Pyidaungsu Hluttaw session continues for 28th day.
Messages put on record, MPs involved in discussions and clarifications made on bills

NAY PYI TAW, 26 April-Third regular session of the First Pyidaungsu Hluttaw continued for 28th day at Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Hall in Hluttaw Complex here at 10 am today, attended by Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker U Khin Aung Myint, Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann and 598 Pyidaungsu Hluttaw representatives.

At today’s session, messages were put on record, MPs participated in discussions and clarifications on bills were made.

The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw recorded message on press release of Cambodian 1 April by-election monitors’ group on behalf of the ASEAN Chairman, message on report on 20th ASEAN Summit and message on Japan’s debt. They were sent by the President when the session was adjourned and were still to put on record.

U Kyaw Naing Htay of Intaw Constituency, U Myint Soe of Pyawbwe Constituency, U Thein Nyunt of Thingangyun Constituency, U Shwe Maung of Buthidaung Constituency, U Ye Tun of Hsipaw Constituency, Daw Tin Nwe Oo of Dagon Myothit (North) Constituency, U Zung Hlei Thang of Chin State Constituency (2), U Thein Win of Sagaing Region Constituency (9), U Win Naung of Yangon Region Constituency (5) and Daw Khin Waing Kyi of Yangon Region Constituency (1) made discussions on report of Joint Bill Committee on resolution of the Constitutional Tribunal of the Union that defining committees, commissions and organizations formed by respective Hluttaws as Union level organizations is not appropriate with provisions in the constitution. They discussed: There is no particular definition for the phrase “Union level organization” in the constitution. The phrase includes only in Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Law, Pyithu Hluttaw Law, Amyotha Hluttaw Law, Union Attorney-General Law and Union Auditor-General Law. It would be wrong to mix it up with provisions in the constitution. It is not in line with provisions in Section 46 of the constitution.

Applying definition of “Union level organization” prescribed in enacted Hluttaw laws, the tribunal decided that defining committees, commissions and organizations formed by respective Hluttaws as Union level organizations is not appropriate with provisions in the constitution. It means Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Law, Pyithu Hluttaw Law, Amyotha Hluttaw Law, Union Attorney-General Law, Union Auditor-General Law are not appropriate with the constitution. Moreover, it also objects to provisions in Section 443 of the constitution.

Hluttaw committees, commissions and organizations led by Pyidaungsu Hluttaw representatives, otherwise Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha Hluttaw representatives, who are exercising the legislative power, the highest one of three sovereign powers of the State, could be nothing but the Union level organizations. The resolution of the tribunal is inaccurate. The statement clearly mentioning committees, commissions and organizations are Union level organizations should be added in any suitable section of the constitution.

The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker tasked the Joint Bill Committee to recompile the report based on discussions and suggestions of the Hluttaw representatives and to submit its report on 30 April.

The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker made clarifications on 2012 Pyithu Hluttaw Bill and 2012 Amyotha Hluttaw Bill returned by the President with his remarks.

Vice-Chairman U San Tun of the Joint Bill Committee submitted the committee’s report and remarks. MPs who were willing to make discussions on remarks of the President were to submit their name lists
with signed description of paragraph, subparagraph and content to discuss not later than 4 pm on 27 April.

The session concluded at 1 pm and continues for 29th day on 30 April.-MNA