

Soaring Korea and Its Factor

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea, a small country in the East, is increasing its might with each passing day.

As a world political power and a military power, it is rapidly developing its economy and advancing towards a socialist power.

Excellent tradition overcomes all difficulties

Korea's politics, economy, culture, military and all other spheres have a common tradition that is permeated with one another, a tradition created in the period of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle to win back the country lost to the Japanese imperialists.

Under the leadership of President Kim Il Sung (1912-1994), the Korean revolutionaries launched an anti-Japanese armed struggle with no state backing or assistance from a regular army. They wrested weapons from the enemy to arm themselves, and solved military uniforms, provisions and daily necessities by their own efforts. They also made powerful Yongil bombs with empty hands to fight against the Japanese imperialists.

Here is an example telling how arduous the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle was.

From early December 1938 to the end of March 1939, the Korean People's Revolutionary Army (KPRA) made an arduous march under the leadership of Kim Il Sung. At that time, the Japanese imperialists tried to annihilate the KPRA by mobilizing huge troops. The guerrillas had to make their way through waist-deep snow in the biting cold of 40 degrees below zero and march forward while fighting against the enemy several times and sometimes over 20 times a day. Their military uniforms had been worn out, their shoes ripped out, and they ran out of food and salt. Extreme fatigue and diseases attacked the guerrillas. However, they braved all difficulties and thus became winners in the arduous march. Finally in August 1945, they liberated their country.

The spirit of self-reliance, fortitude and indomitable spirit created during the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle has now become the tradition of the Korean people with which they carry forward generation after generation.

Sanctions and blockade of the hostile forces against the DPRK, world-sweeping health crisis, natural disasters and other ordeals and hardships facing the country at present are unprecedentedly harsh. But its people think that the current difficulties are nothing compared to those in the days of the anti-Japanese armed struggle, and that they can overcome all difficulties by their own efforts. They are now advancing vigorously, full of confidence and optimism.

Unshakable faith, clear-cut line

The DPRK has advanced forward with the Juche idea as its firm faith that man is the master of his destiny and he has the strength to carve out his own destiny. As it has maintained the Juche-oriented principle of dealing with and solving all problems in keeping with its actual conditions while firmly believing in the strength of its own people, the country could carry out in a unique way two social revolutions to suit its actual conditions, not on the basis of established theories, and build an independent national economy even in the face of pressure from the great-power chauvinists. In the difficult period of 1990s, it strictly held fast to the socialist principles and opened a broad avenue for building a powerful country.

It is the unshakable faith of the DPRK to invariably advance along the road of Juche-oriented socialism. General Secretary Kim Jong Un of the Workers' Party of Korea, in his policy speech delivered at the 7th Session of the 14th Supreme People's Assembly of the DPRK in September 2022, stressed the need to build a socialist power on the strength of self-reliance.

Today the country is steadily laying a foundation for sustained development of the economy on the principle of self-reliance and self-development. Construction of an energy-saving oxygen blast furnace and establishment of a C1 chemical industry base go full steam ahead. Factories and enterprises are being updated with homemade CNC machines. Subway trains, buses and tramcars made by their own

technology are running along the streets, and new-type tractors and other modern farm machines are running on farm fields. In the present five-year plan period for the national economic development, efforts are made to readjust and reinforce the independent national economy to guarantee the sustained development of the economy.

Single-hearted unity is the greatest might

The single-hearted unity in which all the people are closely united behind the WPK and the leader is the might peculiar to the DPRK.

In May 2022, the epidemic prevention system of the state was switched over to the top-level emergency anti-epidemic system, and strict blockade and isolation measures were taken. At that time, the Korean people fought in unity and won the war against COVID-19. As the WPK has administered such people-oriented policies as supplying dairy products to children across the country at the state's expense and providing them with new school uniforms, satchels and school things and other people with even one more better thing under the difficult circumstances, the people could be united closely behind their leader.

The Korean people have absolutely supported the policies set forth by General Secretary Kim Jong Un and translated them into brilliant reality. The DPRK has won a historic victory to completely put an end to the nuclear threat of the hostile forces in a matter of a few years as all its people have supported the policies of the WPK in single-minded unity. Nothing is greater than the strength of people with one aspiration. Thanks to this single-hearted unity, the DPRK advances vigorously towards a socialist power even in the face of challenges and difficulties.

A great leader builds a powerful country

The leadership of General Secretary Kim Jong Un is the most important factor which enables the DPRK to emerge as a powerful country.

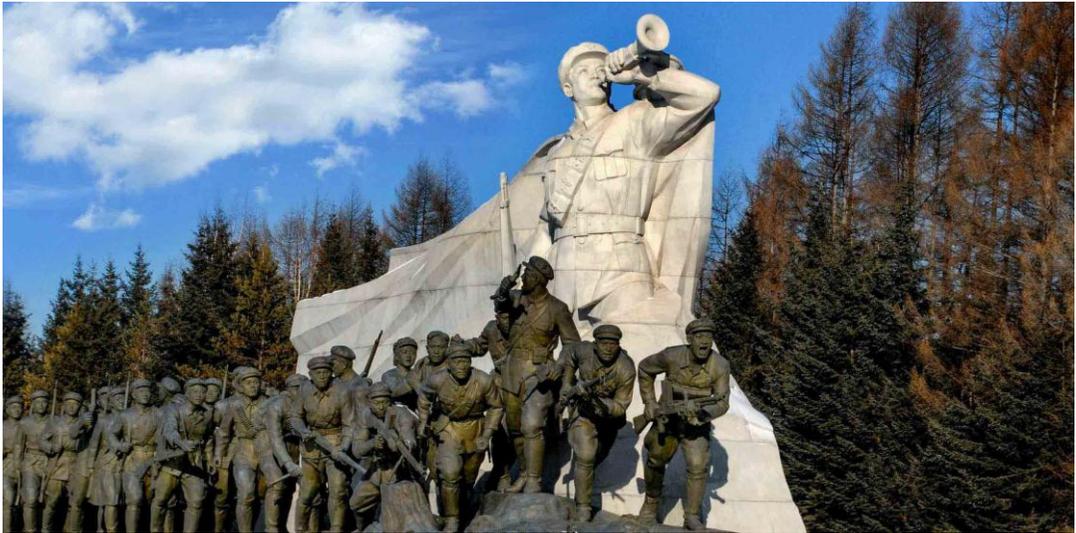
In every period and at every stage of the state development, he has indicated the path ahead of his country and wisely led the Party and the people to this end. He,

possessed of steadfast faith, matchless courage and grit, ensures that epoch-making victories have been brought about in succession to raise the strategic position of his country onto the highest level.

The international community is unanimously praising him as a strong leader as he is proudly administering independent diplomacy with big powers without making an inch of concession as regards the sovereignty of his country and the interests of his people.

Today, the DPRK, under his leadership, has drawn up not only the immediate development plan but mid- and long-term plans with an eye to 50 and 100 years, and is implementing them one by one. As he, who possesses outstanding wisdom of foreseeing the distant future, meticulous organizing ability and power of strenuous execution, leads his people, the DPRK is making a leap forward unperturbed by difficulties and ordeals.

It is as clear as noonday that the DPRK will emerge as a socialist power in the near future.



A group sculpture at the Samjiyon Grand Monument built by aspiration of the Korean people to firmly carry forward the traditions of the anti-Japanese armed struggle



Namhung Youth Chemical Complex, a large chemical base, seething with increased production



Homemade tractors



Public procession demonstrating single-minded unity of the Korean people behind the Workers' Party of Korea



Test-launch of new-type ICBM Hwasongpho-17