Pyidaungsu Hluttaw

THE 13th regular session of the first Pyidaungsu Hluttaw continues for its 37th day with a presentation on the findings of the Union Auditor General’s report for the second six-month period for the 2014-2015 fiscal year.

MP U Aung Lin Hlaing read out the Joint Public Accounts Committee’s findings on the Union Auditor General’s report and the committee’s audit complaints report.

Next, MPs U Win Than, U Maung Toe and U Thein Tun read out the Joint Planning and Financial Development Committee’s report, the Joint Public Accounts Committee’s findings on the Union Auditor General’s report on the Union Budget and a report of the Farmland Investigation Commission.

Thereafter, parliamentarians discussed the Joint Public Accounts Committee’s findings on the Auditor General’s report on the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Development Plan.

Pyidaungsu Hluttaw session continues tomorrow.—Myanmar News Agency

C-in-C, Suu Kyi talk peace

DEFEENCE Services Commander-in-Chief Senior General Min Aung Hlaing met with National League for Democracy Chairperson Daw Aung San Suu Kyi for two hours at the Bayintnaung Guest House in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday afternoon.

Also present at the meeting were Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services and Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice Senior General Soe Win and Lt-Gen Kyaw Swe, Lt-Gen Mya Tun Oo and Lt-Gen Ye Aung from the Office of Commander-in-Chief (Army), U Win Htein, U Win Myint, U Zaw Myint Maung and Dr Tin Myo Win represented the National League for Democracy at the meeting.

During the meeting, the participants discussed matters relating to the post-election transition period, peace and stability, parliamentary affairs, the formation of the next government and the peace process as laid out by the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement.

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which have underwriter licenses.

Those wanting to buy shares must also first open an account with the securities company,” said Dr U Nyo Myint, senior managing director of KBZ Stirling Coleman Securities (KBZSC).

A joint venture between the Myanmar Economic Bank, which has 51 per cent ownership, and the Japanese Stock Exchange Committee and Japan Daiwa Company, which have 49 per cent ownership, the YSX was officially opened on 9 December in the building of the old Myawaddy Bank.

The six companies permitted to list on the YSX are First Private Bank Ltd, First Myanmar Investment, Great Horizon Public, MAPCO, Myanmar Citizens Bank and Myanmar Thilawa SEZ Holdings Public.—Myanmar News Agency

Rural solar electrification launched in Ayeyawady Region

CENTRAL executive committee members of Myanmar Women and Children Development Federation launched rural solar electrification project at four villages in Pathein, Nyaungdon and Kyaunggon Township, Ayeyawady Region on Friday.

According to the MWCDF, six women from the remote villages were sent to Barefoot College in India for implementation of the project.

The MWCDF and the women who completed the rural solar electrification course at the college discussed matters related to installation of solar panels worth US$160,307 donated by the college for the villages.—Myanmar News Agency

Amyotha Hluttaw

Amyotha Hluttaw discusses improving agricultural livelihoods

THE 13th regular session of Amyotha Hluttaw (Upper House) entered its 27th day in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday, with a question-and-answer session, a discussion on a proposal and parliamentary approval of a report.

During the question-and-answer session, members of Union-level organisations responded to three questions raised by parliamentarians.

Five parliamentarians held discussions on a proposal urging the Union government to coordinate the agricultural market and increase agricultural loans to ensure improvement to farmers’ livelihoods.

Deputy Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Ohn-Than explained the government’s intervention in the rice market by buying rice to secure the country’s reserves.

The private sector has been allowed to grow, store, transport and trade rice freely, added the deputy minister.

However, he said it is impossible to increase loans to farmers due to budget constraints, he said.

Next, the parliament sought the approval of the report of the Amyotha Hluttaw committee on education, health and women and children affairs committee.—Myanmar News Agency

Pyithu Hluttaw

Pyithu Hluttaw approves Former Presidents’ Security Bill

THE 13th regular session of Pyithu Hluttaw (Lower House) entered its 28th day in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday, with parliamentarians discussing recommendations of respective committees and the Former Presidents’ Security Bill.

Parliamentarians from various committees, including the Ethnic Affairs, Rural Development and Peacemaking Committee, the Union Budget and Taxation Scrutinising Committee and the International Relations Committee discussed recommendations.

While holding discussions on the Former Presidents’ Security Bill, which was sent back by the Amyotha Hluttaw (Upper House) with amendments, parliamentarians called for the approval of the bill in line with the Lower House amendments.

Today’s session approved seven amendments of the bill in accordance with the Pyithu Hluttaw’s suggestions and decided to continue the process during the next session.—Myanmar News Agency