far, the best', I hope the machines and projects can be initiated and completed soon.

Regarding Silpaulin, our State is in great need of it and we cannot go against the policy as of now. However, like Mr. Zawma has said, we should be willing to spend if the government thinks its best, but if better arrangements can be made, then it would be great. *(Speaker: Please try to conclude now; it is almost 1:00 pm)*

Anyway, if the Soil & Water Department is responsible for planting Rubber and Betel Nut, they should work more efficiently. Rubber plants are easily cared for, and they become mature in 7-10 years. And Betel Nuts is also one of the plants that holds high production level in our country and I would like to request the Soil and Water Conservation Department to take the matter into their hands more effectively. Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : It is 1:00 pm now; we will have our lunch break and continue at 2:00 pm.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : We will now continue with our discussion. 5 members were able to participate in the morning, who will be next? Mr. R.L. Pianmawia.

R.L. PIANMAWIA : Thank you Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir. Let me briefly discuss the demands of our Honourable Ministers.

Demand No. 22, Sport Department has worked efficiently and I thank them on behalf of my constituency. However, it is hard to understand that the project to construct Sakawrdai field has not yet been completed even though it has already been retained.

Their massive work in sports category has challenged the youths outside Aizawl to compete on the same level as youths of Aizawl. But, the expenditure to travel to Aizawl for sport events including the food and accommodation can be very high. And to meet the expenditure, the Village Council often had to draw money from other sources like the '100 days labour' locally called 'Ni 100 Inhlawhna'. It would be great if our hon. Minister can come up with something to ease the major consequences of these villagers as he has already been willing to take the necessary steps of promoting sports. Also, I prefer the continuation of distributing Footballs and Volleyballs etc. in rural areas.

Demand No. 25, PHE has made huge efforts in my constituency to the point that there is insufficiency of workers, especially the J.E's, to carry out their work. It would be great if more workers were provided so that the developments can be carried out more effectively.

We have also proposed Composite Tuivawl Water Supply Scheme for both mine and Mr. Ngurdingliana's constituency. If this scheme is successful, water can be supplied to 15 villages from Khawruhlian to New Vervek, excluding Darlawn as Darlawn has a separate ongoing project. If this proposition is accepted and completed, I believe that the PHE will be grateful in the future because there will be no need to construct water supply system for these villages individually.

I am very thankful on knowing that developmental plans are to be initiated at Sawleng. In the mean time, it would be better if leakage problems of our water storage system are fixed at the earliest.

Demand No. 46, UD & PA permits us to see and have what is even unimaginable for us. But since Darlawn cannot be included under the Rural Development, I would like to request the Department to look into the construction of houses for the poor and less privileged people.

Demand No. 28, Labour & Employment was previously perceived as a means for registration only. But this was not the case. Due to our hon. Minister, many youths have been given training under Skill Development, helping them to make earnings for their livelihood. For registering the members of my constituency, I provided a vehicle to the skilled workers and they collected the necessary documents. The huge bundle of documents now lies at the Labour & Employment Office and it would mean a lot if the registrations are done at the earliest.

Demand No. 33, Soil & Water Conservation Department. Like the others have mentioned in the morning session, is overlooked by the other departments. In the previous session, we've learnt that the only work they have achieved in a single term was the production of 5 kgs of coffee. It is very good to hear that they are now working on the 'Rangva Project' and I wish them the best of luck.

Demand No. 36, Environment & Forest. Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, please understand me. In the previous years, senior workers who had worked till they

became bald in the forehead retire holding their posts, but now, I am grateful that the department has made promotions possible for those posts. I praise the Department and our hon. Minister for caring the wellbeing of their employees. There have also been developments in the Department Buildings and construction of roads. The Forest Department IB at Ratu lacks a kitchen and for this, cooking has to be done in the neighbouring kitchens. I would be very grateful if the authorities look into this and provides us with a kitchen.

The time ran out before I presented my questions on Demand No. 18, Printing & Stationery, but I still remember it. It was a shame that such a department of the government was not utilised especially by the concerned Minister's department. Proper use should have been made and it could have made earnings by printing calendars etc.

PU R.L. PIANMAWIA : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, there are many things that I am thankful for with Demand No. 30, especially with the debris clearance, which helps us solve many problems. And since there are many people in need of Silpaulin, I believe I am one of those who most often asked for it. But it has been a bit complicated as there is a price for it now. Can there be considerations made for rural areas because the rate of need in the city is lower and also because there is the DC for the city areas. It would be much easier if Silpaulins can be distributed without a price rather having to ask for it.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let us call upon Mr. K. Lalrinthanga.

PU K. LALRINTHANGA : Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir. Today, I have a few things to say about the demands of our ministers; I might not even require my whole time.

First of all, as our Minister has clarified the question in Demand No. 22, there seem to be lots of development. However, as the other members had said, no department work can be seen at Serlui Constituency. A sum of ₹5 lakhs was once given to N. Chhimluang, and another 5 lakhs to Vairengte last year. We had initiated grading lands for football fields but still remain incomplete. Almost all villages wants to have their own football fields but they don't have the land while for us, the land is available but we don't have the money to built one. Also, the permission for the construction of Indoor Stadium in an existing field at Vairengte was once passed and I

had even notified our hon. Minister at his office. It would mean a lot if these points are taken into account. That is all I can say about the Sports & Youth Services Department.

The Public Health Engineering Department has served as an instrument of blessing especially in my constituency. I am thankful that they have planned work programs at different locations such as Bukvannei, Saipum, Builum, Saiphai, Bilkhawthlir and Vairengte anticipating 100/100 success rate. The most important point to consider, however, is that people need to walk 4km to reach the water source at Thingthelh. Even though N. Hlimen is to supply water to Thingthelh, the amount of water pumped at N. Hlimen is insufficient to those residing at N. Hlimen, and so they cannot spare water to the neighbouring villages. In 2012, the department's SDO accompanying me at Thingthleh and they mark and plan projects on how water can be supplied to the area. The proposition was presented to this House and written reports along with the supporting photos were given to our Chief Minister, Speaker and the Ministers. Our hon. Minister also prioritizes it and order the department to make projects relating to this. But as time passes, nothing has been done. The dry season is approaching and the people will have to walk 4km under the heat to get water again. Pipes to supply water from N. Hlimen are still fixed and so, we need only the water pump. I do not think the pump alone will cause much and I have estimated it to be completed by 76 lakhs only. It will bring me pleasure if our hon. Minister can include this much amount in the budget.

The Department of Urban Development has established the most maintained work programs than all the other departments. Without a proper work program, the Department may not know what to do. I would like to congratulate our Honourable Minister in creating such a satisfying program. Bilkhawthlir, Vairengte and Rengtekawn have been proclaimed as urban areas. I would like to know if the department is planning to aid in the development of these areas.

In the emerging Food Security, beneficiaries has to be selected; 48% from Urban areas and 80% from Rural Areas. And since they are now proclaimed as urban areas, many of their benefits have been stripped from them. But if we don't aid them in their development, then they would face more issues than when they were rural.

We tend to perceive the Soil & Water Conservation Department as a small department. We are now promoting the plantation of rubber trees and it might have

been great if we had started planting those years ago. This department is currently under taken by the same Minister who is in charge of the Forest Department. If only the teak planters had known to plan rubber trees instead, then they might have been more profitable. Now the people of Mizoram are learning the goodness of planting rubber trees and I believe the department is supervising on some areas in rubber plantation as well as those of teak and budding. It will be better if they make their supervision more effectively so that the people can purchase the seedlings at lower prices.

Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, even though I still have a few things to say I will be concluding now. One thing regarding the Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Department is that rearing pigs is very productive in warm temperature, especially in areas like Vairengte and Buhchangphai. Plant locally called 'dawl' for the pig-feed is in abundance and 4/5 pig-farmers can get as much 'dawl' to last for a week in a day. Because pig-farming is very productive in these areas, whenever pigs are scarce in Aizawl, they would go to Bilkhawthlir, Vairengte and Buhchangphai. I hope our hon. Minister keeps in mind that this is worth making a big project. In conclusion, I support the demands of our ministers, thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Now Er. Lalrinawma

Er. LALRINAWMA : Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir. Starting with Demand No. 22, it was pleasant to hear the development in the infrastructures as mentioned in the morning session. At the same time, it is important to keep in mind how we supervise the people who are going to utilise it. Members have asked about the sports policy since last year and no answer has been given till date. Discussing a few of them, I believe that improvements in performances can be reinforced by increasing the cash incentives of our athletes. And it would be less complicated if this is included in the Budget beforehand.

Since most of our athletes are students, they need to perform both activities that can cause a decline in their academic performances. Suppose we add their sport activities in the form of marks in their academic results, it would make up for the education that they miss for sports.

Job incentive needs also be considered. Getting a job on the basis of being a sports person can be very complicated. The Police Department has a tendency to

favour sports person and that is good to know. And, if awards were made on yearly intervals, based on their performance during that year, I believe to see more improvement and better performances in the sports stream.

In Demand No. 22, Labour & Employment Department, the Government of Business, Allocation of Rules, 2004 cites that the department is responsible for fixing the Labour rate. Today, are they not responsible anymore because sometimes the YMA is fixing the rate? Labourers coming from outside Mizoram are also fixing their own rates and it seems the land owners are incapable of taking charge. This happens even on a daily basis and it would be beneficial for all of us if the department look into this and make the rates to be followed by everyone.

When it comes to Labour & Employment, we all follow the Contract for Central PWD from the Central PWD Manual which cites various rules to be followed by the employees as well as the employers. Inspection should be made if such rules are exercised in the employer-employee relationship. Even I had worked under a contract for 6 years for other people and such rules are hardly seen. However, inspectors from the Assistant Labour Commissioner Office, Guwahati, would sometimes come and inspect. At other times, the distribution of wages, performances of the employers etc are inspected within the department itself.

Demand No. 33, Soil & Water Conservation Department takes measures to prevent soil erosion. However, the materials that we use might be of low quality because many of the things that we construct such as Fibonacci structures can be seen to last only for a year or two. This is evident at Tuikual and it gets me to think that if we are not careful and cautious right from the moment we receive these materials, it could all lead to the failure or short term of these projects. According to our tender, the material supplies should be billed only after all the materials have been received. But a few weeks ago, the supply order was given out on 16.3.15, while payment was done through 12 cheques on 18.3.15. Another order was given out on 20.3.15 and payment was again done by 23.3.15 by 14 cheques, during which the time was too short to receive all the resources. We should therefore be careful on the materials that we receive. It is written here that the materials received are double zinc coated metal gabions. I would like to request our hon. Minister to inspect whether the materials are truly received as it has been reported. Otherwise, our work can be affected adversely by the usage of improper resources.

There is not much to say about the Demand No. 18, Printing & Stationery, except that we all should make use of it, especially the concerned department.

Through the Disaster Management & Rehabilitation, we had received silpaulin and I would like to thank them for that.

In Demand No 34, piglets have been mentioned. My constituency had also received 120 piglets and we are very grateful for that. The process in which we receive piglets is very productive as the farmers receive the money to buy the piglets and they purchase the piglet that they want from the place they want. This is more productive because if the piglets were imported from different areas, they are likely to bring in diseases and face problems with their health due to the different environment, and they are likely to die.

As I have already talked about Demand No. 46 last week, I won't repeat it today and I hope our hon. Minister understands that.

Demand No. 25, Public Health Engineering is very important and I thank them for working on water sources for Khawbel at my constituency. They are also constructing pumps at Tlungvel and I thank them for that. Apart from this, there are so many developments that still need to be done. As they are currently digging the roads at Thinglian, the present water pipes cannot be utilised and we have only on hand pump. As summer is approaching, water will soon be insufficient again and I would like to request the department to keep this in mind. And also, it would be great if they act on the plans that they made to fix the water lines at Phulmawi.

Jumping to Aizawl, I visited Mualpui a few days ago and there was no water connection at the southern part of Mualpui. Being an AMC area, it was not very appropriate how an AMC area within the city still exist without water supply and where they have to buy water from private providers.

I would also like to talk about how we exercise our water policy. With the increasing population, the need for water is rising each year and there has been speculation that our natural resources are declining. This could be true because a few months back, I visited my hometown. There is a place where bus drivers use to wash their vehicles on the roadside using natural sources, but now it was all dry and despite the fact that it was monsoon season, no water was available. If this is the case, what

will happen in 40/50 years time? Today we are converting some natural resources like catchment areas as farming areas and if we don't preserve the existing wells and other natural sources, we will soon face problems with water.

And our water supply pattern is, we have overflowing amount during monsoon and it becomes so scarce during the dry season. Let us discuss some of the Survey reports done by JICA concentrating on the Tlawng River. 6297 cubic meter of water flows at the Tlawng River during the months of June to September which is the monsoon season. During the dry season December to March, there is only 235 cubic meters, which means that there is a degradation of 96% between the two seasons. Due to this reason, we should find ways of conserving water during the monsoon season so that we won't have any problem when rainwater is scarce. It is now estimated at 70 litres required per person in the city and 40 litres per person in the villages. In this way, we should take careful cautions.

We should always check on whether our storage system are in a good shape and which system needs to be repaired, how much storage system available and the amount of water estimated for each person. If proper estimation is not done, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, our grandchildren will face the problem of insufficiency. And for this reason, it is a must for our government to have proper Water policy which includes how much we consume daily, supply to industries etc. we should work with the Village Councils and preserve the lakes and rivers which serve as an essential source for the community. I conclude by supporting all the demands. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Thank you for managing your time. Mr T. Sangkunga has raised his hand, but let me first call upon our lady member, Miss Vanlalawmpuii Chawngthu.

PI VANLALAWMPUII CHAWNGTHU : Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir. We all know that Demand No. 22, Sports Department has developed immensely. Due to the efficiency of our hon. Minister, there is an increase in the number of medals we receive as well as the development of halls, stadiums and the placement of artificial turf etc. And since the department is producing sports representatives of the state as well as the country, I feel that the budget should be increased for this department.

Our respected senior member Mr. K. Sangthuama has defined our hon.

Minister of Demand No. 25, PHE as very efficient and many developments can be seen in the department during this term. But as the dry season is approaching, water will be scarce again and for that, it would be great if our Honourable Minister come up with a means of distributing water more sufficiently. The water tank at Keitum within my constituency has been damaged for a long time now. And I myself had requested to get it repair many times. It would mean a lot if the tank is repaired as soon as possible because it is causing a hassle in the lives of the community. And it is very unpleasant to see the neighbouring women to sweet talk and prepare tea for the workers who distribute water and I feel that there should be no need to sweet talk any government servant to do their work properly.

I owe a lot to Demand No. 46, UD & PA for making the Biate Water Supply Scheme Project which is worth more than ₹1,40,00,000/-. I heard that the tender has been publicized as of now and I thank them for that.

In UD & PA, our hon. member Mr. K. Sangthuama has talked about the Municipal Council. There are many projects within Aizawl city and all of these projects are controlled by the Municipal Council. For those of us whose constituency is outside Aizawl, we have several small projects through which we can form jobs for our constituencies. But the ministers having their constituencies within the city lacks the opportunity to provide employment to their constituencies. I would like to speak on behalf of them if the Government can find ways of putting some of the projects in the hands of the ministers.

Demand No. 28, Labour & Employment has opened employment opportunities for our youths and as a youth myself, I thank the hon. Minister. I support their plan to open Coaching Centres and wouldn't mind if their budget is increased. As we can see that many jobs are born through the Youth Commission, I believe they need more money in order to continue providing employment and thus, they should be given more money.

Demand No. 36, Environment & Forest Department has built a new Forest Rest House and several staff quarters within my constituency and I thank them particularly for that, even though there are many other developments they have achieved throughout the state. I support the way they present Green Mizoram Day and how they spread awareness regarding the preservation of our forests and natural sources of water, and I believe they are worth continuing.

Within Demand No. 30, Disaster Management & Rehabilitation Department, there have been many tragedies due to landslides and hailstones. The department is praise-worthy on their ability to arrive early at this site and do their work. And as the other MLA has mentioned earlier, it will be great if Silpaulin can be provided free of cost by the department and the budget should also be increased for this purpose.

I need to thank Demand No. 34, Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Department. We are all familiar with the rearing of pigs, chicken and goats etc. 30000 piglets and more than 100000 chicks have already been distributed this year. This clearly shows that the poor are the VIP's of this Government. At the same time, what we need to understand is that when we distribute these piglets and chicks to the poor, they don't even have the money to buy the feeds. It would be even greater if they receive help with the purchase of feeds as well.

Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, today I support the demands of our hon. Ministers. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : You know how to manage your time, I was about to press the bell. Now let us call upon Mr T. Sangkunga.

PU T. SANGKUNGA : Thank you Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir. Yesterday, the microphones on your left side including mine were not working and I had to use the microphone on the right side which might make me look like belonging to the opposition. I am grateful today that the Assembly Officers have fitted a new microphone.

Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, starting with Demand No. 25, PHE; water is the most basic need for the humans and all living beings. I praise the PHE Department for providing us with water and I find no place within the state that does not rely on the PHE. Their works can be seen even in the most remote place. I use to ask for their projects and they have many projects worth 10 crore, and their technologies are also advancing in ways they project water from our rivers into the state and not just let them flow outwards.

For Aizawl alone, our hon. Minister come up with a new concept and call for a joint meeting with PHE and Power Department to discuss on how we can have continuous 24 hours supply. Saying that we should not rely only at Tlawng River,

they have established the Serlui and utilising gravity. They now have means of water in the plain areas without the need to pump it, and this can last for 5-6 months without using electricity which saves a lot of money. It is not always wise to follow the same policy and I praise our hon. Minister and the Department Officers in finding new ways.

Demand No. 22, Sports Department is very important. The promotion I undergo as Under Secretary, Deputy Secretary and Joint Secretary were within the Sport Department. I was shifted between different departments in-between and when the time comes for my promotion, I always end up with the Sport Department. Because of that, I am very familiar with their policies and I find their work praiseworthy. The central government is establishing many projects within which there is 52 projects called the USIS. We will not go deep as the honourable minister has already mentioned about it. I find it great that our state, the smallest state of the country receives 5 of these big projects, which is more compared to other states. Also, 5 projects from the 52 have been completed, out of which 3 was completed by the Mizoram Sports Council; others belong to Kashmir and Odisha. The remaining 2 projects are also almost completed and this reflects the efficiency of our honourable minister and the department officers. They fought for the projects and I've often proudly talked about the 100%, because if 10% were to be deposited, it would have been a huge sum.

The amount of medals they have received nationally and internationally within 4 years is 856, out of which 233 are gold medals. When I was in the sport department, we fixed a small amount as an award for our sports person which I believe they are still applying. With the increase in number of participants, I fear increasing the amount could be quiet a problem.

The rules of the Sports Council should also be revised. I remember the rules that we made which I myself had written with my own hands are still followed today. Like the post of the Sports Council Secretary should be for three years, which can be extended up to 6 years, and the qualification status should be BA. As more educated and trained youths are emerging, I feel the need to revise the qualification status with higher education status.

The service I joined and from which I have pensioned is the Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Department. I have already mentioned this and would like to

say it again. When the concerned minister was Mr. Nihar Kanti Chakma, we worked together with our officers in various areas and I use to say that he might be the best minister. If there was a need to travel to Delhi, he is always ready to travel immediately and never make an excuse or wait for the next day. I think I can say our joint forces with the officers laid the foundation of the Poly-clinic (Veterinary Referral Hospital). On the areas that we had history is now a success, like the 483 crore worth building has now been finished. A few days back, I met Mr. Nihar and let me notify our hon. Minister that we both would like to be invited on the opening.

It is estimated that each person is short of 149 eggs in Mizoram. And for that we use to suggest the department to work with the other states like Orissa and Andhra Pradesh because our government is not good for business. The transport department has also progressed after their vehicle services had been cut down. Similarly, our officers searched for partners. N.T. Rama Rao once said that they are going to face India with eggs, and now all the eggs imported in Mizoram are from Andhra Pradesh. If others can succeed by taking such measures, we can achieve the same, and we are grateful for working with Andhra Pradesh. We have initiated working with INDBRO at the Vety Complex near Tanhril to be processed in PPP mode, and I am grateful as they have almost completed it. The project is estimated to produce 250000 eggs and 250000 chicks within a year. The chickens have now started to lay eggs and I would like to congratulate our hon. Minister and his officers on their achievements. When I went to Mizoram University for Executive Council Committee, I saw how big the building was and I am grateful that the Feed making Machines are also almost completed.

Demand No. 30, Disaster is very essential for catastrophic events. The way they work and the speed of their work is praise-worthy. The need for silpaulin at the rural areas is high in demand as it is good for preserving ginger from being rotten, chillies against rain and for the farm houses as well. And for this reason I thank the hon. Deputy Speaker for distributing the silpaulin to all the members sitting at your left and right side without any discrimination.

Keeping in mind of the need for income generation, I truly appreciate taking ₹100/- per silpauline.

Under UD & PA, it is gratifying to know that an amount ₹44.10 crore has been sanctioned for water connection of Tlabung and ₹ 24.97 crore for Khawzawl.

On Demand No.28, Labour & Employment, it is appreciated that the department, in cooperation with YMA has given training to the youth such as, 910 Nos. - Cement work; 192 Nos. - Aluminum work; 50 Nos. - Glaze tile work. It is also pleasing to know that the skill training jointly conducted by LE, IT and MYC, 3,482 Nos. were trained out of which 2,050 Nos. have already been placed to different jobs. In response to my request to the Assam Rifles, Pre-recruitment Rally will be conducted in every Assam Rifles headquarters from January.

The hon. Chief Minister has also been requested to approach DoNER for funds for skill development under the Youth Commission; he has sent a DO letter for us and we are now expecting the said funds for trainings which will be conducted here in Mizoram. With Training Hall is now being arranged for skill development training in Aizawl. Apart from this, there is a plan to open IAS coaching at SIRD, Durtlang and a training centre for Staff Selection Committee Exams. We already have conducted 1450 trainings in different District Capitals and more in Aizawl. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Pu Lalrinliana Sailo.

PU LALRINLIANA SAILO: Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. To start with Demand No. 46, UD & PA, may I ask the concerned minister if there is possibility of widening the connecting road of Sikulpuikawn and Republic veng, I have also discussed with the nearby land owners as they have given their consent already. Under PHE, the water pump from Tuichang is not working properly and the main source of water for Vangtlang has dried up which bring much problem to the whole village. So, I request that this should be given immediate attention.

Under Sports Department, many youths who are willing to pursue various disciplines of sports are being dropped out as the selection is based on District-wise. So, I request that selection under sports development should be carried out evenly in rural areas.

Under Cooperation, initiative of the hon. Minister is truly appreciated. Yet, we still have petrol pump set-up with iron sheet roofing which I opine should immediately be upgraded.

Under Labour & Employment, the initiative of the hon. Minister is quite satisfactory. Yet, I would like to suggest upgrading the system of our working on

hourly basis which I think may improve the overall development of our youth.

Under Disaster Management & Rehabilitation, the concerned Minister, the Principal Secretary and the staffs makes a wonderful team in responding disaster and other natural calamities which frequented our habitats. If possible, I would like to know the detail of the DPR which has been submitted for Khawzawl. I will conclude my speech with my appreciation to the progress made by Printing & Stationery Department. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Pu T.T. Zothansanga.

PU T.T. ZOTHANSANGA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. To start with Demand No. 25 PHE, Champhai Greater Water Supply Scheme was started in 1999 on population base. 15 years have been passed and water supply remains insufficient. So, I request the hon. Minister to give important to plan for improvement of source distribution which has already been submitted.

I am also glad that an amount of ₹361 lakh is allotted for development of water supply of Kelkang village. It is also learned that a new project of Champhai water supply with Hindustan Prefab Limited as it contractor has been initiated; and if possible, I would like to have the copy of MoU to that effect. I also request that more water points should be placed since Champhai will host KTP conference. The SDO, PHE Khawbung remains functioning in a rented house; it will be appreciated if the said office building is constructed as soon as possible and I request our hon. Minister concerned to give attention in this regard. At the same time, a new reservoir is the immediate need of the people of Khatla, Maubawk, Bungkawn and Capital Complex since water supply received at present is less sufficient to feed the whole area.

On Demand No. 22, Sports, I thank the hon. Minister for providing us an Astro-turf at Champhai field and also for construction of Zotlang field. I again request that more fields for practicing may be constructed since practicing on Astro-turf field is not permitted. Pu Deputy Speaker, we have a Hockey Field at Champhai; yet, we need hostel to accommodate players coming from the surrounding areas. So, I request that hostel for boys and girls should be constructed in the premises. It may as well important for the concerned minister to consider construction of UDA & PA office at Champhai. Again, I express my gratitude to the hon. Minister for providing Pasteurizer and Milk packing machine and also for establishing RAH centre at

Hnahlan. It is also important to renovate Veterinary staff quarter at Rabung. Lastly, it is truly appreciated that DPR for Mithun project has been submitted to the Ministry of Overseas Affairs.

Pu Speaker, despite 106 Nos. of RAH Centre in Mizoram, 34 Nos. remains without VFA and I request such vacant posts may be filled up for the benefit of our domestic animals. Lastly, I would like to point out that the leaders of Zothei Huan deserve much credit for preservation of our forests despite the prevailing deforestation. I suggest they should be given priority for improvement of their activities. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Pu Chalrosanga Ralte.

PU CHALROSANGA RALTE : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. I will start with Demand No. 30, Disaster Management. The subject committee-I have a spot visit to the works of PWD and other Departments at Aizawl Armed Veng and the works looks like an impending disaster for the residents of Armed Veng. So, I request the site is surveyed once again and necessary steps be taken in this regard. Likewise, the foundation for construction of the Community Hall at Lunglei College veng is exposed due to landslide and the building is in a condition to collapse if it is recurred. So, I request this should be surveyed before any further damage happens.

Under Demand No. 28, I request that training for skill development is conducted in Lunglei as well. It will also be much appreciated if Buarpui is included within Lunglei District since it will solve the problem of the concerned areas in dealing with the official matters. I also request that AE, SDO of UD & PA should be posted at Lunglei to expedite dealing of the official works.

Regarding PHE Department, Lungphun Lui Project of Buarpui is placed at No.1 in the priority list; I request that the tempo of the work be increased.

Lastly, Demand No. 22, Sports & Youth Services, the plan fund for this year has been decreased by 50 lakh which will, no doubt affecting the promotional fund. So, I request the hon. Minister concerned as well as Finance Minister to bear this in mind and increase the funds in the coming year. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Pu John Siamkunga.

PU JOHN SIAMKUNGA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. To start from Sports & Youth Services, it is appreciated that the hon. Minister took initiatives in different parts our State with various sports disciplines and for promotion of sports like construction of playground, giving an opportunity to the youth to show their ability in a particular disciplines which encourage many youths to excel in their respective lines of discipline.

Under Demand No. 25, it is gratifying to know that out of the total of 719 villages recorded, only a few remain without water connection; the department has even earned ₹2,000/- lakh of Non-Tax Revenue. In this connection, I suggest the receipt of bill payment is computerized.

Municipal council was established in 2010 and we have amended many Acts concerning its Rules and Regulations which indicates improvements drive. A municipal will now be headed by a Mayor which will hopefully bring a better change and development in the administration and infrastructure of our city.

We have many of our youth hunting for a job outside Mizoram due to our lack of job opportunity where as there are number of outsiders coming in for the same reason. I believe the problem could be resolved to some extends if training of different trades are made available under Labour, Employment & Industrial Training as much as possible. So, I suggest capacity building trainings should be conducted often and that rules should be made regarding their wages whether one is working under a company or private. Likewise, topics like conduct of employees etc. relating to each line of work should be emphasized.

Regarding, NLUP, I am anxious to know the success rate and the progress of different trades relating to Demand No. 33, 34 and 36 as all the trades of NLUP are under these departments. It may as well be appreciated if the House is informed as to how the line departments look after each trade and the status of each beneficiary. It is important that we should know the success rate as well as the failure rate of various trades opted by the beneficiaries.

On Disaster Management & Rehabilitation Department, mock drill had often been conducted which truly is informative and will definitely be practical in times of crisis. I hope it will be conducted more often as we face disaster far beyond our comprehension.

Pu Speaker, it is important to know that Cooperation is the key to development for our State; I suggest we should encourage cooperative society. We should also know that MULCO is the result of cooperation; I suggest we should give more attentions to the resources we have and work for its development. With that, I will conclude by saying I give my full support in passing this Bill. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Pu K.S. Thanga.

PU K.S. THANGA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. We will not be able to cover all the departments so will concentrate only on few important points.

On Demand No. 22, Sports & Youth Services Department, an immense of progress is seen across the state; I think we should regard grass turf equipment and multi-sports centre a must in every district. On the other hands, we should give important to Aizawl city in terms of development infrastructure, equipments and others for it is where our goal leads us all at the end. We usually obtain fund provisions as state quota from Sports Ministry. In this regard, I suggest that we may hire consultancy firms to seek more fund provisions from the central ministry in order to achieve more progresses in the field of sports.

PHE, being a major department, it is placed under the charge of an efficient Minister who also takes the charge of Sports and UD & PA department. We have applied funds from DoNER for construction of water pump at Aibawk, Sateek and Phulpui, I believe the 2nd Installments had also been received. I request the hon. Minister to give more concerns of our problem so that water pump project is completed before dry season.

On Demand No. 46, UD & PA, I would like to inform the House that AMC Ward No.19 needs a stable sports infrastructure like we have in Aizawl centre and we are anxiously waiting for it. In the previous term, there was a proposal to establish a Satellite Township at Hualngo - Muallungthu but no initiative is made till today. I request the hon. Minister to look into the plan once again.

Under Labour & Employment, it is gratifying to know all the developments the department has achieved and at the same time, there are many who are not aware of the importance of Cess; I suggest awareness campaign should be given more often on this topic. Pu Speaker, I also suggest that Youth Commission and the Sports &

Youth Services should collaborate in order to promote, encourage and instill skill development in many spheres.

Pu Speaker, regarding sending-off our youth outside for job opportunity, I believe it is essential to give awareness regarding the problem of human trafficking and also the needs of thorough training on skill developments.

Regarding DM & R, I wonder the mock drill we have been introduced would be applicable for the earthquake with a magnitude of 6/7 Richter scale. So, I suggest we should start from the way we construct our buildings and for better traffic management in case of emergency.

Under NLUP, many have chosen domesticating animals for their trade but in order to be successful, our animals should be healthy. Since we are in short of enough VFA to take care of the health of such animals, I suggest priority should be given for recruitment of more staffs under AH & Veterinary department so as to bring NLUP a successful programme.

Regarding Environment & Forest Department, we should give more attentions to afforestation. I also suggest that priority should be given to promotion of tourism in our state for we are blessed with a favorable natural environment and climate which will attracts number of visitors. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Dr. K. Beichhua.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. On Demand No. 22, Sports & Youth Services, it is seen that an immense progress has been achieved in the field of sports and its infrastructure. I am also glad to know that there is a plan to lay artificial turfs at Saiha and Lawngtlai playground. At the same time, I would like to inform the hon. Minister that we also have many hidden treasures in the field of Sports within my constituency.

On Demand No. 25, PHE, I request our hon. Minister to give attention to the renewal & augmentation of Saiha and Lawngtlai Greater Water supply, and also water supply of Tuipang. It is planned for inauguration on the 15th of March but till now it remain incomplete despite huge amount of expenditure for the projects. I suggest that more attentions should be given to this concern.

The initiatives taken by UD & PA are of much important but sometimes the concerned MLA's are not well informed about the ongoing progress in our respective constituency. So, I suggest that the concerned MLA should be given responsibility in the implementation and monitoring works within his constituency.

SPEAKER : It is 4:00 pm already, but we will continue with our discussion. K. Dr. Beichhua may continue with his speech.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA : Pu Speaker, On Demand No.36, Environment & Forest Department, I think it is important to give attention to maintenance of trees we have planted and forest reservation. On Demand No. 30, Disaster Management, it is important to provide more equipment to the department. At the same time, I thank the hon. Minister for his hard work and also for providing aids to the people without discrimination and regardless of the party they are supporting. I am glad that he has set an example to other ministers.

On Demand No.18, it is necessary to all state departments to place stationery indent to Printing & Stationery Department to generate more revenues for our State. Regarding Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Department, I opine it is time for the state to achieve self-sufficiency in meat and eggs productions for we have numbers of experts and doctors concerning animal's health. I suggest the hon. Minister to make a challenge that two years from now we should at least be able to supply chicks for poultry farming. I thank the concerned Minister for providing good breed piglets without partiality.

Under Soil & Water Conservation Department, we already have RO at Saiha and I request the hon. Minister to post SDO as well. I also think it is important to motivate our youths by giving them training so that they able to compete in the Central Services examination instead of concentrating only within the State Civil Service. At the same time, we should also improve any co-operative work to develop and our economic status. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Pu H. Zothangliana.

PU ZOTHANGLIANA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. From our budget and work programmes, it is clear that we should take precaution measures in utilizing our budget funds since we longer have a separate Plan Funds head. On Demand No. 18, it

is important to know that all the departments should acquire their indents from Printing & Stationery to generate more revenues for the State Government. Regarding Labor & Employment, we do not have an Employment Exchange Office at Lawngtlai which also is a District capital. So, I request it is established so as to generate a good source of income for the government and also for the benefit of the people of Lai Autonomous District. Regarding recruitment of 192 Nos. of MR as criticized by the opposition members, I want to clarify that such recruited MR employees should be terminated and re-employed, they are not newly recruited employees as claimed.

On Demand No. 37, it is gratifying to know that an amount of ₹222 lakhs is sanctioned for Grant In Aid in respect of the Cooperative Society Lunglei, Aizawl and Saiha. Under AH & Veterinary Department, I thank the hon. Minister for providing domestic animals to our beneficiaries under NLUP. At the same time, I urge the Finance department to give its consent for filling up the vacant post of 40 Nos. VFA for their service is essential for maintenance of animals under NLUP. Pu Speaker, financial aid for goats rearing has already been given to Lawngtlai District; when will Saiha District be given the same?

PU H. ZOTHANGLIANA : In regard to UD & PA, Demand No. 46, housing projects were undertaken for RAY and EWS (Economically Weaker Section) especially on major towns in the previous years. However, we have not received such project at Lawngtlai even though RAY is being undertaken in various districts. I request the minister to look into this matter as we also need the same.

Next is the Environment & Forests. Most of the incomes mobilizing projects under this department are of CSS and thus important for the concerned Minister to see any project is successful. It is also necessary for the government to carefully look after trees planted under afforestation programme otherwise the common effort made by all the departments will be in vain.

Regarding DM & R, Demand No. 30, it is appreciating that our Minister provides silpaulins and other equipments for our safety. In this connection, Pu Speaker, a big hole is found at the bottom layer of Lawngtlai Central YLA playground and a landslip at the western side of Sangau playground and we immediately need preventive measure. At the same, I sincerely express my appreciation to the Minister for providing grass turf materials to Lawngtlai playground.

Next is the PHE. We have heard about Greater Lawngtlai Water Supply Scheme and Augmentation of the same project at Saiha. While this the case, it is regretted that fund provision for Bualpui-Lungzarhtum Combined Water Supply Scheme and Sangau Phase-II Water Supply Scheme pumping are not included; I request the Minister to give important to such projects as well for they remains uncompleted. Thank you, Pu Speaker.

SPEAKER : Pu Z.S. Zuala.

Lt. Col. Z.S. ZUALA : Pu Speaker, I would like to start with PHE. I am deeply concerned for the constituency of Pu Rinawma as the works on Chhingchhip Water Supply Scheme and Sainik School Water Supply Scheme as shown here are 60% and 50% respectively. It would be appreciated if our Minister reacts to this matter. The reason for increase of landslides within Aizawl in my opinion is improper planning of our link drains. So, it is necessary for us to have a master plan link drains so that we may be able to evade such kinds of disaster.

In regard to Sports & Youth Services, we have won numbers of medal and trophy and at the national level thanks to the efforts of able Minister who provides us with good infrastructures. While various developments is seen my constituency, we do not have well-equipped basketball court and we have a couple of convenient sites for that. I earnestly request the minister to take a note of our needs.

Next is UD&PA. Mission Veng bazaar is undertaken with the help of our Trade & Commerce Minister, Chief Minister and Officers and that road will be the most important road in Aizawl South Bazaar. There are buildings that block the road and it would be appreciated if the buildings are bought.

Regarding Labor & Employment, the ITI locality has greatly benefitted sport equipments provided to ITI centre such as a volleyball court in the premise as we are allowed to use it whenever we please. Besides, it is truly appreciative for the local people for being able to use the same for selling groceries especially on Saturday. Knowing this opportunity and also for development of the locality, the local people in turn, willingly contributes their valuable land for construction of retaining wall and for widening of roads in the premises.

Rubber is certainly a well-known item in Soil & water Conservation. I believe

the plantation takes an area with abundant supply of water. So, it would be appreciated if the department taken up careful selection of such plantation by means of survey and research and not by planting it in any land available.

In regard to Environment & Forests, Pu Speaker, we cut down our trees once and now we are planning to plant more which certainly is improper practice as it takes time and many efforts. I opine we should prioritize its preservation instead of wasting large amount of funds for planting a new. At the same time, I am also much concerned about the plague of Serow since we owned it as a state animal. Likewise, our state flower also takes a lot of time to grow and so is difficult for planting. So, I opine we should choose another of more popular one for the state emblem. We have Dampa Tiger Sanctuary which I opine may be used for other purposes by changing its name for it is obviously of resourceful earning revenue for us; it will be much appreciated if concerned Minister as well as the officials determined the case.

It is regretted that the Printing & Stationery Department hardly received indent supply order from major departments.

I opine it is a wise decision that the Disaster Management has now charges ₹100 per Silpaulin. I thank the department for providing equipments to the Adventure Club for disaster management of Kulikawn and Mission Veng which certainly will be much benefitted.

The Animal Husbandry makes a lot of improvement and I hope there is a progress on hatchery also.

Lastly, I opine it is not a good idea to import piglets or chicken etc. from outside but in the stead, we should find a way to provide such needs by developing our own productions within our state.

I support the Demands of our Ministers and, thank you, Pu Speaker.

SPEAKER : Pu Lalrobiaka

PU LALROBIAKA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. Pi Vanlalawmpuii Chawngthu asked me to mention the demand of Veterinary Doctor in her constituency and I request the hon. Minister to note it down.

I would like to start with Demand No. 34, Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Department. The Department is quite important as it concern our health as we make a lot of progress due to their efforts. It is appreciative that turkeys and rabbits are made available from the department and that we will soon be having animal feeds processing.

Next is the Disaster Management in which many people depend in times of disaster. I appreciate the hon. Minister as well as the officials in their relentless efforts to culminate the situation of any incident. Many have suggested more trainings and awareness campaign for any disaster. Yet, I believe such knowledge which has been imparted to the people so far will have its time of application in the long run.

Moving on to Printing & Stationery, I find it improper that the department itself did not move up to the guidelines. There was a proposal to establish Printing Institute in the previous term and I would like to know how far it goes. We import excellent machineries from Germany but I believe we do use as it should be. So, I request the hon. Minister to look into this system.

It is known to us that soil and environment links together. In regard to Forests, the Parliamentary Secretary had earlier mentioned about Dampa Tiger and we should all believe the words of our experts that there is a tiger in the area. We generate many employments by making forest reservation; this will further help us in having a good forests. At the same time, it may be noted by the members that fund provision for preservation of tigers is among which is not delinked; even if we do not see the tiger in person, let us all believe that sometimes there is a trace to be seen.

In regard to Soil, we need to know that we help the farmers and the people as we achieved our projects. Not only on Soils, we make projects and receive funds from the Central; but, I am afraid there are some officials in the department who deliberately trying to gain personal benefit from it; we should see that any financial assistance is received only by the actual selected beneficiary. The politicians & Govt. servants exist due to the people; we need to know our mutual responsibility and work accordingly not to cause any problem.

Though improvement is seen with Co-operation Department, we are in short of cooperative sense of mind. From my visit to South Korea, I have witnessed that there is a good cooperation between Govt. and the farmers as the Govt. hardly

interfere in the business of the farmers and vice versa. We therefore have many things to learn from them and it is important for our Govt. to give awareness in this regard.

We have ITI under Labor & Employment Department and I was wondering if our subject meets up with our needs. We still include Radio Technician as one of the subjects but there is hardly any radio for repair as it is an outdated material. It would be more appropriate if computer and mobile repairing are included; we need to adapt ourselves according to our environment.

With the hon. Minister of Our Sports & Youth Services, we have implemented 'Catch them young' policy which is followed by "Vision, 2016" as both produces quite a remarkable outcome.

A lot of improvements are seen in my constituency thanks to the effort of PHE as the students are now able to attend school freely due to adequate supply of water which further promotes their educations to a great extent. At the same time, I would like to apologize to the hon. Minister for my statement on W. Phaileng Water Supply Scheme which was purely of my ignorance and it would be much appreciated if the work is expedited. I inform the House that we have been making so much improvement on W. Phaileng Water Supply Scheme due to his efforts and I am truly thankful for it. So, I support the Demands of our 3 Ministers. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Pu Lalruatkima.

PU LALRUATKIMA : We have the Demands of 3 Ministers for discussion and let me start with Demand Demand No. 22, Sports & Youth Services.

Since NCC, NSS, Youths adventure Wings and Bharat Scouts & Guides are all a part of this department, I request the hon. Minister and his department to give importance to each of them. We make a lot of improvement on Sports and we need quality sport materials no matter how much it costs. So, it is important for the Purchase Advisory Board to maintain the quality control.

Pu Speaker, funds provision for Tuikual field which has been under construction of RD is discontinued and is diverted for mustards plantation. The hon. is requested to give important to this concern and for renovation of Joint YMA field of Aizawl West.

In regard to Demand No. 25, PHE, the Govt. launched Total Sanitation to accelerate sanitation coverage. Cleanliness is a part of development and we need to make more efforts.

Apart from this, we are blessed with sufficient amount of rainfalls and we need to put more efforts on rain water harvesting scheme.

Next is the Demand No. 46. The name JNNURM is now changed to AMRUT and we asked for the majority of the incoming projects. We resurfaced the Aizawl roads with black topping which is found to be excessively thick. I believe more areas may be covered if such thickness is reduced.

Pu Speaker, I asked myself who is the owner of today's starred Question No. 209 which has been converted to un-starred as No. 109, I insists if the concerned MLA verified the case. Not only this, answer to my un-starred Question No. 21 and 22 for UD & PA have not been furnished till today and may be given importance.

NERUDP, Solid waste management project and SIPMIU are in full swing within Aizawl as we need to improve ourselves in cleanliness. UD & PA undertakes AMC and we need to enforce a strong law on how we construct our buildings.

In reply to my starred Question No. 47 dated the 23rd March of our 5th Session, the hon. Minister of Sports & Youth Service Department informed the House that NEC project for construction of Hnahthial Electric YMA Branch Field was cancelled. He also mentioned that he had the cancellation order from NEC. May the Minister show me that Order as I haven't receive my copy as yet till date and 7 months has passes already.

Next is Demand No. 28, Labour & Employment. We have the answer on un-starred Question No. 53 that 8 Departments have taken measures on skill development. If that is the case, I opine we need to have a separate department of Skill Development to obtain more progresses as the same already being set up in the Central where as it is a problem for each concerned departments to maintain cooperation with each other which impedes our progress to a large extent. With 150 MoC being allotted to the Skill Development, I opine it is necessary to make use of the proposal made by the National Policy for Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, 2015. Apart from this, we also need awareness for utilization of buildings and other construction workers Cell in the constituency level.

Pu Speaker, in regard to Demand No. 33, Soil & water Conservation Department, intensive measures have been taken on plantation of rubbers, brooms and coffee. As we receive large amount of provision from NLUP and RKVY, and we need to determine the prospect of its marketing beforehand. The Govt. should also see if uniformity is maintained in the collection of revenue from brooms under NLUP.

Next is the Demand No.36, Environment & Forests. I have once mentioned about my concern on the plague of our State animal, Serow and we need to make more efforts on Preservation of Wild Life.

A local newspaper has written about an MR employee of the National awardee as being terminated from his service and, also of bamboo mahal and royalty not being collected; I opine the department should look into such cases. If it is a fact, the Govt. is losing large amount of revenue in the system.

Next is Demand No.37, Co-Operation. The main function of the Co-operation movement is to improve our state economic and we have no such awareness. The Economic & Statistic Record shows that we have 1,443 Nos. Society with 10 of the state level. Even though most of such societies are found to be successful, there are drawbacks in certain Societies of the state level which I believe is due to lack of awareness.

Lastly, Demand No.30, Disaster Management & Rehabilitation Department, we received a lot of funds from NDRF and the 14th also gives us importance. Silpaulin is our best and only equipment for prevention of landslide and we need to modernize ourselves; we need to have awareness on how to construct our houses and where to dispose waste materials etc. While this is the case, it is appreciating to learn that our Minister has provided us roofing materials and silpaulins and above all, landslide victims in my constituency were compensated.

The Veterinary Department has a lot of fund under NLUP and RKVY but the productions on the contrary, are quite less and we are not able to maintain self-sufficiency as yet. We spent ₹22,12,77,000 during 2011-14 for supply of piglets and chickens but it does not help in reducing the price of meats. So, we need to put more efforts for more productions so as to raise our economy and GSDP.

Constructions improve our GSDP as we take up many civil works. In order to

uphold our state, we should not be satisfied only with the distribution but we need to put more efforts so that any projects are benefitted. Our ministers, leaders and the officials are responsible to develop our state for self-sufficiency. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Pu Joseph Lalhimpuia.

PU JOSEPH LALHIMPUIA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. I, at the outset would like to express my appreciation to the steps taken by the hon. Minister of Sports & Youth Services Department. It is also appreciating that there is a plan to set up NCC Bn. at Lunglei.

5 years ago, the hon. Chief Minister, through the Lunglei High Power Committee provided us with funds for construction of playground at Electric and Ramthar Veng of my constituency but the work is on hold till today. It would be appreciated if our Minister helps us continue the works.

In regard to Demand No.25, 33 and 36, we all know that water is the essential need, as various developments are seen in Aizawl and Lunglei. I further request the Minister to determine purchase of more advanced machineries as the existing capacity is obviously less sufficient to serve the increasing demands of water especially in times of dry season. At the same time, it is time for the Govt. to emphasize on riverine forest reservation which happened to be the main sources of our river waters; and, cooperation of our NGOs such as YMA may be obtained on such operation. Otherwise, there will be no water for pumping if such sources dried out.

We have in our state numbers of riverine and forest being reserved but not the rivers or streams which remains without its ownership. Such lack of ownership leaves our rivers to dry out any time for lack of sources of water. In fact, it is of utmost important for the Govt. and the people to concern for this problem. For example, Tlawng, the longest river in our states is drying due to devastation of forest around Zobawk which happened to be the head source. It is therefore necessary for the Govt. to take intensive measures to preserve Tlawng River.

In regard to Worker cess of Demand No. 28, Labor & Employment Department, the Govt. obviously has enough funds but there are still many skill workers who have not yet register themselves. Anyone should know that registration with just ₹25/- provides insurance in the case of accident. So, we need to have more

awareness in order to have more registered skill workers.

Lastly, Demand No. 34, Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Department; we have seen measures taken by the department such as Training Centre at Lungpuizawl of my constituency and the amount allotted for the work indicates the government is making all efforts to make achievement as much as possible. So, I support the Demands of our Ministers. Thank you.

SPEAKER : So, far, 21 members participated in the discussion. I now call upon Pu Zodintluanga, hon. Minister to wind up the discussion and to move the House to pass his Demands.

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, I would like to express my gratitude to each member for their valuable participation in the discussion of my Demands. My departments such as UD & PA, PHE and Sports & Youth Services are inter-connected and I will try to explain the problems faced by the members in their respective constituencies.

In regard to Demand No.25, PHE, I feel obligated that 21 members shared their opinions. Firstly, as mentioned by Pu Lalthanliana, the department also gives importance to water connection of Ramhlun Sports Complex water and the details including the workers are finalized. The OE and OC are meant for maintenance of INC, CE, SE and several Divisions but we could not give the exact amount details.

In response to Pu Vanlalvena, the Department also gives importance to leakage of the main tanky of Tuikhuahtlang and Laipuitlang. The engineers are looked into this problem but could not locate the exact spot as yet. The problem is that we have to regularly supply to the reservoir of each Division as soon as water is pumped up into the main tanky so as not to create problem of water supply. So far, no problem is seen in the process and there is nothing unsafe for the people. It is true when Pu R. Vanlalvena has pointed that we do not have enough supply of water. The Department tries its best to provide supply of safe drinking water to the people by working day and night.

Supply of drinking water concerns the departments such as UD & PA, SIPMIU and PHE as tender has now been released for changing of the old pipelines so as to provide sufficient amount of drinking water in the constituency of Pu K.

Sangthuama. It must be noted by the House that at least 36 hrs is needed to fully stock the demand of consumers at Seventh Day Tlang; and, in order to resolve the problem, there is a plan for changing of the old pipeline with larger one which may be completed within this dry season. Hopefully, we will then be able to stock the supply within 3 hrs. Likewise, tender have also been floated for Luangmual and Tanhril.

Recently we have concluded an agreement at N. Delhi with the Asian Development Bank, Urban Development, Finance Department and the Govt. of India which concern provision for 24 hrs water supply for Aizawl. Regarding the demand for Chawlhmun, it will be covered by the plan for replacement of new pipeline. Tender has also been released for water pumping project of Setlak Lui of Tlawng to Aizawl, Luangmual and Laipuitlang. We will then be able to receive 24 hrs water supplies as soon as it is completed.

In reply to the question of Pu Vanlalzawma regarding reservoir at Khatla Tlang, this point covers Khatla, Khatla 'S', Khatla 'E', Bungkawn, Nursery, Maubawk, Bungkawn Vengthar, Lawipu and Secretariat Complex and is known to the department that 7.5 ltrs is no longer enough. So, land owned by PWD will soon be used for setting up a reservoir as concerned officials are pursuing the case.

One fellow member emphasized the need of Rain Water Harvesting Scheme and that each family should have their own tanky for storage of rainwater with awareness to alleviate problem of the department which usually take excessive amount of diesel and electric power consumption for pumping water. In reply to the question of Pu K. Sangthuama, connection may be given to Sairang anytime, Pu Speaker.

In reply to the question of Pu R.L. Pianmawia, the estimate for Composite Tuivawl Water Supply Scheme is in process as we have been searching for the funding source. The cost estimate is ₹78.77 crore for it concern 14 villages. It has now been submitted to the Planning Department and will be decided as to under which programme such as NLCPR or NEC it will be taken up.

Regarding Thingthelh as mentioned by Pu K. Lalrinthanga, it is planned to be covered under the new proposal of NRDW of 2015-2016. But the central authority insisted that we used the fund which we received this year only for the on-going projects and the sanctioning committee therefore is unable to include the work in

question as yet. As soon as the on-going projects are completed, priority may be given in this regard.

In reply to the question of Er. Lalrinawma, the department is often concern about lack of coordination between concerned officials which necessarily affected rural roads in the process of laying of pipeline. While this is the case, the concerned Minister of P & E truly deserves credit for his valuable coordination in the process of Aizawl water supply as we are now able to receive supply of water on regular basis.

In the same manner, I opine it is important for PWD to have a good cooperation as well. If notification for road project is given beforehand, PHE will be able to clear any problem on the way or delay any departmental work for the time being. It is unfortunate that PHE pipelines need repair every time construction of road is in process.

The Mizoram Water Policy is drafted and is examined by the Mizoram Water Resource Management Committee including the Chief Minister. It is prepared as per recommendation of the committee and the work is carried out expeditiously. Regarding Mualpui Tanky as questioned by Er. Lalrinawma, it covers Trench-I and Trench-II of SIPMIU and more connections will be given when Trench-III is made available.

As mentioned by Pi Vanlalawmpuii, Keitum water tanky is quite old and its capacity becoming less with increasing demand. Hence, its improvement is in the process under NRW programme.

As questioned by Pu Lalrinliana Sailo, there is a proposal to set up water pump for Khawhai as MoU is signed with Hindustan Prefed and Ministry of Urban Development is being approached for funding source. **(PU LALRINLIANA SAILO:** Pu Speaker, locally known Mathusela water pipe has now become old and the tanky severely damage. I earnestly request concerned Minister to consider the replacement for it may cause some diseases.) Pu Speaker, Mathusela water pipe is not mentioned before but the department will look into this.

In response to Pu T.T. Zothansanga, MoU is signed with Hindustan Prefed for improvement of Champhai water supply system as PWD is being requested housing for the Sub-Division Office. Apart from this, we are anxiously waiting for PWD

completed PHE staff quarter at Mamit.

In reply to the question of Pu Chalrosanga regarding Buarpui Water Supply Scheme, we are now waiting for the decision of NEC for DPR which has already been submitted.

Pu John Siamkunga claimed that payment receipts as not being computerized and I appreciate for his concern. Pu Speaker, it is subjected to issue computerized receipt as step is being taken for the process. Since our payment system is quite complex, the department is ready to introduce online payment system as soon as Finance Department give permission to open bank account for this purpose.

In regard to Aibawk water supply as pointed out by Pu K.S. Thanga, we are working on it.

Coming to Dr. K. Beichhua's statement in regard to Lawngtlai, Saiha and Tuipang, it was scheduled to be commissioned by the 15th March, but due to unforeseen climate, the machine was damaged by rain; and, as for Saiha, we face difficulty with laying of pipes, as the hon. member himself will be aware of the situation.

The answer to Pu H. Zothangliana's question is; we are waiting for the last instalment and as soon as we receive, it shall be commissioned.

As for Chhingchhip water supply mentioned by hon. Member, Pu Z.S. Zuala, it has already been given; and for Sainik School, proposal has been submitted to NLCPR as we are now waiting for the sanction.

Pu Lalruatkima, hon. member mentioned about cleanliness; Pu Speaker, rules and regulations has been laid down by Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation in regard to filtering litters. For completion of the said rules, AMC have been authorised.

Er. LALRINAWMA : If hon. Minister could clarify in regard to hand pump.

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, we will look into that matter.

PU T.T. ZOTHANSANGA : If the hon. Minister could kindly react in regard to the extension of water supply.

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, I did not react it because the officers have taken note of what the hon. member have mentioned; and that, it needs discussion with the officers if fund is available.

Coming to Demand No. 22, Sports & Youth Services Department, 20 members spoke about the department. First of all, I am grateful that vision of the opposition leaders and the Govt's plan go hand in hand.

In the constituency of the hon. Member, Pu K. Sangthuama, we have opened Zotlang Sports Complex, Basketball Court, Tennis Court and Cricket Stadium recently. Now, there is ongoing project at Phunchawng as well. The question asked by Er. Rinawma; we are waiting for the national sport policy in regard to incentive cash award.

Pu Speaker, I am grateful that 20 members spoke about Sports department and had given their appreciation. I just want to highlight that NEC have retained Multi Indoor Stadium for Sihphir as steps have been taken to prepare the DPR and also for Zauva Memorial Tennis Court at Lunglei for ₹500 lakh. Further, Sports Office-cum-recreation centre for ₹1,276 lakh have also been retained as DPR will soon be submitted soon. Pu Speaker, just a day before, we also received notification for retention of Vaivakawn field.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, what about the permission for diversion of YMA field, Hnahthial Electric veng?

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: This is the order of cancellation; should I give it to him after this session, Pu Speaker?

PU LALRUATKIMA : I am asking the permission for diversion.

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, Hnahthial has not been diverted.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, I am talking about permission of

diversion. The hon. Minister stated that he has the permission with him and that he may hand it over to me; however, the hon. Deputy Speaker who was at the chair requested to do so after the Session.

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, I have it with me, I will look into it.

Coming to UD & PA, Demand No. 46, Pu Speaker, 189 members spoke about this department and most of them showed their appreciation for the performance of the department; I am thankful for that.

Hon. member Dr. Ngurdingliana spoke about polythene and hon. member Pu R. Vanlavena spoke about wells. These are steps which will be taken up by AMC. Most of members spoke on the same subject. What I would like to request hon. members is that we should use AMC Ward meetings to discuss issues arising within our constituencies and gives our advice where ever required as the Govt. is not aware of their internal functioning.

In regard to the question of hon. member Pu R.L. Pianmawia, House building under ISSDP has stopped but new scheme which is 'Housing for All' in undertaken for those notified towns. It is unfortunate that Lawngtlai was not declared as town while this scheme is taken up as mentioned by hon. Member, Pu H. Zothangliana.

Regarding point mentioned by the hon. member Pu Lalrinliana, proposal has already been submitted to consultative committee.

Coming to what hon. member Pu K.S. Thanga has mentioned, Master Plan has been approved by State Govt but we are waiting for fund sanction for physical implementation.

I want to remind hon. member Col. Z.S. Zuala that I took note of what he has mentioned.

Pu Speaker, I want to apologise on behalf of the department to hon. member Pu Lalruatkima for the mistake which has been made. It is pleasing to note that hon. members have cautiously gone through the sitting proceedings.

Pu Speaker, I now request this august House to pass the following demands: -

Demand Nos.	Departments	Budget Amount
Demand No. 22	Sports & Youth Services	₹21,72,88,000
Demand No. 25	Public Health Engineering	₹1,96,24,87,000
Demand No. 46	Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation	₹2,10,68,42,000
	Total	₹4,28,66,17,000

SPEAKER : Before we proceed, this is an appreciation to the step taken by the hon. Minister of Sports & Youth Services for construction of Sports building in the constituency of the hon. Dy. Speaker with the estimate amount of more than 1,000 lakh. I request if the same is done within my constituency as well.

Alright; now, those who agree to pass the following Demands No. 22, 25 and 26 the total amounting to ₹4,28,66,17,000 may say, 'agree' and those who don't may say, 'nay'. The 'yes' have it. The House has unanimously passed the Demands of the hon. Minister for Sports & Youth Services etc.

PU ZODINTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, thank you.

SPEAKER : Let us now call the hon. Minister, Pu Lalrinawma to wind up his demand and seek the permission of the House to pass it.

PU LALRINMAWIA RALTE, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, thank you. I am grateful that the hon. members spoke about various demands under concerned departments. The senior Ministers before me reacted only to some important points and I have to follow the same due to limit of time. I will start with Labour & Employment Department.

15 members have participated in the discussion of the demand of Labour & Employment Department as some spoke about Labour Welfare Fund and the others of the Building & Other Construction Welfare Scheme registration. Pu Speaker, we have entrusted awareness campaign to Labour Welfare Board, NTUM, SITUM and FOMTU since, they are the organisations of labours. We are grateful that even NGO's organised awareness programme for our concern.

Hon. Member, Pu R. Vanlalvena stressed the need to review the course of ITI

and I support his opinion. I have visited the institution and came to learn that the subject taught are out dated and is no longer applicable with the present stage we are in. Since Labour Ministry too is aware of the situation, there is a proposal to set up one model ITI in each state according to the trade required; ITI Aizawl is proposed for this as preparation is now in full swing.

Hon. Member, Pu Chalrosanga Ralte mentioned about Skills Development Training. Pu Speaker, at present, the Govt. is taking initiative to organize it at Saiha, Lunglei and Aizawl ITI in cooperation with Labour Welfare Fund.

Hon. Member from Aizawl West asked if there is a provision to use labour welfare funds for the said project. There is a provision in the rules that it can be utilised for development of skills. In fact, 20% of the fund has to be utilised for development of skills. It may be noted that all the three ITI's I have mentioned are registered Vocational Training Provider.

The hon. Member from Tuikum Constituency, Er Lalrinawma has mentioned about daily wages regulation. If I am not mistaken, there is no fixation of daily wages. However, Labour & Employment fix minimum wages which is unskilled - ₹220/-, semi-skilled - ₹250/-, skilled-II - ₹310/- and skilled grade-I - ₹380/-.

Er. LALRINAWMA : As per the Govt. of Mizoram (Allocation of Business) Rules 2014, Labour & Employment, Industrial Training Department No. 3, there is labour rate and that is my reason for asking the question.

PU LALRINMAWIA RALTE, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, this is the rate we have fixed; and, we cannot take full control of private labours.

As present, sub-committee is reviewing the rates, once it is done; we will submit its recommendation to the Govt. and notification will then be issued.

As for some contractors not paying their labourers well, so far, there are only two cases that have been submitted as inquiry is in process.

The hon. member from Tuichang, Pu Lalrinliana Sailo raised question in regard to hourly base wages. This is in the hands of Minimum Wage Advisory Committee and State Level Committee on Minimum Wages. I want to remind the

hon. member that it is an ongoing proposal.

The hon. member from Aizawl South-III, Pu K.S. Thanga stated that precautionary measure should be taken to avoid human trafficking issue while sending out the youth out of the state for employment. Pu Speaker, it is true, we have heard of it. Thus, for the North-Eastern State, SDIS scheme was introduced by the Ministry of Labour & Employment. But as of now, we are facing problem since the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship have sprung up while amalgamate with different ministry. Therefore, we cannot function as fast as we want to.

The hon. member Pu Lalthanliana is not present at the moment; anyway, I will state what we have mentioned that ₹264 lakh is the sanction received from Ministry of Labour & Employment under SDIS.

Moving on, only 2 members spoke about Co-operation; hon. members Pu John Siamkunga and Pu Lalrinliana Sailo mentioned that we do not realised that Co-operation is the key factor for development. We have made a proposal that, whenever there is meeting with Co-operation related, awareness campaign has to be given.

Soil & Water Conservation Department, 13 members spoke about the department. Pu Speaker, we all have the same concern that reserving of forest at the area of water source. I want to ensure that it is also the aim of the department to move in this direction.

Pu Speaker, in regard to Soil & Water Conservation Department, it is true what hon. Member, Pu Vanlalzawma has mentioned. There is 35% vacant post in the department. The department is, in fact, getting smaller, it is difficult to describe. In regard to Zawngkawt and Nghalchawm, administration approval was taken but at Directorate level, there was different opinion, thus, we have reached the present situation. I will not speak much about it, as investigation is going on.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA, MINISTER: The hon. Minister did not react in regard to computer at RO and Sub-Division Office.

PU LALRINMAWIA RALTE, MINISTER: We will look into the matter, I give assurance.

Pu Speaker, 16 members spoke about Forest & Environment Department. Hon. member Pu K. Sangthuama mentioned about JICA building; I want to assure that with whatever fund available, it will be completed as soon as possible.

Hon. Members from Aizawl South-II and Dampa mentioned about Dampa Tiger Reserve. The hon. Member from Dampa is very active in regard to reserving the area, he personally reports to the office if he had seen smoked meat. From what the hon. members mentioned, it seems that the officials are among the ones who destroy the reserve area. Pu Speaker, if the hon. members are aware of such acts, I request them to kindly report to PCCF/CCF or to the Minister.

Tigers DNA sample are taken from their foot print, urine and stool. Pu Speaker, from the DNA test, there are four to five tigers in the reserved forest. As per bio-diversity, Damparengpui Reserved is rich. Research persons often come here for their research. Thus, in today's time, the value of the reserve is very high, therefore, is no question of destroying the reserve.

The hon. member Pu R.L. Pianmawia mentioned about Ratu IB without kitchen; we will look into the matter immediately.

There are several cases like the one mentioned by hon. Member, Pu Chalrosanga Ralte, we will discuss with the officials; I will note down carefully. In fact, it is among the ongoing proposal.

It is true what hon. Member Dr. K. Beichhua mentioned about plantation at Saiha. It is the most successful road site plantation in Mizoram; it is beautiful. We have often give instruction that the quality of plantation should come first before quantity.

The hon. member Pu K.S. Thanga mentioned that it is time we change our concept. That is exactly what we are doing at present, even the people have to accept the process. Pu Speaker, I will not react to all members since there is no time. However, I will answer to hon. member Pu Lalthanliana question in regard to decreased in wages.

Pu Speaker, since we have not received approval from the Finance Commission to re-employ contract based staff, 270 staff have been terminated from

the 31st March.

Er. LALRINAWMA : Pu Speaker, point of clarification. The hon. Minister did not react to my question that 'If Labour & Employment Department may survey the condition of labours at their work place' to see if they have received the provision given by the Govt. to labourers.

PU LALRINMAWIA RALTE, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, it is ongoing proposal of the Deptt. to make inspection of factories rules, 'Industrial Dispute Act'. We are expecting to implement these rules very soon.

Pu Speaker, I know I have taken up time, but there is one more point I would like to mention. Lately, we have been worried with the sudden of dead Serows. There are several reports that have come in, but only 16 cases have been confirmed by the Deptt. There are cases where we receive report but once the official reached the spot, the dead body of Serow is not found. Pu Speaker, the Veterinary & Micro Biology Laboratory at Selesih has issued a notice that it is goat pox virus that causes dead of Serows. However, what i would like to state is, unless virus isolation is done, a full prove vaccination cannot be given; virus isolation takes three to four weeks. Pu Speaker, I would like to request the people to search information about goat pox on internet and I also remind the people not to say it is not harmful.

Pu Speaker, I may not have reacted to the desire of hon. members, but I have taken quite some time. I now request this august House to pass the following demands: –

Demand Nos.	Departments	Budget Amount
Demand No. 28	Labour & Employment	₹19,39,22,000
Demand No. 33	Soil & Water Conservation	₹20,94,80,000
Demand No. 36	Environment & Forest	₹82,48,56,000
Demand No. 37	Co-operation	₹23,78,30,000
	Total	₹1,46,60,88,000

Thank you.

SPEAKER : Now, hon. Minister Pu Lalrinmawia Ralte has requested the House to pass his Demand such as: -

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All in favour to pass, say, 'yes' and those who don't, say, 'nay'. The House has unanimously passed the Demands of the hon. Minister.

PU LALRINMAWIA RALTE, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, thank you.

SPEAKER : We still have one Minister left. Let us call hon. Minister Pu C. Ngunlianchunga to wind up his demands and seek the permission of the House to pass his demands.

PU C. NGUNLIANCHUNGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, thank you for giving me the time. I will not take long. Since, there is nothing much to react, I thank the hon. members for their appreciation.

Let me start with Printing & Stationery. The hon. Member, Pu Lalthanliana asked if the department is functioning at a loss or profit and, the reason of AH & Veterinary Department for not acquiring stationery items from the Govt. I assure my department will follow the instruction from now on. It may be noted that the departmentally published booklet called, "Ran vulh tute i duh ber thlang rawh le" happened to be one of the largest copies printed by the Govt. Press; I hope that other departments will follow the suit.

The question as to whether the department is functioning at a loss or a profit, it is the government which fixed our target and I am happy to inform the House that my department, though a small department is able to make a surplus revenue during the year 2014-2015 and it is hopeful that we will again exceed our target for 2015-2016. Regarding setting up of the Printing Institute at Chawnpui, we already received technical clearance and we are hoping to receive the fund as soon as fund is made available at Urban Development Ministry.

Question raised by the member regarding the use of German machineries, we have that plan since 2016 and we are now using it in Govt. Press. It will be commissioned in the near future.

9 members discussed about Printing & Stationery department and they all have the same claim that AH & Veterinary department did not purchased stationery items from Printing & Stationery. As mentioned earlier, it may be done onwards.

Little achievement is seen in the Printing & Stationery like purchase of Roland Web Offset Press under NLCPR which is being installed at Luangmual in 2012. However, due to some technical problems, it was not functioning for a long time. In August, 2015, we have done a trial running and negotiation is made with Synod for printing of letter head notepad and Newsletters. Approach has been made to the President of the Mizoram Journalist Association to make use of our machine as we are now able to print private newspapers. So, today, I would like to inform this august House as well as the hon. Education Minister and Finance Minister that our machine is good enough to print MBSE Text Books. As per the request, my department will take up printing of school textbooks from 2016 as preparation for the allotted work is now in full-swing. Hopefully, the department will then be able to work for the benefit of the Govt. of Mizoram. Last year, we made a profit of ₹10,22,826/- from printing SCERT Text Book and ₹1,02,000/- from printing Mizoram Calendar.

As the second achievement of the department, we have a successful trial running of Perfect Binder Machine which is under NLCPR Project on 16.9.2015. Now, we are able to process book-binding of different size and thickness. Thirdly, in January, 2016, it is expected that Heldenburgh SM74 Colour Printer be set up. The Structural Engineer from PWD had even made spot verification for its foundation as drawing of the project is in process and will be submitted to Heldenburgh official as soon as it is ready. If it is approved, then we can start construction of the foundation. Besides, four of our technicians will be given one month training by the Heldenburgh at Delhi to monitor our machineries which may be in November.

Besides, Guideline on Regulation of Approved Stationery Supplier is drafted and being forwarded for vetted by the Law Department. The draft concerns definite guidelines on Stationery Suppliers. In addition, as suggested by the government, we are trying to run our current Stationery Depot which is 'no profit, no losses' into a business mode. For this purpose we finished CST Registration which in return the

department may sell our items through the local Stationery Suppliers.

Thirdly, as pointed out in last year's session, there are number of old stock items in our stationery depot like typing papers, carbon and heater etc. With permission of the government, we may able to dispose them off on auction instead of write-off. From this, we may be recovering certain amounts of our expenditure. Despite the recommendation of the hon. Chief Minister to all concern departments for indenting any stationery items from our Stationery Depot, there are many departments who have not followed such recommendation till date. After this Session, we will have a meeting with head of the departments to discuss about this problem.

On Disaster Management & Rehabilitation Deptt., I am glad that many have participated in the discussion. Regarding land fissure in Ramhlun Sports Complex area, as pointed out Pu Lalthanliana, we have a working pattern in this case. There is a District Disaster Management Committee under which we have Zonal Officers who are in-charge of various areas. In case any situation arises, a report may be submitted and we will look into the matter.

It is appreciated that certain members have spoken in praise of my department which I opine we do not deserve. Regarding distribution of Silpauline, there is a positive and negative approach regarding charging on the item being issued. So, SDMA, under the chairmanship of the hon. Chief Minister on 4.6.2018 decided the item should be issued on price. It is thankful that we are able to submit revenue of ₹20 lakh out of this item. Some members have even criticized this matter in our general discussion also as some give their supports, the others objected. However, it seems that silpauline is now much valued since it is issued on price.

Step has also been taken under DM & R department. While some members mentioned of important subjects, some busy on a petty matter. Regarding the incident near CYLA Playground and Sangau Vengthar, our Engineers have verified on the spot but the report is yet to be submitted; it seems that it is not included in the on-going work scheduled. Pu Speaker, some members mentioned regarding the need to give training on disaster combat. In Mizoram, we have 8 Armed Forces out of which 7 are given training under State Disaster Response Force) for 13 times. Thus, we have 724 Nos. who had completed the training course. As known to us all, our armed forces had played an active role in a recent landslide of Laipuitlang which claimed many live. The department is now having numbers of advanced equipment thanks to

the effort of our leaders. In any disaster, the first responders are always the NGO's and the immediate citizen. Therefore, we are giving one day training to 700 volunteers from various localities. Besides, training is given to 108 volunteers twice in different districts especially to disaster prone villages and, one month training at PTC to both male and female members of YMA.

The National School Safety programme has also been held under the National Disaster Management Authority in 200 selected schools within Aizawl and Serchhip District and, a retrofit programme at JL High School, Aizawl. Teachers are also given training in order to monitor their respective students in any disaster where as students are participated in mock-drill to show as to how first-aid etc. is given. We have number of private schools in Mizoram and some of which are located in the area which is unsafe for the students. So, in order to do verify the condition of such schools, joint inspection team has taken necessary steps so as to provide safety for the school students.

We are now having a new Dy. Director (Training) and Asst. Director (Training) which we have often demanded. I thank the hon. Chief Minister for his initiative as we are now able to organize training as needed. As I already said, we contribute revenue of ₹20 lakh since collection of ₹100/- per silpaulin and are utilized for clearing the debris of the recent landslide and also for precaution measure for another landslide etc. It may be noted by the members that SDRF fund could not be utilized for control and medication as we wish but only on any incident of the disaster. We can only use them after disaster occur. Thus, it is proposed in the SDMA meeting that at least ₹10 crore may be set aside for SDMF.

PU LALRUATKIMA : Pu Speaker, I do not criticize purchase of silpaulin but in addition, I opine it is wise to make provisions for purchase roofing materials for prevent measure. At the same time, effort may be made for improvement of our drainage system for most of the factors of the disaster in our state are of manmade. Thus, Pu Speaker, is it possible to give awareness campaign to the public before face another disaster?

PU NGUNLIANCHUNGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, roofing materials had also been purchased for only silpaulin in some cases did not serve the purpose. However, we cannot afford to buy as much as requirements due to shortage of funds. As already said, the guidelines clearly pointed out that fund provisions under SDRF

should not be used for preventive measure but only when disaster struck. The department may provide roofing materials of 4 bundles to each family whose household being destroyed by the disaster. In such case, verification of the concerned Zonal Officer and his report thereby is necessitated prior to issue of such relief materials. It is also seen in the SDRF guideline, means to provide relief funds to totally damaged house and we provide it to different Districts as much as we can. Likewise, a project had also been made for clearance of disaster site of Champhai. The hon. Member, Pu K. Sangthuama criticized the idea of side drain at Hunthar Veng sinking area as useless. I have visited the area with the Principal Secretary and we both felt drainage to be of an urgent need so as to divert drain waters flowing into this area. We therefore opine drilling of the surface of this area will prevent soils in the area from continuous soaked.

As the case of Rangvamual, it is imperative that we provide fund provision. Many a time mostly in rainy season, we have been attacked by natural calamity which destroyed our households and even our graveyards like in Chaltlang Lily Veng, Ramhlun Vengthar, Venglai and Republic Veng. It is regretted that the department is unable to provide fund for construction of retaining wall for safety measure. However, we determined an alternative source for clearing the debris of landslide affected areas and for restoring some graves and tombstones. The hon. member from Khawzawl constituency has pointed out their problem on road communication due to landslip which frequented our roads especially in rainy season. We have a spot verification with concerned MLA, engineer and other officers, a project amounting to ₹11.45 crore is being submitted to the Central; we also provided ₹40 lakh to Champhai and Serchhip.

We have numbers of project being submitted to the Central where as many of them are of manmade as in Rangvamual for which ₹4.91 crore is proposed, ₹51 crore for Hunthar, ₹8.12 for Ngopa, ₹7.57 crore for Champhai, ₹9.3 crore for Mamit, ₹11.45 crore for Khawzawl and ₹10.73 crore for Armed Veng. Mock drill has also been conducted by the State District Disaster Management of the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) at Champhai and was attended by Pu Shivaji Singh, Senior Consultant for NDMA. He also reported to the Govt. of Mizoram that the NDMA need a place for headquarter at Aizawl. The SDMA meeting in 4.7.2015 approved CTI Sesawng for NDRF Headquarter-cum-Training Centre and training can be given here from now on.

As already pointed out, the SDMA, in its meeting on 4.7.2015 approved fund provision of ₹10 crore for State Disaster Medication Fund. If it is approved, we can make many progresses.

On AH & Veterinary, 18 members participated in the discussion and is much appreciated as most of them pointed out their concern for fodders. Under RKVY, ₹50,000/- is provided to each family to start their livelihood on poultry farm; we hope that this will suffice their needs. Regarding purchase of locally produced piglets, as mentioned by Er. Lalrinawma, it is our concern as well. When PRRS pervaded our State, we were compelled to kill numbers of female pig which result in scarcity of piglet due to miscarriage. Now that it is over as many pig farmers under NLUP reported that they are able to produce piglet once again.

Pu T.T. Zothansanga mentioned about the deteriorating condition of RAH Centre at Rabung and their shortage of VFA. At an instant, I cannot give assurance at as to whether to renovate the RAH Centre. Yet, a project under ESVHD Programme for construction of RAH Centre and Dispensary has been prepared.

To answer the question of Pu John Siamkunga of the success rate of NLUP in its development, I must say that AH & Veterinary is one of the most successful departments with NLUP. Milk production under MULCO was once given on free sale for producing more than the demand indicating we are self-sufficient in dairy product. At the same time, we are also making a remarkable progress in producing beef, pork and chicken as one no longer need to keep a queue to buy meats, thanks to the success of RKVY and NLUP. I daresay my department is among the firsts to reap the success of NLUP.

Pu K.S. Thanga has pointed regarding VFA and insufficiency of staff. Pu Speaker, out of the total sanction post of 172, 138 have been filled-up and 34 lies vacant. Despite shortage of VFA, larger portion of NLUP beneficiary opted trades under AH & Veterinary. So, the hon. Chief Minister gives his best to help us in any way possible and encourage us to put up file for filling up such vacant posts on temporary basis.

Dr. K. Beichhua mentioned regarding our demand for eggs and how we can become self sufficient. We are now working with Mizoram Poultry Society for farming female fowls at Ramrikawn; we hope to produce more eggs in the future.

Concentration has now been given to female fowls which can produce more eggs and hatch easily.

As already mentioned, we are under staff not only on VFA but Doctor and other staff as well. We have 119 sanction posts of doctor in which 111 were filled up and another 8 lies vacant. On Grade IV, we have 267 sanction posts and out of this, 64 posts remain vacant. Many of our RAH Centres and Dispensaries are functioning without having VFA and enough Grade IV staff. As per the demand from the public, step has been taken to fill up such posts.

There is a speculation that the imported goats are spreading the disease which killed numbers of Serows within our state. This is wrong as the department did not import any goat from any source; yet, there is a plan to do so as our doctors have taken spot verification as an agreement being signed with Livestock Corporation of Assam. We have signed mutual agreement that the goats be delivered to us and will be distributed to the selected 118 beneficiaries.

The hon. member Lt. Col. Z.S. Zuala has criticized the quality of imported animals. However, our experts opine the system of lime breeding is not safe as it is too close while breeding with other animals and so may be placed further. Thus, their conclusion is breeding with animals from other countries.

As Pu Robiaka extended his appreciation to the department, the lone lady member demanded doctor for Vanlaiphai; we have now posted a doctor at the aforesaid place.

Pu Ruatkima mentioned about the funds we received from RKVY and NLUP; I would like to inform the House that it is well executed. In this connection, it may be noted that the department of AH & Veterinary contributes most for the success of NLUP as we are able to achieve self-sufficiency in meats and dairy products within 4 years.

Pu Speaker, regarding the strength of staff under Veterinary Department, there are 1078 staffs including 111 doctors from 119 sanction posts and 138 VFA from 172 sanction posts. As of Grade-IV, we have 267 sanction posts out of which 64 posts remain vacant.

To speak in short of our achievement, we are given 61 lakhs and we exceeded the target by a margin of ₹22,30,000/-. For the year 2015-2016 also, we are confident to achieve our target of ₹75 lakh. We extended MULCO outlet to Thuampui with NLUP fund and was inaugurated by the hon. Chief Minister in 21.7.2015. We have produces various types of milk products from our milk plant and are sold from various outlets such as near Civil Hospital, College Veng and in the Secretariat Complex.

Today, I convey my thanks to the hon. Minister of Social Welfare, Pu Lalthanliana and his department for their valuable cooperation. Under Article 275, Veterinary Department received 375 lakh for the benefit of the backward people for the first time. We execute this fund to alleviate the backward people in different districts by offering different trades. It is not the state funding but the Tribal Ministry of the Central and we are very thankful to receive it.

With the help of ₹312 lakh being received from IRDF, we renovated the Integrated Veterinary & Animal Husbandry Training Institute at Lungpuzawl which was once a training centre of VFA. With a view to upgrade the quality of this training institute, the demand qualification is raised to 12 passed certificate for a training of 2 years; class will be started in 2016.

Pu Speaker, AH & Veterinary, the Govt. of Mizoram has one thing to be proud of; that is the practice of artificial insemination. We are the only State in the north east to practice this system. In order to upgrade our status, the Regional Boar Semen Station is being set up at Selesih and was inaugurated by Dr. Sanjeev Balyan, the Union Minister of State for Agriculture in 18.8.2015. As a result, we are able to provide the demand for piglets under RKVY and NLUP as we supplied 2,950 and 28,024 respectively during 2014-2015. Last year, we distributed 30,974 Nos. piglet and 1,45,600 Nos. fowl under RKVY and 6,53,700 Nos. under NLUP totaling 7,99,300. Besides, 748 cows and 118 goats are provided under the combine force of RKVY and NLUP.

In order to run a successful animal farm, we have to be self-sufficient on animal feedings. Some farmers in various districts such as Mamit, Champhai and Lawngtlai District were encouraged to cultivate corn for 70% of animal feedings is corn. In 2015-2016, we will continue with this plan in the districts such as Aizawl, Kolasib, Champhai, Mamit, Serchhip, Lunglei and Lawngtlai and all their productions will be procured by the department.

In order to support piggery, its feeding is subsidized at the rate of ₹10/- per kg in different district. Last year alone, 2,000 metric tons of animal feed was distributed through our DVO to farmers having 5 and above Nos. female pig. Veterinary ration card is issued to them so that they may purchase it at subsidized rate.

At Ramrikawn, we have a revolving fodder machine which can produce 3 metric tons per day. However, this does not satisfy our needs and we therefore plan to install a new machine of ₹5 crore under RIDF. If this is accomplished, we may be able to produce 8 metric tons per hour. We hope to accomplish this in 2016.

Following the system of some developed countries, we plans to introduce Drum Sledge technology which will produce cattle feeds as per requirement. We will start this year; and, hopefully we may be able to bring our cattle farmers to a new stage of development.

The success of NLUP can be seen exclusively in Veterinary as many of our pig farmers who were once in a desperate situation to dispose their products are now able to sell it like a hot cake. Apart from this, we now produce abundant milk, pork, chicken etc. as a result of NLUP.

Lastly, AH & Veterinary Department has many reasons to be thankful for; despite our financial problem, we received many favors such as upgradation of the status of 28 VFA etc. We are thankful indeed as the department is now having a new hope for the future.

So, Pu Speaker, I beg this august House to pass my Demands such as: -

Demand Nos.	Departments	Amount of Budget
Demand No. 18	Printing & Stationery Department	₹15,69,38,000.00
Demand No. 30	Disaster Management & Rehabilitation	₹19,07,33,000.00
Demand No. 34	Animal Husbandry & Veterinary	₹64,12,94,000.00
Demand No. 23	Art & Culture Department	₹9,98,98,000.00
	TOTAL	₹98,89,65,000.00

SPEAKER : The hon. Minister, Pu C. Ngunlianchungga begs the House to pass his Demands Nos. 18, 30 and 34 totaling ₹98,89,65,000 crore. Those who agree may say, 'aye' and those who do not, say, 'no'. As we all agree to

pass the Demands of the hon. Minister, Pu Ngunlianchunga, I announce that this House passed the Demands.

PU C. NGUNLIANCHUNGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, thank you.

SPEAKER : Now, our business for today is done. We will resume the meeting tomorrow at 10:30 AM.

(Sitting is adjourned)