

## Inauguration Season, Byword of the DPRK (2)

### **Radical Change and Higher Goal**

It can be also said that the byword “inauguration season” in the DPRK is a hallmark of radical change in the country.

The inauguration season lasted no more than two months, but it had a great effect on the people in this country.

Through the construction over the past two years, the DPRK has developed great potentials for bringing a better life to the population in one fifth of its territory. The newly built regional-industry factories are now proving their worth. Their products are so good that they are on a par with those from central factories in national shows. Local media broadcasted visits by Kim Jong Un, president of the State Affairs of the DPRK, to new regional-industry factories in which he tasted some of their foodstuffs. This speaks volumes about his concern about the quality of the products. Local people were reportedly unanimous in their opinion that the modernly built hospitals in Kangdong County and Kusong City are no inferior to prestigious hospitals in the capital city. Participants in the inauguration ceremony of a leisure complex shared views that it is never inferior to shopping malls in Pyongyang. This tells that the long-held assumptions that the regions are inferior to the cities in everything are fading out.

It is noteworthy that the Korean people are getting steadfast in their belief that they can ever realize the dream of overall national prosperity when they work as instructed by Kim Jong Un.

He repeatedly affirmed that hospitals would be built at the same time in 20 cities and counties every year from 2026 in parallel with the construction of regional industrial establishments. While looking round new regional-industry factories, he said that it is necessary to organize a brisk competition for developing new products and improving quality among the newly-built regional-industry factories in order to create and promote the atmosphere of advancing and developing all together, and to make strenuous efforts to attain lofty ideals and goals.

Today the Korean people are in high spirits, convinced of the better future to come to their locality, and they are determined to throw themselves into the development of their regions and hometowns.

In this context, the byword “inauguration season” needs to be understood as standing for confidence, great passion and higher goal, going beyond simple material and mental changes.