

Great Leader and DPRK

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The high prestige and dignity of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea clearly illustrates that the greatness of a country or nation is determined, not by the size of land or population, but by the greatness of its leader.

Entering the modern times, Korea with 5 000-year-long history and brilliant culture gradually weakened in national power owing to the policy of sycophancy and dependence on outside forces of the feudal Joson dynasty and was reduced to a theatre of competition of big powers for influence. Finally, it was placed under the Japanese military occupation since 1905.

It was the great leader President Kim Il Sung who saved the Korean people from the miserable fate of a ruined nation. He embarked on the road of revolutionary struggle for Korea's liberation in his teens. In the course of seeking the way out for the Korean revolution, he authored the Juche idea and commanded the anti- Japanese revolutionary struggle for two decades under its banner, finally achieving the historic cause of Korea's liberation on August 15, 1945.

After his triumphal return to the homeland, he founded the Workers' Party of Korea without delay, carried out the democratic reforms, including the land reform, nationalization of key industrial establishments and enforcement of the Law on Sex Equality, and founded a regular armed force. Based on these achievements, he founded the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the first people's democratic state in the East, on September 9, 1948.

He creditably safeguarded the sovereignty and dignity of the DPRK in the Korean war (1950-1953) unleashed by the US imperialists. He carried out the post-war rehabilitation and the socialist revolution in a short period and led the socialist construction of several stages to victory, thus turning the DPRK into a socialist power, independent in politics, self-sufficient in the economy and self-reliant in defence.

He regarded *The people are my God* as his lifetime motto and his benevolent politics got a people-centred socialist system deeply rooted in the

DPRK. He advanced the fundamental principles and ways for Korea's reunification and devoted his all for the national reunification cause until the last moment of his life.

He defined independence, peace and friendship as the basic ideals of the DPRK's foreign policy and enhanced its international prestige through his energetic external activities. Working as Head of State and veteran of world politics for nearly half a century, he opened up a new era of independence and made immortal contributions to developing the socialist and non-aligned movement.

Though he passed away on July 8, 1994, he is always alive in the hearts of the DPRK people and the world progressives as the founding father of socialist Korea, leader of the cause of independence of humankind, eternal President of the DPRK and the Sun of Juche.

The revolutionary cause pioneered by President Kim Il Sung continued successfully thanks to the great leader Comrade Kim Jong Il who devoted his whole life to faithfully supporting the idea and cause of President Kim Il Sung.

Since starting working at the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea on June 19, 1964, Comrade Kim Jong Il led the country for nearly half a century, performing immortal exploits for the times and the history.

He formulated the revolutionary idea of the great President Kim Il Sung as Kimilsungism and added lustre to it as the eternal guiding ideology of the WPK and the DPRK. He proclaimed it as the ultimate programme of the WPK to model the whole society on Kimilsungism and wisely organized and led the work for its realization.

He closely rallied broad sections of the masses around the WPK by administering the benevolent and all-embracing politics, and remarkably strengthened the driving force of the socialist cause by realizing oneness of the army and people in ideas and fighting mettle.

After the demise of President Kim Il Sung, Comrade Kim Jong Il set an example in realizing the cause of immortalizing the leader and made sure that the President's lifetime instructions were carried forward as the guidelines in all fields of revolution and construction so as to make his life and exploits shine for ages.

In the closing years of the last century when the DPRK was bearing the brunt of offensive of allied imperialist forces, he formulated Songun politics as the basic political mode of socialism and administered it in an all-round way.

He developed the Korean People's Army into an invincible army, built up the self-reliant and modern defence industry in every way and realized the

arming of all the people and the fortification of the whole country on a high level.

Decade after decade, he kindled the torch of a new revolutionary upsurge and led the drive to flare up the flames of the industrial revolution in the new century, with the result that the DPRK could demonstrate its might as a manufacturer and launcher of artificial satellites and a science and technology power that has full command of CNC technology.

True to the President's instructions for Korea's reunification, he established the Three Charters for National Reunification and saw to it that the June 15 Joint Declaration and the October 4 Declaration were adopted between the north and the south of Korea to usher in a new era of independent reunification movement advancing under the ideal of "By Our Nation Itself".

He expanded and developed the relations of friendship and cooperation with other countries aspiring after independence with his seasoned diplomatic strategy and energetic foreign activities and thus made great contributions to safeguarding the peace and stability of Northeast Asia and the rest of the world.

He continued his field guidance day and night with an indomitable will, regarding *The people are my God* as his motto. He passed away in a running train on December 17, 2011.

The revolutionary cause of Juche pioneered by the great President Kim Il Sung and developed by the great leader Comrade Kim Jong Il is being carried forward by Comrade Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the DPRK State Affairs.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un is possessed of unbounded loyalty to the revolutionary cause of Juche, outstanding leadership ability, matchless courage and pluck and popular traits. He opened up a new phase in implementing the cause of immortalizing the leader.

Thanks to his energetic ideological and theoretical activities and wise leadership, the great leaders' revolutionary ideology was formulated as Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism, and the DPRK people are confidently marching straight forward along the road of independence and socialism.

Having the noble outlook on people of respecting the people by cherishing them as the august images of the great leaders who believed in people as in heaven during their entire lifetime, he administers politics of loving the people in order to translate their beautiful dreams and ideals into reality. He also shows paternal affection for and trust in the people to rally them as one firmly around the WPK.

As the Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces of the DPRK, he has inspected one army unit after another, which is giving a powerful impetus to the enhancement of the country's self-reliant defence capability and the victorious advance of the cause of socialism.

Today, by adhering to the principle of self-reliance, the DPRK people have erected monumental edifices one after another including the recently inaugurated 10 000 flats in the Hwasong area, further propelled the work of putting the national economy on a Juche-oriented, modern, IT and scientific footing and ceaselessly made miraculous successes, thus opening a bright prospect for fully demonstrating the might of their self-supporting economy; they also have achieved continuous eye-opening successes in the sectors of science, education, public health, literature and the arts, and sports.

Comrade Kim Jong Un, possessed of ennobling compatriotic affection and seasoned political abilities, ensured that three rounds of inter-Korean summit were held in April, May and September 2018 and the Panmunjom Declaration and September Pyongyang Joint Declaration were made public at the summit meetings and talks, thus bringing about a turning-point for the north-south relations and opening a new era of national reconciliation and unity, peace and prosperity.

He has thwarted the imperialists' high-handedness and war moves, and rendered an outstanding contribution to ensuring global peace and stability and promoting the cause of independence for mankind, thereby winning admiration and praise of the international community as the great guardian of justice.

Today the DPRK people are firmly convinced that the ever-victorious history and tradition will continue as they hold in high esteem Comrade Kim Jong Un, peerless patriot and great defender of peace who is ushering in a new era of a prosperous and powerful country.

Expecting greater successes in the coming future, the progressive people of Sri Lanka will always support the DPRK people's just struggle for building a powerful socialist country under the leadership of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Comrade Kim Jong Un.

Long live the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung!

Long live the great leader Comrade Kim Jong Il!

Long live the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un!

Long live socialist Korea!