

The State Law and Order Restoration Council
The Myanmar Historical Commission Law
(The State Law and Order Restoration Council Law No. 12/91)
The 1st Waning Day of Tawthalin, 1353 M.E.
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The State Law and Order Restoration Council hereby enacts the following Law:

Chapter I
Title and Definition

1. This Law shall be called the Myanmar Historical Commission Law.
2. The following expressions contained in this Law shall have the meanings given hereunder:
 - (a) Commission means the Commission formed under this Law;
 - (h) Ministry means the Education Ministry.

Chapter II
Formation

3. The Government shall:-
 - (a) form the Commission, consisting of suitable citizens with the approval of the State Law and Order Restoration Council;
 - (b) prescribe simultaneously with the formation under sub-section (a), the Commission's Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary;
 - (c) prescribe from time to time the rights of the said Commission's Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Members.

Chapter III
The Commission's Objectives

4. The objectives of the Commission are as follows:-
 - (a) to promote systematically History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan with supporting documents;
 - (h) to search for and collect together within the country and from abroad, the supporting documents of the History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan;
 - (c) to make research of the History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan based on the supporting documents searched and collected era;
 - (d) to promote the History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan based upon the findings of the research made according to different era;
 - (e) to seek the required assistance relating to the History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan from the relevant department, organization and people;
 - (f) to promote and publish relevant historical writing or hook, treaties and official records concerning the History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan;
 - (g) to encourage for the emergence of historians.

Chapter IV
Duties and Powers of the Commission

5. The duties of the Commission are as follows:-

- (a) shall be responsible to the Government;
- (b) leading systematically in promoting the History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan in conformity with the objects of the Commission;
- (c) directing the Universities Historical Research Department for implementing the works;
- (d) prescribing works for the experts from the Universities Historical Research Department;
- (e) scrutinizing historical writing or book, treaties official records etc relating to the History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan;
- (f) preserving systematically copy-right, book, supporting documents relating to the History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan;
- (g) carrying out the duties given by the State Law and Order Restoration Council and the Government.

6. The powers of the Commission are as follows:

- (a) forming the necessary sub-commissions and carrying out; (b) procuring assistance from the government department and organizations, other organization and the people;
- (c) purchasing from within the country and abroad, taking on loan, accepting, copyright, book and supporting documents.

Chapter V
Finance

7. The expenditure of the Commission shall be borne by the Ministry.

8. The income and expenditure of the Commission shall be kept in accordance with the financial regulations.

Chapter VI
Miscellaneous

9. (a) The Ministry shall form the Universities Historical Research Department under the Higher Education Department in order to perform the Commission's duties.

(b) The duties, powers, rights and liabilities of the Yangon University History Department (Research) shall devolve on the Universities Historical Research Department.

10. For implementing the provisions of this Law:

- (a) the Ministry may, with the approval of the Government make necessary rules, procedures;
- (b) the Commission may issue necessary orders, directives.

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