

# MEGHALAYA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

## BUDGET SESSION

### STARRED

## QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

*Thursday, February 26, 2026.*

### Strength of Police Personnel in Police Station

**Shri ARDENT M. BASALAWMOIT**

**Shri PRESTONE TYNSONG**  
[Deputy Chief Minister in-charge  
Home (Police)]

\*190. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Home (Police) be pleased to state the current and actual strength of police personnel in Police Station, Police Outpost, Traffic Branch, Police Reserve, CID and SB respectively?

Sir, the current and actual strength of police personnel in Police Station, Police Outpost, Traffic Branch, Police Reserve, CID and SB are as follows :-

Sl. No.	Police Unit	Current/Sanctioned Strength	Actual Strength
1.	Police Station	1843	1431
2.	Police Outpost	503	380
3.	Traffic Branch	439	368
4.	CID	121	107
5.	SB	580	546
<b>Total</b>		<b>3486</b>	<b>2832</b>
	Police Reserve	In respect of Police Reserve, there is no separate sanctioned strength. The Police Reserve draws and utilizes manpower from the District Executive Force (DEF) as per requirement. At present, 859 personnel are deployed in Police Reserve in the 12 (twelve) Districts.	

### Self - Employment

**Dr. MIZANUR KAZI**

**Shri CONRAD K. SANGMA  
(Chief Minister)**

\*191. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :-

(a) The steps undertaken by the Government to reduce unemployment, especially among young people and recent graduates?

(a) Sir, the Government has been pro-actively working to reduce unemployment through policy decisions and other interventions such as skilling, enterpreneurship support including leveraging flow of investments in the State.

(b) The initiatives that are in places to support self-employment and entrepreneurship as alternatives to traditional jobs?

(b) Sir, some of the important initiatives are as indicated below :

- FOCUS
- FOCUS+
- CM FARM+
- CM ASSURE
- CM-Elevate (12 Sub-Schemes)
- PRIME
- Lakadong Mission
- Ginger Mission
- Floriculture Mission
- Mushroom Mission
- State Organic Mission
- Piggery Mission
- Milk Mission
- Chief Minister's Grassroots Music Programme (CM-GMP)
- Hello Meghalaya
- Skill Meghalaya
- CM Homestay Mission
- DDU-GKY
- National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM)
- National Urban Livelihood Mission (NULM)
- PMEGP
- Raising and Accelerating MSME Performance (RAMP)
- PM Vishwakarma Scheme

- (c) Whether there are any specific programs to support employment for marginalized communities and disadvantaged groups? (c) Sir, same as at (b) above.

**Expenditures Made by Shillong Municipal Board**

**Shri ADELBERT NONGRUM**

**Shri SNIAWBHALANG DHAR  
(Deputy Chief Minister in-charge  
Urban Affairs)**

\*192. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Urban Affairs be pleased to state the detailed expenditures made by Shillong Municipal Board for the last five years as below :-

- (i) The total salaries paid to all workmen and the total number of employees? (i) Sir,

Year	No. of Workers			Salary paid (in lakh)		
	Regular	Casual	Total	Regular	Casual	Total
2020-21	250	356	<b>606</b>	731.89	184.92	<b>916.81</b>
2021-22	245	366	<b>611</b>	1019.34	427.64	<b>1446.98</b>
2022-23	219	434	<b>653</b>	1197.72	554.18	<b>1751.90</b>
2023-24	213	461	<b>674</b>	1204.35	707.26	<b>1911.61</b>
2024-25	207	472	<b>679</b>	1193.75	780.00	<b>1973.75</b>

- (ii) The expenditure on repair works and maintenance? (ii) Sir,

Expenditure on Repair Works and Maintenance (in lakh)				
2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
35.18	31.53	32.59	19.12	25.39

(iii) The process of recruitment and whether budget provisions have been made for the same?

(iii) Sir, the SMB follows the procedures laid down by the State Government for recruitment against vacancies of regular post.

For recruitment of casual workers on temporary basis an in-house committee headed by the CEO recommends recruitment for a short term period, particularly for field works related to provision of services, that is, waste management and water supply.

Budget for salary is provided in SMB's budget from its own revenue as well as from Grant-in-aid (Salary) from the State Government.

#### **Rice for BPL and AAY Families**

**Shri RUPA MARAK**

\*193. Will the Minister in-charge Food Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs be pleased to state :-

- (a) Whether the PDS of rice for BPL and AAY families are being issued on monthly basis?
- (b) If the reply at (a) above is in the affirmative, specify the week of every month that rice is distributed to the families?

**Shri METHODIUS DKHAR**  
**(Minister in-charge Food Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs)**

- (a) Yes, PDS rice for both BPL and AAY families is being issued on a monthly basis.
- (b) Sir, as per the PDS calendar, the distribution of rice commences from the 16<sup>th</sup> (i.e., the third week) of every month and is completed by the 30<sup>th</sup> of the same month.

### **Retirement/Demise Posts**

**Shri RUPERT MOMIN**

**Shri LAHKMEN RYMBUI**  
**(Minister in-charge Education)**

\*194. Will the Minister in-charge Education be pleased to state :-

- (a) The total number of vacancies posts of Government L. P. Schools and SSA Teachers arising out due to retirement/demise, etc., as of today?
- (b) Whether recruitment is under process or not to fill up these posts?
- (c) Whether these posts will exist or cease after retirement of incumbent teachers?

(a) Sir, the total number of vacant posts in Government Lower Primary Schools is 677 and SSA L. P. Schools is 379.

(b) Sir, No, recruitment will be taken up after the completion of rationalization exercise.

(c) Sir, they will exist.

### **Drinking Water Sources**

**Shri PAUL LYNGDOH**

**Shri MARCUISE N. MARAK**  
**(Minister in-charge Public Health Engineering)**

\*195. Will the Minister in-charge Public Health Engineering be pleased to state :-

- (a) The total number of drinking water sources identified as critical or drying up due to climate change?
- (b) The Districts most affected?
- (c) Whether any budgetary provision has been made for spring rejuvenation and source sustainability?

(a) Sir, the total number of drinking water sources identified as critical or drying up due to climate change is 747 numbers.

(b) Sir, all the Districts in the States are affected.

(c) No, Sir.

**Strength of Linemen**

**Shri BANTEIDOR LYNGDOH**

**Shri METBAH LYNGDOH**  
**(Minister in-charge Power)**

\*196. Will the Minister in-charge Power be pleased to state :-

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| (a) The sanctioned strength of Linemen under Mawryngkneng Electrical Circle?   | (a) Sir, 16 nos.         |
| (b) The total number of Linemen posts lying vacant as on date under the said circle mentioned at (a) above?  | (b) Sir, Nil.            |
| (c) The reasons for non-filling up of the vacant Linemen posts despite persistent power interruptions, delayed fault restoration, and growing consumer load in the area? | (c) Sir, does not arise. |

**Regional Offices Functioning in the State**

**Smti. MIANI D. SHIRA**

**Shri CONRAD K. SANGMA**  
**(Chief Minister)**

\*197. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :-

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| (a) Whether the Meghalaya State Pollution Control Board has any regional Offices functioning in the State other than its main Office in Shillong? | (a) No, Sir.                                  |
| (b) If the reply at (a) above is in the affirmative, the location of the Regional Offices that are functional?                                    | (b) Sir, does not arise in view at (a) above. |

**Dispensary at Nonglum**

**Shri BRIGHTSTARWELL MARBANIANG**

**Shri WAILADMIKI SHYLLA**  
**(Minister in-charge Health & Family Welfare)**

\*198. Will the Minister in-charge Health & Family Welfare be pleased to state the status of construction of State Dispensary at Nonglum?

Sir, the present status for construction of Mawlai Nonglum Urban Primary Health Centre (UPHC) is that sanction has been accorded amounting to ₹2.30 Crore (Rupees Two Crore Thirty Lakh) only.

Subsequently, Notice Tender has already been floated and Tendering procedure is in progress.

**District Magistrate North Garo Hills District**

**Dr. MUKUL M. SANGMA**

**Shri CONRAD K. SANGMA**  
**(Chief Minister)**

\*199. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :-

(a) Whether it is a fact that the District Magistrate North Garo Hills District had issued an "Office Order" vide No./NGH/CON.63/Pt.1/2023/03., Dated 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2024 directing Shri Nipon Hajong, MCS, Additional District Magistrate North Garo Hills District to conduct detail enquiry into the complaint regarding the illegal transportation of smuggled dried betel nut/supari?

(a) Yes, Sir.

However, no further action could be taken on the matter since the complainant did not appear before the Magistrate to substantiate the allegation.

(b) If the reply at (a) above is in the affirmative, the details of the report and action taken thereof?

(b) Sir, does not arise in view at (a) above.

**Village/Households without Electricity under  
Gambegre Constituency**

**Dr. (Mrs.) MEHTAB CHANDEE  
A. SANGMA**

**Shri METBAH LYNGDOH  
(Minister in-charge Power)**

\*200. Will the Minister in-charge  
Power be pleased to state :-

(a) The total number of villages and  
households in Gambegre with no  
electricity?

(a) Sir, the total number of villages in  
Gambegre with no electricity is zero.

(b) The steps taken to ensure  
uninterrupted electricity supply in  
villages across Gambegre  
Assembly Constituency?

(b) Sir, to ensure uninterrupted  
electricity supply, the MePDCL is  
implementing various scheme works under  
Gambegre Assembly Constituency which  
are :

1. Loss Reduction works under RDSS.
2. Additional Household Electrification  
under RDSS.

**Village Employment Councils**

**Shri HEAVING STONE KHARPRAN**

**Shri SOSTHENES SOHTUN  
(Minister in-charge Community &  
Rural Development)**

\*201. Will the Minister in-charge  
Community & Rural Development be  
pleased to state :-

(a) The total number of Village  
Employment Councils (VECs)  
that are there in Community &  
Rural Development Block  
Mawryngkneng?

(a) Sir, as on date, there are 81  
(eighty one) Village Employment Councils  
(VECs) under Mawryngkneng  
Community and Rural Development  
Block.

(b) The criteria for selection of members of Village Employment Council (VEC)?

(b) Sir, the criteria for selection of functionaries to the Programme Executive and Implementing Committee (PEIC) of the Village Employment Councils (VECs) are as below :-

1. The Chairperson shall either be the traditional headman or a person elected/selected by the VEC.
2. The Secretary shall be elected/selected by the VEC amongst its members.
3. There shall be a total of 5 (five) members and at least 2 (two) shall be female members.

There is 50% reservation of women to the post of Chairperson and Secretary of the PEIC on a rotation basis every three years.

#### **Schools under SSA and Adhoc Grant-in-Aids**

**Shri RENIKTON LYNGDOH  
TONGKHAR**

**Shri LAHKMEN RYMBUI  
(Minister in-charge Education)**

\*202. Will the Minister in-charge Education be pleased to state :-

(a) Whether the Government has plan to take over the schools under SSA and Adhoc grant-in-aids after the payment of reconstructed salary?

(a) Sir, the matter is under examination.

(b) If the reply at (a) is in the negative, the impact of such schools in the implementation of MEG as planned by the Government?

(b) Sir, does not arise in view at (a) above.

**Tourism Centre near Umling C&RD Block**

**Shri ARDENT M. BASAIWMOIT**

**Shri T. D. SHIRA**

**(Minister in-charge Tourism)**

\*203. Will the Minister in-charge Tourism be pleased to state :-

(a) The cost of construction and maintenance of the Tourism Centre near the Umling C&RD Block?

(a) Sir,

(i) The cost of construction is ₹205.39 lakh.

(ii) The tourist centre has been leased to private party who is operating a Restaurant and bears the cost of maintenance.

(b) The total number of tourists (exact number) that have so far availed the tourism facilities at Umling?

(b) Sir, the total number of tourists availing the tourism facilities at Umling is not available.

(c) The steps that have been initiated to let the tourists know about the facility at Umling, the details thereof?

(c) Sir, direction signboard has been placed in the Highway.

(d) The total numbers of staff engaged at the tourist facility at Umling?

(d) Sir, at present, only one daily wage Chowkidar is engaged at the Tourist facility in Umling.

**Bridges Damaged due to Flood in Rajabala Constituency**

**Dr. MIZANUR KAZI**

**Shri PRESTONE TYNSONG**  
**[Deputy Chief Minister in-charge**  
**Public Works (Roads)]**

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

(a) The total number of flood-damaged bridges in Rajabala Constituency?

(a) Sir, there are 11 (eleven) numbers of flood-damaged bridges in Rajabala Constituency.

(b) The measures proposed to restore them permanently with the projected timeline for the restoration?

(b) Sir, out of the 11 (eleven) bridges, 2 (two) bridges have been taken up under PMGSY Scheme, 2 (two) have been sanctioned under CRIF, 4 (four) have been proposed under CRIF which are yet to be approved by the Ministry and the remaining 3 (three) bridges are under active consideration for sanctioning by the Government.

**Upper Age Relaxation**

**Shri ADELBERT NONGRUM**

**Shri CONRAD K. SANGMA**  
**(Chief Minister)**

\*205. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :-

(a) Whether the Government raised upper age relaxation 21 to 28-29 for constable post when other States have the upper age for Police armed/unarmed branch, fire, forest guards & home guards at 28-29 years for STs but why in our State it is only 21 years upper age relaxation?

(a) No, Sir, as the Police Force requires the personnels to be physically fit and strong.

(b) Whether the Government encouraging college drop out by having upper age at 21 years?

(b) No, Sir.

### Hydropower Project Sites

**Shri PAUL LYNGDOH**

**Shri METBAH LYNGDOH**  
**(Minister in-charge Power)**

\*206. Will the Minister in-charge Power be pleased to state :-

(a) The criteria for identifying Hydropower Project Sites in the State?

(a) Sir, identifying potential Hydropower Projects Sites in the State of Meghalaya is being carried/adopted as per Policies/Guidelines issued by the Ministry of Power and Ministry of Jal Shakti.

(b) The ecological and cultural sensitivities factored in?

(b) Sir, during detailed survey and investigation of the potential sites, ecological and cultural safeguards are considered in accordance with the following Acts/Guidelines :

1. Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) & Environment Management Plan (EMP) as per EIA Notification 2006 (MoEFCC).
2. Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

Moreover, prior to implementation of any Hydropower Project, clearance from Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India is mandatory.

(c) The role that the local communities play in site selection?

(c) Yes, Sir, after the site has been identified by the Department, the concerned local communities are duly consulted and their assistance is sought in facilitating and guiding the site identification.

### **Quantum of Plastic Waste Generated**

**Shri BRIGHTSTARWELL MARBANIANG**

**Shri CONRAD K. SANGMA  
(Chief Minister)**

**\*207. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state the estimated quantum of plastic waste generated daily across Meghalaya and the percentage being collected and scientifically processed?**

Sir, the estimated quantum of plastic waste generated daily across Urban Towns of Meghalaya is 22.02 Tonnes Per Day (TPD). The amount of plastic waste collected daily is 17.6 Tonnes and the amount of plastic waste processed daily is 8 TPD as Refuse-Derived Fuel (RDF).

### **Medical Fitness Certificate**

**Shri HEAVING STONE KHARPRAN**

**Shri BRENING A. SANGMA  
(Minister in-charge Civil Defence & Home Guards)**

**\*208. Will the Minister in-charge Home (Civil Defence and Home Guards) be pleased to state :-**

**(a) Whether the supply of medical fitness certificate of (L) Ribokson Dkhar Sawian, Guardsman, District Training Centre (HQ) Shillong who died in NDRF Campus in Guwahati from the concerned authority have been issued or not?**

**(a) Yes, Sir.**

**(b) The issuing authority for medical fitness certificate?**

**(b) Sir, the Medical Fitness Certificate is issued by the Sr. Medical & Health Officer, Central Training Institute, Civil Defence & Home Guards, Shillong.**

(c) Whether the Government has provided any assistance to the deceased family?

(c) Sir, the Office of the District Home Guards Commandant, East Khasi Hills has provided the following terminal benefits eligible to the deceased Guardsman:

- (i) Leave Encashment for an amount of ₹1,49,795/- (Rupees One Lakh, Forty Nine Thousand, Seven Hundred and Ninety Five) only.
- (ii) NPS for an amount of ₹1,98,610/- (Rupees One Lakh, Ninety Eight Thousand, Six Hundred and Ten) only.

Additionally, the family of the deceased Guardsman had visited the Office and requested that engagement of Shri Rilanstar Dkhar, brother of (L) Ribokson Dkhar Sawian in the Home Guards Department. Accordingly, the Office recommended Shri Rilanstar Dkhar, a Home Guards Volunteer to be engaged with the Shillong Traffic Police and has since been engaged as a Traffic Home Guards Volunteer at Madanring Traffic Branch with effect from 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2025.

### **MTET Teachers**

**Shri RUPA MARAK**

**Shri LAHKMEN RYMBUI**  
**(Minister in-charge Education)**

\*209. Will the Minister in-charge Education be pleased to state whether MTET is mandatory for the teachers who have already passed SET, DEEET and are already in service?

Sir, No.

### Honorarium for Anganwadi Workers

**Shri ARDENT M. BASALAWMOIT**

**Shri CONRAD K. SANGMA  
(Chief Minister)**

\*210. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state the amount of honorarium paid to Anganwadi workers and helpers?

Sir, the amount of honorarium paid to Anganwadi Workers and Helpers is as below :-

**Anganwadi Workers (AWWs) - ₹4,500/- per month from Centrally Sponsored Scheme of 90:10 share and ₹3000/- per month as State Government's contribution totaling to ₹7,500/- per month.**

**Anganwadi Helpers (AWHs) - ₹2,250/- per month from Centrally Sponsored Scheme of 90:10 share and ₹1000/- per month as State Government's contribution totaling to ₹3,250/- per month.**

### Kashiabari PHC

**Dr. MIZANUR KAZI**

**Shri WAILADMIKI SHYLLA  
(Minister in-charge Health & Family Welfare)**

\*211. Will the Minister in-charge Health & Family Welfare be pleased to state :-

(a) The steps taken to operationalise Kashiabari PHC and the tentative timeline for the formal opening of the PHC?

(a) Yes Sir, the Department has taken concrete steps to operationalise Kashiabari PHC. The PHC is expected to formally open after deployment of staff at Kashiabari PHC.

(b) The total number of Medical/ Paramedical and other staffs along with their designation that have been recruited in the PHC?

(b) The total number of Medical/ Paramedical and other staff with their designation that have been recruited in the PHC is as per Statement placed on the Table of the House.

(c) The reasons for the undue delay in making the PHC functional and the steps taken to address those issues?

(c) Sir, the delay in making Kashiabari PHC functional is primarily attributable to the temporary deployment of staff to other health institutions to meet service exigencies elsewhere in the district.

To address this issue, the DHS (MI) has issued explicit instructions for the reversion of all such staff to Kashiabari PHC and for immediate operationalization of the facility. The district authority have been directed to ensure compliance so that health services at Kashiabari PHC commence without further delay.

### **Abandoning the New Shillong Township Water Pumping Station**

**Shri PAUL LYNGDOH**

**Shri MARCUISE N. MARAK**  
**(Minister in-charge Public Health Engineering)**

\*212. Will the Minister in-charge Public Health Engineering be pleased to state the reason(s) for abandoning the New Shillong Township Water Pumping Station at Umsawli, New Shillong Township ?

Sir, the reasons for abandoning the scheme was due to discontinuation of Special Plan Assistance (SPA) funding by Government of India.

### **National Law University**

**Shri BRIGHTSTARWELL MARBANIANG**

**Shri LAHKMEN RYMBUI**  
**(Minister in-charge Law)**

\*213. Will the Minister in-charge Law be pleased to state the role of the Government in the administration and functioning of the National Law University in the State?

Sir, the role of the Government in the administration and functioning of the National Law University in the State is as per the National Law University of Meghalaya Act, 2022.

**Entrepreneurs in the State**

**Shri HEAVINGSTONE KHARPRAN**

**Shri CONRAD K. SANGMA  
(Chief Minister)**

\*214. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state the total number of Entrepreneurs benefited through PRIME in the State since its inception?

Sir, a total of **4516 entrepreneurs** have benefitted under the PRIME (Promotion and Incubation of Market-Driven Enterprises) Programme through initiatives that include funding support, incubation, mentorship, training and entrepreneurship development interventions.

**NEP 2020**

**Dr. MIZANUR KAZI**

**Shri LAHKMEN RYMBUI  
(Minister in-charge Education)**

\*215. Will the Minister in-charge Education be pleased to state the status of NEP 2020 implementation in the State with focus on vocational and digital education?

Sir, State Government is promoting vocational education and digital education in schools and colleges in pursuance of National Education Policy, 2020.

**Power Disruptions in the State**

**Shri PAUL LYNGDOH**

**Shri METBAH LYNGDOH**  
**(Minister in-charge Power)**

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

**(a) The reason(s) for the continued power disruptions in the State?**

**(a) Sir, the ongoing power disruptions in various parts of Meghalaya are primarily due to planned maintenance and infrastructure strengthening works, including repair and replacement of damaged conductors, transformers, and distribution lines, as well as installation of new substations under the Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS). Additionally, disruptions in certain areas occur due to adverse weather conditions such as heavy rains, strong winds, and storms, which can damage overhead lines and related infrastructure.**

**(b) Whether the continuing disruptions is violative of the assurances made in this August House?**

**(b) Sir, the Government is committed to strengthen and modernize the power distribution network in the State to provide improved and more reliable power supply.**

**(c) Whether the disruptions occurred despite of 100% collections efficiency?**

**(c) Sir, the MePDCL has made significant progress in improving collection efficiency and revenue realization, achieving near 100% collection in certain areas. However, the temporary disruptions are primarily technical and operational in nature.**

**Agriculture Inspectors**

**Shri HEAVING STONE KHARPRAN**

**Shri TIMOTHY D. SHIRA**  
**(Minister in-charge Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare)**

\*217. Will the Minister in-charge Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare be pleased to state the total number of Agriculture Inspectors who are there in different Blocks in East Khasi Hills District?

Sir, the total number of Agriculture Inspectors/Horticulture Inspectors posted in different Blocks in East Khasi Hills District = 41.

**Emergency Response Plan Exists for Potential Disasters at Marten Landfill**

**Shri BRIGHTSTARWELL MARBANIANG**

**Shri SNIAWBHALANG DHAR**  
**(Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Urban Affairs)**

\*218. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Urban Affairs be pleased to state :-

(a) Whether any emergency response plan exists for potential disasters at Marten landfill including fires, landslides, leachate, spills, or structural failures?

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The fire safety equipment, emergency exists, and disaster response infrastructure available at Marten landfill, and the frequency of safety drills conducted?

(b) Yes, Sir, fire safety equipment and emergency response infrastructure are available at the Marten Landfill. With regard to safety drills, regular safety briefings are provided to workers on a weekly basis to ensure awareness of fire safety, emergency response procedures, and general site hazards. In addition, security guards are deployed at restricted and high-risk zones to prevent unauthorized entry into hazardous areas.

**CM IMPACT Books**

**Shri PAUL LYNGDOH**

**Shri LAHKMEN RYMBUI  
(Minister in-charge Education)**

\*219. Will the Minister in-charge Education be pleased to state :-

(a) The purpose behind introducing CM IMPACT books by Meghalaya Board of School Education (MBOSE)?

(a) Sir, the use of guidebooks by students preparing for Board Examinations is a common practice in many other States. These guidebooks help students focus their preparation and better understand the examination pattern and key topics. In several States, guidebooks for Board Examinations are published by private publishers on a commercial basis.

In absence of interest from private publishers in bringing out SSLC guidebooks in our State, the Education Department has taken the initiative to prepare, publish, and distribute SSLC guidebooks free of cost to all students appearing for the examination.

(b) The percentage of questions set for the Secondary School Leaving Certificate (SSLC) exams from the CM IMPACT books?

(b) Sir, no instruction has been issued to MBOSE to prescribe any fixed percentage of questions from the guidebook. The Board sets question papers strictly based on the prescribed textbooks and syllabus, and not from the guidebook.

**Infrastructural Projects for Mitigation of Floods**

**Dr. MIZANUR KAZI**

**Shri METBAH LYNGDOH**  
**(Minister in-charge Water Resources)**

\*220. Will the Minister in-charge Water Resources be pleased to state :-

(a) The long-term Infrastructure Projects that are planned to mitigate flooding in the plain belt region of West Garo Hills?

(a) Sir, the detailed Project Report for Anti-Erosion work for protection from Patakata Village to Bhaitbari Village from erosion by the River Brahmaputra and Jinjiram was prepared by Brahmaputra Board and the same was sent to the Central Water Commission for technical appraisal.

(b) Whether the Government plans to enhance early warning systems for floods in this area?

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The steps taken to maintain and reinforce existing embankments and drainage systems?

(c) Sir, does not arise in view at (a) above.

(d) The socio-economic impact of recurrent floods on the local communities?

(d) Sir, this will require a detailed study.

