

**Pyidaungsu Hluttaw session continues for 15th day.
One amended proposal submitted and discussed, one new proposal submitted,
two bills explained and submitted**

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Feb -The 15th day Pyidaungsu Hluttaw session continued today at Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Hall in Hluttaw Complex here, attended by Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker U Khin Aung Myint and 531 representatives.

At the session, one amended proposal was submitted and discussed, one new proposal submitted and two bills explained and submitted.

Regarding the proposal submitted yesterday, U Thein Win of Sagaing Region Constituency (9) said in considering annually additional budgetary allocation bill of the Union, it is necessary to exactly know the actual income and expenditure of organizations included in the Union budget fund plan. In considering the Union budget bill, it must be based on the budget law of the previous fiscal year. So, he submitted an amended proposal urging the Union Government to inspect the income and expenditure prescribed in accord with the law every six months and to submit other audit reports in time asked by the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw. The Hluttaw approved the proposal.

Three MPs discussed the amended proposal. Daw Tin Nwe Oo of Dagon Myothit (North) Constituency said timeframe is necessary and audit report needs to be submitted in time. Ministries have to scrutinize accounts step by step and send them to the Auditor-General's Office, which then has to assess systematically and submit audit report. So, she said she seconded the amended proposal as it was really necessary.

U Zon Hle Htan of Chin State Constituency (2) also seconded the proposal saying that the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw needs to thoroughly assess the audit report so that the government's management and spending can be systematic. U Sai Paung Nat of Shan State Constituency (12) discussed that the proposal is appropriate as it reflects the nature of work of all Union level organizations and Union ministries on a practical basis.

In response to the proposal, Deputy Auditor-General U Myo Myint of Union Auditor-General Office said that the Union Auditor-General's Office is implementing its tasks with the workforce, which accounts for two thirds of organizational employment. The tasks include inspection of financial accounts and of business transactions. There are two primary requirements for the Union Auditor-General's Office to check whether or not the organizations included in the Union budget fund program have actual income and spend money systematically. They are for government organizations to complete accounts drawings in a prescribed period and for the Budget Department (Headquarters) to compile a grand total.

With the two primary requirements in complete, the department will be able to scrutinize and submit the accounts of income and spending of those organizations. The Union budget accounts for 2011-2012 fiscal year are being checked and plans are under way to submit the report in November or December next fiscal year.

The deputy auditor general went on to say that in inspecting the financial accounts and business transactions with the strength of employees from the Union Auditor-General's Office and auditor offices at various levels, inspection of accounts in every six months started as a trial in the previous fiscal year. In doing so, in comparison with inspection inputs, it was found to be inappropriate due to the first six month cash flow and accounts situation.

Most of the checked accounts are found to have been drawn unsystematically with incomplete

amendments and headings. Therefore, the Union Auditor-General's Office is planning to inspect only necessary departments biannually in the coming fiscal year and to prioritize inspection of business transactions and project undertakings.

All Pyidaungsu Hluttaw representatives have already known that the result of the examinations is more effective.

International Auditor-General Offices place more emphasizes on it. These offices usually submit the reports on annual State Budgets. Union Auditor-General Office and Regional Auditor-General Offices at different levels are to carry out auditing and work examinations with the two third of staff strength. Only then, productive findings would come out.

So, the proposal should be withdrawn.

U Thein Win said that he doesn't want to withdraw his proposal and want to take the Hluttaw's decision. The Hluttaw approved it with "yes" vote. At the proposalsubmitting session, U Myo Myint of Mandalay Region Constituency No.6 submitted the proposal on "urging the Union Government to amend the provisions of Public Work Department (PWD Code) and Public Work Account (PWA Code) and publish the amended books."

The Hluttaw approved to discuss it. Those who want to discuss it are to register at the end of the meeting.

At the bill clarification session, Vice-President U San Tun of Joint Bill Committee explained the Committee's observations and comments on Pyithu Hluttaw Bill, and member of the Committee Dr Soe Moe Aung, on Region/ State Hluttaw Bill. Those who want to discuss the disagreements between two Hluttaws are to register along with brief descriptions, at the end of the meeting. The meeting came to an end at 12:15 pm and it will go on at 10 am tomorrow.

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