

State governments allowed to make decisions independently in accord with democratic practices

Nay Pyi Taw, 15 Nov - The thirteenth day session of Pyithu Hluttaw took place at Pyithu Hluttaw Hall of Hluttaw Complex, here, this morning, attended by Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann and 380 representatives. Twentynine trainees from MDRI and CSIS were present at the session as observers.

Deputy Minister for Home Affairs Police Maj- Gen Kyaw Kyaw Tun answered two questions on administrative matters raised by Daw Nann Sae Awa of Hpa-an Constituency and U Ye Htut Oo of Natalin Constituency that permanent residence for 70 households at Holding Nos (4), (6), (7), (37), (46), (72) and (74) in ward-2 in Hpa-an would be rest on the verdict of the court after making investigations on the case; and that the act of sending victims of road accidents to the nearby hospitals by duty-conscious persons was not against the law. Deputy Minister for Environmental Conservation and Forestry U Aye Myint Maung answered the questions on forestry matters raised by U Soe Win of Sangyoung Constituency and U Tun Myint Oo of Maingpun Constituency that plans for conservation of natural resources and environment would be made in accord with environmental conservation law and bylaws in cooperation with departments concerned, INGOs and NGOs; and that timber extraction would not be allowed in Taungkaing forest reserve and it would be allowed in Namtaung forest reserve in accord with rules and regulations for 2012-2013 fiscal year. Supervision would be made on the regional development tasks of the company.

Deputy Minister for Construction U Soe Tint responded to the questions on construction matters raised by U In Phon Hsan of Machanbaw Constituency and Daw Lei Lei Win Swe of Tamway Constituency that temporary bridges would be built on Myitkyina- Putao road starting from November 2012 and construction of new bridges would be carried out in accord with the progress in security situation; and that the budget for construction of flyovers in Yangon was submitted to financial commission at Yangon Region Hluttaw session in accord with the law. The deputy minister said the important proposal to set construction of Loilem- Pankaytu-Hsipaw road as a special project submitted by U Sai Maung Tin of Laikha Constituency should be put on record.

Regarding the proposal submitted by U Aung Thein Lin of South Okkalapa Constituency, Deputy Minister for Home Affairs Police Maj-Gen Kyaw Kyaw Tun replied that farmers should submit their applications for farmland holding to the respective region/state governments and the proposal should be put on record and monitored.

Regarding the proposal submitted by U Aung Myint of Gangaw Constituency, Deputy Minister U Aye Myint Maung replied that coordination would be made for farmlands in the forest reserves with ministries concerned after laws and procedures were promulgated and the proposal should be put on record.

Union Minister at President Office U Soe Maung responded to the proposal to issue directives by the Union government for setting auspicious days of states as public holidays in these states submitted by U Ngun Moug of Haka Constituency that state governments were allowed to make decisions independently in accord with the democratic practices and the Union government would urge the state governments to do this.

Member of Bil I Committee U Soe Yal read out the report of the committee on the Bill to amend the law of constitutional tribunal of the Union sent by Amyotha Hluttaw with no amendment, and Pyithu Hluttaw approved the Bill.

Today's session ended at 4.35 pm and the date to hold the 14th day session will be announced. - MNA

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