

Mizoram College Teachers' Association

The 36th MCTA Annual General Conference-cum-Seminar 2014

Day – I : INAUGURAL SESSION

Time : 9 December, 2014. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
Place : Synod Conference Centre, Aizawl
Chairman : Pu Thanglura, President MCTA

The Chairman Pu Thanglura opened the function by welcoming the delegates from various colleges, he thanked the Chief Guest Pu R.Lalzirliana, Hon'ble Home Minister and the Guest of Honour Pu H.Zothangliana, Hon'ble Parliamentary Secretary, Higher & Technical Education Department, Govt. of Mizoram for accepting the MCTA's invitation. The Chairman then invites the Chief Guest to deliver a speech.

The Chief guest conveys his greetings to all the members of Mizoram College Teachers' Association. He highlights that although he is not much educated, he is becoming aware of the importance of education and the value of being an educated individual. He believes that there can be individuals who are having very high degrees but are not functional in their everyday lives and in their professional lives. The chief guest addresses the audience that they are the real builders of the nation and that based on their efficiency and hard work, the state will have better and more functional youth where on the other hand if they do not have more dedication we will be producing more youth with mere degrees.

With this year's Conference having a very good theme – 'Framework of Quality Management in Higher Education – The Mizoram Context' for the seminar, the chief quest believes that if the college teachers are having this mentality for the betterment of the quality of higher education in Mizoram there will surely be progress in our education system. Although the quality of education in India is becoming better as a whole, we are still lagging behind at the international standard. Mizoram is occupying a high position with regard to literacy in India, but still we have very little number of educated Mizos at the national level. It may be difficult to measure the quality of Education and how we measure may not be all the same. Instead of having good educational facilities, it is always most important to produce responsible, developed, refined and functional individuals who are useful citizens. The MCTA members have to think about our respective students and see whether we will be able to produce such citizens of export quality? We often talk about World Class Education and for

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the success of this it is important that college teachers first have world class mentality. Positive attitude is important for the successful development of a system The Honourable Minister accepts research and knowledge should be useful for the development and progress of the state; that students' development should be our priority, advises that we guide and nurture them and it is his request that we give our best so that more useful youth be produced in Mizoram. Unless we learn and improve ourselves we cannot become effective teachers.

SEMINAR SESSION: 12:00 – 3:30 PM

Paper Presentation – I : *RUSA : Prospects and challenges* - Prof. KL.Pradhan in absentia – Lalrimawii Zadeng

Paper Presentation – II : *Human Obsolescence : A Serious Concern in Higher Education*. In absentia – Dr. Lallianzuali Fanai (Dr. Vanlalhruii)

Paper Presentation – III : *Role of Teachers for Quality Management in Higher Education*. In absentia – Lalrinsangi Nghinglova (Dr. Lalhmasai Chuaungo)

Paper Presentation – IV : *Best Practices in Higher Education for Quality assurance in Mizoram* - Laltanpuia Asso. Prof. Govt. Zirtiri Residential Science College.

LUNCH BREAK

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DAY – II : BUSINESS SESSION

Time : 10 December, 2014. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
Place : Synod Conference Centre, Aizawl
Chairman : Pu JH Zoremthanga, Vice President MCTA

Session – I : Reports

Pu JH Zoremthanga Vice President MCTA, Chairman of the Meeting welcome and expressed his greetings to all the delegates stressing the importance of the participation and dedication of the members. He also thanked Pu Thanglura, President MCTA for his diligence and hard work for the sake of the association with regard to the implementation of UGC Regulations 2010.

Pu Thanglura President MCTA in his short speech reminded the members to be grateful for their noble and reputed profession as teachers in higher education.

Dr. PL Ramliana General Secretary MCTA called on the time of condolence for the departed souls of our two colleagues – Mr. Zothantluanga Ralte GAC and Mrs. Zomuansangi GJTC. To give respect to the two departed members a minute of silence was observed. He proceeded with the report of secretary 2014. Justifications and clarifications were made where necessary.

The chairman of the meeting called upon Mr. H. Lalnunmawia Treasurer to proceed with the Finance Report of MCTA 2014. Queries were clarified by the Treasurer. Resolution has been made to reflect all the financial/Audit reports of MCTA Newsletter in the General Secretary's Report from 2015. Mr. Lalthangfala gave an Audit Report on MCTA Financial Accounts 2014.

Session – II Business Session (12:30 – 3:00 PM)

GROUP - A

Agenda I –Examination Department MZU be requested to renew the usage of Coding System on UG answer papers to maintain confidentiality in evaluation processes (Govt. T. Romana College)

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The Agenda was presented by Mr. CVL. Tlanhlua Associate Professor, T. Romana College. After discussion, the meeting resolved to put forward the agenda to Examination Department of MZU.

Agenda II – Examination Department of MZU be requested to appoint paper setter for setting of paper only on their confined papers, (care should also be given to moderation).

Mr. CVL. Tlanhlua Associate Professor, T. Romana College presented and clarified the agenda. Discussions were held on the particular agenda. Based on the discussions and participation of the members, the meeting resolved that the agenda be put forward to Examinations department MZU with a change made in the agenda as *“Examination Department of MZU be requested to appoint paper setter for setting of paper on their confined papers as far as possible, (care should also be given to moderation)”*.

Agenda III – Let the entire practical examination fee collected be retained by the respective colleges without remitting to the University (MZU).

Dr. Rosangliana Associate Professor, Zirtiri Residential Science College presented and explained the agenda making necessary clarifications followed by discussions from the members. This agenda has been agreed upon as it is, and be put forward to Examinations department MZU.

Agenda IV – Agenda from MCTA Headquarters

- 1. Let the MCTA intensify its pressure on the MZU to conduct Semester Examinations (1st to 6th Semesters) –** It is resolved that the agenda be moved forward as it is and be taken up by the MCTA Headquarters.
- 2. Steps should be taken to let the state government to give priority on 10% matching share for RUSA scheme –** The agenda has been agreed upon as it is and be taken up by the MCTA Headquarters.
- 3. Steps should be taken for college teachers to take a more active role in matters of Evaluation process –** After a whole hearted discussion, the agenda was agreed upon and all necessary actions be taken by MCTA Headquarters.

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Agenda – V: Let the MCTA take a firm stand on the MHESR as per the proposal submitted by the MCTA, and the Government of Mizoram be pressurized to implement the same at the earliest.

Dr. JV. Nunchunga Assistant Professor, Government J.Thankima College explained and presented the agenda clarifying it where necessary. Discussions were held on the matter and the meeting resolved to agree upon the agenda as it is.

Agenda – VI: Let the 37th MCTA Annual Conference 2015 be hosted by the Mizoram Hindi Training College, Durtlang: The Principal MHTC proposed the agenda and was presented by Mrs. R.Lalthlamuani, MHTC. The meeting whole heartedly agreed upon the agenda.

GROUP - B

The following agendas were not put forward on the floor, the Chairman explained the reasons thereof.

1. Agenda – I: Let the MCTA initiate for issuing Identity Cards for all members

-Each MCTA Branch is given the responsibility to take up the matter.

2. Agenda – II: The salaries of all college teachers should be paid from Non-Plan head. Let the MCTA Headquarters request the government of Mizoram to implement the same immediately.

3. The Government of Mizoram be pressurized to revoke the order which bars submission of proposal directly to funding authorities.

4. The Government of Mizoram be pressurized to fill up the vacant post of Professor by fresh appointment.

-Efforts have been made but cannot be implemented immediately due to financial constraints.

5. The Government of Mizoram be pressurized to give equal credits and benefits (Entitlement) like Newspapers to College teachers as is given to other government servants of equal status.

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6. The Government of Mizoram be pressurized to settle the pay refixation of certain teachers affected by the 6th UGC Pay.

-Efforts are being made on this matter, and compensatory increment is supposed to be given by the government

7. Let the concerned department be moved so that Government College Teachers may be given their sole entitlements in Mizoram Houses at different places according to the state government protocol.

-College teachers do not exactly fall into any particular protocol, and therefore sole entitlements cannot be claimed. The headquarters is, however keen on taking up the matter.

8. No single college be allowed to adopt an optional paper unless two or more colleges opt for the same paper.

-It is believed that the wider the optional papers available to the students, the more benefits for the students. Therefore, an agenda to limit such benefits cannot be entertained.