

Inauguration ceremony of Kangdong County Hospital held with splendour

Respected Comrade Kim Jong Un attends the ceremony



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At a time when essential projects at a trial stage are being successfully completed as part of the meaningful process of more expansive and new qualitative development in achieving the epochal cause of regional change acclaimed by the people and urged by the times, a modern regional hospital was inaugurated to prove the vigorous spirit and bright prospects of the Korean-style public health development.

A splendid inauguration ceremony of the Kangdong County Hospital for the Regional Development 20x10 Policy was held on November 19 as another remarkable result of expanding and promoting the Party's grand programme for regional development on a long-term basis.

The venue of the inauguration ceremony was filled with the great honour of soldier-builders, who built a splendid structure of civilization for the people with their

sweat and exertion of fulfilling service at the outpost of the gigantic regional revolution, and the joy of the participants, who gathered there to celebrate the great auspicious event brought about by the policy of the Workers' Party of Korea.

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, arrived at the Kangdong County Hospital together with leading officials of the Party and the government.

Comrade Kim Jong Un appeared at the inauguration ceremony.

The moment all the participants broke into thunderous cheers of "Hurrah!"

They offered the greatest glory and paid the greatest tribute to Kim Jong Un who is making a sacred history of state building with his great pioneering spirit and absolute devotion, unfolding the brilliant blueprints for the all-round cultural efflorescence one after another out of his intense desire to provide the

people with a new life filled with all blessings.

Present at the ceremony were secretaries of the Central Committee of the WPK, members of the central leadership body of the Party in Pyongyang, chief secretaries of the provincial Party committees, chairpersons of the provincial people's committees, officers and men of construction units, working people in Kangdong County, senior officials of Party and power organs in the municipality and officials and employees in the field of public health.

Kim Jong Un made a meaningful speech in commemoration of the inauguration of the hospital.

Expressing his surging emotion of facing a moment that signals the second inauguration season for implementing the regional development policy and of seeing the first entity of modern regional hospitals, he said that proclaiming inauguration in the year of groundbreaking is the standard speed of achieving our

ideals and this will be sufficient to show the acceleration of the substantial rejuvenation of the whole country. And this is the speed of transformation and advance—the speed of Korea, he added.

This hospital has helped completely reverse the existing conception of a regional hospital; the course of its construction was exemplary and its operation will serve as an ideal model for the development of public health in the regions, he said, hoping that the medical workers, who will work at this wonderful hospital and might be more excited than anybody else, will always approach patients with heartfelt sincerity, parental care and warm affection and protect their health with high skills.

Declaring that it is our Party's determination to take revolutionary steps so as to advance more vigorously towards our-style modernization of public health to bring benefit to the people, he stressed

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Comrade Kim Jong Un's speech at the inauguration ceremony of Kangdong County Hospital

perfect county hospital, have sprung up.

Comrades,

Our struggle, aimed at bringing a beautiful and vibrant life to the regional people, has now entered a comprehensive and full-scale stage.

I am sure that the rapid steps we are taking from transformation to greater transformation will inevitably lead us to our far-reaching ideals of making the whole country change and prosper.

Our strong will and self-confidence and our abilities and practice will prove this. Officers and soldiers of the Guards Hero construction unit, whom I am always proud of, I extend my heartfelt thanks to your heroic creative mettle and unsparing devotion, with which you, as the banner of transformation for the wellbeing of the people, have ensured that our Party's sincerity could reach the beloved people of Kangdong County to the full.

I also offer my greetings to the officials and working people of the relevant sectors, who have contributed to ensuring today's inauguration through their responsible efforts and sincere involvement.

Comrades,

I am very happy that another perfect hospital has been built. What makes me more pleased and gratified is the fact that it will contribute to ensuring good health and a cultured life for the regional people. This hospital has helped completely reverse the existing conception of a regional hospital; the course of its construction was exemplary and its operation will serve as an ideal model for the development of public health in the regions.

I believe that the medical workers, who will work at this wonderful hospital, are more excited than anybody else. I hope that they will always approach patients with heartfelt sincerity, tender care and warm affection and protect their health with high

skills.

I will entrust the health of the precious people in the county, as well as this hospital, to the medical workers here.

The last month of the year 2025 will begin in ten days.

This ceremony will be followed by the inauguration of Kusong City Hospital, Ryonggang County Hospital and first-aid posts in the Wonsan Kalma Coastal Tourist Area. Then we will have six modern medical facilities in all this year, including Pyongyang General Hospital. We can proudly say that this is a real transformation.

With these valuable results of the public health revolution, which embody the true objective of our struggle and bring us closest to it, we can confidently call 2025 a year of amazing transformation.

Comrades,

These first-stage results are really wonderful, but there can be no satisfaction in our work to promote the people's health.

This hospital has encouraged us to conceive many plans and set ourselves more ambitious goals.

It is our Party's determination to take revolutionary steps and advance more vigorously towards our-style modernization of public health to bring benefit to all the people in this country.

Modernization of public health will guarantee the long-term development of the country, and it will assure our socialist state of a bright future.

Let us take another step with ardent passion and soaring spirit befitting the pioneers of a great revolution for the good of our motherland and people.

The day will surely come when the regions have transformed themselves and we prosper while leading a cultured life.

Let us work harder for the beautiful future, when peace, laughter, happiness and amicability will brim over in all parts of our country.

My beloved citizens of Kangdong County!

I wish all of you good health and a happy life.

Comrades, Just at this place over 280 days ago, we planned together the future of the revolution in public health. It seems as if it were yesterday when we held the groundbreaking ceremony, but now we are holding the inauguration ceremony.

This is a moment that signals the second inauguration season for implementing the regional development policy, as well as a moment when we are seeing the first entity of modern regional hospitals.

A transformation worthy of proudly representing our eye-opening era has been brought about quickly enough to strike us with wonder.

Proclaiming inauguration in the year of groundbreaking is the standard speed of achieving our ideals, and this will be sufficient to show the acceleration of the substantial rejuvenation of the whole country, I think.

This is just our mettle and the speed of transformation and advance which we are going to achieve amid an uninterrupted surge—the speed of Korea.

The precedent for building in such a short period a healthcare facility, whose architectural processes are complicated, cannot be found in our proud history of construction.

Today's inauguration ceremony testifies that not only things are changing and developing but also our ambitions will be realized earlier than we desired and imagined.

This year is the one of transformations worthy of note in the development history of Kangdong County.

Modern regional-industry factories have been built, and a leisure complex and its neighbour, a



Proud labour gift presented by creators of spirit of Kangwon Province to glorious Party Congress

Inauguration ceremony of Hoeyang Army-People Power Station held with splendour



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Kangwon Province greeted the significant and auspicious event of inauguration which signals the completion of the hydropower stations it pledged before the Party when the whole country is full of the spirit of the vigorous advance of all the people to celebrate the Ninth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea as the meeting of great victory and glory.

The Hoeyang Army-People Power Station, which has been completed following the army-people power stations in Ichon, Munchon, Sepho, Phyonggang and Kosong, is the last project of the six hydropower stations on which Kangwon Province has concentrated all its efforts after setting it as a priority task to be carried out without fail for the regional economic development and the improvement of the people's material and cultural life, true to the important assignment of continuing to push ahead with the construction of small- and medium-sized hydropower stations, which was given by the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un.

The completion of another power base which the province had envisaged during the five-year plan for national economic development has made it possible for the province to further strengthen its solid foundation for proudly writing a new history of prosperity along with the era of regional development and increase its development potentials for creating a more affluent life by its own efforts.

An inauguration ceremony of the Hoeyang Army-People Power Station was held with splendour on November 20.

The venue of the ceremony was filled with great pride and self-confidence of the people in Kangwon Province who have created valuable assets of prosperity with their own efforts with confidence in their own strength.

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, attended the inauguration ceremony.

When he arrived at the venue of the ceremony, stormy cheers of "Hurrah!"

shook the earth and sky.

All the participants enthusiastically cheered, looking up to Kim Jong Un, who personally visited the power station in the mountainous area to bestow great love and honour on them.

Present there were members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK and other leading officials of the Party and the government, chief secretaries of the provincial committees of the WPK, chairpersons of the provincial people's committees, officials and workers in Kangwon Province and Hoeyang County, military and civilian builders and employees of the power station.

The national anthem of the DPRK was played.

Ju Mun Jin, chairman of the Kangwon Provincial People's Committee, delivered an inaugural speech.

The speaker said that the people in Kangwon Province, who are imbued with the WPK's revolutionary idea of self-respect and self-sustenance as absolute truth, greeted the moment of honour of

making a report of loyalty and victory to the Party Central Committee on the building of another proud structure. As the building of the six power stations simultaneously by provincial efforts was an uphill and gigantic nature-remaking project surpassing the existing concept and common knowledge, there were not a few obstacles in the way of construction, but thanks to the trust and leadership of the Party Central Committee, Party members and other working people in the province could wage a heroic struggle for the consecutive grand construction full of confidence and courage, he noted.

He referred to the fact that Kim Jong Un solved all the problems and meticulously led the construction of the power stations, saying that it is necessary to help Kangwon Province set an example in realizing the intention of the Party which calls for living on the strength of self-reliance.

He stressed that the power stations built in different parts of the province including the Hoeyang Army-People

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Power Station are a precious fruition of the revolutionary ideas of Kim Jong Un and a proud monument to the new era erected thanks to his absolute trust in the provincial people and his energetic leadership.

The speaker expressed the firm determination to make Kangwon Province take the lead in the worthwhile struggle for carrying out the tasks at the new stage of socialist construction to be set forth by the Ninth Congress of the WPK true to the ideas and leadership of the Party Central Committee.

Kim Jong Un made a meaningful speech.

In the period when the whole country is filled with enthusiasm to substantially wind up the year 2025 that must be recorded in history without fail as a year of victory, it is very auspicious that the Hoeryang Army-People Power Station is to be inaugurated, he said. He noted that those power stations, which have sprung up in different parts of the province that truthfully tells the history of the struggle of the army and the people to defend the country together, are fortresses of faith in socialism built by the concerted efforts of the soldiers and civilians to make firmer and more beautiful this precious land defended at the cost of blood.

For the future, for the coming generations—this is the inscription to be carved in the power stations in Kangwon Province by the times

and history, he said, extending warm thanks, on behalf of the Party Central Committee, to the people in Kangwon Province and the service personnel of the Korean People's Army for presenting to the Ninth Congress of the Party a valuable asset, which will bring benefits to the coming generations as well, by building solid power production bases, self-reliant and self-supporting, through a resolute and uninterrupted struggle.

Hailing the indomitable spirit of the provincial people who created a history of transformation by braving challenges and their tenacious disposition and mettle of doing without fail what they are determined to do as the great spirit of Kangwon Province, he once again offered encouragement to the conquerors of nature, performers of miracles in the present era, and wished Kangwon Province a new appearance, which will change and prosper day by day, and its people a happier life.

When he finished his speech, all the participants broke into enthusiastic cheers as a token of their gratitude to the great father of the people who places the life and struggle of the people in Kangwon Province at the highest eminence of the times.

Kim Jong Un cut the inauguration tape.

Fireworks were set off and a large number of balloons sent up into the sky of November, wonderfully adorning the venue of the inaugural ceremony presenting an immortal picture that will

shine forever in the journey of grand advance of self-reliance.

Kim Jong Un shook hands with every official and meritorious person, who performed remarkable labour feats in the construction of the power stations, highly commending them for their efforts and devotion.

He then went round the room dedicated to the history of the power station, control room, generator room, etc. to learn about their conditions.

Saying that Kangwon Province completed the construction of six hydropower stations including the Hoeryang Army-People Power Station during the term of the Eighth Party Central Committee, true to the pledge it made to the Party, he noted that it is a manifestation of the indomitable will of its people to unyieldingly go along the road of self-reliance, following the Party only, with unwavering faith in the justness of the line and policies of the Party.

He described the people in Kangwon Province as the embodiment of the pioneering spirit and model of our times who prove with their steadfast patriotic loyalty and persistent efforts the vitality of the Party's policy which asserts that self-reliance is the only way to survive and nothing is impossible to those who hold self-reliance and self-development as the motive power. And he underscored the need for the whole country to learn after the fighting spirit of the provincial people who unhesitatingly follow even a difficult road to reach the final destination.

When we painstakingly carry on huge tasks without fearing ordeals and difficulties facing us and translate them into proud reality of the present times, it will just become the process of the development of the state and the happy future of our people and the generations to come, he said. He called for redoubling efforts to carry out the historic mission of nationwide development assigned by the times and the revolution for the steady prosperity of the great country and wellbeing of the people.

Looking down upon the magnificent dam of the power station, he said that the might of the great army-people unity is really great and the

monumental edifices which have recorded another brilliant page in the history of the struggle of the people in Kangwon Province will hand down forever the patriotic feats of our generation who are ushering in the era of comprehensive national prosperity and writing a new history of regional transformation under the leadership of the Party.

Acquainting himself with the construction of the six hydropower stations Kangwon Province built by its own efforts and a future plan for creating new electricity-generating capacity, he gave precious instructions to be implemented in building hydropower stations and strengthening the independent economic foundations of the province.

He expressed expectations and belief that the people in Kangwon Province would further exert the miraculous power, with which they opened up the definite prospects of solving the electricity problem most essential for developing the economy of their region and improving their material and cultural life, to keep taking the lead in the historic struggle for the victorious advance of the socialist construction of the Korean style.

All the officials and working people in Kangwon Province, who received great love and trust of the Party Central Committee, firmly pledged to erect many more entities of prosperity, which will contribute to the independent economic development and the improvement of the people's living, in the spirit of uninterrupted innovations and successive leaps without a moment's stagnation and thus endlessly add lustre to their honour as the frontrunner of self-reliance.

The splendid inauguration ceremony attended by leading officials of the Party and the government clearly demonstrated the validity and vitality of the ideas and policies of the Party which calls for vigorously opening up a broad avenue for the comprehensive socialist development on the strength of self-reliance, and served as a significant occasion which further boosted the self-confidence that eternal prosperity lies in carving out one's future by one's own efforts with belief in one's strength.



Comrade Kim Jong Un's speech at inauguration ceremony of Hoeyang Army-People Power Station



Citizens of Hoeyang County and other people of Kangwon Province, who have come here with the most honourable and dignified memory of the quite arduous days,

Officials of the provincial Party committee and other Party organizations and government organs of the province,

Comrades,

In the period when the whole country is filled with enthusiasm to substantially wind up the year 2025 that must be recorded in history without fail as a year of victory, it is very auspicious that the Hoeyang Army-People Power Station, another creation by the people of Kangwon Province, is to be inaugurated.

This is a precious success the province has achieved after taking a huge step in exploiting and enlisting the hydraulic resources as suited to its characteristics to solve its electricity problem, and at the same time meaningful fruition that demonstrates the self-reliant willpower and inexhaustible strength of its people who advance unyieldingly towards ambitious goals.

Today, seeing a transformation in the new era, which has been effected in another part of the country, and feeling personally the patriotic and loyal mind of the people of Kangwon Province, I cannot suppress the surging emotion.

Imprinted under the soaring dam and those mountains and their ridges are the traces of persevering efforts, and shining under them like gems are the pure patriotic minds. To think of it, I cannot look at them casually.

It is an appraisal the Party makes for the course of struggle of the people of Kangwon Province, who, after building the Anbyon Youth Power Station Unit 2, Wonsan Youth Power Station and Wonsan Army-People Power Station, turned out to build another six power stations and, bravely overcoming manifold difficulties, have successively built them in Ichon, Munchon, Sepho, Phyonggang and Kosong and now in Hoeyang.

They are patriots, who have written our era in a chapter of history by building power stations. Those

make firmer and more beautiful this precious land defended at the cost of blood.

Among the many projects aimed at achieving the prosperity and development of the country, building a power station for harnessing and transforming nature, to be frank, is a patriotic, long-term undertaking for posterity.

Looking back on the history of building our state from one century into the next, the projects to create material wealth by harnessing nature have been severest and most gigantic; and their spectacular results are still handed down as a symbol of the patriotic spirit and fighting power of those days and as a byword of miraculous feats.

What is really remarkable is that Kangwon Province, which has a smaller population and weaker industrial foundations than other provinces, has built by its own efforts these power stations that demanded a glorious and sacred but so arduous and difficult struggle.

In this province there would probably be no one who has not experienced the rage of nature in the construction sites of the power stations and no family that is not related with those days, I think.

The power stations tell the love of the local people for the country and native land and the history of the strenuous efforts they have written with their blood and sweat. They are patriotic monuments to the ennobling devotion made by the people in our era for the future, not merely for supplying power for civilization and prosperity.

For the future, for the coming generations—this is the inscription to be carved in the power stations in Kangwon Province by the times and history.

The honour to engrave the letters—gift to be presented to the Party Congress—on their creations is the right granted only to the true patriots who made a courageous start with patriotism and have reached a brilliant fruition through their vigorous struggle.

This is something that is above price and that can never be bartered for anything else.

I highly appreciate the pioneering spirit of the

power stations, which have sprung up in different parts of the province that truthfully tells the history of the struggle of the army and the people to defend the country together, are fortresses of faith in socialism built by the concerted efforts of the soldiers and civilians to

people of Kangwon Province, who courageously buckle down to the grand nature-harnessing projects no one dares to do so easily, but what I want to speak more highly of is their persevering character and disposition with which they follow stoutly and without hesitation a road, however thorny, and reach its end without fail.

Availing myself of this significant opportunity, I, on behalf of the Party Central Committee, extend warm thanks to the people of Kangwon Province and the service personnel of the Korean People's Army for presenting to the Ninth Congress of our Party a valuable asset, which will bring benefits to the coming generations as well, by building solid power production bases, self-reliant and self-supporting, through a resolute and uninterrupted struggle with ennobling consciousness and steadfast will to defend the country, their motherland.

Comrades,

When the comprehensive development of our socialist state is being accelerated and the regional development policy is being powerfully promoted throughout the country, Kangwon Province is steadily building up its potential power for achieving prosperity by self-reliance. This is a great encouragement for us in the struggle towards the next-stage advance and upswing.

Increased and strengthened rapidly along with the construction of the power stations is the province's force in terms of ideology, spirit, materials and technology. This provides the province with practical possibilities for conceiving higher development goals and pushing ahead with the projects in a bold way. In addition, it will play an important role in constantly expanding the sphere of development of the region.

All the officials and other Party members and working people of the province,

To regard experiencing troubles in our generation as good fortune and to lay bases of ever-lasting development and prosperity through strenuous and devoted efforts of our own—this is the worth of our struggle and our delight of making a revolution.

You have shown this not in words, written or spoken, but through a practical struggle.

Let us add more vigour to our sacred patriotic advance and usher in a golden age of transformation.

The spirit of creating a history of transformation by braving challenges and the disposition and mettle of doing without fail what is determined to do—this will inspire Kangwon Province more powerfully to lead the gigantic regional transformation.

I once again extend my warm greetings of encouragement to the conquerors of nature, artists of miracles in our era.

And I wish Kangwon Province a new appearance, which will be transformed and prosper as the days go by, and its people a happier life.

Long live the great spirit of Kangwon Province!

Respected Comrade Kim Jong Un pays congratulatory visit to Ministry of State Security



KCNA political guards of the Workers’ Party of Korea and a mainstay in defending the revolution, is etching its 80th founding anniversary with pride in its glorious history.

The security organ of the DPRK, the militant course of the state security organ coinciding with the long ruling history of the WPK is shining with the priceless traces of loyalty and patriotism of the security workers who have always played the vanguard role in the sacred struggle for firmly safeguarding the lifeline of the Korean revolution and the existence, prosperity and development of the DPRK.

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers’ Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, paid a congratulatory visit to the Ministry of State Security of the DPRK on the occasion of the 80th founding anniversary of the state security organ on November 18.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un was accompanied by Jo Yong Won, secretary

of the Central Committee of the Workers’ Party of Korea, Kim Hyong Sik, department director of the WPK Central Committee, and Kang Yun Sok, vice-chairman of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People’s Assembly of the DPRK.

When he arrived at the Ministry of State Security, all the security workers raised stormy cheers of “Hurrah”, looking up to him who has developed the state security organ into a strong fortress for defending the socialist system and the people, which protects and firmly guarantees the line and policies of the WPK, the sovereignty of the DPRK and the political stability of society both in name and reality, with his outstanding leadership.

He was greeted by senior officials of the Ministry of State Security including Minister Ri Chang Dae.

The national flag of the DPRK was



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hoisted.

Kim Jong Un conveyed a congratulatory message to the Ministry of State Security marking its 80th founding anniversary.

All the security workers broke into loud cheers once again filled with strong emotion and boundless joy of having the honour and enjoying happiness in the presence of the father whom they longed for in the days and nights of sacred defence they have spent with loyalty and merits at the outpost of defending the Party's line and cause.

Acknowledging the enthusiastic cheers, Kim Jong Un extended warm militant greetings to the security workers who

have invariably followed the road of patriotism and loyalty, bearing in mind the revolutionary faith and obligation, pure loyalty and transparent sense of class mission in the van of the struggle for defending the Party and the state.

He said that the WPK has been able to write the pages of legendary transformations and victories unprecedented in history, although it has made an arduous and thorny journey accompanied by hard fights against hostile forces from the first step since its birth as the ruling party, and it is unthinkable apart from the feats and brilliant merits of the security officers who have steadfastly followed the road of defending the revolution in the van of the class struggle.

The achievements of loyalty our state

security organ made as it firmly preserved its character and original features as the guards of the Party and firmly defended the victorious advance of our revolution form the most brilliant peak in its long and proud course of struggle, he said, adding that the security organ of the DPRK is, indeed, a reliable companion and trustworthy assistant of the Party.

He once again warmly encouraged all the officials and service personnel of the security organ of the DPRK who have defended the cause of the Party, socialism and people and the lifeblood and vibrant dynamism of the ever-victorious Korean revolution in the severe frontline of defence all their lives or generation after generation, regarding the noble title of political defender of the Party as their

greatest honour.

He had a photo session with them, expressing belief that all the officers and service personnel of the Ministry of State Security would fulfil their sacred and honourable responsibility and duty bestowed by the Party, state and people in the future, too.

All the participants hardened their firm will to become the reliable red shields of the Workers' Party forming manifold bulletproof walls around the Party Central Committee, the genuine security workers of the Republic, and thus further consolidate the revolutionary and class positions of the DPRK as firm as an impregnable fortress and resolutely defend the dignity and interests of the state.

Respected Comrade Kim Jong Un visits Ministry of Public Security



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Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, visited the Ministry of Public Security of the DPRK

on November 18 to congratulate and encourage the officers and men of the Public Security Forces on the occasion of the 80th founding anniversary of the public security organ.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un was accompanied by

Jo Yong Won, secretary of the Central Committee of the WPK, Kim Hyong Sik, department director of the Central Committee of the WPK, and Kang Yun Sok, vice-chairman of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly of the DPRK.

When he arrived at the Ministry of Public Security, all the security personnel burst into enthusiastic cheers, looking up to him, the symbol of the mightiness of the Party and state and banner of all victories and glory, who is ushering in a new heyday in the strengthening and development of the public security forces with his outstanding ideas and extraordinary leadership.

He was greeted respectfully by senior

officials of the Ministry of Public Security including Minister Pang Tu Sop.

He extended warm congratulations to all the officers and men of the Public Security Forces who were greeting the 80th founding anniversary on the militant journey of fulfilling their honourable mission of defending the revolution, social system and people, remaining faithful to the ideas and cause of the Party.

The national flag of the DPRK was hoisted.

He handed a congratulatory message to the Ministry of Public Security on its 80th founding anniversary.

The ministry officials extended

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boundless thanks to Kim Jong Un who has placed great trust on and showed warm love to them on the occasion of the significant founding anniversary of the ministry so that they can invariably follow the road of victory and glory.

Saying that the valuable traces of struggle of the service personnel of the PSF who have devoted their blood and lives to the defence of the outposts of the grim revolution accompanied by the serious class struggle are shining brilliantly in the history of the WPK which has dynamically led the socialist cause of Juche to victory,

Kim Jong Un added that in those sacred days the PSF has stood as a strong fortress around the WPK as befitting one of the two core forces of the DPRK without a moment’s deviation.

Noting that it is the important mission of the public security organ of the DPRK to defend the Korean-style socialist system and guarantee by law and with arms the activities of the Party and the government that do all they can to promote the people’s wellbeing, he highly appreciated the feats performed by all the service personnel of the PSF who have adorned the 80-year history brilliantly as the Party’s political guards and guardian of the socialist state and the people’s government, while carrying forward the high revolutionary spirit, class awareness and spirit of unconditionally serving the people as their noble ideological and spiritual traits.

He called upon all the service personnel of the PSF to firmly arm themselves with the Party’s idea of building public security consistent with the people-first principle, make a fundamental change and development in preparing the ranks to be the political and ideological elite,

bolstering up their combat capability and carrying out their revolutionary tasks by displaying pure loyalty and making strenuous patriotic and united efforts and thus invariably add lustre to their glorious tradition and honour.

He had a photo session with officials of the Ministry of Public Security, expressing belief that all the officers and men of the PSF faithful to the leadership of the WPK would carry on the annals of service more worthwhile and glorious than the 80-year history.

After the photo session, the thunderous shout of “Death-defying defence” the participants raised in reflection of their pledge of loyalty reverberated again through the sky of November.

All the participants hardened their firm determination to redouble their efforts to fulfil the sacred mission of the public security forces, cherishing the great trust shown and glory brought by Kim Jong Un all their lives and sharpening the treasured sword of the revolution, the red sword of the class, and thus reliably guarantee the victorious advance of the Juche revolution and the socialist cause.

Respected Comrade Kim Jong Un pays congratulatory visits to judicial and prosecutors offices greeting their 80th anniversaries

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Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers’ Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, paid congratulatory visits to the Supreme Court and the Supreme Public Prosecutors Office of the DPRK on November 18 on the occasion of their 80th anniversaries.

The officials of the judicial and prosecutors offices were filled with great joy and excitement as they would greet the most honourable and glorious moment to be cherished by them all their lives at the time when they were looking back with

pride upon the brilliant history in which they have staunchly defended the cause of the Party in the long historic journey with their invaluable reputation as reliable personnel legally defending the Party, the revolution, the socialist system and the lives and property of the people.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un was greeted respectfully by senior officials of the Supreme Court and the Supreme Public Prosecutors Office on the spot.

When he arrived, the participants broke into thunderous cheers of “Hurrah!” with great emotion of receiving the supreme representative of the mightiness and dignity of the great state in their

institutions.

There were ceremonies of hoisting the national flag of the DPRK.

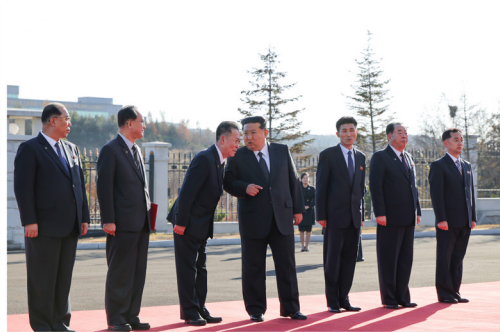
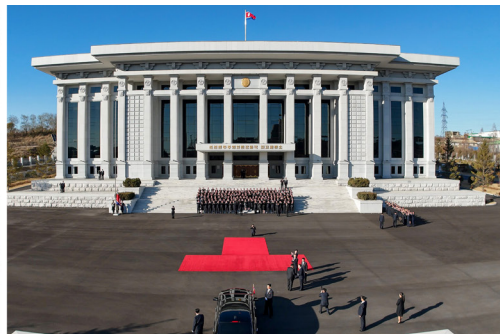
Kim Jong Un conveyed congratulatory messages to the Supreme Court and the Supreme Public Prosecutors Office on the occasion of the 80th founding anniversaries of the judicial and prosecutors offices.

On the occasion of the significant founding anniversaries of the prestigious law enforcement organs of the DPRK, he warmly congratulated and encouraged all the officials of the judicial and prosecutors offices who are devoting themselves to carrying out the important revolutionary

duties of defending the state and the people with the sacred legal right granted by the Party.

He said that since the judicial and prosecutors offices of the DPRK were founded as the fortress for securing the people’s power and the legal weapons for building a democratic, independent and sovereign state at the time of building a new Korea, they have developed into powerful law enforcement organs of the socialist state, adorning the whole course of 80 years with glorious merits true to the Party’s Juche-oriented ideas on judicial

Kim Jong Un visits Supreme Court



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and procuratorial work.

The annals of our revolution, which brought about the precious victories and miraculous successes unprecedented in history, are clearly associated with the feats of the judicial and prosecution officials who have devoted themselves to accomplishing the socialist cause, sacrificing their all in the difficult legal

struggle both in grim days and peaceful days, he said. It is the great pride of our Party to have such upright and powerful ranks of law enforcement officials, he added.

The period of comprehensive development of our state, which marks a great watershed in socialist construction with gigantic changes and steady leaps, is also a new heyday for the judicial and prosecutors offices,

Kim Jong Un visits Supreme Public Prosecutors Office



he said, stressing the need for their officials to remain faithful to their class duty as defenders of the Party, the revolution, the country, the people and the socialist system and produce tangible results in the work for the prosperity of the country and the well-being of the people, bearing deep in mind a keen sense of heavy mission and responsibility they have assumed before the times and history.

He had photos taken with them, expressing his expectations and belief that all the officials of the judicial and prosecutors offices would further strengthen the socialist legal system and usher in a heyday in establishing

Juche orientation in justice system by thoroughly applying the ideas of the WPK and thus continue to perform valuable feats and display honour in the sacred struggle to firmly defend the DPRK's ideology, system and single-hearted unity.

All the participants chanted the slogan of single-hearted loyalty in reflection of the unshakable pledge to further glorify the honourable history and tradition of laying solid legal foundations for building the dignified state under the leadership of the great Party and to reliably guarantee by law the socialist construction which is developing onto a new stage of upsurge.

that modernization of public health means the long-term development of the country and a bright future of our socialist state.

He ardently called for working harder with ardent passion and soaring spirit befitting the pioneers of a great revolution for the good of our motherland and people, for the day when the regions have transformed themselves and we prosper while leading a cultured life and for the beautiful future when peace, laughter, happiness and amicability will brim over in all parts of our country.

The participants responded with enthusiastic cheers to the impassioned speech made by Kim Jong Un that gives a vivid picture of the future changes to be made in the life of the people across the country racing against time along with the realization of the long-cherished desire of the WPK which regards the people-first principle as its sacred political idea and

lifeblood.

Kim Jong Un cut the inauguration tape.

Confetti was showered and a large number of balloons released over the venue of the inauguration ceremony to be specially recorded in the nation-building history in the new era.

Warmly acknowledging the cheers of the participants, Kim Jong Un wished the people in Kangdong County great joy and happiness in the future.

All the participants offered their boundless thanks to him, looking up with deep emotion to the benevolent father of the large socialist family, who is devoting himself to translating into reality an ideal life in which the whole country grows prosperous and everyone enjoys happiness and comfort and making the contemporaries lead such life.

Kim Jong Un went round different places of the hospital.

He said that the hospital belongs to

a new sphere of regional rejuvenation created by the WPK, a valuable result of making a breakthrough in accomplishing the historic cause of rebuilding the public health infrastructure on an advanced basis and on a nationwide scale and a transformative entity which newly formulated the concept of regional hospital in the true sense of the word.

For the WPK which intends to guarantee the people's rights and interests and promotion of their health and build a more brilliant and affluent future, there is no more worthwhile and honourable revolutionary work than the struggle to build faster many more structures of new civilization heartily welcomed by the people so that they can see them with their own eyes and get substantial benefits in their actual life, he added.

Saying that we must neither slow down nor come to a standstill in our struggle to comprehensively and steadily create a development environment for advanced

civilization in all regions of the country, he stressed the need to expand the construction of regional public health on a full scale from the coming year on the basis of reviewing the experience gained in this year's construction of model hospitals of different categories.

Going round the hospital, the participants in the ceremony were struck with admiration at the civilized treatment environment and conditions of the hospital fully equipped with every condition for enabling the regional people to fully enjoy an advanced medical service in their area like the citizens of the capital city.

The inauguration of the Kangdong County Hospital serves as a significant and auspicious event of convincing the people of a new life and wellbeing to come true in all parts of the country and an occasion of leap and progress of great practical significance in further expanding and implementing the WPK's policy of the public health revolution.

Premier Pak inspects industrial establishments

KCNA

Pak Thae Song, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and premier of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, made a field survey of various sectors of the national economy.

He visited the Ryongdae Youth Coal Mine of the Sunchon Area Youth Coal-mining Complex, the

Songnam Youth Coal Mine of the Pukchang Area Youth Coal-mining Complex and the Kaechon Coal Mine of the Kaechon Area Coal-mining Complex to encourage the coal miners to wage a dynamic drive for increased production and creation for attaining this year's goal for coal production.

He called upon the officials to be fully aware of the importance of the increased coal production at present, organize and direct production scrupulously,

give definite precedence to prospecting and tunnelling, secure enough reserve coal cutting faces, and further increase the transport capacity and the proportion of the pit work done by machines.

At the Chongchongang Thermal Power Station, he underscored the need to successfully solve the problems arising in revitalizing production including the reduction of the costs of electricity production and improvement of the

efficiency of generating equipment in close cooperation with a scientific research institution and thus unconditionally carry out the assigned electricity production plan.

He learned in detail about the production at the Namhung Youth Chemical Complex and pointed out that it should ensure in a responsible manner the assembling of compressors which is being conducted at the final stage and their trial

runs and actively develop and apply rational operating methods to radically increase the fertilizer production.

Inspecting the Hard Alloy Production Station of the Academy of Coal Mining Science under the Ministry of Coal Industry and the Ryonggang Stone Processing Factory, he noted that the modernization should be pushed ahead in a planned manner and stone products needed for major construction projects produced in a

qualitative way.

The field consultative meetings discussed the issue of fully supplying coal mines with materials, equipment and accessories, the issue of scrupulously managing equipment and improving technical control to steadily boost the production of electricity, the issue of increasing fertilizer production by making effective use of the existing production capacity and others and took appropriate measures.

Performance given to mark completion of power stations in Kangwon Province

KCNA

A performance "Our Marshal and the People of Kangwon Province" was given at the Kangwon Provincial Art Theatre on November 20 to commemorate the completion of six newly-built army-people power stations amid the great joy of having held the inauguration ceremony of the Hoeyang Army-People Power Station splendidly in the presence of the respected

Comrade Kim Jong Un.

Among the audience were senior officials of the Cabinet and ministries, chief secretaries of provincial Party committees, chairpersons of provincial people's committees and officials and working people in Kangwon Province.

In the performance which began with poem and chorus "Yearning", the performers extended their gratitude reflecting the unanimous mind

of the people of the province to the respected General Secretary Kim Jong Un who guided the whole process of construction to successfully complete the new power production base, though he was very busy with the state affairs, bestowed all laurels on the people of Kangwon Province and made sure that the whole country knew about them.

The songs of struggle and advance put on the stage

represented the unforgettable days of the construction of power stations when the provincial people devoted every minute and second to implementing the Party's policies with ardent patriotism and spirit of self-reliance and self-determination to build the lasting wealth for the prosperity of the country by their own efforts.

Through the stirring and powerful numbers, the audience keenly felt the pure mental world of the creators of the spirit of Kangwon Province who are rushing in the van of the campaign for implementing the Party's policies to bring earlier the rosy future by their own efforts, cherishing the firm faith that the Party's ideas and line are just the truth and victory.

The song "We Are Koreans" made the audience seethe with excitement as it shows the great pride of being Koreans, the strongest people in the world and the most glorious masters of the great Kim Jong Un's era, who are braving the untrodden path to prosperity by dint of self-reliance and racing against time to usher in an era of great miracles and epochal creations and changes.

State academic degrees, titles awarded to intellectuals

KCNA

State academic degrees and titles were awarded to the intellectuals who made positive contributions to the economic development of the country and the improvement of the people's living standards amid the growing enthusiasm of the scientific circles to greet the Ninth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea with excellent sci-tech achievements.

The title of candidate academician was awarded to Song Yong Il, deputy director of an institute of Pyongyang University of Architecture, and Kim Mun Chol, director of an

institute of the State Academy of Sciences.

Professorship was conferred on Mun Kyong Ho, director of an institute of Kim Il Sung University, Ri Kyong Ho, dean of a faculty of Kim Chaek University of Technology, Pak Yong Jin, head of a department of Pyongyang College of Tourism, and others.

Doctorate went to Pak I Chol, head of a department of Kim Hyong Jik University of Education, Ri Kun Se, lecturer of Kim Chol Ju University of Education, Kim Kyong Ju, director of an institute of Kim Chaek University of Technology, and others.



A performance "Our Marshal and the People of Kangwon Province" is given at the Kangwon Provincial Art Theatre on November 20.

Mother's Day celebrated

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The people across the DPRK significantly marked Mother's Day.

People visited the Kumsan Palace of the Sun, the sacred temple of Juche, where President Kim Il Sung and Chairman Kim Jong Il lie in state, to pay high tribute to them.

Many people placed bouquets and flowers before the statues of the President and the Chairman and the mosaics depicting the

peerlessly great men on Mansu Hill and in different places of the country and paid tribute to them.

Ceremonies of awarding the Communist Mother Honour Prize were held in different parts of the country on the occasion of Mother's Day.

Art performances were given in Pyongyang and other parts of the country, adding to the joy of holiday.

On the same day, the public catering establishments across the country rendered kind services to mothers.

Introduction of advanced medical technologies widely promoted

By Pang Un Ju PT

The National Exhibition of Sci-tech Achievements in the Field of Public Health-2025 was held on the theme of "Scientific and technical guarantee for the revolution in public health of the new era" amid the interest of many people.

On display there were over 2 300 pieces of sci-tech achievements presented by many units of central and local levels. Many of the exhibited data and products were appreciated by the public as they were substantially helpful to improving the quality of medical service and consolidating the foundations of public health.

Kim Hak Chol, an official of the Ministry of Public Health, said that medical facilities and equipment, forces of medical workers and supply of medicines are indispensable elements that should be prioritized in evaluating the capability of public health, adding that what different kinds of home-made diagnostic tools drew special attention.

Different kinds of endoscopes such as electronic-image otorhinoscope and laparoscope presented by the Pyongyang Endoscope Factory attracted much attention.

According to To Jin Song, manager of the factory, the endoscopes, which

were freshly devised and designed breaking from the old conventional models, are superior to those made in other countries in some technical specifications. As they have a high degree of dependence on domestic materials and low cost, there is a great possibility of introducing them into clinical practice.

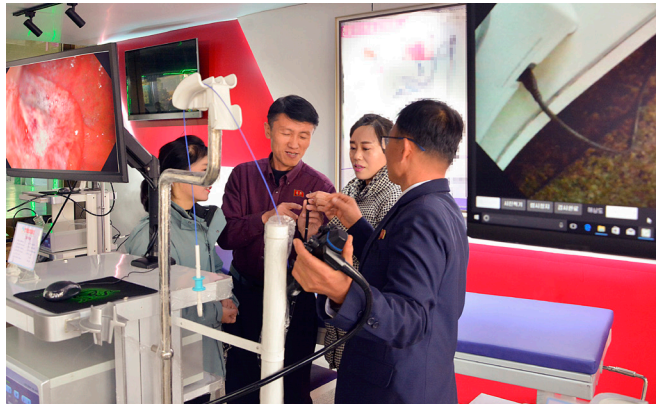
Other eye-catchers were various kinds of medical appliances like digital fluoroscope and electronic microscope developed by the Sinjin technology exchange centre of the Kangbong Trading Company and the electronic model of human acupoints presented by Pyongyang University of Medical Sciences. Also, the liver tissue elasticity measurement system for diagnosing the degree of fibrosis in liver tissue was appreciated as it was developed in accordance with the actual conditions of the country.

The achievement of the Hungnam Pharmaceutical Factory that solved scientific and technological problems arising in the production of medicines opened up a prospect for ensuring domestic mass-production of household medicines, thus winning support from the general public.

Medicines and health foods of many other units were also eye-catching. Among them were medicines with immunity-reinforcing and anti-oxidizing functions

presented by the Ryonghung Pharmaceutical Factory, nutrition pills good for the growth and development of children by the Research Institute for Nutritional Care of Children under the Academy of Medical Sciences and health foods helping the treatment of diabetes and obesity by the Chungsong Polyclinic in Rangnang District, Pyongyang.

The official of the Ministry of Public Health said that the development of new technologies is important but it conforms to the characteristics of the socialist healthcare system of the country to popularize advanced medical technologies so that anyone can enjoy their benefits to the full, adding that, in this context, the exhibition notched up some successes.



The National Exhibition of Sci-Tech Achievements in the Field of Public Health-2025 is held in Pyongyang between November 4 and 13. RYU KWANG HYOK / THE PYONGYANG TIMES

Frontrunners in devoted service movement

By Ko Kwang Yon PT

The 18th national symposium of health workers on experience of devoted service took place at the Myohyangsan Medical Appliances Factory on November 6-7.

The symposium heard successes and experience gained by health workers in the medical service and research into medical science for protecting the lives and safety of people and promoting their health.

Selfless devotion

Pak Yun Gyong, head nurse of the metabolism department of the South Hwanghae Provincial General Hospital, is a health worker of new generation.

Though she could take up any other jobs after finishing middle school, she became a nurse with a desire to repay the favour bestowed by the socialist healthcare system on her father who had been critically ill.

With extraordinary devotion to the nurse's duties, she voluntarily took charge of many serious patients and contributed to their resuscitation.

Ri Yong Ran, a nurse of the Tumour Institute of the Academy of Medical Sciences, is dedicating herself to the care of patients. While making strenuous efforts to improve her nursing skills, she came to know even the number of drops a bottle of injection contains and acquired a method of giving little pain to patients while injecting.

Once, she nursed with sincere devotion a 78-year-old man whose family had already given up on him as all his vital signs were beyond the danger line.

Pang Hyok Chol, a medical worker from North Hamgyong Province, said that he realized through his practical experience that he could be successful in the treatment of patients if he devoted sincerity to them with the spirit of serving people.

When a critical patient was taken to the hospital in May last year, Pang and other medical workers boldly applied a new surgical method though they had little experience of curing such patients and resuscitated him after some 50 days of intensive care.

Among the medical workers who devoted their sincere efforts to the promotion of the people's health are U Yong Suk, chief doctor of the Jisan Polyclinic in Waudu District, Nampho, who has been called "our household doctor" by the

residents for over forty years, Kang Jin Hyok, head of the functional diagnosis department of the Kangwon Provincial Koryo Medicine Hospital, who renovated the treatment conditions and environment and has actively conducted outreach medical team activities, and Ri Song Guk, doctor of the respiratory system department of the South Phyongan Provincial Children's Hospital, who saved a young patient by completing a new treatment method for the first time in the country by the concerted efforts of the collective.

Doctors of all-round abilities

Prof and Dr Won Sung Gwon, department chief of the orthopaedic hospital affiliated to a central hospital, developed an operation method, which was regarded as a cutting-edge technique in the field of spinal surgery, in conformity with the constitution of Koreans and won a best inventor prize for 2024.

He said that the days of research he spent staking the honour of being a medical scientist of the DPRK proved once again that sincere devotion leads to great ability. Pak Chol Rim, senior doctor of the cardiovascular surgery department of the North Phyongan Provincial General Hospital, made considerable successes as he tried hard to possess genuine sincerity and high medical skills.

He introduced dozens of advanced vascular surgical methods to greatly reduce the number of patients referred to higher hospitals and developed various surgical materials.

Jo Ok Son, a doctor in charge of households at the Okryu Polyclinic in Taedonggang District, Pyongyang, made remarkable achievements in treating children's cerebral palsy and other incurable diseases with Koryo therapies, the traditional medicine of the Korean people.

A 9-year-old kid treated by Jo Ok Son wrote in his diary: "Today I went to school for the first time in my life. Mom wept as I left home wearing a new school uniform and carrying a new satchel. I will never forget the doctor who cured my illness so that I can play and study to my heart's content."

Beautiful stories touching the heartstrings of people are continuously told as the devoted service movement gains momentum among health workers who harbour the noble sense of responsibility for the people's health.

Outreach medical teams' activities gain momentum

By Ri Myong Jun PT

Medical workers of central-level hospitals are conducting intense outreach medical service activities.

According to data available, the medical teams which consist of medical workers of central-level preventive and curative institutions have provided intensive outreach medical services at major industrial establishments in different sectors of the national economy and in residential areas since early this year.

Medical workers of the Pyongyang Maternity Hospital, Kim Man Yu Hospital, Pyongyang University of Medical Sciences Hospital and others provided medical services to workers and technicians at the Pyongyang Kim Jong Suk Silk Mill, Pyongyang Kim Jong Suk Textile Mill and Pyongyang Thermal Power Station.

The similar medical team of the Okryu Children's Hospital conducted a comprehensive check-up for smelters of the Hwanghae Iron and Steel Complex and their children. And according to the results of the examination, they drew up the plans for the treatment of children, youth and smelters to actively provide them with medical services.

They diagnosed various diseases occurring among smelters and children and treated them with all sincerity. In this course, a smelter's daughter, who had had chronic digestive trouble and an abdominal surgical condition, were cured of diseases.

Meanwhile, they informed students and their parents of common knowledge of hygiene and health in plain language, giving them substantial assistance in their health care and protection.

Medical workers of the Ryugyong Dental Hospital

actively employed advanced treatment methods to treat scientists and technicians at the Academy of Agricultural Science in all sincerity.

Those of the Kim Man Yu Hospital and Ryugyong General Ophthalmic Hospital conducted hygienic information activities in various forms while providing preventive and curative medical care at the Pukchang Thermal Power Complex and in the neighbouring residential area.

Many working people and inhabitants, who had experienced the great medical skills and deep sincerity of the medical teams, said that they were really encouraged by doctors of central-level hospitals who visited and treated them.

Shortly ago, medical workers of central-level hospitals conducted medical service activities in different counties of Ryanggang Province in the

northern part of the country.

Those of the Pyongyang Maternity Hospital visited dozens of villages of Kim Hyong Jik and Kim Jong Suk counties to examine the health of hundreds of women and take measures to diagnose and treat women with diseases. Those of the Koryo Medicine General Hospital examined the health of the inhabitants of Phungso County, found a woman suffering from an incurable disease for the past ten years and devotedly treated her, thus invigorating her.

Medical workers of the Pyongyang University of Medical Sciences Hospital, Okryu Children's Hospital and Kim Man Yu Hospital also taught local counterparts advanced medical science and technology and diverse treatment methods and told them about their rich clinical experience, thus enabling them to prove successful in clinical practice.

Love for rising generations an eternal state policy

By **Ri Sung Ik** *PT*

Since it had a hammer, a sickle and a writing brush inscribed on its red flag, the Workers' Party of Korea has never become separated from the people even for a moment but advanced the revolution, holding them in high esteem as God all the time.

The Party, however, gives priority to children before the people whom it holds in high esteem as God.

In retrospect, the issue of pencils for children was put on the agenda for a meeting of the provisional people's committee after Korea's liberation and a history of providing children with clothes made at state expense was created even during the reconstruction in the country with everything destroyed and ruined during the Fatherland Liberation War. Measures for children were incessantly taken, including the construction of children's palaces in different parts of the country and the presenting of gifts to all schoolchildren across the country at the same time.

Enjoying the ever-growing care for them, all the children sang

and sang the song "We Are the Happiest in the World" containing the lines "Our father is Marshal Kim Il Sung" and "Our home is the Party's bosom".

The Party's love and care for the children are growing stronger now when a new era of overall national rejuvenation is being ushered in.

The respected General Secretary Kim Jong Un set it as a major policy to supply dairy products and other nutritious foods to the children across the country at state expense at the historic Third Plenary Meeting of the Eighth Party Central Committee.

He repeatedly stressed the need to decisively increase milk production, develop milk processing technology and thoroughly ensure the quality of dairy products through his historic policy speech delivered at the Fifth Session of the 14th Supreme People's Assembly of the DPRK and the letter he sent to the participants in the Ninth Congress of the Union of Agricultural Workers of Korea.

He personally calculated the number of children at nurseries and kindergartens throughout the

country and the daily consumption of milk and even tasted milk powder produced on trial by Pyongyang Municipality. Under his care, the law on childcare that institutionally guarantees the Party's childcare policy was adopted at the Sixth Session of the 14th Supreme People's Assembly of the DPRK.

At the Fourth Plenary Meeting of the Eighth Party Central Committee, the General Secretary said that it is the consistent policy of the Party and the DPRK government to provide all the students of the country with school uniforms and things at state expense, set forth a task of supplying all of them with quality uniforms and bags of new forms without exception and took an important measure of the Party Central Committee for implementing it.

A colossal sum of money was appropriated for the task as the supply of school uniforms to children is not a work that might be done under favourable conditions or might not be done under unfavourable conditions, but the policy of the Party and the eternal

state policy of the Republic that must be done unconditionally and preferentially.

He examined the samples of uniforms for students on New Year's Day in 2022 when all the people had a good time with the joy of greeting the new year.

Under his meticulous care, a nationwide technical training course was organized for the production of school uniforms.

Saying that the Party should take full charge of solving the problem of school uniforms, shoes, school things and satchels for schoolchildren, he personally solved all the problems arising in establishing a bag canvas production process and named the brand of the school bags "Sonamu (pine tree)".

Under the care of the General Secretary who is making the socialist country brighter and more beautiful by devoting himself to the rising generations, a well-knit system and order have been established for the production and supply of dairy products and new forms of school uniforms, bags, shoes and school things. Also, newcomers of all primary, junior and senior

middle schools and universities and colleges across the country from the capital city of Pyongyang to remote mountain and island villages are provided with uniforms, bags and shoes on the occasion of every new school year and all the children and students throughout the country with Mindulle notebooks and other school things.

He stressed once again at the Ninth Plenary Meeting of the Eighth Party Central Committee that it is the consistent policy of the WPK and the eternal national policy of the DPRK that the Party and the government supply necessities for schoolchildren in a responsible manner and clarified the principled issues to be maintained in the production and supply of school uniforms, bags and shoes in the new year and the ways for implementing them.

The happy laughter of children, the pride of the country which capitalism can neither imitate nor possess, and the singing of the song "We Are the Happiest in the World" are resounding as the most beautiful and excellent paean to the great era of Kim Jong Un year after year.

Children's rights and social system



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November 20 is the day when the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child was adopted.

The convention is a declaration of the UN calling for protecting children in all countries of the world from all kinds of mental and physical oppression and institutionally providing them with conditions for unrestricted growth and education.

As children are immature physically and mentally, they have the right to receive special protection and assistance from the state and society. How they are brought up

determines the future destiny of the relevant countries and nations.

The fact that the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child has the largest number of signatories among the conventions related with human rights shows how deep the world's interest in the protection of children's rights is.

However, a great number of children are suffering from poverty, conflicts and different kinds of diseases across the world.

In the DPRK, the Workers' Party of Korea and the state maintain it as their consistent policy and important

undertaking to give priority to children and ensure their rights and interests on a preferential basis.

The DPRK Law on the Protection and Promotion of Children's Rights stipulates that the state shall always pay close attention to the growth and development of children and bestow all sorts of favours on them so that they can exercise their rights to the full and grow up happily with nothing to envy in the world.

Thanks to the most important policy of the Party that provides more improved conditions for bringing up children even by investing a huge sum of money, the nursing and upbringing of children at the expense of the state and society is firmly guaranteed by law.

At the Sixth Session of the 14th

Supreme People's Assembly, the DPRK Law on Childcare was newly adopted providing a legal guarantee for implementing the childcare policy of the Party. The enforcement of the childcare policy designed for the state to cover the expenses for supplying dairy products to all children across the country every day shows clearly the firm will of the WPK that set it as the mode of advance and development of the revolution to exert more sincerity to children even if the condition becomes worse and to take dynamic steps forward towards the future of communism on the strength of that love.

In the DPRK, the universal 12-year compulsory education is enforced free of charge to raise up

children into future pillars possessed of a noble mind, abundant knowledge and lofty morality. Students and

schoolchildren develop their talents and fulfil their wishes at extracurricular education bases like schoolchildren's palaces and halls and children's camps.

Since children are held up as the "king" of the country and the undertakings for the rising generations are regarded as the most important work of the Party and state, vans carrying dairy products run in different parts of the country every day. Also, there are special vehicles for delivering school uniforms, shoes and other school things to students across the country, a special train for delivering Mindulle-brand notebooks and vans carrying fish and dried persimmon to children at baby homes, orphanages and primary and middle schools for orphans.

As it has become a national trait to take utmost care of the rising generations, children are growing up to be masters of the future of the country singing the song "We Are the Happiest in the World".

BYWORD

Hot wind of volunteering

A hot wind of volunteering is blowing across the country.

Young people in all parts of the country including the capital city of Pyongyang and South and North Phyongan, South and North Hwanghae and Jagang provinces have enthusiastically volunteered to work at major fronts of socialist

construction.

There are also those who volunteer to work in local areas from the capital and in rural areas from cities along with the new era of regional rejuvenation and rural development.

Among them are many graduates from universities of education across the country who volunteer as teachers

at schools in frontline, mountainous and rural areas and branch schools on islands to uphold the idea of attaching importance to education of the Workers' Party of Korea.

The hot wind of volunteering among young people is an expression of their noble view of life of finding the honour and

pride of youth in the road for national prosperity and their burning love for the socialist country.

Hundreds of thousands of young people across the country have so far volunteered to work on major fronts for implementing the decisions of the Party since the Eighth Congress of the WPK.

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Red warning light flashes for child protection

By Choe Song Jun PT

The situation of children is getting worse in many countries and regions of the world with each passing day.

Disputes and armed conflicts are the main causes that inflict untold misfortunes and suffering on the children.

A UNICEF high-ranking official said that one in six children in the world is now living in the disputed areas and most of them have lost their lodgings. This is a situation unprecedented in the history of UNICEF and the worst era for children, he said, expressing his concern.

In the eastern region of the Democratic Republic of Congo the public health system is on the verge of bankruptcy due to armed conflicts and children fail to have vaccinations. In Ethiopia more than 7.2 million children of school age cannot attend school due to disputes

and social instability.

Children are even used as human shields by the anti-government forces and most of them are killed or crippled.

The situation in the Gaza Strip of Palestine is worse.

A UNICEF spokesman recently said that 26 000 children are suffering malnutrition in the Gaza Strip. Even at this moment, many children in the area are suffering from hunger and various kinds of infectious diseases and are struck with terror under the threat of death.

The reckless bombing by Israel destroyed many schools and educational facilities in Gaza, making 85% of them unusable. The United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs expressed disappointment, saying that over 700 000 children cannot receive education in the Gaza Strip.

It is also a problem that children are subjected to all sorts of crimes

and maltreatment.

In the US it has become a commonplace that children fall victim to gun-related crimes. In the country, a seven-year-old child fired a pistol to kill a three-year-old and a five-year-old shot dead his nine-month-old brother who was sleeping in a cradle, and such surprising incidents occur one after another. In 2021 alone, 4 752 children were killed by gun crimes in the country.

Exploitation of immigrant child labour is also rampant. In 2024, a new bill on cancelling the protection of child workers was proposed or adopted in 11 states of the US.

It has become a social trend in Japan to maltreat children regarding them as a nuisance. Child abuses have reached hundreds of thousands of cases every year and even parents are killing or abandoning their children without hesitation regarding their existence as troublesome and a burden. Recently, the parents who had

abused and killed their only two-year-old daughter were arrested in Wakayama Prefecture. Reportedly, they did not give food to their young daughter, inflicted violence on her and did not allow her to receive medical treatment and so she died of traumatic shock caused by pronephros bruise.

Reportedly, human trafficking of children is rife across the world and about 28 percent of the victims of human trafficking in the world are children.

Due to the food crisis sweeping the world, 783 million people are in the grip of famine and 150 million children suffer developmental disorders caused by malnutrition.

Children are also the main victims of measles, hand-foot-mouth disease, malaria and other infectious diseases of various kinds that are spreading in different countries.

To solve the issue of child protection as soon as possible is an urgent task facing mankind.

Boomerang thrown by West

By Choe Yong Nam PT

According to data available, the number of applicants for immigration into Europe has steadily increased in recent years.

The immigrant problem is causing serious social contradictions in Western countries.

The residence and employment of immigrants and other problems persist as serious troubles for them and maltreatment of them is getting severe.

Some Western politicians openly insist that immigrants should be expelled massively and a family separation policy should be enforced, claiming that they are a threat to the security of Western countries.

The persecution of immigrants is the most serious in the US, where immigrants account for 72 percent of victims of human trafficking.

But it is none other than Western countries that have caused the immigrant problem.

According to data available, 15 new disputes erupted worldwide in the first five years of the 2010s and the overwhelming majority of them were sparked by the “globalization” moves of Western countries.

As a result, migrants numbered 244 million in 2015.

The areas producing the most migrants are Africa and the Middle East.

It is because the US-led Western forces are engrossed in interference in internal affairs, military invasion and proxy war with an eye to

controlling the regional countries which are rich in resources and located in geopolitical vantage points.

A typical example is the current situation in Gaza.

In defiance of the international community’s consistent demand for ceasefire in the Gaza Strip, the US is egging Israel on to confrontation with the regional countries, while providing it with huge military assistance.

Consequently, many Palestinian civilians are losing the cradles of their life to be compelled to wander from place to place and many people in the neighbouring countries are also being reduced to refugees.

It is also owing to the “colour revolution” orchestrated by the West that disputes have recently

escalated and refugees ceaselessly come into being in different African countries including Sudan.

The introduction of Western-style democracy in African countries has sharpened antagonism between political forces, between tribes and between sects, leading to disputes and armed conflicts and producing large numbers of refugees.

The victims who lost their dear homes and native places are flooding into Europe and other Western countries to seek refuge from wars.

After all, the immigrant problem plaguing Western countries is a product of the hegemony constantly sought by them.

In a word, the boomerang thrown by them came back to them.

Making effective use of resources

By Sin Pyol PT

Rapid population growth and economic development are accompanied by the consumption of huge amounts of resources.

The resources consumed during human activities are enormous, which leads to the depletion of resources on the earth.

A typical example is the shortage of water resources.

As global warming gets worse day by day, a severe drought has hit different countries, causing the water levels of reservoirs to keep falling and groundwater to run dry.

In Attica of Greece the water levels of major reservoirs have recently decreased rapidly, reducing the total water storage from 597 million cubic metres last year to 377 million cubic metres. In the future, cities will suffer from extreme water shortages if it rains no longer.

In several countries, which are

suffering from extreme water shortages, groundwater is pumped at random to be used as domestic water, with the result that the water of natural aquifers is rapidly decreasing. Therefore, many cities have faced the danger of ground subsidence.

And the deposits of fossil raw materials and various minerals, which constituted the driving force of industrialization, continues to decrease.

The reality requires that all resources be saved and used effectively.

Now many countries pay attention to the issue with the point of view that “saving one thing is equivalent to obtaining two things”.

Measures are being taken to make effective use of water, electricity and materials.

Shortly ago, the Iranian government called for effectively managing water resources in the capital city to cope with the five-

year-long severe drought, finding out additional water resources and conducting a mass campaign for saving water.

A country sees to it that only half of the street lamps on expressways are lit at night.

Another country is promoting the adoption of a law aimed at reducing energy consumption by 10% in two years. One of the requirements of the law is to save electricity used for the operation of air-conditioners.

Recycling well under way worldwide can be said to reflect the present trend of saving resources and protecting the environment.

The waste materials and rubbish from production activities and people’s life include very many recyclable things. If they are recycled, it will be effective in saving resources and preventing environmental destruction.

For example, a huge number of electronic products such as mobile

phone and computer are discarded in a year. Recycling them gives various kinds of nonferrous metals and plastics. According to data, retrieving gold from one ton of abandoned electronic circuits is much more economical than extracting gold from one ton of gold ore.

Many countries have enacted various laws for waste disposal and recycling and enforce them under strict government supervision.

Waste that is not recyclable is converted into energy at waste incineration plants.

A country uses the heat and gas from the incineration of waste to provide heating and generate electricity.

Like this, the proper disposal of household rubbish and other waste materials makes it possible to save energy a lot.

Better development can be achieved when even a single thing is used more effectively and saved.

Briefly

Venezuela

President calls for maintaining mobilized posture

As the US plans new military exercises in the Caribbean, the Venezuelan President called for consistently heightening vigilance and maintaining mobilized posture in the eastern region of the country on November 15.

Addressing an event held in Miranda, he appealed again to maintain perfect unity between residents, army and police, heighten vigilance and march streets with Venezuelan flag in hands in the eastern provinces of the country.

The US military moves are threatening regional peace, he said, adding that everyone should be mobilized with patriotic passion to repulse the US invasion.

Russia

FM blames Europe for hostile policy

Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov criticized the hostile policy of Europe in a recent interview with an Italian newspaper.

Noting that Nazism has come to the fore again in Europe and the European Union is rapidly becoming a military bloc for aggression, he asserted that European countries are openly preparing for a new great war against Russia.

Europe wants military actions to continue as long as possible until the Ukrainians are used up to the last man and does not hide the fact that it is waging an anti-Russian proxy war with the help of the Ukrainians, he disclosed.

Italy

Deputy prime minister rejects additional support for Ukraine

The deputy prime minister of Italy asserted on November 14 that the additional support for Ukraine would not help end the war with Russia but would only foster corruption and irregularities.

Referring to the recent corruption scandal that shook the Ukrainian government, he said that he does not want the funds for the working people and pensioners of his country to be used in encouraging corruption.

He stressed that the sending of more weapons to Ukraine is not the solution to problem.

China

US condemned for selling munitions to Taiwan

A spokesman for the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs condemned the US for selling munitions to Taiwan at a press conference on November 14.

As to the fact that the US Department of State decided to sell munitions worth hundreds of millions of dollars to Taiwan, the spokesman branded it as an infringement on the sovereignty and security interests of China.

China strongly demands the US stop supporting the forces pursuing “independence” by force of arms and will firmly defend the sovereignty, security and territorial integrity of the country by taking all necessary measures, he noted.



Mt Jangsu in autumn

To put sports on more scientific footing

By Yun Ki Song PT

Shortly ago, the 27th national exhibition of sports sci-tech achievements and the national symposium on teaching methods in the field of sports-2025 took place at the Sci-Tech Complex in Pyongyang.

The exhibition and symposium aimed to widely introduce, share and generalize excellent sports sci-tech achievements and teaching methods made in the field of sports.

On display there were programs, measuring

devices, sports equipment, medicines and nutrients and sports sci-tech books and essays presented by over 290 units, including the Academy of Sports Science and Korea University of Physical Education.

Training apparatuses for weightlifters presented by the Pyongyang Sports Club were highly appreciated as they were simple in structure but very practical in evaluating the accuracy of players' movements and raising the effectiveness of training.

Nutrients brought out by sports-related research institutes and sports clubs

were recognized to be highly efficacious.

The symposium was attended by teachers, coaches, instructors and researchers from more than 60 units including sports education units, sports teams and clubs across the country. They gave presentations on the creation and introduction of practical and advantageous methods of sports education, instruction and training, and shared the experience with each other.

The seven-day exhibition and symposium served as an occasion for putting the country's sports on a more scientific footing.

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National martial arts championships close

KCNA

The national martial arts championships ended on November 18. It was held at the Taekwon-Do Palace, the Taekwon-Do Holy Centre

and the Pyongyang Gold Lane from October 15.

The Kangwon Provincial Taekwon-Do Team took first place in the Taekwon-Do event of the championships.

The paduk team of the Pyongyang Municipal

Paduk Centre came first in the Korean chess and paduk events.

Trophies and diplomas were awarded to the teams and players that proved successful in the championships.

FA Cup tournament held

KCNA

The FA (Football Association) Cup tournament that started on November 9 came to a close in the DPRK.

The tournament which was held at Kim Il Sung

Stadium brought together teams which won the top six places in the 2024-2025 DPRK men's and women's premier football leagues.

The Ryomyong Team came first in the men's football event and the

Sobaeksu Team in the women's football event.

Trophies and medals were awarded to the teams and players who proved successful at an awarding ceremony held at Kim Il Sung Stadium on November 19.

Masikryong spring water

By Choe Song Jun PT

The Masikryong spring water wells up in the Masikryong Mountains where there is the Masikryong Ski Resort.

The spring water gushes out along the granite cracks of Tanchon complex formed

in the Mesozoic era 120 million years ago. Pine and pine nut trees form a thick forest around the spring.

It contains various minerals including calcium and potassium.

The temperature of the water is 8.5°C and it has a pH of 7.2.

It is good for relieving the burden on the heart and indigestion and recovering strength.

The Masikryong spring water was designated as a natural monument. It positively contributes to improving the health of the people.

