

MEGHALAYA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

BUDGET SESSION

UNSTARRED

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Wednesday, March 12th, 2025.

Government's Plan to Construct Roads

Shri HEAVING STONE KHARPRAN

1. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Public Works (Roads) be pleased to state whether there is any plan by the Government to construct roads under the following places, viz :-

- (i) Mawryngkneng to Mawpyrshong?
- (ii) Kut to Nongjrong?
- (iii) Mawryngkneng to Nongkhroh?
- (iv) Mynriang to Thadrang?
- (v) Sohryngkham Mawutieng to Tynring Village through the Umkhen River?
- (vi) Nonghali Health Sub-center to Nonghali Khliehshnong?
- (vii) Mawkhanu Mainroad to Khappud?

Shri PRESTONE TYNSONG

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

No, Sir.

The Status of the Implementation of JJM

Shri HEAVINGSTONE KHARPRAN

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

2. Will the Minister in-charge Public Health Engineering be pleased to state the status of implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission in the following village, viz :-

(i) Mawryngkneng?

(ii) Mawpdang?

(iii) Mawkasiang?

(iv) Mawlong?

Sir, the status of implementation of JJM in the villages mentioned below are as follows :-

(i) Mawryngkneng : The work is ongoing and presently testing and commissioning of household tap connections is in progress. The physical progress is 95% and the financial progress is 68%.

(ii) Mawpdang : The Scheme is physically completed.

(iii) Mawkasiang : The Scheme is physically completed.

(iv) Mawlong : The Scheme is physically completed.

Repairing of Internal Roads

Shri HEAVINGSTONE KHARPRAN

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

3. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Public Works (Roads) be pleased to state whether there is any plan by the Government for repairing of Internal roads in the following villages, viz :-

(i) Diengpasoh?

(ii) Mawlynrei?

(iii) Sohryngkham?

(iv) Puriang?

(v) Kut?

(vi) Tynring?

Sir, the Government always takes up repair works of the existing roads in the State on priority basis depending on the availability of Funds.

Various Schemes Under the Department

Shri RUPA MARAK

Dr. M. AMPAREEN LYNGDOH
(Minister in-charge Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare)

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

(a) Whether the citizens residing under Dadenggre Community & Rural Development Block are availing benefits of the various schemes under the Department for the past 10 years?

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) If the reply at (a) above is in the affirmative,

(b) Sir,

(i) The name of the schemes?

(i) The names of the Schemes are as follows :-

Centrally Sponsored Schemes	State Schemes
1. Food & Nutritional Security - Nutri Cereals	1. State Rice Mission (SRM)
2. Food & Nutritional Security - Rice	2. Plant Protection including Integrated Pest Management (IPM)
3. Food & Nutritional Security - Maize	3. Organic Manure
4. National Mission on Edible Oil - Oilseeds (NMEO)	4. Maize Development Scheme
5. Sub-Mission on Seed and Planting Materials (SMSP)	
6. Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) - Per Drop More Crop (PDMC)	
7. Sub Mission on Agriculture Mechanization (SMAM)	
8. National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA)- Rainfed Area Development (RAD)	

- (ii) The total number of beneficiaries? (ii) Sir, the total number of beneficiaries are 1070.
- (iii) The name of beneficiaries? (iii) Sir, is as per Statement placed on the Table of the House.

Citizen benefited under Veterinary and Animal Husbandry

Shri RUPA MARAK

5. Will the Minister in-charge Animal Husbandry & Veterinary be pleased to state :-

- (a) Whether the citizens residing under Dadenggre Community & Rural Development Block and Rongram Community & Rural Development Block are availing benefits of the various schemes under Veterinary and Animal Husbandry for the past 10 years?

- (b) If the reply at (a) above is in the affirmative,

- (i) The name of the schemes?
(ii) The name of beneficiaries?
(iii) The objective of the schemes?
(iv) The operational guidelines of the schemes?

**Shri ALEXANDER LALOO HEK
(Minister in-charge Animal
Husbandry & Veterinary)**

- (a) Yes, Sir.

Citizens residing under Dadenggre Community & Rural Development Block and Rongram Community & Rural Development Block are availing benefits of the various Schemes under Veterinary and Animal Husbandry for the past 10 years.

- (b) Sir, (i) (ii) (iii) and (iv) is as per Statement placed on the Table of the House.

Schemes and Projects Under Community & Rural Development

Shri RUPA MARAK

Shri A. T. MONDAL

(Minister in-charge Community & Rural Development)

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

(a) Whether the citizens residing under Dadenggre Community & Rural Development Block and Rongram Community & Rural Development Block are availing benefits of the various schemes and projects under Community & Rural Development?

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) If the reply at (a) above is in the affirmative,

(b) Sir,

(i) The name of the schemes or projects?

(i) The name of the Schemes and Projects are :-

1. Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA).
2. Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY- G).
3. Pradhan Mantri Adi Adarsh Gram Yojana (PMAAGY).
4. National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM).
5. Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme (IGNOAPS) of National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP).
6. Indira Gandhi National Widows Pension Scheme (IGNWPS) of National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP).

7. Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme (IGNDPS) of National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP).
8. National Family Benefit Scheme (NFBS) of National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP).
9. Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY).
10. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU - GKY).
11. Special Rural Works Programme (SRWP).

(ii) The criteria laid down to avail the benefit of the schemes and projects?

(ii) Sir, is as per Statement placed on the Table of the House.

(iii) The operational guidelines for the implementation of the schemes and projects?

(iii) Sir, is as per Statement placed on the Table of the House.

National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM)

Shri RONNIE V. LYNGDOH

Shri A. T. MONDAL
(Minister in-charge Community & Rural Development)

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

(a) The total amount of funds sanctioned for the National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) under Myllem Community & Rural Development Block for the current financial year and the previous two financial years, along with the list of a breakdown of these funds by project or scheme under the National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) may be provided?

(a) Sir, is as per Statement placed on the Table of the House.

(b) The reason for the delay in the release of funds/dues owed to Self-Help Groups (SHGs) participating in National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) projects under Myllem Community & Rural Development Block?

(b) Sir, the funds to SHGs are released on time in respect of Start Up and Revolving Fund. Community Investment Funds and Vulnerability Reduction Funds is released based on the Micro-Credit Plan (MCP) and Vulnerability Reduction Plan (VRP) prepared by SHGs with the support of Mission staff. Few delays may occur due to the following reasons :-

(i) SHGs which were formed in the 4th Quarter of FY 2024-25 may not have received their funds as they are yet to open their Bank Accounts.

(ii) The mandatory requirement of Aadhaar for registration in the LoKOS system has caused delays, as many SHG members are yet to provide their Aadhaar details to the Block Mission Management Unit for seeding in the NRLM Portal.

(c) The primary cause of the delays?

(c) Sir, the primary cause of the delay is as under :-

(i) The incomplete profiling of SHGs in the LoKOS Portal is due to non-submission of Aadhaar number of Self-Help Group members for Aadhaar Seeding.

(ii) 1-2 Bank Branches (Umlyngka, Myllem) not reflecting in the NRLM Portal due to technical issues, hence SHGs falling under those Bank Branches could not be provided with Community Funds.

(d) The steps that are being taken to rectify these delays and prevent future occurrences?

(d) Sir, the steps that are being taken to rectify these delays and prevent future occurrences are as under :-

(i) The Bank Sakhis and Business Correspondent have been trained in financial services and have been given the mandate to support SHGs in order to speed up the process of opening Bank Accounts with the Bank.

(ii) The NRLM Team with the support of the Block Development Officer and other Departments has organised Aadhaar camp to enroll the left-out members who do not possess Aadhaar.

(iii) NRLM staff and community cadres have had Meetings with SHGs on the importance of Aadhaar and the need to provide details for smooth profiling of the SHGs in the LoKOS.

(e) The total number of SHGs under Myllem Community & Rural Development Block which have been directly benefited from National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) initiatives during the current financial year and the previous two financial years, along with the list of a breakdown of SHGs by project/scheme and area wise may be provided?

(e) Sir, is as per Statement placed on the Table of the House.

(f) The Government's total target for the number of SHGs to be reached through National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) projects under Myllem Community & Rural Development Block in the current and upcoming financial years?

(f) Sir, is as per Statement placed on the Table of the House.

Marten Dumping Ground

Shri BRIGHTSTARWELL MARBANIANG

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

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

(a) The overall management of waste in the State?

(a) Sir,

Status of Solid Waste Management in Urban Towns of Meghalaya

The Solid Waste generated from the areas under the various Urban Local Bodies is estimated at 314 Tons per day.

At present 171 Tons per day of Solid Waste is being processed by different processing plants installed and recycled. To address the gaps in processing of the waste generated, the Government is in the process of setting up Processing Projects (Wet Waste, Composting and Dry Waste Material Recovery Centre) of a cumulative 101 TPD capacity in all the 10 Urban Local Bodies of Meghalaya.

The progress of implementation of these Projects in Shillong Municipal Board, Tura Municipal Board, Jowai Municipal Board, Williamnagar Municipal Board, Resubelpara Municipal Board and Mairang Town and Shillong Cantonment Board are in various stages of development. Whereas Baghmara, Nongstoin and Nongpoh land identification and approval of the DPR are in progress.

Steps are also being taken to operationalize the Compost and RDF plant at Tura and the Compost plant at Nongpoh.

Remediation of Legacy Waste is underway at Marten, Shillong and Tura.

- 1,04,810 MT of Legacy Waste has been processed till date for Shillong.
- 19,315 MT of Legacy Waste has been remediated till date for Tura.
- Detail Survey and DPR preparation for remediation of Legacy Waste of other ULBs are under progress. The estimated total Legacy Waste from the Urban Areas of the State is 4,17,798 tons.

Awareness Programme -

- The Urban Local Bodies in order to reach to the citizens on the important of Solid Waste Management and to make the citizens aware of the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 is conducting an intensive Awareness Programmes which is an ongoing process.
- Till date more than 5000 nos. of events targeting to cover all stakeholders i.e., localities, schools/colleges, market associations, youth groups and etc., were conducted by the Urban Local Bodies.

Sanitary Landfill Sites

Shillong :

A plot at Nonghali measuring 112 acre has been identified and selected. The Government has engaged the Accredited Consultant for preparation of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)/ Environmental Management Plan (EMP) and obtaining statutory Environmental clearance for development of an Integrated Scientific Solid Waste Management Facilities which shall cater to Shillong Agglomeration and its peripherals. The status of Nonghali site is as follows :-

- Land Survey completed.
- Environment Clearance is in progress.

Jowai :

- Land has been identified at Umalamat Elaka Jowai.
- An EIA/EMP study is being initiated.

Tura :

- Land has been acquired at Wakkagre.
- An EIA/EMP study is being initiated.

Williamnagar :

- Land has been acquired at Rongakgre.
- An EIA/EMP study is being initiated.

Resubelpara :

- Proposal for land has been received.
- Direction has been send from the Urban Affairs Department to Task Force for further feasibility study of the area.

Baghmara :

- Proposal for land has been received.
- Instruction has been from the Urban Affairs Department to Task Force for submitting report on the feasibility of the site.

Nongstoin :

- Proposal for land has been received.
- Instruction has been from the Urban Affairs Department to Task Force for submitting report on the feasibility of the site.

Nongpoh :

- Proposals has been received.
- Inspection has been made by the Task Force and feasibility aspect is being looked into.

Furthermore, land identification and floating for expression of interest is on progress for the other Urban Local Bodies.

Enhancement of Solid Waste Collections

To improve Solid Waste Collection, the Urban Affairs Department has procured :

- 71 Primary and Secondary Waste Collection Vehicles for Shillong Municipal Board and for 37 Dorbar Shnongs in the Shillong Urban Agglomeration.
- A total of 51 Waste Collection Vehicles are operating in the other Urban Local Bodies of Meghalaya.
- The Urban Affairs Department also propose procuring more garbage collection vehicles wherever there are needs, from various source of funding (Finance Commission and other States / Central Funding) which will be handed over to the different Urban Towns of Meghalaya.

(b) The status of Marten Dumping ground at Mawlai?

(b) Sir, the site at Marten is the city's only site for disposal of garbage and was established by the SMB since 1938. The area of Marten is 18 acres and the land was leased from the Forest Department. The site is located at about 7 kms from the city and was part of the Riatkhwan Reserved Forest. The land was leased to SMB by the Forest Department *vide* order No. 2391-G-S-8 dated 19.05.1938 which was further regularized and extended till 2026 *vide* notification No. FOR.76/99/16.

The site takes in about 171 metric tons of Solid Waste from the Shillong Urban Agglomeration and adjoining villages. The facilities for processing and scientific disposal of waste at Marten are :-

1. 170 TPD Compost Plant at Marten, Shillong is utilized and is in operation.
2. For treatment and disposal of Bio-Medical Waste (BMW), a Common Bio Medical Waste Treatment & Disposal Facility (CBMWTDF) was installed and commissioned at Marten, Shillong over an area of 2009.06 sqm. where Bio Medical wastes generated from different Health care facilities are collected and transported to this facility for treatment. The CBMWTDF consist of 100 kg. per hour incinerator for disposal of yellow category of BMW, 50 kg. per hour Autoclave for disinfecting Red & Blue category of waste and a 50 kg. per hour Shredder.
3. 0.115 MLD of Treatment Plant has been installed to treat the Septage collected by cesspool from the city.
4. A 4 TPD incineration has also been commissioned to treat waste which cannot be recycled and processed.
5. The design life for the above mentioned landfill site is about 3 years for the Phase 1 and 7 years for the Phase 2, on the assumptions that the rejects going to the landfill shall be only 10% of the waste generated. The current waste generation of the city is estimated at 196 TPD and at present the percentage of rejects going to the landfill is about 23%. With efforts being taken for segregation at source so as to optimize the functioning of the Compost Plant, the percentage of waste disposed in the landfill is expected to further go down.
6. The bio-remediation of the legacy waste is also in progress and about 104810 metric tons has been processed so far.