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**Proceedings of the Fifth Session of the Assam Legislative Assembly assembled after the Second General Election under the Sovereign Democratic Republican Constitution of India**

The Assembly met in the Assembly Chamber, Shillong, at 10 A. M. on Monday, the 9th March, 1959.

**P R E S E N T**

Shri Ram Nath Das, B.L., The Chairman in the Chair, eight Ministers, the four Deputy Ministers and fifty-seven Members.

**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

**STARRED QUESTIONS**

(To which oral answers were given.)

**Pay-scale of Undergraduate Assistant Co-operative Officers**

**Maulavi JAHANUDDIN AHMED (Bilasipara)** asked :

\*13. Will the Minister-in-charge of Finance be pleased to state—

- (a) Whether Government have already considered about giving a pay-scale of Rs.125 to Rs.200 to the Undergraduate Assistant Co-operative Officers under the Government ?
- (b) If so, when Government propose to give effect to it ?
- (c) Whether Government propose to give retrospective effect of the same ?

**Shri FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED (Minister, Finance)** replied:

13. (a)—The Undergraduate Assistant Co-operative Officers have already been given a revised scale of Rs.100 to Rs.200 with retrospective effect from 1st October, 1956.

(b) & (c)—Do not arise.

## UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

(To which answers were laid on the table)

**Inclusion of Dessang bridge at Suffrai in the Second Five-Year Plan**

**Shri DURGESWAR SAIKIA (Thowra)** asked :

15. Will the Minister-in-charge of Public Works Department (Roads and Buildings) be pleased to state—

(a) Whether it is a fact that the Dessang bridge at Suffrai was included in the Second Five-Year Plan ?

(b) Whether it is a fact that during the last Session of the Assembly, the Minister-in-charge replied to the questioner on the floor of the House that approval was not received and for this reminder was given ?

(c) Whether the approval has been received by now and if not, why not ?

(d) When the works will be started ?

**Shri GIRINDRA NATH GOGOI, [Deputy Minister, P.W.D. (Roads and Buildings)]** replied :

15. (a)—Yes, the proposal for construction of Suffrai bridge over Dessang on Sepon-Suffrai road has been included in the Second Five Year Plan. Administrative approval for the project has been accorded on August, 1958 at an estimated cost of Rs.8.66 lakhs and notice inviting tenders for the same is being issued.

(b),(c)&(d)—Yes, about the proposals for construction of bridges over Dessang at Nogolamora and at Bhojo on Rajgarh road which were included in the programme of Roads for Central Aid. The matter is still under correspondence between the State Government and the Government of India.

**Shri DURGESWAR SAIKIA :** অধ্যক্ষ মহোদয়, যোব (d) প্রশ্নৰ উত্তৰ নেপালো।

**Shri GIRINDRA NATH GOGOI :** (b), (c) আৰু (d) প্রশ্নৰ উত্তৰ একেলগে দিয়া হৈছে।

**Shri DURGESWAR SAIKIA :** ক'ত। ইয়াতটো সেইটো প্রশ্নৰ উত্তৰ নাই ?

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** উত্তৰ দিয়া আছে।

**Shri DURGESWAR SAIKIA (Thowra) :** যোৱা আগষ্ট মাহৰ অধিবেশনতো টেণ্ডাৰ কল কৰা হৈছে বুলি কৈছিল আৰু এতিয়াও তাকে কৈছে।

**Shri DEBESWAR SARMAH (Minister, Public Works Department) :** আগষ্ট মাহত টেণ্ডাৰ বিচৰা নাই — মাত্ৰ awaiting sanction বুলি কোৱা হৈছিল। এতিয়া sanction পোৱা হ'ল আৰু টেণ্ডাৰ বিচৰা হৈছে। ইয়াৰ পিচত যিখিনি সময় লাগে, সেইখিনি ধৰি অহা খবালীৰ আগ পৰ্যন্তে কাম আৰম্ভ কৰিব পৰা হ'ব।

**Number of Medical Graduates and Medical Licentiates serving in the Health Department of the State**

**Dr. GHANASHYAM DAS [North Salmara (Reserved for Scheduled Castes)]** asked :

16. Will the Minister, Medical be pleased to state—

- (a) The total number of Medical Graduates and Medical Licentiates separately serving in the Health Department of the State ?
- (b) What is the percentage of promotion reserved for the Assistant Surgeon II to the higher rank ?
- (c) Whether all the quota for promotion has been filled up ?
- (d) If not, whether the quota will be filled up at an early date ?
- (e) Whether Government are aware that unification of cadre of Assistant Surgeon Grade I and Grade II has been done in some States in India ?
- (f) Whether Government will be pleased to effect unification of both these cadres in this State also from this year ?

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA (Minister, Medical)** replied :

16. (a)—188 Graduates, 356 Licentiates.

(b)—Fixed quota of 18 posts.

(c)—No.

(d)—Yes.

(e)—Yes.

(f)—Not for the present.

**Dr. GHANASHYAM DAS [North Salmara (Reserved for Scheduled Castes)] :** Will the Government please let us know if there is any proposal for the unification of the cadre ?

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA (Minister, Medical) :** The reply is already there, Sir. As a matter of fact the question came up for consideration and we examined it, and ultimately it was decided not to affect any unification of the cadre now and we decided to make the promotion quota double, *i.e.*, from 9 it was fixed at 18.

**Shri BHUBAN CHANDRA PRADHANI (Golakganj) :** Is that quota fixed on annual basis ?

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA :** It is according to the vacancies that may arise from time to time in the cadre.

**Shri NILMONEY BORTHAKUR (Dibrugarh) :** What is the percentage of such promotion ?

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** They have not fixed any percentage. They have fixed a quota and raised the number to 18 now.

**Dr. SRIHARI DAS (Barpeta) :** How many of them have since been filled up ?

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA :** I have not the exact figure with me, Sir.

**Dr. SRIHARI DAS :** May I know if the quota has been filled up ?

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA :** It is done on the recommendation of the Public Service Commission. By the time we replied to the question the recommendations of the Public Service Commission came and Government have decided to promote some.

**Temporary increase of Rs.10 per month to displaced pensioners due to high prices of essential commodities**

**Dr. RAM PRASAD CHAUBEY (Lakhipur) asked :**

17. Will the Minister, Finance be pleased to state—

(a) Whether the displaced pensioners drawing pensions provisionally may be allowed the benefit of the increase of Rs.10 each, as sanctioned by the Government, on a flat rate basis, over the

pension of every other pensioner drawing pension upto the extent of Rs.300 each per month in consideration of the abnormally high prices of the essential commodities ?

(b) Whether it is fact that for the drawal of this increase by the displaced pensioners of the above category a special sanction of the Central Government is necessary ?

(c) If so, whether any steps were taken by the Government for obtaining such sanction ?

(d) If so, with what result ?

(e) Whether Government will please grant these pensioners this increase of Rs.10 each per month as an interim measure retrospectively from 1st April, 1958 till the sanction of the Central Government is obtained ?

**Shri FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED (Minister, Finance)**  
replied :

17. (a)—The displaced pensioners drawing pension under the provisional payment of pension scheme are not entitled to the temporary increase of Rs.10 per month.

(b)—Yes. Since the debit for the payment of provisional pension is passed on to the Government of India the concurrence of the Government of India to the grant of the temporary increase of Rs.10 per month to the displaced pensioners is necessary.

(c)—Yes.

(d)—The Government of India informed this State Government that the migrant pensioners are entitled to pensions only at rates admissible to them in East Pakistan so that there may not be any difficulty in recovering the amount so paid from the Government of East Pakistan when an agreement on the general question of pensions is reached with Pakistan and as such the migrant pensioners cannot be allowed the temporary increase of Rs.10 per month.

(e)—Does not arise in view of (a), (b), (c) and (d) above.

**Dr. RAM PRASAD CHAUBEY (Lakhipur) :** If due to the abnormally high prices of the essential commodities the pensioners have been granted an increase of Rs.10 each, why the displaced pensioners have not been granted the same?

**Shri FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED (Minister, Finance) :** The reply is already there. All such pensioners for whose pension the liability is of the State have been given this increment but there are some pensioners for whom pensionary liability of Pakistan have not been given the increment because the amount has to be realised from the Government of Pakistan and the Government of Pakistan is not a party to the increment given to the pensioners of our State. There are certain pensioners for whom the pensionary liability is of Pakistan draw their pensions because they are now living in India and their pensions have been transferred from Pakistan to India but the liability of Pakistan which is being adjusted by the Central Government against pensioners in Pakistan whose liability is ours.

### **Conversion of Barama Public Health Dispensary into a State Dispensary**

**Shri SURENDRA NATH DAS (Patacharkuchi)** asked:

18. Will the Minister, Medical be pleased to state—

- (a) Whether it is a fact that Barama Public Health Dispensary is converted to a State Dispensary?
- (b) Whether it is a fact that all sorts of medicine for all diseases have been supplied to the dispensary.
- (c) How many patients were treated during the year 1958 and till 31st January, 1959?
- (d) Whether it is a fact that there is a proposal for constructing a medical ward including maternity sections and for this plan and estimate have been submitted for sanction?
- (e) Whether it will be constructed within this financial year (*i.e.*, 1958-59) ?

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA (Minister, Medical)** replied :

18. (a)—“Barama Dispensary is already a State Dispensary”.

(b)—Yes, for treatment of such diseases which can be easily undertaken at an outlying dispensary.

(c)—(i) Number of patients treated during 1958. 8,412

(ii) Number of patients treated till 31st January 1959. 278

(d)—No.

(e)—Does not arise.

**Shri SURENDRA NATH DAS (Patacharkuchi) :** বৰম। “পাবলিক হেলথ ডিচপেনচেৰী” খন State Dispensary লৈ পৰিবৰ্তন হোৱাৰ পিচত সকলো বৰমব বোমান চিকিৎসা কৰিব পৰা যাৱতীয় ঔষধ পাতি যোগান ধৰা হোৱা নাই অইনেদি ডিচপেনচেৰীত distilled water, চোদ ফাই কাৰৰ ইত্যাদিয়ে যে নাথাকে বুলি চৰকাৰে জানেনে ?

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA (Minister, Medical) :** চৰকাৰী ডিচপেনচেৰীত যিখিনি ঔষধ পাতিব দৰ্কাৰ সেইখিনি সাধাৰণতে দিয়া হয়। এই Particular Dispensary খনত দিয়া হৈছেনে নাই মই কব নোৱাৰো।

**Dr. SRIHARI DAS (Barpeta) :** What is the strength of the staff ?

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** I think it is a new question.

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA :** Generally the staff consists of one qualified doctor, one compounder and as now we have provided one midwife to each state dispensary, there will be one such midwife there.

**Shri TARUN SEN DEKA (Nalbari-West) :** What are the diseases that are treated easily in such dispensaries ?

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA :** Common diseases like malaria, Kala-azar, etc., are treated easily in such dispensaries.

(A voice—only two or three diseases) (laughter)

**Shri KARKA CHANDRA DOLEY [North Lakhimpur (Reserved for Scheduled Tribes)] :** সেই ডিচপেনচাৰীত কুষ্ঠৰোগৰ চিকিৎসা কৰা হয়নে ?

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA :** If such patients come, they are given medical treatment.

**Shri KARKA CHANDRA DOLEY :** মই বুজি নাপালো।

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA (Minister, Medical) :** কষ্ট  
বোগী পালে সেই ডিচপেনচাৰীত চিকিৎসাৰ ব্যৱস্থা কৰা হয়।

**Shri KARKA CHANDRA DOLEY [North Lakhipur  
(Reserved for Scheduled Tribes)] :** বৰ্তমান কিমান ডিচপেনচাৰীত এই  
ব্যৱস্থা লোৱা হৈছে ?

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA :** সেইটো এটা নতুন প্রশ্ন।

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH (Amguri) :**  
Whether the Maternity Section has been opened ?

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA :** The reply is already there,  
it has not been done.

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH :** Question  
18 (d) was—“Whether it is a fact that there is a proposal for  
constructing a medical ward including maternity sections”  
and the reply was “No”. Does not the Government feel the  
necessity of opening such a ward ?

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA :** That depends on the  
necessity. If there is need Government will certainly examine it.

**Shri DEVENDRA NATH HAZARIKA (Saikhowa) :**  
Is it a fact that there is no necessity ?

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** What he says is that at present there  
is no necessity but the question will be examined.

### **Representation from the public for a Dispensary at Gobaradol in Gauhati Subdivision**

**Shri SURENDRA NATH DAS (Patacharkuchi) asked :**

19. Will the Minister, Medical be pleased to state—

- (a) Whether Government have lately received any  
representation from the public of Gobaradol in  
Gauhati Subdivision for a dispensary in the  
locality ?
- (b) Whether it is a fact that an enquiry was made in  
the matter by a Medical Officer ?
- (c) Whether it is a fact that there are no dispensaries  
between 6 to 7 miles distance of that locality ?
- (d) If so, why the dispensary has not yet been pro-  
vided by the Medical Department. ?

(e) When it will be taken up?

(f) Whether it will be provided within this financial year (*i.e.*, 1958-59) ?

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA (Minister, Medical)** replied:

19. (a)—(c)—The matter is being investigated.

(d)—(f)—If the establishment of a dispensary in that place is found to be justified, this will receive due consideration of Government along with others in due course.

**Dr. SRIHARI DAS (Barpeta):** In regard to (c) to (f), what are the points basing on which justification of opening a hospital is judged?

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA :** That will depend on the actual needs of the locality. When we get representation from the people we get it examined by the Department whether it is really necessary.

**Shri TARUN SEN DEKA (Nalbari-West) :** Whether the receipt of the representation is investigated or the possibility of the dispensary will be investigated ?

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA :** All will be taken into consideration. We shall examine whether there is any necessity. There are other factors also, such as, the distance from other dispensaries.

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH (Amguri) :** Question 19 (a) was "Whether Government have lately received any representation" and the answer was: "The matter is investigated".

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA :** The representation referred to in the reply is being investigated.

**Taking over of certain Roads on the North Bank of Kamrup District by Public Works Department**

**Shri BIRENDRA KUMAR DAS [Patacharkuchi (Reserved for Scheduled Tribes)]** asked :

20. Will the Minister-in-charge of Public Works Department (Roads and Buildings) be pleased to state—

(a) Whether Government has lately received any application or resolution for the taking over of

the following Roads on the North Bank of Kamrup District by Public Works Department—

- (i) Extension of Namati-Musalpur Road to Sahpur (*via* Ranakuchi, Hathipara, Pipalibari Haribhanga, etc.) ;
  - (ii) Mahkhuli to Nathkuchi No.2 ;
  - (iii) Madhapur to Bali, etc. ;
  - (iv) Link Road in between Tihu-Lachima and Tihu-Bangaon *via* Kaniamara Nannarttari, etc. ;
  - (v) Nityananda to Pathsala *via* Choukhuti ; and
  - (vi) Patacharkuchi to Bilpar ?
- (b) When the above mentioned Roads will be taken over by the Public Works Department?

**Shri GIRINDRA NATH GOGOI** [Deputy Minister, Public Works Department (Roads and Buildings Wing)] replied:

20. (a)—Yes, excepting No.VI.

(b)—As recommended by the Assam Road Communication Board in its 6th meeting the proposals will be sent to Subdivisional Development Board for initial consideration at the time of drawing up future programme.

**Shri BHUBAN CHANDRA PRADHANI (Golakganj):** The question 20 (b) was "When the above mentioned roads will be taken over by the Public Works Department" and the reply was "As recommended by the Assam Road Communication Board the proposals will be sent to Subdivisional Development Board for initial consideration". Whether any opinion of the Subdivisional Development has been asked for, for any scheme of the Public Works Department ?

**Shri GIRINDRA NATH GOGOI :** There is no such scheme forwarded to the Subdivisional Board.

**Shri DEVENDRA NATH HAZARIKA (Saikhowa) :** Whether in other Subdivisions also such proposal will be forwarded to the Subdivisional Board for initial consideration ?

**Shri GIRINDRA NATH GOGOI (Deputy Minister, P. W. D.):** It will be sent for consideration there.

**Shri DEVENDRA NATH HAZARIKA (Saikhowa):** Whether any such proposal has been submitted to the Sub-divisional Board as yet?

**Shri GIRINDRA NATH GOGOI :** If there is such recommendation for taking up certain roads by the Public Works Department from the Road Communication Board then the Public Works Department will send the proposal to the Subdivisional Board for consideration and then it will be sent to the State Board and they will finally decide.

**Taking over of the Local Board Road, Barpeta from Chowlkhowa Bridge to Garaimari Bazar**

**Dr. SRIHARI DAS (Barpeta)** asked:

21. Will the Minister-in-charge of Public Works Department (Roads and Buildings) be pleased to state—

- (a) Whether Government has lately got any representation regarding taking over of the Local Board Road, Barpeta, from Chowlkhowa Bridge to Garaimari Bazar joining the Jania-Howli Public Works Department Road?
- (b) If so, whether Government will take over that road?
- (c) If so, since when the improvement work of that road will start?

**Shri GIRINDRA NATH GOGOI [Deputy Minister, Public Works Department (Roads and Buildings Wing)]** replied:

21. (a)—Yes.

(b)—No. As recommended by the last meeting of the Road Communication Board the proposal will be sent in due course to the Subdivisional Board for initial consideration, when any New Road Development Programme is drawn up.

(c)—Does not arise.

**Construction of a permanent bridge over the Puthimari River at Soneswarghat on Kamalpur-Morwa Road**

**Shri SARAT CHANDRA GOSWAMI (Kamalpur)**

asked:

22. Will the Minister-in-charge of Public Works Department (Roads and Buildings Wing) be pleased to state:—

- (a) Whether there has been insistant public demand from the people of Kamalpur, Rangiya and Hajo Circles for construction of a permanent bridge over Puthimari river at Soneswarghat on Kamalpur-Morwa road in its first mile ?
- (b) Whether the Minister-in-charge be pleased to ascertain the difficulties to which the people of this vast backward area have been subjected to handicapping their trade and communication as they are to approach this locality either by North Gauhati-Hajo-Rangiya route or by North Gauhati-Rangiya route ?
- (c) Whether there is any proposal to construct the bridge ?
- (d) Whether Government will give priority to this project in view of its importance and necessity to develop this backward area ?

**Shri GIRINDRA NATH GOGOI [Deputy Minister, Public Works Department (Roads and Buildings Wing),**  
replied :

22. (a)—Yes.

(b)—Minister is aware of the difficulties for want of a permanent bridge, as is the case in respect of similar other roads.

(c)—At present there is no proposal.

(d)—As recommended by the last meeting of the Road Communication Board, this proposal will be sent to Subdivisional Development Board for initial consideration and allocation of priority when any new Road Programme is drawn up.

**Extension of Jamukguri-Khonamukh Public Works Department Road upto Chintamunighat via Depdaria and Tipamiya villages**

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH (Amguri)**  
asked :

23. Will the Minister, Public Works Department (Roads and Buildings Wing) be pleased to state:—

- (a) Whether Government have lately received petitions from the public to the effect that the Jamukguri-Khonamukh Road (Public Works Department)

Jakaichuk Mouza, Sibsagar Subdivision, be extended as far as to Chintamonighat *via* Depdaria and Tipamiya villages ?

(b) Whether Government will be pleased to take up this road at an early date ?

**Shri GIRINDRA NATH GOGOI** [Deputy Minister, Public Works Department (Roads and Buildings Wing)] replied :

23. (a)—Yes.

(b)—No, there is no proposal at present.

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH (Amguri)** : With regard to 23 (b), it is said "No, there is no proposal at present". May I know why there is no proposal at present ? Whether Government feels the necessity of this road as there is a strong demand for this road ?

**Shri GIRINDRA NATH GOGOI** : For paucity of funds the road cannot be taken up at present. It has been said times without number in this House that when the proposals will come up subject to funds the schemes will be prepared and be sent to the Subdivisional Board for consideration and lastly it will come to the State Board for final disposal.

**Shri SARBESWAR BORDOLOI (Titabar)** : Whether the question of fund will be examined first or the question of taking up the road ?

**Shri GIRINDRA NATH GOGOI** : The question of fund first, Sir.

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH** : Every department comes with supplementary demands, why not this department come with such demands ?

(Loud Laughter)

**Shri DEBESWAR SARMAH (Minister, P.W.D.)** : I take the beating, Mr. Barbarua.

## Discussion on the Supplementary Statement of Expenditure charged upon the Consolidated Fund of the State

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** Discussion on Supplementary Statement of Expenditure. (*After a pause*). I take it that there will be no discussion about this. Then I come to the Demands.

### Supplementary Demands for Grants

#### Supplementary Demand No. 1

#### “7 :—Land Revenue”

**Shri HARESWAR DAS (Revenue Minister):** Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs. 200 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959, for the administration of the head “7 :—Land Revenue”.

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ... 1,38,01,000

II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year. 1,70,000

Additional amount now required ... 200

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	
(1) Rs.	(2) Rs.	(3) Rs.	(4) Rs.	(5) Rs.	(6) Rs.	(7) Rs.	(8) Rs.
1. C.—Management of Government Estates.	19,600	..	..	..	..	100	100
2. H.—Assignment and compensations—	12,50,000	..	..	1,70,000	100	..	100
Total ..	..	..	..	..	100	100	200

#### EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. C.—*Management of Government Estates*.—An amount of Rs. 5,000 was urgently required for construction of camps for police and for their transport in connection with the eviction of refugees in Mikir Hills.

Provision for the purpose could not be made in the current year's budget as the expenditure could not be foreseen. The amount was advanced from the Contingency Fund which was subsequently met by re-appropriation from savings. The demand for Rs.100 (token) is to regularise the advance.

2. *H.—Assignment, etc.*—An area of 5,587B-1K-18L of land was requisitioned on various dates from the Noanuddy Tea Estate for the settlement with landless and flood affected people. Pending settlement of agreed amount of compensation, no payment has yet been made to the original owner, who is now agreeable to come to terms. The detailed calculation will require sometime and meanwhile it is proposed to make a part payment of Rs.39,989.62 nP. to be adjusted against the final payment in due course which the party has agreed.

Provision for the purpose could not be made in the current year's budget as the party had not come to an agreed settlement before framing the budget estimate. The amount was advanced from the Contingency Fund which was subsequently met from savings. The demand for Rs.100 (token) is to regularise the advance.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 200, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959, for the administration of the head "7.—Land Revenue".

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** There are some cut motions on this Supplementary Demand. Cut motion No.1 is in the name of Shri Gaurisankar Bhattacharyya, but he is absent. The next cut motion stands in the name of Shri Tarun Sen Dekka.

**Shri NILMONEY BORTHAKUR (Dibrugarh):** Sir, I beg to suggest that all the cut motions be moved at a time so that speeches in support of the cut motions may be made together

**Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI (Rampur):** Yes, Sir, that will be helpful.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** I have seen, under the rules, some cut motions may not be in order. I will come to that when they will be taken up. Now I propose to go serially, one after the other.

**Shri TARUN SEN DEKA (Nalbari-West) :** Sir, I have two Cut Motions under this Demand, one is Cut Motion No.2 and the other is No.4. So, I propose to move them both together. I now move :

That the total provision of Rs.100 under Supplementary Demand No.1, Major head "7.—Land Revenue", Minor head—1.-C—Management of Government Estates, at page 1 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re.1, *i.e.*, the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs.200 do stand reduced by Re.1.

(To disapprove the eviction of refugees in Mikir Hills)

That the provision of Rs.100 under Supplementary Demand No.1, Major head "7.—Land Revenue", Minor head—2.-H—Assignment and Compensations, at page 1 of the List of Supplementary Demands, be reduced by Re.1, *i.e.*, the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs.200, do stand reduced by Re.1.

(To raise a general discussion as to the terms of agreement, genuineness of the flood affected and landless people, etc.).

Sir, the object of my moving these cut motions is to disapprove the eviction of refugees in Mikir Hills and secondly to raise a general discussion as to the terms of agreement, genuineness of the flood affected and landless people, etc. Furthermore, I want to raise a constitutional point in this respect.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** Mr. Deka, with regard to your Cut Motion No.4, I want to know whether you will discuss only the items involved therein or you are going to raise a general discussion.

**Shri TARUN SEN DEKA :** Items involved in the Demand and I want to make a general discussion also about certain points which are based here.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** I think under the Rules the hon. Member can raise general discussion, policy cannot be discussed here.

**Shri TARUN SEN DEKA :** Then I shall not discuss policy matters as ordered by you, Sir.

Sir, one point that has struck me most is about the use of the word "unforeseen" or "not foreseen" in the Explanatory Notes of this demand because this question of eviction of refugees has been a long pending one. You may, perhaps

remember, Sir, that in the last year's Budget Session on the floor of this House this issue about eviction of refugees in the Mikir Hills was discussed and the matter had been pending long before that Budget Session. So I do not understand why the expenditure has been stated as unforeseen and why the expenditure was not included in the last year's Budget. Article 205 of the Constitution of India says that the fund which has been given to the Governor as Contingency Fund can be used in relation to matters which were not seen at the time of General Budget. But when the subject matter was already seen as far back as the last Budget Session, why and how it could be unforeseen? I think it is improper—it is improper to use the word “unforeseen” or “not foreseen” here.

Another thing that I want to refer in this connection is Sir, that under paragraphs 3 and 12 of the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution it has been clearly stated that Forest Reserved land under the Sixth Schedule Area can be managed by the State Government, and the other parts of lands under the Sixth Schedule are entirely left to the District Councils or Regional Councils as the case may be. But here the plot of land in question in the Mikir Hills was directly managed by the District Council. So it is entirely a subject of the District Council. When it is a matter relating to the District Council, the expenditure therefor should be met from the District Council fund and not from the State fund. So I think the expenditure is improper.

Another point that I want to raise is this : when the land in question is not its land, the money should not go from the Revenue Head. If at all any request from the side of the District Council was made to obtain help for eviction, then the expenditure should have been incurred from the Police Head and not from the Revenue Head. So it appears to me to be an irregular expenditure which we cannot support.

Then in the Explanatory Notes regarding 2.-H—Assignment, etc., it has been stated—

“Provision for the purpose could not be made in the current year's budget as the party had not come to an agreed settlement before framing the Budget estimate. The amount was advanced from the Contingency Fund which was subsequently met from Saving”. In another place of the Explanatory Notes it has been stated, “Pending settlement of agreed amount of compensation, no payment has yet been made to the original owner who is now agreeable to come to terms. The detailed

calculation will require sometime and meanwhile it is propose to make a part payment of Rs.39,989·62 nP. to be adjusted against the final payment in due course which the party has agreed”.

**Shri HARESWAR DAS (Revenue Minister):** Under cut motion No.2, the hon. Member wanted only to disapprove the eviction of refugees in Mikir Hills.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The hon. Member has taken my permission to move his both the cut motions together.

**Shri TARUN SEN DEKA (Nalbari-West):** And here also it is stated in such a way as if the land is required for the flood-affected people and displaced persons. If my information is correct, Sir, the acquisition of land in the tea estates for the flood-affected and displaced persons started long before the Budget Session. If that is so then why it was not placed in the last Budget Session. It is also mentioned here that the final amount has not yet been fixed. If the final amount has not yet been fixed I do not understand why then a portion of the money has in the meantime been spent. This principle of trying to get more money after spending some amount should not have been made. If any money is at all to be given then it should be given after finalisation of the whole amount. I also want to know from the Revenue Minister whether the land in question is actually required for the flood-affected and displaced persons or it is going to some other persons in the name of flood-affected and displaced persons. I also want to know from him how many such families are there at present in those areas that is, in the tea garden land.

Sir, in the last Budget Session also as far as I remember Shri Gaurisankar Bhattacharyya raised a point that in the name of Supplementary Demand such demands which were unforeseen or under contemplation should not have been brought before the House. This time also I would like to warn the Government that in future they should not come before the House only with such demands which are necessary just before or during the Assembly Session in the shape of Supplementary Demand and not long after such amount has been spent. Last time so far as I remember the Revenue Minister replied that as the budgetting started few months before the Budget Session it was difficult to bring before the House such demands in the Session. We like that if any change is to be made at all then that should be done during the time of the Session. I feel that when responsibility for the public money has been taken by this August House, so far as expenditure is concerned, there should be a thorough discussion and also there should be a thorough

examination by this august House which can be done particularly during the Budget Session. So, Sir, I should like to warn the Government in this respect if any amount is contemplated to be expended either during the Session or prior to it then it should be placed before the House. In so many cases it has become the practice that some demands are brought before the House as Supplementary Demands though such demands could be foreseen during the Budget Session. It is irregular and also contrary to the rule, because Art.205 of the Constitution of India says that when something becomes necessary after the end of the Budget Session that can be treated as unforeseen. But if something is seen during the Budget Session or after budgetting and just before the Session it cannot be termed as unforeseen. So, Sir, such kind of irregularity should not be allowed to continue any more.

As this Demand is irregular and improper this Cut Motion has been brought before the House. On this ground I oppose the Demand.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** The motions moved is that the total provision of Rs.100 under Supplementary Demand No.1, Major head "7.—Land Revenue", Minor head—f.-C—Management of Government Estates, at page 1 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re.1, *i.e.*, the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs.200 do stand reduced by Re.1.

Cut motion moved is that the provision of Rs.100 under Supplementary Demand No.1, Major head "7.—Land Revenue", Minor head—2.-H—Assignment and Compensations, at page 1 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re.1, *i.e.*, the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs.200 do stand reduced by Re.1.

**Shri DANDESWAR HAZARIKA (Morongi):** Mr. Chairman, Sir, I hardly find any reason why my Friend in the Opposition has moved this cut motion. It is clearly stated in the explanatory note the reasons for which this demand is necessary.

Sir, my Friend is aware that though the land policy is with the District Council but the question of law and order is always with the State Government and that is why this State Government has to send police in order to maintain law and order in

the Mikir Hills in connection with the eviction of unauthorised persons occupying land of the District Council.

Sir, it is also quite clear that Government could not foresee this expenditure for construction of houses for police staff at the time when this budget was prepared. Of course, I cannot say whether this supplementary demand should have been under the Revenue or Police Administration, that point will be clarified by the Minister himself. Sir, my submission is that my Friend should not have objected to this supplementary demand as this is a matter of Rs.5,000 only which was really necessary and, I think, these houses were constructed after the last Budget Session.

Then regarding cut motion No.4, the hon. Member has raised a point that the supplementary demand should have been included in the original demand.

**Shri NILMONEY BORTHAKUR (Dibrugarh) :** Is the hon. Member replying on behalf of the Minister ?

**Shri DANDESWAR HAZARIKA (Morongi) :** I am expressing my view.

The hon. Member in this connection referred to Article 205 of the Constitution. Here it is stated thus :—

“If the amount authorised by any law made in accordance with the provisions of Article 204 to be expended for a particular service for the current financial year is found to be insufficient for the purpose of that year or when a need has arisen during the current financial year for supplementary or additional expenditure upon some new service not contemplated in the annual financial statement of that year”.

It is clear from this, Sir, that if a statement of financial expenditure is found insufficient when the budget was passed and Government was not in a position to envisage any new expenditure, they can bring a supplementary demand during the next Session.

Regarding expenditure on rehabilitation of flood affected people by requisitioning land from the Noanuddy Tea Estate, how the Government could anticipate this earlier? The Government could not envisage that flood would take place at such and such date and so much people would be rendered landless. This is unforeseen so this expenditure is justified for a supplementary demand.

Under the circumstances, I do not find any reason why this demand should be opposed.

**Shri HARESWAR DAS (Minister, Revenue):** Mr. Chairman, Sir, I am sorry, I cannot accept any of these cut motions.

With regard to cut motion No.2 the point raised by my Friend that the expenditure was foreseen is not correct but that this eviction matter was going on for a long time is correct. The history of eviction is this that before the District Council for the Mikir Hills came into being, and before the Mikir Hills district was constituted, some portions of land in the plain portions was under the jurisdiction of the Nowgong district and at that time the Deputy Commissioner of Nowgong gave some of these land for rehabilitation to some refugee families but afterwards when these land went under the jurisdiction of the Mikir Hills district it was found that a huge number of unauthorised refugees and non-refugees were in forceful possession of land there. Discussion was going on between the District Council and the State Government that those refugees who were allowed by the Deputy Commissioner, Nowgong, to occupy land should be allowed to continue to stay there but the others should be evicted and the Government and the District Council were trying to evict these unauthorised occupants amicably but when this failed, the question arose that they should be evicted forcibly.

**Shri NILMONEY BORTHAKUR (Dibrugah):** Whether the decision was taken by the District Council or the Government?

**Shri HARESWAR DAS:** If my hon. Friend listens to me I can possibly make it clear to him.

The first point raised by my Friend that these are foreseen expenditures but my reply is that these were not foreseen and only in September last it came to that point that they should be forcibly evicted, so the help of police was necessary and the question of incurring this expenditure arose. So, it is quite clear that these expenditure could not be anticipated a year before when the budget was prepared.

Sir, the maintenance of law and order in the District Council areas is the function of the State Government. When it transpired that the question of law and order required the presence of the State Government's police for eviction of unauthorised persons illegally occupying land, the District Council came to the Revenue Department and the Revenue Department requisitioned for police and the expenditure for this purpose is required to be borne by the Revenue Department. This is the only point raised by my Friend with regard to cut motion No.2.

Now, regarding cut motion No. 4, this land was taken in 1950-51 from the Noanuddy Tea Estate. After requisition the garden is entitled to double the revenue every year as compensation for the period of requisition. Some discussions were going on, and the entire area has been allotted now to the flood-affected and landless people. Discussions with the garden authorities were going on about the value of trees. The garden supplied one list but the Subdivisional Officer did not agree to this and discussions went on for several years. Leaving aside the compensation for trees, which will need further discussions, the garden authorities have now agreed to take double the revenue. Only lately they have done so. This agreement was not reached at the time of preparation of the Budget. So, this amount of Rs. 39,000 was taken from the Contingency Fund and this supplementary demand is necessary to regularise that advance.

Now, regarding the question of finalisation, my Friend says that when everything is final payment should be made. That is not so. Every year the payment becomes due and every year the garden may demand compensation because it is not price but compensation for occupation of the land. So, every year the cause of action arises. Now, as to how many families the land has been allotted, I am not in a position to say as this is not a subject-matter of this cut motion. I also could not follow my Friend how this demand is unconstitutional. There is no provision in the Constitution which bars such a supplementary demand. Article 205 of the Constitution does not stand in the way of bringing in a supplementary demand of this nature.

These are the only points raised by my Friend.

**Shri TARUN SEN DEKA (Nalbari-West) :** On a point of clarification, Sir. When the hon'ble Minister says that it is a question of law and order, I fail to understand why this demand should not come under the head "Police".

**Shri HARESWAR DAS (Minister, Revenue) :** That has been replied to. My Friend did not follow.

**Shri TARUN SEN DEKA :** Paragraph 3 and 12 of the Sixth Schedule says that except the reserved forests, control over all land lies with the District Council. If that is the position, how does the Revenue Department come into the picture so far as this particular plot of land is concerned and why expenditure should be incurred under this head ?

**Shri HARESWAR DAS (Minister, Revenue) :** I fail to follow the argument. Paragraph 3 of the Sixth Schedule is mainly involved here, which transfer administration of land to the District Council except the reserved forests and subject to the right of acquisition by the State Government. But that does not come here. Administration of the land is the subject of the District Council, but I made it clear that when the question of law and order arises, the State Government come in. Now, when the refugees were going to be evicted and there was an apprehension of resistance by the refugees and others the question of law and order came in. Therefore, the District Council asked the Revenue Department to give them officers for carrying out the eviction and also for preservation of law and order. The Revenue Department in its turn requisition Police help for which the expenditure is to be borne by the Revenue Department.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** In view of the explanations given by the hon'ble Minister to the points raised by the hon. mover, may I know whether the mover would like to withdraw his cut motion ?

**Shri TARUN SEN DEKA:** I am sorry, Sir, I am not withdrawing my motion.

**Mr. Chairman :** Then I put the question.

The question is that the total provision of Rs.100 under Supplementary Demand No. 1, Major head "7.—Land Revenue", Minor head "1.—C.—Management of Government Estates, at page 1 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re.1, *i. e.*, the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs.200 do stand reduced by Re.1.

The House divided

Ayes—10

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| 1. Shri Bishwanath Upadhyaya. | 6. Shri Khogendrra Nath Barbaruah. |
| 2. Shri Ghanashyam Talukdar.  | 7. Shri Mathias Tudu.              |
| 3. Shri Gopesh Namasudra.     | 8. Kumar Prokritish Chandra Barua. |
| 4. Shri Hareswar Goswami.     | 9. Dr. Srihari Das.                |
| 5. Shri Hrialal Patwary.      | 10. Shri Tarun Sen Deka.           |

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| 1. Capt. Wiliamson A. Sangma.      | 25. Shri Dwijesh Chandra Deb Sarma.      |
| 2. Shri Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed.      | 26. Dr. Ghanashyam Das.                  |
| 3. Shri Rup Nath Brahma.           | 27. Shri Gouri Shankar Roy.              |
| 4. Shri Debeswar Sarmah.           | 28. Shri Harinarayan Baruah.             |
| 5. Shri Kamakhya Prasad Tripathi   | 29. Shri Henry Cotton.                   |
| 6. Shri Hareswar Das.              | 30. Shri Joga Kanta Barua.               |
| 7. M. Moinul Haque Choudhury.      | 31. Shri Khagendra Nath. Nath            |
| 8. Shri Mahendra Nath Hazarika.    | 32. Maulavi Kobad Hussain Ahmed.         |
| 9. Shri Biswadev Sarma.            | 33. Prof. (Shrimati, Komol Kumari Barua. |
| 10. Shri Radhika Ram Das.          | 34. Swami Krishnananda Brahmachari.      |
| 11. Shri Larsingh Khyriem.         | 35. Shri Mohananda Bora.                 |
| 12. Shri Giriddra Nath Gogoi.      | 36. Shri Nallindra Sangma.               |
| 13. Pu Lalmawia.                   | 37. Shri Narendra Nath Sarma.            |
| 14. Shri Lalit Kumar Doley.        | 38. Maulavi Nurul Islam.                 |
| 15. Shri Sai Sai Terang.           | 39. Shri Omeo Kumar Das.                 |
| 16. Shri Chatrasingh Teron.        | 40. Shrimati Padma Kumari Gohain         |
| 17. Maulavi Abdul Matlib Mazumder. | 41. Shri Purnananda Chetia.              |
| 18. Shri Baikuntha Nath Das.       | 42. Shri Radha Kishan Khemka.            |
| 19. Shri Bhuvan Chandra Pradhani.  | 43. Dr. Ram Prasad Chaubey.              |
| 20. Shri Bishnu Lal Upadhyaya.     | 44. Shri Sarat Chandra Goswami.          |
| 21. Shri C. Thuamluaia.            | 45. Shri Sarbeswar Bordoloi.             |
| 22. Shri Dandeswar Hazarika.       | 46. Shri Siddhi Nath Sarma.              |
| 23. Shri Devendra Nath Hazarika.   | 47. Shri Surendra Nath Das.              |
| 24. Shri Durgeswar Sailia.         | 48. Shri Tamijuddin Prodhani.            |

(The cut motion was negatived).

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** Does the hon. Member who moved cut motion No.4 want to withdraw it?

**Shri TARUN SEN DEKA (Nalbari-West):** Yes.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** Has the hon. Member leave of the House to withdraw the cut motion?

(Voices—Yes, yes).

The cut motion was withdrawn by leave of the House.

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH (Amguri):** Mr. Chairman, Sir, I beg to move that the provision of Rs.100 under Supplementary Demand No. 1, Major head "7.—Land Revenue", Minor head—2-H.—Assignment and Compensation, at page 1 of the List of Supplementary Demand be reduced by Re.1, i.e., the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs. 200 do stand reduced by Re.1.

**Shri HARESWAR DAS (Minister, Revenue):** On a point of order Sir, the purpose of this cut motion is to oppose paying of compensation altogether, but that is against the Constitution of India. It also goes against the provision of the Land Requisition and Acquisition Act. As such, I think this motion is out of order.

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH:** But Sir, when a Supplementary Demand comes before the House and the Minister requires some money, I think our observations also are necessary on the said Supplementary Demand.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The hon. Minister Shri Hareswar Das has said that this cut motion proposes to oppose paying of compensation altogether and I have also seen that it violates not only Rule 146 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business of this House, but also it contravenes the provision of article 31 of the Constitution of India, therefore, I rule that this cut motion is out of order.

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH:** Sir, only the Constitution of India, it cannot make man a woman or a woman a man.....(laughter).

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** After the ruling that has been given by me, there should be no more discussion about this cut motion.

Now, cut motion No.5 is standing in the name of Shri Biswanath Upadhyaya. Are you moving it ?

**Shri BISHWANATH UPADHYAYA (Pathar Kandi):** It is a very small amount, so I do not want to move it, Sir.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** Then I put the main question that, an addition sum of Rs.200, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1959, for the administration of the head "7—Land Revenue".

(The question was adopted).

### Supplementary Demand No.2 '10.—Forests'.

**Shri HARESWAR DAS (Minister, Forests):**

On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.10,38,881, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959, for the administration of the head "10.—Forests".

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ... Rs. 1,21,77,500

II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year. Nil

Additional amount now required ... 10,38,881

III.—Sub-head under which the supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
<b>NORMAL</b>							
B.(a) Conservancy and Works—							
V.—Livestock, stores tools and Plant.	66,000	5,900	..	...	10,650	..	10,650

(1)	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		(8)
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
VI.—Communications and Buildings.	7,00,000	1,02,600	..	..	2,84,438	..	2,84,438
VIII.—Miscellaneous ..	1,78,000	17,450	..	..	26,200	4,900	31,100
Add—amount transferred from General to Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas.	..	..	..	..	..	1,71,005	1,71,005
G.(a) Establishment—							
3.—Allowances and honoraria.	7,50,300	1,07,550	..	..	86,925	16,000	1,02,925
4.—Contingencies ..	1,83,200	38,350	..	..	3,200	8,850	12,050
5.—Grant-in-aid, etc. ..	60,000	2,000	..	..	2,200	..	2,200
G.(b)—Sidli Estate—							
FOREST ESTABLISH- MENT—							
3. Allowances and honoraria.	5,360	..	..	..	1,400	..	1,400
Scheme under First Five Year Plan—							
B-2.—Conservancy and works.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
VI.—Communication and buildings.	9,000	..	..	..	5,691	..	5,691
C.2.—Establishment—							
3. Allowances and honoraria.	18,500	..	..	..	1,740	..	1,740
4. Contingencies ..	8,200	..	..	..	590	..	490
Total Normal ..	..	..	..	..	4,23,034	2,00,755	6,23,789
State Development Scheme— Second Five Year Plan—							
B-6.—Conservancy and works.	13,92,000	31,000	..	..	3,23,646	91,446	4,15,092
Total—Second Five Year Plan.	..	..	..	..	3,23,646	91,446	4,15,092
GRAND TOTAL ..	..	..	..	..	7,46,680	2,92,201	10,38,881

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

## B.(a) Conservancy and Works :—

V An amount of Rs.10,000 is required to meet the cost of Iron Chests ordered to be supplied last year (1957-58) for which budget provision was made. But the supplying contractors failed to supply the chests in due time and payment could not be made. The iron chests were supplied during the current year and payment is required. Hence the Demand.

An amount of Rs.650 is required under the same head for purchase of some new stores in connection with the protection works in Patharia Reserve against Pakistan encroachment. The amount has been advanced from Contingency Fund. The S/D is to regularise the said advance also.

VI. An amount of Rs.2,69,088 is required for construction of roads and temporary sheds in the vicinity of Patharia Reserve for protection against Pakistan encroachment. Out of the above amount, a sum of Rs.36,340 was advanced from Contingency Fund, which is required to be regularised.

An amount of Rs. 15,350 was required in connection with the improvement of some roads for Military operation in the Naga Hills during 1957-58 and was taken advance from Contingency Fund. But through mistake the amount in question was included under the Sixth Schedule area, i. e., was included in Rs. 44,975 in the November, 1957 Session of the Assembly. The expenditure relates to the Financial Year 1957-68 and simply it is required to be regularised by voting the amount under General Area.

VIII. Out of Rs. 26,200 under 'General,' an amount of Rs. 966 is required to meet the costs of uniforms of the Subordinate establishment for the works for protection against Pakistan encroachment in Patharia Hills. The amount was advanced from Contingency Fund.

Another amount of Rs. 30,134 including Rs. 4,900 for Sixth Schedule areas is required for payment of arrear and current *Ad-hoc* increase in dearness allowances to the supervisors and work charged Establishment. As the Government decision for payment for *Ad-hoc* increase was received after preparation of budget estimates, no provision could be made in the current year's budget. Hence the Demand.

*Add*—Amount transferred from General—Rs. 3,17,796 had been shown as deduction under the head—“*Deduct*—Amount transferred to Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas” for the financial year 1955-56. But no corresponding addition in the Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas under the same head was made during that year. As a result of this one-sided adjustment, the net effect instead of being ‘Nil’ has become a reduction to the extent of the aforesaid amounts. Out of this a sum of Rs 1,46,771 was adjusted by re-appropriation from savings during 1957-58.

Hence the Supplementary Demand for adjustment of the balance amount of Rs. 1,71,005. This has no extra financial effect.

C. (a) Establishment.—Allowances and honoraria.—Out of Rs. 86,925 under 'General', an amount of Rs. 9,325 is required for payment of travelling, dearness, etc., allowance to the staff entertained for protection works in Patharia Reserve. The amount was advanced from the Contingency Fund. The balance amount of Rs. 77,600 is required for payment of *Ad-hoc* increase in Dearness Allowance to the staff. The amount of Rs. 16,000 is required for payment of *Ad-hoc* increase in dearness allowance to the staff under Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas.

Contingencies.—An amount of Rs. 3,200 under 'General' is required for payment of *Ad-hoc* increase in dearness allowance to the casual employees and handymen. Rs. 8,850 is proposed under Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas of which Rs. 8,000 is required to meet the increased cost no repairs to the departmental vehicles and for payment of arrear bills for repairs of Jeep, and Rs. 850 is required for payment of *Ad-hoc* increase and dearness allowance to the casual employees.

Grant-in-aid.—The amount of Rs. 2,200 is required to meet the cost of free grant to be given to the fire-affected people.

C. (b) Establishment—Sidli Estate Forest—Allowances and honoraria.—Rupees 1,400 is required for payment of *Ad-hoc* increase in dearness allowance to the staff.

### SCHEME UNDER FIRST PLAN

#### B.-2.—Conservancy and Works —

(VI) Communication and Buildings—An amount of Rs. 5,691 is required for electrification of the buildings of Assam Forest School at Jhalukbari. As the decision for the implementation of the work was taken recently, no provision could be made in the current year's budget.

#### C.-2.—Establishment—

Allowances and honoraria.—An amount of Rs. 1,740 is required for payment of *Ad-hoc* increase in Dearness Allowance to the staff of Assam Forest School.

Contingencies.—An amount of Rs. 590 is required for payment of *Ad-hoc* increase in Dearness Allowance to the casual employees for the Assam Forest School.

### STATE DEVELOPMENT SCHEME—SECOND FIVE YEAR PLAN

#### B.-6.—Conservancy and works—

Planning Commission have approved the scheme for 'Reclamation of Zamindari Forests' with an outlay of Rs. 1,38,000 for the year 1958-59 and the amount has been provided for in the current year's budget to that extent approved by Planning Commission. As the amount was considered

to be quite inadequate to meet the demand of four Divisions, viz., Garo Hills, Goalpara East, Goalpara West and Working Plan Division of Lower Assam Circle for various items of works such as survey, reclamation, maintenance of additional staffs, construction of buildings, purchase of stores, etc., a revised scheme was admitted for an additional amount of Rs. 2,51,646 for the approval of Planning Commission. The Planning Commission have approved the revised scheme subject to the additional amount is being met from over-all savings in the Plan. As the approval of Planning Commission of the revised scheme was received late, no provision could be made in the State Budget for the current financial year and the amount was advanced from the Contingency Fund. Hence the Demand. The amount will be met from over-all savings in the Plan.

VIII. Miscellaneous.—The ceiling fixed for the survey of Raw materials Scheme under Second Five Year Plan period was Rs. 1.43 lakhs, which has already been spent in full by the end of 31st March 1958 in connection with the survey of bamboo areas of the State. It was felt necessary for undertaking further survey of the reed resources of the State for collection of over-all data of the reeds and grasses in order to enable the private industrialists to appreciate the possibilities of establishment of paper and Rayon Mills based on available data. The Planning Commission have approved the scheme at an estimated cost of Rs. 72,000 for the year 1958-59 subject to the amount being met from over-all savings from Plan. As the approval of the Planning Commission was received late, no provision could be made in the State Budget for the current financial year and the amount was advanced from Contingency Fund. Hence the Demand. The amount will be met from over-all savings in the Plan.

#### B.-6.—Conservancy and Works—

VI. (a) Roads and Bridges.—To meet the cost of improvement and maintenance of Darugiri-Darangiri Coal field Road in Garo Hills which is out side the plan target, this additional amount of Rs. 91,446 has been decided to be met from the over-all savings of the State General Plan. Hence the Demand.

**Mr. Chairman.**—The motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 10,38,881, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959 for the administration of the head "10—Forests."

The first cut motion stands in the name of Shri Gopesh Namasudra. Will he move this cut motion ?

**Shri GOPESH NAMASUDRA [Patharkandi (Reserved for Scheduled Castes)] :** Yes Sir, I am moving it.

Mr. Chairman Sir, I beg to move that the provision of Rs. 2,84,438 under Supplementary Demand No. 2 Major head "10—Forests", Minor head—VI.—Communications and Buildings, at page 3 of the List of Supplementary Demands, be reduced by Re. 1, *i. e.*, the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs. 10,38,881, do stand reduced by Re. 1.

(To discuss about the non-payment of the wages of the workers engaged by the Department while constructing roads, etc., in the Patharia Forest Reserve).

Sir, পাথারিয়া ফরেস্ট রিজার্ভটা সীমান্ত অঞ্চলে অবস্থিত। কোন বিদেশী রাষ্ট্র যদি সীমান্ত অঞ্চলের যে কোন স্থান বেদখল করে নেয় তা রক্ষা করা রাষ্ট্রর যেমন কর্তব্য তেমনই প্রত্যেক নাগরিকেরও। দেশ রক্ষার জন্য প্রত্যেক নাগরিককে প্রয়োজন হলে—অস্ত্র ধরতে হবে—এসম্বন্ধে কোন প্রশ্ন নেই। কোন মতভেদ নাই। কিন্তু প্রশ্ন হলো—ঐরকম একটা অবস্থাতো সৃষ্টি হয়নি। এখন যখন সরকার কাজ করছেন তখন যে সমস্ত শ্রমিক সেখানে নিযুক্ত করা হয়েছে, তাদেরকে মজুরী দেওয়া হবে না কেন ?

Sir, আমার জানা মতে ক্ষেতের কাজ থেকে—গ্রাম থেকে লোককে ধরে নিয়ে ফরেস্ট এবং মিলিটারী department এ কাজ করিয়েছে সারারাত ধরে,—কোন মজুরী দেয়নি—খাবার ও দেয়নি। মজুরী দিলে লোক পাওয়া যাবেনা এমন অঞ্চল ওটা নয়, তবে কেন যাকে তাকে ধরে নিয়ে কাজ করানো হবে ? Sir, আর একটা প্রশ্ন এখানে তুলে ধরতে চাই—আমাদের দেশের কোন অঞ্চল যদি বিদেশী রাষ্ট্র বেদখল করে নেয় তবে ওটা Defence এর ব্যাপার। এখানে যদি রাজ্য সরকার Forest, Police, General Administration বা অন্য খাতের টাকা খরচ করেন তবে আমাদের এই ক্ষুদ্র রাজ্যের ক্ষুদ্র অর্থ ভাণ্ডার এমনি করেই খরচ হয়ে যাবে। দেশের অন্যান্য উন্নয়ন মূলক কাজ বন্ধ হতে বাধ্য। কাজেই, Sir, উহা কেন্দ্রীয় সরকারের দায়িত্ব এবং সমস্ত খরচ কেন্দ্রীয় সরকারই করবেন। এ ব্যাপারে রাজ্য সরকার যাহাতে কেন্দ্রীয় সরকারের সংগে আলোচনা করে উহা ঠিক করেন—এই জন্য দাবী জানাই। Sir, আমি এই উদ্দেশ্যেই আমার ছাটাই প্রস্তাব উত্থাপন করছি।

**Mr. Chairman.**—Cut motion is moved that the provision of Rs. 2,84,438 under Supplementary Demand No. 2, Major head "10.—Forests", Minor head—VI.—Communications and Buildings, at page 3 of the list of Supplementary Demands, be reduced by Re. 1, *i. e.*, the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs. 10,38,881, do stand reduced by Re. 1.

**Shri HARESWAR DAS (Minister, Forests):** Mr. Chairman Sir, possibly some mistake has been committed by my Friend here. Labourers are employed by the Forest Department, similarly the Military Deptt. also has something

to do and they also engaged labourers. Now, when the Military Department certifies that so many labourers were employed for so many days and so much has to be paid, it comes to the Forest Deptt. and payment is made accordingly. No. such requisition has come from the military Deptt. and road construction or camp construction and some other things are done by the Forest Deptt. and for which the Forest Deptt. has made full payment to all concerned, there is no complaint to the effect till today. So what my Friend was thinking might be the labourers that employed by the Military Deptt. But, as I have said just now, so far the Forest Deptt. is concerned every labourer has been paid and there is no complaint up till now. But I am prepared to enquire into the matter as to whether there are labourers employed by the Military Deptt. but who have not been paid as yet.

With this, I request my hon. Friend to withdraw his cut motion.

**Mr. Chairman:**—With regard to the fund which is being borne by the State Government he said that it should be borne by the Government of India.

**Shri HARESWAR DAS:** To that I agree, it should be borne by the Government of India. As a matter of fact this Government has written to the Government of India in this connection and the matter is under correspondence.

**Mr. Chairman:**—In view of what the hon. Minister has said, is the hon. Member willing to withdraw his cut motion?

**Shri GOPESH NAMASUDRA [Pathar Kandi (Reserved for Scheduled Castes)] :** Yes, Sir, I beg leave of the House to withdraw my motion.

**Mr. Chairman:**—Has the hon. Member leave of the House to withdraw his cut motion ?

(Voices—Yes, yes)

(The cut motion was withdrawn by leave of the House).

**\*Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI (Rampur):** Mr. Chairman, Sir, I beg to move that the provision of Rs.2,84,438 under Supplementary Demand No.2, Major head "10.—Forests," Minor head—VI—Communications and Buildings at page 3 of the List of Supplementary Demands, be reduced by Re.1, *i. e.* the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs.10,38,881 do stand reduced by Re.1.

Here it is a printing mistake Sir, It should have been—To criticise the Government '*Not*' for foreseeing these contingencies and not taking prompt action in time. The word '*not*' underlined has been dropped.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** Yes, I think so.

**\*Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI:** Sir, at page 4, last para. it is stated that an amount of Rs.2,69,088 is required for construction of roads and temporary sheds in the vicinity of Patharia Reserve for protection against Pakistan encroachment. Out of the above amount, a sum of Rs.36,340 was advanced from Contingency Fund, which is required to be regularised. Then at para. 1, page 5, it is stated "An amount of Rs. 15,350 was required in connection with the improvement of some roads for military operation in the Naga Hills during 1957-58 and was taken advance from Contingency Fund. But through mistake the amount in question was included under the Sixth Schedule Area, *i. e.* was included in Rs. 44,975 in the November 1957 Session of the Assembly. The expenditure relates to the Financial Year 1957-58 and simply it is required to be regularised by voting the amount under General Area". Now, so far as this para. is concerned, I do not find the fact of Rs.44,975, at page 3 or 4. This line also does not carry any meaning. "But through mistake the amount in question was included under the Sixth Schedule Area, *i. e.* was included in Rs.44,975 in the November, 1957 Session of the Assembly". What does it mean? We do not find any meaning in it. It makes no sense. It should have been stated that this amount of Rs.44,975 was included in the November Session of 1957 and that was done through mistake. It is very difficult to find out the actual meaning, and as such this justifies the cut motion because it is very difficult to appreciate the meaning and appreciate the necessity of this Demand. Again it said that an amount transferred from General—Rs.3,17,796 had been shown as deduction under the head—"Deduct—Amount transferred to Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas" for the financial year 1955-56. But no

corresponding addition in the Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas under the same head was made during that year. As a result of this onesided adjustment, the net effect instead of being 'Nil' has become a reduction to the extent of the aforesaid amounts. Out of this a sum of Rs.1,46,771 was adjusted by re-appropriation from savings during 1957-58." The same thing applies in this para. also. We are referred to something of the past, and this is not clearly stated and so it is very difficult to see where from and what money is transferred. For the lack of due explanation it is very difficult to sanction this amount. Now, coming to the amount of Rs.2,69,088, my point is that this is not the first time that Pakistan have opened fire in our border and Patharia is not the softest part of the State for the first time. For more than a year it is under constant firing. So Government should have taken steps long before for protection of that area from encroachment. Government did not take this step. I am not opposing the demand as such, the demand for the defence of our country, for the defence of our land may be quite all right. We should spend money for that purpose. That proposition I am not going to challenge. What I mean to say is that this has taken us by surprise. Why should these events have taken us by surprise? Why could we not foresee all these things? When our relation with Pakistan is not friendly, when we have found they have encroached on Patharia and Tokergram and other areas then it was our duty to build up our defence also. The other day when I spoke on the Governor's address I have said that this is necessary in view of the constant troubles on the border and in view of that attitude taken by the Pakistan Government, in spite of so many cease-fire agreements. It was very necessary to build up our defence properly so that there may not be any encroachment and that our people may be protected properly and their property safeguarded. For all these things, we must have foreseen these things before. My submission is that this Demand should have been foreseen. This Demand should have been anticipated as a necessity and we should have protected our Reserve Forests in a proper way. If we have done so, perhaps the situation would have been different. Another thing, Sir, this Demand it is stated that another amount of Rs. 30,134 including Rs. 4,900 for Sixth Schedule Areas is required for payment of arrear and current *Ad-hoc* increase in dearness allowances, etc. And hence this Demand, Is it a new decision to increase the dearness allowance or is it an old decision that the dearness allowance is still being

paid to the employees ? If the decision is an old one then it should not have come in the Supplementary Demand. If it is a new decision, then when was it taken ? What was the necessity ? Whether it has been given to other staff also ?

Then at page 6 it is stated that an amount of Rs.5,691 is required for electrification of the buildings of Assam Forest School at Jhalukbari. As the decision for the implementation of the work was taken recently, no provision could be made in the current year's budget. Now if it is a new decision, the budget will be completed on the 31st March, to day is the 9th March, they could have waited till the 31st of March. Also it is not stated if the electrification has been completed and if the decision has been taken to electrify the Jhalukbari Forest School and if a decision has been taken and electrification has not been completed then this matter could have been taken in the General Budget when there would have been more and better opportunities to discuss this matter. After all I am only criticising this way of pushing in Demands and thereby not allowing the House to ventilating its view on this item. For all these reasons I am bringing this cut motion and I hope the House will accept it.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** Cut motion moved is that the provision of Rs.2,84,438 under Supplementary Demand No. 2, Major head "10.—Forests," Minor head—VI.—Communications and Buildings at page 3 of List of Supplementary Demands, be reduced by Re.1, *i. e.*, the amount of the whole Supplementary Demands of Rs.10,38,881 do stand reduced by Re.1.

**Shri HARESWAR DAS (Minister, Forests):** Mr Chairman, Sir, I fully appreciate the points raised by my Friend. Sir, the Patharia Reserve is a very large area which has from sometime past been subjected to repeated Pakistani firings followed by subsequent cease-fire agreements between the Governments of Pakistan and India. The attitude of the Pakistan Government being what it is, no body can foresee with any amount of certainty when fresh firing in violation of the cease fire agreement will take place. Sir, the House is quite aware of the uncertain condition prevailing in that sector of our border. So the Government could not foresee at that time, at the time of the preparation of the Budget, whether any camp houses or road would require construction. Subsequently when it appeared to the Government that some new roads and temporary camp houses were necessary in the vicinity of the Patharia Reserve for protection of the Reserve against

Pakistani encroachment, Government had to incur this additional expenditure. Besides construction of temporary houses and roads, was necessary to employ about 63 numbers of Forest Guards for protection of the Reserve. The Forest Guards employed had to be equipped with uniforms and arms like kukries. These expenditures could not be foreseen at the time of framing the Budget and so we have come with this supplementary demand.

As regards the sum of Rs.77,600 for payment of *Ad-hoc* increase in Dearness Allowance to the staff, this was passed after a few months of the passing of the Budget. Whether that has been made applicable to the other employees, I cannot say but possibly it is applicable to all other low paid employees, what I can say is that for payment of this amount we had definite instruction and so we had to pay the same.

As regards the sum of Rs.3,17,796, this matter relates to the year 1955-56. The mistake was actually committed in the office of the Accountant General. Whatever that may be, the House has now not to vote any new money but it has only to give its approval to the regularisation of the account under an appropriate head of account.

**Mr CHAIRMAN:** The hon. Mover of the Cut Motion simply wanted to know from the hon'ble Minister the actual amount sanctioned for this because there is some confusion in the statement.

**Shri HARESWAR DAS (Minister, Forests):** Yes, Sir, it is confusing because it relates to past years. Actually the same amount has been spent but it was accounted for under a different head. Sir, to err is human and even the A.G.'s office is also not immune from it. As I have already stated the amount relates to the years 1955-56 and now the A.G. has asked us to regularise this irregular accounting in heads by bringing a supplementary demand. During all these years the matter was under correspondence and this time we have come with this supplementary demand for which no new money is necessary.

As regards the other matter raised by my Friend, it also does not relate to the present year. This sum of Rs. 15,350 relates to the previous year but it has now to be regularised as it was also not properly accounted for.

**Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI (Rampur):** In regard to such matters, I suggest to the hon'ble Minister, that proper explanations should be given for facility of understanding in future.

**Shri HARESWAR DAS (Minister, Forests):** That I quite appreciate. If the hon. Member has sufficient time to spare and is willing, I am prepared to place the whole lot of papers related to this account before him.

**Shri HIRALAL PATWARY (Panory):** Including your portfolio! (*Laughter*).

**Shri HARESWAR DAS:** Sir, such thing does not come under discussion on the present occasion.

As regards the other matters, the hon. Mover did not mean to oppose the Demand, he simply wanted an explanation for the purpose of understanding them better. If he is willing I shall place the related papers before him.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The hon. Mover did not move his cut motion to get clarifications from the hon'ble Minister only for his benefit but he moved this cut motion and raised this point for clarification so that all the hon. Members of the House may be benefited. Anyhow, when the hon'ble Minister has agreed to furnish clear explanation of such supplementary demands in future, is the hon'ble Mover agree to accept the explanation given by the Minister and withdraw the cut motion?

**Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI:** Yes, Sir, I accept I now beg leave of the House to withdraw my cut motion.

(The Cut motion was withdrawn by leave of the House).

**\*Shri KHOGENDRANATH BARBARUAH (Amguri):** Sir, I beg to move that the total provision of Rs. 10,38,881, under Supplementary Demand No.2; Major head "10.—Forests", at page 3 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re. 1, i.e., the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs. 10,38,881, do stand reduced by Re. 1.

(1. Why the expenditure for protection works in Patharia Reserve and operation in Naga Hills as shown in the Explanatory Notes under B.—(a)—V, VI and VIII will not be borne by the Union Government.

2. Expenditure for the survey of raw materials is extravagant and unnecessary).

My object is very clear. It is this : why the expenditure for protection work in Patharia Reserve and operation in the Naga Hills should not be borne by the Union Government. Sir, some roads were constructed, I understand that road communication is necessary in the border. But now these amounts spent for the purpose of checking the border hostilities and controlling the Naga hostiles in the border is apparently a matter for the Central Government to tackle. If that is a fact then, Sir, I want to know whether the question of security in the border is not a question for the Central Government. Whether the security in the border area is a matter for the Central Government? Now, Sir, when the insecurity prevails in the border areas, the Central Government must come forward to construct there all the roads, if necessary. Our Government is such a timid Government, such a puppet Government in the hands of the Central Government.....

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** It is not desirable to use the word 'timid'. So, the hon. Member should withdraw this word.

**\*Shri KHOGENDRANATH BARBARUAH (Amguri):** Allright, Sir, I withdraw it. This Government is so weak that they cannot even move the Central Government to meet this expenditure. "Jo Hukum" is carried out by this Government. Whatever is ordered by the Central Government is carried out by the State Government. Now, Sir, when the Naga Hills area has been taken away from Assam since First December 1957 it has become the duty of the Central Government to see that no hostile activities are made in the border areas of Assam. If any attack comes from either Pakistan or from Naga Hills then it must be faced by the Central Government and to take measures to prevent it. If any attack comes from the Naga Hills then it must be taken as an attack from the Central Government. When Naga Hills has been taken away from Assam without consulting the people of Assam then it must be that any attack from Naga Hills must be taken as attack from the Central Government. Any expenditure incurred to prevent such hostile activities must be borne by the Central Government. This is my observation.

Secondly, Sir, I come to the question of undertaking of the survey. In the Explanatory Note it is stated here: "It was felt necessary for undertaking further survey of the reed resources of the State for collection of over all data of the

reeds and grasses in order to enable the private industrialists to appreciate the possibilities of establishment of paper and Rayon Mills based on available data." Sir, such data can be collected by so many officials. When there is a Department with so many officials it is quite possible for this Department to give the data. If it cannot, then I think the Government should not keep this Department. This is my observation.

I therefore press my motion for the acceptance of the House.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The motion moved is that the provision of Rs. 10,38,881 under Supplementary Demand No. 2, Major head "10.—Forests," at page 3 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re. 1, *i. e.*, the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs. 10,38,881 do stand reduced by Re. 1.

**Shri HARESWAR DAS (Minister, Forests):** Sir, I could not follow what the hon. Member aims at. From his speech it seems as if the Government of India and the Government of Assam are at war and it also appears that when the Naga hostiles do some depredation to our people or when Pakistanis do some depredation to our people then this Government should sit tight and make correspondence alone with the Government of India. So, Sir, I could not follow what he aims at. When our people are murdered or their houses are burnt should we have to remain content by making correspondence with the Government of India? That cannot be. India is one, the Centre is the head and the States are different limbs of the same organism. If the hand aches then the whole organism suffers. If the leg aches then the whole organism suffers. When trouble occurs, it is the duty of both Centre and the State to intervene. When our people are dying, when their houses are being burnt and their properties looted this Government should immediately come to their rescue. We have accordingly come to their rescue, but for the expenditure incurred, we are making correspondence with the Government of India for re-imbursement. I do not see much force in the speech delivered by the hon. Member on this Demand. I therefore request him to withdraw his Cut Motion.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** Does the hon. Member want to withdraw his Cut Motion after hearing the Minister ?

**Shri KHOGENDRANATH BARBARUAH (Amguri):** I also could not follow what the Minister has said (*laughter*).

**Shri HARESWAR DAS (Minister, Forest):** I know it, Sir, that he would not follow me. My Friend raised a question about the survey of raw materials. If any industry is to be started in Assam then it is to be based on two classes of materials. (1) the mineral resources and (2) forest produce. These two classes of raw materials are available in Assam. Though we have enough raw materials we have not been able to exploit them. Some experts from Japan were sent to Assam by the Government of India. The experts here examined the reeds, ekra, grasses and bamboos. The staff of our Department cannot do this work having no expert knowledge. The Japanese experts took away from Assam about 100 maunds of bamboos to Japan. Reeds in Saikhowa area were also examined. From these examinations it has now transpired that rayon and paper pulp may be made out of them. Transport and other charges this Government has to bear. For this reason this demand has been brought.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** After hearing the Minister does the hon. Member want to withdraw his Cut Motion?

**Shri KHOGENDRANATH BARBARUAH:** I withdraw my Cut Motion, but I am not satisfied with the grounds advanced by the Minister. (The Cut Motion with the leave of the House was withdrawn).

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The next motion stands in the name of Shri Nilmoney Barthakur.

**Shri NILMONEY BORTHAKUR (Dibrugarh):** I am not moving it, Sir.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** Then I come to the main motion. The question is that an additional amount of Rs. 10,38,881, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1959, for the administration of the head "10.—Forests"

(The question was adopted).

## Supplementary Demand No. 3

## "11.—Registration"

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA (Minister, Registration):**

On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs. 55,200, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1959, for the administration of the head "11.—Registration".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	3,15,300
II.—Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	Nil
Additional amount now required ... ..	55,200
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for:—	

Minor and Sub-head	Grant Originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
A.—District charges—							
1. Pay of Officer ..	45,000	..	..	..	3,400	..	3,400
2. Pay of Establishment.	1,30,000	..	..	..	33,900	..	33,900
3. Allowance and honoraria.	67,000	..	..	..	12,000	..	12,000
4. Contingencies ..	27,500	..	..	..	5,900	..	5,900
Total .. ..	..	..	..	..	55,200	..	55,200

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. *Pay of Officers*.—Additional amount is required due to revision of pay scales of the staff and also to the creation of a new post of Special Sub-Registrar at Gauhati and appointment of Sub-Registrars.

2. *Pay of Establishment*.—(1) Additional amount is required due to payment of arrear pay in the enhanced rates remuneration to extra writers at Rs. 3 per head per day sanctioned by Government with retrospective effect from 1st April 1957.

Additional amount is required due to drawal of arrear pay of certain staff in 1957-58 and some in 1958-59.

3. *Allowances, etc.*—Additional amount is required due to 1 and 2 above.

4. *Contingencies*.—Additional amount is required due to revision of pay of casual employees and to the increase of contingent charges owing to conversion of Lakhipur (Cachar) Sub-Registry Office.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 55,200, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1959, for the administration of the head "11.—Registration".

There are two cut motions. I think, both these cut motion can be moved at a time and the Minister will then reply to both.

**\*Shri KHOGENDRANATH BARBARUAH (Amguri):** Sir, I beg to move that the provision of Rs. 3,400 under Supplementary Demand No. 3, Major head "11.—Registration" Minor head—District Charges Pay of Officers, at page 7 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Rs. 100, i. e., the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs. 55,200 do stand reduced by Rs. 100.

My purpose of moving this motion is to have clarification what special occasion demands creation of special posts and appointments. What was the necessity of a new post of Special Sub-Registrar at Gauhati and appointment of Sub-Registrars and why creation of these posts could not be envisaged at the time of preparation of the general budget?

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** Cut motion moved is that the provision of Rs. 3,400 under supplementary Demand No. 3, Major head "11.—Registration" Minor head—District charges pay of officers at page 7 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Rs. 100, i. e., the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs. 55,200, do stand reduced by Rs. 100.

**Shri TARUN SEN DEKA (Nalbari-West).** Sir, I beg to move that the total provision of Rs. 55,200 under Supplementary Demand No. 3, Major head "11—Registration" Minor head—District Charges—Pay of Officers, at page 7 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced to Rs. 100, *i. e.*, the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs. 55,200, do stand reduced by Rs. 100.

My object in moving this cut motion is to raise about the present condition of copyists, maintenance of Records and Copy-books and creation of a post of Special Sub-Registrar, etc.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** May I know from Mr. Deka how under this motion the maintenance of Records, Copy-books, etc. can arise?

**Shri TARUN SEN DEKA:** According to Assembly rules when a token cut comes before the House these can be discussed.

I read out Assembly rule 145 (c) at page 34:—

"that the amount of the demand be reduced by Rs. 100" in order to ventilate a specific grievance which is within the sphere of the responsibility of the Government of the State. Such a motion shall be known as "Token Cut" and the discussion thereon shall be confined to the particular grievance specified in the motion."

So, Sir, by this token cut motion, I beg to raise about the grievance of the copyists of Sub-Registrar's offices and also want a clarification from Government under what special circumstances the post of Special Sub-Registrar and other Sub-Registrars were appointed?

Sir, I do not understand why the post of a Special Sub-Registrar was felt necessary by the Government after the last budget was passed. From the explanatory note it is not clear and in it is not stated about the specific circumstances for creation of this post. Besides there is no reason to show why this expenditure could not be seen when the last budget was made. I want the Minister in-charge to explain the whole position clearly and to show special circumstances, if any, for the creation of this post. In my opinion, Government must have felt its necessity long before so they ought to have come for it in the last budget. I mentioned about this kind of improper mode of financing by the Government in my earlier speech in another motion today.

Here, I would like to discuss about the sad plight of the copyists, the poor hardworking lot of persons, who are the sons, of the soil. Most of these copyists are temporary. Their service depends on the mercy and sweet will of the Sub-Registrars. Whenever a certain Sub-Registrar is dissatisfied with a copyist he is discharged and whenever he likes he can replace a copyist. His service is on the whims of the Sub-Registrar. When a Sub-Registrar thinks of appointing a friend or relation of his as copyist he can do so by discharging another. This free handle of discharging a copyist at any time at the sweet will of the Sub-Registrar is improper and in order to get rid of such an ugly affair the Government should take over that power from him and the poor copyists should be made free from harassment.

Sir, it is a known fact that in almost all Sub-Registry offices corruption is rampant. I personally know of such instances when for want of money for bribing poor people have to return home without executing the registration of documents.

Sir, I draw the attention of the hon'ble Minister in charge of the Department to the necessity for keeping a strict supervision over the activities of the Sub-Registrars in different are as of the State, so that such kind of corruption is checked.

Regarding the plight of copyists, Sir, as I said before, they should not be left in such an unsettled state. Their post should be made permanent and all the facilities enjoyed by the Government servants should be given to them also. They should not be left to the mercy and whims of the Sub-Registrars. Furthermore, regarding copy books, so far as my knowledge goes, sometimes copy books are not supplied in time to the Sub-Registrar's offices from the Head office and for that the Sub-Registrars have to face much trouble. The copyists also are to sit without work. You know, Sir, that copyists generally work on contract basis and if they are to remain without work they have to face untold sufferings for their maintenance. On the other hand, the executors of deeds, who want a certified copy or the original copy in time do not get them unless these are recorded in copy record books. Now if the copy record books are not supplied in time from the head office, how this can be done? I know due to non-supply of copy books in time many Sub-Registrar's offices, including the Nalbari Sub-Registrar's office, had to face much trouble.

Then, Sir, most of the Sub-Registration offices are very small and they are so congested that it is difficult for persons to have accommodation, especially during rains. So, I suggest that steps should be taken to construct attached rooms in the offices for persons who come from distant places. If I am allowed, I would like to cite one instance. In the Nalbari Sub-Registration office about 8,000 to 9,000 deeds are annually registered. The office is so small and congested that even 10 people cannot remain there at a time.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** I think the hon. Member will get sufficient opportunity to discuss these matters at the time of the General Discussion of the Budget.

**Shri TARUN SEN DEKA (Nalbari West):** Of course, Sir. As this Department has not taken proper steps for the amelioration of the sad plight of the copyists and also as the new post has been made at an improper time, I commend my demand cut motion to the acceptance of the House.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** Cut motion moved is that the total provision of Rs. 55,200 under supplementary. Demand No. 3 Major head "11-Registrations" Minor head-District Charges Pay of officers at page 7 of the list of Supplementary Demands, be reduced to Rs. 100. *i.e.*, the amount of the whole Supplementary demand of Rs. 55,200 do stand reduced by Rs. 100

**Shri JOGAKANTA BARUA (Jaipur):** The work done by the Sub-Registrar was formerly done by the Magistrates, but their pay is very meagre. Has it been raised and, if so, to what extent?

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA (Minister, Registration):** Mr. Chairman, Sir, both the hon. movers of the cut motions, Messrs. Barbaruah and Deka, wanted to know the necessity of appointing a third Special Sub-Registrar at Gauhati. Till the month of August 1958, we had only two Special Sub-Registrars with headquarters at Silchar and Nowgong. Since then the volume of registration work has increased to a great extent. Take for instance, the cases of refugee loan registration deeds, which are a net addition to our normal work. So, a proposal came to us some time after the last Budget Session for a third post of Special Sub-Registrar and in the month of

August we sanctioned this post to meet the situation. So, it could not be included in the normal Budget of last year. Now, Sir, the main duties of the Special Sub-Registrar are, in addition to the normal work of registration, to improve the working and efficiency of the Sub-Registration offices. For this purpose a certain amount of inspection is necessary. For the three zones, *viz.*, Upper Assam, Lower Assam and Cachar, we need three Special Sub-Registrars to do the inspection work in addition to their normal work. This is the necessity for creating a third post of Special Sub-Registrar at Gauhati.

Mr. Dekha has raised the question of low rate of remuneration paid to copyists. Here also, so far as I remember, the prescribed daily rate for copyists was only Rs. 2. We have now raised it to Rs. 3. Mr. Dekha also complained of corruption in registration offices. Sir, we have so far no such information and Mr. Dekha also did not give any specific instances. If, however, my Friend gives instances of corruption in any office or offices I shall certainly look into it and see what can be done.

He also said, particularly in reference to the Nalbari Sub-Registration office, that the office room is very small and there is no accommodation for people coming from distant villages to take rest pending registration of their documents. Sir, this Nalbari Sub-Registration office was formerly run on commission basis, but now it has been converted into a Departmental office and we shall see how best we can improve it.

These are the main points which were raised by my Friends, and I have replied to them. In view of what I have stated I hope my Friends will be pleased to withdraw their cut motions.

Regarding the point raised by Mr. Joga Kanta Barua, I may say that pay scales of almost all categories of Government servants were revised according to the recommendation of the last Pay Committee and I am sure the Sub-Registrar's pay scale was also revised.

**Shri TARUN SEN DEKA (Nalbari-West) :** Regarding the service of the copyist, I suggest that the copyist should get all the facilities of Government servant and their service should also be a regular service.

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA (Minister, Registration):**

We leave it to the Sub-Registrar to appoint when there is a necessity. These are temporary appointments and if work justifies, they are retained, otherwise the appointments are temporary.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** After what has been said by the Hon'ble Minister, I want to know whether Shri Khogendra Nath Barbaruah is willing to withdraw his Cut Motion No. 1

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH (Nalbari):**

Yes.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** Also I want to know whether Shri Tarun Sen Deka is willing to withdraw his Cut Motion No. 2

**Shri TARUN SEN DEKA (Amguri):** I have no objection to withdraw but there should be a model policy regarding this.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** To the extent that the Minister can say, he has already said. Now is it the pleasure of the House that these 2 Cut Motions be withdrawn by leave of the House?

*(voices—Yes)*

Then the Cut Motions are withdrawn. Now I put the main demand.

The question is that an additional amount of Rs. 55,200, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1959, for the administration of the head "11-Registration".

*(After a pause)*

*(The question was adopted)*

## Supplementary Demand No.4 "13—Other Taxes and Duties"

**Shri FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED (Minister, Finance)**

On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I, beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs. 1,50,307, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959, for administration of the head "13.—Other Taxes and Duties".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	8,38,000
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly ...	...
during the year.	
Additional amount now required ...	1,50,307
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for:—	

Minor and sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
A.—Collection Charges for Taxes and duties having a common Administrative Charge—							
Entertainment, Sales and Professions Taxes.							
1. (a) Direction—							
1. Pay of Officer ..	40,163	..	..	..	1,850	..	1,850
4.—Contingencies ..	8,970	..	..	..	38,300	..	38,300
(b) Superintendence—							
1. Pay of Officers ..	1,02,647	5,522	..	..	..	492	492
2. Pay of Establishment ..	2,96,616	12,758	..	..	38,800	..	38,800
3. Allowances, etc, ..	1,77,336	7,211	..	..	26,600	2,250	28,850
4. Contingencies ..	65,800	4,900	..	..	19,400	1,100	20,500
Add—Amount transferred from General, ..	..	45,650	..	..	..	5,450	5,450
Add—Amount transferred from Sixth Schedule Areas. ..	10,130	..	..	..	2,480	..	2,480
2. Entertainment ..	15,306	3,508	..	..	13,585	..	13,585
<b>Total</b> ..	..	..	..	..	1,41,015	9,292	1,50,807

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

(1) The additional amount is required to meet the expenses in connection with the creation of the post of Deputy Commissioner of Taxes and some other additional staff in the Department for the purpose of good and efficient administration, drawal of subsistence allowance by the office, Superintendent of the Commissioner of Taxes, purchase of typewriter and Gestetner Duplicator Machine and bicycle for office use, installation of electric fans, payment of arrear house rent in respect of the officers of the Superintendent of Taxes, Gauhati and Tinsukia, and also to meet the cost of declaration forms under the Central Sales Tax Act, 1956, printed and supplied by the India Security Press, Nasik Road. The increased expenditure is also due to the drawal of arrear pay and allowances by some officers of the Department in accordance with the revision of pay scales, 1956.

(2) The amount is required to increase in demand owing to the new introduction of entertainment tax stamps in decimal coinage and also due to the cost of non-recurring charges for the preparation of plate and new negatives by the Security Press, Nasik Road in connection with printing of Assam Entertainment Tax Stamps for 15 denominations.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.1,50,307, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in course of the payment during the year ending the 31st March 1959, for administration of the head "13.—Other Taxes and Duties."

There are 2 Cut Motions—one in the name of Shri Hareswar Goswami and the other in the name of Shri Khogendra Nath Barbaruah. May I know whether Shri Hareswar Goswami will move his Cut Motion ?

**Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI (Rampur):** I am not moving it to save time.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** Thank you. Now may I know whether Shri Khogendra Nath Barbaruah will move his Cut Motion ?

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH (Amguri):** Yes Sir, I beg to move that the total provision of Rs.1,50,307 under Supplementary Demand No.4, Major head "13.—Other Taxes and Duties" at page 9 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Rs.100, i.e., the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs.1,50,307, do stand reduced by Rs.100

(To have clarification if good and efficient administration necessitates creation of new posts and additional staff in the Department).

I want to understand clearly the purpose for which the additional amount is required. Sir, it is stated that "the

additional amount is required to meet the expenses in connection with the creation of the post of Deputy Commissioner of Taxes and some other additional staff in the Department for the purpose of good and efficient administration." So the amount is necessary only for the good and efficient administration. Now my point is whether a good and efficient administration demands creation of new posts. Sir, I think that administration depends on the honesty, sincerity and satisfaction of the officer and new hands are necessary when the work loads are too much.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** To get it done efficiently with additional hands.

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH (Amguri):** But the work load is not too much here but it is only for efficient administration that new posts are necessary. Government has also categorically admitted that inefficiency prevails in the administration and to remove that inefficiency some post should be created. Now I want to know whether the creation of new posts can remove the inefficiency. I want to be clear, Sir.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** Cut motion moved is that the provision of Rs.1,50,307 under Supplementary Demand No.4, Major head "13—Other Taxes and Duties", at page 9 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Rs.100, i.e., the amount of whole Supplementary Demand of Rs.1,50,307 do stand reduced by Rs.100.

**Shri FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED (Minister, Finance):** Mr. Chairman, Sir. My Friend, Mr. Barbaruah only wants a clarification whether by creation of the posts, the work which is now being discharged by the Department can be more efficiently discharged. I realised the difficulty of the hon. Member. It may not be possible for him to understand the reasons in absence of the information. I am sure, after I have placed the necessary information at his disposal, such doubts as he may have entertained regarding the creation of the post will be removed and he will withdraw his Cut Motion. So far as the post of the Deputy Commissioner of Taxes is concerned it was actually created for the purpose of entrusting the Deputy Commissioner with the duty of disposing of many revision cases the number of which was increasing every year and the Commissioner of Taxes could not cope with the work when the

Government took this decision they upgraded the post out of existing 3 Assistant Commissioners so that he may dispose of revision cases and deal with some matters which are disposed of by the Commissioner. So far as the amount realised from this Department was concerned in 1954-55 we realised about 2,21,00,000 of rupees and in 1957-58 the collection received from this Department was Rs.7,44,59,405. The hon. Member will realise that the work in this Department has increased nearly threefold from what it was in 1954-55. Further the number of revision petitions in which 1956-57 was 467 has increased to 801 in the year 1956-57. In order to enable these petitions to be disposed of speedily, and that is what is meant by more efficiently, it has been decided that some burden from the Commissioner of Taxes should be taken and the work entrusted with the Deputy Commissioner. I am sure that neither the hon. Member, who moved the Cut Motion nor any other Members in this House will grudge an expenditure to a Department which is really earning more and more income every year and for which revision work is being increased from time to time. I hope after this my Friend will withdraw his Cut Motion and be satisfied that this has been done in the interest of the Department and in order to provide for speedy disposal of revision petitions.

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH (Amguri):** Sir, I could have easily understood that if it is stated that for the speedy disposal of matters the necessity of creation of this post comes in but if it is for the efficient administration, Sir, that I do not understand.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** Now I take it that the hon. mover of the Cut Motion is agreeable to withdraw his motion after what has been said by the hon'ble Minister.

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH:** Yes, Sir, although I am not satisfied.

(The Cut Motion was withdrawn by leave of the House).

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** Now I put the main demand. The question is that an additional amount of Rs.1,50,307 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959, for administration of the head "13—Other Taxes and Duties".

(The question was adopted.)

**Supplementary Demand No.5**  
**"18.-B and 68.B-A—Construction of Irrigation—**  
**N.E.D. Works."**

**M. MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY (Minister, Embankment and Drainage):** On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.44,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959 for the administration of the head "18-B and 68.-B—A—Construction of Irrigation—N.E.D. Works".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	2,56,58,700
II.—Additional amount already voted by the Assembly during the year.	Nil
Additional amount now required .. ..	44,000

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
18.—Other Revenue expenditure Financed from Ordinary Revenue B.—N. E. D. Works (Non-commercial)—							
A.—Works .. ..	73,950	..	..	..	44,000	..	44,000
Total .. ..	73,950	..	..	..	44,000	..	44,000

**EXPLANATORY NOTES**

Please See explanation in the Schedules at Appendix A.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The motion moved is that additional amount of Rs.44,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment

during the year ending the 31st March, 1959 for the administration of the head "18—B and 68.—B—A—Construction of Irrigation N.E.D. Works."

There are three cut motions. I think it is better if the three hon. Members move their cut motions together and the Minister will reply at a time.

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH (Amguri):** Sir, I beg to move that the provision of Rs.44,000 under Supplementary Demand No.5, Major head "18-B and 68-B.—A.—Construction of Irrigation, Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works", Minor head—A.—Works, at page 11 of the List of Supplementary Demands, be reduced by Rs.100, *i.e.*, the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs.44,000, do stand reduced by Rs.100.

(To know the details of a departmental "all attempts" that failed to meet this amount from Central Loan Assistance as explained in Appendix 'A' at page 77 of the List of Supplementary Demands).

Sir the purpose of my cut motion is to know the details of the departmental "all attempts" that failed to meet this amount from Central Loan Assistance as explained in Appendix "A" at page 77 of the List of Supplementary Demands. What are these attempts? Whether these attempts are sincere attempts? I want to know the particulars of these attempts Sir.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** Cut motion moved is that the provision of Rs.44,000 under Supplementary Demand No.5. Major head "18-B and 68-B—A—Construction of Irrigation, Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works", Minor head—A.—Works, at page 11 of the List of Supplementary Demands, be reduced by Rs.100, *i.e.*, the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs.44,000 do stand reduced by Rs.100.

**Shri TARUN SEN DEKA (Nalbari-West):** Mr. Chairman Sir, I beg to move my cut motion.

That the provision of Rs.44,000 under Supplementary Demand No.5, Major head "18-B and 68-B.—A.—Construction of Irrigation, Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works" Minor head—A.—Works, at page 11 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re.1, *i.e.*, the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs.44,000 do stand reduced by Re.1.

(To disapprove the principle underlying the Supplementary Demands).

Sir, in my motion here I disapprove the very principle underlying this Supplementary Demand, that is, the very principle of bringing in this Demand again and again. And furthermore Sir, in the last Budget Session this House sanctioned lakhs of rupees to this Department and again why this demand is sought now has been explained in Appendix 'A'. It appears from the explanation given in Appendix 'A' that our Government decided to undertake some schemes or projects of work not from the point of the interest of the people but perhaps to give some immediate satisfaction to somebody. Otherwise why a big Department like the Embankment and Drainage which has immense responsibility while spending the money and doing the work should not give clear indication to the State as a whole from the very beginning as to what work or what project or scheme are to be taken up and at what time—this is not at all clear to us Sir. Sir, we have formulated plan after plan and we are speaking that so many schemes and plans have been enunciated, but why the works are not done according to the plan and within the plan? These are things which can be placed before the House just at the beginning, that is in the Budget. Why should these things come later on in the shape of Supplementary Demands? But as things are at present, one can come to the conclusion that the schemes and projects are not properly and systematically planned by the Government. Without drawing any long drawn plan or systematic plan they just started the work and that is why huge amount of money from the public exchequer has been spent for nothing by this Department. There are lots of examples to cite and I specially remember how the other day the Minister-in-charge of Embankment and Drainage while he went to Delhi to attend some conference, I saw a statement of his in the *Assam Tribune* in which he says that these embankment projects are not systematically planned up till now.

**M. MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY (Minister, Embankment and Drainage):** Is the hon. Member giving my statement or his statement? (*laugh*ter).

**Shri TARUN SEN DEKA (Nalbari-West):** Whether it is my statement or it is your statement you will get a chance to speak in reply—that is the procedure. Sir, everyone in this House both from the ruling party as well as from the

opposition know that embankments constructed up till now in most areas are of no use to the people in general although they cost the State exchequer tremendous amount of money. This is so because this Department has not chalked out its plan of work systematically but they are doing their work haphazardly or hurriedly and not timely just to get something to start with. Now, as the public money is coming to us and the responsibility of proper spending of this money rests with this House, it is necessary that any plan or projects undertaken by this Department should be well planned just at the beginning of the year.

With these words Sir, I commend my motion to the acceptance of the House.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** Cut motion moved is that the provision of Rs.44,000 under Supplementary Demand No.5—Major head—"18-B. and 68-B—A—Construction of Irrigation and Navigation Embankment and Drainage Works"—Minor head—A—Works at page 11 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re.1, *i.e.*, the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs.44,000 do stand reduced by Re.1.

### (Adjournment)

The Assembly was then adjourned for lunch till 2 P.M.

(After lunch)

**Shri BISHWANATH UPADHYAYA (Patharkandi):** Sir, I beg to move that the total provision of Rs.44,000, under Supplementary Demand No.5, Major head "18-B and 68-B.—A.—Construction of Irrigation, Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works", at page 11 of the List of Supplementary Demand be reduced by Re.1, *i.e.*, the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs.44,000 do stand reduced by Re.1.

(To raise a general discussion relating to this Supplementary Demand).

माननीय अध्यक्ष महोदय !

हम देखते हैं कि इस demand के लिये बहुत से रुपये की मांग की गयी है। हम देखते हैं कि हमारी सरकार कोई अच्छी योजना तैयार कर लेने के पहले ही बड़े-बड़े मकानात बनाने की योजना बनाने लगती है। मैं समझता हूँ कि इस तरह के मकानात बनाने के पहले ही योजना बना लेनी चाहिये। अभी हाल ही में Community Project Department के केंद्रीय मंत्री श्री एस. के. दे। Community Project की Seminar के अवसरपर रामकृष्ण नगर आये थे।

उन्होंने भी यही कहा था कि हम ऐसा महसूस कर रहे हैं कि हम ऐसा काम करते आ रहे हैं कि योजना बनाने के पहले ही हम बड़े मकानात बना रहे हैं। बड़े-बड़े मकान के बिना भी हम बड़े काम कर सकते हैं। किंतु हम देखते आये हैं कि सरकार रूपयां खर्च करती है और फिर वादको इस तरह की मांगें सदन में पेश करती है।

मेरा मतलब यह है कि सरकार इस तरह पहले ही पैसा खर्च न करें। पहले योजना बना लें फिर वादको रूपया खर्च करें। हम ऐसा भी देखते हैं कि कितनी योजनाएं ली जाती हैं, पर पैसे के अभाव में वे पूरी नहीं हो पाती हैं। ऐसे कामों से लोगों को बहुत तकलीफ़ उठानी पड़ती है। जैसे कि किसी नदी के एक तीर पर बांध बना दिया जाता है और उधर दूसरी ओर दूसरे तीर पर इसका बहुत बुरा असर पड़ता है। दूसरे तीरकी जमीन डूब जाती है फसल नष्ट होती है। लंगाई नदी पर ऐसा ही हुआ। मैं यही कहना चाहता हूँ कि कोई Scheme हम लेते हैं तो उसे पूरा करें। नहीं तो हमारा काफ़ी रूपया बरबाद होता है।

हमने देखा है कि सरकार के द्वारा बनाये मकानात की हालत भी बहुत खराब होती है। उनका काम कच्चा रह जाता है। अभी हालही में Irrigation Department का जो मकान बना है उसे मैंने देखा है। मुझे बड़ा अचरज होता है कि यह मकान बिल्कुल नया होनेपर भी उसकी दीवारें फट गयी हैं। इस तरह के कामों से क्या फायदा? काम तो अच्छा होना चाहिए। यह तो रूपया पानी में फेंकना है।

मैं यह भी महसूस करता हूँ कि हमें इतने अच्छे और खर्चीले मकानात की कोई आवश्यकता नहीं है। क्या मामूली मकानात में हम काम नहीं कर सकते। अच्छे काम करने के लिये अच्छे और आलीशान महल की जरूरत नहीं है। बल्कि उसके लिए हमें सेवा की मनोवृत्ति और साथ ही अच्छी योजना आवश्यकता है।

इतना ही कहकर मैं अपने इस कर्त्तन प्रस्ताव को पेश करता हूँ और आशा करता हूँ कि सदन इसपर विचार करके इसे स्वीकार करेगा।

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** The motion moved is that the total provision of Rs. 44,000 under Supplementary Demand No. 5, Major head "18—B and 68—B.-A.—Construction of Irrigation, Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works" at page 11 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re. 1, i.e., the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs. 44,000 do stand reduced by Re. 1.

**M. MOINUL HAQUE CHAUDHURY, (Minister, Embankment and Drainage):** Mr. Chairman, Sir, I feel my Friends have completely misconceived the Demand. Shri Barbaruah wanted to know as to whether the Department made "all attempts" and if so, what was the nature of the attempts. I would first like to answer his questions. Sir, during the discussion of the Plan frame of this State under the Flood Control Programme in September, 1955 at Delhi by the Planning Commission and the Ministry of Irrigation and Power, the necessity of providing *inter alia* Buildings in different E. & D. Divisions and

Subdivisions and 'Central Workshop at Gauhati under the Flood Control Programme was explained by the then Chief Engineer, Flood Control, Assam. Accordingly, the Plan frame of Rs. 8 crores (as allocated for this State at the time) provided for Rs. 20 lakhs for Central Workshop and another Rs. 20 lakhs for other works, which meant buildings and vehicle. However due to reduction of plan allocation to this State later on, provision for the above items were also correspondingly reduced.

The above requirements of Assam were further discussed at the meetings of the Central Flood Control Board held in Delhi on 22nd August, 1957 and also subsequently on 29th August, 1957 in a meeting between the officers of Ministries of Irrigation and Power and finance of the Government of India and the officers of the Flood Control and Irrigation Wing of our State. In the light of that discussion necessary estimates were submitted to Government of India in a letter, dated 2nd April, 1958 for their approval for loan assistance.

As there was no response from Government of India the matter was taken up in the ministerial level. A. D. O. letter, dated 2nd July, 1958 was addressed by me to Union Minister for Irrigation and Power. In reply to this Union Minister of Irrigation sent a letter, dated 8th September, 1958 to me in which it was indicated that building schemes did not qualify for loan assistance from the Centre under Flood Control Programme and that it would be in the best interest of State Government to utilise Central Loan Assistance under Flood Control Programme solely for protection works in areas vulnerable to floods.

Under the circumstance, there was no alternative but to provide funds for the Buildings from the State resources. And hence this demand.

Now, from the account I have just given to the House, it would be evident that all possible attempts, not only at the Officers level but also at my level were made. Since we did not get any loan assistance for buildings for the offices and also for the quarter of the officers, we had to come forward with this Supplementary Demand. My Friend Shri Tarun Sen Deka had practically nothing to say, and therefore, he was beating about the bush. I do not know how he could come forward with the accusation that the Department was not proceeding under a plan. As the buildings were under a plan along with many other schemes for flood control and embankments and since the allocation for this State to execute this plan has

been reduced, so, we have been put to difficulties. Now the question is when the Central Government is not giving us the necessary loan assistance, where from these necessities, *viz.*, the quarters for officers and the office buildings can be provided? We have come to the Assembly for this.

I entirely agree with my Friend Shri Upadhyaya that a large number of schemes could not be completed for want of money, but at the same time it has got to be considered that almost all the officers of E. and D. Department had been working for many years without any houses and without any permanent accommodation of their Offices. This is not the case with officers as a whole in other departments in the other wing of the Public Works Department. There may be one or two officers who are without houses, there may be one or two officers for whom we have not been able to provide any accommodation, but for the bulk of the officers there is permanent arrangement for buildings for offices and also for their accommodation. In the circumstances we have got to make a beginning in the E. & D. Department. Our plan is not too ambitious. It would be seen from the notes circulated that for most of the houses for officers or for offices we are providing not very big amounts. In some cases for a combined office building for an Executive Engineer, and a Subdivisional officer we are providing small amounts like 30 to 32 thousands. Considering the importance of the work I hope, the hon. Member will agree that this is not a very ambitious scheme. In most cases simple Assam type of houses, we are going to provide to our offices. We are not going in for very costly schemes. In most cases, we are just giving them a roof under which they are to work. We are giving them a minimum shelter which is necessary to carry on their duties. I do not think my Friend would be so uncharitable as to demand that our officers should work without any primary amenities which they or as a matter of fact every body need.

Another scheme for which I am asking a small amount of money to make a beginning is an irrigation project, known as Jamuna Irrigation Project. I don't think anybody will disagree with me about the supreme importance of this scheme. It is well known that Nowgong suffered from drought for about three years. There was no scheme for irrigation in the Kaki and Jamuna areas of that district. In connection with this particular matter many of the hon. Members in this House demanded times without number that we should take up some schemes for irrigation in Assam. I went out of my way and urged my Department that we must make a beginning by having some such schemes. This scheme is not in the Second

Plan. The scheme was submitted about a month or so back, and I have hurriedly come to the Assembly so that we can start with the work this year without waiting for the next budget. I hope my Friends in the Opposition will appreciate the action taken by me and withdraw the cut motions tabled by them.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** In view of the statement made by hon. Minister in reply to the cut motions already moved, may I know whether Shri Khagenđra Nath Barbaruah is agreeable to withdraw his cut motion ?

*(After a pause)*

As he is absent, I think the motion can be taken as withdrawn.

*(The motion stands withdrawn.)*

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** Next cut motion was moved by Shri Tarunsen Deka. Is he agreeable to withdraw his cut motion ?

**Shr TARUNSEN DEKA (Nalbari-West) :** Yes, Sir.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** The cut motion moved by Sri Deka is withdrawn.

Then cut motion No. 3 moved by Shri Bishwanath Upadhyaya. Is he agreeable to withdraw the cut motion ?

**Shri BISHWANATH UPADHAYA (Patherkandi) :** Yes, Sir.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** The cut motion moved by Shri Upadhyaya stands withdrawn. All the cut motions are withdrawn.

Now I put the original motion. The question is that an additional amount of Rs.44,00, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959 for the administration of the head "18.-B and 68-B-A Construction of Irrigation-NED. Works.

*(The question was adopted.)*

Supplementary Demand No. 6 "25 General Administration"

**Shri FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED (Minister, Finance):**

On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg Sir to move that an additional amount of Rs.17,70,529 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959 for administration of the head "25—General Administration".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly . . .	1,39,85,400
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	3,49,400
Additional amount now required . . . . .	17,70,529

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for:—

Minor and Sub-head  (1)	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		Total  (8)
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	
	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
<b>A.—Heads of States and Ministers—</b>							
1. A-7—Chief Minister and Secretariat staff of Chief Minister—							
4. Allowances, etc.	38,207	..	..	..	2,000	..	2,000
5. Contingencies ..	17,940	..	..	..	8,000	..	8,000
2. A-8.—Ministers	6,03,040	..	..	..	1,91,000	..	1,91,000
3. A-9—Government Hospitality Orga- nisation.	51,300	..	50,100	..	500	..	500
<b>B—State Legislature—</b>							
4. B—Legislative Assembly—							
2. Allowances, etc (Voted).	1,00,000	..	80,000	..	57,000	..	57,000
4. Contingencies ..	3,000	..	..	..	12,155	..	12,155

Minor and Sub-head (1)	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary Grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		Total (8)
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	
	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
(5) B. 2—State Legis- lature Secretariat—							
1. Pay of officers...	29,700	..	6,200	..	700	..	700
2. Pay of Establish- ment.	1,26,170	..	8,600	..	5,200	..	5,200
3. Allowance and Honoraria	37,348	.	2 000	..	12,100	..	12,100
4. Contingency ..	57,000	..	14,900	..	31,600	..	31,600
D. Secretariat and .. Head quarter Esta- blishment—							
(6) D-1 (a) Civil Secre- tariat—							
1. Pay of Officer	8,36,040	..	..	..	73,960	..	73,960
2. Pay of Esta- blishment.	13,52,660	..	..	..	1,62,340	..	1,62,340
3. Allowances and Honoraria.	7,81,500	..	..	..	1,50,000	..	1,50,000
4. Contingencies	2,92,500	..	..	..	1,05,000	..	1,05,000
(7) D-3—Director of Land Re- cords—							
2. Pay of Establish- ment	45,292	..	..	..	..	9,000	9,000

Minor and Sub-heads (1)	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount required		
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	Total
	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
3. Allowances and Honoraria.	24,288	..	..	..	6,067	..	6,067
4. Contingencies	6,400	..	..	..	3,000	..	3,000
D.(i) Directorate of Statistics.	..	..	..	..	43,650	..	43,650
(8) E.—Commissioners—							
1. Pay of Officers	81,700	..	..	..	27,905	..	27,905
2. Pay of Establishment.	54,509	..	..	..	4,627	..	4,627
3. Allowance and Honoraria.	39,758	..	..	..	5,726	..	5,726
4. Contingencies	15,150	..	..	..	2,226	..	2,226
F.—District Administration.							
(9) F-I—General Administration—							
2. Pay of Establishment,	7,57,000	2,64,000	..	..	18,053	4,586	22,639
3. Allowances and Honoraria.	4,15,400	2,62,158	..	..	23,926	57,459	81,385
4. Contingencies	3,98,700	1,07,702	..	..	1,37,117	60,530	1,97,647

Minor and Sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
(10) 3—Expenditure in connection with Border Re- lief—Purchase and Maintenance of Vehicles.	..	..	..	..	..	4,22,600	4,22,600
(11) F-2—Subdivi- sional Organi- sation.	3,28,700	1,03,100	..	..	33,153	2,000	35,153
F-3—Other Esta- blishment—							
(12) (a)—Process Serving Esta- blishment.	6,36,200	37,900	..	..	56,349	1,840	58,189
(13) (b)—Launch Establishment.	4,100	..	..	..	8,000	...	8,000
(14) (c)—Staging bun- galow Establish- ment.	54,800	8,000	..	..	..	1,010	1,010
(15) G.—Works	..	12,000	11,600	31,700	32,500	4,000	14,200
H.—Miscellaneous—							
(16) H-2—Miscella- neous.	96,800	..	..	..	12,550	..	12,550
Total	..	..	..	..	12,06,904	5,63,625	17,70,529

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

(1) *Allowance, etc.*—The amount is required to meet the increased expenditure on Travelling Allowance of Officers during the year.

*Contingencies.*—The amount is required to meet the expenditure on account of debit raised by State Transport Authorities during the year due to repair of State Car and charges of pool Cars allotted to *Ex-Chief Minister*, Assam and also to purchase service postage stamps.

(2) The additional funds are required to meet increased expenditure under the items noted below:—

Rupees 28,000 for 'Travelling Allowance of Minister'	} Due to increase in the number of Official tours.
Rupees 15,000 for       "       "       "       " Officers'	
Rupees 55,000 for       "       "       "       " Establishment	

Rupees 9,000 due to the grant of *Ad-hoc* increase in Dearness Allowance to the low paid Government Servants.

Rupees 35,000 under 'Other Non-contract Contingencies' to meet increased expenditure on account of payment of rent of private buildings hired for residences of Ministers, Deputy Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries and furnishing these residences and the residences of other Ministers, etc., with furnitures.

Rupees 12,136 under 'Telephone Charges' to meet increased expenditure on account of new Telephone connections, installation charges and telephone trunk call bill.

Rupees 4,000 under 'Purchase of Typewriters' due to purchase of new machines and repairing charge of existing ones.

Rupees 32,864 under 'Purchase of Motor Car' due to the cost of two new State cars for two Deputy Ministers.

(3) It has been decided to sanction an amount of Rs.600 annually to the Speaker, Assam Legislative Assembly on account of Hospitality Charges. As the decision has been made recently the amount could not be provided in the original Budget.

(4) *Allowance, etc.*—The additional amount is required for payment of Travelling Allowance and halting allowances to the Members for attending the Sessions and Committee Meetings. Grant originally voted by the Assembly has fallen short of the requirement due to High expenditure incurred on payment of Travelling Allowance and halting allowances to the Members caused by longer period of Session, increased number of meetings of various Legislature Committee and tour of the Members of the Estimates Committee both in and outside the State.

*Contingencies.*—The additional amount is required to meet the cost of State Car for the Deputy Speaker, Assam Legislative Assembly admissible under the Deputy Speaker's Salaries and Allowance Act.

(5) *Pay of Officers.*—The additional amount is required to meet the increased expenditure on Pay of Officers due to the appointment of a Librarian for the Assembly Library.

*Pay of Establishment.*—The additional amount is required to meet the increased expenditure due to appointment of temporary staff to cope with the works of the Session of the Assembly and due to up grading of pay of Watch and Ward Staff entertained during the Session of the Assembly.

*Allowance, etc.*—The amount is required for increase in expenditure of Travelling Allowance of officers and establishment, to meet the expenditure for grant of *ad-hoc* increase in Dearness Allowance to the low paid employees and Medical charges of Member, Legislative Assembly out of the total of Rs.12,100, Rs.6,600 was advanced from Contingency Fund.

*Contingencies.*—The amount is required for Payment of Municipal Taxes on Naba Bhavan Hostel (3,600) for purchase of Typewriter (3,000) and for Purchase of Furniture for Assembly building, Stencil and other delicating paper and Service postage stamps due to increase in activities of Legislature. Out of the total amount, an amount of Rs.28,600 was advanced from Contingency Fund.

(6) *Pay of Officers.*—The amount is required to meet the pay of the newly appointed officers in the Secretariat, *viz.*—(1) Development Commissioner, (2) Joint Secretaries, Tribal Areas Department and Finance, (3) Deputy Secretaries, Agriculture Tribal Areas Department, Planning and Development and Education, (4) Under Secretaries, Agriculture, Education, and Finance, (5) Assistant Secretaries, Forest, Revenue, Tribal Areas Department, Planning and Development and Panchayat Departments, (6) Secretary, Law Commission, etc.

*Pay of Establishment.*—The amount is required to meet the pay of the newly appointed staff on account of the rapid expansion in the Secretariat to cope with the increased works.

*Allowance and Honoraria.*—The amount is required to meet the allowances of the newly appointed staff and due to higher expenditure on account of Travelling Allowance and the grant of *Ad-hoc* increase in Dearness Allowance to the low paid Government employees. The following amounts are required under this sub-head:—

(1) Rupees 40,000 under 'Travelling Allowance of Officer's (2) Rs.20,000 under 'Dearness Allowance' (3) Rs.13,000 under 'Cash Allowance in lieu of Rice Concession and Free Ration (4) Rs.12,000 under 'Cost of Living Allowance, (5) Rs.5,000 under 'Winter Allowance' and (5) Rs.60,000 under '*ad-hoc* increase in Dearness Allowance.'

*Contingencies.*—The amount is required to meet increased Expenditure due to the increase in the strength of the Secretariat Staff and Departments resulting in a general increase in contingent expenditure. Under this sub-head, the following amounts are required:—(1) Rs.13,500 for

purchase of new typewriters. (2) Rs.3,000 for purchase of Books, Maps, etc., (3) Rs.18,500 under 'other Non-contract Contingencies' (4) Rs.20,000 under 'Telephone charges' for installation of new connections, etc. and (5) Rs.50,000 under 'Contract Contingencies' due to increased expenditure on account of Service stamps and other miscellaneous items.

(7) *Pay of Establishment*.—The additional amount is required for increase in expenditure due to drawal of pay of establishment in revised scale of pay of 1956 in respect of majority of cases as it took time to finalise the fixation of pay in the revised scale. As the budget for 1958-59 submitted before finalisation of the fixation of pay on these cases the amount could not be provided in original budget.

*Allowance and Honoraria*.—The additional amount is required for increase in expenditure due to frequent and extensive tours performed by Director of Land Records and his staff inside and outside the State in connection with demarcation of Indo-Pak boundary and resettlement operations and sanction of honoraria in connection with Indo-Pak boundary work also on account of dearness and other allowances on the basis of the revised scale of pay payable to the staff.

*Contingencies*.—The additional amount is required for increase in expenditure of the Office contingencies due to increase in the volume of work in connection with resettlement operation which is in full swing and demarcation of Indo-Pak boundary.

D (c) *Director of Statistics*.—The additional amount (Rs.35,132) was required to meet the cost on account of Sample Survey of Arecanut and Coconut in Assam. As the scheme was sanctioned after the finalisation of current year's budget, the amount was advanced from the Contingency Fund, and the balance (Rs.8,518) is required to meet the expenditure for setting up of an Independent Field Agency for surveys of Food and non-food Crops in Assam. No provision for the purpose could also be made in the current year's budget, as the sanction for the scheme was received after the current year's budget, estimates passed by the Assembly.

(8) *Pay of Officers*.—The amount is required due to several changes of incumbent of Post of Commissioner of Hills Division and Appeals and also to meet the deputation Pay of Commissioner who went on deputation to Foreign Countries from the same head.

*Pay of establishment and Allowances*.—The increased amount is required for fixation of pay of establishment in the revised scales of pay and also pay of three trainers who had been very recently appointed for imparting training to the Assistants of Deputy Commissioner and Subdivisional Officer's Office. The appointment has been made after the finalisation of current Year's Budget.

*Contingencies*.—The amount is required for the purchase of service postage stamp due to increase in correspondences and for purchase of Typewriter, the sanction of which was given after the finalisation of current year's budget. Hence the Demand.

(9) *Pay of Establishment.*—The additional expenditure is due to increase of pay of Staff in the revised scales of pay.

*Allowances, etc.*—The amount is required to meet the increased expenditure for Travelling Allowance of officers.

*Contingencies.*—The increased expenditure is required for the higher demand of District Officer under service postage stamps, Pay of Casual employees, maintenance of Vehicles and telephone charges.

(10) Out of Rs. 25.00 lakhs sanctioned by Government of India for giving financial assistance for Border Relief during the current financial year, the following amounts have been decided to be utilised for purchase and maintenance of Vehicles for transport of Border Produce, etc.

					Rs.
(1) United Khasi-Jaintia Hills	...	..	...		1,77,000
(2) Garo Hills	...	...	...	...	1,77,000
(3) Mizo District	...	...	...	...	68,000
Total	...	...	...	...	<u>4,22,000</u>

As Government of India's sanction was received very recently, necessary provision of the above amount could not be made earlier. The propose demand is to provide this amount for utilising the same during the current financial year.

(11) The amount is required due to the increased demand of Travelling Allowance of Process serving establishment.

(12) The amount is required due to increased demand of Travelling Allowance of Process serving establishment.

(13) The amount is required for the purchase of a Johnson 35 H. P. Sea Horse engine construction of boat.

(14) The amount is required for entertainment of more casual employees in Dak Bungalow.

(15) The amount is required for some original works, i. e., construction of quarters and some repair works.

(16) The sum is required to meet the training expenditure on account of eight I. A. S. probationers allotted to this State for the period from April to November 1958 in the I. A. S. training School, Delhi. The amount includes pay and allowances of the Officers during the course of their training.

Out of the total requirement of Rs 12,550.00 an amount of Rs. 7,870.00 which was advanced from the contingency fund for the same purpose is now required to be regularised by Supplementary Demand.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:**—The motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.17,70,529 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959 for administration of the head “25—General Administration”.

There are ten cut motions. The first motion stands in the name of Shri Hareswar Goswami. Is he going to move his cut motion ?

**\*Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI:** Sir, I beg to move that the provision of Rs.10,000 under Supplementary Demand No.6, Major head “25—General Administration, Minor head A—Heads of States and Ministers, Sub-head 4 Allowance and 5 Contingencies (Total), at page 12 of the list of Supplementary Demand be reduced by Re.1, *i. e.*, the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs.17,70,529 do stand reduced by Re.1”.

Sir, in the Supplementary Budget of about 2 crores 17 lakhs is a big sum and that is wanted under the head “General Administration”. When we look to the Explanatory Notes we find that at page 16(i) Allowance, etc., to the Chief Minister’s Secretariat Staff, A. B. Ministers the amount is required to meet the increased expenditure on travelling allowance of officers during the year. Then again we find at page 17 the amount is required for increased expenditure on travelling allowance of officers and establishment and to meet the expenditure on grant of *ad-hoc* dearness allowance. Then again towards the third but last paragraph we find that the amount is required to meet the allowances of newly appointed staff and due to higher expenditure on account of travelling allowance and the grant of *ad-hoc* increase in dearness allowance. Again at page 18 we find in the third paragraph that the additional amount is required for increase in expenditure due to frequent and extensive tours performed by the Director of Land Records and his staff inside and outside the State in connection with demarcation of Indo-Pak boundary and resettlement.

Then again at page 19, item No.(ii) we find that the amount is required due to the increased demand of travelling allowance of Process Serving establishment. So we find that

out of this amount of Rs.17 lakhs a big portion of the amount is required in connection with increased travelling allowance of Ministers and other officers. We have found that extensive tours are undertaken by Ministers and officers and very often it so happens that if one comes to Shillong even it is difficult to find out one out of nine or ten Ministers. Sometimes it so happens that not a single Minister is found at Shillong and everybody is on tour. The Deputy Ministers have similarly taken to extensive touring and very often it is justifying by saying that they have no work to do at Shillong and therefore they go about. For the Parliamentary Secretaries there is the same justification. On the very day of his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary or the next very day you will find that he has drawn a tour programme. So tours have become so very important for Ministers, Deputy Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries. I am just taking a random survey and I find in the Gazette of 11th February 1959 the revised tour Programme of the Chief Minister from 11th to 20th February. Then again we find the tour programme of the Minister, Revenue, Forest and Excise, Assam from 11th to 17th February, then the tour programme of the Parliamentary Secretary, in-charge of Relief and Rehabilitation from 6th to 20th February Sir, 14 days continuous touring. Then we find the tentative tour programme of the Director of Agriculture, tour programme of the Jr. Conservator of Forests, Tour Programme of the Director of Rural Development from 9th to 23rd—14 days continuously, tour programme of the Minister for Education from 5th to 13th, tour programme of the Director of Education, tour programme of the Small Committee of the Ministry of Education, tour programme of the Minister of Planning and Development from 5th of 16th, tour programme of the Secretary, Cottage Industries Department and so on and so forth. What all these tours mean. These tours vary in duration from 14 to 15 days continuously and sometimes even more. After all in a democratic country people want their Ministers to mix with them, to know their problems first-hand. Then also I find when the I. N. T. U. C. Conference was held at Dibrugarh, tours of different Ministers were so planned that by these tour programmes they were enabled to do all the tours from Shillong to the distant corner of the State, then to attend the conference that was going on there at that time and then come back. I have here also some other programmes as well. But it is not necessary to detail them at any further length because the Ministers doing the tours themselves know it quite well. I was criticising about the top-heaviness in the administration. Top-heaviness is confined not only to Ministers and Deputy Ministers but even to the general administration

also it is being gradually extended. The other day I said that as many as three Ministers went on a particular day and crossed the Bharali river and then came back. We have all alone been saying that the tours should be properly organised. If one Minister goes to a particular place, what is the necessity for the other Ministers to go to the same place on the same day or a day or two after. But this type of haphazard tours have now become an usual fashion more than casual or occasional occurrence. When Shri Bishnu Ram Medhi was the Chief Minister we complained and suggested to him that the tours should be planned in such a way that there might be some amount of co-ordination and secondly that there should not be any overlapping. At one time it so happened that one Minister went to Dibrugarh followed by his Deputy Minister so far as Sibsagar. Then some people asked him, "Well, the Minister has just passed Sibsagar to Dibrugarh, and why has it become necessary to come to Sibsagar". The Deputy Minister replied that the Minister would not go into the interior places and that he had gone there to visit the interior places, (*Laughter*) and therefore he had to arrange a separate tour for him. Now, these things we do not want. Not only the Minister, but our officers have become extremely tour minded so much so that these days the best way to solve any problem is merely to say, as it were, "Well, I went to such and such places. Every one has become so tour minded that sometimes some people get more than his salary. If the intention of such extensive tour is to compensate one's loss, then I feel constrained to advise, let this House pass a Higher Salary Bill so that we may be in a position to know that we are going to expend so much on account of salaries and that we may not have to expend much more larger amount of money on some other names or accounts such as travelling allowances, holtage, etc. In this connection I remember an Assamese proverb,

“গাছ বুলি নাখায়, জি জি বুলি খায়”

*i. e.* we do not eat fish as fish but we do so by giving it some other name. Now this ever growing tendency on the part of our officers and Ministers is something like that, *i. e.* earning money not by way of salaries but by giving it some other name. So my request is that the Ministers should co-ordinate their tours and that there may not be overlapping. When there is collective responsibility, it is all the same thing whether this Minister receives the representations from the people or some other Minister. I know when the Ministers go out on tours, they get lot of petitions but I wonder whether they get sufficient time to go through these petitions.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** Does the hon. Member say that the Ministers should not receive their petitions ?

**\*Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI (Rampur) :** I do not say that. What I say is that if a Minister keeps himself out on tour for 16 days or so, the petitions received by him during the course of these days will require him another 16 days, if not more, to review these petitions. It is necessary that the Ministers should know the problems of the people, receive their representations and study them properly and devise ways and means for proper rectification of the grievances of the people. But what often happens a Minister hardly gets any time to go through their files properly and the notings and decisions made by the Under Secretary or Secretary are dittoed by the Ministers, extremely busy as they are having no time to study everything in all its details. And in such circumstances, the Government turns itself to a Government of Secretaries and not of responsible Minister. This is indeed a very wrong procedure. Sir, as I have already stated, we have found a lot of money on General Administration. When I go through the whole Supplementary Budget, I find the Supplementary Budget is required to make up certain losses on cars to make repairs to cars, etc. In one department, the Public Health Department as many as 35 cars had to be repaired and then also to meet the rising expenditure on increased tourings. After all, what is the benefit the people have derived ? I have stated only the other day, and the Congress President even has felt equally with me, that a feeling of frustration in the mind of the people has written large in the country. It is not due to the propaganda of the Opposition parties. In spite of these tours, in spite of their contact with the masses, in spite of the first hand knowledge heard from the mouth of the Ministers, the people do not feel enthused and satisfied. Therefore, we have to sit down and think about it and see whether even without taking so much tours we can make the administration efficient and more responsible or not. I feel that even by curtailing 50 per cent of these tours it is possible to make the administration more efficient and responsive and also contact the mass people more effectively. When we are short of money and when we want more money for other purposes, even if we curtail 50 per cent of the tour expenditure we shall be able to impress the people to take up certain definite principles of life and follow them. In that way only we shall be able to go forward. With this aim in view, Sir, I have moved this cut motion which is necessary today to curtail this expenditure. The Chief Minister Mr. Chaliha assured this House in the last Budget Session that he would see that there was no unnecessary tour and

that in such tours there was collaboration so that there was no overlapping and also that there was curtailment of tour expenditure. But today what we find. Mr. Chaliha himself comes forward with a demand for more expenditure for increased tours of Ministers and Deputy Ministers and also other officers. This is an irony. Therefore, Sir, I request the Government to consider this aspect of the matter very seriously. Without moving too much in our tours we can I think discuss the problem and try to solve the problem and make the administration efficient. If we can do so a great amount of frustration will go from the minds of the people. For that reason I have moved this Cut Motion and hope the House will accept it.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** Cut motion move is that the provision of Rs. 10,000 under Supplementary Demand No. 6, Major head—"25—General Administration," Minor head-A—Heads of States and Ministers, Sub-head 4—Allowance and 5—Contingencies (Total), at page 12 of the list of Supplementary Demand be reduced by Re. 1, *i. e.*, the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs. 17,70,529 do stand reduced by Re. 1,—'

I have seen that the Cut Motion proposed to be moved by Shri Prabhat Narayan Choudhury is a comprehensive one which covers all the other Cut Motions proposed to be moved by other hon. Members. Therefore, I decide that the Cut Motion No.7 Standing in the name of Shri Prabhat Narayan Choudhury should be moved and other hon. Members who are proposing to move the other Cut Motions may speak on that Cut Motion. Shri Prabhat Narayan Choudhury may move his Cut Motion.

**Shri PRABHAT NARAYAN CHOUDHURY (Nalbari-East) :** Mr. Chairman, Sir, I move that the total provision of Rs. 17,70,529 under Supplementary Demand No. 6, Major head "25—General Administration", at page 12 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Rs. 100, *i. e.*, the amount of the whole supplementary demand of Rs. 17,70,529, do stand reduced by Rs. 100.

Sir, the main Motion was to be moved by the Chief Minister who is in-charge of the Department concerned. But as he is ill he could not do so. Let us pray for his early recovery so that he can give us more light on the subject.

I want to point out certain particulars in the explanatory note which strike me most. I find something wrong in placing this Supplementary Demand. I find an item of Rs. 12,136 under 'Telephone Charges' to meet increased expenditure on account

of new telephone connections, installation charges and telephone trunk call bills. In the last Assamby Session I put a question to know certain particulars about the use of telephones installed in the residence of the Ministers. I wanted to know whether the Ministers while using the telephones for their private calls pay some charges from their own pockets. The reply to that question did not come up. I am very doubtful whether the Ministers while using their telephones for their private purposes pay any charge at all. If the whole charges are paid from the State Exchequer then there is great objection, from my point of view. I think there is no arrangement for making any payment for use of telephone for private purposes. I want to know definitely about it.

Then I find an item of Contingencies, under item (5). It is stated there that the amount is required for payment of Municipal taxes on Naba Bhavan Hostel (3,600). The necessity of payment of municipal tax for the Naba Bhavan is not a new item. This is existing from about last 6 years. I do not understand why such a new provision is required for payment of municipal tax, and why this could not be foreseen at the time of preparation of the main budget ?. Again, Mr. Chaliha, our Chief Minister, in reply to a question of mine, assured that he was going to reorganise the whole Secretariat and other Departments. By reorganisation we did not expect that he would go for a larger number of Secretaries, as has been found here in the Supplementary Demand. By that term of reorganisation we thought that it would be done with a view to co-ordinating one Secretariat Department with other Departments to bring about a better and more efficient administration and also for efficient work. But instead we have found an additional list of Development Commissioner, Joint Secretaries, Tribal Areas Department and Finance, Deputy Secretaries, Agriculture, Tribal Areas Department, Planning and Development and Education, Under Secretaries, Agriculture, Education and Finance and so on. Not only that upto one year's back there was one officer holding the post of certain Departments, namely, the post of Secretary, Co-operative and Rural Development, Secretary, Cottage Industries and Khadi Board, Director of Cottage Industries, Director of Rural Development and Registrar of Co-operative Societies, etc. All these Departments were combined to be held by one officer and he could hold the charge efficiently. But today this post is held by 5 different officers. If all these departments could be managed by one officer only a year back, why not now ?

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** I think, there was criticism before for giving so many departments to one officer.

**Shri PRABHAT NARAYAN CHOUDHURY (Nalbari-East):** That may be, but for one officer how could five more officers and five more secretaries could be created? When the functions of Registrar of Co-operative Societies, Secretary of Co-operative Societies, Director of Cottage Industries, Weaving and Sericulture, Secretary of Cottage Industries, Weaving and Sericulture, Director of Rural Development and Secretary of Rural Development could be managed by one person one year ago, it could have been increased by one Director and one Secretary but why so many secretaries and heads of departments have been created? By addition of so many officers, can we say that the administration of the departments are running more efficiently or our people at large have derived larger benefit? Recently, there was one person who managed as both Secretary of Cottage Industries, Weaving and Sericulture, but overnight two secretaries one for Major Industries and Cottage Industries and other for Weaving and Sericulture were created. How could Government justify in separating these departments when they are interlinked, and there will be no sufficient work for one.

Sir, let us survey the work during the last one year. After reorganisation of the Secretariat, perhaps, there is none from this or the other side of the House to say that efficiency or output of work has improved. If these creation of posts were done gradually that would have been another thing. Separation from Cottage Industries, Weaving and Sericulture is perhaps not opportune or desirable. Inefficiency is still there after additions and alterations, but it amounts to only having more fat salaried officers. We are having the bad habit of bringing outsiders with fat salary. Is it because we are suffering from inferiority complex? Is it because the person happens to be outside this State or from some other State he is considered to be more efficient and able? We have appointed recently a Director of Cottage Industries from outside this State. Is he so highly qualified or has he rendered very good services to this Government since he has been appointed?

We have started the Industrial Estate at Gauhati, but it is unfortunate to see how the people who have been allotted stalls are suffering from water supply and other such small things although there are so many officers there.

Then, Sir, besides so many Secretaries, we have been seeing creations of Deputy Secretaries and innumerable Under Secretaries. In Bengal, the Director of Public Instruction or Director

of Education is also the Secretary of the Education Department and thus there is a better co-ordination of works. For having one secretary and one head of department, lot of time and energy besides money is wasted. A paper or a file can not be disposed promptly as it is to move from hand to hand. In some of the States, the Director of Health Services is also the Secretary of Medical Department. In technical departments it is best to have the same Secretary and head of department. It is generally found that a Secretary repeats what the head of department says. I know of one instance when a technical report was submitted by a head of department which was forwarded in to by the secretary. That is almost like post office. So, I think, for better efficiency and larger outturn of work officers should be lessened.

For better co-ordination, the Government of India have recently tagged together the departments of co-operative and agriculture, here also we are having the same secretary for agriculture and co-operative. There should be more amalgamation of allied departments for better co-ordination and efficiency.

Sir, I have not objected to all items in this demand, but I want that the points which I have raised requires careful examination and early execution, and that the Secretaries should be reorganised for better efficiency and better co-ordination.

With these words, I commend my motion for the acceptance of the House.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** Cut motion moved is that the total provision of Rs. 17,70,529 under Supplementary Demand No. 6 Major head "25-General Administration," at page 12 of the list of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Rs.100, i. e., the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs. 17,70,529, do stand reduced by Rs. 100.

**Shri GHANASHYAM TALUKDAR (Sarbhog) :** Mr. Chairman, Sir, this amount of Rs. 17,70,529 is a very big amount, coming to the House in the shape of a supplementary demand, mainly to meet the travelling allowances of the Ministers, Deputy Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries, etc. We have seen that during off-session of the Assembly when we happen to come here to Shillong we do not see or meet any Minister because they remain mostly out on tour. Often I myself came to Shillong but could not meet any Minister. When there are Congress meetings or any conferences, etc. the Ministers as a whole go there and draw T. A. During the last Pathsala

Session of the Assam Pradesh Congress Committee almost all the Ministers went there in Government cars and drew T. A. In the last Tarabari bye-election, almost all the Ministers went for canvassing in favour of the Congress candidate in Government cars and drew T. A. During the General Congress Session held at Jhalukbari all the Ministers, Deputy Ministers and their paraphernalias went to attend the Congress Session, they travelled in Government cars and drew T. A. There are many such instances, when Ministers go out on tour, travel in Government car and draw T. A.

During last January I saw our Medical Minister and Minister, P. W. D. (Roads) going together to Mathanguri in Government cars and drew T. A. But may I ask what is the utility of the Medical Minister and P. W. D. Minister going there to a Forest Reserve? Did they go to see activities of their own departments or they went there for a pleasure trip? We find Ministers going to Kaziranga very often and draw T. A. Were these visits not for pleasure trips?

As a result the Travelling Allowance of Ministers must have increased.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** Does the hon. Member mean to say the Minister should not go to those places?

**Shri GHANASYAM TALUKDAR (Sorbhog):** They should go but.....

**Shri HARESWAR DAS (Minister, Revenue, etc.):** Sir, so far as Mathanguri, Kaziranga and other forest areas are concerned, I would request all the hon. Members here to visit them and see our forests. Unless you see the forests you do not understand. So, I request all of them to go to those places.

(A voice:—I request the Minister to make arrangements).

**Shri HARESWAR DAS :** All arrangements will be made if previous information is given.

**Shri HIRALAL PATWARY (Panery):** Will Government car be made available to us?

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** Order, order.

**Shri GHANASYAM TALUKDAR:** (Sorbhog) Now, Sir, coming to the pay of officers, I have seen that an amount of Rs.73,960 has been provided as additional pay of officers who have been appointed. A Development Commissioner has been appointed, but with his appointment we have not seen any development of the country. On the contrary, our development has been retarded. In the Tribal Areas Department, we find one Joint Secretary, one Deputy Secretary and one Assistant Secretary have been appointed. We know, Sir, how the Tribal Areas Department has been mismanaged. Though the Department has grown into a huge department, still we see that every year some money of that Department lapses. With the appointment of these new officers, I don't think anything better will be done. Last year we saw that an amount was given to the Mangaldai College where there was not a single tribal student. There are demands from tribal people and tribal institutions for grants. They are refused, but on the other hand some non-tribal institutions are given tribal grants. This is a matter of shame. With the appointment of these new officers, I am doubtful whether any improvement will be affected.

Coming to the Agriculture Department, one Deputy Secretary and one Under Secretary, have been appointed. Then there are so many Directors, District Officers, Subdivisional Officers, etc. But we have not seen any increase in production. Last year there was failure of Ahu crop and also Sali crop in the low-lying areas. There was no improvement last year, so far as production is concerned; rather, we are having less production nowadays. With the appointment of new officers, the administration of this Department has been made top-heavy and I don't think any better work or more production has been done by the appointment of these officers.

Now in the Finance Department, we find one new Deputy Secretary and one Under Secretary have been appointed. But we know, Sir, that many projects could not be taken up for delay in the Finance Department. I don't think the position will improve with the appointment of these officers.

Then in Revenue Department, one Assistant Secretary has been appointed. With the appointment of this officer we cannot expect that this Department will be any better. Everybody in this House knows how corrupt this Department is. Nowadays settlement operations are going on and I have got reports not

only from my subdivision but also from many other subdivisions that if people do not give some money to the Mandals or the S. D. Cs. work is not done. With the appointment of this new Assistant Secretary in the Revenue Department I don't think corruption will in any be abolished. Rather, corruption is increasing day by day. If our Government really wants to make the administration efficient and abolish corruption, instead of appointing more officers at the top, they should appoint more officers at the lower level to ensure strict supervision of the work of the Revenue Department. There should be some sort of Inspectorate, which will see to the proper execution of works. It will be the duty of the Inspectorate to supervise works and see to their efficient execution, while at the same time, keeping a strict check on corruption. Unless this is done, our money will not be properly utilised. By creating officers at the top we are simply creating a new class of bureaucrats, making our administration top heavy. So, I want to request Government, that in order to make our administration efficient they should not give more importance to creation of posts at the Secretariat level, but should instead create more posts in the lower level, so that efficiency can be increased, corruption checked and we can get a better administration.

With these few words, I support the Cut Motion.

**Shri BISHWANATH UPADHYAYA (Patharkandi) :**

माननीय सभापति महोदय !

मैं अभी हमारे मित्रों ने जो कर्त्तन प्रस्ताव सदन के सामने उपस्थित किया है उसका समर्थन करने के लिये खड़ा हुवा हूँ। हमने देखा है कि इस Demand में भी मंत्री महोदय ने ने काफी रुपये की मांग की है। इस Demand की आलोचना करत हुए मैं सरकार के मंत्री महोदयों के दौरे के बारेमें आलोचना करना चाहता हूँ। हम देखते हैं कि मंत्री महोदयगण Tour Programme रखते हैं तो किसी कांग्रेस का सम्मेलन अथवा इस तरह के किसी Conference का मौका देखकर ही Tour Programme बनाते हैं ताकि सरकारी खर्चपर वे उन सम्मेलनों में भाग ले सकें इस बारेमें मैं एक विशेष ऐसे मौके को दिखाना चाहता हूँ। पिछले नवंबर महीने में शायद १६ या १८ नवंबर को Estimates Committee के कामों में मैं बरपेटा गया था। हमलोग बरपेटा रोड पहुँचे तो हमें मालूम हुआ कि पाठशाला में Assam Pradesh Congress Committee का सम्मेलन हो रहा है। और उस सम्मेलन में भाग लेने के लिये सभी राज्यात्मक मंत्री पधार रहे हैं। और उसके लिये आसपास के Inspection Bungalows, और Dak Bungalows के सामान असबाब, मेज, कुर्सियाँ वगैरह गये हुए हैं। इस तरह का सम्मेलन होता है तो सरकारी मकानात के सामान असबाब भी भेज दिये जाते हैं। नतीजा यह होता है कि Dak Bungalows में न किसी को जगह मिलती है और न वहाँ के सामान असबाब ही होते हैं। उसी समय यानी नवंबर के शायद १६ तारीख को मैं रहा पहुँचा और मुझे यहाँ भी यही मालूम हुआ कि रहा Dak Bungalow के सामान असबाब गायब।

मुझे यह जानकर बड़ा अचरज हुआ कि रहा Dak Bungalow के सामान असबाब भी पाठशाला के Assam Pradesh Congress Committee के सम्मेलन में गये हुए हैं। इस तरह हम देखते हैं कि इस तरह के सम्मेलन के मौके देखकर ही हमारे मंत्री महोदयगण अपना Tour Programme रखते हैं।

मुझे और एक बात से बड़ा अचरज होता है कि जब हमारे मंत्री दौरेपर जाते हैं तो वे मंत्री के हँसीयत नहीं जाते हैं बल्कि Congress के नामपर जाते हैं। Constituency के M.L.A. लोगों से उनका कोई सरोकार नहीं रहता है। खासकर विरोधी दलके सदस्यों से उनका कोई संबंध नहीं रहता है। उनका दौरा होता है तो हमें भी कभी कभी बहुत परेशानी उठानी पड़ती है। उनसे मिलने के लिये तथा उनका Programme बनाने के लिये हमें Deputy Commissioner अथवा Subdivisional Officer से मिलना पड़ता है। Deputy Commissioner अथवा Subdivisional Officer के पीछे हमें दौड़भूप करना पड़ता है। हमारे मंत्रीगण दौरा किसलिये करते हैं। इसलिये कि वे किसी जगह जायें और खुद वहाँकी समस्याओं की जानकारी हासिल करके उनका समाधान करें। विना स्थानीय M.L.A. के वे इन समस्याओंकी जानकारी कैसे हासिल करेंगे? लेकिन हम देखते हैं कि मंत्रियों के दौरे के बारेमें हमसे आवश्यकीय परामर्श नहीं लिया जाता है मैं चाहता हूँ कि स्थानीय M.L.A. के साथ कोई मंत्री घूमें और तभी उन्हें समस्याओंकी सही जानकारी हो सकती है। अगर ऐसा नहीं हुआ और वे घूमकर ही चलें आवे तो वास्तवमें कोई विशेष काम नहीं होता है। उनके ऐसे दौरों से हमारी जनता का कोई लाभ नहीं होता है। उनके दौरों के लिये रुपये की मांग की जाती है तो उससे जनता को भी भलाई होनी चाहिये। अगर जनता का कोई काम नहीं हुआ तो उनका घूमना बेकार होता है और हमारा पैसा भी बेकार खर्च होता है।

अभी हालही में हमारे अर्थ मंत्री महोदय सिलचर गये थे। लेकिन ऐसा हुआ कि उनके Tour Programme के बारेमें हमसे कोई भी सलाह नहीं ली गयी। हमने इसके लिये Telegramme किया, Telephone किया, चिट्ठी लिखी, और Deputy Commissioner के पीछे दौड़भूप किया। हमने अपनी जेबसे पैसा खर्च किया और साथ ही परेशानियाँ उठाई। किंतु फिर भी हम अपनी Constituency में उनका Programme नहीं रख सके। Deputy Commissioner साहब हमसे बोले कि फालां तारीखको मंत्री महोदय हमारे यहाँ पहुँचेंगे। उसके अनुसार हमने उनका Programme रखा। खूब तैयारियाँ की उनके स्वागत के लिये। किंतु आखिर ऐन मौकेपर हमें Telegram मिला कि मंत्री महोदय वहाँ नहीं जा सकेंगे।

हमने फिर दौर घूप किया। खाना पीना तक छोड़ दिया। Deputy Commissioner को Telephone किया फिर भी कुछ न हो सका। इस दौरघूपमें मैंने अपनी जेबसे ५:२७ नये पैसे खर्च किये। मैं पूछना चाहता हूँ कि हमें ये पैसे कौन देगा? हमको क्यों इस तरह की दिक्कतें उठानी पड़ी? इसके लिये जिम्मेदार कौन है? सिर्फ मुझे अकेले को ही नहीं और बहुत से लोगों को इसके लिये काफ़ी दिक्कत उठानी पड़ी? मैं यह कहना चाहता हूँ कि ऐसा नहीं होना चाहिये। मंत्रियों को Local M. L. A. के साथ सलाह करके अपना Tour Programme रखना चाहिये और साथ ही उनकी साथ लेके घूमना चाहिये।

इस Demand के जरिये Officers लोगोंके बेतन के लिये भी मांग की गयी है।

मैं नहीं समझता हूँ कि उनको क्यों इतनी मोटी तनखाह दी जाती है? मैं समझता हूँ कि किसी भी अफसरको माहवार ५०० रुपये से ज्यादा तनखाह नहीं दी जानी चाहिये। क्यों कि हमारा देश गरीब है। अफसरों की तनखाह में ही अगर हम अपनी आमदनी से इतनी बड़ी रकम खर्च करेंगे तो जन-कल्याणमें कहाँ से पैसा खर्च करेंगे? माहवार ५०० रुपये से अधिक वेतन की कोई जरूरत नहीं।

इतना ही कहकर मैं इस Demand की विरोधिता करता हूँ और अपना वक्तव्य खत्म करता हूँ।

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH (Amguri)**  
Mr. Chairman, Sir, I—

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** Mr. Barbaruah, I think it is not necessary to move this motion because your Cut Motion is included under the Cut Motion that has been moved by Shri Prabhat Narayan Choudhury.

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH :** But Sir, the object is not quite clear. Why frequent tour of Ministers? Sir, in 1955 our Ministers drew Rs.60,000 for touring in the flood-affected areas. The flood is there as reported by the Subdivisional Officer or other officers; the party is there and there is also the President. They are also reporting about the floods. Government can rely on these reports. Why did they go directly to see the affected areas?

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** Ministers will be also criticised when they will not go to the affected areas and when the people are in distress.

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH :** Sometimes not. But in many cases the local people affected may be relied upon.

**Shri DEBESWAR SARMAH (Minister, Education, etc.):** Where did you get that figure of 60,000? I challenge that figure.

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH :** It is already published in the Daily *Assamiya*. I accept the challenge.

**Shri DEBESWAR SARMAH :** Sir, the hon. Member is making a statement, *viz*, Rs. 60,000 was incurred for touring in the flood affected areas in 1955. I challenge that

statement. He cannot make a statement on the floor of the House which he cannot substantiate. Everything will be out in the papers that Ministers of the Assam Government spent Rs.60,000 in touring over the flood affected areas. We have never heard about that. So let him withdraw his statement if it cannot be substantiated.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** When the hon. Member makes a statement, I take it that he takes the responsibility of the correctness of the statement. I think he made it at his responsibility. He shall have to submit the basis on which he made that statement when it is challenged.

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH (Amguri):** Yes Sir, I also challenge and accept the challenge.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** Mere acceptance of the challenge will not do. Has the hon. Member got the document now?

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH:** Not now. Sometimes, documents cannot be placed by the Ministers too and even Government cannot place documents immediately.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** Does the hon. Member take the responsibility of submitting this?

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH :** Yes Sir. It has already been published in the Daily Assamiya. It was also perhaps taken from the Gazette or from some reports—such as Public Accounts Committee Report, etc.

**Shri DEBESWAR SARMAH (Minister, Education, etc.):** Sir, I request you to adjourn the House to find out from the Gazette.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** When the hon. Member made that statement I took it that he made it on the basis of certain documents, and subsequently when he was challenged I called upon the hon. Member (Shri Khogendra Nath Barbaruah) to produce those documents. The hon. Member said that he would produce those documents. But according to rule till he produces those documents, he should not make any reference on these points.

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH:** All right Sir, I submit to you and I give the assurance that I will submit these figures.

**Shri DANDESWAR HAZARIKA (Morongi)** : When will you submit them, to-day ?

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH (Am-guri)** : Not today. Even the Ministers could not lay on the table documents or papers then and there although their Heads of Departments are not far away from them.

However Sir, I was saying that when our Deputy Minister had been to Sibsagar recently, according to his programme he was to stay at Sibsagar for 2 days but surprisingly enough he received a telegram from here and after one night he left Sibsagar. Similarly the Agriculture Minister, when he had been to Sibsagar lately and according to the tour programme he was to visit Joysagar in the evening—a copy of his tour programme was given to me—but in the morning he went away. Why is it so, we cannot understand—the people cannot understand. Sir, Sibsagar is not a place for amusement. In this way our Ministers and Deputy Ministers are spending public money unnecessarily.

Then, as regards Secretariat, I submitted questions twice as to why and how the Secretariat came into existence, but I never received any reply. This time also I submitted similar questions but still answers are not forthcoming. Why ? I can see that the matter has been delayed in the Secretariat. I would like to suggest that the Administrative side of the Secretariat should be abolished. There should be only one line of communication the Head of Department should be made *ex-officio* Secretary because we have seen that the Secretariat is the centre of red-tapism. I can cite hundreds of instances to support my contention in this regard. One Shri Nadiram Saikia got a license for a Beel and that Beel was fished out by the villagers but Government did not give him police protection until long afterwards the police went to see the spot. This man applied for remission but no reply has come out as yet. I know this case because I personally represented the case in the Secretariat.

**Shri HARESWER DAS (Minister, Revenue)** : What about his remission petition ?

**Shri KHOGENDRA NATH BARBARUAH** : The Secretariat was silent and he did not get any reply to his petition. In this way Sir, I can cite instances that the Secretariat is the centre of red-tapism but every year new posts are

created in the Secretariat. Why ? What are the reasons ? Sir, this being a poor country I would request the Government that in creating new posts they should be very cautious. Besides that, we know that the work-load of an officer is not more than 2 or 3 slips or receipts as you call them, still for these 2 or 3 receipts one officer with fat salary is maintained. As I have said just now, ours is a poor country, so money should not be spent in this way. I repeat Sir, that the administrative side of the Secretariat should be abolished and the Head of a Department should be made *ex-officio* Secretary. That is the process adopted in the North-East Frontier Agency here. They have no Secretariat in the North-East Frontier Agency. Our Secretariat is the centre of red-tapism, the centre of bureaucracy and the centre of delaying matters. (laughter).

With these words Sir, I support the Cut Motion.

**Shri DANDESWAR HAZARIKA (Morongi):** Mr. Chairman, Sir, we are really surprised why our learned Friend the Leader of the Opposition has objected to the touring by Ministers, Deputy Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries and officers, etc. He being a public man himself and a leader in our State, I think he can appreciate the necessity of touring during these days of democracy in a welfare State. I think he being a leader of the people and a Member of the legislature can hardly find rest as there is public demand everyday. Our Government is a popular Government and as such there is always demand from the public on the Ministers to go here and there to study the difficulties and problems of the people and to see as far as practicable how those difficulties can be met and removed so that the people can get relief. I know Sir, that there is criticism in this House from some Members in the opposition side during the last Budget Session that the Ministers when sometimes they were called upon by the people or when there are certain calamities they could not go to see things by themselves. Of course, I quite appreciate the view expressed by the Leader of Opposition that there should be co-ordinated tours and that unnecessary tours should be avoided. But it is very difficult on our part to say whether the tours made by the Ministers were unnecessary or were not co-ordinated. Let us hope that Government will try its best to see that tours in future be co-ordinated and as far as practicable should be minimised. As my Friend, the Leader of the Opposition knows how expensive now-a-days it is to undertake tours. According to the Ministers' Salaries Act I think it is six annas per mile for the

Ministers and 5½ annas for the Deputy Ministers. So I think no Minister or Deputy Minister would like to make tours unnecessarily, if there is no work or public demand. Then, Sir, coming to the criticism levelled by my Friend, Shri Prabhat Narayan Chaudhury regarding the telephone call Bill and Municipal Bill of Nababhaven, personally I cannot say whether the telephones were used for public purposes or private purposes. Without ascertaining whether it was used actually for private purposes, it is unfair on the part of the hon. Member of this House to cast any aspersion on the Ministers and Officers. Then regarding the Municipal Bill I think my Friend knows that sometimes it so happen that the Bills are not sent regularly and they are sent at a time after a long time at the end of the year and as such it is necessary to make provision in the Supplementary Demand. Regarding the criticism that has been levelled for increase of Officers—Secretaries, Deputy Secretaries, Assistant Secretaries, etc., I am not in a position to clarify. This the Minister-in-charge will clarify this point. But I feel they are necessary in view of the increase in the work. Cottage Industries Department which is now the most important Department, because we want to create employment to the people for which we are giving pressure to the Government, is gradually becoming a big department. So naturally in order to make the department an efficient one, we shall have to provide it with requisite number of Officers. With these few words, Sir, I oppose the cut motions moved from the Opposition.

**Shri JOGA KANTA BARUA (Jaipur):** Mr. Chairman, Sir, I find the Opposition Members are very envious about the Minister's tours. In historical times our Ministers were the Ministers of the king and I find nowhere the king garlanded their Ministers. Now our Ministers are people's Ministers, then why people come to garland them. Rather the Ministers should garland the people. I can assure the Opposition Members that when they will be Ministers they also will be given the same privilege (*laugther*). It is a fact that to administer a country the Ministers should have personal knowledge of the country. But they are neither gods nor Sani'ays that they can see the country from Shillong height. If they stop touring they will be accused for seeing things through official eyes. Of course I myself have something to say against the Ministers. During the last Ministry, my constituency was fortunate to have them now and then though sparingly but in this term of the Ministry, my constituency has been wholly blacked out. I hope the Ministers will under false

more tours so that my constituency may be included in their tours. This is why I oppose the cut motion moved by my Friends from the Opposition. And I request the Ministers to undertake more tours so that people may get an opportunity to have Rajdarshan at home (*laughter*).

**Shri HIRALAL PATWARY (Panery):** माननीय सभापति महोदय ! मैं देखता है कि इस Demand में सदन के बहुत-से सदस्य काफ़ी दिलचस्पी ले रहे हैं। उनकी इस दिलचस्पी को देखकर मुझे भी इस बहस में भाग लेने के लिए बड़ी दिलचस्पी हुई है और इसपर मैं भी अपना विचार प्रकट करना चाहता हूँ।

हमने अक्सर अपने मंत्री महोदयों को हमारे निम्न बेतन-भोगी Primary School के शिक्षकों को यह सलाह देते हुए सुना है कि उनका बेतन कम है, किंतु समाज में उनका बहुत बड़ा सम्मान है। इसलिए उन्हें बेतन बढ़ाने के लिए तोड़जोड़ था। या आन्दोलन वगैरह नहीं करना चाहिए। इस बारे में मैं इतना ही कहना चाहता हूँ कि मंत्रीपद का सम्मान समाज में और भी अधिक है। इसलिए उनको भी कम बेतन लेना चाहिए। मैं उनसे यह अनुरोध करना चाहता कि वे खुद इस कथन का जलन्त उदाहरण समाज के सामने रखें और अपना बेतन घटाके माहवार एक रुपया कर लें। जहाँ पैसे का सवाल आता है वहाँ सम्मान लोप हो जाता है। इसलिये अपने उच्च सम्मान का ध्यान रखते हुए हमारे मंत्री महोदयों को अपना बेतन कम कर लेना चाहिए।

हम M. L. A. लोग भी काफ़ी दौरा करते हैं। हमको दिन-रात घूमना पड़ता है। रात दो-दो बजे तक हम घूमते हैं। किसी भी मंत्री से हम कम नहीं घूमते हैं। किंतु कौन पैसा देता है? हम भी गाड़ी के लिए Petrol खरीदते हैं। हमें भी Private Secretary की जरूरत होती है। लेकिन हम अपनी जेब से ही सारे पैसे खर्च करते हैं। लेकिन हमारे पास तो कोई Private Secretary नहीं होती है। हम अपने हाथ से ही लिख लेते हैं अथवा किसी को पैसा देकर लिखावा लेते हैं। ऐसे हमारे कल्याणमयी राष्ट्र के मंत्रियों की अपने बेतन—दौरा और विलास की सामग्रियों के लिए कभी भी इतना ज्यादा पैसा खर्च नहीं करतना चाहिये। फिर भी जब हमारे मंत्रियों के दौरे के लिए जब इतना पैसा खर्च होता है तो जनता के मन में शंका उत्पन्न होना स्वाभाविक है।

हमारे मंत्रीगण घूमते हैं तो उनके लिए खर्च किये गये पैसे का भी सदुपयोग होना चाहिये। वे घूमते हैं तो उनके घूमने से जनता की समस्याओं का समाधान भी होना चाहिये। लेकिन वह भी नहीं होता है। मैंने देखा है कि मेरी Constituency की माटी का सवाल अबतक हल नहीं हुआ। इसी माटी के सवाल का हल करते करते बहुत-से आदमी गुजर गए। बहुत-से आदमी तरह तरह की परेशानियाँ उठा रहे हैं कि उनकी समस्या का समाधान नहीं हुआ। मैं चाहता हूँ कि जब हमारे मंत्री घूमते हैं तो इन समस्याओं के प्रति ध्यान दें और उनका समाधान करें।

विरोधी दलके हमारे नेता श्रीगोस्वामी जी यह नहीं कह रहे हैं कि वे बिल्कुल न घूमें। वे कह रहे हैं कि वे घूमें, किन्तु यह reasonable हो। वे फिजुल खर्चे न करें। मंत्रीलोग घूमते हैं तो अपने विभाग की खामखयाली को भी मिटावें जैसे स पैसे का सदुपयोग हो। अगर वे इसको ठीक नहीं करेंगे तो १९६१ में हम उनके खिलाफ propaganda करेंगे (*laughter*) और उन्हें अपने हर दौरे का हिसाब देना पड़ेगा। हम यह देख रहे हैं कि मंत्रियों की तरह भी हमारे उपमंत्री भी बहुत

ज्यादा दौरा करते हैं। अगर वे इस तरह घूम घूमकर सारे काम खुद ही देखते फिरेंगे तो Inspector की क्या जरूरत है? अभी अभी मेरे एक मित्र ने यही लिख भेजा है।

मैं उनका नाम नहीं बताना चाहता। किंतु यह सही है कि मंत्रियों का इस तरह घूमना उचित नहीं है। क्यों कि उन्हें अपने अपने विभागीय कार्यों के प्रति भी ध्यान देना चाहिये। अगर वे कार्यालय में रहकर अपने अपने कामों के प्रति उचित ध्यान न दें तो काम रुका हुआ रहता है और देश को नुकसान पहुंचता है। इधर उनके दौरों में काफ़ी रुपये खर्च होते हैं उधर दफ्तर के काम भी पड़े रहते हैं।

जब कोई मंत्री दौरे पर जाते हैं तो वे Local M. L. A. को साथ में लेने के लिए discussion ले लें। Local M. L. A. हर हालत में मंत्री के कामों में मदद कर सकता है। Local M. L. A. जो सुझाव दें उसे put up करें और उसके अनुसार काम करें तो वास्तव में जनता के सारे सवाल पूरे होंगे। Local M. L. A. data collect करने में मंत्री की मदद कर सकता है। यह मेरा ६ नंबर सुझाव है। आशा है, हमारे मंत्री महोदय इसके प्रति ध्यान देंगे।

मेरा दूसरा सुझाव यह है कि हम जनता के प्रतिनिधि हैं। अपनी अपनी Constituency की समस्याओं की जानकारी हमें जितनी होती है उतनी शायद ही और किसी को हो सकती है। इसलिये मंत्रीगण हमसे इन बातों में सलाह लिया करें।

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** I hope the hon. Member will be brief.

**Shri HIRALAL PATWARY (Panery):** जी ! मुझे Food के बारे में भी बोलना है (laughter).

और एक बात मैं कहना चाहता हूँ। वह है Cottage Industry, Sericulture and Weaving और Hand Pounding Rice के बारे में। Hand Pounding चावल की बात से तो मुझे बड़ी हंसी आती है। अभी प्रतिशत ६५ हिस्सा Mill का चावल ही बाजार में मिलता है। इसलिये Hand Pounding चावल के लिये एक मंत्री के रखने की कोई जरूरत नहीं है (Laughter)। इसलिये इस मंत्रीपद को उठा देना चाहिये।

आखिर मैं माननीय ब्रह्म साहव से एक बात बोलना चाहता हूँ। वे खूब Tour करें और हमारे Tangla के पानी की समस्या को हल कर दें।

**\*Shri DEBESWAR SARMAH (Education Minister):** Mr. Chairman, Sir, I would like to say only a few words, because my name was mentioned by hon. Member from Sorbhog. I will not take more than three minutes.

It was mentioned that I went to certain places which he considered that it was not very necessary and in this connection the hon. Member mentioned the names of Kaziranga and some other border places. I did not go to Kaziranga but I did go to Mathimpur.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** Perhaps, the hon. Member did not mention the name of any particular place with reference to any Minister. He only made some general observations.

**\*Shri DEBESWAR SARMAH (Minister, Education):** He mentioned about Mathimpur. Sir, I did visit this and some other places bordering the Bhutan Hill. Some roads are necessary in that area for extraction of timber and also for developing better communication facilities between the two neighbouring countries and also for establishment of better relationship. And having gone there I felt that we should open out at least three roads in that area and I also felt that our Prime Minister could make an easier trip to Bhutan through this area. These roads will be very helpful for development of trade and inter-communication between Bhutan and India. The question of the North Trunk Road was also engaging the attention of the members of this areas. It was further important that first-hand ideas should be had about the North Trunk Road. It is always helpful for Minister to have first-hand information about all these matters. He cannot have adequate ideas if he does not see things for himself.

The only other point I would like to mention within the time-limit of three minutes is that when the Leader of the Opposition mentioned about saving out of tours' income and stated that some people do not eat fish as fish, I felt hurt. Because it is not fair. He and others of his ways and standard can easily find that with the present rate of travelling allowance, it is very difficult to save anything if he is not entirely an unsocial person. Of course, if one go to take tea, food and such other things from others, then it might be different. But I felt hurt, and I do devoutly hope that our mental horizon may be widened.

Thank you, Sir.

**Shri FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED (Minister, Finance):** Mr. Chairman, Sir, I find that there yet remain as many as 24 different demands but some Members of the Opposition appear to be more interested in Ministers' tours and their telephones charges than in offering criticism with regard to other demands to this case which the hon. members will not get opportunity as they will be guillotined at 4 P.M. While these demands some valuable suggestions might have been coming from hon. Members. But it appears we shall be deprived of that opportunity

when some Members are so anxious to discuss about Ministers' tours and their telephones I think it is only proper that, I should reply to the objections and criticisms. It has been stated that one of the purposes for taking these tours by the Ministers is to increase their income. I do not know whether from such information or such figures are collected so as to suggest or insinuate that tours enable the Ministers to augment their income. Sir, I may inform my Friends that, when I come back from a tour I do so after spending more money out of my own pocket than I actually get. This must be the case with my other colleagues also. We draw a daily allowance of Rs.10-8-0 which as you know, is not sufficient. Even Members of the Assembly, who are getting Rs.21 per day may be finding it difficult to manage with that allowance in Shillong. The Ministers till now were entitled to get 7 annas per mile as travelling allowance. The House will be pleased to know that we have considered this matter recently and we propose to reduce this mileage to 6 annas per mile. In future the Ministers will be entitled to 6 annas only per mile instead of 7 annas. Since their cars do not go more than 12 to 13 miles to a gallon of petrol, the hon. Members may calculate the amount the Ministers may get and whether it is sufficient to meet the petrol expenses. So far as telephone charges are concerned, I am prepared to show my account, any hon. Member can go and ask my Private Secretary to show the bills which has been paid. I pay for all the petrol cells out of my pocket. I have no doubt whatsoever that my other colleagues when using telephones for private calls must be paying for those call out of their own pockets.

I am also surprised to hear from one Member from Barpeta that in the Tarabari by-election some Ministers travelled at Government expenses. So far as I am concerned, Sir, I give this categorical statement that I never charged any T. A. or mileage when I went to Barpeta in connection with the bye election. When I went there for election purposes from North Gauhati I travelled in a Congress car for which I did not draw any T. A. or mileage. Yet there is insinuation an allegation made are sweeping and general. I have no doubt that my colleagues realise from the public fund for T. A. which are not connected with Government duty.

Now as regards the increased expenditure on T.A. of Ministers and officers I will only ask the hon. Members to bear this in mind that, on account of increased activities, it is necessary for the Ministers and officers to go out on tours both within and

outside the State. So many conferences are held at Delhi where I feel if at any time a Minister or an officer is not present to place the case of Assam, our case is sure to go by default. It has therefore becomes necessary for many of us to go and attend those conference whenever they are held outside the State. So far as the tours in the State itself is concerned, I have been in office for a period of one year and during this period it has not been possible for me to cover the entire State. I am very sorry that I have not been able to go to many places on the north bank and to all the hills districts. Though some hon. Members were from the Opposition have approached me several times and it has not been possible for me to visit some of their areas in their constituencies. The demand for more tours is there. So, it is really difficult for me to understand when Ministers are criticised for going out on tours. Sir, I should like the hon. Members to realise that, on account of our increased activities, whether as Members of the Assembly or as Members of the Government, it has become necessary for us to spend more money on tours than was originally provided in the budget.

My Friend, Shri Patwary was horrified to know that by this Demand 17 lakhs of rupees are required for these tours and similar expenditure. I am sure he has not read the Supplementary Demand properly. If he had done so he would not have made such a sweeping remark that this amount was spent by Minister of their tours and the tours of the Officers. In this amount also is included the expenditure which has been incurred on account of increased T. A. of the Member of the Assembly also. The hon. Members will find from page 12 that we had provided one lakh of rupees for allowances of the Members, but we are asking for as Supplementary Demand of Rs.57,000 spent on Members' allowances. The expenditure has incurred because it is necessary for the Members to come to Shillong and attend more meetings and committees. Similarly, when there is increase in the expenditure for Ministers' tour, which is proportionately less than what is asked for the Members, it only shows that the Ministers had to go out more on tours in order to attend to all kinds of demands that caused from various quarters in the State and it does not show that these tours were undertaken by them in order to augment their income. I hope the hon. Members will not become so uncharitable as to impute such motives either to the officers or to the Ministers when there is no justification to do so. But so far as the question of economy or principle in such expenditure is concerned I am at one with the Leader of the Opposition that it should be our duty to see that the expenditure

is kept down as low as possible so that we may be able to utilise the fund at our disposal for more important and more pressing needs. So far as the enunciation of the principle is concerned I entirely agree with the proposal and the suggestion that has been made by him it will be borne in by my colleagues, myself and we shall give it our utmost consideration. In fact, this question is before us and we propose to reduce expenditure under this head. I may inform the House that I have discussed this matter and are anxious to reduce the expenditures at least to the extent of 10 per cent. I shall also see, as Finance Minister, that such expenditure is not incurred beyond what is necessary.

Then, another criticism which has been made by some hon. Members with regard to the increase in the number of posts in the Secretariat, I wish to say that the Members have not correctly appreciated the real position. Since 1958 there has been an increase of only a few posts, that is from 113 to 127. Out of this 5 posts of Superintendents, 10 posts of Assistant Secretaries and 3 posts of Joint Secretaries have been created. So far as Deputy Secretaries are concerned there is no increase. The number remains the same. So far the Joint Secretary of the Finance Department is concerned this post was created by abolishing the post of a Deputy Secretary. This is not in fact a case of increase but merely of up grading. Of course, we have created the post of a Joint Secretary for Tribal Affairs Department. The activities of the department are so much on the increase after the reorganisation of the department that it became necessary to create the post. I am sure, with the creation of this post the State as a whole is benefited and I don't think anybody should be sorry for this increase of post.

So far as the Development Commissioner and Secretary, Development and Planning is concerned, formerly the function of the former was discharged by the Chief Secretary. The hon. Members are aware that now-a-days the Chief Secretary's work has increased so much that it is difficult for him to do any other work. The Government of India also wanted separating this function of Development Commissioner from the Chief Secretary. When we are having categories of Panchayats and the activities of Community Project are being extended, I feel the post of the Development Commissioner and Secretary and Planning should be held not by a separate officer but one of the status of the Chief Secretary in the State. Considering all these, this post was created and we have not committed any waste.

I have already stated that there has been no increase in the number of Deputy Secretaries but so far as Under-Secretaries are concerned only two posts have been increased. The increase is mostly in the case of Superintendents and Assistant Secretaries. The hon. Members are aware that with the increase of the number of Assistants, the number of Superintendents have to be increased as we go by a certain formula under which for a certain number of Assistants, one Superintendent is required. The increase in the number of Assistant Secretaries is mostly due to abolition of posts some Special Officers posts and converting them as Assistant Secretaries.

After I have given this information, the hon. Member will realise that there is actually no increase except such increase as was necessitated by increase of work in the departments concerned.

So far as Finance Department is concerned, the hon. Members are aware that in addition to the work of budget and other financial controls, it is also the duty of the Finance Department to supervise the administration of revenue collection such as, Sales Tax Department, Agricultural Income-tax Department and so on. With these works daily increasing and becoming more and more complex and as these are likely to bring in more receipt to the State, it was felt necessary that some senior and able officer should be put in-charge of these works. It was found that the Finance Secretary was overburdened with other work. Therefore, the post of joint Secretary, Finance was created and it has been filled by a senior officer who is discharging his duty very well.

Sir, there was also some criticism about the appointment of an outsider as the Director of Industries. He was appointed because he has high technical qualifications to give us advice for the development of industries in the State. This particular gentleman was really responsible for bringing in a large number of industries in the Saurashtra State and he was highly recommended by the Government of that State. By his appointment, we hope we shall get help to implement many of the schemes for developing industries we have in view.

Then, some hon. Members stated that Ministers undertake tours for the purpose of Party Politics and propaganda for Congress. I do not understand, what justification Members of Opposition have to make such an uncharitable remarks.

On the other hand there is complaint from Members of the Congress Party that when the Ministers are out on tour they give too much opportunities to the Opposition Members to meet them and they do not find sufficient time to place grievances of their constituencies. In face of this for, Members of the Opposition to complaint that they do not get opportunity to meet the Ministers is without any justification. I am sure the Leader of the Opposition will bear out that whenever I have gone out, I have tried to contact all that Members concerned of the area irrespective of the consideration whether belongs to the Congress Party or Opposition, I have never made a difference.

**Shri PRABHAT NARAYAN CHAUDHURY (Nalbari East):** On a point of information, is this the reason why the Chief Minister and some other Ministers do not like to make a programme for Nalbari ?

**Shri FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED (Minister, Finance):** I think, he has referred to me. I shall surely go to Nalbari, in spite of the fact that my Friend had joined hands with others in criticising the Minister's tours. (*Laughter*).

So, it is very unfair to bring the charge. My colleagues and I, when we go out on tours we send tour programmes not only to our Party Members but even to the Members of the Opposition.

Whenever any grievance is brought to our notice by hon. Members including those in Opposition they receive due consideration. We do not make any distinction between Congress and non-Congress M.L.As. We only want to serve the people and whenever any genuine grievance of the people is brought to our notice, whether by a Congress Member, or non-Congress Member we attend to it. So, I think it is very unfair to level this kind of criticism against us.

Then, Sir, Mr. Upadhyaya complained about a certain incident which took place at Silchar. I had promised to go and preside over a function arranged by him subject to the adjustment of my programme with that arranged by the Deputy Commissioner. So, I asked him to go down to Silchar, contact the Deputy Commissioner and see if my programme could be adjusted. I told him I would be only glad to go if this could be done. When I went to Silchar I found that the Deputy Commissioner had on the same day and at the same time fixed some other programme for me. That was done by the Deputy Commissioner himself and not

by any Congress member or the Congress organisation. The Deputy Commissioner said that since he had already made a commitment about it would be impossible to accommodate Shri Upadhyaya. Since I could not be at both the places at the same time, I sent our Chief Parliamentary Secretary to be present at the function organised by Mr. Upadhyaya and I attended the programme arranged by the Deputy Commissioner. I am sorry, Sir, this sort of thing took place due to some misunderstanding. It has never been my desire not to accommodate a Member who does not belong to the Congress Organisation.

With these few words, I request the hon. Members to withdraw their Cut Motions.

**Mr CHAIRMAN:** It is past four. All the cut motions are guillotined. I shall put the main demand.

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.17,70,529 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959, for administration of the head. "25.—General Administration".

(The question was adopted.)

### Supplementary Demand No.7 "27.—Administration of Justice

**Shri FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED (Minister, Judicial and Legislative):**

On the recommendation of the Government of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.1,00,690 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959, for administration of the head "27.—Administration of Justice."

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ..	18,79,900
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year—	
Additional amount now required ... ..	1,00,690

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
<b>B.—Law Officers—</b>							
(b) Legal Remembrancer—							
3. Allowances and Honoraria.	55,000	...	..	..	4,500	..	4,500
<b>D.—Civil and Session Court—</b>							
(a) District and Sessions Judges.							
3.—Allowances and Honoraria.	1,38,500	...	..	..	3,700	...	3,700
4. Contingencies ..	1,24,800	..	...	..	9,500	...	9,500
<b>E.—Criminal Courts—</b>							
2. Pay of Establishment.	2,57,600	1,000	...	..	1,200	430	1,630
3. Allowance and Honoraria.	1,73,100	1,910	..	..	43,330	1,250	44,580
4. Contingency ..	3,94,900	22,400	...	..	29,950	6,830	36,780
Total ..	..	..	..	..	92,180	8,510	1,00,690

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*B.—law officers—(b) Legal Remembrancer.*—An advance of Rs.4,500 from the Contingency Fund was taken to meet the Travelling Allowances and Dearness Allowances of invitees to the conference of Government Pleaders and representatives of Bar Association to discuss various matters relating to the administration of justice in the State. It is now necessary to regularise this advance by taking supplementary grant. Hence the demand.

*3. District and Session judges—Allowances and Honoraria.*—The amount is required for District and Session Judge, Upper Assam Division at Jorhat to meet the increased expenditure under Remuneration to copyists due to heavy rise in application for copies and under Travelling Allowance of establishment due to transfer of establishment. Hence the Demand.

4. *Contingencies*.—The demand is particularly to meet the increased expenditure in Cachar Judgeship owing to sanctioning of two more Courts of Additional Munshiffs one at Sadar and another at Karimganj, which was not taken by the District Judge, Cachar into account at the time of submitting the budget estimates.

*E.—Criminal Courts*—2. Pay of establishment.—The additional amount is required to meet the increased expenditure due to operation of revised scales of pay.

Allowances and Honoraria.—The Additional amount is required to meet the increased expenditure due to drawal of *ad-hoc* Dearness Allowances and Cash allowance under revised pay scales.

4. *Contingencies*.—The additional amount is required mainly under “Diet and Road money to witnesses” due to increase of numbers of criminal courts.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.1,00,690 be granted to the Minister-in-charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959, for administration of the head “27.—Administration of Justice”.

(The Motion was put as a question before the House and adopted).

### Supplementary Demand No.8 “28. Jails and Convicts Settlement”

**Shri DEBESWAR SARMAH (Minister, Jails):**

On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.3,75,972 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959, for the administration of head “28.—Jails and Convicts Settlement.”

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	Rs. 23,25,800
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	
Additional amount now required ...	3,76,972

### III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
<b>A.—District Jails.—</b>							
1. Pay of Officers ..	13,860	1,595	..	..	1,972	..	1,972
2. Pay of establishment.	3,46,795	33,137	..	..	2,508	7,443	9,951
3. Allowance and Honoraria.	1,79,177	33,150	..	..	57,372	10,331	67,703
4. Contingencies ..	12,83,500	67,545	..	..	1,50,375	32,350	1,82,725
<b>B.—Charge for</b>							
Police Custody ..	1,06,456	31,495	..	..	20,730	8,500	29,230
D.—Jail Manufactures.	1,61,930	1,800	..	..	82,771	1,530	84,301
<b>E.—Works—</b>							
<b>(a)—Original Works—</b>							
3. Jail Manufacture.	10,000	..	..	..	1,090	..	1,090
Total	..	..	..	..	3,16,818	60,154	3,76,972

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A.—*District Jails.*—1. The additional amount is required due to payment of increased jail allowance to certain Jail Superintendents as a result of reclassification of some jails on population basis.

2. The additional amount is required due to payment of revised scales of pay to the staff and also for entertainment of some temporary staff due to increase of jail population.

3. The amount is required to meet the expenditure due to grant of *Ad-hoc* Dearness Allowance to low paid Government Servants and also to meet the expenses of Travelling Allowance and Dearness Allowance on officers sent outside the State for attending a special course of training and Seminars.

4. The amount is required due to rise in prices of the dietary article clothing, feeding, etc., and due to increase in the jail population. The existing budget grant is quite inadequate to meet the expenses.

*B. Charges for Police custody.*—The amount is required due to increase expenditure under Diet and Conveyances of under-trial prisoners, which is very uncertain and depends on the number of under-trial prisoners during a particular year.

*D. Jail Manufacture.*—The amount is required due to grant of *Ad-hoc* Dearness Allowance to low paid Government servants and also for meeting Travelling Allowance of Officers sent outside the State in connection with improvement of Jails industries and to purchase of greater quantity of raw materials than originally anticipated and also due to rise in prices of raw materials.

#### *E. Works*

*(a) Original works.*—The amount is required for completion of the construction of shed in the Industrial Section, Jorhat Jail.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.3,76,972, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959, for the administration of the head—"Jails and Convicts Settlement."

(The motion was put as a question before the House and adopted).

### **Supplementary Demand No. 9.—"29 Police"**

**Shri FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED (Minister, Finance) :**

On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.40,40,152 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959, for the administration of the head "29.—Police".

		Rs.
I. Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	...	2,38,96,100
II. Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly ...	...	26,80,000
Additional amount now required...	...	40,40,152

### III. Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
<b>(1) B—D.E.F.—(a) District Police—</b>							
2. Pay of Establishment	(55,48,061)	..	..	..	2,00,000	...	2,00,000
3. Allowances and Honoraria.	(30,42,963)	..	..	..	5,00,000	..	5,00,000
4. Contingencies	(21,90,181)	(5,78,439)	4,60,000	7,80,000	1,75,000	1,79,610	3,54,610
12. Police Force deputed by other States.	1,00,000	..	5,50,000	..	15,46,024	..	15,46,024
<b>(2) C.—Police Training College.</b>							
	2,56,700	..	..	..	50,000	..	50,000
<b>(3) F.—Railway Police—</b>							
(b) Criminal & other Police.	3,24,450	..	..	..	80,000	...	80,000
<b>(4) G—C.I.D.</b>							
<b>(a) C.I.D. (Proper)—</b>							
3. Allowances and honoraria.	5,66,600	..	..	..	1,50,000	..	1,50,000
Expenditure in connection with operations against Naga Hostiles in the Plains Sector.	..	..	..	..	39,000	..	39,000

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
(c) W. T. Department	8,47,264	..	..	..	1,20,000	..	1,20,000
(d) B.S.F.	.. 33,58,200	..	8,50,000	..	8,62,400	..	8,62,400
Expenditure in connection with troubles on the Indo-Pak Border.	..	..	..	..	49,000	40,000	89,000
(5) J.—Works							
(a) Original Work—	50,000	..	..	..	1,900	..	1,900
1. Police—							
Expenditure in connection with operations against Naga Hostiles in the Plains Sector and Hills Sector.	..	..	..	30,000	..	5,000	5,000
2. Border Security Force	50,000	..	..	..	42,218	..	42,218
Total	..	..	..	..	38,15,542	2,24,610	40,40,152

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

(1) 2. The amount of Rs.2,00,000 proposed under "General" is required to meet the additional expenditure in connection with drawa of arrears of pay in the revised scales of pay, 1956.

3. The amount of Rs.5,00,000 proposed under "General" is required to meet additional expenditure on account of grant of *Ad-hoc* increase in Dearness Allowance of the personnel drawing total emoluments not exceeding Rs.100 per mensem and also due to increase in Dearness Allowance on the basis of revised scale of pay.

4. Out of the amount of Rs.1,75,000 proposed under "General" Rs.1,50,000 is required due to increased expenditure on (a) maintenance of Motor Vehicles and (b) supply of clothing due to expansion of the Police Force and the balance of Rs.25,000 is to meet increased expenditure on Service Postage Stamps and entertainment of more casual employees.

The sum of Rs.1,79,610 proposed under "Sixth Schedule" is for regularisation of the same amount taken as advance from Contingency Fund for meeting the cost of vehicles, viz., 5 power wagons and 8 jeeps purchased from the Government of Madhya Pradesh in 1956 in connection with Naga Hills operations, payment for which could not be made earlier due to non-receipts of details about the cost and freight charges from that Government.

12. The sum of Rs.15,45,024 is required to meet the expenditure on account of loan (1) the Uttar Pradesh Railway Protection Police in connection with operations against Naga Hostiles in the Plain Sector and (2) The XVIII Battalions of the Uttar Pradesh Provincial Armed Constabulary in connection with troubles on the Indo-Pak Border and for arrear payment of cost of Army scale of ration.

(2) The sum of Rs.5,000 proposed under "General" is required to meet increased expenditure on account of (a) Posting of a Senior Indian Police Service officer as Principal of the Police Training College (b) Maintenance of motor vehicles (c) Purchase of arms, etc., and entertainment of more casual employees.

(3) The sum of Rs 10,000 proposed under "General" is required to meet increased expenditure on account of payment in revised scales of pay and the grant of *ad-hoc* Dearness Allowance.

(4)—(a) 3. The sum of Rs.1,50,000 proposed under "General" is required to meet increased expenditure due to grant of *Adhoc* increase in Dearness Allowance and more expenditure on Travelling Allowance of Establishment.

The sum of Rs.39 000 proposed under "General" is required to meet the expenditure on Criminal Investigation Department staff in connections with operation against Naga Hostiles in the areas adjoining the Naga Hills District.

(c) The sum of Rs.1,20,000 proposed under "General" is required to meet (a) expenditure on *Adhoc* increase in Dearness Allowance, (b) grant of house-rent allowance, (c), Hills allowance of personnel posted in Mikir Hills and (d) purchase of equipment for Wireless Telephone Stations.

(d) The sum of Rs.8,62,400 proposed under "General" is required to meet the expenditure on the newly sanctioned 3rd B. S. F. Battalion for which no provision was made in the current year's budget.

The amount of Rs.49,000 and Rs.40,000 proposed under "General" and "Sixth Schedule" respectively are for regularisation of the advances of Rs.35,000, 14,000 and 40,000 taken from Contingency Fund in connection with the troubles on the Indo-Pak Border. The expenditure was incurred for hiring of transport, for engagement of Porters and for maintenance of water supply station at Masimpur.

(5)—J. (a) (1) The sum of Rs.1,900 proposed under "General" is required to meet the cost of construction of a stable in the Police Training College.

The sum of Rs.5,000 proposed under "Sixth Schedule" is required to meet the cost of temporary buildings for police personnel in North Cachar Hills in connection with operation against Naga Hostiles.

(2) The sum of Rs.42,218 is required to meet the cost of construction of Border Outposts on the Indo-Pak Border.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.40,40,152, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March 1959 for the administration of the head "29—Police".

(The motion was put as a question before the House and adopted).

### Supplementary Demand No. 10 "37.—Education"

**Shri DEBESWAR SARMAH (Minister, Education):** On recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.9,40,000 be granted to Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959, for administration of the head "37-Education".

	Rs.
I. Grant originally voted by the Assembly ..	4,78,16,000
II. Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year. 26,28,388	
Additional amount now required ... ..	9,40,000
III. Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—	

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Normal							
1. S. Miscellaneous—							
(d) Other Miscellaneous Charges.	4,04,900	6,250	..	..	1,50,000	..	1,50,000
DEVELOPMENT SCHEME SECOND FIVE YEAR PLAN ART. 275,							

Minor and sub-head (1)	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	Total
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
2. C-5.—Direct grant to non-Government Arts Colleges.	60,000	60,000	..	..	..	12,000	12,000
3. C-5.—Direct grant to non-Government Secondary School.	2,45,000	2,50,000	..	..	..	63,000	63,000
4. J-5.—Direct grant to non-Government Primary Schools.	..	90,000	..	..	..	2,00,000	2,00,000
5. S-5.—Miscellaneous.	74,000	55,000	..	..	..	15,000	15,000
(ii) Development Scheme Second Five Year Plan G.6.—Direct grant to non-Government Secondary School.	28,90,000	..	..	..	5,00,000	..	5,00,000
Total	..	..	..	..	6,50,000	2,90,000	9,40,000

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. During the first part of this financial year (1958-59), Government have taken up a new scheme for establishing State sponsored Flying Club in Assam at Borjhar. The scheme is required to be implemented urgently and it could not wait for making provision by Supplementary Demand. Therefore a sum of Rs.1,50,000 was advanced from Contingency Fund.

Hence this Supplementary Demand is moved for regularisation of the amount already advanced from Contingency Fund.

2, 3, 5 & 4(a).—The Advisory Council for Hills in its first meeting recommended that since the provisions earmarked for 'Teachers' Training Centre' and for 'Establishment of Technical Schools' at Rs.1,20,000 each cannot be utilized in full as proposals for construction of these projects were received so late in the year that whole amount cannot be spent during

the current year, part of these provisions should be transferred to other educational schemes. It has, therefore, been decided that the sum of Rs. 1,90,000 be utilised to augment the existing provisions of—

	Rs.
(1) Grant-in-aid to Non-Government Secondary Schools	63,000
(2) Accommodation of Hills Students in Colleges ...	12,000
(3) Contribution to Non-Government institutions for encouragement of cultural activities.	15,000
(4) Grant-in-aid to Non-Government Primary Schools	1,00,000
Total ...	<u>1,90,000</u>

But as the provisions proposed to be transferred as provided under the major head "50-Civil Works", the usual course of re-appropriation cannot be resorted to. The amount is, therefore, proposed to be surrendered from "60-Civil Works" and a corresponding amount be provided under "37-Education". Hence the Supplementary Demand.

4 (b)—A sum of Rs.1,00,000 is required for giving grants-in-aid to District Councils, United Khasi and Jaintia Hills, Garo Hills and Mizo District for improvement of Primary Education in the Border Areas. This is provided from out of the block grant of Rs.25,00,000 sanctioned by Government of India for Border Relief during the current financial year.

G-6. *Direct Grants to Non-Government Secondary Schools.*—The rates of Dearness Allowance previously enjoyed by the employees of the Aided Secondary School were quite inadequate in view of the present cost and High Standard of living. The Government, therefore, considering all these point increased the rate of Dearness Allowance of the employees of the Aided Secondary Schools from Rs.10 to 15 per mensem to each teacher and clerk and from Rs.6 to 9 per mensem to each menial with effect from 1st April, 1957 and will remain in operation up to the end of the Second Five Year Plan, when the position will be reviewed again. The sanction was issued at the close of the last financial year and there was no time left to make provision for this expenditure in the current years' budget. The extra expenditure involved in this connection is round about Rs.5,00,000 and is being met from the over all savings of the Plan Budget of the State.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.94,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959, for administration of the head—"37-Education."

(The motion was put as a question before the House and adopted).

## Supplementary Demand No.11 "39.—Public Health"

**Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA (Minister, Public Health) :**  
On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.3,25,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959 for administration of the head "39.—Public Health".

Rs.

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ... 1,09,64,300

II.—Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year. 85,048

Additional amount now required .. ... 3,25,000

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for:—

Minor and sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.

### SECOND FIVE YEAR PLAN

#### A—6—Public Health Establishment—

#### (b) National Malaria Control Programme

4. Contingencies..	13,06,500	..	..	..	3,25,000	..	3,25,000
Total ..	..	..	..	..	3,25,000	..	3,25,000

### EXPLANATORY NOTES

(a) Out of Rs.3,25,000, an amount of Rs.75,000 is required for maintenance of vehicles, as 14 Jeeps and 37 Trucks had to ply long distance almost throughout the year. In many cases various parts of the vehicles had to be replaced by local purchase. In addition to that, Trucks had to be hired for which this Department had to bear the cost of petrol also, and the balance amount of Rs.2,50,000 is required for entertainment of Casual Employees under the Malaria Eradication Programme.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.3,25,000, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1959, for administration of the head "39—Public Health".

(The motion was put as a question before the House and adopted).

### Supplementary Demand No. 12

#### "40.—Agriculture."

**M. MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY (Minister, Agriculture):** On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs. 6,00,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959 for the administration of the head "40.—Agriculture".

Rs.

I.—Grant originally Voted by the Assembly ... .. 1,69,33,400

II.—Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year: Nil

Additional amount now required ... .. 6,00,000

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	Total
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
F—Agricultural Experimente and Research.							
Grants-in-aid contribu- tion, etc., Expenditure in connection with Border Relief—Grant- in-aid for regeneration of cash crops—	..	..	..	..	..	6,00,000	6,00,000

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

The Scheme provides for giving cash subsidy to individual families who have mainly to depend upon cash crops such as Oranges, Arecanuts Pan-leaves, Black pepper, Pine-apple, Bananas, etc., for their maintenance at the rate of Rs.225 per acre subject to a maximum of Rs.450 per family. During the current year the deserving families would be given 50 per cent of the subsidy to enable them to prepare the ground for regeneration and extension of their plantation. The balance 50 per cent will be made early next year after the satisfactory completion of the regeneration work proposed.

The Scheme for Relief on Agriculture for Border Areas is also for the granting of seeds and fertilisers at subsidised rates for encouraging the growers. The amount has been advanced from the Contingency Fund and the S/D is necessary to regularise the same.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 6,00,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959, for the administration of the head "40-Agriculture."

(The motion was put as a question before the House and adopted.)

## Supplementary Demand No. 13

## "41. Veterinary"

**M. MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY (Minister, Veterinary):** On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.2,27,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959 for the administration of the head "41.—Veterinary."

			Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	...	...	47,85,600
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	...	...	Nil
Additional amount now required	...	...	2,27,000

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required			
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	Total	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
(1).F.—Other charges (a)								
Livestock Farm—								
(ii) Khanapara Cattle Farm—	..	61,000	..	..	..	15,000	..	15,000
3. Contingencies (iii) Barpeta Cattle Farm—	..	24,550	..	..	..	12,000	..	12,000
3. Contingencies (iv) Dibrugarh Cattle Farm—	..	42,400	..	..	..	15,000	..	15,000
(2). Development Scheme (1st Five Year Plan).								
F. 2—Other charges								
(a) Scheme for increased Milk Supply—								
(i) Khanapara Cattle Farm—	..	74,600	..	..	..	85,000	..	85,000
3. Contingencies (ii) Barpeta Cattle Farm—	..	52,800	..	..	..	50,000	..	50,000
3. Contingencies (iii) Dibrugarh Cattle Farm—	..	54,925	..	..	..	50,000	..	50,000
3. Contingencies	..	..	..	..	..	2,27,000	..	2,27,000

EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. The existing provision is not adequate to meet the expenditure for cattle feed and upkeep charges for increased number of animals of Khanapara, Barpeta and Dibrugarh Cattle Farms. Hence the demand.

2. The additional fund is required for the maintenance of Murrah Buffaloes purchased and the stock has been increased with new born calves in the Farm to supply milk to certain urban areas under the 'Increased Milk Supply Scheme'. The current year's provision is not adequate to meet the

expenditure for upkeep charges of the animals of Khanapara, Barpeta and Dibrugarh Cattle Farms under the 'Increased Milk Supply Scheme'. Hence the demand.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 2,27,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959 for the administration of the head "41.—Veterinary".

(The motion was put as a question before the House and) adopted).

### Supplementary Demand No. 14

#### "42.—Co-operation—I—Co-operative Societies"

**M. MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY (Minister, Co-operatives):** On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.80,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959 for administration of the head "42—Co-operation—I—Co-operative Societies".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ..	31,39,400
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	Nil
Additional amount now required ... ..	80,000

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		Total
	Sixth General	Sixth Schedule	Sixth General	Sixth Schedule	Sixth General	Sixth Schedule	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
E. 1.—Works— (a) Original works .. Construction of Ga- downs—Expenditure in connection with Border relief—	..	..	..	..	..	80,000	80,000
Total ..	..	..	..	..	..	80,000	80,000

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

Home Ministry, Government of India has sanctioned Rs.25 lakhs to the State Government to take up the Border Relief and economic rehabilitation programme for the current year in the affected areas. Out of the said provision of Rs.25 lakhs Government has allotted Rs. 80,000 to the Co-operative Department to construct 4 Godowns (two in the Garo Hills and 2 in the United K. & J. Hills) at an estimated cost of Rs. 20,000 each for the purpose of storage of the produce of the border people. All preliminary steps have been taken and lands obtained for this purpose. To effect immediate implementation of the scheme the amount of Rs. 80,000 was advanced from contingency fund. Hence the supplementary demand to regularise the advance.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 80,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of the payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959, for administration of the head "42—Co-operation—I—Co-operative Societies".

(The motion was put as a question before the House and adopted).

## Supplementary Demand No. 15

**"43.—Industries and Supplies—II—Cottage Industries"**

**Shri MAHENDRA NATH HAZARIKA, (Minister, Cottage Industries):** On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs. 1,10,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959, for the administration of the head "43.—Industries and Supplies—II—Cottage Industries".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	34,22,800
II.—Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	Nil
Additional amount now reequired ...	1,10,000

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during August, 1958 Session		Additional amount now required		Total
	Sixth		Sixth		Sixth		
	General	Schedule	General	Schedule	General	Schedule	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Development Schemes (2nd Five Year-Plan)—E-6.—Works (a) Original Works—	..	..	..	..	1,10,000	..	1,10,000
Total	..	..	..	..	1,10,000	..	1,10,000

EXPLANATORY NOTES

The additional amount of Rs. 1,10,000 is required in connection with the construction of Training-cum-Production Institute for which there was funds under "81—Capital Accounts of Civil Works". The construction of buildings is being now carried out departmentally and provision has to be made under "43—Industries and Supplies—II—Cottage Industries" accordingly. The charge will be relieved by surrendering a corresponding amount under the head "81—Capital Accounts of Civil Works" as no re-appropriation is possible.

Hence the Demand.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 1,10,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959, for the administration of the head "43.—Industries and Supplies—II—Cottage Industries".

(The motion was put as a question before the House and adopted).

SUPPLEMENTARY DEMAND No. 16

"43.—Industries and Supplies—(III—Major Industries)"

**Shri KAMAKHYA PRASAD TRIPATHY (Minister, Major Industries):** On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs. 53,400 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain

charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959 for the administration of the head "43—Industries and Supplies—(III—Major Industries)."

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly .. ..	Rs. 38,900
II.—Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	15,000
Additional amount now required ... ..	53,400
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—	...

Minor and Sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Second Five Year-Plan—A. Provincial Organisation (v) Direction.							
2. Pay of Establishment.	4,300	..	..	..	400	..	400
3. Allowance and Honoraria.	7,600	..	10,000	..	865	..	865
4. Contingencies	7,800	..	5,000	..	1,135	..	1,135
5. Contribution to the National Council of Applied Economic Research Economic Survey of Assam.	..	..	..	..	50,000	..	50,000
6. Works .. ..	..	..	..	..	1,000	..	1,000
Total .. ..	..	..	..	..	53,400	..	53,400

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

2—4. The Additional expenditure is required to meet the pay, Allowance and Honoraria and Contingencies for the establishment of the Directorate of Industries (Major) consequent on the strengthening of the office and also to meet the expenditure on travelling allowance of the Director of Industries who is required to attend the Licencing Committee Meetings in New Delhi almost every month. No provision for these expenditure was made in the current year's budget as these could not be foreseen at the time of framing the budget estimates for these years. Hence the advance was taken from the Contingency Fund to meet the additional requirement. The Supplementary Demand is only to regularise the advances taken from the Contingency Fund.

5. The amount is required for expenditure in connection with the Techno-Economic Survey of Assam to be carried out by the National Council of Applied Economic Research. The cost of the survey would be about Rs. 3.50 lakhs sharable by the Council and the State Government. The council has agreed to meet an expenditure upto 1.5 lakh. The State Government is therefore required to contribute Rs. 2 lakhs in four equal instalments. The first instalment is due in the current year. The amount could not be provided in the current year's Budget as this could not be anticipated at the time of preparation of Budget estimates. The amount will be met from over all savings in the Plan.

6. An amount of Rs. 1,000 was sanctioned by the Government to meet the expenditure of soil boring tests, etc., in the proposed site for Assam Oil Refinery at Kokrajhar. There is no provision in the Current Year's Budget for this purpose as this could not be foreseen at the time of framing the Budget Estimates. The expenditure was met by taking an advance from the Contingency Fund as this was urgently required. The Refinery authorities will reimburse this amount subsequently. The Supplementary Demand is proposed to regularise the advance taken from the Contingency Fund.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 53,400 be granted to Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959, for the administration of the head—"43.—Industries Supplies—(III—Major Industries)."

(The motion was put as a question before the House and adopted)

## SUPPLEMENTARY DEMAND No. 17

**"50—Civil Works (Excluding Tools and Plant and Establishment)."**

**Shri FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED (Minister, Finance):** On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs. 1,300 be granted to

the Minister-in charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959 for administration of the head "50.—Civil Works (Excluding Tools and Plants and Establishment)."

							Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...							7,23,15,200
II —Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year.							96,000
Additional amount now required ...							1,300
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—							...
Minor and sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth schedule	General	sixth schedule	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
D—Grants-in aid for communication—							
1—Grants to Municipal Board							
Non-recurring. ...	50,000	..	..	..	1,300	..	1,300

### EXPLANATORY NOTES

The Accountant General, Assam issued payment order on the Gauhati Treasury instead of on the Barpeta Sub-Treasury and as such the payment order had to be modified and in doing so the matter was delayed and grant lapsed. The Sarthebari Town Committee has moved for renewal of the grant. Hence this Supplementary Demand.

**Mr. Chairman:** The motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 1,300, be granted to Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959 for administration of the head—"50.—Civil Works (Excluding Tools and Plants and Establishment)".

(The motion was put as a question before the House and adopted).

## SUPPLEMENTARY DEMAND No. 18

## “50—Civil Works (Establishment and Tools and Plants)”

**Shri DEBESWAR SARMA (Minister, P. W. D.):** On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs. 15,00,000, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959 for the administration of the head “50.—Civil Works—(Establishment and Tools and Plant)”.

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	...	Rs. 82,11,000
II.—Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year.		Nil.
Additional amount now required	... ..	15,00,000
III.—Sub-head under which the supplementary demand will be accounted for.		...

Minor and Sub-heads	grant Originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Development Scheme—							
2nd Five Year Plan) E-6—Tools and Plant.	5,00,000	..	..	..	15,00,000	..	15,00,000
Total	..	..	..	..	15,00,000	..	15,00,000

## EXPLANATORY. NOTES

Please see the Schedule at appendix 'A'

**Mr. Chairman:**—The motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 15,00,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959 for the administration of the head—"50—Civil Works—(Establishment and tools and Plants.

(The motion was put as a question before the House and adopted.)

**Supplementary Demand No. 19**  
**"54—Famine Relief."**

**Shri HARESWAR DAS (Minister, Revenue):** On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs. 5,27,495 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959 for the administration of the head "54.—Famine Relief".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	35,92,000
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	...
Additional amount now required ...	5,27,495
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—	...

Minor and Sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General Schedule	Sixth Schedule	General Schedule	Sixth Schedule	General Schedule	Sixth Schedule	Total
	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
A—Famine Relief—							
(ii) Relief Works.	2,50,000	3,00,00	..	..	1,70,000	..	1,70,000
(a) Expenditure in connection with Border Relief.	..	..	..	..	..	3,00,000	3,00,000
(b) Gratuitous Relief.	4,50,000	67,000	..	..	..	57,495	57,495
Total ..	..	..	..	..	1,70,000	3,57,495	5,27,495

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

(a) The additional amount is required for rendering relief to the people of the Various Plains Districts affected by the natural calamities during the year as the budget provision has since been exhausted.

(a)(ii) The amount was urgently required to take up Test Relief road in the distressed border areas of United Khasi-Jaintia Hills, Garo Hills and Mizo District. No provision in the current year's budget was made for the purpose as the expenditure was not foreseen at time of framing the budget estimate. A sum of Rs.25 lakhs was sanctioned by Government of India in January, 1959 for the purpose of financing Border Relief Programme. Hence the amount was met by an advance from the Contingency Fund. The Supplementary Demand is submitted for regularisation of the said advance from Contingency Fund.

(b)(i) An amount of Rs.50,995 was required in connection with rehabilitation of 78 families in the Mikir Hills district whose houses were destroyed by the hostile Nagas and were consequently displaced.

(b) A sum of Rs.6,500 was required to be sanctioned for distribution as interim relief to the displaced victims of Pakistan Firing at Dawki.

The expenditure being unforeseen, the total sum of Rs.57,495 was met by an advance from Contingency Fund and the demand is required to regularise the same.

**Mr. Chairman:** The motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.5,27,495 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959 for the administration of the head—"54.—Famine Relief".

(The motion was put as a question before the House and adopted).

### Supplementary Demnd No. 20

**"54.—A—Territorial and Political pension 55—  
Superannuation Allowances and pension 83—  
Payment of Commuted value of pension**

**Shri FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED (Minister, Finance)**  
On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs. 4,27,457 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959 for the administration of the head "54.—A.—Territorial and Political Pension, 55.—Superannuation Allowances and Pension and 83.—Payment of commuted value of pension."

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly .. ... 42,50,800

II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year. ...

Additional amount now required ... .. 4,27,457

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for:—

Minor and Sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	Sixth Schedule		Sixth Schedule		Sixth Schedule		
	General	Schedule	General	Schedule	General	Schedule	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
54—A Territorial and Political Pension	3,50,000	..	..	..	70,000	300	70,300
Total ..	..	..	..	..	70,000	300	70,300
55—A Superannuation and retired allowances (Voted).	24,00,000	62,500	..	..	1,00,000	19,500	1,19,500
D—Gratuities—							
1. Ordinary gratuities and death cum-retirement gratuity.	3,50,000	16,600	..	..	2,00,000	.	2,00,000
E, Family Pension	5,000	100	..	..	..	700	700

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assem- bly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth	General	Sixth	General	Sixth	Total
	(2)	Schedule (3)	(4)	Schedule (5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
H. Charges in Eng- land (a) Expen- diture by the High Commis- sioner of India.—							
Superannuation and Retired allowance (Voted).	10,427	..	..	..	6,573	..	6,573
Total—55.—Sup- erannuation, etc.	..	..	..	..	3,06,573	20,200	3,26,773
33—I—Payment of commuted value Pensions—	1,50,000	..	..	..	30,384	..	30,38
Grand Total..	..	..	.	..	4,06,957	20,500	4,27,4574

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

54 A, 55-A, D I & E.—The additional amounts are based on actual requirement.

H (u) —The excess amount is on the basis of requirement reported by the High Commissioner of India in London.

83—I.—The additional amount is required to meet the charges on account of commuted value of pension in respect of certain pensioners who will have to be granted commutation during the current financial year, before expiry of their next birth date fall within the current financial year. As the requirement was not foreseen, it could not be provided in the original budget.

**Mr. Chairman :** The motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.4,27,457 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959 for the administration of the head—"54—A Territorial and Political pension—55 Superannuation allowances and pension and 83—Payment of commuted value of pension"

(The motion was put as a question before the House and adopted.)

# **Supplementary Demand No. 21—"57—Miscellaneous (I—Expenditure on account of State prisoners and Detenus"**

No. 21.

Shri FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED (Minister, Finance) to move :

On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs. 2,00,398, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959, for the administration of the head "57,—Miscellaneous (I—Expenditure on account of State Prisoners and Detenus".)

	Rs.
I. Grant originally voted by the Assembly .. ..	20,34,000
II. Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	500
Additional amount now required .. ..	2,00,398
III. Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—	

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly			Additional amount now required	
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	Total
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
B. Misc. Durbar Charges.	5,000	3,000	..	..	2,898	12,500	15,398

## CONTRIBUTION

2. Misc. Contributions.	18,000	50,000	500	..	..	5,000	5,000
3. Expenditure in connection with Border Relief—Transport Sub-sidy.	..	..	..	..	..	1,10,000	1,19,000

## DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES :—

Article 275 Second Plan.  
C.5-Contribution.

2. Misc. Contribution.	1,03,000	4,35,000	..	..	..	70,000	70,000
Total	..	..	..	..	2,898	1,97,500	2,00,398

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

(1) A sum of Rs. 493 is required to meet the expenses for Chief Minister's presentation to Tribal chiefs of North Cachar Hills during his visit there in June, 1958. As the expenditure is unforeseen, no provision could be made in the budget. The balance is required to meet the increased expenditure under cost of presents to hill tribes, political presents and entertainment of envoys and chiefs in Hills Districts as the original budget provision was inadequate to meet the demand.

(2) The amount was required for payment of grants-in-aid to the Haflong Town Fund to enable the Town Committee to meet the additional expenses incurred on Water Works and extra conservancy staff due to posting of a large number of Army and Armed Police personnel in the town. The expenditure being unforeseen the sum has been sanctioned by taking advance from contingency Fund. Hence the demand to regularise the advance.

(3) Out of Rs. 25 lakhs sanctioned by Government of India for giving financial assistance for border relief during the current financial year, a sum of Rs.60,000 and Rs. 50,000 has been decided to be utilised for giving transport subsidy for transport cost for marketing of border produce etc., in the United Khasi and Jaintia Hills and the Garo Hills Districts respectively during the current financial year. As, the Government of India sanctioned the amount very recently, the whole amount of Rs. 1,10,000 has been provided by taking advance from Contingency Fund. Hence the Supplementary Demand to regularise the same.

C. 5—During the Current financial year a sum of Rs.1,75,000 was provided in the budget for giving grants-in-aid to non-official organisations engaged in doing welfare works among the tribal people in the Autonomous Districts. But this provision now appears inadequate to consider grants to the increased number of deserving non-official organisations in the Autonomous Districts. An additional amount of Rs. 45,000 has therefore been provided for the purpose by taking advance from Contingency Fund. Hence the demand to regularise the advance.

As there are some pending schemes under "Improvement of Hills Stations, etc.—Art. 275 Programme" the amount of Rs. 25,000 since reported as savings under the General Administration Publicity-opening of Regional Centres—Art. 275 Programme" is required to be provided in the current year's budget for implementation of some schemes under the former. Hence the demand.

**Mr. Chairman:** The motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 2,00,398 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959 for the administration of the head—"57-Miscellaneous—(I Expenditure on account of State prisoners and Detenus)".

(The motion was put as question before the Houses and adopted).

## Supplementary Demand No. 22

### 57.—Miscellaneous—II—Donation for Charitable purpose, etc.

No. 22

**Shri FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED (Minister, Finance):**

On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs. 3,34,663 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959, for the administration of the head "57—Miscellaneous—[II—Donation for Charitable purposes, etc.]"

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	15,85,600
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly ...	3,14,660
during the year.	
Additional amount now required ...	3,34,663
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—	

Minor and sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
B.—Donation for Charitable purposes.	62,400	1,650	..	..	6,050	3,880	9,930
C.—Special Commission of Enquiry.—							
Adhi Conciliation Boards.—	..	..	..	..	11,551	..	11,551
D.—Petty Establishment.—							
(a) Circuit and Sessions Houses.	1,57,200	14,840	..	..	15,180	2,930	18,110
(b) (i) Expenditure in connection with Border trouble.	..	..	..	..	38,000	..	38,000
(ii) Contribution—							
(iii) Miscellaneous.	2,43,000	..	..	32,000	..	2,02,757	2,02,757
Miscellaneous—							
Unforeseen	6,62,330	1,450	59,285	21,325	53,425	890	54,315
Total ..	..	..	..	..	1,24,206	2,10,457	3,34,663

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

B.—The amount is required for increased expenditure of non-Criminal lunatics, payment of taxes of different Government buildings and for physical removal of offenders to Pakistan.

C.—The Adhi Conciliation Boards are functioning in terms of provision of Assam Adhiars Protection and Regulation Act, 1948 (Assam Act XII of 1948) with upto date amendments. Provision of the amount of Rs.11,551 in the budget for 1958-59 has become necessary to meet the expenditure in connection with the Travelling Allowance and Dearness Allowance of the non-official members of the Board. No provision in the budget could be made earlier as the expenditure was not foreseen. Hence the Supplementary demand.

D.(a)—The additional amount is required for purchase of furniture and other necessary articles for Circuit Houses and also for payment of *ad-hoc* Dearness Allowance to the staff of Circuit Houses.

D(b)(i) —The sum is required to meet the expenditure on Porters and other miscellaneous items in connection with Indo-Pakistan Border incidents in Cachar District. This being an unforeseen expenditure, no provision could be made in the current year's budget and hence the demand.

H(iii).—(1) An amount of Rs.35,000 was required for payment of an *ad-hoc* grant-in-aid to the Pawi-Lakher Regional Council to enable it to make its current year's budget deficit. This being unforeseen expenditure, necessary fund could not be provided in the current year's budget. Since necessary advance has been obtained from the Contingency Fund, Hence the demand to regularise the same.

(2) The Garo Hills District Council collected a sum of Rs.27,757 sales tax over the royalties on timber and other forest produces originating from the Forest under its control, during the period from 15th June, 1958 to 31st March, 1958. The District Council is not authorised to appropriate the said tax. So the Government have decided to pay an equivalent amount to the Garo Hills District Council as a grant to enable it to meet its financial requirements for implementation of various development schemes. This being unforeseen expenditure, necessary provision of fund could not be made in the current year's budget. Hence the demand.

(3) Rs.1,00,000 was required for payment of grants-in-aid to the Mizo District Council to enable it to make up the gap between its inadequate resources and the expenditure essential for the discharge of its normal functions and another amount of Rs.40,000 is required for payment of an *ad-hoc* grants to the said District Council to enable it to complete the scheme already taken up by it during the current financial year. This being unforeseen expenditure necessary provision of funds could not be made in the current year budget. Hence the demand. Out of this, Rs.1,00,000 was provided by taking advance from the Contingency Fund.

J.—An amount of Rs.53,425 was required for construction of Camps and Shelters and other papers in connection with evacuation and Relief of persons affected by border firing by Pakistan in Cachar District. This being an unforeseen expenditure no provision could be made in the current year's budget and hence the demand. Out of this amount, Rs.50,000 was advanced from the Contingencies Fund which is now being regularised through this demand.

Another sum of Rs.890 was required to meet the expenses for ration as gratuitous relief which was given to Kachari and Mikir evacuees during the disturbances in Naga Hills in 1956-57.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:**—The motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 3,34,663 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March 1959, for the administration of the head—“57—Miscellaneous—[II—Donation for Charitable purposes, etc.]”

(The motion was put as a question before the House and adopted.)

**Supplementary Demand No. 23 “67.—Miscellaneous—III—Contribution”.**

No.23

**Shri FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED (Minister Finance):**

On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.9,70,465 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959 for the administration of the head “57.—Miscellaneous—III—Contribution”.

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ... ..	8,36,300
II.—Additional amount voted by the Assembly during the year.	7,500
Additional amount now required ... ..	9,70,465
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—	

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required			
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	Total	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
A.—Contributions—								
(I) Grant to Local Bodies for General purposes.		8,36,277	..	7,500	..	6,75,199	..	6,75,199
(II) Contribution to Local Bodies for increasing emolument of their low paid employers.		..	..	..	..	2,95,266	...	2,95,266
Total	..	..	..	..	...	9,70,465	..	9,70,465

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

(I) Since the establishment of Rural Panchayat the Local rates were gradually transferred from Local Boards to the Panchayats without at the same time, transferring the liability of the Local Boards. During the current year practically all the compensatory grants in lieu of Local rates which Local Boards used to get were transferred to the Panchayats. The Local Boards, therefore, were left with substantial decrease in their income receipts. The Local Boards at the same time had to maintain the establishment and continue to incur expenditure for construction of road, hospitals, etc. In the circumstances it became impossible for them to meet the essential requirement with depleted receipts not to speak of their undertaking any improvement of the scheme. With a view to help the Local Boards, it was decided to give them *ad-hoc* grant during the current year as compensation in lieu of the Local rates which they were accustomed to get in the previous year. The provision in the regular budget was inadequate for this purpose and the matter could not wait till provision is made through Supplementary appropriation. An advance from Contingency Fund had to be taken. In order to regularise the matter, provision of fund for this purpose through Supplementary Demand has become necessary.

(II) Government of India suggested that relief in the shape of *ad-hoc* increase in the dearness allowance should be given to the low paid employees of the Local Bodies also for a period of 4 years with effect from 1957-58 and promised to contribute a portion of the expenditure thereof. The expenditure involved for sanction of the relief to the low paid employees for sanction of the relief to the low paid employees of the Local Bodies in Assam for the year 1957-58 comes to Rs.4,42,899. The Government of India has agreed to bear Rs.2,95,266 as their share of expenditure and the balance will be met by the Local Bodies themselves. Provision of this amount in the Budget by Supplementary grant is necessary to distribute to amounts to the local bodies during the current year.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN** :—The motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 9,70,465 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959, for the administration of the head—“57—Miscellaneous—III—Contribution.”

(The motion was put as a question before the House and adopted.)

# Supplementary Demand No. 24 "XLVI.—A—Road Transport Scheme—Working Expenses"

**Capt. WILLIAMSON A. SANGMA (Minister, Transport):** On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.17,27,400, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1959, for the administration of the head "XLVI.—A—Road Transport Scheme—Working Expenses".

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ... Rs. 93,18,400

II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.

Additional amount now required ... 17,27,400

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
<b>B.—Operation—</b>							
<b>Section I.—Gauhati, Nowgong, Jorhat, Dibrugarh Service.</b>							
Contingency Depreciation.	3,60,000	..	..	..	19,200	..	79,200
<b>Kamargaon-Gola-ghat-Jorhat Service.</b>							
Under Section I.—Pay of Establishment and Allowances and Honoraria.	..	..	..	..	65,000	..	65,000
<b>Contingency Section II.—Pandua-Gauhati-Shillong Service.</b>							
	..	..	..	..	1,00,000	..	1,00,000

Minor and Sub-head		Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
		General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	Total
		(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Contingency	Depreciation.	5,50,000	..	..	..	7,97,000	..	7,97,000
Section IV.—Gauhati-Goalpara Service.								
Contingency	Depreciation.	1,50,000	..	..	..	2,49,200	..	2,49,200
Section VI.—Shillong-Dawki-Tamabil Service.								
Under Shillong-Jowai-Khliehriat Service.								
Pay of	Establishment and Allowances and Honoraria.	..	..	..	..	18,000	..	18,000
Contingency	..	..	..	..	..	39,000	..	39,000
Section VII.—North Gauhati-Tezpur-North Lakhimpur Service.								
Contingency	Depreciation.	3,50,000	..	..	..	3,80,000	..	3,80,000
Total	..	..	..	..	..	17,27,400	..	17,27,400

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

The additional amount of Rs.2,22,000 is required for meeting operational expenditure of Kamargaon-Golaghat-Jorhat Sector nationalised with effect from 1st August 1958 and Shillong-Dawki-Tamabil Sector nationalised with effect from 1st December, 1958. Provision for this could not be made in the budget for 1958-59 as the decision of nationalisation was taken up after the finalisation of the budget.

The additional amount of Rs.15,05,400 is required for transferring an increased amount to the State Transport depreciation Fund as the depreciation chargeable on new vehicles is found to be more than the old vehicles, due to increase of new vehicles. The provision against this head is meant for adjustment of the amounts to the credit of the D.R.R. Fund by charge to operational expenses, and not for direct expenditures.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 17,27,400, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March 1959 for the administration of the head "XLVI.—A—Road Transport Scheme—Working Expenses".

(The Motion was put as a question before the House and adopted.)

**Supplementary Demand No. 25 "63-B Community Development Projects, National Extension Service and Local Development Works"**

**Shri FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED (Minister, Community Projects, etc.):** On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional sum of Rs. 29,565, only be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1959, for the administration of the head "63-B.—Community Development Projects, National Extension Service and Local Development Works".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	1,17,94,300
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year. ...	Nil
Additional amount now required for the Scheme ..	29,565
III.—Sub-head under which the additional grant now required will be accounted for—	

Minor head and sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary Grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional Grant now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
B.—National Extension Service—Project/Block Headquarters.	20,78,400	3,03,700	..	..	29,565	..	29,565
Total	..	..	..	..	29,565	..	29,565

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

At the instance of the Government of India, the State Government have decided to establish a Vigyan Mandir at Sonapur in Dimoria Stage II Block in the District of Kamrup. As the decision in this matter has been arrived at only recently, provision of funds for the purpose could not be included in the budget for 1958-59 and an amount of Rs.29,565 has been advanced from the Contingency Fund. Hence the demand to regularise the advance. The entire recurring and non-recurring expenditure under the scheme during the Second Plan period except the cost of land and buildings including residential quarters for staff will be borne by the Government of India. Details are given below—

Sub-head	Particulars of expenditure	Estimated expenditure 1958-59	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
B.—National Extension Service—Project Block Headquarters—		Rs.	Rs.
(2) Establishment of Vigyan Mandir at Sonapur in the Dimoria Stage II—Block.	(2) Pay of establishment—		
	One Electrician on Rs.75—4—115—(E.B.)—4—135—5—150 (for two months).	150	150
	One Jugali on Rs.35—1—45 (for two months).	70	70
	(3) (i) Allowances and honoraria ..	150	150
	(ii) Cash allowance .. ..	50	50
	(4) Contingencies—		
	Recurring .. ..	350	350
	Non-recurring .. ..	13 695	13,695
	(5) Works—		
	Non-recurring .. ..	15,100	15,100
	Grand Total .. ..	29,565	29,565



Assignments and compensations voted" during the year 1958-59 should be written back to the proper head by a Supplementary Demand. Accordingly the expenditure incurred for payment of compensation that hitherto exists under "7—Land Revenue—H.—Assignments and Compensations voted)" for the financial year 1958-59 have to be written back to the new major head "65—Payment of Compensation of land-holders, etc., on the abolition of Zamindari system". This has no financial effect. Necessary provisions under "7—Land Revenue—H.—Assignments and Compensations (voted)" will be surrendered in due course.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 4,00,000, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March 1959 for the administration of the head "65—Payment of Compensation to land holder, etc., on the abolition of the Zamindari System".

(The Motion was put as a question before the House and adopted.)

**Supplementary Demand No. 27 "72.—Capital Outlay on Industrial Development—(1—Investment in other Commercial Concerns)"**

**Shri KAMAKHYA PRASAD TRIPATHY (Minister, Major Industries):** On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs. 10,00,000, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1959, for the administration of the head "72—Capital outlay on Industrial Development—(1—Investment in other Commercial Concerns)".

							Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...							Nil
II.—Supplementary Grant voted by the Assembly ...							Nil
during the year.							
Additional amount now required ...							10,00,000
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary grant will be accounted for—							
Minor and sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
					Rs.		Rs.
Second Five Year Plan B—Purchase of shares by Government of Assam in M/S Assam Cements, Ltd.	..	..	..	..	10,00,000	..	10,00,000
Total	..	..	..	..	10,00,000	..	10,00,000

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

The State Government have recently purchased 1,50,000 ordinary shares, at par, the face value of each share being Rs.10 only in M/S Assam Cements, Ltd. There is no provision for Cement Industry in the Second Five Year Plan period. An amount of Rs.38 lakhs has, however, been earmarked by the Planning Commission for this plan period for the establishment of a Cotton Mill. But as more than Rs.23 lakhs is not expected to be expended during the Second Five Year Plan period for this purpose, a sum of Rs.10 lakhs was proposed to be diverted out of the above Plan provision of Rs.38 lakhs for participation in the Share Capital of the said Cement Company. The Planning Commission have approved this diversion. As the approval of Planning Commission received late, no provision could be made in the current year's budget. A sum of Rs.75,000 was advanced from the Contingency Fund to meet the expenditure for the application money which was urgently required. The balance amount of Rs.9,25,000 is also expected to be expended this year. Hence the Supplementary Demand for Rs.10 lakhs.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 10,00,000, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1959, for the administration of the head "72—Capital outlay on Industrial Development—(1—Investment in other Commercial concerns)".

(The Motion was put as a question before the House and adopted.)

## Supplementary Demand No.28

**"72—Capital outlay on Industrial Development (II—Development of Co-operative)"**

**M. MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY (Minister, Co-operative):** On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.2,00,000, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1959, for the administration of the head "72—Capital Outlay on Industrial Development (II—Development of Co-operative.)"

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	Rs ... 37,00,000
II.—Additional amount voted by the Assembly during the year.	Nil.
Additional amount now required ...	... 2,00,000

II.—Sub-heads under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Amount now required		Total	
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule		
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)		(7)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Second Five year Plan—								
D—6—Purchase of shares by Government of the Co-operative Sugar Mill, Ltd.,	5,00,000	..	..	..	2,00,000	..	..	2,00,000
Total ..	..	..	..	..	2,00,000	..	..	2,00,000

EXPLANATORY NOTES

As against the target of Rs.90 lakhs a sum of Rs.75 lakhs was actually collected upto 30th May, 1958 from the Government, the public and the Industrial Finance Corporation by the Assam Co-operative Sugar Mill, Ltd., at Baruaabamungaon. The Mill actually spent the whole amount by June, 1958. In the meantime the cost on all items gradually increased and it became necessary to re-estimate the cost of the project. The revised cost for completing the Mill was estimated Rs.119 lakhs. There was, therefore, a gap of Rs.29 lakhs. This short-fall has been decided by the Government to be raised by share capital contribution of Rs.7 lakhs from Government, 7 lakhs from the public and a loan of 15 lakhs from Industrial Finance Corporation. Accordingly Government have already contributed Rs.5 lakhs which was available in the current year's budget. As the State Government is required to contribute Rs.2 lakhs more and as there is no budget provision for this purpose, the amount was taken from Contingency Fund to meet the unforeseen and immediate expenditure for payment to the Assam Sugar Mill, Ltd. Now this amount is to be regularised. Hence the Supplementary Demand.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** The motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.2,00,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March 1959, for the administration of the head—"72—Capital Outlay on Industrial Development (II—Development of Co-operatives.)"

(The motion was put as a question before the House and adopted.)

**Supplementary Demand No. 29**  
**"85.A.—Capital Outlay on the State Scheme of Government Trading."**

**M. MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY (Minister, Supply) :** On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.1,05,00,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959, for the administration of the head "85.A.—Capital Outlay on the State Scheme of Government Trading."

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ... **Rs. 3,24,12,500**

II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year. **Nil**

Additional amount now required ... **1,05,00,00**

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for.

Minor and sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	
	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	
(1)	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
A.—Grain Storage Scheme	1,64,11,329	47,519	..	..	1,05,00,000	..	1,05,00,000
Section II—Expenditure on Directorate Establishment and purchase of Rice/Paddy, etc,							
<b>Total</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>1,05,00,000</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>1,05,00,000</b>

**EXPLANATORY NOTES**

The additional amount of Rs.1,05,00,000 (Rupees one crore five lacs) only under section II will be necessary to meet expenditures on account of purchase of Rice and Paddy. Total provision under head 4.—Contingencies was Rs.1,57,56,750 out of which amounts of Rs.4,80,000 and Rs.56,000 will be necessary to meet expenditures on account of godown rent and purchase of vehicles respectively thereby leaving a balance of Rs.1,52,20,750. Out of this amount a sum of Rs.1,11,00,000 was spent in connection with procurement of Rice and Paddy during the period from 1st April, 1958 to December, 1958 and a sum of Rs.41,00,000 was spent in connection with new procurement of paddy during the current financial year. Total target of procurement during the current procurement season is 22 lacs maunds of paddy, out of which a quantity of 15 lacs maunds of paddy only is expected to be procured during

the current financial year. Total estimated expenditure in connection with procurement of 15 lacs maunds of paddy during the period from January 1959 to 31st March 1959 is Rs.1,50,00,000 out of which Rs.41,00,000 (Rupees forty one lakhs) have already been spent from the sanctioned Budget provision as stated above. Thus the additional requirement on this account is Rs 1,09,00,000. Another sum of Rs.45,00,000 will be necessary to meet expenditure in connection with supply of Rice/Paddy to Naga Hills prior to 1st December, 1957 by Government of India and import of rice from Orissa earlier during current year. This amount also includes anticipated adjustment in connection with supplies of Government of India's Rice for distribution through fair price shops. Thus the total additional demands on this account is Rs.1,54,00,000 against which a sum of Rs. 55,00,000 has been provided by re-appropriation of anticipated saving under head 85.—A—Capital Outlay, etc. E.—Consumer Goods Scheme. The net additional demand is therefore, 99,00,000 on account of procurement of paddy alone. In addition to this amount a sum of Rs.6,00,000 will be necessary to meet expenditures towards purchase of bags, handling transport, etc., The total Supplementary demand, therefore, comes to Rs.1,05,00,000.

At the time of submission of Budget, the position could not be accurately estimated for want of dependable datas for which lesser provision was made in the Budget. Hence the additional Demand.

The details of the expenditure is given below with necessary explanation.

The additional amount of Rs.1,05,00,000, under Section II represents expenditure in connection with 4—Contingencies under General Areas as detailed below :—

	Rs.
(i) Purchase of Rice/Paddy and bags, etc. ...	60,00,000
(ii) Debit to be raised by Government of India for supply of Rice/Paddy to Naga Hills. ...	35,00,000
(iii) Purchase of Orissa Rice ...	10,00,000
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	1,05,00,000

(i) *Item I.*—The total target of procurement during the current Khariff year is for 22 lacs maunds of Paddy, out of which a quantity of about 15 lacs maunds of paddy is expected to be purchased during the period from 1st January 1959 to 31st March 1959. The value of this 15 lacs maunds of paddy, together with the value of bags cost of handling, transport, etc., comes to about Rs.1,56,00,000. Out of this amount, expenditure to the extent of a sum of Rs.41,00,000 has been met from the existing budget provision and another sum of Rs 55,00,000 has also been provided by re-appropriation from the expected savings under head E—Consumer Goods Scheme. Therefore, the net additional requirement on this account is Rs.60,00,000 only.

(ii) *Item II.*—The debit for the value of supplies of Rice/Paddy to Naga Hills and Government of India's rice for distribution through Fair Price Shops amounting to Rs.35,00,000 is expected to be raised by Government of India during this financial year against this State.

(iii) *Item III.*—2,000 tons of Orissa Rice has already been imported during this year. It is expected that the value of this rice amounting to Rs.10,00,000 will be adjusted during the current financial year.

The above position could not be foreseen at the time of submission of budget as the target of procurement then fixed by Government was lesser than what was subsequently revised. Hence the additional demand.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN :** The motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.1,05,00,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1959, for the administration of the head—'85-A—Capital Outlay on the State Scheme of Government Trading."

(The motion was put as a question before the House and adopted.)

### Supplementary Demand No. 30

#### "Loans and Advances, etc."

**Shri FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED (Minister, Finance):**

On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.500, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1959, for the administration of the head "Loans and Advances, etc."

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly		...	Rs.	3,28,11,300			
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly		...		15,00,000			
during the year.							
Additional amount now required		...		500			
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—							
Minor and sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly	Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required			
	General	Sixth Schedule	General	Sixth Schedule	Total		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
II.—Loans and Advances by the State Government—							
B.—Loans to Local Fund Private Parties, etc.—							
(1) Advances to Cultivators.	12,25,000	..	4,75,000	..	..	200	200
(2) Loans to Autonomous District and Regional Councils.	..	..	..	..	...	100	100
Development Schemes (Second Five Year Plan.)—							
C.—Loans to Local Funds, etc.							
(3) Loans to Major Industries.	..	..	..	..	100	..	100
(4) Loans to State Electricity Board.	..	..	15,00,000	..	100	..	100
Total	..	..	..	...	200	300	500

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. In order to give financial relief to the distressed border people of Garo Hills and Mizo District, the sum of Rs.1,50,000 and Rs.25,000 respectively were required to be issued as Agricultural loan to them. The expenditure being unforeseen the entire amount of Rs.1,75,000 was met by an advance from the Contingency Fund. Another sum of Rs.25,000 was, therefore, sanctioned as Agricultural loans to the needy cultivators of Mikir Hills District in order to help them immediately. Fund for the purpose in the current year's budget being exhausted the expenditure was met by an advance from the Contingency Fund. A token provision of Rs.200 is necessary to regularise these advances and the balance is being re-appropriated from the savings of other sub-head.

2. An amount of Rs. 60,000 was required for payment of a loan to the Mizo District Council to enable it to make up the gap between its inadequate resources and the expenditure necessary for the discharge of its functions. The loan is interest-free and recoverable in five equal consecutive annual instalments commencing from one year after the payment of the loan. The expenditure being unforeseen, the sum has been sanctioned as an advance from the Contingency Fund. A token provision of Rs.100 is, therefore, moved for regularisation of the advance and the balance is being met by re-appropriation from the savings of other sub-head.

3. A loan of Rs.50,000 was sanctioned to Messrs. Green view products Nowgong for the improvement of their existing Canning and Fruit Preservation Factory at Kuthori, Nowgong which was urgently required by the Concern. No provision in the current year's budget was made for this purpose as the expenditure was not foreseen at the time of framing the budget estimates. Hence, the amount was met by an advance from the Contingency Fund. Out of this amount a sum of Rs.49,900 was re-appropriated from the savings and a token grant of Rs.100 only is proposed to regularise the advance taken from the Contingency Fund.

4. An amount of Rs.12,00,000 was advanced as an additional loan to the Assam State Electricity Board for meeting certain immediate expenditure by taking an advance from Contingency Fund. As the Board was constituted on 1st June 1958, no provision could be made in the current year's budget. Hence, the token demand to regularise the advance and the balance is being re-appropriated from the savings of other sub-head.

**Mr. CHAIRMAN:** The motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.500 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March 1959, for the administration of the head—"Loans and Advances, etc."

(The motion was put as a question before the House and adopted.)

## Adjournment

The Assembly was then adjourned till 10 A.M. on Tuesday, the 10th March, 1959.

Shillong :  
The 13th August, 1960.

R. N. BARUA,  
Secretary, Legislative  
Assembly, Assam.



## APPENDIX "A"

## SCHEDULE OF NEW SCHEME PROPOSED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE BUDGET FOR 1958-59 BY SUPPLEMENTARY DEMAND

Major, Minor and Sub-head under which provision should be made	Nature of Scheme	Estimate of ultimate cost			Estimate of expenditure in 1958-59		Remarks
		Non-Recurring	Recurring	Total	Non-Recurring	Recurring Total	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7) (8)	(9)
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
1. 18.—Other Revenue expenditure—Finance from Ordinary Revenues—B—N. E.D. Works (Non-Commercial)—A.—Works.	1. Acquisition of land for construction of buildings for the Central Workshop for Flood Control and Irrigation Wing, as also for Buildings for staff quarters, residences and Embankment and Drainage, Offices of Superintending Engineer and Executive Engineer at Gauhati.	2,44,000	..	2,44,000	5,000	..	5,000

(1 to 5)—The activities of Flood Control and Irrigation Wing have increased considerably with the increasing number of Schemes taken up during the Second Five Year Plan period. Acute difficulty is however felt in regard to office accommodation in Division as the divisional offices are to be housed in private buildings with substantive amount of money being spent in paying rent, while such houses are also extremely inconvenient for office purpose. It has therefore become necessary to construct buildings so to ensure efficient progress in works.

General Voted—	2. Construction of buildings for the Central Workshop for Flood Control and Irrigation and Wing, Public Works Department at Gauhati.	2,03,000	..	2,03,000	9,000	..	9,000	In all the above cases land for construction of buildings are either available with this Department or proceedings for their acquisition are under completion. The total requirement during the current financial year for the purpose comes to Rs.24,000. This Department tried to meet this amount from Central Loan Assistance, but all attempts failed and the Department is instructed that money should be found out from the State Revenue. Hence it is decided to take up the works mentioned above from State Revenue at a cost of Rs.24,000 during the year 1958-59 under the head "18-B.—N.E.D.—Works—A.—Works." There being no anticipated savings, the amount has been obtained by an advance from contingency fund and the Supplementary Demand is necessary to regulate the advance.
Do.	3. Construction of a combined office buildings for Executive Engineer, Kamrup Embankment and Drainage and Superintending Engineer, Western Assam Embankment and Drainage Circle at Gauhati (single storey at present).	1,35,000	..	1,35,000	5,000	..	5,000	
Do.	4. Construction of a combined Embankment and Drainage Divisional Subdivisional Office building at Silchar (on the existing site).	32,600	..	32,600	2,000	..	2,000	

Major, Minor and Sub-head under which provision should be made	Nature of Scheme	Estimate of ultimate cost			Estimate of expenditure in 1958-59			Remarks
		Non-recurring	Recurring	Total	Non-recurring	Recurring	Total	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
1. 16.—Other Revenue expenditure—Finance from Ordinary Revenue—B.—N.E.D. Works (Non-Commercial). A.—Works—General.—Voted.	5. Construction of office building for Executive Engineer, Sibsagar Embankment and Drainage Division.	30,000	..	30,000	3,000	..	3,000	(6)—There was no provision for this scheme in any of the programmes under Second Plan, and so this could not be included in the Budget for 1958-59. But in view of severe draught condition of Hojai and Kaki areas in Nowgong district there had been a great demand for providing irrigation facilities to this areas, and so this scheme is formulated and taken up for execution to afford some relief to the draught affected people of the locality. The amount has been obtained by an advance from contingency fund and the Supplementary Demand is necessary to regularise the advance.
	6. Excavating a link Channel from river Jamma for supplying water to Hojai and adjoining areas for irrigation and other purposes.	95,710	..	95,710	20,000	..	20,000	
Total		..	..	..	..	..	44,000	

(i) To clear up the liabilities against the estimate of Rs.30 lakhs for Tools and Plant and Machinery under 2nd Five Year Plan, (as against the original allocation of Rs.37 lakhs of the Plan Provision) an amount of Rs.10 lakhs (approximately) will be necessary, but there is a provision for Rs.4 lakhs only, against the above liability during the current year. Hence additional sum of Rs.6 lakhs is necessary for which supplementary demands is sought for.

(2) Some Road Rollers, Tractors with Bulldozers and other machinery are immediately necessary for implementation of heavy development programme and also for Border works. Although these are not readily available due to import restriction yet 20 nos. of Rollers and other machinery have been arranged through Government of India as a special case, which are to be purchased immediately at an approximate cost of Rs.11 lakhs (against the estimate of Rs.23 lakhs), against which supplementary demand for Rs.9 lakhs is sought for.

2. "50.—Civil Works—State Development Scheme (Second Five Year Plan) E-6—Tools and Plant—General".	1. Purchase of Tools and Plant and Machinery for execution of Plan works.	3,00,000	..	3,00,000	6,00,000	..	6,00,000
Do. Do.	Do. ..	23,00,000	...	23,00,000	9,00,000	...	9,00,000
Total ..	..	53,00,000	...	53,00,000	15,00,000	...	15,00,000

## APPENDIX 'B'

Statement showing the advances granted from the Contingency Fund during 1958-59 under Rule 9 of the Assam Contingency Fund Rules and subsequent authorisation thereof by the Assembly

Serial No. in the Register	Major, Minor and Sub-head, etc.	Amount of advance sanctioned	No. and date of sanction	Amount of Supplementary of Sup- vision	Reference to Sup- plementary Demand list authorising ex- penditure against the advance	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
		Rs.		Rs.		
25	"4.—Taxes on income other than Corporation Tax—Taxes on Agricultural income—Col- lection of income-tax—4—Contingencies— (Charged)."	8,977	Memo. No. FTX.147/58/11 dated 16th August 1958.	8,977	1	
57	"7.—Land Revenue—H <sub>1</sub> —Assignment and compensations—Other Compensations— (Charged)."	50	Memo. No. FC(I)LR.36/59, dated 11th February 1959.	50	2	
39	"7.—Land Revenue—C.—Management of Government estates—Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas."	5,000	Memo. No. FC(I)LR.189/58, dated 16th December 1958.	100	1	
48	"7.—Land Revenue—H.—Assignments and Compensations—Annuity to Gholia Zamin- dars—(Charged)."	7,170	Memo. No. BB.(II)CF.24/58, dated 12th January 1959.	7,170	2	

34	"7.—Land Revenue—H.—Assignments and compensations—Other compensations—(Voted)"	39,989-62 n.p.	Memo. No. FC(I)LR.144/58, dated 29th October 1958.	100	1
35	"10.—Forests—General—B. (a)—Conservancy and Works—V.—Livestock Store, etc.—VI.—Communication and Buildings—VIII.—Miscellaneous—C. (a)—Establishment—Allowances and Honoraria."	47,281	Memo. No. FEC.(II)676/58, dated 25th November 1958.	47,281	2
40	"10.—Forests—B.6—VIII.—(g)—Survey of raw material scheme—State Development Scheme—Second Five Year Plan—(Non-Tribal Areas)."	72,000	Memo. No. FEC.(II)742/58-59, dated 17th December 1958.	72,000	2
55	"18.—Other Revenue expenditure financed from Ordinary Revenue—B.—N.E.D. Works (Non-commercial)—A.—Works—General—(Voted)."	24,000	Memo. No. FC(III)326/59, (Dy.), dated 10th February 1959.	24,000	5
56	Do do do	20,000	Memo. No. FC.(III)325/59, (Dy.), dated 10th February 1959.	20,000	5
58	"25.—General Administration—B.—State Legislature—B.2.—State Legislature Secretariat—3.—Allowances and Honoraria—Travelling allowance of officers/Travelling allowance of Establishment/Medical Treatment and 4.—Contingencies—Non-contract contingencies—Rate and Taxes/Purchase of Typewriters/Contract contingencies."	38,200	Memo. No.FC.(I)(Dy.)596/59, dated 2nd February 1956.	38,200	6

## APPENDIX (B)

Serial Nos in the Register	Major, Minor and Sub-head, etc.	Amount of advance sanctioned	No. and date of sanction	Amount of Supplementary provision	Reference to Supplementary Demand existing expenditure against the advance	Remarks
		(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
59	"25.—General Administration—H2.—Miscellaneous—Allowances to the Indian Administrative Services probationer."	Rs. 7,870	Memo. No.FC. (1) U/O, 7626/58, dated 15th December 1958.	Rs. 7,870	6	
45	"27.—Administration of Justice—B.—Law Officers—(b).—Legal Remembrancers—Allowances and Honoraria—Travel Allowance of Officers."	4,500	Memo. No. U/O. BB(I) 1371/58, dated 18th September 1958.	4,500	7	
49	"27.—Administration of Justice—A.—High Court—2.—Pay of Establishment—3.—Allowance and Honoraria and 4.—Contingencies (Charged)."	76,500	Memo. No. BB(I) 114/57/304, dated 20th January 1959.	76,500	5	
28	"29.—Police—B.—District Executive Force (a).—District Police—Contingencies—Non-contract contingencies—Purchase of Vehicles—Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas."	1,79,610	Memo. No. BB (II) 15/58, dated 26th September 1958.	1,79,610	9	

47	"21.—Police—G.—C.I.D.—(d).—B.S.F.—Contingencies—Expenditure in connection with Border trouble—General".	35,000	Memo. No. BB (II) C.F. 22/58, dated 19th December 1959.	35,000	9
51	Do do ..	14,000	Memo. No. I.C.(I)/Pol/605/59, dated 3rd February 1959.	14,000	9
31	"29.—Police—8.—D. E. F.—(a).—District Police—Contingencies—Other Non-contract Contingencies ( <i>Charged</i> )".	121	Memo. No. FC.(I)/Pol/6287/58, dated 4th October 1958.	121	6
	"29.—Police—G. C. I. D.—(d).—B.S.F.—Contingencies—Expenditure in connection with Borders troubles".	40,000	Memo. No. BB.(II) C.F.17/58, dated 3rd October 1958.	40,000	9
	"43.—Industries and Supplies—III.—Major Industries—2nd Five Year Plan -A.—Provincial Organisation—(a).—Direction—Pay of establishment—Allowances, etc., and Contingencies".	1,400	Memo. No. FEC.(II)872/58-59, dated 4th February 1959.	1,400	16
	Do do—Allowances and honoraria and Contingencies.	1,000	Memo. No. FEC. (II) 871/58-59, dated 4th February 1959.	1,000	16
	Do do—5. Works ..	1,000	Memo. No. FEC.(II) 743/58-59, dated 19th December 1958.	1,000	16

Serial No. in the Register	Major, Minor and Sub-head, etc.	Amount of advance sanctioned	No. and dates of sanction	Amount of Supplementary provision	Reference to Supplementary Demand authorised expenditure against the advance	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
33	"50.—Civil Works—State—B.—Charges on construction—(a)—Executive—i—Continuities—General ( <i>Charged</i> )".	Rs. 1,742	Memo. No. F.C. III/770/(58), dated 29th October 1958.	Rs. 1,742	8	
64	"40.—Agriculture—I.—Normal—F.... Agricultural Experiments and Research—Grants-in-aid, contribution, Expenditure in connection with Border Relief (Sixth Schedule Areas)".	6,00,000	Memo. No. F.C.(III)121/(Dy). 59, dated 21st February, 1959.	6,00,000	12	
45	"54.—Famine Relief—A.—Famine Relief—(a) Relief Works—Expenditure in connection with Border Relief—Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas."	3,00,000	Memo. No. BB.(II) CF.23/58, dated 5th January 1956.	3,00,000	19	
24	"54.—A.—Famine Relief—(b)—Gratuitous Relief—Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas."	50,995	Memo. No. BB.(II) CF.14/58, dated 13th August 1958.	50,995	19	
50	Do	6,500	Memo. No. BB.(II) CF.25/58, dated 30th January 1959.	6,500	19	

67	42.—Co-operation—I.—Co-operative Societies —E.—Works—(a)—Original Works— Expenditure in connection with Border Relief.	80,000	Memo. No. FEC(II) 915/58-59, dated 16th February 1959.	80,000	14
30	57.—Miscellaneous—I.—Expenditure on account of State Prisoners and detenus, etc.—C.—Contribution—(2)—Miscellane- ous contributions—Grants to Haifong Town Fund—Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas".	5,000	Memo. No. BB(II) 16/58, dated 29th September 1958.	5,000	21
54	57.—Miscellaneous—I.—Expenditure on account of State Prisoners, etc.— Second Five Year Plan—Development Schemes (Art. 275)—C-5.—(2)—Miscellane- ous contribution—Contribution to non-Government Institutions doing Welfare works for the Tribal People— Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas".	45,000	Memo. No. U/o FC.(I) 555/59, dated 5th February 1959.	45,000	21
66	57.—Miscellaneous—I.—Expenditure on account of State Prisoners, etc.—C.— Contribution—(2)—Miscellaneous con- tribution Subsidy for Transport cost marketing Border produce—Sixth Sched- ule (Part A) Areas".	1,10,000	Memo. No. FC.(I) U/o 926/59, dated 18th February 1959.	1,10,000	21
60	57.—Miscellaneous—II.—Donations for charitable purposes, etc.—J.—Miscellane- ous and unforeseen charges—Miscellane- ous charges Expenditure in connection with Border troubles— General".	50,000	Memo. No. BB(II) 1142-A/58, dated 4th September 1958.	50,000	22

## APPENDIX B—concl'd.

Serial No. in the Register	Major, Minor and Sub-head, etc.	Amount of advance sanctioned	No. and date of sanction	Amount of Supplementary provision	Reference to Supplementary Demand list authorising expenditure against the advance	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
65	"57.—Miscellaneous—II.—Donations for charitable purposes, etc.—H.—Contribution—III.—Miscellaneous—Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas".	35,000	Memo. No. U/O. BB(I) 209/59 dated 18th February 1959.	35,000	22	
26	"57.—Miscellaneous—II.—Donations for Charitable purposes, etc.—H.—Contributions—(III)—Miscellaneous—Contributions—Grant-in-aid to the District Councils—Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas".	50,000	Memo. No. U/O. BB(I) 1350/58, dated 10th September 1958.	50,000	22	
37	"57.—Miscellaneous—II.—Donations for Charitable purposes, etc.—H.—Contributions—(III)—Miscellaneous contributions—Grants-in-aid to the District Councils—Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas".	50,000	Memo. No. U/O. BB(I) 1592-58, dated 24th October 1958.	50,000	22	
32 and 63	"57.—Miscellaneous—III.—Contributions—Grants to Local Boards for General purposes".	6,75,159	Memo. No. BS.83/58/7, dated 9th October 1958, and Memo. No. BB (II) C F.26/58, dated 13th February 1959.	6,75,159	23	
36	"72.—Capital Outlay on Industrial Development—(II)—Development of (Co-operative)—Second Five Year Plan—D-6.—Purchase of shares by Government of the Co-operative Sugar Mills, Limited".	2,00,000	Memo. No. FEC(II) 695/58-59, dated 3rd December 1958.	2,00,000	23	

46	"—Ditto (I)—Investment on other Commercial concerns—Second Five Year Plan—B.—Purchase of shares by Government of Assam in M/s. Assam Cement Limited".	40,000	Memo. No. FEC(II) 796/58-59, dated 6th January 1959.	75,000	27
41	"—Ditto ditto ..	35,000	Memo. No. FE (II) 751/58-59, dated 17th December 1958.		
43	"Loans and Advances, etc.—II.—Loans and advances by the State Government—B.—Loans to Local Funds, Private parties, etc.—Advance to Cultivators—Advances in cases of distress—Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas".	5,000	Memo. No. BB(II) CF. 21/58, dated 23rd December 1958.	100	..
44	"Loans and Advances, etc.—II.—Loans and Advances by the State Government—B.—Loans to Local Funds, Private parties, etc.—Advances to Cultivators—Expenditure in connection with border relief—Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas".	1,75,000	Memo. No. BB(II) CF. 20/58, dated 23rd December 1958.	100	30
17	"Loans and Advances, etc.—Development Schemes—Second Five Year Plan—C.—Loans to Local Funds, Private parties, etc.—Loans to Major Industries".	50,000	Memo. No. BB(II) 13/58-59, dated 9th August 1958.	100	30
61 and 62	"Loan and Advances, etc.—Development Schemes—Second Five Year Plan—C.—Loans to Local Funds and Private parties, etc.—Loan to State Electricity Board".	12,00,000	Memo. No. FEC(II) 584/58-59, dated 28th October 1958 and Memo. No. FEC(II) 790/58-59, dated 5th January 1959.	100	30
38	"Loans and Advances, etc.—II.—Loans and Advances by the State Government—B.—Loans to Local Funds, Private parties, etc.—Loans to Autonomous Districts and Regional Councils—Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas".	60,000	Memo. No. U/O.BB(I) 1906/58, dated 19th December 1958.	100	30