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GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

No.PA.6/94/158

Dated Shillong the 18th March 2005.

From: Shri. P.J. Bazeley, IAS,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya,
Shillong.

To

1. All Principal Secretaries to the Govt. of Meghalaya.
2. All Commissioner & Secretaries to the Govt. of Meghalaya.
3. All Secretaries to the Govt. of Meghalaya.
4. All Head of Departments.

Sub: Assembly Questions – Replies thereto.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to bring to your notice that the Honourable Chief Minister has observed that during Assembly Questions Hour, Ministers are often harassed for not giving complete reply to questions or by simply replying that 'Information is being collected'. The Chief Minister further observed that in such cases Departments do not appear to take Assembly Questions seriously, since the required detailed information can easily be collected through telephone, wireless message or by sending Special Messenger, and has directed that personal responsibility should be fixed in all such cases.

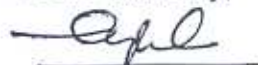
I am therefore to request you to kindly give the matter your personal attention, to ensure that specific replies are given to Assembly Questions and that complete and detailed Supplementary Notes are made available to the Ministers concerned, in time, to enable him/her to be prepared to reply to Supplementary Questions in the House.

You are further requested to direct that if any Directorate or District Official fails to comply with this requirement or to furnish the required detailed information in time, departmental proceedings should invariably be initiated. You are also requested to ensure that such disciplinary action is taken, whenever required.

One copy of the reply to Assembly Question along with one copy of the Detailed Supplementary Note should invariably be sent to the Private Secretary to Chief Minister not later than 3.00 P.M. on the day proceeding the day on which the Question is to be replied on the floor of the Assembly.

Kindly acknowledge receipt and ensure compliance.

Yours faithfully,



[P.J. Bazeley]
Chief Secretary.

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Copy to :-

1. Private Secretary to Chief Minister, Meghalaya
2. Private Secretary to Ministers/Minister of State, Meghalaya.



[P.J. Bazeley]
Chief Secretary.