

# State and Region Parliaments

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### Cultural Tourism to Promote for Chin State Development



Photo - Chin World Facebook

Friday, 22 April, 2016

The Minister of the Ministry of Development, Electricity and Industry of Chin State Cabinet said the government will mainly promote the cultural tourism during coming 5 years to support the development for Chin State.

"There are many tourist sites to study and visit in Chin State, for example: the Reed Lake, Mount Nat Ma, Mount Kyauk Pandan, Mount Kimo and Bontalar Waterfall. In addition, social culture of the locals could be studied so we need to promote the present situation." said Salai Issak Khin, the Minister of the Ministry of Development, Electricity and Industry of Chin State Cabinet.

He also added that as the result, the knowledge and perception of local people could be improved and also it would denote the preservation of the cultural heritage.

He promised continuously to encourage for promotion of packaging for local products, coffee and wine which are already well-known in the country.

In the same way, he would try to promote the role of information market. He said although there is less population in Chin State, local usage of mobile devices is bountiful because of limitations in transportation and excessive communication with international, said the Minister.

(Ref: Chin World Facebook Page)

*"We immediately solve the complaints which are directly concerned with the people. For the personal issue complaints, we just solve based on the respective reports of the chair-persons of the oversight committees." (Daw Tin Ei, Speaker of Mon State Hluttaw)*  
 (Extracted from Than Lwin Times Media Facebook)

### Yangon Chief Minister to Strengthen Tax System

Thursday, 28 April, 2016

The Yangon Region chief minister has outlined plans to strengthen the city's taxation system by examining weaknesses in local business audits.

During a meeting with industrial zone officials on April 25, U Pyo Myo Thein said that business people never show their audits to tax officials.

"We need to make sure their audits are reliable," he said.

The National League for Democracy-led government set out its budget and taxation policies for the current fiscal year in January.

Once the government has educated people in Yangon Region, reform will follow, said U Pyo Myo Thein. "Yangon Region is the most developed area in Myanmar and is the largest consumer – for example it uses around 50 percent of the country's electricity supply," he said.

The tax office typically assumes companies have under-reported income and treats their statements as unreliable, said the finance officer of a private company who has worked with the LTO. It also often warns companies against this and outlines punishments, she said.

Tax laws for the 2016-17 fiscal year seem to have made things more complicated for citizens rather than focusing on examining tax-dodgers, she added. U Aye Thauung, chair of Shwe Lin Ban industrial zone, said the government should offer incentives to tax payers, such as offering to solve infrastructure problems such as electricity, water and logistics for local manufacturers.

(Ref: The Myanmar Times)



Photo - The Myanmar Times

*"As the role of parliament, it has a responsibility to prevent a waste of budget. The government collects taxes, but revenue must be spent with approval of parliament."*  
 (U Nay Phone Latt, MP of Yangon Region Hluttaw)  
 (Extracted from the Myanmar Now)



## State and Region Ethnic Affairs Ministers (2016 March 30<sup>th</sup>)

### 1 Kachin State

A	U Khin Maung Myint @ U Date	Bamar Ethnic Affairs Ministry
B	U Sai Sein Lin	Shan Ethnic Affairs Ministry
C	U Arr Ti Yaw Han	Lisu Ethnic Affairs Ministry
D	U Yan Nan Phone	Rawan Ethnic Affairs Ministry

### 2 Kayah State

A	U Hla Myo Swe	Bamar Ethnic Affairs Ministry
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### 3 Kayin State

A	U Tayza Htut Hlaing Htwe	Bamar Ethnic Affairs Ministry
B	U Min Tin Win	Mon Ethnic Affairs Ministry
C	U Khun Myo Tint	Pa-Oh Ethnic Affairs Ministry

### 4 Sagaing Region

A	Daw Hmwe Hmwe Khin	Shan Ethnic Affairs Ministry
B	U Lal Thaug Than	Chin Ethnic Affairs Ministry

### 5 Tanintharyi Region

A	U Saw Luka	Kayin Ethnic Affairs Ministry
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### 6 Bago Region

A	Daw Naw Pwal Say	Kayin Ethnic Affairs Ministry
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### 7 Magway Region

A	U Hla Tun	Chin Ethnic Affairs Ministry
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### 8 Mandalay Region

A	U Sai Kyaw Zaw	Shan Ethnic Affairs Ministry
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### 9 Mon State

A	U Shwe Myint	Bamar Ethnic Affairs Ministry
B	Daw San Wint Khine	Pa-Oh Ethnic Affairs Ministry
C	U Aung Myint Khine	Kayin Ethnic Affairs Ministry

### 10 Rakhine State

A	U Pum Bawi	Chin Ethnic Affairs Ministry
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### 11 Yangon Region

A	Daw Naw Pann Thinzar Myo	Kayin Ethnic Affairs Ministry
B	U Zaw Aye Maung	Rakhine Ethnic Affairs Ministry

### 12 Shan State

A	Dr. Aung Than Maung	Bamar Ethnic Affairs Ministry
B	U Zote Daung	Kachin Ethnic Affairs Ministry
C	U Gu Sar	Lisu Ethnic Affairs Ministry
D	U Yaw That	Lahu Ethnic Affairs Ministry
E	U R Vay Hla	Arr-Khar Ethnic Affairs Ministry
F	Dr. Tun Hlaing	Inn Thar Ethnic Affairs Ministry
G	U Khun Aye Maung	Kayan(Padaung) Ethnic Affairs Ministry

### 13 Ayeyarwady Region

A	Ga Moe Myat Thu	Kayin Ethnic Affairs Ministry
B	U Tin Saw	Rakhine Ethnic Affairs Ministry

Ref: Ministry of Information

## Photos

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Shan State Government Office

Photo-Nirinzara News



Rakhine State Government Office



Photo-Than Lwin Times Media

The Complaint Committee has been going in the field study for the complaint about the production of polluted water from Bilin Industry of Alcoholic Methyl and Liquors.

Photo-MOI Webportal Myanmar Facebook Page



Dr. Myint Naing, the Chief Minister of Sagaing Region, has given the charity to the locals who had suffered from the storm.

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## The Chief Minister Pointed Out to Stop Cutting Down Mangroves in Tanintharyi Region

Monday May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016

It has been reported that Dr. Lei Lei Maw, the Chief Minister of Tanintharyi Region, has pointed out to stop cutting down mangroves to the Administrator of Myeik District in Tanintharyi Region.



During the meeting of the Chief Minister, the Cabinet members, MPs, the officers from respective departments, the ward administra-

tor and the support team members that was held at the Pearl Yadanar Hall, Myeik on 25th May, 2016, the Chief Minister had directed to stop cutting down mangroves.

"We need to preserve the mangroves as much as we could. Though our region is located near the coastal line, we suffer the extreme heat so we consider that our environment has some weak points to mend. Therefore, I have pointed out to stop cutting down the mangroves and to take action." said Dr. Lei Lei Maw during the meeting.

In that meeting, U Khin Maung Than, the local person, asked to clarify the policies laid down for rule of law, underwater natural resources, deforestation and poverty reduction and then the Chief Minister has answered it and said continuously the direction.

The fish powder industries based in Myeik basically use the wood from mangroves, reported by the industrial community.

(Ref: Dawei Watch)

### Short News

➤ Rakhine State's chief minister says it will take more than one five-year term and they have to do it step by step under the NLD-led government to bring the state's divided Buddhist and Muslim communities together again.

(Extracted from the Myanmar Times)

➤ Dr. Myo Aung, newly-appointed Chairman of Nay Pyi Taw Council, has met with the staffs of Nay Pyi Taw Council on 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2016 and said not to practice bribery and corruption.

(Extracted from Mizzima Burmese)

➤ The Chief Minister of Mon State Government, U Min Min Oo, said there will be press conference about Mon State Government's activities just once a month.

(Extracted from Than Lwin Times Media)

## Mon State Hluttaw to Reconsider MCL's Cement Factory Proposal, says State Hluttaw Deputy Speaker

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2016

Mon State Hluttaw will re-evaluate the proposed coal-fired plant that Mawlamyine Cement Limited (MCL) has intended to run its factory in Kyaikmayaw Township, Mon State, according to Dr. Aung Naing Oo, Mon State Hluttaw Deputy Speaker.

Last Friday (April 29<sup>th</sup>), the

Deputy Speaker met with locals, who oppose the coal-fired plant in Kyaikmayaw Township, to discuss the project.

"This is about the level of transparency the company has with the locals regarding its project and on what points they (the company) are passable regarding their project's permission. We will evaluate these points again and analyze them. If Hluttaw decides that the company should not apply for a coal-fired plant, the government and company then will need to find another solution to use it," said Dr. Aung Naing Oo, in an interview with MNA.

Dr. Aung Naing Oo added that several major projects and factories' constructions were implemented without the wishes of the public not only in the previous government's term, but in the last five years too.

"Hluttaw deputy speaker met with us to discuss the letter that we submitted regarding the MCL cement factory. The discussion included matters of electricity and how far into completion the factory actually was," said Nai Shwe Win, a Makro Villager.

On April 25, over 3,800 locals provided their signatures and sent a petition letter to the President, the Mon State Government and other respective government ministries calling to block the use of coal power at MCL.

(Ref: [www.monnews.org](http://www.monnews.org))



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