

CCD Media Monitoring

Compiled on 22 August, 2010 Sunday



SN	Newspaper/ Online	Type	Page	Title	Synopsis
News					
1.	Nayapatrika	Vernacular Daily	3	Provision for 'Recall' Suggested for the New Constitution	People have suggested that the new constitution must have the provision for recalling the CA members who do not accomplish the task as promised. At a interaction with the CA members organized in Mahendranagar, the people told their CA members Ramesh Lekhak and Harish Thakkulla that they should resign for not being able to write the constitution within stipulated time.
2.	Nagarik	Vernacular Daily	2	The CA Chair Urges	CA Chair Subash Nembang has said that there is no alternative to the consensus among the political parties for taking the peace process to a logical end and for writing the constitution. Releasing a book entitled "Federalism in the World" written by Chandra Kanta Gyawali and Prakash A. Raj he said that the parties must be united to write the constitution and safeguard the achievements of the popular movement.
3.	Kantipur	Vernacular Daily	1	UML Proposes the Separation of Combatants	The CPN-UML has proposed a 4-month timeline to complete the task of integrating and rehabilitating Maoist combatants. It has also decided not to vote in any round of prime ministerial elections while also calling upon other parties to withdraw their candidacy to start a "new course" for the formation of a national consensus government. A Politburo meeting of the party held at the party headquarters on Saturday brought forth a "consensus proposal for the integration and rehabilitation of Maoist combatants and statute writing process." The proposal states that a new consensus government process would start soon after the parties agree on contentious issues, particularly integration and

CCD Media Monitoring

Compiled on 22 August, 2010 Sunday



					<p>rehabilitation of the Maoist combatants and statute writing.</p> <p>The Kathmandu Post: UML Moots Four-Months Timeline, page 4</p> <p>Nagarik: UML's Roadmap for Consensus, page 1</p> <p>Republica: UML for a Month to End Impasse, Start a New, page 1</p> <p>The Himalayan Times: Floats Paper for Peace Statute, Consensus, page 1</p>
4.	The Kathmandu Post	English Daily	1	<p>Mission Must Stay: Maoists UNMIN Not Needed: Chemjong</p>	<p>The UCPN (Maoist) on Saturday said the government cannot unilaterally decide on the fate of the United Nations Mission in Nepal (UNMIN) as it was established as per mutual understanding between the then Seven-Party Alliance (SPA) government and the CPN (Maoist). The Maoists have it that any unilateral decision on the part of the government to send back UNMIN before having completed the task of integration and rehabilitation of Maoist combatants would put the peace process in jeopardy. The SPA and the Maoists had invited UNMIN in Aug. 2006 to support the peace process. "UNMIN is a common and neutral institution and the decision on its future can only be taken on the basis of political consensus," said Maoist leader Janardan Sharma.</p> <p>Meanwhile, Minister for Peace and Reconstruction Rakam Chemjong on Saturday said UNMIN may not take the country's peace process to a logical end. Speaking at the Reporters' Club, the Minister said UNMIN's task of monitoring arms and armies can be transferred to a domestic mechanism. He said UNMIN's role in the peace process has ended as the tasks of verification of</p>

CCD Media Monitoring

Compiled on 22 August, 2010 Sunday



					Maoist combatants, locking of weapons in containers and monitoring of the Constituent Assembly elections have ended.
5.	Kantipur	Vernacular Daily	7	CA Entangled in the Trap	Tikaram Bhattarai writes: If the government is not formed under the leadership of either the NC or the UML, nobody can stop the CA from losing its very significance.
6.	Gorkhapatra	Vernacular Daily	6	Referendum in the New Constitution	Shyam Shrestha writes: It would be appropriate to include the provision for referendum in some cases to take people's fresh mandate in some issue so that people will have a feeling of ownership over the state.
7.	Gorkhapatra	Vernacular Daily	7	I Don't Think That the Peace Process is at Stake	Kul Chandra Gautam in his exclusive interview says if the parties work harder a very good federal structure could be instituted. "Though the peace process is facing difficulties, I don't think it is at stake".
8.	Kantipur	Vernacular Daily	7	The Constitution Writers Could not Recognize the Leaders	Advocate Purna Man Shakya says: The tasks including the army integration, termination of the para-military structures and return of the seized properties must be completed before the promulgation of the new constitution.
9.	The Kathmandu Post	English Daily	6	The Only Option	Ashe Brooks-Cook writes: I recently encountered firsthand the fear that will stifle Nepal's nascent modernity at a conference on Dalit issues last month. During a break I spoke to a participant who commented that

CCD Media Monitoring

Compiled on 22 August, 2010 Sunday



					<p>since the implementation of reservation in Nepal that certain castes were actually being turned down from opportunities over less qualified applicants due to their ethnicity. What I thought was interesting about the statement was that for one, it was coming from a Brahmin who had just received a Fulbright scholarship to study and live in the United States. Secondly, that she automatically assumed that those persons who are getting job opportunities over other castes were undoubtedly less qualified, and therefore were receiving these positions only due to their ethnicity and not because of their merit. The concept of merit is a structuralized concept, created by the elite to keep others out. What they fail to realise is that ethnic preferences in sectors enhance the experience not only of minority students but of elites, too. There is no denying the fact that there is a need for reservation in Nepal. Statistics overwhelmingly show that Nepal has been dominated by a small minority in any and all sectors, both public and private, historically as well as currently. For example Brahmin/Chhetri make up 88.8 percent of the Supreme Court justices, 68.4 percent of ministers, the mass majority of majors and above ranks in the Army, 70.9 percent of the Nepali Congress, 87.5 percent of CPN-UML and so on, but only consist of 30.89 percent of the total population in Nepal.</p>
--	--	--	--	--	--