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| <b>News</b> |                      |                     |      |   |  |
| 1.          | Nagarik              | Vernacular<br>Daily | 1    | <a href="#">Majority<br/>Government Easy:<br/>Bhattarai</a> | <p>At a time when the party is lobbying for the consensus government, UCPN-M Vice-Chairman Dr. Baburam Bhattarai has put forth the views that the party should lead the new government even if it is a majority government. Commenting on President Dahal's paper at the politburo meeting he said, "as the largest political party in parliament, the Maoists should lead the national consensus government. And for this, we should be ready to make a leader other than the party chairman prime minister if that will lead to consensus among the political parties," a politburo member quoted Dr Bhattarai as saying at the meeting.</p> <p>Republica: <a href="#">Bhattarai Wants Options Kept Open</a>, page 1</p> <p>Kantipur: <a href="#">Bhattarai and Baidhya Differ on Government Formation</a>, page 1</p> <p>Kantipur: Bhattarai Sights Plenty More Fish in Maoists Sea, page 4</p> |
| 2.          | Annapurna Post       | English<br>Daily    | 1    | NC to Discuss<br>Alternative<br>Leadership                  | <p>The ongoing Central Working Committee meeting of the Nepali Congress on Wednesday initiated discussion on the proposal of changing Madhav Kumar Nepal-led government. The NC will prepare its formal view after holding further discussions on the</p>  |

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|  |                     |                  |   |  | proposal. In Tuesday's meeting, General Secretary Bimalendra Nidhi had tabled two-prong proposal — making an attempt to form a national consensus government and if that fails then seek an alternative to PM Nepal from within the present coalition – for discussion. Thursday's parleys will focus on party's stance on resolving the political deadlock, said CWC member Binay Dhoj Chand. The meeting formed a 21-member committee headed by senior leader Sher Bahadur Deuba to prepare draft on 11 different subjects for presenting the party's views at the party's upcoming general convention slated for August 27-30 in Kathmandu. |
| <b>Opinions, Editorials and Interviews</b> |                     |                  |   |  |  |
| 3.   | Nepal Samacharpatra | Vernacular Daily | 4 | Issue of Decentralization in State Restructuring | Ashowsthama Bhakta Kharel writes:<br><br>Since local bodies and administration are the backbones for decentralization, the local bodies should made autonomous and accountable while restructuring the state so that the fruits of decentralization reach the people.  |
| 4.   | The Kathmandu Post  | English Daily    | 6 | <a href="#">What are They Waiting For?</a>       | Dr. Bipin Adhikari writes:<br><br>It is very dangerous to buy time looking for drastic changes in the balance of power in the country before letting the CA resume its work. To put it more categorically, an attempt toward helping a split in the CUPN (Maoists), supposedly to "right size" in the CA, is a most irresponsible approach to handling the situation. Its  |

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