Pyithu Hluttaw approves FPTP electoral system

Nay Pyi Taw, 14 Nov — Although the Hluttaw commission to review the electoral system recommended 8 electoral systems, the Pyithu Hluttaw session on Friday approved the current first-past-the-post system as the seven others breach the provisions of the state constitution.

Concerning the electoral system, the speaker of the Pyithu Hluttaw said some representatives including ethnic national races raised objections to changing the electoral system to a proportional representation system but he formed the commission to review the electoral systems.

When the commission recommended 8 electoral systems, he presented the recommendations to the constitutional tribunal which replied that only the current electoral system was in accordance with the state constitution. Then, the speaker sought the decision of the Pyithu Hluttaw to prevent a breach of the constitution by adopting the seven other systems that are against the provisions of the constitution.

The Pyithu Hluttaw session approved the current FPTP electoral system. At the Pyithu Hluttaw session today, representatives put on record the motion to honour the Union Government and organizations concerned for the successful holding of the 25th ASEAN Summit and Related Summits. —MNA

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