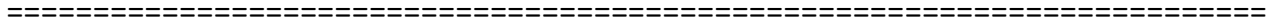




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## **Kim Jong Il : People's leader**

The core of the traits of **Kim Jong Il**, leader of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, can be said to be affection for his people.

He always says that the revolution is aimed at bringing love for people to fruition, that the feeling of patriotism is displayed and the revolution is started because of ardent affection for people, and that the revolution realizes the independence of man is the highest form of affection that makes him perfect.

As he loves his people so ardently, he administers benevolent politics which is unique in the world. He once dispatched a plane to save a few workers who were in the jaws of death, and at another time, when a hydropower station of national significance was under construction, he ensured that wonderful houses were built for the people who were living in the area to be submerged as he was more concerned with their living than the dam of the station.

In the end of the last century, when the US schemes to stifle the DPRK went to extremes, he held higher the banner of Songun just to safeguard socialism, a people's society, and to defend the security and supreme interests of his people.

To save his people and devote his all to them is his outlook on life. Their demands and interests constitute the yardstick and starting-point of his thinking and practice, and to realize them is his topmost concern at all times. His greatest pleasure is to see his people happy, and his greatest agony is to see them unfortunate.

This is why he spares nothing to make them happy. When one visits the Pyongyang Maternity Hospital, one can see a jewel-encrusted floor in its central hall. Jewels and colored stones encrusted on the floor amount to 100 tons. The same amount of jewels and colored stones is encrusted on the floors of Okryu Restaurant, a famous mass restaurant in Pyongyang. In several parts of the country there have been built fruit farms, each with hundreds of hectares of orchards and some with a thousand hectares, and farms that breed sturgeons, rainbow trouts and eels. All these are products of Kim Jong Il's affection for his people.

To have the original appearance of a woman, who had her face burned, restored, he ensured that she received medical treatment in a foreign country at the expense of the state.

When he is on foreign tour, his people are always in his mind; when he is visiting units related

with people's living, he acquaints himself with their production lines, quality of their products, their package and sale, and thinks how to provide his people with better things. In this process came into being Taedonggang beer, which is famous not only in his country but abroad.

It is not fortuitous that the Russian presidential delegate plenipotentiary to the Federal District of Far East of Russia, who accompanied Kim Jong Il during the latter's visit to Russia, wrote in his book, "Chairman **Kim Jong Il** is a leader who devotes all his thinking and passion for the well-being of his people."

His ardent affection for his people is expressed also in his constant field guidance trips.

However exhausted he may be and however rugged the road may be, he goes to where the people are for their happiness. He once said that now he felt his coach as if it were his home so he could not get sleep if he lies on a soft bed. His forced march by train transcends people's imagination. In 2009 alone, he covered 26000 km by train, field guidance at over 200 units.

The Huichon Power Station, which is situated in the northern mountains region of the country, was said at the beginning of its construction that the project would take more than ten years. But as **Kim Jong Il** went in person to see the site and gave detailed instructions on the ways for expediting the project, it was completed within three years.

Love for his people runs through his field guidance. When giving field guidance, he visits people's dwelling houses to acquaint himself with their living conditions, and poses for photograph with them. When he visited the families who had moved to a newly built apartment house, he took with him boxes of matches according to the Korean custom, congratulated them and discussed with them the future of their young members. When he inspects enterprises and other units, he encourages their officials to work harder for people's well-being. When goods well received by people are developed, he feels very pleased and gives names to them.

So it is quite natural that the Korean people call him their father and follow him.

## **Defender of Socialism**

December 24 this year marks the 26<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the appointment of **Kim Jong Il**, leader of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, as the Supreme Commander of the Korean People's Army (KPA), a historic event in defending and adding luster to socialism.

After the collapse of socialism in several countries between the late 1980s and the early 1990s, the US-led imperialist allied forces focused all their efforts on suffocating the socialist Korea, clamouring about the "complete end of socialism."

This resulted in the nuclear crisis in March 1993, which created a touch-and-go situation on the Korean peninsula. The US instigated the International Atomic Energy Agency to adopt a resolution on "special inspection" of military sites in the DPRK. To give military support to this, it staged the largest-ever "Team Spirit" joint military exercise, a nuclear test war, in south Korea. The destiny of

socialist Korea was literally at stake.

But the response from Pyongyang was a bolt from the blue. On March 8, a day just before the war game entered upon actual manoeuvres, an order of Supreme Commander **Kim Jong Il** declaring a state of semi-war across the country was made public. According to this order, the KPA and all the civilians went into a state of complete war readiness to defend socialism. Four days later, the DPRK government made public a bombshell declaration on withdrawing from the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty.

Dispirited by the courage and mettle of the country, which is not daunted by any adversities and in the face of any formidable enemy, the imperialist forces had no other choice but to come to the negotiation table. This led to the publication of the DPRK-USA Joint Statement (June 1993) and the DPRK-USA Agreed Framework (October 1994), in which the US promised that it would respect the DPRK's political system the socialist system, refrain from threatening this country by nuclear weapons, seek a peaceful solution to the nuclear issue of the Korean peninsula and normalize the bilateral relations in the future. In other words, the US that had tried to stifle socialist Korea recognized it.

On New Year's Day 1995, the first year after the death of President **Kim Il Sung** (July 8, 1994) founder of socialist Korea, **Kim Jong Il** inspected a KPA unit called the "Dwarf-Pine Post." The inspection was effectively a solemn declaration that he would defend socialism to the last, holding higher the banner of Songun.

**Kim Jong Il** has paid primary attention to increasing the KPA's political and ideological might in every way. He holds that an army not steadfast in ideology can neither win in action nor defend the country and the people.

He has ensured that the principle of giving priority to ideological work both in army building and military activities is invariably maintained, and that all the KPA service personnel are armed with socialist ideas. During his incessant inspections of KPA units, he has displayed deep concern for their ideological and spiritual life, sometimes familiarizing himself with the books read by them and other times enjoying art performances given by them.

In the late 1990s he formulated the Songun politics as the main political mode of socialism, and raised the service personnel to the main force of the revolution, thus consolidating the foundation of Korean socialism more firmly.

His efforts were also directed to raising the KPA's military and technical strength.

Whenever he inspects the KPA units, he watches with keen interest the soldier's exercises and teaches the officers the details of the strategies and tactics that conform with the country's actual conditions and the requirements of modern warfare. He also provides guidance for the joint military exercises staged by the KPA units of all armies and services and their joint exercises, perfecting their overall combat preparedness on a higher level.

He shows deep concern towards the country's defense industry and sees to it that modern military hardware are fully produced and supplied by the country's own efforts and techniques. Under his

guidance Korea has become able to be possessed of a reliable war deterrent. In October 2015 a large-scale military parade, in which interceptor missile system and other up-to-date military hardware made their debut, was held in Pyongyang on the occasion of the 70<sup>th</sup> founding anniversary of the Worker's Party of Korea, an opportunity for the world to get a glimpse of the great military strength of Korea.

With the backing of the immense military strength, the Korean people are stepping up the building of a thriving socialist country, unaffected by the incessant challenges and military threats of the US and other hostile forces.

