

# **State and Region Parliaments** News Bulletin

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# Chief Justice Rejected Motion Submitted by Myaungmya's MP



#### 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2017

The Chief Justice rejected a motion submitted by Myangmya's MP and further stated that the motion should not be discussed at the parliament.

On 2<sup>nd</sup> February, Daw Khine Zin Oo (Myaungmya-2) submitted a motion for a probe to combat several cases of bribery in order to steer the justice system into the right direction.

The Chief Justice of Ayeyarwady Region, U Than Tun stated, "The judiciary pillar is weak and, can be seen as biased and unjust. But I would like to request the parliament to remove the term *bad reputation* from the motion."

"Most complaints received by MPs are regarding legal cases. We learn that there are rampant misconducts and briberies among clerks, judges and lawyers. It is also very difficult to tackle corruption since clients are not directly asked for money. The court verdict pretty much depends on whether you can pay or not," claimed Daw Khine Zin Oo.

The Chief Justice also added that it is not unusual for people to make further complaints if they are not happy with initial verdicts.

The Ayeyarwady Region Parliament decided that this issue would be discussed again on 3<sup>rd</sup> February. *(Ref: Extracted from -*

http://www.mizzimaburmese.com)





### **Photo News**

Kayah State Hluttaw Speaker U Hla Htwe and Budget Review Committee investigate the construction site of Kayah State Administrator's Residence on 31<sup>st</sup> January. (*Ref: Kayah State Hluttaw's Facebook Page*)

## Parliaments to Have Their Own Personnel

#### 1<sup>st</sup> February 2017

State and Region Hluttaws, which are manned by General Administration Department staff (GAD), will have their own personnel from the coming April.

"Parliaments (Pyithu, Amyotha and S/R Hluttaws) will have their own staff. We learned from Myanmar Parliamentary Union (MPU) meeting that the Director of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw will be the chief of the staff," said U Aung Kyaw Khaing, the Speaker of Ayeyarwady Region Hluttaw.

"Most of the staff decided to stay with GAD. So the Hluttaw will lose hu-

man resources. However, the current Hluttaw staff will have to work at the Hluttaw for one more year," said U Myo Min Tun who is the director of Ayeyarwady Region GAD.

While the State and Region Hluttaws are prescribed to have 124 personnel, half of the prescribed formation will be appointed in the State Parliaments and two-thirds in the Region Parliaments. The Director of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw will be in charge of appointment, promotion and transfer of staff under the Speakers' remark. Budget will also be independent and uniform changes are on the way.

(Ref: Extracted from The Voice Daily)

## **Short News**

■ The Second Kayah State Hluttaw will hold the fourth regular session on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2017

(Ref: Kayah State Hluttaw's Facebook Page)

■ At the fourth regular session of Ayeyarwady Region Parliament, two military representatives submitted questions. Colonel Aung Kyaw Moe asked if the village road between Phoe Shwe Mya Gone and The Ga Yat would be upgraded or not. Captain Kyaw Tun asked whether there woudl be a plan to build a new building in TaTaKa 5 Primary School. An MP later said that the road and the school are close to defense service areas.

(Ref: Extracted from The Voice Daily)

#### Mon State Government Unable to Take Actions on Approved Motions

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2017

Mon State Government has not fully implemented 20 motions approved by the State Hluttaw, the Speaker Daw Tin Ei stated. During the second Hluttaw, 23 motions and 101 questions were submitted and 486 complaint letters were received. State Government has tackled 58 out of 124 complaint letters passed by the Hluttaw.

Dr. Min Kyi Win, the Minister of

Natural Resources and Envionment stated that although the cabinet is able to takes actions on the approved motions, initial discussions among cabinet members are necessary. (*Ref: Extracted from The Voice Daily*)

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### Rakhine State Parliament Provides 5 Million Kyats to each Township for Development

#### 1<sup>st</sup> February 2017

The Rakhine State Parliament provided 5 million kyats to each township in order to start development projects in the state. The money was residual cash from the Rakhine State Parliament budget delivered by the Union Parliament.

"It is impossible to launch local development by using such small amount of money. Just like a grain of sesame cannot make oil. I find it a bit funny," said U Tun Aung Thein (Boothidaung-2)

"Five million kyats cannot launch a development project. The case is that there are two constituencies in one township and then there are two MPs. So, one parliamentarian will receive only 2.5 million kyats. Anyhow, we're looking for an essential area in our constituency where we've to use the money in a beneficial way," said U Kyaw Lwin (Kyaukphyu-1)

(ReF: Extracted from Narinjara http://www.bnionline.net/)

## Kayin State Rural Development Strategy Workshop

#### 28th January 2017

A consultation workshop on Kayin State rural development strategy for better village roads was held in Hpa-an on 26<sup>th</sup> January.

A total of 60 attendees including Kayin State Cabinet, government officials and MPs attended the workshop. At the workshop, Kayin State Rural Development Staff Officer explained ongoing and future activities.

MPs put questions on insurance plans and, suggested that local companies should be favored in tender invitation while minimum environmental impacts and quality should be taken into account.

"It is beneficial that the State Government, MPs and government officials are discussing future plans of rural development. The draft derived from the workshop will be submitted to the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw," said U Saw Chit Khin, the Speaker of Kayin State Hluttaw. (*Ref: Extracted from the Voice Daily*)

## Nine State/Region Hluttaw Military Representatives Substituted

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2017

The Union Election Commission scrutinized and substituted 9 State/Region Military representatives upon a request by the Commander in Chief of the Defence Services in accordance with the Article 33 of Region or State Hluttaw Election Law. Military Representatives from the left side of table were replaced with those on the right.

Kayah State Hluttaw			
1	BC 26742	BC 22000	
	Major Min Thu	Colonel Myint Wai	
Sagaing Region Hluttaw			
2	BC 36001	BC 46312	
	Captain Win Min Aung	Captain Thet Zaw Lin	
3	BC 36010	BC 50172	
	Captain Khant Hein	Captain Yan Myo Aung	
Tanintharyi Region Hluttaw			
4	BC 43259	BC 26934	
	Captain Thet Naing Soe	Colonel Kyaw Zeya	
Bago Region Hluttaw			
5	Air 3088	Air 2855	
	Major Yan Naing San	Major Kyaw Thura	
Rakhine State Hluttaw			
6	BC 30860	BC 30431	
	Lieutenant-Colonel Min Oo	Lieutenant-Colonel Myat Min Htwe	
Yangon Region Hluttaw			
7	BC 36258	BC 36474	
	Major San Tha Nay Aung	Major Ko Ko Latt	
Shan State Hluttaw			
8	BC 35699	BC 47690	
	Captain Aung Kyaw Myint Win	Captain Aung Thet Oo	
9	BC 50477	BC 19315	
	Captain Myat Min Aung	Colonel Min Min Lwin	

(Ref: Union Election Comission, Notification 4/2017, Myanmar Alinn)