Nay Pyi Taw, 10 Feb — Deputy Ministers of the government explained Pyithu Hluttaw Tuesday about land management systems under urban development programmes. Pyithu Hluttaw MP U Khin Maung Nyo of Pauk Township constituency, Magwe region, asked about the plan to relax restrictions and red tapes on land utilization management.

U Ohn Than, Deputy Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation, said except changing farm lands into other projects, Department of Land Records Office in townships are issuing permits within one-month to valid application for grant lands and mine exploration across the country excluding in the Nay Pyi Taw council areas and major cities of Yangon and Mandalay.

U Khun Thein Pe, MP of Hopong Township constituency, asked the government’ plan to demarcate road areas across the country, while people are settling and squatting at roadsides along some highways, even erecting walls illegally for compounds. U Soe Tint, Deputy Minister for Construction, said clear lines will be drawn for demarcation between road areas and residential places, and legal actions will be taken against squatting in road areas.

In response to question of U Thein Nyunt, MP of Thingangyun Township constituency, Deputy Minister U Aung Thein at President Office answered that members of Yangon City Development Committee, MPs of Yangon Region Hluttaw, representatives of Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers and Commerce, senior officials of respective ministries held workshops at Yangon City Hall in June and December 2013 and March in 2014 to lay down the rules for Floor Area Ratio (FAR) and Building Coverage Ratio (BCR) under urban development programmes.

U Aung Thein said YCDC has instructed reconstruction and rehabilitation of the buildings which do not meet urbanization standards in Yangon city. U Kim Sein, MP of Thayetchaung Township constituency, discussed offshore fishing industry is declining, and is likely to collapse in the long term, with suggestion to Union government to prohibit fishing from June 1 to August 31. Pyithu Hluttaw also accepted three starred questions, one proposal, two bill and invitation to MPs for their proposals.

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