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Initial phases of Dawei SEZ to be implemented as soon as possible

Nay Pyi Taw, 26 Nov — Deputy Minister for Transport U Han Sein told the Pyithu Hluttaw Session on Wednesday that the governments of Myanmar and Thailand signed an MoU to take leading roles in the development of the Dawei Special Economic Zone in July 2012 as the project had been delayed by a lack of financing.

The deputy minister was responding to a question on the latest development of the project. The framework agreement between the Dawei Special Economic Zone Management Committee and the Dawei Special Economic Zone Development Company Ltd, and the trilateral MoU among the Dawei Special Economic Zone Management Committee, the Dawei Special Economic Zone Development Company Ltd and the Italian-Thai Development Public Company were signed in November 2013, the deputy minister added.

Three research works on Myanmar Industrial Development and the Mekong- India Southern Economic Corridor, a technical review and financial cooperation between the government and the private sector are also scheduled to be completed in March 2015, according to the deputy minister. Measures have also been taken for the participation of private entrepreneurs in the initial phases of the project and legal issues and the initial phases will be implemented as soon as possible, the deputy minister said.

Deputy Minister for Science and Technology Dr Aung Kyaw Myat responded to a question on conducting courses of government technical institutes at technological universities, saying that the ministry has been exerting efforts to enhance the skills of teachers at technological universities and provide modern teaching aids for six-year degree courses and that conducting courses of government technical institutes at technological universities would hinder the efforts. The GTI courses would be conducted at government technical institutes and more institutes would be built if required, the deputy minister said. -- MNA

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