

Maoist [party] should give people's constitution—Com. Biplab

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A new debate has begun after the declaration of 3rd phase struggle by UCPN-Maoist. The centre of the debate is who would be the owner of the declared republic: people or bourgeois? The real debate is on the field and there is power-struggle in between the people and anti-people forces.

Clarifying the dual political situation in Nepal, UCPN-Maoist Standing Committee Member Netra Bikram Chanda 'Biplab' says, "People are being confidential about the proposal put forward by the UCPN-Maoist and even the foreign powers are agreeing on it. Party Central Committee has taken a bold decision to give political outlet."

Instead of making preparation for drafting a new constitution, the parties involved in the government are going to hold their Party Congress[es] in this winter. However, UCPN-Maoist has postponed its Party Congress for one year later because of the lack of time to hold it in this winter. Com. Biplab, in this issue, says, "We postponed the party congress because the situation of the country is more critical and serious than the party. Therefore, we have given priority to draft a new constitution on time instead of holding party congress."

UCPN-Maoist is making its effort to define the United Front in a broader sense. According to Biplab, the 'front will carry out the programmes of struggle in its practical level because they are already conceptualized in policy making level.' He further says that the people have given UCPN-Maoist the responsibility to lead the nation, the government and the people as well. The present puppet government has no moral base that is very weak and the present political problem is out of its capacity. Therefore, Biplab says that UCPN-Maoist should give the people not a general constitution but the People's Constitution.

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