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Nepal's leaders battle to avert political crisis

AFP, Kathmandu

Nepal's main party leaders were locked in talks yesterday to try and avert a political crisis with parliament's term due to expire at midnight, leaving the country without a functioning legislature.

The parliament, or Constituent Assembly, was elected two years ago to write a new constitution for the young republic, paving the way for fresh polls and turning the page on a decade of civil war between Maoist rebels and the state.

But it has singularly failed to do so and if the three main parties cannot agree to extend its term this time, it will be dissolved, plunging the country into political uncertainty.

Thousands of people gathered outside the parliament building in Nepal's capital Kathmandu and chanted slogans demanding the resignation of the prime minister and the extension of parliament.

"I fear for this country's future if the CA is dissolved," said unemployed 31-yearold Ajay Shivakoti. "The political parties should put self-interest aside and act in the interests of the country." The Maoist party won elections in

2008 and took power for nine months, abolishing the 240-year-old Hindu monarchy and turning the country into a secular republic. But it has sat in opposition for the past

year and is refusing to vote for a bill extending the CA's term unless the prime minister resigns. Maoist leader Pushpa Kamal Dahal,

better known as Prachanda, has pushed the leaders of the ruling Communist Party of Nepal (UML) and Nepali Congress to accept his demands for a new powersharing government. But the other parties are refusing to

buckle, resulting in the current deadlock and prompting a call from UN chief Ban Ki-moon for the leaders to work out their differences.

Newspapers in Nepal warned that a failure to find a solution could mean a return to a civil war in which at least 16,000 people died.

"There is a strong possibility that this day could become the worst in our history," said the Nepalese-language daily Naya Patrika in an editorial Friday.

"If the Constituent Assembly is dissolved, it will be an open invitation to civil

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PHOTO: AFP

Nepalese police stand guard outside Nepal's Constitutional Assembly during a protest in Kathmandu yesterday. Nepal teetered on the brink of political chaos, with parliament's term set to expire and rival party leaders unable to agree on an extension.

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The leaders of the three parties reopened talks yesterday after consulting their members, but there was no immediate indication that either side was ready to compromise.

UML chairman Jhalanath Khanal pledged to "keep all options open to make sure that the sovereignty of the people is protected."

Baburam Bhattarai, regarded as one of the more moderate Maoist leaders, told AFP an extension of the assembly's term would be meaningless without an agreement on other key issues.

"Without consensus, there is no guarantee that the constitution would be written," he added.

The Maoists formed a government after the 2008 polls, but Prachanda resigned as prime minister a year later in a disagreement with the head of the army over the integration of former Maoist fighters into the national army.

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for a return to government ever since and earlier this month brought the country to a standstill by holding a nationwide general strike to press The strike was called off after six days

protesting against the disruption of Almost 24,000 members of the Maoists' army were confined to camps

Around 4,000 were formally discharged this year after UN checks found they did not qualify as soldiers, and several thousand more are thought to have drifted away from the camps and

returned home in the intervening years. But more than 15,000 are estimated to remain, and their fate is a key stumbling block in the peace process.

Pigeon held in India on suspicion of spying for Pakistan

AFP, New Delhi

Indian police are holding a pigeon under armed guard after it was caught on an alleged spying mission for arch rivals and neighbours Pakistan, media reported yesterday.

The white-coloured bird was found by a local resident in India's Punjab state, which borders Pakistan, and taken to a police station 40 kilometres (25 miles) from the capital Amritsar.

The pigeon had a ring around its foot and a Pakistani phone number and address stamped on its body in red ink.

Police officer Ramdas Jagjit Singh Chahal told the Press Trust of India (PTI) news agency that they suspected the pigeon may have landed on Indian soil from Pakistan with a message, although no trace of a note has been found.

Officials have directed that no-one should be allowed to visit the pigeon, which police say may have been on a "special mission of spying".

The bird has been medically examined and was being kept in an airconditioned room under police guard.

Senior officers have asked to be kept updated on the situation three times a day, PTI said.

Chahal said local pigeon fanciers in the sensitive border area had told police that Pakistani pigeons were easily identifiable, as they look different from Indian ones, according to the Indian Express newspaper.

Uncertain future awaits Pakistanis in face of constitutional crises

ANI, Islamabad

The ongoing tussle between the Pakistan Supreme Court and the federal government is likely to add to the feeling of uncertainty prevailing in the country in coming months as both key institutions are on the collision course over constitutional affairs.

"I see June and July as the most crucial months for our country's future. June may pass off peacefully amid court hearings, but July can even bring change in the government. It all depends on the government, whether they implement the Supreme Court's decisions or not, if they don't, the uncertainty will increase, and, they may have to leave offices," said Akram Sheikh, one of country's top lawyers, who is himself appearing in many Supreme Court-related cases.

Pakistan's Supreme Court is hearing cases against President Asif Ali Zardari and his comrades. The main bone of contention is a Supreme Court's decision about declaring illegal an ordinance that benefited Zardari. The government is reluctant to implement it.

Zardari was able to become the country's president because of a National Reconciliation Ordinance (NRO) issued by former military

ruler Pervez Musharraf in 2007, which cleared him (Zardari) of corruption charges.

The then government wrote to the Government of Switzerland, where courts were probing Zardari's assets in Swiss banks, to close all cases against him following the NRO, which shielded more than 8,000 other accused from corruption-related cases.

But Chief Justice Iftikhar Muhammad Chaudhary, who was reinstated in March last year after a country wide public movement, declared this ordinance illegal last December and ordered the government to write to the Swiss authorities to reopen the cases.

But the government is yet to implement this order and continues to make excuses.

This has forced the Supreme Court to issue a fortnight-long deadline to the government to submit a detailed report on implementation of court directives.

"If the government does not implement the Supreme Court orders, it will create havoc. The Supreme Court is in no mood to leave the government to go with it. It is a matter of the Supreme Court's honourable existence, they will declare the government disqualified in case of non-cooperation," said Sheikh, who is widely regarded as an expert on legal conflicts.

Afghan forces battle militants near eastern border

AP, Kabul

Afghan forces battled militants in a remote region near the Pakistan border for a sixth day yesterday, and officials were trying to confirm reports that a key Pakistani Taliban leader was killed in the fighting.

The combat in eastern Afghanistan came as the US military suffered its 1,000th death in the nearly 9-year-old Afghan war, according to an Associated Press count.

Hundreds of militants have been trying since Sunday to seize control of the Barg-e-Matal district of Nuristan province along the Pakistani border, provincial officials said. Villagers who took part in

the fighting said they had killed Taliban commander Maulana Fazlullah along with six of his fighters during a strong insurgent attack Wednesday, said Gen Mohammad Zaman Mamozai, commander for Afghan border police in east-

ern Afghanistan. Officials said yesterday radio.

they still had no confirmation that Fazlullah was dead.

Fazlullah is a Pakistani Taliban leader who spearheaded the takeover of Pakistan's Swat Valley three years ago, gaining prominence as the "Radio Mullah" for his vehemently anti-Western sermons on local

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Sri Lanka president rejects foreign war crimes probe

Sri Lanka President Mahinda Rajapakse has rejected international calls for a war crimes probe into the final offensive against Tamil

In an interview with the Al-Jazeera television news network on Thursday, Rajapakse said he would not tolerate any outside review of a campaign that he insisted was solely aimed at "defeating terrorism".

"I don't want my internal matters to be

NGOs. We will look after that," Rajapakse

non-combatants were killed. He added, however, that he was prepared to punish anyone found guilty of excesses. Government forces defeated the rebel

Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) by wiping out its top leadership on May 18 last



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3 Procuring Entity Name

ELECTRICITY GENERATION COMPANY OF BANGLADESH LIMITED

Power Division, Ministry of Power, Energy & Mineral Resources

Project Director, Siddhirganj 2×120 MW Peaking Power Plant Project, EGCB Ltd, Dhaka.

Electricity Generation Company of Bangladesh Ltd.

(An Enterprise of Bangladesh Power Development Board)
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under Siddhirganj 2×120 MW Peaking Power Plant Project Power 27 Bank draft or Pay order from any schedule Bank in favour of Project Director of Siddhirganj 2x120 MW Peaking Power Type of Tender Security Payment PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS Name of official inviting tender Rahmat Ullah Ahmed Project Director, Siddhirganj 2×120 MW Peaking Power Plant Project. EGCB Ltd. Designation of official inviting tender Address of official inviting tender Siddhirganj 2×120 MW Peaking Power Plant Project. EGCB Ltd. BTMC Bhaban (Level-8), 7-9, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka. Contact details of official inviting tender Tel: 8124197, 9134029 The Procuring entity reserves the right to reject all tenders.

Rahmat Ullah Ahmed

Project Director

Siddhirganj 2×120 MW Peaking Power Plant

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receiving and opening of Circle, Dhaka Power Distribution Circle, Dhaka Power Distribution Tender Document Company Limited (DPDC).Biddut Company Limited (DPDC).Biddut Bhaban (3rd floor), 1 Abdul Gani Road, Bhaban (3rd floor), 1 Abdul Gani Dhaka - 1000. Road, Dhaka - 1000. Information for Tenderer: 13 Eligibility of i) The Tenderer shall have a minimum of 05(five) years of overall experience in supply Tenderer of electrical goods/equipment. ii) The Tenderer or the manufacturer of goods shall have experience in supply of electrical testing equipments for testing/maintenance of 132/33/11 kv substations in at least 01(one) contract within last 05(five) years. iii) The Tenderer or the manufacturer of goods shall have to submit Satisfactory Performance Certificate from end user for the offered/similar type instruments on each item within the last 5(five) years. 14 Price of Tender Document. Taka 5,000/= (Taka Five Thousands) non-refundable only payable in the form of Pay Order/Bank Draft from any scheduled Bank of Bangladesh in favour of Deputy General Manager, Contracts & Procurements Circle, Dhaka Power Distribution Company Limited (DPDC). Tender Security Amount (Taka) Location of Delivery 15 Item Supply & Delivery of Taka 8,00,000.00 (Eight lac) only. CSD (Revenue), DPDC, Tongi. **Testing Equipment** 120 days from the date of signing contract. 16 Completion Time **Procuring Entity Details:** 17 Name of official Inviting Tender Md. Shamsul Alam 18 Designation of official Inviting Tender DGM, Contracts & Procurements Circle, Dhaka Power Distribution Company Limited (DPDC). 19 Address of official Inviting Tender Biddut Bhaban (3rd floor), 1 Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka - 1000.

20 Contact Details of official Inviting Tender Telephone: 9567258 Fax: 9568349 E-mail: dgmcps@dpdc.org

21 The Procuring Entity reserves the right to accept or reject any/all Tender(s) without assigning any

(Md. Shamsul Alam) Deputy General Manager, Contracts & Procurements Circle Dhaka Power Distribution Company Limited (DPDC).

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following intense international pressure and a mass rally in the capital Kathmandu schools and businesses.

around the country after the end of the civil war in late 2006.

AFP, Colombo

Tiger rebels last year.

inquired by any other country or any other

A transcript of the interview was released by

the president's office yesterday.

Rajapakse stressed that security forces had not targeted Tamil civilians and insisted that no

year, ending a 37-year-old separatist struggle.