





Republic of the Union of Myanmar National Unity Government Ministry of Education Ministry of Women, Youths and Children Affairs Ministry of Human Rights December 3, 2022 Joint Statement on the Imposition of the Death Penalty Against the People, Including Seven Students from Dagon University

- On April 21, 2022, the terrorist military unjustly arrested seven young students from Dagon University: Maung Hein Thant, Maung Thiha Htet Zaw, Maung Thura Maung Maung, Maung Khant Linn Maung Maung, Maung KhantZin Win, Maung Thet Paing Oo, and Maung Zaw Linn Naing. They were sentenced to death by an illegitimate prison court on November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022. In addition, another four youths, Maung Min Htet Tha, Maung Wai Yan Zin, Maung Thu Htoo Aung, and Ko Phyo, had also been sentenced to death by the same prison court.
- 2. The terrorist military violates people's democratic rights by arbitrarily detaining those who oppose them through political means, committing extrajudicial killings, violating the political rights of people, passing judgment through biased courts, and infringing on the legal rights of people. At worst, they violate the people's right to life by carrying out the inhumane death penalty.
- 3. The terrorist military does not have the right to control the judiciary as it is not a legitimate government. Furthermore, imposing the death penalty is contrary to international human rights principles.
- 4. While the United Nations, ASEAN, and the international community have urged for the release of political prisoners, the terrorist military have challenged the entire world by sentencing death penalties on these young students.
- 5. The terrorist military must be held accountable for committing genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity.
- 6. Actions will also be carried out to bring justice for the terrorist military's unlawful execution of Ko Jimmy, Ko Phyo Zay Yar Thaw, Ko Hla Myo Aung, and Ko Aung Thura, which took place on July 25, 2022, as well as for the people who have suffered from the inhumane and brutal acts committed by the terrorist military group.
- 7. We are gathering documentary proof on the nationwide killing and torture of people, workers, farmers, students, and teachers who have been involved in the Spring Revolution. We vow to seek justice and continue to fight against the military dictatorship until federal democracy is restored.

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