

Republic of the Union of Myanmar
State Administration Council

**The Law Amending the International Theravada Buddhist
Missionary University Law**

The State Administration Council Law No. 2, 2022

The 10th Waxing Day of Pyatho, 1383 M.E.
(11 January, 2022)

The State Administration Council hereby enacts this Law under section 419 of the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

1. This Law shall be called **the Law Amending the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University Law**.

2. Section 9 of the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University Law shall be substituted as follows:

“9. The Ovadacariya Committee of the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University is formed as follows:

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| (a) | Chairman | Chairman |
| | State Sanghamahanayaka Committee | |
| (b) | Chief Secretary | Vice-Chairman |
| | State Sanghamahanayaka Committee | |
| (c) | Two Sayadaws who have been assigned duty by the Ministry with the approval of the Government among the most influential Member Sayadaws in the country | Member |

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| (d) | Six Vice-Chairmen
State Sanghamahanayaka Committee | Member |
| (e) | Three Sayadaws who have been
assigned duty by the Ministry
among the members of the Central
Executive Committee of State
Pariyatti Sasana Universities | Member |
| (f) | Rector
State Pariyatti Sasana University
(Yangon) | Member |
| (g) | Rector
State Pariyatti Sanana University
(Mandalay) | Member |
| (h) | Dean Sayadaws
International Theravada Buddhist
Missionary University | Member |
| (i) | Rector
International Theravada Buddhist
Missionary University | Secretary |
| (j) | Pro-Rector Sayadaw
International Theravada Buddhist
Missionary University” | Joint-Secretary |

3. The expression “supervising and” contained in subsection (a) of section 10 of the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University Law shall be deleted.

4. Section 12 of the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University Law shall be substituted as follows:

“12. The meeting of the Ovacariya Committee:

(a) shall be convened at least once a year in accordance with the stipulations.

(b) may be convened as an emergency if it is necessary.”

5. In section 13 of the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University law:

(a) the expression “and Deans” contained in subsection (b) shall be deleted.

(b) subsection (c) shall be inserted after subsection (b) as follows:

“(c) “Deans Member of Patron
International Theravada Buddhist
Missionary University”

(c) subsections (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i) and (j) shall be renumbered as subsections (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j) and (k) respectively.

6. Section 15 of the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University Law shall be substituted as follows:

“15. The meeting of the Council:

(a) shall be convened before the meeting of the Ovacariya Committee in accordance with the stipulations.

(b) may be convened at other times if it is necessary.”

7. Subsection (w) of section 16 of the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University Law shall be substituted as follows:

“(w) Appointing the monks who are not included in the organizational set-up and the laymen advisers who are not civil service personnel for teaching sectors with the approval of the meeting of the University Academic Committee and the University Management Committee, and providing donation or remuneration for them;”

8. The title of Chapter VI of the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University Law shall be substituted as follows:

“Rector, Pro-Rector and other Teaching Sayadaws”

9. Section 17 of the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University Law shall be substituted as follows:

“17. (a) The Ministry:

- (i) Shall, with the approval of the Government, appoint the Rector and the Pro-Rector (Academic) of the University after obtaining the approval of the Council and receiving the instructions from the Ovadacariya Committee.
- (ii) may appoint the Rector and Pro-Rector (Academic) of the University for 15 years continuously from the date of appointment.
- (iii) may, with the approval of the Government, extend the appointment period of the Rector and Pro-Rector (Academic) of the University who have completed their appointment period depending on their health and willingness to serve.

- (b) if the Rector or Pro-Rector (Academic) of the University wishes to resign from the office on his own accord before the expiry of the appointment period, he may resign by submitting his resignation in writing to the Government through the Ministry.
- (c) The Ministry shall, with the approval of the Government, terminate the Rector or Pro-Rector (Academic) of the University after obtaining the approval of the Council and receiving the instruction from the Ovadacariya Committee, if there arises a disqualification of the attributes prescribed under section 18 or inefficient discharge of assigned duties.
- (d) if the office of the Rector or Pro-Rector (Academic) of the University becomes vacant due to expiry of the term of office, resignation, termination, death or any other reason, the Ministry shall appoint in accordance with the provision of subsection (a).”

10. After section 17 of the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University Law, section 17A shall be inserted as follows:

- “17A. (a) The term of office of the Dean, Professor and Associate Professor is until attaining the age of 65 years.
- (b) If the Ministry wants to continue to assign duty to the Dean, Professor and Associate Professor of the University who have completed their term of office, it may extend the term of service depending on their good health and willingness to serve.

- (c) If the office of Dean, Professor or Associate Professor Sayadaw of the University becomes vacant due to expiry of the term of office, resignation, terminations, death or any other reason, the Ministry shall appoint in accordance with the stipulations.”

11. In section 18 of the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University Law:

- (a) the expression “doctorate degree” contained in subsection (b) shall be substituted with “doctorate degree in Buddhist literature.”

- (b) subsection (d) shall be substituted as follows:

“(d) having passed at least two of the following Pariyatti exams:

- (i) Sasanadhaja Dhammacariya or Sasana Takkasila Dhammacariya,
- (ii) Sasanadhaja Siripavara Dhammacariya, an expert in Pali, Master Degree (Buddhism) or Sasana Takkasila Maha Dhammacariya,
- (iii) Sakyasiha Pariyatti Sasanahita Dhammacariya,
- (iv) Cetiayangana Pariyatti Dhammacariya Ganavacaka.”

- (c) clause (viii) of subsection (f) shall be substituted as follows:

“(viii) competence in obedience, suavity “Sovacassata”.”

(d) subsection (i) shall be added after subsection (h) as follows:

“(h) being a Sayadaw who has served as a Professor or Dean of the University for at least three years.”

12. Section 22 of the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University Law shall be deleted.

13. In Chapter X, Miscellaneous, of the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University Law, section 34 and 35 shall be added as follows:

“34. The Ministry shall:

- (a) determine the rights and privileges of the students who are studying at the University.
- (b) determine terms and conditions to be followed by the students who are studying at the University.
- (c) determine the administration procedures for the students who are studying at the University, if they fail to follow the terms and conditions under subsection (b).

35. If the students who are studying at the University fail to follow the stipulated terms and conditions, they shall be taken action under the administrative means.”

14. Section 34, 35 and 36 of the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University Law shall be renumbered as section 36, 37 and 38 respectively.

I hereby sign under section 419 of the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

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