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MP Handed in Letter of Resignation Stating No Confidence in Hluttaw and Government

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Daw Myint Myint San, an MP for Wakema Constituency 2, said she had no confidence in the Region Hluttaw and Government and submitted a letter of resignation. The Speaker of Ayeyarwady Region Hluttaw, U Aung Kyaw Khaing said that her resignation has not been accepted.

Daw Myint Myint San, an MP from the National League for Democracy, submitted her resignation on July 25. She said that it was an internal affair and that she would make it known to the media once it had been settled internally.

The Hluttaw is aware that she [Daw Myint Myint San] would attend the upcoming Hluttaw

sessions and no action has been taken with the case, said U Aung Kyaw Khaing.

“She said she’s very frustrated. But now, she’s back to work, thanks to the encouragement and support from her home-town fellow, MP U Htay Aung,” according to chairman of the NLD, Ayeyarwady.

(Reference:-<http://www.7daydaily.com>)

Hluttaw Approved Motion to Terminate Contract for Lease of 3000-Acre Land to Plant Castor Beans

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The motion to terminate a contract won by Tin Win Tun Company for the lease of 3,200 acres of land to plant castor oil plants in Pauk Inn Taung area in Kani Township was approved on August 14 at Sagaing Region Hluttaw session.

Tin Win Tun Company signed the contract with the Department of Forestry for a lease for 30 years to plant castor beans. The company was accused of breaching the terms and regulations of the contract. Besides, planting castor beans is considered no longer relevant nowadays. These were the reasons the motion to terminate the contract was put forward and to return the land to the Department of Forestry.

U Tun Tun Win, an MP for Kani Township, proposed the motion on August 14 at Sagaing Region Hluttaw session and it was unanimously approved.



Photo: MP U Tun Tun Win (FB)

U Tun Tun Win said further that Tin Win Tun Company must drop its lawsuit against farmers from Yinmarbin District on alleged encroachment.

After Tin Win Tun company won the contract for the land lease, seven local farmers have been prosecuted and imprisoned and 64 farmers are still under trial.

In 2006, Pauk Inn reserve in Taung Pauk Village Tract in Kani Township was designated as a castor bean plantation zone. Local

people live around the plantation zone.

Tin Win Tun Company got the contract for 30 years lease from Forestry Department on March 25, 2009.

It was also known from the motion that Tin Win Tun Company got the contract with a rent of 100 Kyats per acre of land from 2008-09 to 2018 but breached the contract by its failure to pay the rent.

(Reference: <http://www.7daydaily.com>)

90 Days for Opponents to Discuss One Bill and By-laws Submitted at Rakhine Hluttaw

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90 days have been given for the discussion whether to adopt or amend one bill and two by-laws proposed at Rakhine State Hluttaw, announced the chairman of the State Hluttaw.

The Department of Electricity, Industry and Transportation, private vehicles prying bill and by-law, the Department of Security and Boarder affairs Rakhine State excise duty by-laws were brought before Hluttaw on August 23 at Hluttaw session, stated the Speaker of Rakhine State Hluttaw.

The submitted bill and by-laws are the laws and by-laws really necessary for Rakhine State and should be enacted, according to Deputy Speaker U Mya Than.

(Reference: <http://www.7daydaily.com>)



Rakhine Hluttaw. (Photo : Narinjara)

Short News

■ Bago Region government has been delaying for two years to revoke abnormal land registration. The Speaker of Bago Region Hluttaw said that a hearing will be held at the regional Hluttaw as soon as possible.

The case about abnormal land registration was put forward by U Kyaw Zaya at the fifth regular Hluttaw session. "It's been two years since the motion was accepted at the Hluttaw, but the government has not taken any measures. Thus, a hearing must be held soon," said the Speaker of the Region Hluttaw. (Reference: <http://news-eleven.com>)

■ There were 1,700 complaint letters sent to Mon State Hluttaw in the last two years, most of which are concerned with land issues. The State Hluttaw has resolved over 80 percent of the complaint letters, according to U Aung Kyaw Thu, the Chairman of Complaint and Appeal Letters Review and Assessment Committee.

Regarding land disputes, the committee, in collaboration with township land registration office, informed the involved parties (about the issues). There are cases involving legal issues and personal afflictions that could not be resolved, said U Aung Kyaw Thu.

It is found that Mon State Hluttaw receives 50 complaint letters a month and resolves the issues once every two weeks. (Reference: *Hintha Media*)

■ It was found from Karen State Hluttaw Office that Complaint and Appeal Letters Review and Assessment Committee had settled 88 complaint letters from 2016 to 2018.

Although the Committee has been able to tackle only one third of all the 251 complaint letters sent to it, it has also referred 73 complaint letters to respective Government Departments and Offices, according to the State Hluttaw Office.

No action was taken in 2016. Three complaint letters from 2017 are being addressed, and there are 87 letters under the process of being resolved. (Reference: *The Voice Daily*)

■ A letter questioning the Union Hluttaw's objection to the use of "Pathein University Students' Hluttaw" is under preparation, according to Ko Htoo Thant Aung, the chairman of Pathein University Student Hluttaw Organizing Committee.

The Union Hluttaw released a statement that it objected to the term "Hluttaw" used in Pathein University Hluttaw and Swearing-in Ceremony on August 2-3, at Pathein University Convocation Hall. Although it was not prohibited by law for any organizations to use the term "Hluttaw", in accordance with the 2008 Constitution no organizations should use the term, said the statement. (Reference: www.7daydaily.com)



Making the arrested attackers to sign a pledge.

MP and Team Attacked in Chindwin River

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While inspecting illegal logging activities in the Chindwin River, we were attacked by a group of people led by an informer of the forest ranger, said U Tun Tun Win, a Sagaing MP for Kani Township Constituency 2.

The MP, together with members from private vessels plying committee, was on his way home from inspection, in the Chindwin River on August 25 at about 1 pm when 8 people including the informer started attacking their boat.

“Two motor-boats were chasing us. They sandwiched us from either side and attacked us with sling-shots. I wasn’t hit. When we got near the river bank, they tried to dock first and tried to attack us with clubs and swords. So we escaped by not docking there. We called the police and the Township Administrator and they came to arrest the people who attacked us,” recounted U Tun Tun Win.

U Tun Tun Win and authorities later met the 8 people including the informer and made them sign a pledge.

Moreover, when he inquired Township Forestry Office whether they had appointed the informer, the Office said that they did, said U Tun Tun Win.

He [U Tun Tun Win] said he would discuss (security) in the committee about ways to prevent such attack in the future. He said further that the incidence was a direct challenge to the rule of law that the case would be brought up in Hluttaw.

(Reference: - 7daydaily.news.com/
<http://burmese.dvb.no>)

Hluttaw Said Department of Water Resources and Irrigation Requested Fund Without Detailed Budget

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The Department of Water Resources and Irrigation asked for fund for its projects with only estimated expenses and not with detailed plans, according to U Zaw Win, the Chairman of Magway Hluttaw Committee for Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.

The committee members inspected dams, embankments and river water pumping projects carried out with state fund by Irrigation and Water Utilization Management Department and Water Resources Department.

It was found that the Department requested fund without details regarding the expenses and agreements of local farmers on whose land the projects such as the drainages and irrigation channels would pass.

Starting in August 9, Magway Hluttaw Committee for Agriculture and Livestock is inspecting projects by the Department of Irrigation and the Department of Water Resources in Gangaw, Pakokku, Pauk, Yesagy, Myothit, Pwintbyu, Htilin, Sinbaungwe, Kyauthtu, Kamma, and Aunglan Townships.

After field inspection, a committee meeting will be held in Magway Region Hluttaw on August 29 with respective authorities from district and regional levels from the Department of Irrigation and the Department of Water Resources.

After that, the committee would produce a report and present it to Magway Region Hluttaw.

(Reference: <http://www.7daydaily.com>)