

30 | Agreement between the GoN and Samyukta Janatrantrik Terai Mukti Morcha

On December 26, 2008 in Janakpur, a dialogue was held in a cordial atmosphere between the Talks Teams of the GoN and the Samyukta Janatrantrik Terai Mukti Morcha [Joint Democratic Terai Liberation Front]. With the belief that the institutional development and strengthening of Nepal's progressive transformation and of the federal democratic republic can take place only through a new people-centric constitution and embracing of the principles of sovereignty, integrity, national interest and national unity, an agreement was reached on the following points.

1. The GoN shall be responsible for the security of the members of the Talks Teams during the period of dialogue.
2. The Samyukta Janatrantrik Terai Mukti Morcha shall suspend its violent and aggressive activities and the GoN shall recognise the party leaders and activists as political actors.
3. The Samyukta Janatrantrik Terai Mukti Morcha shall make available to the GoN a list of its people arrested in the course of agitation and of those against whom cases have been filed, and the GoN shall gradually release them after investigations.
4. Initiative shall be taken for bringing the other agitating political groups operating in the Terai to the negotiation table.
5. The Samyukta Janatrantrik Terai Mukti Morcha shall furnish its list of demands at the next round of talks to be held in Kathmandu and the date of talks shall be fixed with mutual agreement. If necessary, mediators shall be appointed with the consent of both parties.

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