

Young members of disbanded National League for Democracy (NLD) distributed election boycott leaflets in Insein and Mingalardon Townships in Rangoon Division this morning, said local residents.

The leaflets, which were distributed in markets and busy streets, said everyone has the right not to vote.

“Based on what party leader Aung San Suu Kyi has said, we distributed leaflets saying people have the right not to vote in the general election,” said a young NLD member.

He said the authorities photographed them while they distributed the leaflets but did not disrupt them.

Some people got confused by the NLD logo appearing on the leaflets, thinking that the NLD is going to contest the elections, so they had to explain why the NLD is not contesting the election, he said.

He also said that party members will step up their anti-election campaign in other parts of the country, urging people not to vote and boycott the elections on Nov. 7.

NLD members also launched the party's anti-election campaign in Thanlyin Township.

“We think this is an effective way to tell people that the junta-planned election is not fair,” he said.

Though the NLD has been officially dissolved as a political party, its leaders have intensified their election boycott campaign, traveling across the country, meeting with party members and asking for their support in an election boycott.