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NAY PYI TAW, 6 Sept- Amyotha Hluttaw Session continued for 40th day, at Amyotha Hluttaw Hall of Hluttaw Complex, here, at 10 am today, attended by Speaker of Amyotha Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint and 207 MPs.

With respect to the question of U Zone Hle Htan of Chin State Constituency No.2 on “if there is a plan to designate 500 acres of lands between deforested area on Falam-Haka road and Liva Dam as sanctuary”, Deputy Minister for Environmental Conservation and for Forestry U Aye Myint Maung said that the above-mentioned acres includes in 10160 acres of Liva Protected Public Forest which is established in line with Ministry of Environmental Conservation and Forestry’s Announcement No.6/97 dated 30-7-1997.

At present, Liva dam and its related areas including Zeinmu Mountain have been designated as protected public forest. Ministry of Environmental Conservation and Forestry has planned to designate these areas as sanctuary in cooperation with local administrative bodies and officials from respective departments.

Regarding the question of U Khat Htein Nan of Kachin State constituency No.1 on “ceasefire and peace”, Deputy Minister for Defence Commodore Aung Thaw replied that there were three state-level discussions, three union-level discussions and four informal discussions since June, 2011 that fighting between Tatmadaw and KIA has started. Tatmadaw want peace to the full. On 10 December 2011, the President gave instruction on avoiding fight and attack on KIA camps in Kachin State, except protection. The Commander-in-Chief at once explained President’s instructions to units under his control, and respective regiments and units are following the instructions.

There were 926 times for fighting between Tatmadaw and KIA.

During this period, KIA group blasted non-military targets for 66 times. Since the President’s directives, Tatmadaw did not attack KIA’s camps. Tatmadaw has duty to protect the interest of people. Tatmadaw responds KIA’s attacks at a time when Tatmadaw is giving security for public routes and regions.

As peace-making with KNU has mutual trusts and honesty, there is no any conflicts. It is witnessed that there is regional peace and stability.

Peace contracts could be signed with ten remaining armed groups through ceasefire. KIA constantly holds the point that they would make ceasefire only after holding discussions in political way.

So, there occurred fightings there. Tatmadaw is patient with the situation for eternal peace including ceasefire with KIA.

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After that, member of Amyotha Hluttaw Bill Committee U Aung Kyin Nyunt read out the Bill Committee’s report on Bill amending the Union Auditor- General Bill which is sent by Pyithu Hluttaw. The Speaker of Amyotha Hluttaw approved the Bill amending the Union Auditor-General Bill sent by Pyithu Hluttaw.

After that, one representative discussed Amyotha Hluttaw International Relations Committee’s report.

Chairman of Amyotha Hluttaw International Relations Committee Col Maung Maung Htoo submitted a report of the committee to be approved to the Hluttaw.

The Hluttaw announced that it was agreed with it.

Amyotha Hluttaw Finance and Legal Affairs Commission Member Maj Maung Maung Gyi read out the report of the commission to the hluttaw.

Amyotha Hluttaw Finance and Legal Affairs Commission Chairman U Aung Tun submitted a report of the commission to be approved to the hluttaw. The Hluttaw announced that it was agreed with it.

Amyotha Hluttaw National Races Affairs Committee Chairman U Hsai Paung Nut and Member U Khet Htein Nan submitted the report of the committee to the hluttaw.

Amyotha Hluttaw National Races Affairs Committee Member U Tin Shan submitted the report of the committee to be approved to the hluttaw. The Hluttaw announced that it was agreed with it.

Regarding the proposal presented by Amyotha Hluttaw Representative U Myint Tun of Bago Region Constituency No 10 on“urging the Union government to form Yangon City Development Affairs Committee under Yangon Region government and to use committee fund under the arrangement of the region government in line with the city development affairs law for rapid upgrading Yangon City into international standard commercial hub,” six representatives participated in the discussion.

With respect to the proposal, Deputy Minister for Finance and Revenue Dr Lin Aung made clarification.

Bill Committee decided to review that proposal.

On the Speaker of Amyotha Hluttaw’s response to the queries, proposals and bills submitted in the fourth regular session of first Amyotha Hluttaw, he explained that Amyotha Hluttaw representatives asked 173 starred questions and 134 star-valid questions.

Respective Union Level organization members replied to them, and respective ministries had sent to the hluttaw representatives.

As for the proposal, there were six proposals to be discussed of 29 proposals submitted by Amyotha Hluttaw Representatives, and 12 of 23 proposals discussed had been approved.

As for the bill, Pyidaungsu Hluttaw claimed that there were 13 bills sent by Union level organization and one bill sent by the Finance and Legal Affairs Commission to be put under discussion, and five bills with approval sent to Amyotha Hluttaw after being discussed at Pyithu Hluttaw, and three bills returned by Pyithu Hluttaw.

Today’s meeting came to an end at 3:15 pm and the fourth regular session of Amyotha Hluttaw concluded.

At the meeting, there were two queries answered, one bill and three reports approved and one proposal discussed.-MNA

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