

## **Amyotha Hluttaw 24 February, 2015**

### **Health Department to raise health awareness for betel quid chewers**

Nay Pyi Taw, 24 Feb — Amyotha Hluttaw (Upper House) continued its 20th day session at its hall, here, on Tuesday. U Phone Myint Aung of Yangon Region Constituency No 3 asked a question on keeping warnings at betel quid shops for raising customers' health awareness.

Deputy Minister for Health Dr Win Myint replied that under the supervision of region and state Health Department, district and township Health Department disseminate knowledge about danger of chewing betel quid to the people. Arrangements are being made for putting up vinyl and posters on danger and disadvantages of chewing betel quid at the public places.

U Aung Cho Oo of Bago Region Constituency No 5 asked whether departments and organization extract sand and gravel from Ayeyawady River or not. Deputy Minister for Transport U Han Sein replied that Ministry of Transport does not have authority to allow extraction of sand and gravel from the river but it replies remarks of township and district authorities to the entrepreneurs.

U Ha Shein Bwe of Chin State Constituency No 8 submitted a proposal calling for implementing the small-scale dams to irrigate highland farming and terrace farming in less developed states and the Hluttaw approved the proposal. --MNA

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