

## THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNION ANNOUNCES

### THE YEAR 3 ACTION PLAN (2017) OF

### THE JUDICIARY STRATEGIC PLAN (2015-2017)

*Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar, January 12 2017* – The Supreme Court of the Union has publicized the Year 3 Action Plan (2017) of the Judiciary Strategic Plan (2015-2017) with a slogan “Advancing Justice Together”.

The Three-Year Judiciary Strategic Plan (2015-2017) has been launched by the Supreme Court of the Union on December 17, 2014 aiming at improving the Myanmar’s judicial system. So as to implement the Judiciary Strategic Plan, annual action plans are being drawn and implemented in the five Strategic Action Areas such as Protect Public Access to Justice; Promote Public Awareness; Enhance Judicial Independence and Accountability; Maintain Commitment to Ensuring Equality, Fairness and Integrity of the Judiciary; and Strengthen Efficiency and Timeliness of Case Processing.

For the purpose of accelerating the implementations, the Year 3 Action Plan for 2017 intends to designing and creating of self-help information counter and public intake centers; training the Judges and court staff for their capacity building especially in the areas of communications and customer services, media relation skills, information technology, case management program and court integrity; developing the Electronic Case Information System and preparing an IT master plan for the entire judiciary; modernizing the Court facilities especially in the expanded pilot courts; developing capacity to administer unified court budget and reviewing process for integrated strategic planning and budget priority setting; upgrading court libraries, enhancing capacity of the Training Department and Judicial Training Center of the Supreme Court of the Union; reviewing the Code of Judicial Ethics and developing a judicial professional and ethical development strategy; reviewing and initiating caseload processes, recordkeeping procedures and laws and its implementation mechanism; and performing feasibility study of civil mediation.

The Supreme Court of the Union and the courts in all levels are endeavoring to achieve the plan successfully in cooperating with the stakeholders and international partners.

“*Advancing Justice Together: the Year 3 Action Plan (2017) of the Judiciary Strategic Plan (2015-2017)*” is available on the website of the Supreme Court of the Union at <http://www.unionsupremecourt.gov.mm>.