

Revolutionary Maoist Baidhya describes leadership struggle

Revolt is plenum's mandate: Baidhya



Mohan Baidhya

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KATHMANDU: Vice-Chairman of the UCPN-Maoist Mohan Baidhya 'Kiran' today said the party's sixth extended meeting had mandated it to launch a 'people's revolt'. Addressing an interaction on 'National Independence and People's Republic' organised by Samayabaddha bimonthly, Baidhya said the Palungtar meeting has also urged the party to fight for a people's federal republic and national independence.

He said a communist party must be ready to split or merge with others whenever necessary. "Remaining together despite ideological and political differences is no good, for it makes the party just a joint front," he claimed, justifying the disintegration of his party from Mohan Bikram Singh's party earlier. He claimed that Vice-Chairman Dr Baburam Bhattarai had begun making public the internal debates through Rato Jhilko news magazine. After this, other leaders have also started revealing the secrets, he said.

"If we were following the traditional system in practice in a communist party, leaders would have faced action for revealing the party's secrets," he said. All the same, Baidhya said taking the debate to the public is a good practice, though the party used to take it negatively earlier.

On the existing political struggle, Baidhya said the parties are not in a position to conclude peace and constitution-making processes. "They want to put in place the same old parliamentary system by downsizing the Maoists." On a different note, Baidhya said outsiders will come in the way of constitution-making. Lots of things have changed after the end of monarchy and it has become clear that fighting alone will not ensure victory, he said. Baidhya said the nation will

now go for a struggle for Loktantra [democracy] and national independence under the leadership of a stronger UCPN-M.

Baidhya accused foreign agents of infiltrating the parties. Baidhya said fellow Maoist leaders have also become foreign agents. Polarisation has also begun in the parties as imperialism has stepped in, he said, accusing several UML leaders of working for the imperialists.

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