



# State and Region Parliaments

## News Bulletin



The Minister of Mon State Security and Boarder Affairs, Colonel Win Naing Oo, presenting about peace building process.

## Mon State Minister of Security and Boarder Affairs Updates Peace Building Process at State Hluttaw

September 5, 2018

The Minister of Mon State Security and Border affairs, Colonel Win Naing Oo, updates the Speaker of State Hluttaw, including MPs and Hluttaw staff about peace process in Myanmar at Mon State regular Hluttaw session on August 31.

“It is important for us, MPs, to keep up to date with the peace process. Peace process is very important and we have limited knowledge about it. That’s why I urge all the MPs to listen respectfully and attentively to what the Minister

of Security and Boarder Affairs has to tell us about it”, said the Speaker of Hluttaw, Daw Tin Ei, at the session.

The Minister presented the activities with regard to the National Ceasefire Agreement (NCA).

“Based on NCA, we will discuss in a political dialogue the needs of ethnic nationalities and build peace”, said Colonel Win Naing Oo.

Moreover, “Only when there is peace in a nation, developmental works can be carried out”. Therefore, development of a nation is directly related to peace. When a nation is

peaceful, the mechanism of governance will be effective and the rule of law will prevail. Only when there is the rule of law in all corners of the country, the country will be peaceful. Then the government will be able to implement its policies successfully”, continued he.

Peace building team went to Cambodia, Nepal and the Philippines to learn about peace process in those countries. Although approaches to building peace may differ, the ultimate goal is to get eternal peace, according to the Minister.

*Reference: Hinthar Media*

## Projects Promised by Government Only 62% Done

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The Chairwoman of the Government's Guarantee, Pledges and Undertakings Vetting Committee, Daw Su Myat Htet, said that the government has completed only 62 percent of the projects they promised to carry out and that that's not satisfactory.

That 62 percent was the job done of what the government ministers had promised during 2017-18 fiscal year.

"At least 80 percent should have been done. Now, a little over 60 percent is not satisfactory", said Daw Su Myat Htet.

Those were the promises made for the 2017-18 fiscal year from the second regional Hluttaw session to the

eighth regular Hluttaw session, continued she.

"Previously, we observed the project implementation at the district level. This time, we're are going to watch each ministry. Only then, respective ministers can evaluate his/her strengths and weakness", Daw Su Myat Htet commented.

She also urged that respective ministers answer the questions truthfully without beating around the bush and draw up their budget plan systematically.

In addition, MPs said that the ministers should answer the questions posed by MPs accurately and dodging the question by saying that they didn't receive the fund fully made the public to lose trust in the government and Hluttaw.

Reference: [www.mizzimaburmese.com/www.news-eleven.com](http://www.mizzimaburmese.com/www.news-eleven.com)

## Eagle Operation Not Successful: Criticize Regional MPs



The Mandalay Region police are checking vehicles at night. (Photo: Mandalay Region Police Force)

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A regional lawmaker from Chanmyathazi Township constituency (U), U Tin Aung, said he will discuss with the Chief Minister of Mandalay Region about issues of tackling crimes in Mandalay including stabbing and mugging. He said further that the special Eagle Operation to combat crimes is not successful.

"In my opinion, Eagle Operation is not successful. I have to say this. They're working on it. But it's not

successful. It's be possible that there's only one cause for such crimes. Frist, we have the issues of drug. Second, it is also concerned with an economic problem. Then, there are such places as squatters where criminals can hide. And we do not have a sufficient number of police force. Therefore, they cannot provide security for the public. Besides, they do not have necessary facilities. All these issues are interrelated", said MP U Tin Aung.

U Tin Aung proposed a motion at

the eighth regular session of Madalay Region Hluttaw, urging the government to earnestly work for the people in order that they can go about their business peacefully and securely and to reduce theft, mugging, and rape. The military representatives requested the motion to be shelved, but the motion was passed with 47 votes of favor and 24 votes against in secret voting. The Eagle Operation is an initiative which is implemented five months after the motion had been approved.

Reference: <http://new.eleven.com/news>





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## PH Level High, Dissolved Oxygen Low in Thanzit River in Kyautphyu

September 6, 2018

The Rakhine government reported that the water in the Thanzit River has turned rust colour and that pH level is high while the ratio of dissolved oxygen is low.

State MP U Zaw Zaw Myint of Buthidaung Township constituency (1), at the state Hluttaw meeting, asked the government what it had been doing about the changing colour of water near Maday island in Kyautphyu Township.

The Rakhine government Minister of Electricity, Industry and Transportation said in reply, "What's unusual is pH level is high. The pH value is 8.66 while dissolved oxygen is low".

The Minister continued that although the pH level is high and oxygen dissolved is low, living organism can still live under this situation, so it's not something to be concerned about".

U Zaw Zaw Myint replied that what the Minister said was taken from the result finding by th Chemistry Sittwe University and it didn't mention the cause of such phenomenon and requested that the government report it on time.

"The government should look into this seriously and tell the public what the cause really is. After that, it should focus on how to prevent such case from happening again and how to speedily aid people affected by such case. The faster the government can respond, the better it is. We are watching what the government is going to do next", U Zaw Zaw Myin told reporters.

Starting in July the water from the Thazit River in Kyautphyu has turned rust colour. Now the water has reached Ann and Myebon Townships and the locals are worried that it might harm the community.

Reference: Narinjara

## Motion for Tender Selection Passed at Rakhine Hluttaw

September 7, 2018

The motion to select tenders according to the directive 7/2017 of the President Office put forward by a state MP for Pautaw Township constituency (2) U Aung KyawHtwee was accepted.

The motion was voted in favour on September 6 with a vote of 31 for, 1 against, and one neutral vote.

The full motion by U Aung Kyaw Htwee is "In order that transparency is prevalent in a democratic system, the directive 7/2017 of the President Office urges the Rakhine government to follow the proper procedure in construction, procurement, services, rent and sale".

"In inviting tenders, the Rakhine government must act according to the law and make sure that the tender must be acceptable to all people". It is for this reason that he submitted

the motion, said the law maker.

Five state MPs discussed the motion in support of U Aunt Kyaw Htwee.

A supporter of the motion, MP U Than Naing (Yathae Taung constituency-1) said, "In previous times, when tenders were invited, decisions were not made immediately. Instead, they had to go through the state government and the state cabinet made the decision. With the adoption of this motion by MP U Aung Kyaw Htwee, who wins or loses the tender will be announced at once. It will be announced in front of all the bidders, so it will be open and transparent", he told Narinjara.

The Minister of Electricity, Industry and Transportation, U Aung Kyaw Zan discussed his opinion on the motion and proposed to keep the motion on record.

Reference: Narinjara