

HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL
17TH SESSION (30 May – 17 June 2011)

**Adoption of the Report of the Working Group
on the Universal Periodic Review of Myanmar**

for TUBBW

(08 June 2011)

Statement by India

Mr. President,

India warmly welcomes the delegation of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, led by Union Attorney General H.E. Dr. Tun Shin, at the consideration of the report of the Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review of Myanmar for adoption at the 17th session of the Human Rights Council. Myanmar has engaged in the UPR process in an active, co-operative and constructive manner, and has viewed the UPR mechanism as an opportunity to share its achievements, as well as the challenges and constraints it is confronted with, in the promotion and protection of human rights. In addition to the response provided by the delegation to a majority of recommendations at the time of the adoption of the report in the Working Group, Myanmar has provided a detailed response to the remaining recommendations, as an addendum to the report, after due consideration by the concerned ministries in several inter-ministerial consultations organized since the review.

Mr. President,

The review of Myanmar drew active participation from peer countries in the Working Group session, with a total of 190 recommendations made by 57 States that took the floor. We are encouraged to learn that Myanmar has accepted a large number of these recommendations, and has expressed its commitment to intensify its efforts to implement these recommendations over the next four years.

Mr. President,

With the emergence of the constitutional government on 30 March 2011, the progressive implementation of the Political Roadmap for Democracy, and the subsequent convening of the first ever session of the Parliament, Myanmar has ushered in and fostered multi-party democratization, which we believe shall make a valuable contribution towards the promotion and protection the human rights of its citizens. We congratulate Myanmar for its successful review in the Human Rights Council and wish it well in its future endeavours.

Thank you, Mr. President.
