Nay Pyi Taw, 14 May — Union Minister for Defence Lt-Gen Wai Lwin on Thursday called for the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw to extend the period of the state of emergency imposed in line with the presidential ordinance for another 90 days as the situation in the self-administered Kokang area has not yet returned to normal. More time is needed as security, stability, economy and the legal system in Kokang of Shan State are still below normal, the defence union minister said. A state of emergency with a three-month period of martial law has been declared in the area since 17 February 2015. The period is due on 17 May. The proposal is expected to be brought to parliament for approval on 15 May. The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw approved four bills on rights of disabled persons, population control and health care, inland vessels, and nursing and maternity.--MNA