

# The Workers' Party of Korea, the Vanguard of Socialism

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President Kim Il Sung after the liberation of Korea from the brutal Japanese Colonial rule founded the Workers' Party of Korea on October 10, 1945 to build the state and the armed forces. It was built with the Juche idea as the guiding ideology to make the country self-reliant and to make every individual feel that he is the master of his destiny and the country building.

The Workers' Party of Korea will soon complete 75 glorious years since its foundation on October 10, 2020. During all these years, under the guidance of President Kim Il Sung, Chairman Kim Jong Il and now under the dynamic leadership of Marshal Kim Jong Un, the Workers' Party of Korea has traversed the road of victory and glory, making distinguished achievements in building Socialism.

Marshal Kim Jong Un was elected the First Secretary of the WPK at the 4th Conference of the WPK on the 11th of April, 2012. On April 15, 2012 while attending the military parade to mark the 100th birth anniversary of great leader President Kim Il Sung in his first public speech he said that **“It is the firm determination to ensure that our people, who are the best in the world and who have remained faithful to the Party in the face of all manner of difficulties, do not have to tighten their belts again, but enjoy all the benefits of socialism.”**

Further, on the occasion of the 70th founding anniversary of the Worker' Party of Korea, Marshal Kim Jong Un said that, over the past 70 years, the WPK has led the cause of the Juche revolution, the cause of Socialism, along the road resplendently with brilliant victory by overcoming many fold grave trials of history.

In the course of leading the cause of the Juche revolution, the cause of Socialism, it has been for the Workers' Party of Korea an acute and serious political struggle against imperialism, revisionism, and worship of big powers and their domination, their dogmatism and a hard struggle for hewing out an untrodden path for building a genuine new society for the people.

The history of the WPK has been characterised by mainly three principles, firstly fidelity to revolutionary principles, secondly independence and thirdly the people-first or people-oriented principles. Since the WPK adhered to revolutionary principles and to the line of independence, it was always able to put the interest of the people first on the top.

Marshal Kim Jong Un in his speech to mark the 70th founding anniversary of the WPK said **“President Kim Il Sung and General Kim Jong Il build ours into an invincible revolutionary party, a genuine political leadership organization, which serves the**

**people and advances in unity with the masses, the first of its kind in history.**

**Since it inscribed a hammer, a sickle and a writing brush in its red flag, our Party has never been separated from the people but advanced the revolution always believing in them as in heaven.”**

When socialism had a serious setback in a number of countries in the early 1990s, the WPK led by President Kim Il Sung and General Secretary Kim Jong Il, strengthened socialism on the basis of their guiding Juche idea. Now under the able and dynamic guidance of Marshal Kim Jong Un, WPK has implemented truly people-oriented policies totally different from capitalist countries. The result is the flag of socialism in DPRK is fluttering higher and higher to the surprise, giving uneasiness to so many unfriendly countries. Out of frustration they indulge in all sorts of anti DPRK propaganda which is totally false and unjustified. For this purpose, they misuse all the print and electronic media.

In Democratic Peoples' Republic of Korea, the Workers' Party of Korea under the advice and guidance of Marshal Kim Jong Un has been regularly educating the masses about the socialist system and its merits. They are also updated about the various aspects of their guiding Juche idea. In Soviet Union and Eastern European socialist Countries probably this aspect of educating the masses about their guiding idea by their political parties was not seriously taken up. The result was that in these countries the socialist system was frustrated and suffered a serious setback.

Further in DPRK the Workers' Party of Korea is not based on the capitalistic bureaucratic model where the senior party members are cut-off from the masses and issue fiats sitting in their cosy rooms and offices. In DPRK, the party Workers including seniors work together in the actual field irrespective of their positions and feel for themselves the dangers, the difficulties faced while working at the grass roots levels. On the spot guidance initiated by the great leader President Kim Il Sung was religiously followed by General Secretary Kim Jong Il and now followed by Marshal Kim Jong Un.

The Workers' Party of Korea has always championed the interest of the people and opposed bureaucracy and corruption. President Kim Il Sung very aptly said **“Bureaucracy is an anti-popular method of Government used by the officials of the old society to oppress and exploit the people.”**

Similarly, the General Secretary Kim Jong Il said.

**“The wielding of power and bureaucracy has nothing in common with true nature of the working-class party. These are the methods of Government employed by the reactionary ruling class of the old society.”**

Marshal Kim Jong Un, the loyal successor also declared that **“Our Party and the Government of our Republic have resolutely declared a war against abuses of power, which are infringing upon the people's interests and waged an intensive struggle against such practices, taking it as a matter with a vital bearing on the existence of our state.”**

Marshal Kim Jong Un does not believe in inefficiency, incompetence and backsliding

under socialism. He strongly believes that the interests of the people should come first and the officials must always work for them. Inefficient and incompetent socialism is actually a very dangerous phenomenon.

On the 29th of February, 2020, the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK held an enlarged meeting which was presided by H.E. Kim Jong Un in which besides many issues, it is underlined that abuse of power, indulgence in bureaucracy, corruption and irregularities should be exterminated among senior officials of the Party's Central Committee and officials of the Party cadre training institution.

In contrast to this situation, in Soviet Union and the Eastern European socialist countries interests of the common people were ignored, top officials of the political parties became corrupt, the abuse of power and practices of privileges dominated the scene and party cadre training institutions became defunct, also inefficiency crept into the system and so on and so forth. This all led to unrest which resulted in the fall of socialism in those countries.

In the DPR of Korea, the truly people oriented policies have been implemented by the Workers' Party of Korea under the farsighted guidance of President Kim Il Sung, General Secretary Kim Jong Il and now under the leadership of Marshal Kim Jong Un, the people enjoy free health care, free education, heavily subsidised food, clothing and housing facilities. Various recreational facilities have also been created and people are enjoying a decent standard of living and are leading a happy and contented life. In all, they are enjoying the full benefits of the Juche socialism. The strength of socialism in the DPR of Korea lies in the single-minded unity between the leader, the Party and the masses.

This year in the month of October, the WPK will be celebrating 75 years of its foundation and this will be a great occasion not only for the Koreans but also for large numbers of followers, researchers and propagators of Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism from all over the world to celebrate and cheer this great event.

**Long live the Juche socialism!**

**Long live the Workers' Party of Korea!**

**Long live Marshal Kim Jong Un!**