

The Essential Supplies And Services Law  
(The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Law No. 13/2012)  
The 8<sup>th</sup> Waning Day of 2<sup>nd</sup> Waso, 1374M.E.  
(10<sup>th</sup> August, 2012)

The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw hereby enacts this Law.

Chapter I

Title and Definition

1. This Law shall be called the Essential Supplies and Services Law.
2. The following expressions contained in this Law shall have the meaning given here under:
  - (a) “The Union Government” means the Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar;
  - (b) “The Ministry” means any Ministry of the Union assigned by the Union Government to administer under this law;
  - (c) “Essential Supplies” means any animate supplies or inanimate supplies occasionally prescribed by any Ministry under this law;
  - (d) “Essential Services” means any service occasionally prescribed by any Ministry under this law.

Chapter II

Objectives

3. The objectives of this Law are as follows:
  - (a) to enable to safeguard the supplies and services which shall support the interest of the citizens;
  - (b) to enable to restrict and prohibit the supplies and services which may cause affect the interests of the citizens;

- (c) to enable to prohibit the transport within the country, import and export of the supplies and animals which may arise danger, contagious disease and other unwanted matters.

### Chapter III

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4. Regarding the following matters, the Union Government may confer any relevant Ministry to issue prohibiting order, regulating order, supervision order, preventing order and the order which cause to carry out as necessary:
- (a) matters relating to import, export, trade, possession, storage, transport, distribution, utilization and consumption regarding any goods stipulated and declared as essential goods;
  - (b) matters relating to slaughter, catching, causing to work, breeding, import, export, trade, possession, storage, transport, distribution, utilization, consumption regarding such animal stipulated and declared as essential goods of any goods;
  - (c) matters relating to such service stipulated and declared as essential service of any service.

### Chapter IV

#### Offences and Penalties

5. Whoever violates any order issued under section 4 shall, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment for a term from a minimum of six months to a maximum of three years and shall also be liable to a fine not exceeding five hundred thousand Kyats.
6. The Court may pass an order for destruction or confiscation or otherwise disposal of the exhibits involved in the offence.
7. The offences contained in this Law are prescribed as the cognizable offences.

## Chapter V

### Miscellaneous

8. In implementing the provisions of this law, the Union Government shall cooperate and coordinate as necessary among the relevant Ministries and other Union Ministries, Region or State Government, Leading Bodies of the Self Administered Division or Leading Bodies of the Self Administered Zone.

9. The Ministry assigned under section 4 shall promptly reannulled such order when the order is not required to continuously carry out after carrying out as necessary by issuing and stipulating, the order of any goods or services as essential goods or essential service.

10. The rules, notifications, orders, directives and procedures issued under the Essential Supplies and Services Act, 1947 may be applied in so far as they are not contrary to the provisions of this Law.

11. In implementing the provisions of this Law-

- (a) the Union Government may issue rules, regulations and by-laws as may be necessary;
- (b) the Ministry assigned under section 4 may confer the relevant organization or authority to issue notifications, orders, directives and procedures relating to such law.

12. The Essential Supplies and Services Act, 1947 is hereby repealed by this law.

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

(Sd.) Thein Sein

President

The Republic of the Union of Myanmar

