

# **SELF RELIANCE Guarantees NATIONAL Sovereignty and World Peace**

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Honorable PRESIDENT,  
Distinguished Members on the Podium  
Respected figures of all Social and Political Standing in Mongolia,  
Dear Juche Idea Followers

I, on my own behalf and on behalf of the Asian Regional Institute of the Juche Idea extend you all very warm welcome in the Asian Regional Seminar on “SELF RELIANCE GUARANTEES National Sovereignty and WORLD PEACE” which is being held at Ulaan Battar, Mongolia - the beautiful capital of Mongolia.

I am happy to report that 22 delegates from 9 countries besides a large number of delegates from Mongolia are participating in this seminar.

This is quite encouraging and it motivates us to propagate and disseminate Juche Idea with more enthusiasm and vigor among the large masses of the people.

We all know that Self Reliance is the core of Juche Idea. I shall begin my talk by first of all extending my highest respect and deepest glory to Great Leaders KIM IL SUNG, KIM JONG IL and to Marshal KIM JONG UN who further enriched the Juche Idea and is now faithfully following KIMILSUNG-KIMJONGILISM as powerful guiding ideologies of the present era.

Dear Friends and comrades,

It is always a challenge to share one's views with the Knowledgeable members of audience who have assembled here each one excelling the other. Anyway, still I will try to share my views with you asking you to ignore what does not appeal to you.

With this apologetic frame of my mind, I would like to draw your attention to a very famous but popular adage used in English:

It says “Heaven helps those who help themselves’

The message is loud and clear. It is a clarion call for self-help or Self-reliance. The people or the nations who live on the mercy or help from others do not “LIVE’ they EXIST. Self-reliance means to rest on one's oars and depend on one's own strength. Capacity and might and not to be dependent on others. In short Self Reliance or self-dependence is the other name of Independence or independence is the real self-reliance and one can decisively exchange one with the other.

Taking my stand from this premise I would say that independence is the life blood of a people or of a society or of a nation .It has been eulogized by different great Men at different points of

time. Abraham Lincoln says, "As I will not be a slave so I will not be a Master". Our great freedom fighter Bal Gangadhar Tilak said "Freedom is my birth right and I will have it". Rousseau also says, Man is born free. One of our great poet says:

PARADHIN Sapnehu Sukh Nahin  
(A slave does not have happiness even in his dreams)

There is one beautiful adage in English which says "It is better to rule in hell than to serve in Heaven".

Our great and eternal President His Excellency, Kim Il Sung, one of the path finders and greatest men of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century while propagating his universal and immortal Juche philosophy, underscored Independence in most unequivocal terms. The great visionary and statesman our Eternal President therefore rightly labeled it as the basic attribute of the man.

He says "Independence is an attribute of man who is desirous of living freely" (Kim Il Sung answers to the questions raised by foreign Journalists, Eng. Ed. Vol.3p 285).

Here I am tempted to elaborate his idea still further in his own words. In this context our great President says:

Establishing Juche means in a nut shell, being the master of revolution in our own country. This means holding fast to an independent position, rejecting dependence on others, using one's own brains, believing in one's own strength displaying the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance, and thus solving one's own problems for one self on one's own responsibility under all circumstances. (Kim Il Sung).

Yuk-Sa-Li, Ed. Juche. The speeches and writings of Kim Il Sung  
(New York, Grossman Publishers 1972) 157

In other words, Independence clearly means Self Reliance and as we know Independence is the basic constituent of his Juche Philosophy.

Whenever this independence or freedom is trampled upon, there emerges from the soil a great and peerless hero to inspire his people to stand against the tyrant. In our Sacred Scripture Gita Lord Krishna says whenever there is the decline of righteousness and the evil reigns supreme, I come on the earth to save the man kind.

To reinforce what I have said I would say Gandhi in India, Mao in China and, Lenin In Russia to name a few were those exceptionally brilliant souls who inspired their oppressed brethren and taught them the lesson to be self-reliant and throw away the tyrant.

Our Great Kim Il Sung was one of those great people who through his tireless efforts and chivalrous deeds infused new life in his people; taught them the lesson of self-reliance and freed his country from the bondage of Japanese. His entire life is a message of self-dependence, self-reliance and independence. Like Rousseau he told his people that they were

born free and that by reposing their reliance in their own strength and capability they can move the mountains.

A living example of what I claim is the following glaring truth. The cruel Americans had turned the beautiful city of Pyongyang into a heap of rubble. The roads were dotted with huge pot holes. It was pronounced that Korea would not be able to stand on its own in another 100years. But then came the clarion call from the Eternal President to take up the challenge and relying totally on their own strength a new Pyongyang, a beautiful Pyongyang came into existence. It was done by Koreans themselves without any help from anyone. It shows and proves the strength of self-reliance. Korea is a self-proven example of Self Reliance.

It is one of the mightiest nations in the world and this position it could achieve because through its Songun Politics (rooted in Juche Philosophy) propagated by the Eternal General Secretary Kim Jong Il Korea learnt and practiced the lesson of Self-reliance.

The ideology of Songun Politics is an open message for self-reliance in the interest of World Peace. It openly and correctly calls for full military preparation and to be self-reliant to defend one self. In the words of the Eternal General Secretary it is the bulwark against unethical and wanton aggression of the Imperialist for self-defense. The General Secretary therefore keeping in mind the principle of Self Reliance eulogized the ideology of Songun Politics saying that our aim should be the Army first or Self Reliance in our military preparation. He says in a figurative way:

“We can make our country like a porcupine which no enemy dare to attack, if we attach importance to military affairs, sincerely support the people’s army, arm all the people and fortify the whole country “.

Thus, we see that independence is the basic ingredient of Self-reliance. And independence in simple words means no foreign aggressive rule as has been the case with the human race when unscrupulous Imperialists or conquerors unabashedly trampled upon the freedom of innocent and simple folk of other countries. Naturally sooner than later their cruel actions of aggression resulted in unrest and the world witnessed massacre and turmoil To cut short let me assert that self-Reliance means no servitude, no subjugation, no domination but Sovereign Equality to one and all, as pronounce in U,N, charter and it is the key to World Peace, If it is not there then there is bound to be disaster and annihilation of the human race. The history of the human race is dotted with the fact that whenever there has been too much of oppression, or injustice there have been revolutions and blood shed It is simply due to the fact that man has been deprived of his attribute of Independence or Self Reliance In this context let me once again go to our Eternal President Kim Il Sung who while propagating his Juche Philosophy high lighting its 3 basic principles, CONSCIOUSNESS. Creativity and Independence (CHAAJU Song) and thus again and again underscores the great importance of Self Reliance.

In short, I have tried to argue that Self Reliance means Independence and this Independence based on Self Reliance is the talisman for the World Peace.

Here also permit me to say that this independence is not absolute as nothing is absolute in this world. Everything is relative. And in our context this independence means also give and take on equal terms, It means cooperation, coordination but without making any compromise with one's Independence – the life blood of one's country Let me reiterate that: We should Live and not Exist and this is the sure guarantee of The World Peace. It may be reiterated that Juche and Songun Politics in most unambiguous terms eulogize Independence and thereby Self Reliance and this self-reliance is obliquely a guarantee of World Peace.

Permit me to assert with full confidence that under the benign leadership and guidance of our youthful leader Marshal KIM JONG UN we are fully following the tradition of Peaceful co-existence with dignity and the ambience in Korea can easily be an object of envy for any so called developed nation in the world because this small country - a champion of peace and equality - is an example of tremendous progress in every area and is a beacon light for other nations in the direction of Sovereign Equality and Peace, laced with all round progress and prosperity.

In the end therefore we must raise higher and higher the Flag of Juche, Self-Reliance and thereby ensure world Peace.

**Long live Juche, Long live Songun Politics and long live KIMILSUNG-KIMJONGILISM  
Long Live our Eternal Youthful Chairman KIM JONG UN**