

## Pyidaungsu Hluttaw

## Tenth session of Second Pyidaungsu Hluttaw begins

THE Second Pyidaungsu Hluttaw began the first day of its tenth regular session at the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Hall in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday afternoon, at which time the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker addresses the Hluttaw.

In his address to the Hluttaw, Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker U T Khun Myat first spoke of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw welcoming the five Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha Hluttaw representatives who were elected in the recent by-election. He then noted how Hluttaw representatives had returned to their respective



Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker U T Khun Myat. PHOTO: MNA

constituencies while the Hluttaw was in recess and had learned about the situation among their constituents. Hluttaw representatives were also urged to conduct re-

forms while performing their duties, and work to achieve a permanent peace and to strengthen democracy.

During the tenth regular session, the remaining draft laws are to be approved and enacted, while each Hluttaw conducts their duties. Recently, not only this tenth regular session, but the schedules for each Hluttaw's regular sessions in 2019 were published in a notification. It is expected that through this publication there will be more progress and successes in the work. However, due to the work requirements of each Hluttaw,

there can be changes in dates and durations, while emergency and special meetings can also be convened by following the laws and rules.

Instructions were made to submit proposals, at the latest on 31 December 2018, to use Pyidaungsu Hluttaw development funds and, to date, 31 townships had submitted proposals, out of which permission was granted to 8 townships. The remaining townships have been notified to submit their proposals on time, said the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker.

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## Pyithu Hluttaw

2<sup>nd</sup> Pyithu Hluttaw's tenth regular session resumes

THE second Pyithu Hluttaw's tenth regular session started at the Pyithu Hluttaw meeting hall in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday morning.

#### Swearing-in of new Hluttaw representatives

Eight new Tatmadaw Hluttaw representatives and four newly elected Hluttaw representatives were sworn in before the Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker, U T Khun Myat, and signed the swearing-in documents.

#### Welcoming speech and briefing by Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker

Speaker U T Khun Myat welcomed the new Hluttaw representatives elected in the



Second Pyithu Hluttaw's tenth regular session held at the Pyithu Hluttaw meeting hall yesterday. PHOTO: MNA

by-election. He then informed the Hluttaw that 23 bills and ten motions will be debated in the current session, and 120 asterisk-marked questions will be raised. The questions include 119 asterisk-marked questions that were transferred to the

tenth session from the ninth session.

"Our legislative pillar, the Hluttaw, has flourished and thrived to reach the tenth session of the second Hluttaw. As a strong and firm legislative pillar, we have to enact laws that are in accord with the time and era. Representatives also need to change their mindsets and functioning. At the moment, when a democratic system is being formed, all must strive towards achieving the democratic norms that ought to be achieved. Words and actions that create and cause misunderstandings and division should be carefully avoided when raising

questions and conducting debates. There will be differences in policies and views among parties, but all are urged to debate and make decisions for national benefit," the Speaker said.

"We all were elected by the people to perform legislative duties. Now is the time to enact laws for the people that stand up to democratic norms, and enable the transition towards democracy. It can be seen that the administrative pillar is carrying out national reforms in tune with a democratic system. Internal peace is the main challenge towards establishing a democratic federal union.

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## Amyotha Hluttaw

First meeting of 2<sup>nd</sup> Amyotha Hluttaw's 10<sup>th</sup> regular session held

THE first meeting of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amyotha Hluttaw's tenth regular session was held at 10 a.m. yesterday at the Amyotha Hluttaw meeting hall. Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker Mahn Win Khaing Than delivered the welcoming message and swore in new representatives.

During the meeting, asterisk-marked questions were asked and answered, a report was read, and a Bill was also discussed.

In his message, the Speaker said that he believed that all Amyotha Hluttaw representatives had conducted field studies to understand the voice of the people in their respective constituencies. "So, we believe



Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker Mahn Win Khaing Than. PHOTO: MNA

all representatives will listen to the desires and needs of the people and make efforts to ask questions, put forward motions, make laws in accordance with respective committee-wise procedures, and set Bills, laws, bylaws, rules, and regulations," he said. The Speaker wished all Hluttaw

representatives good health, wealth, and prosperity so they can serve the interests of the country and the people better.

Afterwards, U Kyaw Kyaw Win of Rakhine State constituency 8 asked about plans for constructing the Wet-Kyein Bridge between Kyein Kan Pyin-Kyein Chaung, Aungthabye-Bandoola roads in Maung Taw, Tamanthar bridge, Letyarchaung bridge, Longboat bridge, Harlartatphar bridge, Arzarbaw bridge, Mar zee bridge, Padakardawanali bridge, Kyaung Nabay Bridge, and Bridge No. (1/1).

To this query, the Deputy Minister for Construction, U Kyaw Lin, replied that the Min-

istry had proposed the allotment of development funds from Pyidaungsu Hluttaw and Rakhine State for the bridge projects. Depending on the availability of the funds, the Ministry will carry out construction on the bridge projects in Maungtaw-Kyein Kan Pyin-Kyein Chaung-Aungthabye-Bandoola roads on priority, starting from the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year, the minister added.

Daw Htu May of Rakhine State constituency 11 asked if the government plans to upgrade the roads in Yanbye-Lay Taung Thabye Seik in Rakhine State, to make them suitable to drive the whole year through.

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## Union Supreme Court sits to pass judgement, hear cases in Nay Pyi Taw

UNION Supreme Court yesterday sits at Union Supreme Court room number 1 yesterday morning with Chief Justice of the Union Supreme Court U Htun Htun Oo and all Union Supreme Court judges to pass judgments on three special criminal cases and two special civil appeal cases. In addition to this it hear four special criminal cases and two special civil appeal cases. — Myanmar News Agency ■

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At the end, the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker prayed that all may perform their duties correctly.

### Submission and putting on record foreign trips

Foreign trip records of the Myanmar delegation led by President U Win Myint, the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Deputy Speaker and Hluttaw representatives were then submitted and the Hluttaw put the records into the minutes.

### Establishment and expansion of new ministry

Next, Union Attorney-General U Tun Tun Oo explained about establishing and expanding the Investment and Foreign Economic Relations Ministry sent by the President. The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker announced that those Hluttaw representatives who want to discuss the matter should register their names.

### Appointment of Judge of the Supreme Court of the Union

Afterwards, a message sent by the President to appoint U Myo Win as Judge of the Supreme Court of the Union was submitted to the Hluttaw, and an announcement made for Hluttaw representatives who want to object to the appointment to submit their names, though if there are no objections the matter will be carried out.

### Joint Bill Committee report on Tax Management bill

Following this, the Joint Bill Committee joint secretary Dr. Myat Nyana Soe read the committee's report and findings on the Tax Management Bill sent by the Union Government and Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker, who announced that Hluttaw representatives who want to table the amendment bill should register their names.

### Becoming member of IASIA

Later, Union Civil Service Board Chairman Dr. Win Thein explained about the benefits of becoming a member of the International Association of Schools and Institutes of Admin-



Union Attorney-General U Tun Tun Oo. PHOTO: MNA

istration (IASIA), to which the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker announced that those Hluttaw representatives who want to discuss the matter should submit their names.

### Bill Amending the Sea Customs Act

After this, Deputy Minister for Planning and Finance U Maung Maung Win explained about draft amendments to the Sea Customs Act (2018) for the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw to discuss and approve.

Regarding this matter, the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker announced that a report, including the findings and comments of the Joint Bill Committee, is to be submitted to the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw and will be conducted according to the Hluttaw's law and rules.

### Interest free Yuan 80 million loan from PRC

Union Minister for Transport and Communications U Thant Sin Maung and Deputy Minister U Maung Maung Win explained about the interest free Yuan 80 million loan from the People's Republic of China for the passenger carriages' purchasing project and Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker announced that those interested Hluttaw representatives could submit their names to discuss this matter and added that it will be discussed and decided in

the forthcoming Pyidaungsu Hluttaw meeting.

### Deputy Ministers explain about Ks 316.925 million emergency fund

The matter of using the Ks 316.925 million emergency fund from the Union Budget Law 2018 sent by the President was then explained by Deputy Minister for Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation Dr. Ye Myint Swe and Deputy Minister for Construction U Kyaw Lin.

Regarding this matter, the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker announced that the Hluttaw is putting on record the two ministries using the emergency fund from Union Budget Law 2018 sent by the President.

### AFD Loan Euro 70 million

Deputy Minister for Transport and Communications U Maung Maung Win also explained about the Euro 70 million loan from the French Development Agency (AFD or Agence Francaise de Developpement) to conduct project works in the Yangon Region.

The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker announced that interested Hluttaw representatives could submit their names to discuss this matter. **Pyidaungsu Hluttaw put on record the reorganizing of villages, village tract in Shan State**

Finally, the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw announced the putting on record of the expansion and reorganizing of Heho Town with five wards, by merging 3 villages in Taunggyi District, Kalaw Township, and Heho village tract.

The five villages will be merged as the Wayonepin village tract, the three villages will be merged as a village tract and 3 villages will be stricken out after the matters are submitted to the Hluttaw. —MNA

(Translated by Zaw Min)

## President's Office continues announcement of illegal drug arrests, seizures acting on tip-offs

THE Office of the President issued Press Release No. 23/2018 yesterday, publicly announcing the Ministry of Home Affairs' arrests and seizures in the fight against illicit drug trafficking up till 10 November.

The ministry made the arrests, acting on information, sent to the Drug Activity Special Complaint Department of the Office of the President as of 10 November.

The full text of the press release will be reported in the 14 November issue of *The Global New Light of Myanmar*. —GNLM ■

### MYANMAR GAZETTE

## Heads of service organizations appointed

THE President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar has confirmed the following persons as Heads of Service Organizations shown against each of their names on expiry of the one-year probationary period from the date they assume charge of their duties.

Name	Appointment
(1) U Ye Naing	Director-General Information and Public Relations Department Ministry of Information
(2) U Khin Zaw	Managing Director Myanma Shipyards Ministry of Transport and Communications
(3) Dr Kyaw Moe Oo	Director-General Department of Meteorology and Hydrology Ministry of Transport and Communications
(4) Dr Aye Aye Myint	Rector University of Education, Yangon Ministry of Education
(5) Dr Aye Aye Tun	Rector University of Bago Ministry of Education
(6) Dr Aung Myat Kyaw Sein	Rector University of Mawlamyine Ministry of Education

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## Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Joint Bill Committee holds meeting

THE Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Joint Bill Committee held a meeting over the Bill Amending the Sea Customs Act (2018) at the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Building D in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

The Bill was sent by the Union Government after deliberation.

The meeting was attended by Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Deputy Speaker U Tun Aung (a) U Tun Tun Hein, who is also Chairman of the Joint Bill Committee and Joint Public Accounts Committee.

Also present at the meet-

ing were the deputy chairmen, secretaries, joint-secretary and committee members from the Joint Bill Committee and Joint Public Accounts Committee, members from the Legal Affairs and Special Cases Assessment Commission, officials from the Ministry of Commerce, Ministry of Planning and Finance, officials from the Union Attorney-General Office and the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Office.—MNA ■

(Translated by  
Thandar Aung)



Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Deputy Speaker U Tun Aung and MPs discuss sections of the Bill Amending the Sea Customs Act (2018) displayed on a monitor during a Joint Bill Committee meeting, in Nay Pyi Taw. **PHOTO: MNA**

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A democratic federal union can be established only when internal peace is achieved and so, I urge that we all do our assigned duties and work with the people for national reconciliation and internal peace," he said.

After his address, the Speaker notified the Hluttaw about a study tour to Germany undertaken by a delegation led by Pyithu Hluttaw Deputy Speaker U Tun Aung @ U Tun Tun Hein; the Pyithu Hluttaw representative from Yankin constituency, Daw Zin Mar Aung, attending the Southeast Asia and Pacific Regional Conference on International Humanitarian Law (IHL) in Indonesia; a delegation, including Pyithu Hluttaw representative U Bo Bo Oo from Sangyoung constituency, led by Amyotha Hluttaw representative Prof. Dr.

U Than Win attending the 137<sup>th</sup> Assembly and related meetings of the International Parliaments Congress in Switzerland; a study tour to the People's Republic of China by a delegation led by Pyithu Hluttaw representative U Zaw Thein from Wakema constituency; a delegation led by Pyithu Hluttaw representative Dr. U Than Aung Soe of Minhla constituency attending the Global Parliamentary Summit in Spain; Pyithu Hluttaw representative Dr. Daw Khin Sithu of Loikaw constituency attending the round-table discussion on Regional Investment Framework for Migrant Health in the Greater Mekong Subregion; a delegation that included Pyithu Hluttaw representative U Lone Jone San Mai of Sumprabum constituency led by Amyotha Hluttaw representative U Kyaw

Toke attending the 20<sup>th</sup> Congress of King Prajadhipok's Institute (KPI) in Thailand; and a delegation that included Pyithu Hluttaw representative Lt-Col Myo Htat Win led by Amyotha Hluttaw representative Daw Nwe Nwe Aung attending the 14<sup>th</sup> Study Tour in Japan on Law/Judicial Co-creation Program. The notifications were made during the recess between the Second Pyithu Hluttaw's ninth and tenth sessions after which they were put on record.

### QNA Session

In the question-and-answer session that followed, asterisk marked questions raised by U Nyunt Aung of Monywa constituency and U Win Min of Hlonthaya constituency were answered by Nay Pyi Taw Council member U Nyi Tun. Questions raised by U Thaung Htay Lin of

Patheingyi constituency, U Sai Aung Kyaw of Kehsi constituency, U Ba Shein of Kyaukpyu constituency, U Naing Naing Win of Tamu constituency, and U Aye Naing of Dagon Myothit (South) constituency were answered by Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation Deputy Minister Dr. Ye Myint Swe.

### Tabling motion on garbage

Afterwards, U Sai Ngaung Hsai Hein of Maukmai constituency tabled a motion urging the Union Government to define and set priority work guidelines so that relevant organizations can establish and open adequate garbage dumping fields and pits for systematic garbage collection and disposal, so that all wards and villages in the country are equally and consistently clean prior to the implementation of the national-level waste manage-

ment strategy and work processes. He also explained the reason and aim for tabling the motion.

The Speaker announced the Hluttaw was in agreement to accept and debate the motion, after obtaining the decision of the members. He asked Hluttaw representatives who want to discuss the motion to enrol their names.

### Receipt of Myanmar Mine Rules

Later, the Speaker informed the Hluttaw about receiving the amendment to the Myanmar Mine Rules sent by Amyotha Hluttaw, and asked Hluttaw representatives who want to table an amendment motion to enrol their names.

The second meeting of the Second Pyithu Hluttaw's tenth regular session will be held today.—Aye Aye Thant (MNA) ■

(Translated by Zaw Min)

## First meeting of 2<sup>nd</sup> Amyotha Hluttaw's 10<sup>th</sup> regular session held

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To this, the Deputy Minister for Construction replied that the Ministry will coordinate with the Union Government to implement the road projects, although the portions in question were under the management of the State government. Currently, plans are under way to upgrade earth roads to laterite roads to become

all-weather roads. Daw Thiri Yadana of Mon State constituency 12 asked if there were plans to upgrade the Bilin Bridge in Thaton District of Mon State. The Deputy Minister replied that plans were under way to construct a new bridge beside the existing bridge, to improve the transport system in Mon State. That project was listed in the Regional Infra-

structure Improvement Project together with JICA ODA Loan Phase III, and construction on the new bridge will begin in the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year, he said.

Deputy Minister U Kyaw Lin also replied to questions raised by U Kyaw Kyaw of Rakhine State constituency 4 and U Tin Aung Tun of Magway Region constituency 5 during the session.

Afterwards, Amyotha Hluttaw Bill Committee member U Soe Moe clarified the Gambling bill 2018 approved by the Pyithu Hluttaw. He also read out the report of the Bill Committee for discussion at the Amyotha Hluttaw.

Then, the Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker asked Hluttaw representatives who wanted to discuss the bill to enrol their names.

U Htay Oo of Yangon Region constituency 2 joined the discussion on the Bill amending the Bar Council Act submitted by U Soe Moe of Ayeyawaddy Region constituency 1. The second-day meeting of the second Amyotha Hluttaw's tenth regular session will continue on 13 November.—Aung Ye Thwin ■

(Translated by Win Ko Ko Aung)

### Workshop on economic development, CoC planned in Magway Region

MYANMAR'S Anti-Corruption Commission, along with the Magway Region government, will hold a workshop, entitled 'Economic Development and Code of Conduct', on 17 November in the City Hall, Magway Region.

During the workshop, officials

from the Magway Region Government, the chair and members of the ACC, as well as representatives from UMFC-CI and UNDP, local businessmen and representatives from CSOs, will learn of anti-corruption efforts, which will be followed by discussions.

ACC Chairman U Aung Kyi, Mag-

way Region Chief Minister Dr. Aung Moe Nyo, members of the ACC, regional Hluttaw Representatives, NGOs, patrons, business organizations, CSOs, government officials and staff members of the commission will also be attending the forum.—MNA ■

(Translated by Win Ko Ko Aung)