Pyidaungsu Hluttaw discusses Joint Public Accounts Committee’s report

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AT the thirteenth-day meeting of the Second Pyidaungsu Hluttaw’s ninth regular session held at the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw meeting hall yesterday morning, Hluttaw representatives discussed the Joint Public Accounts Committee Report (7/2018) on the Office of the Union Auditor General audit report for fiscal year 2016-2017.

Daw Cho Cho of Ottwin constituency discussed about government departments included in the report implementing projects inaccurately without proper oversight, works done uncoordinated and uncontrolled and formed groups without proper policies to oversee the works of companies (permitted to conduct projects) by citing Min Ye cashew nut plantation jointly conducted by Department of Agriculture and Myanmar Plantation Singapore Ltd.

Daw Naw Chris Tun (a) Dr Arr Kar Moe of Kayin State constituency 7 on the other hand discussed about Myanmar International Cooperation Agency (MICA) included in the report. Of the 66 works transferred to MICA only 23 were conducted out of which 16 work agreements were signed with MICA while 7 were signed by the department indicating a fraternizing between MICA and the department. It looks as if authorities are working with private business to work on a state-owned business. Winding up of MICA had took more than a year and half now and there seem to be a weakness in the winding up committee even at the formation stage discussed Daw Naw Chris Tun.

In his discussion, U Khin Cho of Hlaingwwe constituency said project implementation didn’t achieve the set targets in all three sectors of agriculture, industry and service. In the 14 smaller sub-sectors, only the four sectors of electricity, finance, service and trade achieve the set targets. He uncovered on uncovering sector wise weaknesses and correcting it.

U Bo Gyi of Chaung constituency discussed about ministerial departments reporting to the people through Pyidaungsu Hluttaw in a transparent manner on the actions taken on matters pointed out by the Union Auditor General’s Office. He also discussed and suggested about Hluttaw representatives and experts listening to the voices of the people to discuss the matter of “Other Accounts” opened by some departments.

Dr. Khun Win Thaung of Kachin State constituency 11 also discussed about MICA and suggested following the recommendation of Union Auditor General as well as to take legal action where applicable.

The report was also discussed by U Kyaw Naing of Yangon Region constituency 12, U Nay Myo Htet of Kyauktada constituency, Daw Shwe Shwe Sein of Mawlaik constituency 3, Dr. Aung Khin of Pyin Oo Lwin constituency, Daw Khin San Hlaing of Ponnagyun constituency, U Kyaw Aung Tun of Sittwe constituency and U Sai Thant Zin of Hsipaw constituency.

The fourteenth-day meeting of the ninth regular session of the Second Pyidaungsu Hluttaw will be held today it is learnt.

MMPO donates cash for rehabilitation flood victims

UNION Minister for Information Dr. Pe Myint accepted cash donated by Myanmar Motion Picture Organisation (MMPO) to the fund for rehabilitation of flood victims nationwide at a ceremony held in MMPO meeting hall in Wingaha Road, Bahan Township, Yangon yesterday.

At the event, MMPO Chairman U Zin Waing explained about the purpose of donation to the rehabilitation fund for flood victims.

Next, chairman U Chit Ko Ko on behalf of Thakayta Township Video Sub-Group, Yangon Region Video Sub-Group secretary U Tin Moe on behalf of Video Sub-Group (Central), MMPO Patron U Aung Lwin, Chairman U Zin Waing and Vice-Chairman U Zaw Min donated Ks 1 million, Ks 4 million and Ks 10 million respectively. The donations were accepted by the Union Minister.

In his speech of appreciation, Union Minister said people from the motion picture circle usually help and donate whenever the people faces disasters. Now, under the leadership of MMPO, various levels of Video Sub-Groups donated with sympathy towards flood affected people. The outcome of this good deed is believed to be the socio-economic development of the people in the motion picture circle, said the Union Minister. Also present at the ceremony were officials from Ministry of Information, MMPO patrons, executive members, Video Sub-Groups members and invited guests. —Myanmar News Agency

Union Minister Lt-Gen Sein Win receives India National Defence College delegation

UNION MINISTER for Defence Lt-Gen Sein Win received a delegation led by India National Defence College Senior Directing Staff (Air) Vice Marshall TD Joseph VM VSM at the guest hall of Union Minister Office, Ministry of Defence yesterday afternoon.

During the meeting cooperation between the two armed forces and training matters were openly and cordially discussed.—MNA

Union Minister Dr Pe Myint delivers remarks as he accepts cash donated by MMPO for flood victims. PHOTO: MNA

Pyidaungsu Hluttaw being convened in Nay Pyi Taw. PHOTO: MNA