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Women service personnel enjoy maternity leave under rules and law

Nay Pyi Taw, 28 Jan— At the eighth day session of Pyithu Hluttaw (Lower House) on Wednesday, U Khin Maung Shwe of Tamu Constituency raised questions on maternity leave for female workers under the civil service law and rules and whether there is a plan to manage permission for maternity leave of woman staff at Mintha Station Hospital in Myothit, Tamu District.

Chairman of Union Civil Services Board U Kyaw Thu replied that any woman service personnel in service can enjoy maternity leave under rules 101 and 102 of civil service law. The woman staff at the station hospital needs to submit applications with documents referring to the civil service law to the ministry concerned for enjoying the maternity leave with full salary.

Daw Khin San Hlaing of Pale Constituency asked whether Myanmar Police Force controls criminal activities in Yangon Region or not. Deputy Minister for Home Affairs Brig-Gen Kyaw Zan Myint replied that police are discharging duty of security and rule of law in Yangon Region through a 1:1228 police to people ratio as population of the region reaches over 7.3 million.

Police in 44 townships of the region led by the commander of Yangon Region Police Force emphasize prevention of 10 major criminal cases under the law. Police prosecuted 146 murder cases of 155 and 32 robbery cases of 47 in 2011, 156 murders of 164 and 26 robbery cases of 30 in 2012, 121 murders of 130 and 25 robbery cases of 33 in 2013 and 172 murders of 186 and 35 robbery cases of 48 in 2014. Police also arrested all suspects in five cases of mob violence in 2013 and three in 2014. If all people abide by existing laws and cooperate in preventive measures of crime, police can ensure prevalence of law and order and control of criminal cases.

U Thein Swe of An Constituency submitted a proposal calling for drawing a five-year plan to appoint one midwife at appropriate villages so as to narrow development gap between rural and urban areas in health care services. Deputy Minister for Health Dr Win Myint said that a total of 20 midwifery training schools and 46 nursing and midwifery training schools are turning out midwives.

As of 2015-16 academic year, the ministry will open two midwifery schools and two nursing schools. That is why the ministry will assign one midwife for two-three villages in 2020 when over 23,600 midwives will be turned out across the nation. The Hluttaw approved the proposal.—MNA.

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