

# MEGHALAYA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

## BUDGET SESSION

### STARRED

### QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

*Thursday, the 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2025.*

#### **Road from Happy Valley to Mawshbuit Village**

**Shri HEAVINGSTONE KHARPRAN**

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

\*98. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Public Works (Roads) be pleased to state whether the road from Happy Valley to Mawshbuit Village belong to the Department or the Army?

Sir, the road from Happy Valley to Mawshbuit village belongs to the Public Works Department (Roads) except for a stretch of 600.00 meters which falls within the GTC land.

#### **Government Land at Mawkhanu**

**Shri BRIGHTSTARWELL MARBANIANG**

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

\*99. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Urban Affairs be pleased to state :-

(a) The distance from the New Meghalaya Secretariat to the Government land at Mawkhanu?

(a) Sir, the distance from the New Meghalaya Secretariat to the Government land at Mawkhanu is 18 Kms.

(b) Whether Social Impact Assessment was carried out before acquisition of the land?

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Whether the Government is contemplating the setting up of scientific landfill site in a suitable location in the above land?

(c) No, Sir.

(d) How land is required for a landfill site for the city of Shillong?

(d) Sir, the area required for setting up of the landfill site is approximately 100-150 acres.

### **Upgradation of the Manggakgre Sub Centre**

**Shri RUPA MARAK**

**Dr. M. AMPAREEN LYNGDOH**  
**(Minister in-charge Health & Family Welfare)**

\*100. Will the Minister in-charge Health & Family Welfare be pleased to state :-

(a) Whether the Department has upgraded the Manggakgre Sub Centre into a Public Health Centre?

(a) Yes, Sir. Upgradation of Manggakgre Sub-Centre into a Public Health Centre is in progress.

(b) If the reply at (a) above is in the affirmative, the facilities that are available in the Public Health Centre?

(b) Sir, the facilities that will be available in the Public Health Centre after completion will be :-

- (i) Out Patient Department (OPD) Services.
- (ii) 10 Bedded In-Patient Department (IPD).
- (iii) Labour Room facilities.
- (iv) Lab facilities.
- (v) Emergency Services.
- (vi) Pharmacy and Residential Quarters for Medical and Para-Medical Staffs, etc.

(c) The staff pattern of the Public Health Centre?

(c) Sir, as per Government Norms.

**LARR/RFCTLARR Act, 2013**

**Dr. MUKUL M. SANGMA**

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

\*101. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Public Works (Roads) be pleased to state :-

(a) Whether it is a fact that different parcels of land were acquired as per LARR or RFCTLARR Act, 2013 for the Western Shillong by-pass road project?

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The total amount of money spent for the acquisition of the land for the project as per LARR or RFCTLARR Act, 2013?

(b) Sir, the total amount spend for the acquisition of land for the project as per RFCTLARR Act, 2013 is :

**In Ri Bhoi District - ₹121,40,63,701/-**  
*(Rupees One Hundred Twenty One Crore Forty Lakh Sixty Three Thousand Seven Hundred and One) only.*

**In East Khasi Hills District - ₹455,39,34,752/-**  
*(Rupees Four Hundred Fifty Five Crore Thirty Nine Lakh Thirty Four Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Two) only.*

(c) The names of the landowners whose land were acquired for the project?

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

(d) The amount of money paid to the respective owners of the land for the said acquisition of land for the project?

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

**States having GSDP higher than 10 billion US Dollars**

**Shri ADELBERT NONGRUM**

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

\*102. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state the total number of States in India that have a GSDP higher than 10 billion US dollars at present?

Sir, the total number of States in India that have a GSDP higher that \$10 billion at present is 21 (twenty one).

### **Irrigation Projects**

**Shri HEAVINGSTONE KHARPRAN**

**Shri COMINGONE YMBON**

**(Minister in-charge Water Resources)**

\*103. Will the Minister in-charge Water Resources be pleased to state :-

(a) The total number of flow Irrigation projects constructed in the whole East Khasi Hills District during the years 2018 to 2024?

(a) Sir, the total number of Flow Irrigation Projects constructed in the whole of East Khasi Hills District during the years 2018 to 2024 is 17 (seventeen) numbers.

(b) The total amount of sanction for the above projects?

(b) Sir, the total amount of sanction for the above Projects is ₹2021.37 lakh.

### **Illegal Sawmill Operators**

**Shri RUPA MARAK**

**Shri CONRAD K. SANGMA**

**(Chief Minister)**

\*104. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :-

(a) The total number of illegal sawmills operators in Chibinang area?

(a) Sir, the total number of illegal sawmill in Chibinang area are two, which were detected in 2023-24 and were closed down.

(b) The total number of illegal timber seized during 2023-2024 and 2024-2025?

(b) Sir, the total quantity of illegal timber seized during 2023-2024 is 190.8408 cum and 2024-2025 is 35.75 cum.

(c) The number of FIRs filed against the timber smugglers?

(c) Sir, the total number of offence reports filed against timber smugglers (the Forests Department does not file FIRs) during last 5 (five) years is 101.

(d) The name of timber smugglers who were booked and charge sheeted?

(d) Sir, the name of timber smugglers who were booked and offence reports have been filed in Court of law is as per Statement placed on the Table of the House.

### Progress of Road Constructions

**Shri BRIGHTSTARWELL MARBANIANG**

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

\*105. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Public Works (Roads) be pleased to state the status/progress of road constructions as under :-

Sir, the status/progress of road constructions are as under :-

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| (i) Lummawsing to Mawsiatkhnang?                      | (i) Sir, the work is in progress.      |
| (ii) Mawlai By-pass to Airport?                       | (ii) Sir, the work is in progress.     |
| (iii) ISBT Mawiong to Lumpyllon?                      | (iii) Sir, estimate is being prepared. |
| (iv) Mawlai Motsyiar to Mawlai Umjaiur?               | (iv) Sir, the work is in progress.     |
| (v) Mawlai Nonglum Cemetery to Mawlai Syllaikariah?   | (v) No, Sir.                           |
| (vi) Mawlai Nongkwar (Block-6) to Patarim (Block-11)? | (vi) Sir, the work is in progress.     |
| (vii) Mawlai Nongpdeng Block-A to Block-B?            | (vii) Sir, sanction is being awaited.  |

### Steps taken to reduce Unemployment

**Dr. MIZANUR KAZI**

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

\*106. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :-

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| (a) The steps that the Government is taking to reduce unemployment, especially among young people and recent graduates? | (a) Sir, the Government is implementing a number of programmes for addressing unemployment in the State. |
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(b) The initiatives that are in place to support self-employment and entrepreneurship as alternatives to traditional jobs?

(b) Sir, the Schemes to support self-employment and entrepreneurship includes :

- i. CM - Elevate
- ii. PRIME Program
- iii. FOCUS+
- iv. Mission Mode Programs in Agriculture and allied Sectors
- v. Meghalaya Grassroots Music Project
- vi. Meghalaya Tourism Homestay Scheme
- vii. Skills Meghalaya
- viii. Hello Meghalaya OTT Platform
- ix. Meghalaya Ateliers Program
- x. CM FARM+
- xi. Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS)
- xii. National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM)
- xiii. Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP)
- xiv. Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY)
- xv. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU - GKY).

(c) The steps that the Government plans to support Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) in hiring more workers?

(c) Sir, under CM - Elevate and PRIME Programme, both Loans and Grants are available for MSMEs and Startups to expand their business and hire more people.

Other programmes include Raising & Accelerating MSME Performance (RAMP) Scheme, Micro and Small Enterprise Cluster Development Programme (MSE - CDP) and PM Vishwakarma Scheme.

(d) The social security measures that exists for unemployed individuals, and whether there is any plan to expand them?

(d) Sir, there are universal Social Security Schemes that provide to support individuals including youth and these includes FOCUS+, CM - CARE including National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP).

(e) The steps being taken by the Government to create jobs in rural and underdeveloped areas?

(e) Sir, same as at (b) above except urban-focus Schemes like Meghalaya Grassroots Music Project.

(f) Whether there are any specific programs to support employment for marginalized communities and disadvantaged groups?

(f) Sir, same as at (b) above.

### Fire Incidents

**Shri RUPA MARAK**

**Shri KYRMEN SHYLLA**  
**(Minister in-charge Revenue & Disaster Management)**

\*107. Will the Minister in-charge Revenue & Disaster Management be pleased to state :-

(a) Whether the Dadenggre Community & Rural Development Block and Rongram Community & Rural Development Block has families that were affected by fire incidents in last two years?

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) If the reply at (a) above is in the affirmative, the total number of the families affected by fire incidents?

(b) Sir, the total number of families affected by fire incident are as below :-

Year	Block	No. of families
2023	Dadenggre C&RD Block	2
	Rongram C&RD Block	2
2024	Dadenggre C&RD Block	4
	Rongram C&RD Block	4

**Hectares of the area under Cultivation**

**Shri HEAVINGSTONE KHARPRAN**

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

\*108. Will the Minister in-charge Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare be pleased to state :-

(a) The total hectares of the area under Mawryngkneng Community & Rural Development Block :

(a) Sir, the total area of cultivation are as follows :-

(i) Under potato cultivation?

(ii) Under cabbage cultivation?

(iii) Under cauliflower cultivation?

(iv) Under tomato cultivation?

(i), (ii), (iii) & (iv)

Potato	Cabbage	Cauliflower	Tomato
1682	501	170	196
Hectares	Hectares	Hectares	Hectares

(b) Whether any types of financial assistance or any other assistance were given to these farmers during the last 5 years?

(b) Yes, Sir, 50% subsidy for purchase of planting materials.

**Establishment of Rajabala Fire Sub-station**

**Dr. MIZANUR KAZI**

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

\*109. Will the Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Home (Police) be pleased to state :-

(a) Whether the Government has officially sanctioned the establishment of the Rajabala Fire Sub-station?

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) If the reply at (a) above is in the affirmative, the current status of the construction and infrastructure development of the Rajabala Fire Sub-station?

(b) Sir, the matter is under process. The land has been taken over by the Superintendent of Police (F&ES), Tura.



- (c) Whether the recruitment process for firefighters and other staff at the Rajabala Fire Sub-station has begun? (c) Sir, the matter is under process.
- (d) The total number of personnel required for the Fire Sub-station? (d) Sir, 15 (Fifteen).
- (e) The total number of personnel that have been posted so far? (e) Sir, nil, as Phulbari F&ES is covering Rajabala areas.
- (f) When the Government plans to make the Rajabala Fire Sub-station fully operational? (f) Sir, the matter is under process.
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