

## **Pyithu Hluttaw 16 March, 2015**

### **Seniors' social welfare fund programme will be expanded gradually**

Nay Pyi Taw, 16 March — Deputy Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Phone Swe said the ministry has proposed a budget to Pyidaungsu Hluttaw to support the elder people between 90 and 100 years old in 2015- 2016 fiscal year. He also said the ministry has not planned to give K30,000 monthly to the senior citizens between 65 and 90 years old and the disabled persons in cooperation with NGOs and INGOs, adding that the plan will be carried out year by year based on the budget allocation.

Replying to the query about special programmes of citizenship cards issuing namely 'Moe Pwint Project' raised by U Thein Tun Oo of Amarapura Constituency, Deputy Minister for Immigration and Population U Win Myint said the ministry conducted Moe Pwint Projects from level one to seven in many states and regions by using ministry's budget for regular expenditure K417.964 million in 2013-2014 fiscal year and the assistance of respective states and regions where citizenship registration cards were issued. He also said that the ministry did not hire daily staff for the project.

Later, Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw said the Hluttaw proposed the union government to set up a pension fund for the retired politicians, however, the President Office rejected the proposal as Myanmar Socialist Programme Party has been revoked in accordance with an order of the military's State Peace and Development Council in 1988, resulting in no pension fund for the dissolved party's members.  
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