

# **Juche Korea Shining with Independence Is A Bright Example to the World**

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President KIM IL SUNG's great and enduring legacies are the Juche idea and Juche Korea. Juche Korea is the miracle that the Juche idea gave birth to.

The respected Comrade KIM JONG UN said;

**“The great Juche idea, as a man-centred view of the world, revolutionary theory and method, is the most reasonable, universal and valid ideology which all those who aspire after independence can readily empathize with and accept as their own. This is evidenced by the glorious history of our revolution which has travelled a proud road of victory under the banner of the Juche idea and the reality of today when the aspiration for global independence is mounting as the days go by under the rays of the Juche idea.”** (KIM JONG UN, THE GREAT KIM IL SUNG IS THE ETERNAL LEADER OF OUR PARTY AND OUR PEOPLE, April 20, 2012)

President KIM IL SUNG authored the Juche idea in the midst of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle. The Juche idea gave the Korean people independence and gave birth to Juche Korea, a state of independence, self-sufficiency and self-defence. A great idea always gives rise to a great reality.

Led by President KIM IL SUNG and later Chairman KIM JONG IL and the respected Comrade KIM JONG UN, Juche Korea soared high as a powerful state of Juche with total independence. The prestige of Juche Korea towers high just like the Tower of the Juche Idea. Indeed, Juche Korea is the most independent state in the world. This is acknowledged even by its enemies. The Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) does not have a single foreign soldier stationed on its territory. Not a single foreign military aircraft can be seen in the clear blue skies of Juche Korea. The DPRK is not a member of a military bloc. It is a genuinely non-aligned and independent. The DPRK is not a member of the IMF, World Bank, WTO or APEC. It has a solid independent national economy unaffected by the crisis of capitalism.

The Juche idea created an invincible socialist power and most durable socialism. As the British scholar Malcolm Caldwell pointed out in 1977 *“What is clear is that, deprived of, massive loans, US military propping, and integration into the international capitalist economy, south Korea would collapse, whereas-abiding by Juche, North Korea can stand independent indefinitely.”* (Malcolm Caldwell, “The Wealth of Some Nations” 1977 page 162)

The line of independence based on the Juche idea totally permeated the whole history of building socialism in the DPRK. The Juche is the basis of all policies and lines of the Workers' Party of Korea and the people's government. Under the banner of the Juche idea, the DPRK built a powerful independent national economy and completed socialist industrialization. The DPRK became known to the world as Chollima Korea and a “model country of socialism”. It also became known as a

people's paradise because it introduced free medical services, the system of free education and taxation was abolished.

The DPRK became a powerful example for the peoples of the non-aligned countries who aspired to build new societies free from the shackles of imperialism, colonialism and neo-colonialism. The building of socialism in the DPRK inspired many revolutionary and progressive people. The great Cuban revolutionary Major Ernesto Che Guevara visited the DPRK in 1960 and wrote later *“Of the socialist countries that we visited personally, Korea is one of the most extraordinary. Perhaps it is the one that impressed us most...”*

Many delegations from Africa, Asia and Latin America visited the DPRK to learn from its experience. The first Juche idea study group was founded in Mali in 1969. The example of People's Korea and the powerful attraction of the Juche idea spread far beyond the borders of the DPRK and beyond the non-aligned countries. Over 1 000 Juche idea study groups were established. In April 1978 the International Institute of the Juche Idea was established in Tokyo, Japan.

The Juche idea gripped the imagination of the world's people because it reflected the aspirations of the people for independence.

Today the imperialists hate and fear Juche Korea and the Juche idea itself because of the great example it presents to the non-aligned countries, an example of independence and self-reliance. If the developing countries established independent national economy based on self-reliance this would shut out imperialism and neo-colonialism.

Today People's Korea led by the respected Comrade KIM JONG UN is marching ahead carrying out truly colossal socialist construction under the banner of self-reliance, defying the sanctions of the hostile forces.

Juche Korea, which shines with independence, is a bright example to the world.

Long live the great Juche idea!