

**EIGHTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MIZORAM
(THIRD SESSION)**

LIST OF BUSINESS

FOR FIRST SITTING ON WEDNESDAY, THE 12th JUNE, 2019
(Time 10:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. and 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.)

OBITUARY

1. **PU ZORAMTHANGA**, hon. Chief Minister to make obituary references on the demise of the following dignitaries :
 - i) **PU MANOHAR PARRIKAR**, Chief Minister of Goa.
 - ii) **PU R. LALAWIA**, former Speaker, Mizoram Legislative Assembly.

QUESTIONS

2. **Questions** entered in separate list to be asked and oral answers given.

LAYING OF PAPERS

3. **PU ZORAMTHANGA**, hon. Chief Minister to lay on the Table of the House a copy of the Report of the Director of Local Fund Audit on the Accounts of Local Authority for the Accounting year ended 31st March, 2017.
4. **PU R. LALZIRLIANA**, Minister to lay on the Table of the House a copy of the 10th Annual Report 2017-2018 of the Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for Manipur and Mizoram.
5. **PU LALRUATKIMA**, Minister to lay on the Table of the House a copy of the Mizoram (Land Revenue) (Amendment) Rules, 2019.
6. **Dr. K. BEICHHUA**, Minister to lay on the Table of the House a copy of the Mizoram Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Rules, 2019.
7. **PU TJ. LALNUNTLUANGA**, Minister to lay on the Table of the House a copy of the Mizoram Lokayukta (Amendment) Rules, 2019.

PRESENTATION OF REPORT

8. **The SPEAKER**, to present to the House the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee for the current Session.

S.R. ZOKHUMA
Commissioner & Secretary

SPEAKER : *“To do justice and judgment is more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice”.*

Proverbs 21:3

Today, it is unfortunate that we have to observe obituary on two leaders, Pu Manohar Parrikar, Chief Minister of Goa and Pu R. Lalawia, ex-hon. Speaker who had once presiding this House. Let us now call Pu Zoramthanga, hon. Chief Minister to give his obituary references.

PU ZORAMTHANGA, CHIEF MINISTER: Today, on our first session, Pu Speaker, it is unfortunate that we are to observe obituary on the two leaders, Pu Manohar Parrikar, Chief Minister of Goa and Pu R. Lalawia, our former Speaker.

Pu Manohar Parrikar, Goa Chief Minister died on 17th March, 2019 (Sunday) at 6:40 PM. at his resident in Panaji. He died due to pancreatic cancer.

Pu Manohar Parrikar, the son of Shri Gopal Krishna Parrikar and Smti Radhabai Parrikar was born in 13th December, 1955 at Mapusa. He has two brothers. He was married to Smti Medha Parrikara and has two children. His wife also died of cancer on 24th October, 2000.

Pu Manohar Parrikar completed his education from Goa. While studying Higher Secondary School, he joined Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS). While in final year, he was the Chief Instructor of this organisation.

He studied B. Tech (MET) FRPMM at Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Bombay. After he completed his studies, he took care of the family business, Goa Hydraulics Limited.

Shortly after joining BJP (Bharatya Janata Party), he was elected as MLA in the Second Legislative Assembly of the state of Goa in 1994. He was elected 5 times from Goa Assembly and served four times as Chief Minister. In 2014 while holding the post of Chief Minister, he was elected as Member of Rajya Sabha. Then on 6th November, 2014 he was sworn in as Union Defense Minister but later resigned from the post to become Chief Minister of Goa in 14th March, 2017 till his demise.

He was diagnosed of pancreatic cancer in September, 2018 at AIIMS. He received treatment at AIIMS, New Delhi and United State. His health started deteriorating and finally succumbs to his illness on 17th March, 2019 at 6:40 PM. Pu

Manohar Parrikar was one of the most renowned leaders from Goa who could become Chief Minister several times and even held the post of Union Minister. It is truly a great loss for India.

Next is Pu R. Lalawia, our ex-Speaker who had been among us and preside this very august House. Pu R. Lalawia died on 27th March, 2019 at 3:00 AM. He died of diabetes. He was the eldest son of Pu Lalenga Renthlei and Pi Ngurkhumi Hmar Zote. He was born on the 21st Aug. 1941 at Sialhawk. He has 7 brothers and 4 sisters.

Pu R. Lalawia completed his 6th Standard from Sialhawk Govt. Middle School but unable to continue with his matriculation due to family problem.

Since earlier age, he started taking care of his family by selling vegetables to Aizawl from Sialhawk and bringing back goods for sell at Sialhawk this manner in which he had started his business. In the meantime, he took part in active politics; he even served as block officer of the Mizo Union Party at Khawhai during 1963-1970. He held this post for 7 years and was the youngest to hold the post.

In 1967, he moved from Sialhawk to Aizawl and started to work as contractor in 1974. He was a registered first-class contractor of Mizoram.

In 1984 election of the Mizoram Union Territory, he was elected Independent MLA from Khawhai Constituency. During this term, he gave his 100% of his pay to the needy of his constituency through YMA. It was an honorable act to reckon with.

In 1987 of the first Mizoram State Legislative Assembly election, he was again elected from Khawhai Constituency as MNF Candidate. Then, in the 4th Mizoram State Legislative Assembly election of 1998, he was elected from North Vanlaiphai Constituency as MNF Candidate. He held the post of Speaker during this term with poised and dignity.

Pu R. Lalawia had been diagnosed of diabetes since the past 35 years. On August, 2017, he suffers from kidney failure and was treated at Aizawl Hospital and had to undergo dialysis treatment. On July, 2018, he was taken to MAY hospital, New Delhi and was treated with Home Dialysis as per the advised of his doctors. On 22nd Dec. 2018, he was admitted at Aizawl Hospital but since no improvement was seen, he was taken again to MAY hospital, Delhi on 15th January, 2019 where he was diagnosed of TB and Pneumonia. Since his condition was not improving, he was brought back to Aizawl Hospital on 12th March, 2019 by Air Ambulance. Despite

receiving good care of the doctors and nurses at ICU succumbs to his illness on 27th March, 2019 at 3 AM.

Pu R. Lalawia, is well known to all of us, he presided the House with dignity for that we are proud of him.

It is a personal loss to every one of us and I am sincerely moved by his demise. We could still vision how he preside the House. That is all I could speak about the two departed leaders. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Alright. Next is, Pu Lalduhoma, hon. Member.

PU LALDUHOMA : Pu Speaker, the hon. House leader has spoken about Pu Manohar Parrikar and so is assumable that he was a great leader.

I personally have lots to speak about Pu R. Lalawia. I have known him from the time when I was served as PA to our first Chief Minister, Pu Ch. Chhunga. In 1983, while I was serving at Delhi Police, he came and met me with his wife as they were to embark on tour around the world. We sat down the whole night talking about politics. His son, Lalrammuana was even enrolled in our family ration card while applying US passport for further study. It was the period of a peace talk and I was pressurized to leave my service to Prime Minister's office of Pi Indira Gandhi. In spite of the Prime Minister's opinion, I asked him if Pu Laldenga will approve me and trust me on which he assured he would approach Pu Laldenga in that regard and will then clarify. After he returned from London, he told me of the detail of their discussion. In fact, Pu Awia was the only person who helped me make the decision to join politics. He was glad and happy of my decision as he was a man who was eager to have a peace talk. After my entering politics, the connection remains. He was the Vice President of ZNP but due to physical ailments, he was unable to continue with active politics. We should take in consideration and study what is most important to Pu Awia in Politics which is inclusion of the whole of Mizoram in the Sixth Schedule.

Today, it is unfortunate that we have to observe his obituary in this very house where he himself had presided. My prayers are with his wife, Pi RZ-i and their children. May almighty God be with his family. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Let us know call hon. Member, Pu Zodintluanga.

PU ZODINTLUANGA RALTE: Pu Speaker, thank you. Today, it is unfortunate that we have to observe obituary to former Speaker who used to preside this very House. I personally know Pu R. Lalawia and in fact called him 'Pa Awia'. His son and I studied at the same school. There was so much to learn from him for the youth of this generation. He started his own business from a humble beginning like selling K oil and Soya bean and comes up as one of the wealthiest persons of our state. While we were in school and college in Shillong, I remember him coming to Meghalaya and doing contract work though outside our state. In fact till date, I believe he is the only contractor who ventures out beyond our state as contractor. It is commendable.

As entering politics, he was a successful politician. He was elected 3 terms as MLA and even holds an honorable post of the speaker of this august House. There were several achievements which had been made during his tenure as a Speaker, and to mention one, bearing of a designation plate 'MLA Mizoram' in any vehicle of MLAs was achieved with his initiative. Since then, we the Members are able to avoid untoward circumstances while travelling in and out Mizoram. It is sad that today that we have to observe obituary in his honor. I pray that God be with his family. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Pu Lalchamliana, hon. Minister is next.

PU LALCHAMLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, thank you. I will speak only about Pu R. Lalawia for I would like to highlight some of the achievements that he made during his tenure as a Speaker.

First of all, the Mizo poem of the century, "Ro Min Rel Sak Ang Che" by Pu Rokunga which is played in every session before the start and a prayer meeting which is held before every session by the leaders of different church congregations are introduced and practiced with his initiative.

With his initiative, the Mizo language is implemented as the official language of this august House. During his tenure as Speaker, he had even barred the Legislative Members from applying TA/DA bill for visiting their constituencies during the session while being in Aizawl. He also made preventive measures to ensure loan defaulters of legislature. He further constituted Ethics Committee to check legislature from abiding the law. I would also like to add that with the constitution of budget Committee, the house dignity has been brought to a new height. Pu Speaker, the

Assembly Annex building was constructed during his tenure in consultation with the hon. Chief Minister.

Pu Speaker, thank you for allotting me time to highlight these few points. I pray that God be with his wife Pi Rozami and her family. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Pu B.D. Chakma

PU B.D. CHAKMA : Pu Speaker, thank you.

To start with Pu Manohar Parrikar, he was born on the 13th December, 1955 into a modest Marathi family. His full name is Manohar Gopalkrishna Prabhu Parrikar. His father's name is Gopalkrishna Parrikar and his mother's name is Radhabai Parrikar. His wife is Medha Parrikar who also died of cancer in 1999. He has two sons. He was a B. Tech. graduate from IIT, Mumbai. He also was a trained metallurgist.

Initially, Parrikarji had set his mind on establishing his business, he had set up a hydraulics factory with a Muslim partner and thus reluctant to take the political plunge. But beginning with Subhash Velingar, his mentor and RSS guru handpicking him as the future face of the BJP in Goa, his political legacy speaks for itself, Chief Minister of Goa on four occasions and the first Goan to serve as Defence Minister of India. In Delhi, where he was a Defence Minister from 2014-2017, he famously announced that he would break the nexus between middle men and arms agents. He was also at the helm when the Indian Army conducted the cross border surgical strike of 2016.

Months before his death, ten clerics reached the BJP headquarters to read the Koran for him and the state's Archbishop Filipe Neri Ferraro appealed to the Catholic community to pray for him. Such was his pull, till the end, as one of the few BJP leaders known to have secured a secular image.

He died of pancreatic cancer on 17th March, 2019 at his son's home at Panaji at the age of 63.

His untimely death is a great loss for our country and his service of the nation will be remembered forever.

I, on behalf of the people of Mizoram, convey my deep condolence to his bereaved family. Thank you, hon. Speaker, Sir.

SPEAKER : Pu K.T. Rokhaw.

PU K.T. ROKHAW : Pu Speaker, I would like to speak few words in honor of the departed member Pu R. Lalawia since I was a member as well during his term as Speaker.

Since I am a friend of his daughter Pi Hmingthanzami and her husband Pu Chittanranjan Singh, I have known him personally. I remember, when I was first elected as MLA in 1993, he came and visited me, at that time my parents were also with me. Pu R. Lalawia asked me if they were my parents, to which I said yes. He then told me, 'never ever a shame of your parents even if they are old. If you do, then you are a shame of God.' This encounter has left deep meaning in my life. He himself was a family man who devoted himself not only to his children, but to his brothers and sisters on par with his children and thus, they too respect and lookup to him as a father figure.

As we have heard, he was not highly educated but a successful in politics with dignity and he deserved to be honored for being able to be elected as independent at that point of time.

Pu Speaker, as in business, without having any capital to start the business, he was able to become one of the wealthiest men in our state. Therefore, his hard work and determination is commendable and undeniably admirable. It is thus a great lost for Mizoram. Thank you.

SPEAKER : We will not be able to speak enough of our lost leader, but as we have to move on to next business, let us call Pu Z.R.Thiamsanga, the last member to speak on obituary.

Dr. ZR. THIAMSENGA : Pu Speaker, thank you. The hon. Chief Minister has spoken about Pu R. Lalawia and so by the members. But there are few points I would like to highlight. His name will never be erased from the history of Mizoram as he was a man who honored Mizo language in the House and the Assembly Sectt. as the official language.

He was MLA and Speaker who left behind various achievements. For that reason, one of the most popular newspapers of Northeast, the Assam Tribune flashed the news of his demise. Therefore, the state has lost a great leader. I pray that God will guide his wife and family.

We have listened to the detail story of Pu Manohar Parrikar. He was a man of his word with determination and abilities. He was trusted by Prime Minister Pu Modi as well. During short term as Defence Minister, he fought corruption and with the motto of 'Made in India' as huge development was achieved. It was the brain child of Pu Manohar Parrikar that the successful air strikes that was launched against Pakistan in 2016. We have lost a great leader who was determined and noble. It is a great loss for the nation. Pu Speaker, thank you.

SPEAKER : Alright, we will come towards the end of obituary.

Pu R. Lalawia was a man who held his parents to high esteem; he was a man who helps the needy. Today, Pu R. Lalawia and his family are among us. Now let us all raise up and stand in silence to mark our respect to the two departed leaders, Pu R. Lalawia, our former Speaker and Pu Manohar Parrikar, the Chief Minister of Goa.

Let us now take our seat.

We will now move on to Question & Answer. To ask question No. 1, let us call Pu Lalduhoma.

PU LALDUHOMA : Will the hon. Minister be pleased to state-

- a) If there is any proposal to construct railway from Sairang to Hmawngbuchhuach?
- b) If so, what is the proposed plan?

SPEAKER : To answer the question, let us call Pu TJ. Lalnuntluanga.

PU TJ. LALNUNTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, thank you. The answer is as follows:

- a) Permission has been given to Indian Railways in 2013-2014 for survey of construction of railways between Sairang and Hmawngbuchhuah and Traffic survey of the Preliminary Engineering Level is completed.

- b) Railway Construction is in the hands of Central Govt. Railway Ministry. Till date, no construction work has been taken up.

Thank you, Pu Speaker.

SPEAKER : To ask Supplementary Question, let us now call Pu Lalduhoma.

PU LALDUHOMA : As per my knowledge, Pu Speaker, Transport Department should be the nodal deptt. for Railway Ministry, however, it's now seems Food & Civil Supplies Deptt. So, I would like to ask which department is the nodal deptt. When will construction work began and if the copy could be distributed and whether the govt. agreed to these proposals.

SPEAKER : Let us call hon. Minister.

PU TJ. LALNUNTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, from the allocation, Transport is the nodal deptt. and the govt. agreed to this proposal.

There should be the copy of Traffic Survey of Preliminary Engineering Level. Pu Speaker, we will try and distribute the copy as soon as possible.

SPEAKER : Let us now call Pu F. Lalnunmawia to ask starred Question No. 2.

Prof. F. LALNUNMAWIA: Pu Speaker, thank you, Will the hon. Minister be pleased to state -

- a) When will Kaladan Multi Modal Transit transport Project be completed and what is the physical achievement so far?
- b) What is the progress of Kawrpuichhuah Border Trade?
- c) What step has been taken so far for the achievement of this border trade?

SPEAKER : To answer the question, let us now call hon. Minister Dr. R. Lalthangliana.

Dr. R. LALTHANGLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, my answer is -

- a) As per the official report of PWD Mizoram, Kaladan Multimodal Transit Transport Project Sector will be opened in March and 2020.85% of the project has been completed.

- b) For Kawrpuichhuah border trade, Commerce & Industry deptt. has acquired 224.99 bigha of land with Pass No. Dlp. 56 of 2001 and detail project has been submitted to central govt. Land Port Authority of India has included Kawrpuichhuah border trade where as Tlabung-Kawrpuichhuah road is under PWD, Govt. of Mizoram. As advised by hon. Union Minister for Home Affairs, Govt. of India and Chairman, Land Port Authority of India, 10.05 acre of land has been acquired for ICP and inspection of Thega River Bridge was conducted with the Bangladesh official on 5th July, 2017. PWD is preparing DPR.
- c) In order to achieve International border trade, meetings and joints visit have been held with Bangladesh official several times. DPR for Infrastructure has been submitted to the central govt. and we are waiting for approval.

SPEAKER : Supplementary question from Pu Ramthanmawia.

PU RAMTHANMAWIA : Pu speaker, I ask if there is any proposal to complete border trade at Vaphai and Farkawn.

SPEAKER : Let us call hon. Member, Pu C. Ngunlianchunga.

PU C. NGUNLIANCHUNGA: I would like to ask if compensation will be given before launching of the project of Kaladan Multimodal Transit Transport road.

SPEAKER : Pu Vanlaltanpuia, hon. Member.

Dr. VANLALTANPUIA : Pu Speaker, I would like to ask if bamboo trading at Demagiri and Thekamuk is done under proper trading regulation.

SPEAKER : Let us call hon. Minister to answer the questions.

Dr. R. LALTHANGLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, thank you. In regard to Kawrpuichhuah and Zokhawthar border track road, it was initiated during the previous MNF ministry. In regard to Pu Ramthanmawia's question, let the official visit the site, then, I shall be able to given the answer.

As for Pu Ngunlianchunga's question, since it is not under my concerned department, it would be best if careful study is made after session.

The question made by hon. Member Pu Dr. Vanlaltanpuia is an important question; however, we are not aware of bamboo trade. If there is any illegal procedure, let us expect the govt. to take necessary steps.

SPEAKER : Let us now call hon. Leader of the House.

PU ZORAMTHANGA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, Kawrpuichhuah trade is a joint venture with Bangladesh Govt. Let us expect that the Govt. will take action after this session. Discussion has been held with the Prime Minister of Bangladesh several times.

As for Kolodyne Multi Modal transport, as we have heard, there is a problem with compensation; yet, we are expecting to solve the problem

The most crucial part is Zochachuah to Paletura; around 90 kms on Burma side remain unconstructed allegedly due to refusal by the assigned contractor to implement the construction work on ground of involvement of underground elements. Therefore, we have made a proposal to approach Foreign Ministry to speed up the construction work. As of Akyab port, work is in progress; yet, there is still huge portion which remain undone. Thank you, Pu Speaker.

SPEAKER : Thank you. I am personally interested in this project. I have visited Burma and Bangladesh with Pi Esther, our Commissioner and we have even discussed the matter with their Prime Minister.

Now let us call Pu Vanlalhlana to ask starred Question No. 3.

PU VANLALHLANA : Pu Speaker, thank you. Will the hon. Minister for Commerce & Industries Deptt. be pleased to state-

- a) If steps are taken as per the rules and regulation made during the handing over of land for Ramhlun market?
- b) For what purpose it is being used?
- c) What is the proposed step to be taken?

SPEAKER : Let us call hon. Minister Dr. R. Lalthangliana to answer the questions.

Dr. R. LALTHANGLIANA, MINISTER: Answer to the hon. Member's question is as follow –

- a) Document of the agreement has been misplaced. So, as of now, we are unable to know what the agreement is.
- b) At present, it is utilized by vegetables vendors, for Anthurium collection centre and classroom for Aizawl North College.
- c) There is a proposal to upgrade the building as soon as Aizawl North College vacated the building.

SPEAKER : Question hour is over. We will move on to the next list of business, Laying of Papers. Let us now call hon. Chief Minister to lay on the table of the House, “The Report of the Director of Local Fund Audit on the Accounts of local Authority for the Accounting year ended 31st March, 2017”

PU ZORAMTHANGA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, with your permission and of the House, I lay a copy of “The local authority for the accounting years ended 31st March, 2017” in this august House.

SPEAKER : Let the copy be distributed. We will now call Pu R. Lalzirliana, hon. Minister to lay on the table of the House, “The 10th Annual Report, 2017-2018 of the joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for Manipur and Mizoram”.

PU R. LALZIRLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, with your permission and of the House, I lay a copy of “The 10th Annual Report 2017-2018 of the joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for Manipur and Mizoram.”

SPEAKER : Let the copy be distributed. Let us now call hon. Minister, Pu Lalruatkima to lay on the table of the House, “The Mizoram Land Revenue Amendment Rule, 2019”

PU LALRUATKIMA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, with your permission and of the House, I lay “The Mizoram Land Revenue Amendment Rule, 2019” on the table of the House.

SPEAKER : Let the copy be distributed. Let us now call hon. Minister Dr. K. Beichhua, to lay, “Mizoram Juvenile Justice, care and Protection of Children Rules, 2019” on the table of the House.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, with your permission and of the House, I lay a copy of “The Mizoram Juvenile Justice, care and Protection of Children Rules, 2019” on the table of the House.

SPEAKER : Let the copy be distributed. We will now call hon. Minister, Pu TJ Lalnuntluanga to lay, “The Mizoram Lok Ayukta Amendment Rules, 2019” on the table of the House.

PU TJ. LALNUNTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, with your permission and of the House, I lay the copy of “The Mizoram Lok Ayukta Amendment Rules, 2019” on the table of the House.

SPEAKER : Let the copy be distributed. Business Advisory Committee held its meeting on 27th May, 2019 to chart out programme and schedule for this session; I present a copy of the report in this House. Let the copy be distributed. Do the House agree with the report? Alright, thank you.

I will now announce the list of Panel of Chairmen for this session. Pu C. Ngunlianchunga, Pu Ramthanmawia, Pu V.L. Zaithanzama and Pu H. Lalzirliana.

With the permission of the hon. Chief Minister and as proposed by GPC, a new laptop computer is given to all hon. Members which may be collected from the Speaker’s Office.

We now have come to the end of today’s business. Meeting will be resumed on 13th June, at 10:30 AM.

Sitting is adjourned.