

Legacy of Kim Jong Il

Kim Jong Il left as his legacy great exploits which guarantee the everlasting foundation and bright future of socialist Korea.

He raised the Juche idea and Songun idea as the eternal guiding ideology of Korea and as the great guiding ideology of the era of independence. Being endowed with the outstanding ideological wisdom, he launched energetic ideological activities from his early years, during which he systematized the revolutionary ideas of President Kim Il Sung, founding father of socialist Korea, as the integral system of idea, theory and method of Juche.

He published many works including *On the Juche Idea* (March 1982) to further develop the idea.

By developing and enriching the idea of giving priority to the arms, the idea of attaching importance to military affairs put forward by the President, to meet the requirements of the new era, he formulated the Songun idea and raised it as the invincible sword for accomplishing the cause of independence. Thanks to this, the Juche idea and the Songun idea became the great guiding ideology in the era of independence and the immortal Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism. This ideological and theoretical wealth is the most precious legacy bequeathed by him for the Korean people and progressive mankind.

Kim Jong Il developed the Workers' Party of Korea into an ever-victorious guiding force, the DPRK into a powerful socialist state and the Korean People's Army into invincible armed forces.

The 50-year history of his leadership of the WPK was a period when he created a model of building a socialist ruling party.

Thanks to his energetic leadership, the WPK developed into a militant party, in which unitariness of ideology and leadership is firmly secured and the sense of organization and discipline is strong beyond comparison, into a motherly party, which takes responsibility for the destiny of the masses, into a veteran and sophisticated party, and into a party, in which inheritance of leadership is firmly secured.

In the end of the last century when socialist Korea was faced with the worst adversity on account of the collapse of socialism in several countries, the vicious schemes of the US-led imperialist allied forces to stifle it and the natural calamities that hit it for several consecutive years, he administered Songun politics in a comprehensive way, with the result that the DPRK demonstrated its might as an invincible bulwark of socialism and the KPA developed into

formidable armed forces. By attaching top priority to strengthening the national defence capabilities, he strengthened the might of the KPA to the maximum through his incessant field guidance and turned the whole country into a formidable fortress by materializing on a new, higher level the policy of arming all the people and fortifying the whole land. Under his leadership Korea became a nuclear possessor, with which nuclear threat by the imperialists cut no ice, and the KPA displayed its might as an army strong in idea and faith and a-match-for-a-hundred army which is ready both for defence and attack.

Kim Jong Il turned the whole society of Korea into a grand harmonious family with his politics of love and trust, and the whole country into a political and ideological power in which all the people are united single-mindedly.

Thus, in the DPRK everlasting cornerstone was laid for accomplishing the cause of socialism, unperturbed by any upheavals of history. It is not coincidental for the Korean people to have held Kim Jong Il in high esteem as the eternal General Secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and eternal Chairman of the DPRK National Defence Commission.

Kim Jong Il laid solidly-built foundations for building a thriving socialist country.

He drew up a bright blueprint for building a thriving socialist power and created every condition to put it into reality through his devoted field guidance. By opening up the era of knowledge industry with the introduction of CNC technology into the machine-building industry, he led the effort to stoke the flames of industrial revolution of the new century across the country and make the overall national economy modern and knowledge-based.

Under his leadership in the DPRK an amazing reality was unfolded of switching over to knowledge economy; cutting-edge CNC machine tools are being mass-produced, Juche iron production system that uses no coking coal and scrap iron, a revolution in the world's metallurgical industry, was established and modernization of the production of vinalon and introduction of DCS system of the fertilizer production through coal gasification were materialized. Many factories and enterprises including the Huichon Ryonha General Machine Factory and the Taedonggang General Fruit Processing Factory were newly built or renovated as world-class ones. The DPRK is now one of the few artificial earth satellite producers and launchers in the world. Everywhere including Pyongyang across the country has been refurbished in a modern way, unfolding the prospect for the Korean people to enjoy all the benefits of socialism.

The immortal exploits Kim Jong Il achieved by devoting his whole life will shine for ever as the most valuable legacy which guarantees the triumph of the cause of Korean-style socialism and the cause of independence of mankind.