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DEVELOPMENT OF BORDER AREAS AND  
NATIONAL RACES LAW (1993) ;

THE LAW AMENDING DEVELOPMENT OF BORDER AREAS  
AND NATIONAL RACES LAW (2006)

AND

THE SECOND AMENDMENT OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF  
BORDER AREAS AND NATIONAL RACES LAW (2015)

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**The State Law and Order Restoration Council**  
**Development of Border Areas and National Races Law**  
**(The State Law and Order Restoration Council Law No.11/93)**  
**The 11<sup>th</sup> Waning Day of Second Waso, 1355 ME.**  
**(13<sup>th</sup> August, 1993)**

The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw<sup>1/</sup> hereby enacts the following Law:-

**CHAPTER I**  
**Title and Definition**

1. This Law shall be called the Development of Border Areas and National Races Law.
2. The following expressions contained in this Law shall have the meanings given hereunder:-
  - (a) **Development Area** means the border areas determined by the Union Government<sup>2/</sup> for the implementation of the development of border areas and national races;

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<sup>1/</sup> Amended provision under the Second Amendment of the Development of Border Areas and National Races Law enacted by the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Law No. 44/2015 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2015.

<sup>2/</sup> Reconstituted by the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, President Office's Notification No. 1/2011 dated 30<sup>th</sup> March 2011.

- (b) **Central Committee** means the Central Committee for the implementation of the Development of the Border Areas and National Races formed by the Union Government<sup>1/</sup> under this Law;
- (c) **Work Committee** means the Work Committee for the implementation of the Development of the Border Areas and National Races formed by the Central Committee under this Law;
- (d) **Work Sub-Committee** means the respective Work Sub-Committees formed for each work by the Work Committee under this Law;
- (e) **Regional Work Committee** means the respective Regional Work Committee for the Implementation of the Development of Border Areas and National Races formed by the Work Committee under this Law;<sup>2/</sup>
- (f) **Ministry** means the Ministry of Border Affairs of the Union Government.<sup>3/</sup>

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<sup>1/</sup> Reconstituted by the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, President Office's Notification No. 1/2011 dated 30<sup>th</sup> March 2011.

<sup>2/</sup> Amended provision under the Law Amending the Development of Border Areas and National Races Law enacted by the State Peace and Development Council Law No. (7/2006) dated 11<sup>th</sup> August 2006.

<sup>3/</sup> Amended provision under the Second Amendment of the Development of Border Areas and National Races Law enacted by the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Law No. 44/2015 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2015.

## CHAPTER II

### Objectives

3. The objectives of this Law are as follows:-
- (a) to develop the economic and social works and roads and communications of the national races at the border areas, in accordance with the aims which non-disintegration of the Union, non-disintegration of the national solidarity and perpetuation of the sovereignty of the State;
  - (b) to cherish and preserve the culture, literature and customs of the national races;
  - (c) to strengthen the amity among the national races;
  - (d) to eradicate totally the cultivation of poppy plants by establishing economic enterprises;
  - (e) to preserve and maintain the security, prevalence of law and order and regional peace and tranquillity of the border areas.

### CHAPTER III

#### Formation of the Central Committee and

#### Duties and Powers thereof

4. The Union Government<sup>1/</sup>:
  - (a) shall form the Central Committee for the Implementation of the Development of the Border Areas and National Races;
  - (b) shall determine the Chairman and the Secretary in forming the Central Committee, and may determine the Vice-Chairman and Joint-Secretary, if necessary.
5. The duties and powers of Central Committee are as follows:-
  - (a) laying the policy for implementation of the objectives mentioned in this Law;
  - (b) confirming, giving guidance and causing the implementation of long-term and short-term master plans drawn up by the Ministry and submitted through the Work Committee;
  - (c) laying down development works which should be carried out immediately at the border areas and causing implementation thereof;

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<sup>1/</sup> Reconstituted by the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, President Office's Notification No. 1/2011 dated 30<sup>th</sup> March 2011.

- (d) laying down and carrying out measures with a view to maintain the culture, literature and customs of the national races;
- (e) laying down and carrying out measures for maintaining security, prevalence of law and order and regional peace and tranquillity, in order to raise the perpetual momentum of the development works at the border areas;
- (f) giving decision to enable determination of Development Areas which should be expended.

#### **CHAPTER IV**

### **Formation of Work Committee and Duties and Powers thereof**

- 6. The Central Committee:-
  - (a) shall form the Work Committee;
  - (b) shall determine the Chairman and Secretary in forming the Work Committee, and may determine the Vice-Chairman and Joint-Secretary, if necessary.



7. The duties and powers of the Work Committee are as follows:-
- (a) scrutinizing long-term and short-term master plans drawn up and submitted by the Ministry and submitting and obtaining confirmation of the Central Committee;
  - (b) giving guidance for the implementation of long-term and short-term master plans, which have been confirmed by the Central Committee and supervising and inspecting the works;
  - (c) giving guidance for the implementation of development works which have been prescribed for immediate performance by the Central Committee and supervising and inspecting the works;
  - (d) forming Work Sub-Committees at the Central level and determining the duties thereof;
  - (e) forming Regional Work Committees and determining the duties thereof;
  - (f) causing the drawing up and submission of work schemes sectorwise by the Work Sub-Committees and Regional Work Committees and causing implementation thereof;
  - (g) co-ordinating the activities of the Ministry, Work Sub-Committees and Regional Work Committees;

- (h) making the arrangement for enabling to co-operate with the United Nations Organizations, International Organizations, Regional Organizations, Foreign States, Non-Governmental Organizations and Persons;<sup>1/</sup>
  - (i) making arrangement, as may be necessary for obtaining funds and allocation thereof;
  - (j) determining privileges for employees who are performing duties in the prescribed areas within the Development Area;
  - (k) scrutinizing and submitting to the Central Committee for the determination of Development Areas submitted by the Ministry;
  - (l) reporting to the Central Committee on its activities.
- “7-A. It shall submit to the Central Committee and carry out if the matters which are unable to decide by the Work Committee arises.”<sup>2/</sup>

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<sup>1/</sup> Amended provision under the Law Amending the Development of Border Areas and National Races Law enacted by the State Peace and Development Council Law No. (7/2006) dated 11<sup>th</sup> August 2006.

<sup>2/</sup> Amended provision under the Second Amendment of the Development of Border Areas and National Races Law enacted by the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Law No. 44/2015 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2015.

## CHAPTER V

### **Duties and Powers of the Ministry**

8. The duties and powers of the Ministry in respect of the implementation of the development works of the border areas and national races are as follows: -

- (a) recommending for determination of Development areas;
- (b) drawing up and submitting long-term and short-term master plans, after co-ordinating with the Work Sub-Committees and Regional Work Committees in respect of the development of border areas and national races;
- (c) supervising and co-ordinating to implement the confirmed long-term and short-term master plans within the prescribed period;
- (d) implementing, supervising and co-ordinating the development works which have been prescribed by the Central Committee or Work Committee for immediate performance;
- (e) apportioning the sanctioned funds and other contributions in cash and kind to the Work Sub-Committees and Regional Work Committees in accordance with the guidance of the Work Committee;

- (f) supervising and inspecting whether or not the utilization is in accordance with the financial regulations and procedures;
- (g) laying down programmes for disseminating knowledge and exchanging culture for the national races in the Development Areas;
  - “(g-1) carrying out in consideration on the matters of national races affairs in accord with the consent of national races.<sup>1/</sup>
  - (g-2) making arrangement for teaching basic and higher education to the youths of national races of border areas to produce the good human resources that enable to serve back the duty of the regional development.”<sup>2/</sup>
- (h) establishing and opening schools for giving vocational education for the future of the youths of the national races in the Development Areas;
- (i) making arrangements for the promotion and propagation of the sasana in the Development Areas;

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<sup>1/</sup> Amended provision under the Second Amendment of the Development of Border Areas and National Races Law enacted by the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Law No. 44/2015 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2015.

<sup>2/</sup> Amended provision under the Second Amendment of the Development of Border Areas and National Races Law enacted by the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Law No. 44/2015 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2015.

- (j) making arrangements for establishing crops cultivation, livestock breeding and cottage industries in substitution for poppy cultivation;
- (k) imparting knowledge to prevent cultivation of poppy plants, use and trafficking of opium;
- (l) laying down and carrying out special projects for medical treatment and rehabilitation of narcotic drug users in the Development Areas;
- (m) co-operating with the relevant organizations in total eradication of cultivation of poppy plants in the border areas;
- (n) assigning duties for preservation and protection of boundary pillars and markers in the Development Areas;
- (o) recommending to the Work Committee for determination of the areas where privileges should be granted to employees performing duties in the Development Areas;
- (p) reporting to the Work Committee on its activities.

9. The Ministry may obtain assistance from the United Nations Organizations, International Organizations, Regional Organizations, Foreign States, Non-Governmental Organizations and Persons, for performance of implementing the development works of the border areas and national races.<sup>1/</sup>

## **CHAPTER VI**

### **Miscellaneous**

10. Before re-constituting under this Law, the existing Central Committee for the Implementation of the Development of National Races and Work Committee, Work Sub-Committees and Regional Work Committees shall be deemed to be committees formed under this Law.

11. (a) The office staff under the Ministry shall undertake responsibility for the office work of the Central Committee and Work Committee;
- (b) The expenditure of the Central Committee and the Work Committee shall be incurred from the budget funds of the Ministry.

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<sup>1/</sup> Amended provision under the Law Amending the Development of Border Areas and National Races Law enacted by the State Peace and Development Council Law No. (7/2006) dated 11<sup>th</sup> August 2006.

12. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Law:-
- (a) the Ministry may issue such rules and procedures as may be necessary, with the approval of the Government;
  - (b) the Central Committee, Work Committee or the Ministry may issue such orders and directives as may be necessary.

**(Sd.) Than Shwe**

**Senior General**

**Chairman**

**The State Law and Order Restoration Council**

**The Union of Myanmar**  
**The State Peace and Development Council**  
**The Law Amending the Development of Border Areas and**  
**National Races Law**  
**(The State Peace and Development Council Law No. 7/2006 )**  
**The 3<sup>rd</sup> Waning Day of Wagaung, 1368 ME**  
**(11<sup>th</sup> August , 2006)**

The State Peace and Development Council hereby enacts the following Law:-

1. This Law shall be called the Law Amending the Development of Border Areas and National Races Law.
2. The expression contained in section 2 of the Development of Border Areas and National Races Law:-
  - (a) Sub-section (e) shall be substituted as follows:-

**“(e) Regional Work Committee** means the respective Regional Work Committee for the Implementation of the Development of Border Areas and National Races formed by the Work Committee under this Law;”



(b) Sub-section (f) shall be inserted after sub-section (e) as follows:-

“(f) **Ministry** means the Ministry of Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs.”

3. Sub-section (h) of Section 7 of the Development of Border Areas and National Races Law shall be substituted as follows:-

“(h) making arrangement for enabling to co-operate with the United Nations Organizations, International Organizations, Regional Organizations, Foreign States, Non-Governmental Organizations and Persons;”

4. Section 9 of the Development of Border Areas and National Races Law shall be substituted as follows:-

“9. The Ministry may obtain assistance from the United Nations Organizations, International Organizations, Regional Organizations, Foreign States, Non-Governmental Organizations and Persons, for performance of implementing the development works of the border areas and national races.”

**(Sd.) Than Shwe**

**Senior General**

**Chairman**

**The State Peace and Development Council**

**The Second Amendment of the Development of Border Areas  
and National Races Law**

**(The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Law No. 44, 2015)**

**The 6<sup>th</sup> Waxing of Second Waso, 1377 M.E.**

**(22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2015)**

The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw hereby enacts this Law.

1. This Law shall be called **the Second Amendment of the Development of Border Areas and National Races Law.**

2. Sub-section (f) of section 2 of the Development of Border Areas and National Races Law shall be substituted as follows:-

“(f) Ministry means the Ministry of Border Affairs of the Union Government.”

3. Section 7-A shall be inserted after section 7 of the Development of Border Areas and National Races Law as follows:-

“7-A. It shall submit to the Central Committee and carry out if the matters which are unable to decide by the Work Committee arises.”

4. Sub-section (g-1) and sub-section (g-2) shall be inserted after sub-section (g) of section 8 of the Development of Border Areas and National Races Law as follows:-

“(g-1) carrying out in consideration on the matters of national races affairs in accord with the consent of national races.

(g-2) making arrangement for teaching basic and higher education to the youths of national races of border areas to produce of good human resources that enable to serve back the duty of the regional development.”

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I hereby sign under the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

**(Sd.) Thein Sein**  
**President of the Union**  
**Republic of the Union of Myanmar**