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**National Unity Government**

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**Press Release (13/2021)**

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1. The National Unity Government (NUG) has started selling its *Aung Lan Hlwint Chi Spring Lottery* on 15 August 2021. People can buy lottery tickets at the official page <https://www.facebook.com/nuglottery>. The NUG will use 70% of the revenue from lottery sales to support those participating in the civil disobedience movement (CDM) and 30% for prizes. Lottery winners can donate their winnings back to the NUG, and these donations will be used in the crucial work of the NUG.
2. The NUG Ministry of Electricity and Energy has issued an announcement (10/2021)<sup>1</sup> dated 16 August 2021 to declare that 69 officers who have been working for the military junta are blacklisted and dismissed for their roles in oppressing the employees of Myanmar Petrochemical Enterprise (MPE). These officers threatened and dismissed the employees of MPE who have been participating in the civil disobedience movement, removed them from staff accommodation and demanded that they repay two months' advance salary.
3. As an outcome of the National Health Conference convened by the NUG Ministry of Health and ethnic health organisations, the National Health Committee (NHC) has been formed on 5 August 2021 and released its first statement (1/2021). Padoh Mahn Mahn is Chair of the Committee, Dr Zaw Wai Soe is Vice-Chair (1), Khu Plueh is Vice-Chair (2), Dr Oakar is Secretary, Saw Nay Htoo is Joint Secretary (1), Nan Snow is Joint Secretary (2). There are 17 members and 10 consultants.

The objectives of the National Health Committee (NHC) are:

- (a) To formulate the National Health Policy of the future federal union;
- (b) To collaborate implementation of health programmes and projects of ethnic areas/states of the union;
- (c) To cooperate with international organizations; and
- (d) To prepare for possible dire situations caused by various crises, including infectious diseases and natural disasters, and respond promptly and effectively

The Ways forward of the National Health Committee (NHC) are:

- (a) To carry out the Health System Development based on the Federal Health Policy;
- (b) To Strengthen the Health information system;
- (c) To build a well-coordinated communication mechanism with the international partners;
- (d) To accelerate the medical trainings and develop the necessary curriculums; and
- (e) To endorse effective strategies for control and mitigation of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

4. The NUG Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management is working hard to provide necessary assistance for the people in disaster areas. The ministry has donated one million kyats to those affected by landslides and flash floods in Mogok Township, Mandalay Region. It has also donated 1.8 million kyats to the Maga Yang IDP camp affected by flash floods (camp residents can buy rice with this donation), 100,000 kyats to a family affected by landslides, and 500,000 kyats to households for damaged properties in Kachin State. The ministry has donated 2.4 million kyats in total on 15 August. The ministry also donated 1.5 million kyats to prisoners and their families to ensure that humanitarian assistance is provided to fulfil their needs.

5. The NUG is making necessary preparations to create a radio station so that it remains in touch with the people and communicates real-time and important information from the NUG to the public. A trial run will start at 8.00 am and 8.00 pm on 20 August and people can tune to SW 16/17.71 MHz.

For further information

- 1. <https://www.facebook.com/NUGmyanmar/posts/170686425151997>
- 2. <https://www.facebook.com/NUGmyanmar/posts/171327885087851>