EIGHTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MIZORAM (SECOND SESSION)

LIST OF BUSINESS

FOR THIRD SITTING ON THURSDAY, THE 14th MARCH, 2019 (Time 10:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. and 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.)

QUESTIONS

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

LAYING OF PAPERS

- 2. **Dr. K. BEICHHUA,** Minister to lay on the Table of the House a copy each of the following:
 - i) The Juvenile Justice Fund Rules, 2018.
 - ii) The Mizoram Grant-in-Aid to Voluntary Organizations and Individuals Rules, 2018.
 - iii) The Mizoram Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2017.
 - iv) The Annual Report of the Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities Government of Mizoram for the year 2017-2018.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Bill for introduction, consideration and passing

3. **Dr. R. LALTHANGLIANA,** Minister to beg leave of the House to introduce "The Mizoram Anatomy Bill, 2019."

ALSO

to introduce the Bill to move that the Bill be taken into consideration $\textbf{\textit{AND}}$

to move that the Bill be passed.

S.R. ZOKHUMA Commissioner & Secretary

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SPEAKER: If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

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We shall now have time for Question Hour. The owner of Starred Question No. 6, Pu V.L. Zaithanzama is absent today. As per Rule No. 50 of our procedure, his question will be included in the procedure but will be asked after other questions. Let us call now upon Pu F. Lalnunmawia to ask Starred Question No. 7.

Dr. F. LALNUNMAWIA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. Starred Question No. 7 - Will the Hon. Minister for PWD be pleased to state:

Expected time for completion of the ongoing construction work of HmuifangSialsuk road and Sialsuk-Sailam Road?

SPEAKER: Let us call upon the Hon. Minister concerned to answer.

PU ZORAMTHANGA, CHIEF MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Speaker.

The said works are expected to be completed on 27.11.2019 and 22.9.2019 respectively.

SPEAKER: Is there any supplementary Questions?

Dr. F. LALNUNMAWIA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. I would like to ask if it is possible to finish the works before the coming monsoon.

PU ZODINTLUANGA RALTE: Pu Speaker, I would like to ask during which financial year the fund for this road was allocated.

SPEAKER: Pu C. Lalsawivunga for the last one.

PU C. LALSAWIVUNGA: Pu Speaker, I have learned that the fund meant for PHE Site office of Bawngkawn, ITI Road has been diverted. What is the reason? For what purpose it is utilized?

SPEAKER: The hon. Chief Minister may now answer.

PU ZORAMTHANGA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, I am sorry that I could not answer the last one without prior preparation. Regarding Pu Zodintluanga's question, the fund was sanctioned during the financial year of 2018-2019. Efforts are made so that the works is completed as soon as possible. Thank you.

SPEAKER: Starred Question No. 8 from Pu Vanlaltanpuia.

Dr. VANLALTANPUIA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. Starred Question No. 8 - Will the Hon. Minister for Law & Judicial Deptt. be pleased to state:

Whether the location for Lunglei District Court Office being decided?

SPEAKER: The Hon. Minister concerned may answer.

PU TJ. LALNUNTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, the answer is: It is not yet decided.

SPEAKER : Supplementary Question from the questioner.

Dr. VANLALTANPUIA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. Will it be possible to set up the office within Lunglei North area in view of the possible traffic jam problem in other places?

SPEAKER : Hon. Minister may answer.

PU TJ. LALNUNTLUANGA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, the government will look into the matter as it is an important matter. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Starred Question No. 9 from Pu K.T. Rokhaw.

PU K.T. ROKHAW: Thank you, Pu Speaker, Starred Question No. 9 - Will the Hon. Minister for PWD be pleased to state:

Whether reconstruction of National Highway No. 302 of Tlabung Road already being completed?

SPEAKER: The Hon. Chief Minister, Pu Zoramthanga may answer.

PU ZORAMTHANGA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, the answer is: The work is not yet completed.

SPEAKER : Supplementary Question from Pu NiharKanti Chakma.

PU NIHAR KANTI CHAKMA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. The said National Highway is the lifeline for the people of my constituency. There are two bridges at Phairuangkai and Tuichawng which need repairing. Is it possible to repair these two bridges? Is there any prevailing contractor at the moment? If so, who is the contractor? How much is the estimate amount? What is the percent of the physical achievement? Will it be completed before the coming monsoon? Is there any proposal for widening of National Highway 302?

SPEAKER: Pu B.D. Chakma.

PU B.D. CHAKMA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. Chhumkhum-Chawngte road is World Bank funded. The work could not be expedited due to electric tower and water pipeline which need to be shifted first. Whether the fund provision for shifting of the said electric post and pipeline has already been released to the department?

SPEAKER: The Hon. Chief Minister may now answer.

PU ZORAMTHANGA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, construction work of the said road is done from any available fund and what has been done in the process is the best we can do from the state fund. The contract work of Tlabung Road is divided in three packages. The first two packages are completed and the third is expected to be completed during this working season.

Regarding the said two bridges, proposal for one of the bridges is made to the central government and the other one is proposed along with the road construction. Regarding shifting of electric post and pipeline, funds have already been released to the department and the work will soon be started.

SPEAKER: Pu Ramthanmawia may now ask Starred Question No. 10.

PU RAMTHANMAWIA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. Starred Question No. 10 - Will the Hon. Minister for Home Department be pleased to state:

- a) If there is a proposal to upgrade Dungtlang Check Post/Out Post to a full-fledged Police Station?
- b) If so, when will it be implemented?

SPEAKER: The Hon. Minister concerned may answer.

PU LALCHAMLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, Dungtlang Police Out post is proposed to be upgraded to a full-fledged Police Station as it is an important junction. However, the effective date is not fixed as yet.

SPEAKER : Supplementary question from the questioner.

PU RAMTHANMAWIA: Pu Speaker, I would like to add that Dungtlang village is situated in a very critical place and is near the international border. As such is the condition, various problems emerges regarding maintenance of law and order. So, I urge the Hon. Minister to implement the proposal with immediate effect.

SPEAKER: Pu Andrew H. Thangliana.

PU ANDREW H. THANGLIANA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. There is no

Police Outpost within the northern areas from Lungdai to Saipum. Is there any plan to put the Police Outpost in the said area?

SPEAKER: Pu C. Lalsawivunga.

PU C. LALSAWIVUNGA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. As we have known, Dungtlang is an important place and the police there are really in need of motor vehicles as so by other stations. How can we provide motor vehicles in such police stations?

SPEAKER: Let us now call upon the Hon. Minister concerned.

PU LALCHAMLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, for our kind information, there are currently 38 Police Stations. Regarding the northern areas, there is a small police out post at Saiphai and it is therefore our desire to have more. However, it is not possible at the moment due to financial limitations.

Regarding allotment of vehicle, a SUV is kept at Dungtlang and other types of vehicles at various Police Stations but generally are of old condition. It is the desire of the government to improve our conditions.

SPEAKER : Dr. ZR. Thiamsanga may now ask Starred Question No. 11.

Dr. ZR. THIAMSANGA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. Starred Question No. 11 - Will the Hon. Minister for PWD be pleased to state:

Whether there is any proposal of widening the road of Seling - Champhai?

SPEAKER: The hon. Minister concerned may now answer.

PU ZORAMTHANGA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, Champhai - Seling road has been proposed for two lanes road; feasibility study has been taken and DPR being submitted.

SPEAKER: Pu Vanlalhlana may ask Supplementary Question.

PU VANLALHLANA: Pu Speaker, is there a proposal for widening and resurfacing of Durtlang North - Sihphir road and also Thuampui - Sihphir road?

SPEAKER: Dr. ZR. Thiamsanga.

Dr. ZR. THIAMSANGA: Pu Speaker, Seling - Champhai Road is an important road of our state as it connects an important point of the international border; yet it remain in a very poor condition. As such is the case, many accidents happens on this

road. We are very glad to hear that there is a plan for improvement of this road under this newly formed government, Thank you.

SPEAKER: Hon. Member, Pu Lalduhoma.

PU LALDUHOMA: Pu Speaker, the office building of National Highway Division is constructed at New Serchhip but remains unoccupied till today. Is it possible to put this office into function as soon as possible?

SPEAKER: The Hon. Minister may answer.

PU ZORAMTHANGA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, the said Sihphir - Durtlang road is set to be constructed with cement concrete; and, we are also aware of the poor condition of roads of Sihphir and the surrounding areas. We will try our level best to improve it. We will also look into the case mentioned by Pu Duhoma and we will try to make it work accordingly.

SPEAKER: Starred Question No. 12 and Pu Andrew H. Thangliana to ask.

PU ANDREW H. THANGLIANA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. Starred Question No. 12 - Will the Hon. Minister for PWD be pleased to state:

- a) The amount spent for construction of Kawnpui Buichali road under NEDP during 2018?
- b) If the work completed?
- c) If so, the reason of the problem which still arises due to poor condition of road till today?

SPEAKER: The Hon. Chief Minister may answer.

PU ZORAMTHANGA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, the answer is as follows:

- a) The estimate amount is ₹252.33 lakh.
- b) The assigned contractor has not completed the work as yet.
- c) Problems arise due to the monsoon season which arrives in the middle of the ongoing process of work.

SPEAKER : Supplementary question from the questioner.

PU ANDREW H. THANGLIANA: Thank you, Pu Speaker.

Firstly, as far as my knowledge, the former contractor for the said road is Pu Zoremtluanga. However, on the 11th of this month, it is said that the work is given to

Gayatri Company. Is this correct, and if so, what is the reason? Secondly, may i know the amount being given to the former contractor? Thirdly, is the work expected to be completed with the remaining fund from the original estimate? Thank you.

SPEAKER: The hon. Chief Minister may answer.

PU ZORAMTHANGA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, according to the information I have from the department, the contractor is Pu Lalhmingliana of Ramhlun South. However, he does not complete the work as yet. Since it is an urgent work, Ratna Infrastructure Private Limited later joined the work.

SPEAKER: Pu Lalduhoma may ask Starred Question No. 13.

PU LALDUHOMA: Pu Speaker, Starred Question No 12 - Will the Hon. Minister for Commerce & Industries Department be pleased to state:

- a) Whether there is a proposal to repair Serchhip market building?
- b) If there is a proposal for construction of more public urinal in Serchhip market?
- c) If there is any plan for construction of new market building at Serchhip?

SPEAKER: The Hon. Minister concerned may answer.

Dr. R. LALTHANGLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, the answer is as follows:

- a) Yes, it is under process.
- b) There is a plan for construction of more public urinals at Serchhip market building.
- c) There is no such proposal as of now.

SPEAKER: Supplementary Question from Pu C. Lalmuanpuia.

PU C. LALMUANPUIA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. I would like to ask if better arrangement could be made for roadside selling of food items.

SPEAKER: Pu Lalduhoma.

PU LALDUHOMA: Pu Speaker, the present condition of Serchhip market is very poor and is quite congested. As a matter of fact, it is poorly maintained and too small for a district headquarters. I would like to ask if it is possible to make better plan for the market building. Thank you.

SPEAKER: Pu Vanlalhlana.

PU VANLALHLANA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. We have a good market building at Leitan but it does not accommodate us anymore. May the Hon. Minister find a way for its extension? Thank you.

SPEAKER: The Hon. Minister may now answer.

Dr. R. LALTHANGLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, the subject mentioned by Pu Lalmuanpuia is of an important matter as we too are aware of the problem and we are looking for available fund for resolving the problem.

Regarding Serchhip market building, it is true that it is small for a District Headquarters and we have in minds to upgrade or reconstruct the building; yet, the time could not be fixed. Likewise, we are planning vertical extension of the market building at DurtlangLeitanas asked by Pu Vanlalhlana.

SPEAKER: Hon. Member, Pu LalrintluangaSailo may now ask Starred Question No. 14.

PU LALRINTLUANGA SAILO: Thank you, Pu Speaker. Starred Question No. 14 - Will the Hon. Chief Minister be pleased to state:

- a) When black topping of West Phaileng-Marpara road was done?
- b) The amount sanctioned?
- c) Name of the contractor?
- d) When the work started and when it was completed?
- e) The maintenance period of the road?

PU ZORAMTHANGA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, the answer is as follows:

- a) The work was started in 2011.
- b) The sanction amount is ₹4894.09 lakh
- c) The contractors were:
 - i) Tantia Construction Limited.
 - ii) F. Kapsanga, Tuikual.
 - iii) Lalthanthuami, Chawnpui.
- d) The works began in September, 2011 and were completed on the date as given here:

i) Tantia Construction Limited - 3.5.2015
ii) F. Kapsanga, Tuikual - 30.4.2015
iii) Lalthanthuami, Chawnpui - 31.3.2016

e) The maintenance period is one year after completion of the work.

SPEAKER : Supplementary Question from Er. Lalzirliana.

Er. H. LALZIRLIANA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. My Supplementary questions are:

- i) Is there any plan for reconstruction of Aisialkawn-Phaileng road?
- ii) The process of construction of Dapchhuah-Rajiv Nagar road is very slow and so is desirable if it is handed over to Mizoram PWD. Is this possible?
- iii) What is the present status and if there is any plan for construction of Nghalchawm-University Road?
- iv) What is the present status of proposal for construction of Dapchhuah-Mamit road?

SPEAKER : Question Hour is over. The Hon. Chief Minister may now answer.

PU ZORAMTHANGA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, there is nothing much I could answer at the moment. Regarding the Supplementary questions, we will look into the matter and all possible efforts will be made as necessary.

SPEAKER: We shall now move to Laying of Papers. Let us call upon Hon. Minister, Dr. K. Beichhua to lay the following papers:

- 1. The Juvenile Justice Funds Rule, 2018
- 2. The Mizoram Grant-in-Aid to Voluntary Organisations and Individuals Rule, 2018.
- 3. The Mizoram Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rule, 2018
- 4. The Annual Report of the Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, the Govt. of Mizoram for the Year 2017-2018.

Dr. K. BEICHHUA, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Speaker, I hereby lay the following papers on the table of this august House:

- 1. The Juvenile Justice Funds Rule, 2018
- 2. The Mizoram Grant-in-Aid to Voluntary Organisations and Individuals Rule, 2018.
- 3. The Mizoram Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rule, 2018
- 4. The Annual Report of the Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, the Govt. of Mizoram for the Year 2017-2018.

Thank you.

SPEAKER: Let the copy be distributed. Let us call upon Dr. R. Lalthangliana to beg leave of the House to introduce 'The Mizoram Anatomy Bill, 2019'.

Dr. R. LALTHANGLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, I hereby beg leave of the House to introduce 'The Mizoram Anatomy Bill, 2019'.

SPEAKER : You may now introduce the Bill.

Dr. R. LALTHANGLIANA, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Speaker. The Mizoram Anatomy Bill, 2019 is an important bill not only for the Health & Family Welfare Department but for the people of Mizoram and our state as well.

The Mizoram Institute of Medical Education & Research was inaugurated last year in August with permission granted by the Medical Council of India (MCI) and the project amounts is ₹189 crores. There are certain conditions which need to be completed for recognition and inspection will also be conducted again next month. There will be 100 students out of which 15 seats reservation for all India quota, 15 seats for NRI and the rest 70 seats will be for our State. We have 99 scholars at present.

The subjects in the first batch consist of Anantomy, Physiology and Biochemisty and the second batch consists of Pathology, Microbiology, Forensic and Community medicine. Our Bill today is "The Mizoram Anatomy Bill, 2019" without which Anatomy Department will not be able to function properly. It concern cadavers which is necessary in the practical class; and, since we have to import it from West Bengal Health Services, we need to spend huge amount of fund for we need at least 10 Nos. where as one cadaver costs at least 1 lakh. Thus, we need to set appropriate procedure in this process. I hope that this Bill be passed unanimously. Thank you.

SPEAKER: The copy has already been distributed and each member will be allotted 5 minutes. Pu Lalduhoma will start.

PU LALDUHOMA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. The hon. Minister had stated the importance of this Bill and I believe we all agree with his statement. We, the Mizo's have a deep respect for dead body, and since this Bill does not intervene in our customs practice regarding the dead body, I support that we pass this Bill so that the Anatomy Department is functioning properly.

SPEAKER: Pu ZR Thiamsanga.

Dr. ZR. THIAMSANGA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. As a medical doctor, I think I am aware of the importance of cadavers for the medical student right from the 1st year in college. If I am not mistaken, at least 10 cadavers are needed in a year plus a cold storage and formaline tank in the future for this purpose. So, "The Mizoram Anatomy Bill, 2019" is mandatory for the Anatomy Department and I express my support in passing this Bill. Thank you.

SPEAKER: Dr. B.D. Chakma.

PU B.D. CHAKMA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. To pursue medical science, it is necessary to study anatomy, physiology and biochemistry in the 1st year. So, this Bill is very important. I think the wording under Section 3 is incomplete as it is known to us all that our state as well as our polulation is too small to avail cadaver easily. Our medical college will face problems in the future unless this bill is passed. So, I express my support in passing this Bill. Thank you.

SPEAKER: I will now call upon Pu Lalchhuanthanga.

PU LALCHHUANTHANGA: Pu Speaker, as a precautionary measure, will it be safe to accept an unclaimed dead body in the institution without the knowledge of its history?

SPEAKER: The matter will be discussed later and I will now call upon the hon. Chief Minister.

PU ZORAMTHANGA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, I will try to explain in brief so that even a layman could understand this Bill.

If a cadaver remains unclaimed during the prescribed time, it is legal to use the body for anatomy as practiced by other States and we may import some from other states as well. Since the students of medical college need this material for the Anatomy practical class, it is only fair that we find a way to collect the requirement.

In our Society, we rarely find cases of dead body being unclaimed, so it crucial that the government give approval since it is necessary, for the time being to import the material from other States. So, considering the importance of this Bill, I express my support in passing this Bill. Thank you.

SPEAKER: The points mentioned by the hon. Member may be a accepted as patent error. I now call upon the concerned Minster to wind up the discussion and appeal the House to pass the Bill.

Dr. R. LALTHANGLIANA, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Speaker. Regarding the points mentioned by Dr. BD Chakma, 'shall' should be continued with sub-Section (b), 'hand over the head body' and other sentences from sub-Section (a) and (b). Death body will be proclaimed 'Unclaimned' if it is not claimed within 72 hours of the prescribed time. I think it is more important to consider the system of preserving dead body with the like formalin than knowing its history. I wish my fellow members would spare their time to witness the students performing autopsy in the hospital. As per demanded by the rules and procedure, we also have a formalin tank for the process of post mortem.

As of medical seats, we now have 99 students with 15 seats reserved for Non-Resident Indian. There are 106 Nos. doctors, 20 Nos. professors where as 224 Nos. of staff quarters have also been occupied. As a whole, there are 18 functional departments.

As to the question of Dr. Thiamsanga regarding RIPANS, it is a centrally funded institution and I am glad to state that in 27th February, we obtained permission for 100 bedded hospital. Besides and for construction of economic block, indoor sports complex, auditorium, guest house and general hostel are also being approved. Apart from this, there is a proposal for 22 Nos. staff quarters for resident doctors, 20 others for staffs and Medical Superintendent. I would also like to mention that post graduate course will soon be started and approval for 154 new posts has already been obtained. ₹480 crores is allotted for the aforesaid plans and will be funded by the central government. Departments such as MLT (Medical Laboratory Technology), RIT (Radio Imaging Technology), Opthalmetric Technology, Bachelor of Therapy will be formalized including M.Pharm and Diploma in Nutrition & Dietetics.

Thus, I appeal that "The Mizoram Anatomy Bill, 2019" be passed by the House. Thank you.

SPEAKER: The concerned Minister has moved the Bill for pass. So, those in favour to pass may say, 'Aye' and those who oppose may say, 'No'. Since there is no objection, "The Mizoram Anatomy Bill, 2019" is unanimously passed by the House.

Dr. R. LALTHANGLIANA, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Speaker.

SPEAKER: We have now come to the end of our business. The session will be resumed tomorrow, the 15th at 10:30 am.

Sitting is adjourned (12:15 PM)