

GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA  
PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

No.PA.26/2003/151

Dated Shillong, the 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2008

From:- The Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,  
Shillong.

To,  
P.S. to All Parliamentary Secretaries.

Sub: - The role and function of Parliamentary Secretaries.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the above subject and to say that according to the provision of Section 5 of the Meghalaya Parliamentary Secretaries (Appointment, Salaries, Allowances and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 2005, Parliamentary Secretaries are equated to the rank and status of a Minister of State and will exercise powers, discharge such functions and perform such duties as may be assigned by the Chief Minister.

In view of the provision of the said Act, Parliamentary Secretaries are essentially part and parcel of the Government. Such Parliamentary Secretaries may therefore be allowed to answer questions on the floor of the House as well as reply to debates in motion and resolution as being authorized by the concerned Ministers. However, Parliamentary Secretaries may not be permitted to ask any question or move any motion against the Government during the Assembly Session.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Ranjan Chatterjee)

Chief Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya

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1. P.S. to Chief Minister for information of Chief Minister.
  2. P.S. to Deputy Chief Minister, Home (Police).
  3. P.S. to Deputy Chief Minister, C& RD.
  4. P.S. to all Ministers for information of Ministers.
  5. P.S. to the Additional Chief Secretary for information.
  6. P.S. to all Principal Secretaries/ Commissioner & Secretaries/ Secretaries to the Govt. of Meghalaya for information.
  7. The Secretary, Meghalaya Legislative Assembly, Shillong for information and necessary action.
  8. All Administrative Departments.
- } for information of  
Deputy Chief Minister.

By Order etc.,

  
(Shri L.M. Sangma)

Additional Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,  
Parliamentary Affairs Department.