

## Intellectuals instigating people in Maoist-hit areas: CPI(M) (INDIA)

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**Kolkata, Feb 27 : Condemning the landmine blast which left four dead in West Midnapore district of West Bengal, the CPI(M) today alleged that some "anti-left intellectuals" were conspiring against the Left Front government and "misguiding" poor people in Maoist-hit districts to resort to violence.**

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"These intellectuals opposed to the Left Front government are now backing Leftist ultras and trying to provoke the poor people to indulge in the politics of annihilation in districts where Maoists are active," state CPI(M) secretary Anil Biswas told a private Bengali TV channel here today.

He said that these intellectuals had realised that leftists could not be uprooted from power by 'rightist forces', he said.

He did not name them but said they included some university teachers.

Biswas, said that terrorism would never succeed in West Bengal and expressed hope that people would isolate elements bent on destabilising law and order in the state.

Stating that 18 police personnel had so far been killed in Maoist attacks in the state, Biswas said "I urge the state government to intensify security in the three affected districts of West Midnapore, Bankura and Purulia." He said that CPI(M) was the target of the attack of the Maoists since the party was heading the Left Front government.

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