

**NINTH MIZORAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
(SECOND SESSION CUM BUDGET SESSION)**

LIST OF BUSINESS

FOR THIRTEENTH SITTING ON FRIDAY, THE 8th MARCH, 2024
(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.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' RESOLUTION

2. ***Resolutions**

VANLALTHANTLINGI
Commissioner & Secretary

* Please see Bulletin Part – II No. 41 dated the 29th February, 2024 for Private Members' Resolutions to be moved.

SPEAKER : *As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds His people from this time forth and forever.*

-Sam 125:2

QUESTION & ANSWER

Before we go to Questions and Answers, the following hon. member cannot attend the sitting due to ill health – Pu lalchhuanthanga, Pu Lalrintluanga Sailo, and Pu F. rodingliana. Pu PC Vanlalruata cannot attend to some reason.

Now, let us call upon the hon. member from Thorang Pu R. Rohmingliana to ask *Starred Question No. 201*.

PU R. ROHMINGLIANA: Pu Speaker, thank you. Will the hon. Minister for Tourism be pleased to state –

- a) Opening time of Thenzawl Golf Course, Wellness Spa Centre and Auditorium under Swadesh Darshan-I
- b) Name of the care taker.

SPEAKER : Now, let us call upon Pi Lalrinpuii, hon. Minister for Tourism Department to reply.

PI LALRINPUII, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, first I would like to have a few words. I convey my thanks to the people of my constituency for their support and prayer and invite them to continue.

Pu Speaker, today is the festival of ‘Lyuva Khutla’, the great festival of Mara and they are now celebrating it. Our fellow member Dr. K. Beichhua dress very well for the occasion. It is also International women’s Day. I wish all the women in this House and all my fellow women in Mizoram and abroad International Women’s Day and best wishes.

Answers to hon. member Pu rohmingliana’s questions are –

- i) Thenzawl Golf Course – 4th August, 2020
- ii) Wellness Centre, Thenzawl – 5th January, 2023
- iii) Thenzawl Auditorium – 3rd January, 2023
- iv) Thenzawl Golf course – Mizoram Tourism Development Authority (MTDA).
- v) Wellness Centre – Mizoram Tourism Development Authority (MTDA).
- vi) Thenzawl Auditorium – Tourism Department.

SPEAKER : *Supplementary question* – Pu R. Rohmingliana, hon. member from Thorang.

PU R. ROHMINGLIANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, my *supplementary questions* are –

- i) Has Mizoram Tourism Development Authority upgraded to grant-in-aid system?
- ii) Has GIA salary allocated in the current financial year?

SPEAKER : *Supplementary question* – Lt. Col. Clement Lalhmingthanga, hon. member from Champhai South.

LT. COL. CLEMENT LALHMINGTHANGA: Pu Speaker, my supplementary question is – Is there any intention to develop the Golf Course in collaboration with Indian Golf Union for tourist attraction.

SPEAKER : Let us call upon the hon. Minister Pi lalrinpuui to reply.

PI LALRINPUUI, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, answer to the questions are – I have no knowledge whether Mizoram Tourism Authority was included in GIA system. We will give the answer in writing. The GIA salary was not put in the budget.

To answer Pu Clement, Right now, there is no intention to develop it.

SPEAKER : *Questions* submitted by members are all *balloted*. Our next question show how fair the balloting is. Let us call upon hon. member from Thorang Pu R.Rohmingliana to ask *Starred Question No. 202*.

PU R. ROHMINGLIANA: Pu Speaker, will the hon. Minister for Tourism Department be pleased to state –

The Finance Ministry has allocated ₹12700/- lakh for the construction of Unity Mall in Aizawl under SASCI-VIII 2023-2024, the DPR has been approved by the Ministry of Commerce & Industry. Does the Finance Ministry release the fund?

SPEAKER : Let us call upon the hon. Minister for Tourism Pi Lalrinpuui to reply.

PI LALRINPUUI, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, the answer is – Unity Mall DPR is not yet approved, and the Finance Ministry does not release the fund.

SPEAKER : *Supplementary question* – Pu R. Rohmingliana.

PU R. ROHMINGLIANA: Pu Speaker, my supplementary question – The DPR is to be located at muanna Veng, Aizawl. Is this true? Has any thought been given to where it intended to built when it comes up? If so, where is it intended?

SPEAKER : Let us call upon the hon. Minister to reply.

PI LALRINPUUI, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, to answer the question – During the previous ministry, there is an intention to built Unity Mall at Aizawl Muanna Veng,

while Muanna Go-down to be shifted to FCI go-down. But all these are not official. As this is not possible, we looked for another way. As of now there is no confirmation of a place, I will tell the member who asked the question in confidential.

SPEAKER : Now, let us call upon the House Leader.

PU LALDUHOMA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, I asked them to release the fund before the end of the financial year. They are going to think about it. However, the Finance Ministry gives important.

SPEAKER : Let us call upon the hon. member to ask *Starred Question No. 203*.

PU R. ROHMINGLIANA: Pu Speaker, will the hon. Minister for Tourism Department be pleased to state –

Total No. of restricted tenders and open tenders issued under Tourism Department during the previous government (December, 2018 – December, 2023).

SPEAKER : Let us call upon the hon. Minister for Tourism Department Pi Lalrinpuii to reply.

PI LALRINPUII, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, answer to Pu Rohmingliana's question –
Restricted Tender – 1 and Open Tender – 13. Restricted Tender - ₹560 lakh and Open Tender ₹6513.16 lakh.

SPEAKER : *Supplementary question* – Member from Thorang, Pu R. Rohmingliana.

PU R. ROHMINGLIANA: Pu Speaker, my supplementary questions –

- i) How long have these works been done? What is their physical achievement?
- ii) Who is the Executing Agency for construction of Convention Centre at Chite Veng? Period of work done.

SPEAKER : *Supplementary question* – member from Tuirial Pu K. Laldawngliana.

PU K. LALDAWNGLIANA: Pu Speaker, thank you. My supplementary question is – What is the progress of work base on Eco-Tourism Village at Khamrang? Are efforts being made to complete it on time?

SPEAKER : Let us call upon the Minister to reply.

PI LALRINPUII, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, as I am not confident to answer them, I will give them the answer in writing later as our official are also present here. I ask their excuse, thank you.

SPEAKER : Now, let us call upon Pu H. Ginzalala, member from Champhai North to ask *Starred Question No. 204*.

PU H. GINZALALA : Pu Speaker, will the hon. Minister for Labour Employment, Skill Development & Entrepreneurship Department be pleased to state –
How many jobs does LESDE Department plan to create for youth and entrepreneurs this year?

SPEAKER : Let us call upon the hon. Minister for LESDE Department Pu Lalnghinglova Hmar to reply.

PU LALNGHINGLOVA HMAR, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, the answer to hon. member from Champhai North Pu H. Ginzalala's question is –

LESDE Department is implementing various projects/schemes to create employment opportunities for the youth.

SPEAKER : *Supplementary question* – Pu H. Ginzalala.

PU H. GINZALALA : Pu Speaker, thank you. My questions are –

- i) What is the government intention in running ITI Champhai?
- ii) Is there a way to establish an incubation center in Champhai?

SPEAKER : *Supplementary question* – Pu W. Chhuanawma, member from Tuichang.

PU W. CHHUANAWMA : Pu Speaker, thank you. My *supplementary questions* are –

- i) In other States and countries, skill development was introduced in Jail or Home. Can it be introduced in our country?
- ii) At Khawzawl, there are two Homes established by Church and private volunteer and very congested. Is there a way to provide fund to build a dormitory for women?

SPEAKER : *Supplementary question* – Pu C. Ngunlianchunga, member from Lawngtlai West.

PU C. NGUNLIANCHUNGA: Pu Speaker, thank you. My question is – Can the government post a new Employment Officer at Lawngtlai?

SPEAKER : *Supplementary question* – Pu V. Malsawmtluanga from Lunglei North.

PU V. MALSAWMTLUANGA: Pu Speaker, my question as the Chairman of the High-Powered Committee is - “Is there a way to enhance skill development in the southern region?”

SPEAKER : Pu Lalnghinglova Hmar, LESDE Minister.

PU LALNGHINGLOVA HMAR, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, my response to Pu Ginzalala is- that the buildings in Champhai, Serchhip, Mamit and Kolasib are being constructed. The buildings accommodate the refugees and the displaced persons. We prefer that they are shifted soon but we don’t know when.

Regarding Incubation Centres, we are planning to establish not only in Champhai but in other districts as well. For these, we want to sign an MoU with bug OSUs but we haven’t started that yet.

Replying to Pu W. Chhuanawma, For the inmates in Jails and Homes, we haven’t received any funds from the PMKVY 4.0 in Mizoram. In January, we talked with the Secretary of the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship and asked for a special package, and he replied that we would look at it together with our teams. In January, we visited Delhi again to talk about the Hand-holding project and we received more than ₹31 crores to train 10,220 people which is already sanctioned. LESDE also received ₹3000 lakhs for the hand-holding policy.

Regarding the inmates, our target is to train 1000 inmates and let’s hope that includes Khawzawl as well.

In response to Pu C. Ngunlianchunga, we have the District Employment Exchange Office in Aizawl, Champhai, Lunglei, Lawngtlai and Siaha. We cannot give assurance regarding their improvements right now due to austerity measures adopted by the government.

In response to V. Malsawmtluanga, we shall work to bring skill development programmes to the southern region. We attended the India- Japan International Conclave in Shillong on 13 February and we saw that many people want to work in our state. Various Japanese companies would love to work with us and we shall continue to seek projects. This will also help when we establish big skill centres somewhere in the southern region. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Hon. member Dr. Lorrain Lalpekliana Chinzah is absent due to unavoidable circumstances.

Now, will the hon. member, Dr. K. Beichhua be pleased to ask *Starred Question No. 205.*

DR. K. BEICHHUA : Pu Speaker, today the Maras are celebrating an important festival, *Lyuva Khutla*. So, I greet the best *Samaw* to the people of Maraland. *Starred Question No. 205* is:

“Around 2009 to 2010, permission was given to introduce Commerce Stream at Govt. Siaha College. Is there permission to create posts? If yes, how far has it reached?”

SPEAKER : Dr. Vanlalhlana, Higher & Technical Education Deptt. to answer.

DR. VANLALTHLANA, MINISTER : Pu Speaker, thank you. My answers are:
The DP&AR permitted to open the Commerce deptt. for Govt. Siaha College and to open 2 vacant posts. The model Code of Conduct has not yet been received.

SPEAKER : Dr. K. Beichhua to ask *Supplementary questions*.

DR. K. BEICHHUA : Pu Speaker, thank you. My questions are-
i) Will the hon. Minister visit our college?
ii) Will the Minister take the initiative for us for the three departments I have mentioned?
iii) There are 487 students in Govt. Saitual College and the classrooms are congested. Are there plans to build more buildings?
Pu Speaker, thank you.

SPEAKER : Pu Lalramliana Papua, Lunglei South to ask *Supplementary questions*.

PU LALRAMLIANA PAPUIA: Pu Speaker, does the new government plan to improve the Mizoram Polytechnic in Lunglei Hrangchawkawn? What are the plans?

SPEAKER : Pu. C. Ngunlianchunga, Lawngtlai West.

PU. C. NGUNLIANCHUNGA: Pu Speaker, my question for Higher & technical Education Minister is- Is the new government planning to regularize the Asst. Professors under RUSA taken by the MPSC in 2019?

Secondly, the Polytechnic building was constructed in Lawngtlai but was abandoned. Can we at least turn it into a training center for vocational courses? Thank you.

SPEAKER : Pu T. Lalhlimpaia, Lunglei West to ask *Supplementary questions*.

PU T. LALHLIMPUA : Pu Speaker, thank you. My questions are-

- a) Regarding Lunglei Engineering College, is it worth settling in?
- b) Does the government intend to establish this college as a fully functional institution?

Thank you.

SPEAKER : Dr. Vanlalhlana, Minister to answer.

DR. VANLALHLANA : Pu Speaker, thank you. My response to Dr. K. Beichhua regarding the opening of three streams at Govt. Siaha College- Science, Commerce and Geography. There are two teachers now but one more post shall be made available by employing a teacher from another college. I shall try to visit the college within this year.

We heard that the college building is not good enough; there are no separate budgets for the renovation. But I have been a teacher and I take serious note of that. Under the PMJVK, there are funds to renovate institutions and ₹30 crores are given in some places. We are planning to work on it in any case.

My response to Pu Lalramliana Papuia is we submitted the requested amount of ₹36 crores to the Finance deptt. The college is in urgent need of facilities, and we hope to get it soon.

We requested CSR for Polytechnic and we don't know how far the request has reached. My response to Pu C. Ngunlianchunga, MPSC hardly recruits people to get regularised in the government. The ones who are working on a contract basis shifted to RUSA and it becomes a problem to regularise them. The Finance depot. And the DPR already talked about this. We take great importance.

There are some amounts allocated in the budget for the construction and renovation of Lawngtlai Polytechnic. We still don't know how much we have to give and to what extent. (Pu C. Ngunlianchunga: We understand that it takes time for big projects. Can we expect at least skill training programmes?) More than ₹20 crores were allocated for this. This will be done under LESDE.

My response to T. Lalhlimpa is- under the PMJVK, ₹14 crores were requested for Lunglei Engineering College and we don't know when this will be received. There is a lot to work. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Since Pu Lalchhuanthanga is absent, will the hon. member Pu VL Zaithanzama may be pleased to ask Starred Question No. 206 on his behalf.

PU VL ZAITHANZAMA : Pu Speaker, thank you. Pu Lalchhuanthanga's question, *Starred Question No. 206* is-

“Are there plans to improve the Industrial Training Institute (ITI)? If yes, how will we go about it?”

SPEAKER : Pu Lalnghinglova Hmar, Minister, LESDE.

PU LALNGHINGLOVA HMAR, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, thank you. My answer is-

“The ITI has been improved from time to time and we shall continue to do that”.

Now, we have started the NIOA exam centre and vocational training will be done according to requirements. An MoU was also signed by TATA and HONDA. The building was established in 1964 and there are 420 students. It is the best in NE India. ₹20 crores are estimated and the Ministry’s approval is expected soon.

SPEAKER : Pu VL Zaithanzama to ask *Supplementary question*.

PU VL ZAITHANZAMA: Pu Speaker, thank you. My question is-

“The location of the Industrial Training Institute is one of the most convenient locations in Aizawl. Are there plans to renovate and improve the area?”

SPEAKER : Pi Baryl Vanneihsangi to ask *Supplementary questions*.

PI BARYL VANNEIHSANGI : Pu Speaker, thank you. My question is-

Domestic violence against women is still a problem. Are there plans to work on the protective measures?

SPEAKER : Pu RM Chakma, Tuichawng constituency to ask *Supplementary questions*.

PU RASIK MOHAN CHAKMA: Pu Speaker, my question for LESDE Minister is- In Kamalanagar (Chawngte), ITI building and the staff quarters were constructed in 2015 through the MSDP scheme. The facility does not have anyone to take care of right now. Is the department aware of this? If yes, is there a way to open and make it functional?

Before 2008, there was a central government policy to establish one polytechnic school and a minimum of 2 ITIs for every district. The Lawngtlai Polytechnic was also built on that policy, similar to the one in Chawngte. Are we still using that MSDP policy in Mizoram?

SPEAKER : Pu Jeje Lalpekhlua, South Tuipui constituency.

PU JEJE LALPEKHLUA: Pu Speaker, thank you. My question is-

i) Is there a way to improve skills development in Hnahthial?

ii) There is one Home in Hnahthial named, 'Jehovah Jire Home'. I request the Minister to arrange a skill development class for the inmates. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Pu Lalnghinglova Hmar, Minister, LESDE.

PU LALNGHINGLOVA HMAR, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, thank you. As the MLA of ITI Locality, Pu Lalchhuanthanga paid a vested interest in the ITI building, the surrounding areas, and the locality as it is one of the most convenient areas in Aizawl. We have been waiting for the ministry's approval of ₹20 crores for the renovation works. With the approval of our Chief Minister, we are taking initiatives as much as we can.

Let me also add that a swimming pool, (aquatic centre) is owned by the Sports & Youth Services and there is ongoing work to enhance the facility.

My response to Pi Baryl Vanneihsangi, Aizawl South-III regarding working in foreign countries is- it is a good thing that many people work outside of the country especially in the Gulf countries to earn money. But we have to make sure how the recruiting agency or the agency that deals with it conducts the process and for what purpose. We must be mindful and try our best to prevent wrongdoings.

We asked the Home Deptt. if the LESDE could single-handedly do the work and regulate it on our own; it is in the process. Recently, when the Taiwanese ambassador visited Aizawl, we also shared some dialogues regarding the possibility of the Mizo youths entering the work field in Taiwan. Similarly, we talked with a representative from Suzuki who wants to visit Mizoram.

Japan is expanding their investments in northeast India which is worth \$3 billion. They even want to include the Mizo youths to be a part of their investment. As we have mentioned, unless an agency is signed up under LESDE, there could be unavoidable circumstances. As Pi Baryl mentioned, the victims are usually women and girls. So, the Mizoram Youth Commission headed by their active Chairman also takes actions as much as they can to prevent injustice and violence against workers in foreign countries. In response to Pu RM Chakma's question regarding Kamalanagar ITI building, it was built by Lawngtlai DC and not the funds issued by LESDE. That's why I don't have much to say. But I shall visit that place soon and see how we can go forward with it.

In response to Pu Jeje Lalpekhluva's question regarding Skill development for the youths of Hnahthial, we expect we can utilise the special package that will come from the central. Under the Hand-holding policy also, there will be more than 10,000 skills in which training will be conducted.

Regarding ‘Jehovah Jire Home’, there are 1000 skill training areas which can be selected. The department staff may carefully check these and take the initiative. We shall take immediate steps. Pu Speaker, thank you.

PU RASIK MOHAN CHAKMA: Pu Speaker, the central government launched a program around 2007 for infrastructural improvements for ITI and polytechnic schools. Is that programme still going on?

PU LALNGHINGLOVA HMAR, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, the answer I have received is, “The Lawngtlai DC has not given the Chawngte ITI to LESDE”. It was from 2015 and no governments took the initiative. If there are any answers that do not suffice, I shall seek answers from the department and send an answer before the Session ends today. Pu Speaker, thank you.

SPEAKER : Let’s invite our House Leader.

PU LALDUHOMA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Speaker, I would like to add some points regarding the last one.

The scheme was taken up by the previous administration but there is still a lot to do. While I was the PAC Chairman, I visited almost all those locations. I even warned the heads of the department and scolded the contractors as well. But, it’s hard to go ahead with it unless there is willpower from the government’s side.

The PAC recommendations are not followed. For example, the construction at Zote. The door was stolen, and the wire fittings were cut off. There is an ongoing construction next to that, but the approach road is not approachable anymore. In Tlangsam, one building has been completed, but has not been used for any purpose. They are unable to complete the work in Chhiatlang, which I have even been there twice. Our institutions and polytechnics, which are essential for our future entrepreneurs, are currently stagnating as a result of these factors. What steps should we take, or should we simply fire the contractors? We must investigate these flaws.

SPEAKER : Question hour has ended. We shall move on to the next business.

PRIVATE MEMBER’S RESOLUTION:

Private Member’s Business is mentioned in our Rule, Chapter 27 (1). We gathered on 29.2.2024 at the Joint Secretary’s room and balloted ten resolutions for today, i.e., 8.3.2024. The sequence is mentioned in Bulletin Part-II, No 41 of 29.2.2024. Pu Lalthuanthanga’s resolution is the first one. However, the said MLA is absent due to sickness. So, we shall move forward as mentioned in Rule No. 127.

Pu Jeje Lalpekhluva to move his resolution – “*The ministry’s continued execution of the 100-day plan delighted us*”.

PU JEJE LALPEKHLUA: Pu Speaker, with your permission, I thank God and the people of South Tuipui constituency for uplifting me in this respectable House to move the Private Member’s Resolution. I present my resolution, “*The ministry’s continued execution of the 100-day plan delighted us*”. Pu Speaker, with your permission, I would like to elaborate further.

I appreciate the 100-day plan, which included 12 points that may be prioritized as announced by our House Leader. We are all keen about that announcement as it is new to all of us. To follow up on this, the ‘*General Monitoring Committee on the Chief Minister’s 100-day Program*’ was formed under the chairmanship of the Commissioner & Secretary to the Chief Minister. It shows that our CM is serious about this initiative. This is not new, as in February 2023, the CM of Kerala, Pinarayi Vijayan announced the ‘*100-day program*’; it was all over the media during that time. The PM of New Zealand, Christopher Mark Luxon, announced the ‘*100-day action plan- Government to-do list*’. Back on 25th June, 1953, the then President of the USA, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, announced the ‘*First 100 days*’, which was announced as part of his speech on the radio.

When our CM announced that, it was both challenging and comforting. It gives me immense pleasure that the Ministry followed what it promised to do. Due to our poor financial condition, the ‘*Year of Consolidation (2024-2025)*’ was announced. On 27.2.2024, our CM laid the Annual Financial Statement 2024-2025. In his budget speech, our CM announced that the year 2024-2025 will be ‘*Year of Consolidation*’. As the Ministers and the MLA are aware, some of our allowances have to be taken away. There has been no plan to purchase a new car for the Ministers. The public debt for 2024-2025 has also been reduced to ₹697.69 crores.

The budget allocated to purchase the four selected items will be done through the Agriculture Market Assurance Fund. For this fund, ₹10 crores were allocated for the revised estimate of 2023-2024. His statement, “The Ministers were given the road map of how they will take care of the department”, begins to take shape. It’s also remarkable that the budgets laid by the Ministers were all *ZPM policy-oriented budgets*. Another noteworthy action was the dissolution of the MSSSB to keep politics out of the matter and give the MPSC, a constitutional body, complete control.

Other initiatives include the dissolution of the 15 SEDP Boards as promised, in which an Order was issued in no time; dissolution of the Resource Mobilization Department and to function as committee to avoid expenditure; the general consent given to the CBI on anti-corruption, which was notified by the Mizoram Vigilance Department on 28th December 2023, are all great steps taken by the Chief Minister. Besides that, the CM

said that the Lok Ayukta shall be better equipped after detailed studies. In no time, the Lok Ayukta Amendment Bill was passed.

(Panel of Chairman, Pu Rasik Mohan Chakma takes the Chair.)

Under his leadership, the Mizoram State Project Monitoring Committee was formed on 22nd January 2024. The inclusion of representatives from different parties and the general public demonstrates how this is the people's government. After the CM announced the biometric attendance for government offices, a tender was issued on 19th January 2024 through the Aizawl Smart City Limited fund. We are delighted to know that it will be ready to use from 15th March 2024, starting from the Mizoram Secretariat office. While some districts have begun implementing the biometric attendance mode, other districts will follow suit.

After the CM announced the need to fight against drugs and other narcotic substances, the Minister of Excise immediately took steps to eradicate the problem, which is praiseworthy. A discussion program was also organised, inviting representatives from the local youth Church and the Central YMA. It is great that a separate budget has been allocated solely for this purpose.

It is more comforting now that the ministry has taken the effort to assign duties in various streets of Aizawl where drug users tend to stay. As wished, the Boundary Committee was formed on 24th January 2024 under the chairmanship of Pu K. Sapdanga, our Home Minister. The committee includes representatives of the people. Pu Chairman, with your permission, I may take this opportunity to move my resolution, *"The ministry's continued execution of the 100-day plan delighted us"*. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN : Now, we will have a discussion on Private Member's Resolution. Each member will have 5 minutes as practice.

PU LALMUANPUIA PUNTE: Pu Chairman, I want to make a suggestion. 10 minutes is not enough for us especially the senior members. We, the first timer having not enough experience palpitate when the bell ring. Let us all try to mind the time.

CHAIRMAN : This House have a conduct, let us try to follow. Will we do 5 or 10 minutes.

PU LALDUHOMA, CHIEF MINISTER: Pu Chairman, Private Resolution need to be finished at 4 pm. If 10 minutes is given to each member, we will not finish it in time. Therefore, 5 minutes is enough.

CHAIRMAN : We will give 5 minutes to each member. Now let us call upon hon. member from Hachhek, Pu Robert Romawia Royte.

PU ROBERT ROMAWIA ROYTE: Pu Chairman, thank you. First, I would like to wish my fellow members, Mara members, Mara people and all the people of Mizoram Lyuva Khutla festival. I also wish the three women members and women of Mizoram.

The mover indicates that 100 days achievement is done by others. If we look into their aims for these 100 days, it appears that they choose easy option. There are achievement and not achieved in this. Fixing of minimum rate and procurement in 4 vegetables are the first point I want to discuss.

Pu Chairman, it has a fixed time and is going away. Many farmers cultivate broom and we still have not purchase it. While many farmers are in debt and are in trouble, can this august House convey our thanks. In my opinion, if we bought it and in the support price, we will be able to say our thanks. If the House Leader and the concern minister give us their word to buy or give them support price, it would be easy to give our thanks. So, let us not stop at 'we do not buy broom' otherwise, many families future will be ruined. In the first session on the Governor speech, we see procurement will be made 'in this financial year itself'. If that is the case we still have half a year to do it. If the new government is going to procure broom, turmeric, ginger and chilly I can support this resolution.

Second, Boundary Committee was already established by the previous government under the chairmanship of the dy. Chief minister, now it was established again. The previous composition was excellent and if this new committee is going to work from scratch without having any link with the previous committee it can go wrong as there are some decisions made. I think there is nothing to be thankful about in this issue.

The termination of MSSSB as I mentioned in this House and moved resolution is not to be thankful for. While there are many who faces problems as many already gives examination fees, I think we are too hasty in giving our thanks. Do we have any one good thing to say in the termination of MSSSB?

I also see no reason to be voice our thanks for terminating SEDP Board and highlighted in the resolution. The SEDP Board was co-terminus, therefore it was supposed to stop when the current government stopped. Is Is this point to make it look like a new one and to play the media.

Pu Chairman, I want the ruling bench to give important to what we think needed modification in the wording. Not buying of broom and mention of termination of MSSSB should be omitted from the vote of thanks. This resolution contains 12 point to be thankful for and I do not agree with this. I think it is still too early for this, thank you.

CHAIRMAN : I call on South-II MLA, Miss Baryl Vanneihsangi

PI BARYL VANNEIHSANGI: Pu Chairman. I want to extend my gratitude to the Speaker through you for letting me Chair the House on account of this day being *International Women's Day*.

The Resolution being that, *we express our appreciation on the Government fulfilling its obligation concerning the 100-day programs* although we are not yet at a 100 day. Pu Chairman, we can see from this program how valuable a day can be: and concerning our fiscal condition, we know that we need to do something and in conjunction with that awareness, we have declared *A year of Consolidation* and to strengthen our endeavor, we have cleared the way for the CBI and also pass the Amendment Bill on Lok Ayukta to root out corruption.

Another blemish on our society is the scourge of Drug Abuse. I am glad to hear that various NGO's as well as Churches have planned a program, under the leadership of our Chief Minister to tackle the problem.

Lastly, I wanted to encourage the people to utilize *Mipui Aw* to its fullest extend to express their opinion freely.

CHAIRMAN : I call upon Pu Clement Lalhmingthanga

LT. COL. CLEMENT LALHMINGTHANGA: Thank you, Pu. Chairman, I find it premature to criticize the 100-day programs of the government seeing as we are still not at the 100 days. The government already fulfills many of its programs by setting up agencies such as *Agriculture Marketing Assurance Fund Management Board*, *Mizoram Coordinating Committee* as well as *Mizoram Resource Mobilization Committee*, *Mizoram State Project Monitoring Committee* under the chairmanship of our Chief Minister.

The flagship program of the government, *the hand-holding Policy* is already underway with a 200-crore funding. We have also implemented the *Bio-metric Attendance System* to boost efficiency. We must also remember that we have cleared the way for the CBI to operate in our State and have strengthened Lok Ayukta with an amendment bill. Looking at all these accomplishments, I propose that the House adopt this resolution, thank you.

CHAIRMAN : I call Pi Prova Chakma, the MLA from West Tuipui Constituency.

PI PROVA CHAKMA : Thank you, Pu Chairman, I also wanted to say a few things regarding our resolution today.

When I hear the word, *100 Day Programs*, my mind instantly went to Agriculture because majority of my constituents depends on agriculture but I am disappointed to discover that the item that most benefitted them is not included, i.e., broom since the government announce that it will be included in this financial year.

Another thing that puzzled me is that in order to tighten our fiscal deficit/spending, the government announces *Years of Consolidation* but, at the same time, announce the appointment of 5 Advisors to the Chief Minister, does this equates with our policy?

Lastly, I wanted to wish a happy International Women's Day to all female government servants in this building as well as to all women in Mizoram, thank you.

CHAIRMAN : I call on Pu Ginzalala, MLA of Champhai North Constituency

PU H. GINZALALA : Thank you, Pu Chairman. We have a vast subject but very little time, in light of that I will concentrate only on one subject, that is, *Resource Mobilization*.

There can be different resources under this heading but I want to pick on Human Resource. Our State had not concentrate on this issue. If someone asks me to pick the 3 thing we need the most, I will say capacity building thrice. It is not that we have no resources but that we have under-manage our resources for years. In order to fully utilize our resources, we need human development, if we do not have it, even if we have great physical infrastructure, it will slowly decline.

One example I can give which I can attest to personally, is, Vehicle Insurance. We give 40-60 crore each year outside our State for insurance. Why can we not have an Insurance Company build and manage by our own people? Another area is space extension, we are a mountainous region; in order to fully utilize our capacity, we need space and we can achieve this by large-scale sand-filling certain areas.

Lastly, I wanted to close with this, what we consider minuscule can turn into a good resource if there is a technology for it. Thank you, Pu Chairman

CHAIRMAN : Let us call Pu Lalrinsanga Ralte

PU LALRINSANGA RALTE: Thank you, Pu Chairman. I think that our resolution is a little premature as we still have 12 days to reach a 100 day.

When I look at the resolution, it seems to me that some of the policy implemented or established by the previous government is simply renamed and presented as a new entity such as Resource Mobilization and Boundary Committee.

Another thing is that the government said that 110 crore is committed to alleviating the needs of people engaging in agriculture and labor and it is still 'committed'. We announce *Year of Consolidation* but splurges on appointing 5 Advisor to Chief Minister with one PA salary to Advisor surpassing the salary of 4 member of SEDP Board member; this is not withstanding their other staff salary.

Under the *Sustainable Development & Reforms Policy*, this ZPM government highlighted that in order to paved the way on austerity, *the Chief Minister and Minister will lead and will engage only one vehicle for themselves* when they must have known that this is not possible if they are to follow government protocols. So, it seems to me that there is intent to hoodwink the people and to allocate praise on themselves. That is all I want to say, thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Let us call on the MLA from Lunglei South, Pu Lalramliana

PU LALRAMLIANA PAPUIA: Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker, we all know today's resolution and to save time, I will concentrate on two things.

One is the implementation of *Bio-metric Attendance System*, this has been one of the things that I place an importance to and I am glad that the government is taking this seriously and if I may, can I suggest that it be implemented not only to record attendance but also to verify that government servants leave as they should as well.

Another is the implementation of *Mizoram Rights to Public Services Act, 2015*, although some may say that it is already utilize previously, we never pressured the concern department to fully implement it. This Act is to ensure that government servants know that they work for the people and that they must fulfills their duty to the people speedily and correctly. For example, Driving License along with a Smart Card must be finished within 4 day and a renewal is supposed to take only 2 days maximum.

I support the other policies as well and urges this House to support the resolution, thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : I call on Pu RM Chakma, Tuichawng Constituency

PU RASIK MOHAN CHAKMA: Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. When I look at this Private Resolution, the first thing that comes to mind is, 'Are our colleagues on the right side too complacent? It is good to set time limit on a policy if we can achieve a time-bound result. But, to prematurely introduce such resolution when the government stated that, *Minimum price support will be fixed for ginger, turmeric, chilly and broom at which the government will procure it from the producers* and the producers are in a state of panic, I find it rather glaring. If the resolution went like, *we made a 100-day program*

which is well receive by the electorate during the election cycle and we will strive to heartily pursue such policy for the benefit of the people, I think those of us on the left bench will find it easier to support such a resolution. Thank you

DEPUTY SPEAKER : I call Pu K. Hrahmo, Palak Constituency

PU K. HRAHMO : Thank you, Pu Deputy Speaker. I have very high hopes for the ZPM government and listening to our Chief Minister, Ministers and MLA's before and after forming the government, I count myself lucky to partake in such a government. But we are talking about the achievements concerning the 100-day program and I still have to have proof of it.

We know our dire fiscal condition and in accordance with that, we pronounce *Year of Consolidation*, meaning *Inrenchem* in Mizo but I still cannot see any concrete evidence for it. What I know is that even in the 5 PSU that our state government run, while in previous governments, sitting MLAs were usually appointed as Chairman without any need to designate extra funds, but in this government, almost all Chairman's appointed are not elected, which means that extra funds had to be designated for their salaries.

Another issue is that the government stated that it has already set aside and committed funds to procure various agricultural produces but at the last minute announces that it is not yet necessary to procure those produces. At present, I do not see anything that is very good nor very bad results, so I find it hard to support this resolution, thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : I call Pu T. Lalhlimpuia, Lunglei West MLA

PU T. LALHLIMPUA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. The author of a very popular novel *You are in Charge, Now What?* talks about Franklin Roosevelt, who became the President of the United States during the *Great Depression*, of his decisive and firm actions. Likewise, I applauded our Chief Minister for taking firm decision in the form of 100 Day Programs knowing our financial situation.

Another important success is the launching of *Zoram Mipui Aw*, this highlights that he is willing to receive criticism from the people and that is very brave of him. Another accomplishment of this government I wanted to highlight is that of the Anti-Intoxicating Substances Drive under the leadership of our Chief Minister along with our excise minister as well as the Central YMA. Another is the proposal to strengthened VDP in their local areas and this is enthusiastically received by the VDP.

In light of such achievement in such a short time, I urge this House to pass the resolution introduce by our hon'ble member Pu Jeje Lalpekhluia.

SPEAKER : I invite the MLA from East Tuipui Constituency, Pu Ramthanmawia

PU RAMTHANMAWIA : Pu Speaker, I am under the impression that those that sit on your right side are not that motivated to speak up and as such, I will volunteer.

Pu Speaker, the Private Resolution of Pu Jeje Lalpekhlua, citing, *we are very pleased at the continuing success of the pre-planned 100 Day Programs of the government*: if that is change to, *To continue working expediently on those still not accomplished pre-planned programs*, I think the farmers of our State will be much happier. I applauded our House Leader for proposing such a bold policy but I have some reservation about the resolution. Shouldn't such resolution be introduced after a year have pass, at the very least?

We all know the 12 points propose by the government but should we not wait for a year to verify whether those proposal to not used a large fund to refurbished Minister Bungalow is follows or not. I propose that we should refrain from praising the government prematurely but instead, extend our helping hand to the people, first and foremost.

Pu Speaker. I also think that we put words in the mouth of our Governor's and that is not a respectful thing to do and lastly, we should instead propose substantial resolution that touches on profound needs of our State, thank you.

SPEAKER : I call on hon'ble member, Pu H. Lalzirliana, Mamit Constituency

PU H. LALZIRLIANA : Thank you, Pu Speaker, we are discussing the Private Resolution of Pu Jeje Lalpekhlua concerning the 100 Day Programs proposed by our Chief Minister. This is a new thing introduced by this government and is laudable. But I wanted to point out that while we are discussing the government accomplishment, they are, at the same time, telling us that it is too soon to accomplish anything substantial as they are barely going on 3 months. I find this statement contradicting.

While we are at it, it comes to mind whether a 200-day programs is also on the making. We all heard speeches from our hon'ble members, concerning items that are included in the Budget, SRDP, Governor's Speech, 100 Day Programs as well as in the Additional Points, *allocations of funds for programing of ginger, turmeric, chili and broom*, I think the government is very committed to this programs and allocated funds for it already but I consider the government made a mistake in including Broom Stick. The government allocated 110 crores for Agricultural procurement: We loudly applauded the utilization of the 40 Crore allocated to healthcare, but what about the utilization of the 110 crores? That is all I can say, thank you

SPEAKER : It is already 1.p.m. but if we can permit our member to finish? Alright, you can continue

PU H. LALZIRLIANA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. We still have 12 days to complete the 100 days programme, it is crucial that all pending activities and initiatives are promptly completed and we should give our best efforts for optimum utilization of resources and also manpower resources. So, I suggest we should add, 'That all remaining task must be completed with haste to ensure the programme's success and achieve its intended outcome' in the Resolution. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Our morning session has concluded and we will continue our session at 2: 00 PM in the afternoon.

(Recess)

2:00 PM

SPEAKER : I will now call upon the concern MLA of Aizawl West – II, PU V.L Zaithanzama.

PU VL. ZAITHANZAMA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. I express my gratitude towards the resolution submitted by the hon.ble member Pu Jeje Lalpekhlua. I am glad this Ministry is keeping up the promise to execute the 100 days programme, among the many objectives, termination of MSSSB was one of them and it was executed, I am delighted that the commitments made are being fulfilled, demonstrating a strong sense of accountability and dedication of this Ministry. Year of consolidation will be strictly observed leading to a significant reduction of expenditure. A strong campaign will be waged against substance abuse and working toward the reduction of its prevalence.

Pu Speaker, when we stated our intention to purchase vegetable harvests, we meant that we would provide a supportive price to the farmers, similarly, we will be procuring brooms through the village society, ensuring that our purchases benefit the local community. In conclusion, I would like to express my support for this resolution, Thank you.

SPEAKER : The concern MLA of Aizawl West, Pu TBC Lalvenchhunga.

PU TBC LALVENCHHUNGA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. I am delighted to note that the 100 days programme is being successfully implemented and the outstanding initiatives can be completed within this month. However, I must regretfully inform the House that a tragic landslide occurred in my constituency, resulting in the loss of a father and son, I wish to place this on record as a matter of information.

Furthermore, I am pleased to highlight that the 14th Finance Commission has led to a significant increase in tax devolution, rising to 42 % from the previous 31 %. This, coupled with the post-devolution deficit grant and the new ministry's efforts has resulted in a substantial decrease in our liabilities. The state government has launched a flagship programme aimed at reducing liabilities and I am thrilled that the government is committed to implementing plans during the year of consolidation, which will undoubtedly lead to enhanced financial management. As legislators, we seize the opportunities presented by this programme to ensure its successful execution by reducing our entitlements. I hereby express my support for the resolution moved by my fellow member. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Pu V. Malsawmtluanga, the concern MLA of Lunglei North.

PU V. MALSAWMTLUANGA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. I express my gratitude towards the mover of this Resolution Pu Jeje Lalpekhlua, and also for the execution of 100 days program. I believe this ministry have also woken the interest of the people, since the number of views of the ongoing sessions have increased immensely.

I am glad to hear that the Chief Minister has announced a year of consolidation which demonstrates their awareness of our state's status and commitment to responsible governance. This move will help prevent unnecessary expenditure and optimize resource allocation. While certain schemes, such as SEDP, initiated by the previous ministry, may not yield benefits for many individuals, it is reassuring to see funds allocated for SEDP are being utilized to settle some of our state's liabilities on healthcare. I express my unwavering support for the resolution proposed by my fellow member. Thank you.

SPEAKER : The concern member of Tuirial, Pu K. Laldawngliana.

PU K. LALDAWNGLIANA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. It's premature to congratulate ourselves on the 100-day program's success. Firstly, substance abuse requires a long-term commitment to treatment and support. Furthermore, MSSSB's services are essential, and their elimination is misguided. We must prioritize alternative solutions that address addiction's underlying issues and provide necessary support. The Resource Mobilization Committee is not a new concept, mirroring the previous boundary committee. The ministry must own up to its broken promises to broomstick planters and address the SEDP fund diversion, which harmed 60,000 families. A revised 100-day program and true fiscal prudence will yield a better budget outcome next year. Thank you.

SPEAKER : The concern MLA of Hrangturzo, Pu Lalmuanpuia Punte.

PU LALMUANPUIA PUNTE: Thank you, Pu Speaker. I wholeheartedly endorse today's resolution, which acknowledges the ongoing implementation of the 100-day program. Our ministry's declaration of a year of consolidation is a prudent move, showing that even governments can face setbacks. The establishment of the Resource Mobilization Committee and Monitoring Committee will enhance accountability, while the introduction of biometric attendance will prevent proxy attendance. These initiatives demonstrate the resolution's positive impact, and I strongly support its adoption. Thank you.

SPEAKER : The concern MLA of Lawngtlai West, Pu C. Ngunlianchunga.

PU C. NGUNLIANCHUNGA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. I think it's too soon to praise the ministry's 100-day program since some initiatives succeeded while others failed. Interestingly, the Congress Ministry also declared a year of consolidation. It is concerning that the government can't purchase harvests from farmers and only offers minimal support. Regarding drugs, it seems like the issue has worsened recently, and I wonder if the government could have taken extreme steps to prevent it. Perhaps a resolution to relocate Assam Rifles from Aizawl city would have made a bigger impact. Thank you.

SPEAKER : The concern MLA of Aizawl North-III, Pu K. Sapdanga.

PU K. SAPDANGA, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Speaker. I fully support the adoption of this resolution, particularly in light of the successful 100-day program. The year of consolidation has been instrumental in reducing legislators' entitlements, and I appreciate the hon. member's timely thoughts. To further build this motion, I suggest implementing another 100-day program to ensure we deliver on all our promises. With that, I will conclude by expressing my support to adopt this resolution. Thank you.

SPEAKER : The concern MLA of Thorang, Pu R. Rohmingliana.

PU R. ROHMINGLIANA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. I suggest we carefully study this resolution. I have reservations about stopping government employees from hiring substitutes, as this could lead to complications. While some initiatives have been successfully implemented, others are still pending, and the broomstick planters are still facing difficulties. The year of consolidation has been used to increase taxes, and I fail to see the benefits of terminating MSSSB and SEDP. If all programs had been successfully implemented, I would support this resolution, but since that is not the case, I cannot agree to it. Thank you.

SPEAKER : The concern Minister of Aizawl EastII, Pu B. Lalhhanzova.

PU B. LALCHHANZOVA, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Speaker. By publicly disclosing our progress, we demonstrate transparency and keep the public informed about our initiatives. The successful implementation of the 100-day program and the allocation of remaining funds from SEDP to purchase harvest from farmers are significant accomplishments. Additionally, the settlement of healthcare liabilities and restriction of tender processes are noteworthy achievements. Although the opposition has raised concerns about broomsticks, I am confident that they will ultimately appreciate our efforts in the near future. In conclusion, I express my support for this resolution, thank you.

SPEAKER : The concern MLA of Aizawl North-II, Dr. Vanlalhlana.

DR. VANLALHLANA, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Speaker. I am glad to hear that the state government is making progress with its 100-day program. Allowing CBI investigations and reducing VIP entourages shows promising progress. The implementation of biometric attendance in secretariats through KAI application is also a great step towards transparency and accountability. Overall, it's great to see the government taking steps towards its goals, and I'm optimistic about the impact of these changes. So, I express my support in adopting the resolution of my fellow member Pu Jeje Lalpekhluva. Thank you.

SPEAKER : The hon. minister Prof.Lalnilawma.

PROF.LALNILAWMA, HON. MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Speaker. Although the 100-day program has not yet reached its culmination, I am delighted with the significant strides made thus far. The government's decision to grant consent to CBI investigations demonstrates remarkable courage and transparency. The termination of MSSSB will not lead to unemployment among our youths, but rather, it will yield positive outcomes in the long run. The settlement of the healthcare bill and the allocation of funds to procure harvests from farmers, as promised, are also noteworthy achievements. I firmly believe that the opposition's criticisms are motivated by a desire to undermine our progress. We must continue to support and motivate each other, and I hereby express my support for the resolution proposed by Pu Jeje Lalpekhluva. Thank you.

SPEAKER : The hon. minister Pu Vanlalhlana.

PU VANLALHLANA, MINISTER: Pu Speaker, I'm delighted to see the government's commitment to the 100-day program, especially amidst financial constraints. The announcement of a consolidation year and implementation of austerity measures demonstrates responsible governance. The deduction of legislators' advantages and entitlements is a significant step towards fiscal caution.

The setting up of the Boundary Committee in the 100-day program is a strategic move, and I appreciate the recovery of Mizoram House in Kolkata, which was previously sold secretly. The Deputy Speaker's rediscovery of Mizoram lands during their recent visit to Silchar is a notable achievement, and I'm assured that the state will take necessary measures to protect these areas.

This 100-day program is a vital step towards fulfilling our party's manifesto, and I urge my fellow members to support this resolution. Let's work together to ensure its success. Thank you.

SPEAKER : The hon. Minister, Pu Lalnghinglova hmar.

PU LALNGHINGLOVA HMAR, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Speaker. I am glad that this resolution is proposed to be adopted in the House. As mentioned in the 100 days program, MSSSB has been terminated and consent has also been given to CBI. The entourage of the VIP's has also been reduced. As for the battle against drugs, Excise Department along with NGO's and local churches will continue to try to find the root causes and provide support for those affected.

Concerning the broomstick initiative and other 3 key policies, I am optimistic that with the implementation of price support, we will be able to provide sustenance to our agriculture sector and ensuring the welfare of our farmers over the next five years. So, I express my support to adopt the resolution of my fellow member. Thank you.

SPEAKER : The concern MLA of Tuichang, Pu W. Chhuanawma.

PU W. CHHUANAWMA : Thank you, Pu Speaker. I am delighted to witness the ministry's steadfast commitment to its 100-day program. The granting of consent to the CBI, as promised, demonstrates transparency and accountability. Furthermore, the presentation of the budget and the successful implementation can be credited to the ministry's firm stand against corruption. As we strive to achieve our objectives, it is essential that we acknowledge and encourage one another. I wholeheartedly support the proposed resolution and applaud the ministry's efforts in this regard. Thank you.

SPEAKER : The hon. minister Pu Lalthansanga.

PU LALTHANSANGA, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Speaker. I'm delighted to witness the proposed resolution in the House, which highlights this ministry's commitment to fostering growth and development. The implementation of this program has yielded notable successes, and the year of consolidation is anticipated to significantly reduce our debt liabilities by ₹697.69. This ministry is steadfastly working towards enhancing the state's socio-economic and developmental standing. Moreover, intensive efforts are being made to address the broomstick-related challenges faced by

planters, despite the prevailing negative opinions. A glance at the budget reveals our intention to procure broomsticks from local planters, thereby promoting their welfare. Thank you.

SPEAKER : The concern MLA of Aizawl South-I, Pu C. Lalsawivunga.

PU C. LALSAWIVUNGA, MINISTER: Thank you, Pu Speaker. I'm glad to hear that the ongoing implementation of the program is yielding positive results. The austerity measures taken are a testament to the government's commitment to fiscal responsibility. It's interesting that you believe the opposition party is secretly pleased with the program's success, despite their public criticisms.

The termination of certain initiatives, as part of the austerity measures, may have been a difficult decision, but it's clear that the government is dedicated to streamlining its operations and allocating resources more efficiently. Overall, it's heartening to see the government's efforts to implement a successful program, and I'm confident that the opposition party will eventually acknowledge the positive impact of these initiatives. The termination of MSSSB is primarily attributed to the existence of MPSC, which is constitutionally established under the Constitution of India. This development is complemented by the abolition of restricted tenders, fostering a more transparent and competitive environment. Furthermore, the new ministry has instilled a sense of punctuality among government employees, who now report to their respective offices in a timely manner. In conclusion, I wholeheartedly support the adoption of this resolution, thank you.

SPEAKER : I will now call upon the Opposition Leader.

PU LALCHHANDAMA RALTE, OPP. LEADER: Thank you, Pu Speaker. I commend the mover of this resolution, but I firmly believe that truth will ultimately prevail, and self-congratulation has limited impact. Our primary concern, as emphasized in the governor's speech, is that the government should prioritize purchasing broomsticks from local planters within this year. While we acknowledge the implementation of several key initiatives, there are also areas that catches our attention, such as the dissolution of SEDP Boards and the failure to establish a State Marketing Board and the establishment of The Boundary Committee, established by the previous ministry. I, however, commend the government on its decision to grant consent to the CBI and initiate an anti-intoxicating drive.

Regarding punctuality, I suggest that legislators should set an exemplary standard for government employees. The dissolution of MSSSB raises concerns, given the significant number of students who have already paid examination fees. Furthermore, the claim that only one car will be allotted to VIPs is inaccurate. As a constructive opposition, we feel compelled to highlight these concerns after careful assessment.

Eventually, the public will judge the government's accomplishments. I suggest that, under the leadership of the House Leader, we focus on crafting resolutions that prioritize the overall development and upliftment of the public, rather than engaging in self-congratulatory address. Thank you.

SPEAKER : The hon. House Leader.

PU LALDUHOMA, CHIEF MINISTER: Thank you, on this International Women's Day, I extend my heartfelt appreciation to the women in this House and across our state. I also commend our Ministers for their tireless efforts, beyond the 12-point agenda of the 100-day program, and for presenting this resolution within the stipulated timeframe.

Regarding the broomstick initiative, we must learn from the past experiences of the Mahal system and avoid repeating it. Although we have made some purchases, we regretfully acknowledge that we cannot buy all the broom harvest from planters within a short period. To address this, we will appoint empanelled buyers, fix rates, and provide support prices, with allocated funds for these purposes. Furthermore, only our empanelled buyers will be authorized to export brooms outside the state.

Concerning our boundary dispute, we anticipate a visit from Assam Minister Mr. Atul Bora, followed by a meeting to resolve the issue. It is imperative that we implement the programs initiated by our ministry, as they were left unfulfilled by previous administration. Regarding the hiring of substitutes by government employees, a significant number of personnel have availed this provision. The breakdown is as follows: 3,375 employees have been granted substitutes due to health and medical reasons, while 1,115 substitutes have been sanctioned under the School Education department, 642 under the Health Department, and 253 under the P&E Department. Substitutes often prove more efficient, particularly in cases involving cancer patients and other pressing issues, which our MLAs will discuss further.

While numerous projects are available, counter funding and maintenance are essential. Our ministry adopts a practical approach, avoiding unnecessary construction or installations in uninhabited or powerless areas. Streamlining VIP tours by reducing entourage numbers saves time and resources, enabling our team to focus on serving the public. Despite deductions in entitlements and liability payments, our outlay plans exceed those of previous ministries. Furthermore, the allocation of funds for hand-holding initiatives marks a new and innovative approach. I'm pleased to report that a substantial amount of Rs 27.69 crores has been allocated for hand-holding initiatives, and we're expediting the release of the second instalments. Furthermore, a cabinet meeting is scheduled to discuss amendments to the Ceiling on Government Guarantees Act.

In other noteworthy developments, we've successfully reacquired the Mizoram House, which was previously sold. Additionally, notifications have been issued for the Right to

Public Service, covering 140 services, a significant expansion from the previous ministry's 51 services.

We've also made progress on the Sustainable Investment Policy, with notices sent out for its implementation. To ensure transparency and accountability, restricted tenders will only be permitted with the approval of the Chief Minister....

Our airport road often collapsed and it is the only route we have. The previous government worked on it but the work was quite slow and this prevented people from passing through for months. So, we are aware that we will not be able to approach the airport if we do not complete the works before rainy season and that is why the tender is restricted since it is an important work. Similarly, we are also currently working on Chhiumluang which ONGC is urging us to complete as soon as possible.

MSSSB was established in 2019 and has not been functioning smoothly for a year and a conflict always appeared with MPSC. Some departments that were supposed to do direct recruitment faced serious problems and could not do anything for a year. So, we are now solving the problems by issuing interim release orders, equipment was handed over to the staffs and MPSC has been equipped as much as possible.

We are preparing to Go-Live on biometric attendance on the 15th of this month and the DC of Kolasib has already taken the initiative by implementing it at Civil Hospital. The entire Secretariat is now centralized and covered by CCTV.

Regarding Healthcare, we released the fund on February 19 as promised. We currently have 13053 patients and they have pending bills for years. We have released ₹45.59 crore for these people and we will still have ₹4.40 crore left after clearing all the outstanding bills which will be used to pay the bills of new patients.

We have prepared Mipui-Aw portal where anyone with a complaint can freely bring their problems to the government and DP&AR officials have prepared flyers for the public. There are not many complaints filed by the public and we need to make use of this.

The State Project Monitoring Committee is quite useful and I will enumerate the representatives of these groups –

1. Mizoram Kohhran Hruaitu Committee (MKHC) - Rev. R. Lalrinsanga, Mualpui Tlang, Salem Veng;
2. Mizoram Pradesh Congress Committee - Vice-President, Pu Lalnunmawia Chuaungo;
3. MNF - Er. Lalrinawma;
4. BJP - Pi Lalremsangi Fanai, Falkawn;
5. ZPM - Er. Vanlalneiha Ralte;
6. Central YMA - Pu Lalmachhuana, Chaltlang Lily Veng;
7. MUP - Vice-President, Pu Lalbiakmawia Khiantge, Laipuitlang;
8. MHIP - President, Pi Ngurmawii Sailo, Kanan Veng;

9. MZP - President, Pu H. Lalthianghlina ITI Veng;
10. MSU - President, Pu Samuel Zoramthanpuia;
11. Mizoram Consumer Union - Prof. Chawngsailova, Chawlhmun;
12. MPF - Rev. Lalramliana Pachuau, Leitan Ramthar Durtlang

There is only one ZPM representative and we will monitor our state projects together. As this is a people's government, the government projects will be evaluated by the people's representatives. Even if extended time and revised estimates cannot be eliminated completely, we hope to reduce them. Pu Speaker, we are opposing the people if we oppose the efforts to achieve this.

Pu Speaker, these initiatives have completely changed our work culture and we are grateful to our officials and government employees for their support in these efforts. Our value system is also changing and this brings us not only reformation but transformation as well. Therefore, I request every member to pass this resolution. Thank you.

SPEAKER : 30 members had shared their discussion and I request Puy Jeje Lalpekhlua to windup his resolution and beg the House to adopt it.

PU JEJE LALPEKHLUA: Thank you, Pu Speaker. I sincerely thank all those who have commented on my private resolution and I believe that the opposition members also approved my resolution. 100 days plan announced by our Chief Minister should also be done by the future government since it is an exemplary and a good opportunity for the government to work for the people with a proper planning. It is also worth continuing for our government as it also helps the government to be attentive. It is a remarkable achievement for Mizoram and a turning point for development. Pu Speaker, I am pleased that the government has achieved its 100-day targets and therefore, I beg the House to adopt my resolution.

SPEAKER : He requested the House to adopt his resolution and before adopting, the Hon. Dy. Speaker has something to say.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Thank you, Pu Speaker. I am pleased that we will be passing today's resolution. Regarding the broomsticks, we have to suffer this time so that it will go well in the future. It is impressive that we have discussed the matter in a humble manner without arguing. Thank you.

SPEAKER : All those members in favor of the resolution may say 'Yes' (members: yes) and those not in favor may say 'No'. The House has unanimously adopted the resolution of Pu Jeje Lalpekhlua (**Pu Jeje Lalpekhlua:** Thank you, Pu Speaker) Our business for today is over and we will continue on 11th March, 2024 at 10:30 AM

Sitting is adjourned. (4:31 PM)