

MEGHALAYA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

AUTUMN SESSION

ADVANCED LIST OF STARRED QUESTIONS

Friday, the 22nd September, 2023.

Assistance to Affected Families

Shri HEAVING STONE KHARPRAN

*174. Will the Minister in-charge Revenue & Disaster Management be pleased to state the action taken by the Government to initiate assistance to the two affected families of fire incident belonging to Shri Banteiskhem Kharumnuid and Smti. Rina Marboh?

Police Station at Damal Asim

Shri RUPA M. MARAK

*175. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Home (Police) be pleased to state :-

- (a) When was the Police Station at Damal Asim sanctioned?
- (b) When was the Police Station at Damal Asim inaugurated?
- (c) Whether land has been acquired or donated for setting up of Police Station at Damal Asim permanently?

Food Inflation

Shri MATTHEW B. KURBAH

*176. Will the Minister in-charge Food Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs be pleased to state :-

- (a) The steps taken by the Government to keep in check the seriousness of food inflation?
- (b) The steps taken to ensure that the public at large are not affected by this inflation?

Consultants Appointed by the Government

Smti. MIANI D. SHIRA

*177. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :-

- (a) The total number of Consultants currently appointed by the Government of Meghalaya for different Departments or specific Projects?
- (b) The total number of Consultants currently appointed specifically for Externally Aided Projects?
- (c) The total amount paid to all the Consultants respectively?

Local Taxis in Shillong Region

Shri ADELBERT NONGRUM

***178. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Transport be pleased to state :-**

- (a) The reason that permits are not given any more to local Taxis in Shillong Region in spite of severe unemployment?**
- (b) The reason that the unused STPS buses and maxi cabs are lying in the godowns at various places in Shillong?**
- (c) Whether the Government will adopt any policy in order to restrict any Tourist Taxi from outside the State to enter Shillong city to avoid traffic congestion?**
- (d) If the reply at (c) above is in the affirmative, the details thereof?**
- (e) If the reply at (c) above is in the negative, the reasons thereof?**

Production of Fish

Shri BRIGHTSTARWELLMARBANIANG

***179. Will the Minister in-charge Fisheries be pleased to state :-**

- (a) The annual production of fish in the State?
- (b) The varieties of fish that has the highest demand in the State?
- (c) The production of such variety in the State?
- (d) Whether the Government has taken any steps to encourage fish farming?
- (e) When was the Fish Market located in Mawdaron, Saiden, Ri-Bhoi District inaugurated?
- (f) The status of this Project?

Corporation/Private Limited under Tourism Department

Shri GABRIEL WAHLANG

***180. Will the Minister in-charge Tourism be pleased to state :-**

- (a) The total number of Corporation/Private Limited that has been constituted by the Government under Tourism?
- (b) The role undertaken by the Corporation/Agency?
- (c) The total Budget allocated for different Agencies?

Dental Surgeon (Government Quota)

Shri SALENG A. SANGMA

*181. Will the Minister in-charge Health & Family Welfare be pleased to state :-

- (a) The total number of pass out of DMD/DDS till date?
- (b) The total number of DMD/DDS pass out students who went to study under Government Quota and yet to be enrolled in Government jobs?
- (c) Whether the Government is planning to increase the sanction post for Dental Surgeon?

Catchment Areas and Water Sources

Shri RONNIE V. LYGDOH

*182. Will the Minister in-charge Soil & Water Conservation be pleased to state :-

- (a) The steps taken to conserve and protect the Catchment Areas and Water Sources in the State?
- (b) The steps taken to conserve and protect the Catchment Areas and Water Sources for the Greater Shillong and Upper Shillong areas located in and the adjoining areas of Shillong Peak known as the KhyndaiUmtong, KhyndaiUmdih?

Bulk Fish Supplying Firms

Dr. CELESTINE LYGDOH

*183. Will the Minister in-charge Food Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs be pleased to state :-

- (a) Whether the Department is checking and regulating the roadside vendors in Shillong and other towns?
- (b) The frequency of inspection by Food Inspectors to the factories/sites of the food preparation?
- (c) The checking of Formalin/Formaldehyde which is known as Carcinogen (causing cancer) in fishes arriving in Shillong?
- (d) Whether the Department is registering in the "Bulk Fish Supplying Firms"?

Independent Inquiry Committee

Dr. MUKUL M. SANGMA

*184. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state:-

- (a) Whether it is a fact that the Independent Inquiry Committee led by Justice (Retd.) R. N. Mishra had submitted the report of the Committee on the functioning of MeECL and its three subsidiary Companies?
- (b) If the reply at (a) above is in the affirmative, the report may be placed on the Table of the House?

Umngot Project

Shri ARDENT M. BASAIAWMOIT

*185. Will the Minister in-charge Power be pleased to state whether the Umngot Project was abandoned?

Roads in West Khasi Hills

Shri REMINGTON GABIL MOMIN

*186. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Public Works (Roads) be pleased to state:-

- (a) The status of Mawkyllon to Langdongdai Road in West Khasi Hills?
- (b) The status of Mallangkona Road via A.beram in West Khasi Hills?

Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS)

Shri BALAJIED KUPAR SYNREM

*187. Will the Minister in-charge Education be pleased to state:-

- (a) The status of Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) in Meghalaya?
- (b) The total number of schools that were sanctioned?
- (c) The status of these Projects (EMRS) that are completed?
- (d) Is there completion timeline for these sanctioned Projects?

Sambrak State Seed

Shri RUPERT MOMIN

*188. Will the Minister in-charge Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare be pleased to state:-

- (a) The total area of Sambrak State Seed Farm at Sambrak, North Garo Hills?
- (b) The activities of the Department in the Farm?
- (c) Total employee at Sambrak State Seed Farm?
- (d) The future plan of seed farms for the benefit of the farmers ?
- (e) The Annual sanctioned for the Plan and Non - plan for the year (2019-2020) (2020-21) (2021-2022) (2022-23)?

Drug Rehabilitation Centres

Shri BANTEIDOR LYGDOH

*189. Will the Minister in-charge Social Welfare be pleased to state:-

- (a) The total number of Drug Rehabilitation Centres that are present in the State and their patient intake capacity?
- (b) Whether the Government has any thought of establishing a Drug Rehabilitation Centre?

Compassionate Grounds Scheme

Shri SYNSHARK. R. LYNGDOI THABAH

*190. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state whether the Government is planning to reintroduce the Appointment on Compassionate Grounds Scheme after the recommendation of the last 5th Pay Commission?

Grid Sub-Station in Nongpoh

Shri CHARLES MARNGAR

*191. Will the Minister in-charge Power be pleased to state whether the Government has any intention for setting up Grid Sub-Station in Nongpoh Ri-Bhoi District?

CrPC 144

Dr. MIZANUR RAHMAN KAZI

*192. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Home (Police) be pleased to state:-

- (a) The incident of assembly of various groups and organizations in the past one year, despite the implementation of CrPC Section 144?
- (b) The step taken by the Department to prevent the occurrence of similar incident?
- (c) The action taken till date?

Railway Line in the State

Shri MAYRALBORN SYIEM

*193. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Transport be pleased to state the status of Railway line in the State?

MIMHANS/Mental Hospital

DR. CELESTINE LYNGDOH

*194. Will the Minister in-charge Health & Family Welfare be pleased to state :-

- (a) The Standard of Operating Procedure to deal with the violent mentally ill persons for indoor admission to MIMHANS/Mental Hospital?
- (b) Is there a record of number of violent mentally ill persons in the State?
- (c) The total number of indoor treatment facilities available in the State for mentally ill persons?
- (d) Is the Department planning to set up such indoor care centre in Garo Hills?

Wild Elephants Destroying Agriculture

Shri PIUS MARWEIN

*195. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state whether the Department has any solution to address the problem of wild elephants destroying agriculture and forest produce in Ranikor constituency and other areas of the State?

Implementing of Smart City Project

Shri BRIGHTSTARWELL MARBANIANG

*196. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Urban Affairs be pleased to state :-

- (a) The reason that the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) has recently placed Shillong among the 10 worst performers in terms of implementing Smart City Projects?
- (b) The total project cost of the Business-cum-Tourism and Cultural Centre at Police Bazar?
- (c) Whether there is any loan which has been taken for this project?
- (d) If the reply at (c) above is in the affirmative, the total loan taken and the name of the bank?
- (e) Whether there was a design competition for the above project?
- (f) If the reply at (e) above is in the affirmative, the total number of architects or firms which participated and the award given to them?

Anganwadi Centres

Shri ARDENT M. BASAIAWMOIT

*197. Will the Minister in-charge Social Welfare be pleased to state the types of food being distributed in the Anganwadi centres?

Assistant Teachers in Government LP School

Shri RUPA M. MARAK

*198. Will the Minister in-charge Education be pleased to state :-

- (a) Whether the recruitment notice for Assistant teacher in Government LP Schools falling under Dadenggre Civil Sub-Division has been issued?
- (b) If the reply at (a) above is in the negative, the reasons thereof?

COTPA

Dr. MIZANUR RAHMAN KAZI

*199. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Home (Police) be pleased to state :-

- (a) The step taken by the Department under the COTPA, 2003?
- (b) The quantum of fines that has been imposed on such defaulters in 2023 so far, in comparison to 2022?
- (c) The step taken by the Department against owners/managers/in-charges of a public places where, as per the COTPA, 2003 a board containing the warning “No Smoking Area-Smoking here is an offence” in appropriate manner at the entrance and inside the premises was not displayed?
- (d) The step taken by the Department as per COTPA, 2003, against owners/managers/in-charges of places where tobacco products are sold and have not displayed appropriate messages like “Tabacco Causes Cancer” and “Sales of tobacco products to a person under the age of eighteen years is a punishable offence under law” ?

Khasi and Garo Language

Shri HEAVING STONE KHARPRAN

*200. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state the status of the inclusion of Khasi and Garo languages in the Eighth Schedule?

Rehabilitation Center in Garo Hills

Shri SALENG A. SANGMA

*201. Will the Minister in-charge Health & Family Welfare be pleased to state :-

- (a) Whether there is any Mental Hospital in Garo Hills?
- (b) Whether there is any Rehabilitation Center for the patients in Garo Hills?
- (c) If the reply at (b) above is in the negative, whether the Government is planning to create a Rehabilitation Center in Garo Hills for mentally challenged patients?

Poultry in the State

Shri BRIGHTSTARWELL MARBANIANG

***202. Will the Minister in-charge
Animal Husbandry and Veterinary be
pleased to state :-**

- (a) The market price of Starter,
Growers and Finishers for poultry
in today's market and last year's?**
- (b) The action taken to rationalize the
price of feed for the interests of
the farmers and the benefits of the
consumers?**
- (c) Whether the Government is
taking any steps to check the
inflow of poultry from across the
State?**
- (d) The steps taken to encourage
entrepreneurial activities in
livestock sector which has so
much potential in our State?**

MSCC & SD

Shri HEAVING STONE KHARPRAN

*203. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state the role of the Meghalaya State Council on Climate Change and Sustainable Development (MSCC & SD)?

Metalling and Blacktopping of Rongdenggre Road

Shri RUPA M. MARAK

*204. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Public Works (Roads) be pleased to state :-

- (a) When was the metalling and blacktopping of Rongdenggre road sanctioned?
- (b) The total amount sanctioned for the project?
- (c) The time frame for the completion of the above mentioned road?
- (d) Whether the construction work has been completed?
- (e) If the reply at (a) above is in the negative:-
- (i) The reason for the incompleteness of the project?
- (ii) The action initiated against the contractor/contractors?
- (f) Whether the Government has any plans to restart the construction work?

Latest Power Tariff

Shri MAYRALBORN SYIEM

*205. Will the Minister in-charge Power be pleased to state :-

- (a) The latest power tariff in the State?
- (b) The sitting of the Power Regulatory Commission of the State in the last three years?
- (c) The number of times the tariff have been revised in the last three years?
- (d) The efforts taken by the Department to simplify billing system?

Shillong Western Bypass

Shri RONNIE V. LYGDOH

*206. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Public Works (Roads) be pleased to state whether the work for the Shillong Western Bypass has started?

Usage of Herbicides

Smti. MIANI D. SHIRA

*207. Will the Minister in-charge Agriculture & Farmers Welfare be pleased to state :-

- (a) Whether it is a fact that many crops are being destroyed due to the usage of Herbicides for weeding?
- (b) Whether it is a fact that the Herbicides are sold freely in the open market almost in every weekly markets across the State?
- (c) If the replies (a) and (b) above are in the affirmative, the action taken to prevent further damage of crops and protection of the soil?

ETP (Effluent Treatment Plant)

Shri BANTEIDOR LYGDOH

*208. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Urban Affairs be pleased to state :-

- (a) The total number of ETP (Effluent Treatment Plant), Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) that have been installed in Meghalaya, District-wise?
- (b) Whether all the Hospitals, Hotels, Restaurants, Guest House, Resorts and Commercial apartments have installed the Effluent Treatment Plant (ETP) and Sewage Treatment Plant (STP), District-wise?

Weigh Bridges

Shri SALENG A. SANGMA

*209. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :-

- (a) The total number of Weigh Bridges installed in the State by the Department of Mining and Geology?
- (b) The total permitted quantity of coal per Truck per load in the State?
- (c) Whether any advance Royalty is being charged from each loaded Truck?

Missing Cases

Shri ADELBERT NONGRUM

*210. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Home (Police) be pleased to state :-

- (a) Whether the Government has any finding to the missing cases and later found death in and around Shillong and outside?
- (b) If the reply at (a) above is in the affirmative, the details thereof?
- (c) If the reply at (a) above is in the negative, the reasons thereof?

Swachh Bharat Mission

Shri ARDENT M. BASAIAWMOIT

*211. Will the Minister in-charge Public Health Engineering be pleased to state whether the Swachh Bharat Mission has been discontinued in Meghalaya?

Maternal Mortality Rate

Dr. MIZANUR RAHMAN KAZI

*212. Will the Minister in-charge Health & Family Welfare be pleased to state:-

(a) The current Maternal-Mortality Rate?

(b) The current Infant-Mortality Rate?

College of Architecture and Urban Planning University

Smti. MIANI D. SHIRA

***213. Will the Minister in-charge
Education be pleased to state :-**

- (a) When was the College of Architecture and Urban Planning University Sanctioned?
- (b) The Physical progress of the Project?
- (c) The financial progress of the Project?

Casual and Regular Casual Workers

Shri HEAVING STONE KHARPRAN

***214. Will the Chief Minister be
pleased to state :-**

- (a) The total number of casual and Regular Casual workers in every Department across the State?
- (b) The details of casual and Regular Casual workers in terms of Highly skilled, Skilled, Semi-skilled, and Unskilled workers?
- (c) The total number of Group D vacancies in the various Departments/Offices across the State?
- (d) The total number of the Regular Casual workers which have been appointed against such vacancies?

- (e) The list of names of the Regular Casual workers who have been appointed against vacancies in Group D post, in detail?

Rongjeng Mangsang Adokgre Road

Shri RUPERT MOMIN

*215. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Public Works (Roads) be pleased to state :-

- (a) The status of Rongjeng Mangsang Adokgre Road?
- (b) The status of Ildek Bridge at Ildek A.kong?

Graduates in the State

Shri SALENG A. SANGMA

*216. Will the Minister in-charge Education be pleased to state :-

- (a) The total number of graduates in the State?
- (b) The total number of educated unemployment and uneducated unemployment?
- (c) The number of increase and decrease in 2017-18, year-wise?

Legal Coal Mining

Shri GABRIEL WAHLANG

*217. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state the current status on legal coal mining in the State?

Contractual Employees

Shri CHARLES MARNGAR

*218. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Public Works (Roads) be pleased to state the total numbers of Contractual basis employees?

Mortality Rate

Shri SALENG A. SANGMA

*219. Will the Minister in-charge Health & Family Welfare be pleased to state :-

- (a) The total number of Mortality rate has been identified in 2018-19 till date?
- (b) The requirement of infrastructure and specialist doctor to handle the complicated delivery cases?

Stone Quarries in Garo Hills

Shri RUPA M. MARAK

*220. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :-

- (a) Whether there are any licensed stone quarries in Garo Hills?
- (b) If the reply at (a) above is in the affirmative:-
 - (i) The total number of licensed stone quarries?
 - (ii) The name of licensed firms or individuals?

Enrollment of Students in Government Colleges

Shri BRIGHTSTARWELL MARBANIANG

*221. Will the Minister in-charge Education be pleased to state :-

- (a) The total number of Government Colleges in the State?
- (b) The total number of students enrollment, college-wise with pass percentage?
- (c) The total number of Department in each of these Government Colleges and the total number of sanctioned posts against each Department?
- (d) Whether there is any vacancies in these Government Colleges?
- (e) If the reply at (d) above is in the affirmative, the steps taken to fill up the vacant posts?

M/s Paridyam Health Care

Shri ARDENT M. BASAIAWMOIT

***222. Will the Minister in-charge Health & Family Welfare be pleased to state :-**

- (a) The total number of healthcare centres allotted to M/s Paridyam Health Care Pvt. Ltd. (Gramin Health Care)?
- (b) Whether M/s Paridyam Health Care Pvt. Ltd. (Gramin Health Care) had received any subsidies or scheme from the allotted contract?
- (c) The reasons for allotting the contract to M/s Paridyam Health Care Pvt. Ltd. (Gramin Health Care) under MBDA?

PMGSY Scheme in Mawphlang

Shri MATTHEW B. KURBAH

***223. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Public Works (Roads) be pleased to state :-**

- (a) The total number of road projects that are being implemented under PMGSY scheme in Mawphlang Constituency at present?
- (b) The total number in the pipeline?
- (c) The names of those roads?
- (d) The present status?

Shillong-Dawki Road

Shri RONNIE V. LYGDOH

*224. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Public Works (Roads) be pleased to state :-

- (a) Whether it is a fact that compensation for the land acquired for Shillong-Dawki Road along to the stretch of Myllem village has not been paid as per the actual area of the land acquired?
- (b) If the reply at (a) above is in the negative, the reason thereof?

Drill-cum-Drawing Master

Shri BRIGHTSTARWELL MARBANIANG

*225. Will the Minister in-charge Education be pleased to state :-

- (a) The total number of Drill-cum-Drawing Master in the State, District-wise?
- (b) The qualifications of Drill-cum-Drawing Master?
- (c) The difference between Drill-cum-Drawing Master and physical Education teachers?

Umshyrpi-Baniun Road

Shri RONNIE V. LYGDOH

*226. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Public Works (Roads) be pleased to state :-

(a) Whether the entire stretch of the land for package from Umshyrpi to Baniun has been acquired?

(b) If the reply at (a) above is in the negative, the reasons thereof ?

Village Resource Persons

Shri ARDENT M. BASAIAWMOIT

*227. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state the reason for non extension of contract agreement with the Village Resource Persons for social audit and transparency?

Vehicular Accidents

Dr. MIZANUR RAHMAN KAZI

*228. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Home (Police) be pleased to state :-

(a) The total number of Vehicular accident that have taken place in the last 6 months?

(b) The steps taken to address this issue?

Personal Interview for Grade 3 and Grade 4 Posts

Shri ADELBERT NONGRUM

***229. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :-**

- (a) Whether the Department will discontinue with the Personal Interview for Grade 3 and Grade 4 posts for all State Government instruments in light of the recent reply on 17/8/23?**
- (b) Whether the Government will display the Cut off Marks of the successful and unsuccessful candidates at the written exam and marks at the Personal Interview for Grade 2 posts?**
- (c) Whether the Government will establish a criterion what all DSC members have a minimum graduate degree with subject specialization?**

Beggars in the State

Shri ADELBERT NONGRUM

*230. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :-

- (a) Where are these beggars in our State coming from?
- (b) Those responsible for bringing all the beggars?
- (c) Where are these beggars residing?

Umshyrpi to Dawki Road

Shri RONNIE V. LYNGDOH

*231. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Public Works (Roads) be pleased to state :-

- (a) The status of the construction of the Road from Umshyrpi to Dawki?
- (b) Whether any contractor/firm been allotted to start with the work for all the packages?
- (c) If the reply at (b) is in the negative, the reason thereof?

Road Construction in Garo Hills

Shri RUPA M. MARAK

***232. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :-**

- (a) Whether the construction companies undertaking road construction works in Garo Hills can do mining with their machineries from rivers without obtaining license?
- (b) Whether it is a punishable offence?

Scholarship for Scholars Abroad

Shri RUPERT MOMIN

***233. Will the Minister in-charge Education be pleased to state :-**

- (a) Whether there is any scholarship from the Department for the scholar who want to collect source of materials from abroad?
- (b) If the reply at (a) above is in the affirmative, the total amount the Government grants scholarship for the scholar?
- (c) The criteria to avail the Scholarship/Scheme?