

GENERAL BUDGET 1970-71—
GENERAL DISCUSSION—*contd.*

MR. SPEAKER : The House will now resume the general discussion on the General Budget.

Shri Sheopujan Shastri may now continue his speech, and he may start his speech after lunch.

13.02 hrs

The Lok Sabha adjourned for Lunch till Fourteen of the Clock

The Lok Sabha reassembled after lunch at four minutes past Fourteen of the Clock.

[MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER in the Chair.]

MANIPUR BUDGET, 1970-71

MR. DEPUTY--SPEAKER : Shri Sethi.

श्री मधु सिन्घे (मुंगेर) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, मेरा एक व्यवस्था का प्रश्न है।

MR. DEPUTY--SPEAKER : I have called Mr. Sethi. It is a very formal item. After that he can raise the point of order.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI P. C. SETHI) : I beg to present a Statement showing Supplementary Demands for Grants. I am sorry, a statement of estimated receipts and expenditure of the Union territory of Manipur for the year 1970-71.

By virtue of the Presidential Order dated the 16th October, 1969 dissolving the Legislative Assembly of the Manipur, the powers of the Legislative Assembly of the Territory are exercisable by Parliament. The Budget of the Union Territory of Manipur is accordingly being placed before Parliament.

The revenue receipts in the Territory this year are placed at Rs.1.89 crores, which is about the same as estimated at the Budget stage. The expenditure met from revenue is placed at Rs.13.44 crores as against Rs.12.47 crores estimated

at the Budget stage. The increase of Rs.97 lakhs is mainly accounted for by adhoc allowance granted to personnel posted in hill areas and larger provision for tribal development blocks and medical and public health facilities. Grants from the Central Government for meeting the gap on revenue account would be Rs.11.55 crores, as against the Budget Estimate of Rs.10.58 crores.

Next year's receipts in the Territory are placed at Rs.2.22 crores and the expenditure met from revenue at Rs.14.52 crores. The increase of Rs.1.08 crores in the expenditure met from revenue is mainly accounted for by larger provision for agricultural development, education and medical and public health facilities. The gap of Rs.12.30 crores on revenue account will be covered by grants from the Central Government.

On capital account, the expenditure estimates this year provide for Rs.3.92 crores as against the Budget Estimate of Rs.3.78 crores. The increase of Rs.14 lakhs is accounted for by provision for buildings in block and district headquarters and purchase of buses for providing additional transport facilities. Next year's provision for expenditure on capital account is Rs.3.99 crores. Larger provision has been made for public works programmes relating to various Plan schemes and for setting up new industrial units like khand-sari, sugar mill and cement factory. Full details have been given in the Explanatory Memorandum which has been circulated with the budget papers. The gap on capital account is Rs.3.72 crores this year and Rs.3.71 crores next year, which will be covered by loans from the Central Government.

Next year's budget includes provisions for Union Territory Plan amounting to Rs.5.19 crores at against Rs.4.72 crores this year. Of the main items next year, mention may be made of Rs.77 lakhs for agriculture and allied sectors, Rs.94 lakhs for irrigation and power, Rs.37 lakhs for industry, Rs.183 lakhs for transport and communications and Rs.116 lakhs for social services. In addition, Rs.36 lakhs have been provided for Centrally sponsored schemes such as tribal development, family planning and malaria eradication progra-