

**MANIPUR LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
SECRETARIAT**

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The House assembled at 11.00 am of Thursday, the 11th March, 2010 in the Assembly Hall with the Hon'ble Speaker, Dr. S. Budhichandra Singh in the Chair.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Hon'ble Chief Minister, 11 Cabinet Ministers, Hon'ble Chairman & Vice-Chairman (Hill Areas Committee) and 45 Elected Members.

QUESTIONS:

- (a) Hon'ble Chief Minister made a reply to Short Notice Question No. 4 asked by Shri Th. Nandakishor Singh, MLA regarding the augmentation of Leima Ching Water Supply Scheme.
- (b) Hon'ble Minister (Education) gave a reply to Starred Question No. 471 asked by Dr. Khashim Ruivah, MLA regarding the construction of infrastructures of the newly upgraded Higher Secondary Schools.
- (c) Hon'ble Minister (PHED) gave a reply to Starred Question No. 472 asked by Shri L. Nandakumar Singh, MLA regarding the Sewerage Project at RIMS Road and Uripok Kabrabam Leikai.
- (d) Hon'ble Minister (Agriculture) gave a reply to Starred Question No. 473 asked by Shri N. Mangi Singh, MLA regarding the payment of insurance money to the beneficiaries/farmers affected by the drought occurred in 2009.
- (e) Hon'ble Minister (Social Welfare) gave a reply to Starred Question No. 474 asked by Dr. Ng. Bijoy Singh, MLA regarding the essential qualification for the selection of Head Master/Mistress for Government Deaf and Mute School, Takyel.

ZERO HOUR:

During Zero Hour, Shri Th. Shyamkumar, MLA drew the attention of the Minister concerned on the non-availability of drinking water due to non-functional of water supply schemes taken up in his constituency.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE OF THE HOUSE:

Shri O. Ibobi Singh, Chief Minister laid the following on the Table of the House:-

- (a) Annual Report of the State Vigilance Commission for the year, 2009.
- (b) (i) Appropriation Accounts for the year, 2008-2009.
(ii) Finance Account for the year 2008-2009.

CALLING ATTENTION:

(i) Shri I. Hemochandra Singh, MLA called the attention of the Revenue/ Forest and Environment Minister on the steps taken by the Government for allotment of Langol Hills Reserved Forest land to the Assam Rifles.

Quoting Poknapham Daily of 28 February 2010, he said that under Forest Conservation Act, 1980 no reserved forest land could be used for non forest purposes and added that prior permission from the Ministry of Environment and Forest was also required even for trespassing in such land. He asked whether the Langol Hills Reserved Forest Land had been allotted to the Assam Rifles by the government and wanted clarification from the Minister concerned, as it was an environmental and sentimental issue. He also wanted to address the issue of encroachment of forest areas by individuals and the use of government prime lands by security personnel.

Shri Th. Debendra Singh, Minister (Revenue/Forest & Environment) replying to the calling attention motion informed the House that there was no step of the government to allot the Langol Hills Reserved Forest Land to the Assam Rifles so far. He, however, clarified that proposal had been made by the Assam Rifles since 2005 for the allotment of 250 hectares of land out of the Langol Hills Reserved Forest Land to the Assam Rifles .

Shri I. Hemochandra Singh, MLA sought further clarification and the Minister clarified.

(ii) Shri O. Joy Singh, MLA called the attention of the Home Minister on the killing of one Shri Longjam Tomba (58) of Top Siphai Mayai Leikai by unknown armed persons.

Shri O. Joy Singh, MLA quoting newspaper reports of the abduction of Shri L.Tomba Singh of Top Siphai Mayai Leikai on 11-7- 2009 and killing him on 13-7-2009 by unknown armed persons said that such cases of killings had caused a sense of insecurity to the general public. He expressed unhappiness on the role of the Home Department for lack of proper investigation on such cases and asked whether any stringent action had been taken up against the culprits by the government so far.

Shri O. Ibobi Singh, Chief Minister replying to the motion clarified that an FIR on the case had been registered following a complaint from the wife of the deceased at the Wangoi PS and also informed that further investigation in this regard was underway. Through police interrogation, Y. Tomba Singh of Top Upokpi had disclosed that his daughter Y. Prabhapati Devi had been married to L. Ranbir Singh, son of the deceased and added that PREPAK cadres used to take shelter in his home and were involved in the killing, he informed the House. So far, five PREPAK cadres under the leadership of one Khaba had been identified as suspects of the killing and attempts had been made to nab them but they had absconded, he added. He further informed that punishment would be given to the culprits under law.

CONSIDERATION AND PASSING OF BILLS:

- (i) Shri O. Ibobi Singh, Chief Minister moved the following Bills :-
- (a) *“that the Manipur Appropriation (No.1) Bill, 2010 be taken into consideration”.*

(b) *“that the Manipur Appropriation (No.2) Bill, 2010 be taken into consideration”.*

Shri N. Mangi Singh, MLA participating in the discussion highlighted the importance of water for drinking and agriculture and said that RLI schemes and water supply schemes in the states were not properly implemented due to lack of power connection. He wanted inter departmental co ordination of Power, PHED and Minor Irrigation departments to cope with problems in taking up developmental works.

Shri Radhabinod Koijam, MLA participating in the consideration of Appropriation Bill stressed the need for finding out ways to improve power and water supply in the state. Governance need streamlining, he said and added that the government need to rectify its image of encouraging gun culture as viewed by the general public due to the conduct of some ministers. He said that AFSPA was a blot on democracy and it was being used as a shield by security forces. The ongoing pre-revision of electoral rolls was not done in a proper and effective way, he pointed out and stressed the need for completing the process strictly under proper guidelines. He further suggested for proper utilization of funds and for timely implementation of various projects.

Shri O. Joy Singh, MLA participating in the consideration of Appropriation Bill drew the attention of the government to the present problem of drug abuse in the state and for opening government run rehabilitation centres for drug users. He emphasized the need for solving the problems arising out of the non-recruitments in the different departments since the imposition of ban on direct recruitment way back in 1999. He enquired about the measures that need to be taken up to curb child trafficking. Proper attention was needed towards the lack of quality and progress in the implementation of works under NLCPR, he said. Enforcement of proper discipline in the police department was necessary, he said. Further, he appreciated the work being done by the Vigilance Commission and wished that the Commission would continue with its good work in the years to come.

Shri O. Ibobi Singh, Hon'ble Chief Minister replying to the consideration of Appropriation Bill, informed that the government was doing its best to improve the condition of power and water supply and distribution of PDS items. The government was considering seriously for improving the quality of works implemented by the different engineering departments, he said. Regarding the recent incident of firing by a minister in which the Advocate General of the state was injured, he informed that it was an accident and an FIR had been lodged and that investigation was underway with the seizure of the gun, its license and the vehicle in which they were travelling. He said that the government had no intention of imposing the AFSPA in the state and further informed that he would apprise the Central Government for repealing it. He sought the cooperation of everyone in rectifying the imbalance growth rate of electors of some areas in the electoral roll without denying the rights of the genuine voters. He informed that the JNIMS would soon be a full-fledged institution with the required number of faculty members, staff and infrastructure being available shortly. Notice had been served to the striking employees of J.N. Hospital to resume their duties immediately, he further informed.

After clause by clause consideration, the Manipur Appropriation (No.1) Bill, 2010 was passed unanimously by the House.

After clause by clause consideration, the Manipur Appropriation (No.2) Bill, 2010 was passed unanimously by the House.

(ii) Shri L. Jayantakumar Singh, Education Minister moved:-

that the Manipur Higher Secondary Education (Second Amendment) Bill, 2009 as reported by the Select Committee be taken into consideration”.

After clause by clause consideration, the Manipur Higher Secondary Education (Second Amendment) Bill, 2009 was passed unanimously by the House.

The Hon’ble Speaker, Dr. S. Budhichandra Singh gave a valedictory speech and adjourned the House sine-die at 1.45 pm.

Y. Indira Devi
Secretary,
Manipur Legislative Assembly.
