

Kim Il Sung, Creation of Theory of Building Independent National Economy Which Serves Realization of Working Masses of People's Independence

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On behalf of the Uganda National Committee for the Study of the Juche Idea, allow me to extend my sincere congratulations and greetings to all Juche idea adherents and esteemed participants from all over the world taking part in this historical event as we celebrate the 75th founding anniversary of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

At this moment when we participate in this seminar, I would like to pay the noblest respect to H.E. Kim Il Sung and H.E. Kim Jong Il who founded the DPRK and further strengthened and developed the country on the basis of the Juche idea and extend my warm congratulations to H.E. Kim Jong Un who put the country's strategic status at world level.

In this discussion, permit me to underscore the immortal ideological and theoretical exploits of H.E. Kim Il Sung who created theory of building independent national economy among others under the title; "H.E. Kim Il Sung, creation of the theory of building independent national economy which serves the realization of working masses of the people's independence".

With his scientific insight into revolutionary practice of the popular masses in the era of Juche, President Kim Il Sung applied the Juche idea in the field of economic construction and thus created the theory of building an independent national economy.

President Kim Il Sung said.

"Under the wise leadership of the Party, our people have built a powerful socialist, independent, national economy in a short period of their history by carrying out the policy of building an independent national economy successfully under the revolutionary banner of self-reliance."

It was an urgent requirement of the people's revolutionary practice in the

era of Juche and the Korean revolution to create the theory of building an independent national economy.

Entering the 20th century when the masses of the people who had been oppressed and humiliated in the past made history and shaped their destiny independently and creatively, the Juche era was ushered in and the popular masses' struggle for independence in all fields of social life including politics, the economy and culture unfolded dynamically with a national state as a unit on a worldwide scale.

In order to fully realize the masses' independence under such conditions, those countries which were building a new society had to build economy by relying on their own strength. In other words, it was necessary for them to build an independent national economy.

Building an independent national economy presented as a vital issue in Korea, a colonial agricultural country which had been economically and technologically backward in the past due to domination and plunder of the Japanese imperialists.

The Japanese imperialists who occupied Korea did not develop industry of producing finished goods in Korea but built industry of producing mainly raw materials or semi-finished products and some of munitions industry necessary for their war of aggression, while extremely restricting development of Korea's national industry. As a result, Korea had nothing after liberation but a backward and deformed industry. The backward and deformed industry, the leftover of the Japanese imperialists, was a major fetter hindering sound social development of Korea.

The course of economic development of national states in the era of Juche and the backward economic situation of Korea urgently required creating the theory on economic construction that gives scientific explanations.

Based on deep insight into the requirement of the era of Juche and the urgent requirement of the then economic development in Korea, H. E. Kim Il Sung made energetic efforts to provide the theory of building an independent national economy.

The President unveiled a far-reaching plan of building an independent national economy with the immortal Juche idea in the early period of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, and in line with the plan he put forward the line of building an independent national economy after liberation when Korea began to build a new society.

Later, the President put forward many original lines and policies to build an independent national economy in each stage of the developing revolution

and wisely led the DPRK people's struggle for their realization, and in this course, the President created precious and rich ideas, theories and experiences.

The theory of building an independent national economy created by the President comprehends ideas and theories including essence and characteristic, main contents and principles for the building of an independent national economy as well as rich experiences gained by the DPRK people in building an independent national economy.

Building an independent national economy means building an economy which is free from dependence on others and which stands on its own feet, an economy which serves one's own people and develops on the strength of resources of one's own country and by the efforts of one's own people.

The essential characteristic of an independent national economy, the economy in which the Juche idea is applied, is that the working masses of the people are masters of an independent national economy and its noble mission is to serve the realization of the masses' independence.

The theory of building an independent national economy has it as the main contents to establish many-sided and comprehensive economic structure, equip the economy with modern techniques, train the national technical cadres extensively and build reliable and independent raw material and fuel bases.

The theory also considers self-reliance as the fundamental principle, the lifeline to be adhered to consistently in building an independent national economy.

That the theory of building an independent national economy was created in the DPRK is one of the precious exploits performed by H.E.Kim Il Sung in leading wisely the Korean people's struggle for a new society.

Thanks to the immortal ideological and theoretical exploits performed by H.E.Kim Il Sung the DPRK has maintained all the time the line of independent national economy and achieved rapid development with the spirit of self-reliance amidst hostile policy of hostile forces and world-wide economic upheavals.

It is considerably well recognized that all successes gained by the country cannot be imagined in the absence of the immortal exploits of H.E. Kim Il Sung, H.E.Kim Jong Il and H.E.Kim Jong Un.

The immortal ideological and theoretical exploits performed by H.E. Kim Il Sung will forever remain in the minds of the Korean people and the progressive people all over the world.

It is currently so important to further deepen the study and dissemination of Juche idea in the struggle for defending and realizing independence.

Now, the world is witnessing a dynamic struggle for achieving the independent development of all countries and nations by rejecting domination and subordination, establishing international relations based on independence and implementing democratization of the international society.

This reality attests to the validity of the Juche idea, which clarifies the truth that the aspirations of countries and nations for independence can never be curtailed.

The Juche idea, recognized as a philosophy of independence, maintains that man is the master of his own destiny and he has the strength with which to hew it out. It correctly reflects the fundamental aspirations of mankind for independence and the trend of the times and provides scientific answers to the important questions arising in carving out the destiny of countries and nations.

Countries may vary in terms of territory, population and economic development, but there can never be senior and junior countries or those that should dominate others or be dominated. All of them are equal and independent. This leads to the conclusion that the international relations should be equal and fair, so that high-handedness and arbitrariness of specific countries cannot be tolerated in the international arena and every country and nation can exercise their rights to independence as members of the international society. A new democratic and independent world can fully realize the independence of all countries and nations.

The new independent world clarified by the Juche idea is a world which is free from domination and subordination, interference and pressure, and aggression and plunder and where all countries and nations exercise their independent rights as masters of their own destiny. In other words, it is a world where a democratic international order that ensures complete equality, mutual respect and the exercise of sovereignty among countries is established and strictly observed. In this world every country will exercise its right to choose its own destiny on its own terms and cooperate with other countries on an equal footing for the interest common to mankind.

It is so high time for the patriotic African people to steadfastly defend their sovereignty, cultures, customs, norms and dignity and rights etc., amidst what the interference and pressure of foreign forces against developing countries are prevailing.

It is urgently needed to make people being well aware of who is the master of his or her destiny, mobilized and firmly united as one.

If you deepen the study and dissemination of the Juche idea you can remove people's dependency on others (foreign forces) and raise peoples'

awareness to stand on their own feet. It can encourage people to do their jobs well and successfully and lead people to implementing the policy of the government.

It furthermore can make a tremendous contribution to the development of the country for building a powerful independent national economy and exercising independent foreign policy.

In recent years, the consciousness of African people has risen, with the yearning for home grown solutions to African problems as opposed to external prescriptions.

In east African region, East African Community tends to be much more integrated and enlarged without foreign interference.

On the other hand, there is a lesson that if you continuously do not study and disseminate the Juche idea you can never achieve your goals of arousing peoples' consciousness.

We pledge to continuously deepen the study and dissemination of the Juche idea.

We are sure that the progressive peoples' struggle for realizing the cause of masses' independence will become a reality sooner than later.

As we celebrate 75th founding anniversary of the DPRK, it is so important to note that the world progressive people are sure that the Korean people will be ever-victorious under the wise leadership of H. E. Kim Jong Un who has thoroughly carried forward and further developed the idea of H.E. Kim Il Sung and H.E. Kim Jong Il.