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Coordination Meeting was held between Region Hluttaw Speaker and Oversight Committees' Chairpersons



Photo - Magway Region Hluttaw Facebook page)

Wednesday 11 May, 2016

At 10 am on May 11, a coordination meeting was held between the Hluttaw speaker and the chairpersons of oversight committees of Magway Region Hluttaw at the speaker's office. During the meeting, the speaker said that since performance of the committees was still poor within the first month, the committees should come into contact with the public through field studies and be more aware of public voices and desires. He also mentioned that they should study laws and by-laws of departments which are related to their committees. He added that the committees would need prior permission from him in case of field studies. The meeting ended at 11:30 am.

(Ref: Magway Region Hluttaw Facebook Page)

State Hluttaw's Oversight Committees Meet Separately



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Friday 13 May, 2016

At 10:00 am on May 13, the legislative committee meeting was held at the Mon State Hluttaw meeting room. The Legislative Committee discussed the draft law for medium and small-scale private electricity production and distribution. Similarly, the Complaints, Petitions, Proposal Letters and General Issues Committee meeting was held at the committee meeting room and discussed about submitted complaint letters.

Mon Hluttaw received about 20 complaint letters daily.

(Ref: www.monhluttaw.com)

Quotes and Opinions

"I would primarily tackle two issues during my five-year-term: making electricity accessible at less than 100 kyats per unit for the whole region and bringing back two thirds of the migrant workers, if not 100% back to the region."

(Dr. Lei Lei Maw, Chief Minister of the Taninthayi Region, extracted from an interview with Myanmar Times)

"Since it will take many days to solve traffic congestion, we would set up a particular body in order to tackle the situation. That body will be in charge of regulating and mediating the traffic of the whole Yangon. We are also planning to negotiate with township administration for their cooperation for traffic issues in every township."

(U Phyo Min Thein, Chief Minister of Yangon Region, extracted from MOI Webportal Myanmar Facebook Page)

How Judiciary, Legislature, Complaints and Petitions Committee of Magway Hluttaw Handles Complaint Letters

Since Magway Region Hluttaw had formed the Judiciary, Legislations, Complaints, Petitions Committee, the Committee has received over 30 complaint letters. However, Hluttaw had received about 500 complaint letters before the Committee was formed, and the Committee is now scrutinizing those letters and planning to take actions.

Since the committee was formed, the first committee meeting had been held. In general, letters are accepted by the Complaint Department of Hluttaw Office and then handed over to the chairperson of Committee, after which they are analyzed by the Committee. Some of the complaint letters are being read by the Hluttaw Speaker, the Director General, Director, Assistant Director or Gazetted Officer. Principally, the Speaker assigns who reads which letters. In case of complaint letters addressed to the Committee, it should be handed over to the committee promptly.

Complaint letters are on land disputes, land grabbing, complaints over administrators of communities and issues related to education. Analyses by the committee should be reported to the Hluttaw Speaker and the Deputy Speaker. In some cases, the Hluttaw will ask the government to carry out actions after the analysis report. For other cases, with the committee's decision and the speaker's permission, the respective departments will be asked to take actions as early as possible. At the same time, the Committee will reply to a complainer by mail on the acceptance of complaint letter, what actions are being taken, how the issue is being solved, which department is being informed to tackle, and for incomplete letters, how to send complete complaint letters again.

The Committee will not be in charge of letters addressed to the chief minister and the cabinet, but will recommend respective ministries and departments so that actions can be taken in accord with law by the respective government.

(Ref: the interview with U Nay Myo Kyaw, Chairperson of the committee, by Mizzima Media and Magway Region Hluttaw Facebook Page)

Magway Region Hluttaw

Judiciary, Legislature, Complaints and Petitions Committee Member List

No.	Name	Constituency	Responsibility in Committee
1	U Nay Myo Kyaw	Minbu (2)	Chairperson
2	U Htay Win	Tilin (1)	Member
3	U Han Zaw Win	Pakokku (1)	Member
4	U Zaw Moe Aung	Thayet (2)	Member
5	U Soe Win	Chauk (2)	Member
6	Daw Nyo Nyo Oo	Sidoktaya (1)	Member
7	U Aung San Win	Gangaw (2)	Member
8	U Thet Naing	Myaing (1)	Member
9	U Aye Hlaing Oo	Mindon (2)	Member
10	Captain Tin Htay	Military Representative	Member
11	U Kyaw Htay	Magway (1)	Secretary

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Military Representatives in State and Region Hluttaws

The total number of military personnel appointed as

members of region and state parliaments are 220: 203 are from the army, seven are from the air force and ten are from the navy. The new MPs include one brigadier general, 14 colonels and 10 lieutenant colonels.

The Lower House has 110 military representatives: two major generals, six brigadier generals, seven colonels, 39 lieutenant colonels and 56 majors.

The Upper House will have 56 representatives: one major general, six brigadier generals, four colonels, 10 lieutenant colonels, 35 majors and one captain.

Among all of the announced military representatives are three female officers.

(Ref: www.elevenmyanmar.com)

Short News

➤ Deputy Speaker of the Mon State Hluttaw, Dr. Aung Naing Oo, claimed that, within one month, there would be an investigation into fund disputes over Mawlamyaing Strand Road widening project and shortcomings of the project. (Ref: *Hinthar Media Facebook Page*)

➤ According to U Mahn Johnny, Chief Minister of the Ayeyarwady Region, the region cabinet is short on tax collection and regional budget relies heavily on the Central government. He believes that it is due to the 2008 constitution, and that regional cabinet will be given more rights over budget management by decentralization in the future.

(Extracted from an interview with *Mizzima Burmese*)

Mon State Hluttaw to Carry out Random Checks into Mining Operations

Friday, 6 May, 2016

Dr. Aye Zan, Chairperson of the Natural Environment Preservation and Observation Committee of the Mon State Hluttaw, said that to avoid environmental damage, there would be spot checks into mining activities with prior notice of 24 hours. He said, "We will tackle stone mining first. For the time being, we are collecting necessary information on stone mines in Mon State." He continued that they were planning to conduct the investigations with prior notice of 24 hours in collaboration with the general administration department. "When we asked about stone mines, we found out that they were under the General Administration Department. Do not tell us that they aren't. Since it is lucrative, do so. But they will have to make up for the environmental damage and take actions for prevention." Investigation is the first priority process and will take about 3 months. U Aung Thet Htay, the Director of Long Life Agregate Mining Company, said, "We do not have anything particular to say over these investigations. They might want to know our responsibilities through these investigations. We will just operate as usual."

(Written by *Pho Wa*)

(Reference – *Hinthar Media Corporation*)

Photos



Photo - Taungtwingyi NLD News and Information

U Win Myint Hlaing @ U Hlaing Hlaing, MP from Taungdwingyi constituency 2, had a meeting with people from Htantapin Village, Lethar Village Tract 2, Taundwingyi district. During the meeting, U Win Myint Hlaing put on record that the village needed electricity, one middle school principal, one middle school teacher, and he also answered questions by the locals.

(Ref: *Taungtwingyi NLD News and Information Facebook Page*)



Photo - Chin World

Nim Zawl village at the border of Chin State and Sagaing Region, which is visited by the Chin State Chief Minister, Salai Lian Luai, after U Con Kheng who is the Amyothar Hluttaw member from Falam proposed relocating the state capital "Hakha". It is only five miles away from Kalay.

(Ref: *Chin World Facebook Page*)

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