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OBITUARY

No.A.21018/2/2019-GAD, the 8th April, 2020: The Government of Mizoram has learnt with profound sorrow the sad demise of Pu Hiphei, former Deputy Speaker, Minister of State, Member of Parliament and Speaker of the Mizoram Legislative Assembly.

Pu Hiphei s/o Pu Zatia (L) was born on 23rd August, 1937 at Chapi (Chapui), Siaha District. He was married to Pi Sathlie and had 3 (three) sons and 2 (two) daughters. His educational qualification is IA (Intermediate of Arts).

His endeavour to serve the people, especially those belonging to the erstwhile Lakher Regional Council (Mara Autonomous District Council) culminated in the formation of Mara Freedom Party in 1963 in which he was elected as the Vice President. At a later stage of his political career, he was elected as President of the Mara District Congress Committee, and Senior Vice President of the Mizoram Pradesh Congress Committee. He served the people of the State as Core Committee Member of the Bharatiya Janata Party Mizoram Pradesh till his demise.

His active and untiring zeal for serving the people was facilitated by his election as Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA), Mizoram during the following terms:-

- 1) 1972 (as Deputy Speaker)
- 2) 1978
- 3) 1979
- 4) 1984 (as Minister of State)
- 5) 1987
- 6) 1989 (as Speaker w.e.f 30.1.1989- 14.7.1990)
- 7) 2013 (as Speaker)

He was elected as the first Deputy Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Mizoram Union Territory upon its formation in 1972. He was also elected as Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha) during the terms i.e 1990 - 1996 and 1996 - 2002 and had played an active role in the discharge of business by various Parliamentary Committees in which he was a member.

The Government of Mizoram places on record its deep appreciation of the sincere services to the public and the State rendered by Pu Hiphei and conveys its heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

May his soul rest in peace.

Lalnunmawia Chuaungo, Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Mizoram