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Great Programme for Struggle Leading Korean-style Socialist Construction to Fresh Victory On Report Made by Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un at 8th Congress of WPK

Pyongyang, January 9 (KCNA) -- A report was made on the work of the 7th Central Committee of the Party from Jan. 5 to Jan. 7, Juche 110 (2021) at the 8th Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea (WPK), an important political event in the development of our Party and revolution.

Kim Jong Un, chairman of the WPK, chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) and supreme commander of the armed forces of the DPRK, made the report on the work of the Central Committee of the Party.

Supreme Leader of our Party, state and armed forces **Kim Jong Un** in his 9-hour report comprehensively and deeply analyzed and reviewed the work of the 7th Central Committee of the Party, laid down a fresh struggle line and strategic and tactical policies for making a radical advance in the socialist construction and set forth important tasks for advancing the cause of national reunification and external relations and developing the Party work.

The report on the work of the Central Committee of the Party is a great practical programme as it admits subjective and objective factors checking our advance and serious mistakes under the prevailing internal and external situation and indicates clear struggle tasks and ways for innovating overall work of the Party and the state and switching the socialist cause to the next stage of victory.

The gist of the report which clearly indicates the path of the Korean revolution at the present stage is that it is necessary to strengthen our own power and our own driving force in every way and make a clear advance by boldly overcoming the existing threats and challenges and making a new leap forward in the construction of our own-style socialism.

The report which comprehensively deals with our Party's outstanding ideology and theory serves as a militant banner to be adhered to in the course of the struggle of new stage for the prosperity and development of our state and happiness of the people, and a revolutionary document which firmly links today and tomorrow with the historic roots of the cause of Juche.

It is the greatest honor for our Party and people and great encouragement for them to receive the highly important guidelines for making an over-all development of our own-style socialism in the path of indomitably and vigorously carrying on arduous struggle with firm belief in the justness of their cause and its victory.

The report on the work of the 7th Central Committee of the WPK consists of the following systems:

Achievements made in the period under review

For an epoch-making advance in socialist construction

For the independent reunification of the country and development of external relations

For the development of the Party work

Kim Jong Un in a preface of his report generally mentioned the guidance provided by the Central Committee of the Party during the period under review for fulfilling its heavy yet honorable mission given at the 7th Congress of the WPK.

The Central Committee of the Party took timely measures for implementing the decisions made at the 7th Congress of the Party by regularly holding major Party meetings including the plenary meeting of the Party and positively aroused the entire Party, the whole state and all the people to their implementation and thus made great achievements.

The report noted that serious mistakes were made in the work of several fields including the economic work under the grave internal and external situations but those were deviations made in the stage of new development and the course of the advance of the socialist cause and were matters which can surely be settled by our wisdom and efforts.

Achievements made in the period under review

Kim Jong Un in the first system of his report reviewed with pride the proud achievements made by our Party and people during the period under review.

The WPK has organized and waged indomitable offensive struggle for turning every obstacle into great victory for the past five years since the 7th Congress of the Party, and the victory won in the course can be characterized by that it opened up the era of fresh development and our state-first principle.

As mentioned in the report, the era of the our state-first principle is a new era of self-dependence and prosperity of our Republic that was born as a result of the do-or-die struggle for exalting the dignity and position of the state, it being a result of the WPK making all possible efforts for the people and determinedly building up its own force, boldly facing all kinds of challenges of history.

The report firstly reviewed the successes achieved in embodying the politics based on the people-first doctrine in the period under review.

The biggest success achieved in the past five years of struggle for implementing the decisions made at the 7th Party Congress is that the politico-ideological strength, the first motive force of our revolution, has radically been augmented.

During the period under review the Party Central Committee has made remarkable successes in consolidating the single-minded unity of the Party and the people as firm as a rock and building up the driving force of the socialist cause and enhancing its role by putting forward the politics based on the people-first doctrine as a fundamental issue and a main political mode decisive of the survival or ruin of the Party and the victory or failure of socialism and by vigorously and consistently unfolding it.

"Everything for the people and everything by relying on them!", this was a core of leadership idea to which the Party Central Committee has held fast without an inch of deflection and slightest concession during the period under review.

Through intensive endeavors for thoroughly making the people-first doctrine run through the Party and state activities, the Party Central Committee uninterruptedly carried out the struggle for eliminating all kinds of unpopular factors laying obstacles in realizing it.

The report analyzed the scrupulous political offensive waged by the Party Central Committee to secure the people-first doctrine as a firm political climate of the state and as the traits of our Party and the state.

What was of special significance in the work of the Party Central Committee for consolidating the politico-ideological position was that it carried out further intensively the education in the revolutionary traditions as required by the period of giving succession to and developing the revolutionary cause of Juche.

It is one of major successes achieved in the period under review that the Party Central Committee established an all-Party and all-society habit of overcoming difficulties and opening up the way of advance in the spirit displayed by the anti-Japanese guerrillas, indomitable fighting spirit based on the great revolutionary traditions created in Mt Paektu after firmly arming all the members of society with them, and thereby ensured the noble fighting spirit and disposition of the Korean revolutionaries were firmly inherited.

The Party Central Committee staged timely and dynamic political activities for bringing the Party members and other people to the knowledge of the demands of the situation, Party's intention and revolutionary tasks, and powerfully arousing them to the vigorous struggle.

The power of the politics based on the people-first doctrine, that of finding the motive force of the development of the revolution in the hearts of the people and arousing them to action was vividly expressed in enlisting to the

maximum the spiritual strength and creativity of the people to deal with the difficulties and the change of the situation.

The report referred to the fact that the devoted service for the people thoroughly ran through all the work of the Party and the state.

When establishing and putting into practice its line and policies, the Party consistently maintained the principle of carrying out all the production and construction while respecting the urgent requirements of people in their living and their desire and putting their convenience in the first place and with the people's reflection and assessment as a yardstick. It also exerted special efforts to the work of making all the Party organizations and national institutions highly display the spirit of devoting themselves to the people.

It became an important part of politics based on the people-first doctrine that the Party Central Committee made the People's Army discharge its mission and duty as the driving force of the national defence and a genuine army of the people which firmly protects the country and the people from not only military threats but also sudden nonmilitary threats.

The Party Central Committee has achieved precious successes in uniting the society to be a large family by making sure that all the party organizations sincerely help those with ordeals and hardship in their life and lead them to a worthwhile life.

Thanks to the politics of the WPK based on the people-first principle full of trust, devotion, reward and obligation, the political and ideological position of our revolution has been firmly consolidated, tremendous power that can break through any obstacles and challenges accumulated and the superiority and vitality of Korean-style socialism centered on the popular masses fully displayed.

The report stressed that it is the valuable philosophy proved once again in the period under review that it is possible to tackle any unfavorable subjective and objective factors and easily carry out the huge tasks for the socialist construction despite any stern situation, manifold trials and latent shortcomings if the politics based on the people-first principle is thoroughly pursued.

The Supreme Leader reviewed the achievements made by our Party and people in the struggle for boosting our own power in the period under review.

The struggle of our Party and the people for implementing the decisions made at the 7th Congress of the Party was a positive offensive for paving a new avenue for the socialist construction by breaking through manifold

difficulties, holding fast to self-reliance as the lifeline of self-existence and self-development and powerful engine for development.

The spirit of self-reliance and the policies for its embodiment stressed at the 7th Congress of the Party were detailed and put into practice at Party plenary meetings. In the course of this, the strategy of our Party for self-reliance has been developed into the offensive one of making the sordid sanctions of the hostile forces a golden opportunity for strengthening our self-development capability and internal motive force and into a political line to be constantly preserved in the socialist construction.

Through the all-people struggle for hastening the socialist construction by enhancing the self-development capability, self-reliance has developed into the national customs of Juche Korea and the one and only fighting spirit of the Korean revolution.

Although the economic construction failed to reach the attainment of the expected strategic goals, a precious foundation for making constant economic development with recourse to our own efforts has been provided, the report said, adding: The greatest of such successes is that the foundation of the self-supporting national economy, the socialist economy, which is the material basis of the existence and lifeline of the Korean-style socialism, has been maintained and its arteries have been preserved.

The Party Central Committee piled up new potentials for readjusting and developing the overall economy by taking revolutionary measures for strengthening the united guidance and strategic management of the state over the economic work and making sure that the socialist principle is thoroughly observed in the economic field.

The Party gave importance to the construction work as an important political work for building up overall national power and leading the people to the socialist civilization and radically changed the appearance of the country by vigorously accelerating the construction work in the period under review.

The agricultural field waged a hot drive for scientific farming and high yield despite persistent and severe drought, flood and all kinds of shortages and thus brought about an unprecedented increase in grain production.

A breakthrough has been made to put metal industry and chemical industry, the twin pillars for self-supporting economy, on a Juche and self-supporting basis and a series of achievements registered in the technical preparations and building of foundations for developing the fields of electricity, coal, machine and railway transport and information and communications.

Major factories and enterprises in the field of light industry have been remodeled to secure potential for radically improving the quality and production of consumer goods and a foundation for boosting production systematically laid in the fishery.

Amid the nationwide and all-people campaign for afforestation, forests of over a million hectares have been newly created and the forces and means for afforestation and water-conservancy, land and environment protection and urban management prepared.

In the field of science and technology the tasks for projects of national importance have been carried out and other valuable sci-tech successes and inventions made. In the field of education the campaign for reforming the contents and methods of education and improving its conditions and environment has been brisk.

The material and technical foundation in the field of public health has been further strengthened and a well-regulated working system and foundation has been laid in the hygienic and anti-epidemic field through the preemptive and hard-hitting emergency anti-epidemic campaign for checking the inroads of worldwide pandemic.

Works for putting sports on a scientific basis and raising a hot wind of sports have been brisk and the work for establishing a national system for disaster prevention and crisis control has been accelerated to make it possible to flexibly cope with all sorts of disasters including natural disasters.

The successes made by our own efforts during the past five years of struggle for constantly augmenting our own strength in the face of lingering harsh sanctions and blockade and severe disasters are fruitions of our strenuous efforts and development capacity, which are scores of times greater than any economic construction successes in normal time. Thanks to the enormous power of self-development accumulated in the face of difficulties, the great advance of our Party and people toward the eminence of a powerful socialist nation will be more vigorously accelerated in greater scope and depth.

The Supreme Leader in his report referred to the successes made in the struggle for consolidating the state's nuclear war deterrent and the capabilities for national self-defence.

To accomplish the great cause of building the state nuclear force was a strategic and predominant goal to be primarily attained by our Party and people without fail in the course of building an ideal powerful socialist state.

The peculiarities of the Korean revolution, which has to be carried out in centuries-old direct confrontation with the aggressor forces of the U.S., the world's first user of nukes and war chieftain which divided the Korean territory and nation, and the geopolitical features of our state called for pushing ahead with the already-started building of the nuclear force without interruption for the welfare of the people, destiny of the revolution, existence and independent development of the state.

The Party Central Committee headed by the Supreme Leader planned a breakthrough operation for carrying out the great cause of building the nuclear force, inspired the entire party and all people to implementation of the line of simultaneously pushing forward the two fronts and organized and launched an intensive ideological campaign for preparing the national defence scientists and nuclear scientists as genuine revolutionaries, patriots and members of death-defying corps.

The energetic and outstanding guidance and activities conducted by the Party Central Committee to safeguard the destiny of the country and the nation open up a history of miracles in which a strategic weapon of the WPK's style was born.

The report detailed the historical course of steering a great revolutionary turn for rounding off completely new nuclear capabilities in order to attain the goals of modernizing the nuclear force.

Under the direct guidance of the Party Central Committee, medium-range and intercontinental ballistic rockets of "Hwasong Rocket" series and submarine-based and ground-based ballistic rockets of "Pukguksong" series were produced in our own style to meet their peculiar operational missions. This gave a clearer description of the status of our state as a nuclear weapons state and enabled it to cement its strong and reliable strategic deterrent for coping with any threat by establishing a perfect nuclear shield.

In the period under review the already accumulated nuclear technology underwent a rapid development to minimize and standardize nuclear weapons and make them tactical ones and complete the development of a super-large hydrogen bomb. By succeeding in the test-fire of the ICBM "Hwasong-15" on November 29, 2017, the Party Central Committee declared with pride to the world the accomplishment of the historic cause of building a state nuclear force and the cause of building a rocket power.

The accomplishment of the great cause of building a state nuclear force, which is impossible even in 20 to 30 years in terms of existing formula, was

witnessed four years after the line of simultaneously pushing forward the economic construction and the building of a nuclear force was set forth and one year after the 7th Congress of the Party. This is a miracle unprecedented in history and the exploit of greatest significance in the history of the Korean nation the 7th Central Committee performed for the Party and the revolution, the country and its people and posterity.

The Party Central Committee achieved new great victories by vigorously leading the struggle for rapidly developing the nuclear force even after the great historic November event in 2017.

Recalling that the Party Central Committee decided to develop a global strike rocket with more powerful warheads and an improved warhead control system and carried out this historic task by relying on the patriotism and loyalty of the national defence scientists, the report affirmed that the new type gigantic rocket on a 11-axis self-propelled launcher displayed during the military parade marking the 75th founding anniversary of the Party fully demonstrated the strike capability of our ultra-modern nuclear force.

The accomplishment of the great cause of building a state nuclear force and its continued development is a victory of the organizing ability and leadership of the Party Central Committee headed by the Supreme Leader and a great victory of the national defence scientists and all Koreans who waged a death-defying struggle with an indomitable faith in independence and strong spirit.

The report reviewed the fact that new cutting-edge weapon systems were developed in the field of national defence science one after another to cope with the enemy's desperate arms buildup, thus making our state's superiority in military technology an irreversible one and putting its war deterrent and capability for fighting a war on the highest level.

The super-large MLRS, a super-power attack weapon never to be seen in the world history of weapons, was developed in the field of national defence science, which was followed by the development of ultra-modern tactical nuclear weapons including new type tactical rockets and intermediate-range cruise missiles with the most powerful warheads in the world. This enabled us to seize a creditable edge in military technology.

National defence scientists and workers in munitions industry properly fixed the orientation of developing main tank of our style following the world's development trends, remodeled production processes and began to enter a new phase of its development. They also achieved such successes as

developing world-class anti-air rocket complex, self-propelled gun howitzer and anti-armor weapons.

The report also noted that in the period under review the field of national defense scientific research has conducted the research for perfecting the guidance technology for multi-warhead rocket at the final stage, finished the research into development of warheads of different combat missions including the hypersonic gliding flight warheads for new type ballistic rockets and is making preparations for their test and production.

It was made public with pride that the standard of the goal in the modernization of medium-sized submarine was set correctly and it was remodeled experimentally to open up a bright prospect for conspicuously enhancing the existing subsurface operational capabilities of our naval forces, that the study of the designing of new nuclear-powered submarine was in the stage of final examination after its completion and the designing of diverse electronic weapons, unmanned striking equipment, means of reconnaissance and detection and military reconnaissance satellite were completed, and that other achievements were made in the national defence researches of gigantic significance in developing the People's Army into a powerful one equipped with the strongest military muscle in the world.

The report evaluated that the bold leaping development made in the national defence science and munitions industry made sure that state defence capabilities ranked among those of the greatest in the world, and it was, at the same time, of great significance in realizing the strategic plan of the Party Central Committee to develop the overall Korean revolution.

The report said that the great advance was made in the work of turning the People's Army into the elite forces in the period under review.

Under the leadership of the Party, the People's Army has performed feats and miracles on two fronts of national defence and socialist construction to faithfully accomplish its revolutionary duty, and reliably defended the land, the air and the seas of the country and put the provocative threats by the enemies under definite control and ensured peaceful environment for socialist construction through impregnable guard and with full combat posture in the last five years of the most acute and stern trials.

As the Party Central Committee successfully carried out the great cause of building a state nuclear force and brought about a great change in the strengthening of the state defence capabilities in the period under review, it upraised the country to the position of a world nuclear power and military

power in both name and reality and put an end to the era in which big countries tended to make bargain with the interests of our state and nation.

The most significant and proud victory achieved by the 7th Central Committee headed by the Supreme Leader in implementing the decisions of the Party Congress is that it made sure that the people and posterity of the DPRK would create prosperity and happiness to the full in the dignified strong country free from terrible disaster of the war forever.

The Supreme Leader in his report reviewed the rapid development of the DPRK's external position in the period under review.

After the great victory in the line of simultaneously pushing forward the economic construction and the building of a nuclear force, the Party Central Committee has stepped up external activities to place the state's dignity and prestige on a high level.

In the period under review, the external environment encircling the DPRK was severe, unprecedented in its history since its founding, due to the desperate offensive of the U.S. and its followers characterized by frantic maneuvers to pressurize and blockade the DPRK.

The Party Central Committee has resolutely rejected any attempt to hurt the supreme interests and dignity of the country and never made even a slightest concession in the revolutionary principle, while more firmly adhering to the independent stand despite the worst situation, which made it clear all over the world that the sovereignty of the DPRK can never be infringed upon and the improved relations with it is absolutely impossible without the respect for its sovereignty.

The Party Central Committee has created a trend towards peace and the atmosphere of dialogue, which is accepted by the international community, by making a bold switchover in its line and pursuing offensive strategy, and organized and led adroit external activities to elevate the status of the DPRK in the international arena.

Our Party has prioritized the development of the long-standing and special DPRK-China relations to develop the friendly relations with China as required by the new century and open a new chapter in the DPRK-China friendly relationship with socialism as its core, the report said.

The Party Central Committee has strengthened the strategic communication, promoted mutual understanding and deepened comradely trust between the two parties and thus provided a firm guarantee for fresh development of the DPRK-China relations through five rounds of the DPRK-

China summits, based on the demand of the times that required giving continuity to the fraternal friendship and unity between the two parties and two peoples of the two countries which are inseparably bound up with each other in the struggle for common cause.

The Party Central Committee has also provided a cornerstone for the expansion of friendly relations between the DPRK and Russia through external activities for the development of friendly and cooperative relations with Russia, while attaching importance to the fresh development of the traditional DPRK-Russia relations.

Through the DPRK-Cuba Pyongyang summit and the DPRK-Vietnam Hanoi summit, the Party Central Committee developed the bilateral relations, forged and verified in the common struggle for accomplishing the cause of socialism, into the special ones between comrades, the strategic ones, thus rapidly strengthening the unity and solidarity with socialist countries.

The active external activities carried out by the Party Central Committee have given a strong impetus to the socialist cause and demonstrated the prestige and authority of our Party and state, which steer the new political trend of safeguarding independence, justice and peace, all over the world.

The Party Central Committee has brought about a dramatic change in the balance of power between the DPRK and the U.S. during the period under review, thereby wonderfully demonstrating the dignity and prestige of our state.

At the face-to-face meetings of the top leaders of the two countries, the first of its kind in the hostile relations between the two countries, the Party Central Committee yielded with strong stand of independence the joint declaration that assures the establishment of new DPRK-U.S. relationship.

The several rounds of DPRK-U.S. summit talks came to be event of the greatest concern in the history of world politics, through which the strategic position of the DPRK, which defends its independent interests, peace and justice against a superpower, were manifested worldwide.

During the period under review, the Party Central Committee has exceedingly raised the strategic position and prestige of the DPRK on the basis of the indomitable and transparent independent spirit of our people and the great might stockpiled by the DPRK. And this symbolizes the dignity and authority of the WPK and the position of our great people.

Saying that the rapid rise of the external position of the DPRK, though it is small in territory and population, has been witnessed in the face of the

encirclement by the imperialist reactionaries, the report stressed that it is a precious fruition of the long-running hard-fought struggle waged by our Party and people, and a great historic miracle made by the great unity of the people who have believed and upheld the line and policies of the Party as absolute truth and more closely rallied around the Party despite the worsening difficulties.

2. For Epochal Progress in Socialist Construction

It is an important task set forth by the 8th Congress of the WPK to clearly decide on the correct direction of struggle and tasks for continuously winning new victories in socialist construction and to take substantial measures for it.

The Supreme Leader in the second system of his report, analyzing and reviewing the economic and cultural construction, building of national defence, management of the state and the society and work of the working people's organizations in the period under review, mainly dealt with the mistakes and lessons in those affairs. He also set forth important tasks for making new progress and development in the future.

He, first of all, made a strict and detailed analysis of the current situation in the work for the implementation of the 5-year strategy for national economic development and of a new long-term plan.

The report strictly reviewed the fact that the attainment of the goals for the growth of the national economy was seriously delayed and the people's living standard failed to be improved remarkably owing to the failure in the revolutionary improvement of the economic work under lingering severe external and internal situations and in the face of unexpected challenges. It also dealt with depression in different sectors and its causes.

Analyzing the subjective and objective factors which affected the implementation of the 5-year strategy for national economic development, it pointed out the aftermath of the most barbarous sanctions and blockade by the U. S. and other hostile forces as an objective factor.

Besides, the terrible natural disasters which hit the country every year and the protracted global public health crisis which broke out last year were termed severe obstacles to the economic work, it analyzed.

The report said that due to such obstacles, state investments and supply planned to improve the major sectors of the economy in the implementation of the 5-year strategy for the national economic development could not be carried out properly.

The report made an analysis and appraisal of the Party Central Committee on the reason of non-fulfillment of the 5-year strategy for the national economic development in the period under review, making a serious judgment that drawn is the conclusion that if one finds the excuse of failure in objective conditions, one can do nothing and the action and role of the driving force will be unnecessary, and it is impossible to accelerate the revolutionary struggle and construction unless the unfavorable external factor disappears.

The Party Central Committee analyzed the current situation that the 5-year strategy for national economic development had not been properly set on the basis of scientific calculation and grounds, science and technology had not actually played their role for propelling the economic work of the country and the work for readjusting and reinforcing the irrational economic work system and discipline had not been properly done.

The report referred to the general lesson that it is impossible to boost the economy of the country without breaking with current wrong ideological viewpoint, irresponsible working attitude, incompetence and obsolete working manner.

Stressing the need to take steps for successfully switching the overall work of the Party and the state to the one for aspiring after and facilitating fresh innovation, bold creation and steady advance and resolutely getting rid of outdated work system, unreasonable and inefficient way of work and obstacles disturbing our advance, the report noted that only when doing so, it is possible to turn our struggle for socialist construction, including the struggle for attaining the future long-term goals of the national economy, into the great revolutionary work bringing substantial well-being to the people.

It clarified the strategy for the struggle in the economic field in the future five years.

It stressed that our Party's economic strategy at the present stage is the one for readjustment and reinforcement and it aims at putting our economy on a normal track, which means to smoothly operate the economy without being influenced by any external factors, by restoring and readjusting the organic relations between the economic work system and sectors and pushing ahead with the work for cementing the self-supporting foundations.

The general orientation of the 5-year plan for national economic development is to establish firm foundation for activating the overall national economy and improving the people's standard of living by concentrating efforts on the main links of economic development.

The major task of the new 5-year plan was set up as to focus investment with the metal industry and chemical industry as key links so as to normalize the production in all sectors of national economy, and as to consolidate the material and technical foundations of the agricultural field and supply enough raw and other materials to the field of light industry so as to increase the production of consumer goods.

The report brought the new five-year plan up for discussion which had it as its goal to advance toward the steady economic growth and vivid improvement of the people's standard of living on the basis of the present situation and potentiality of the national economy.

The new 5-year plan mainly presupposes that the Cabinet, as the economic headquarters of the country, properly enforce the Cabinet-responsibility system and Cabinet-centered system for economic work, vigorously accelerate the work of strengthening the essential lifeline and integrity of the country's economy, definitely improve the economic management, actively promote the normalization of production, reconstruction and modernization and local provision of raw and other materials by dint of science and technology and orientate the external economic activities toward the reinforcement of foundation and potentiality of the self-supporting economy.

And the new plan reflected the demand for perfecting the self-supporting structure of the state's economy, lowering the proportion of dependence on import and stabilizing the people's living by taking the actual possibilities into consideration.

The main seed and theme of the plan are, as always, self-reliance and self-sufficiency.

From the requirements of our developing revolution and from urgent requirements of the socialist construction, self-reliance during the period of new long-term plan should develop into nationwide, planned and scientific self-reliance.

Supreme Leader **Kim Jong Un** in his report referred in detail to the present condition of the major economic sectors, and the issues of their readjustment and development.

The report presented the situation of the key industrial field which forms the lifeline of the national economy and which must be propped up on a priority basis for the overall economic development and the improvement of people's standard of living, and ways of their readjustment and development.

It was stressed to perfect the Juche iron production system technologically and expand capacity to radically increase the production of iron and steel in the metal industrial field.

It was noted that in order to attain the goal of production of iron and steel mentioned in the new five-year plan, scientific and technological problems must be solved to equip the existing production processes with advanced technology in major iron works and steel plants and expand production capacity by building new energy-saving iron blast furnaces, to invigorate the production of iron ore and to use brown coal in the northern areas for the production of pig iron.

The report also referred to the direction of the development of chemical industry, core industry of the country which is like the lifeline for the construction of self-supporting economy and the improvement of people's standard of living.

The main task of the field of the chemical industry in the new five-year plan period is to give precedence to building our own force of technicians, step up the improvement of structure of the country's chemical industry and drastically increase the production of chemical goods necessary for the economic construction and improvement of people's standard of living.

The field of chemical industry has to make sure that the whole process of the struggle for founding Juche-based chemical industry becomes the process of holding a firm grasp on the eminence of the up-to-date technology and push forward the work of shifting the structure of the country's chemical industry into the Juche-based industry relying on our own raw materials.

The report set it as a precondition for stepping up the economic construction and enhancing the standard of people's living to increase the generation of electricity, key power of the self-supporting economy.

The major task facing the field of electric power industry during the new five-year plan period is to readjust and reinforce the overall production foundation and expand it on a long-term basis while waging increased production drive for meeting the immediate demand for electricity so as to reliably guarantee the stable development of the national economy and good material and cultured living of people.

The report mentioned the plans for concentrating the state efforts on the construction of tidal power stations under long-term and medium-term strategies, and launching in real earnest the founding of atomic industry to

cope with long-range demands and subjective and objective changes in the future.

It put an emphasis on important issues for developing coal industry, an outpost for the development of self-supporting economy.

Referred to were the issue of boldly unfolding and powerfully propelling the work of intensively supplying equipment, materials, labor and funds to the coal industrial field, the issue of securing more coal pits by giving precedence to prospecting and tunneling in the coal industrial field, the issue of putting efforts into the development of soft coal industry, the issue of pushing forward the work of improving the working and living conditions of coal miners as a priority task for increased coal production and the issue of taking measures for the effective use of coal.

The report defined the machine industry as the important industry sector to lead and haul the overall economic sectors, and set forth the immediate orientation of development after probing the present situation facing the machine industry of the country and its cause.

The basic task facing the machine industry sector during the period of new five-year plan is to make the machine industry of the country a basically solid industry and develop it into a development-and-creation-oriented industry.

The machine industry sector should positively develop and produce modern and efficient machine products including machine tool, rolling stocks, building machine, electric machine, mining machine and hydraulic machine.

The report stressed the need to attach importance to the mining industry and shore it up for the sake of the normal development of the national economy.

The basic task of the mining industry sector is to reinforce and expand the production foundation and to meet the needs of national economy for nonferrous metal and non-metal minerals in the main during the new five-year plan period.

To this end, it is necessary to realistically promote the work of strengthening the force in the geological prospecting sector and effectively developing and using the underground natural resources of the country in a unified way, and to expand the production capacity of the mines, smelteries and factories in the mining industry sector.

The report underlined the need for the forestry sector to strengthen its own material and technological foundation and satisfactorily meet the need

for timber of the national economy while keeping the balance of the timber production and afforestation.

The orientation of development of the sectors of the key industry mentioned in the report indicated the scientific and innovative way out to powerfully pull the overall economic construction by further strengthening the potential and might of the self-supporting economy, and it also provided a firm policy guarantee to promote the sustained development of economy in any condition and environment.

The report referred to the present situation in the field of transport and the tasks for bringing about obvious improvement.

The basic target of the railway transport field during the new five-year plan period is to positively promote the modernization of railways, improve transport in a revolutionary way and thus satisfactorily meet the need for railway transport.

The field of railway transport should provide the security of railways and make them heavy-duty, increase the sections of standard railways and, moreover, staunchly push ahead with the work for re-laying all railways in a planned way.

At the same time, the projects for updating the Pyongyang Metro and modernizing its stations should be pushed forward and the level of its management and operation be decisively raised.

The field of land and maritime transport faced the tasks of continuing to make large cargo ships suited to the world trend of the development of ship-building technology, building the comprehensive management system of automotive transport and putting the transport command on an IT basis to ease the strain on transport.

It is necessary to produce more public transport means including new-type subway train, trolleybus, tramcar and passenger bus and promote the conveniences of the people.

The report evaluated the remarkable development and achievements made in the construction field during the period under review, pointed to a series of deviations and raised new tasks and targets.

The basic task facing the construction field during the new five-year plan period is to massively carry out the capital construction including the construction of dwelling houses to provide the people with more highly civilized living condition and radically change the appearance of the country.

The construction field should powerfully push forward the two fronts simultaneously; the industrial construction for strengthening the economic foundation of the country and the construction for meeting the material and cultural needs of the people.

It should set the annual plans for building 10 000 flats of dwelling houses each year starting from this year by concentrating efforts on the construction of 50 000 flats in Pyongyang, scrupulously organize the construction operation and guidance for implementing the plans and thus basically settle the issue of dwelling houses for the Pyongyang citizens.

25 000 dwelling houses have to be built in Komdok area, a leading nonferrous mineral producer where a large contingent of workers reside, and thus build the mining city with no comparison in the world.

It is imperative to build strong professional construction units and actively develop and produce equipment and gears and tools necessary for construction at the construction machine factories.

The report raised the tasks for further developing the building materials industry in keeping with the demand of the situation in which the construction is progressing at an unprecedented speed.

The basic tasks facing the building materials industry during the new five-year plan period is to attain the goal of producing 8 million tons of cement and ensure self-sufficiency of finishing building materials.

It is necessary to update the existing cement factories and, at the same time, build new large-capacity cement factories, to which advanced technology is introduced, in the areas with favorable conditions of materials, power and transport and thus further expand the cement production capacity of the country.

It is imperative to work hard to meet the demand for finishing building materials determining the appearance of buildings through home production, more firmly consolidate the bases for producing paint and distemper paint with locally available raw materials, raise their quality and develop the technology for producing roofing materials.

It is necessary to properly push ahead with the preparations for producing building materials under a well thought-out plan to construct more zero-carbon buildings and zero-energy buildings in keeping with the world trends of architectural development, and for all provinces to produce lots of various building materials by constructing various profitable building material production bases relying on their locally available materials.

The report set forth the tasks for the communications field to make uninterrupted leaps forward and innovations in positive response to the demand of the times.

The communications field should step up the technical updating of its infrastructure and turn mobile communications into the next-generation ones as early as possible by developing relevant technology.

It is needed to readjust the wire broadcasting and TV broadcasting systems, put the relevant technology on a higher level and provide full conditions for the people in all parts of the country from cities to remote mountain villages to enjoy better cultural and emotional life.

The report raised it as a very urgent issue at present to develop the state-run commerce and preserve the socialist nature of public catering and welfare service and set forth the tasks for restoring our commerce to the public service activities for supporting the people's life and promoting their material well-being, true to its name.

The important tasks to be surely carried out by our commerce at present is to restore the state's leading role and control in the overall commerce service activities and preserve the nature of socialist commerce serving the people.

Commerce service units should put their service activities on a popular, cultural, modern and diverse basis with correct management strategy and thus create new socialist service culture of our own style.

The report presented land management and ecological environment protection as important affairs for protecting the life and health of the people and better the appearance of mountains and rivers of the country and a strategic work related to the future of the country.

The tasks facing the land management field during the new five-year plan are to bring about a decisive advance in land development and ecological environment protection, thus steadily pushing ahead with the work for transforming the whole country into a socialist fairyland, the beautiful land representing the era of the Workers' Party.

It pointed out the issues of surveying and grasping the overall situation of the ecological environment including forests, making correct and prompt responses according to the results of analysis on its seasonal and annual change, properly instituting the laws and regulations regarding the protection of land and environment and strictly observing them, preventing natural disasters by directing efforts into forest and water conservation, steadily putting much effort into road construction and management and pushing

ahead with eastern and western coastal construction in a big way as a national project to protect the life and security of the people and land, and spruce up the country's coastal areas to be the ones befitting the maritime state.

The report stressed the importance of the work in the field of city management which is directly linked with the life of the people from A to Z, and set forth relevant tasks.

The field of city management should take strong measures for repairing dwelling houses, expand the capacity for producing drinking water, improve its quality and newly build more sewage treatment plants to prevent environmental pollution.

It is necessary to decisively enhance the level of the afforestation design, spruce up the parks and recreation grounds and plant good species of trees, flowers and creeping plants in a harmonious manner to give face-lifts to cities.

The report, based on a detailed analysis of the external economic work and the subjective and objective conditions and environment of the country, raised the issues of orientation to set a scientific strategy in the external economic field and purposefully develop the external economic work.

The report suggested revitalization of tourism as an important work for providing our people with a more civilized life and showing the world the ever-changing appearance of our state.

It is necessary to spruce up tourist resorts, improve the methods of advertisement and organize tourist course and guidance in a diverse way.

It is also important to turn the Mt Kumgang area into modern cultural tourist resort of our style.

The report advanced the tasks for removing all the facilities including Haegumgang Hotel at a wharf of Kosong Port and constructing the buildings of typical architecture of our style, which match well the scenic Mt Kumgang and reflect the emotional and aesthetic feelings of our people.

According to the master plan for the development of Mt Kumgang tourist area, the work to build the Kosong Port coastal tourist area, Pirobong mountaineering tourist area, Haegumgang coastal park area and sports cultural area in a peculiar way should be carried out on a yearly basis and in a phased way during the period of the new five-year plan.

The report importantly referred to the tasks of improving the economic management.

Our national economy is the self-supporting and planned one serving the people.

To strengthen the independent, planned and popular nature of the national economy, it is necessary to raise the state's function as economic organizer and realize the unified management of products on the principle of making sure that the fruition of the economic work is directed to the well-being of the people.

The fundamental requirements and direction for improving the management of the socialist economy are to give priority to the desire and interests of the people centering on the popular masses, master of society.

The report also stressed the need to hold fast to the cost cutting and raised quality as the keystone for improving the economic management.

The state organs for economic guidance should substantially conduct the work for readjusting and reinforcing the economy in line with the fundamental requirements and direction for improving the management of the socialist economy.

The report underscored the need to tighten the discipline for realizing the unified guidance of the state on the economic work, strengthen the national system for the unified statistics, correctly wage the work for boosting the arteries of the national economy and improve the conditions for management activities of the industrial establishments.

The productive forces should be redistributed in a reasonable way to improve economic efficiency, the weak links in the economic sectors be found out and the sectors urgent for the balanced development of the economy be reinforced to raise the economic efficiency in the national economy as a whole.

Planning should be improved and economic leverage including finances, money and price should be put into the correct use for the reasonable management of the economy.

The scientific analysis and clear policies clarified in the report on the present situation of the major economic sectors and their readjustment and development serve as a powerful practical weapon for consolidating the material and technical foundation of the self-supporting economy and propelling the economic construction in a planned and stable way irrespective of the change of the external environment.

The Supreme Leader clarified in the report the unshakable determination of our Party to make a breakthrough in solving the people's food, clothing and

housing at any cost and making practical changes and innovations which the people can keenly feel, in the period of the new five-year plan.

The report set forth pro-active measures to increase the agricultural production so as to decisively settle the food provision for the people.

The main target facing the agricultural field in the five-year plan is to unconditionally attain the eminence of grain production already set forth by the Party and to consolidate the material and technical foundation for the sustained development of agriculture.

In order to increase agricultural production, it is important to put efforts into drastic improvement in seed selection, scientific farming, increased output in low-yielding field, cultivation of new land and tideland reclamation, to develop agriculture, stock-breeding and fruit farming and to hold fast to irrigation and mechanization of agriculture as important strategic tasks.

The report stressed policy issues to take scientific and technical measures and lay material and technological foundation for ensuring safe growth of agricultural production despite unfavorable climatic and weather conditions, to boost the zeal of agricultural workers for production and to strengthen state assistance to the countryside.

The important targets set forth before the agricultural sector are important state affairs that must be done whatever the cost in order to ensure self-sufficiency in food and to step up the socialist construction.

The report referred to the importance of light industry which holds an absolute share in providing people with affluent and highly civilized life, and the direction of its development.

The light industrial field faced the tasks to step up modernization with main direction given to ensuring the local provision of raw and other materials and recycling, regarding them as a lifeline, and to steadily round out the field by reinforcing weak fields and processes and setting up those unavailable at the moment.

Also stressed was the issue of raising the quality of goods on the principle of giving priority to quality over quantity and directing efforts into development of new goods.

The report defined the fishing sector as one of three fields directly related to the people's diet.

The fishing sector should modernize fishing boats and implements, put fishing on a scientific basis and build reliable fishery stations and ship repairing yards.

It is necessary to substantially conduct the work of conserving and propagating marine and freshwater resources on a planned way and systematically increase the production of seafood by launching a massive fish-breeding and cultivation of fishery products.

Raised in the report were important policy issues for self-reliant and multi-lateral development of cities and counties.

It is the consistent strategic policy of our Party in the socialist construction to consolidate the revolutionary position and push ahead with the development of the rural management and local economy and improvement of the people's living standard with cities and counties as firm bases.

Cities and counties are the lowest-level units for the execution of our Party policies, regional bases guiding the rural economy and local economy and strong fortresses supporting the overall development of the country.

The general goal clarified in the report for boosting cities and counties is to turn every city and county into strategic bases of highly civilized and prosperous socialist state and developed regions with their own peculiar characteristics.

Cities and counties should set their strategies for development and long-term objectives in conformity with their regional characteristics in a realistic way and persistently carry them out purposefully and consciously and in a planned way and on an annual basis.

Cultural development peculiar to rural areas and our own-style new development should be made by directing efforts to the socialist rural construction, holding aloft the slogan "Forward to Fresh Victory!"

The long-term objectives for rural construction is to eliminate differences between the working class and the peasants, the industry and agriculture and the urban and the rural areas by pushing ahead with three revolutions in rural areas and thoroughly implementing the Thesis on the Socialist Rural Question, and the immediate tasks are to put the work of transforming peasants on a revolutionary and working class pattern above all, boost the state support to rural areas and build villages in rural areas in a balanced way while preserving regional characteristics.

The report stressed the need to pay attention of the Party and the state to strengthening the core position in rural areas.

It raised it as a persistent political demand to develop the local economy by making the use of locally available raw and other materials in relevant area in line with the regional characteristics.

It noted that it is necessary to push ahead with the work of changing the appearance of city and county seats and direct great efforts to improving the afforestation and water conservation and environmental protection.

Mentioned in the report was a task for city and county Party committees and people's committees to become a powerful locomotive guiding the development of their regions and the carer of cities and counties and householder responsible for the people's life in their regions.

Kim Jong Un solemnly clarified the revolutionary stand on steadily bolstering up the national defence capabilities, the cornerstone for the existence of the state and a reliable guarantee for defending the dignity and security of the country and people and peace.

The report analyzed that our Party and the government of the Republic made good-will efforts and showed the greatest patience to prevent the escalation of regional tension with the single mind to ensure peace and security on the Korean peninsula and in the rest of the world but the U.S. hostile policy towards the DPRK has become more violent, not getting weak.

Nothing is more foolish and dangerous than to fail to steadily build our muscle and to while away time, while clearly seeing the enemies increasing ultra-modern weapons aiming at our state.

The reality shows that only when we bolster up the national defence capabilities without a moment's halt, we can contain the military threat from the U.S. and achieve peace and prosperity on the Korean peninsula.

Stressing that the strong defence capabilities of the state never precludes diplomacy but serves as a great means that propels toward the correct orientation and guarantees its success, the report analyzed that the prevailing situation proves once again that there can never be satisfaction in boosting the military strength.

As long as the imperialists exist on the earth and the danger of aggression war by the hostile forces against our state continues, the historic mission of our revolutionary armed forces can never be changed and the defence capabilities of our state must be steadily bolstered along the new orbit of development.

The report set forth important tasks for the People's Army to more firmly prepare to be the revolutionary army of the WPK, modern army with the latest military hardware and reliable defender of our state and people, while regarding it as the general duty in the army-building to model the entire army on Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism.

The report mentioned the core plan and important strategic tasks for rapidly developing the defense industry.

It is necessary to develop tactical nuclear weapons which can be used for various missions according to the purpose of operational duty and target of strike in a modern war by further developing the nuclear technology and making nuclear weapons smaller, lighter and tactical and steadily push ahead with the production of super large nuclear warhead and thus thoroughly contain, control and handle various military threats on the Korean peninsula which inevitably accompany the nuclear threat on our own initiative.

It set forth the goal to improve the capabilities of preemptive and retaliatory strike of nuclear forces by further raising the hit rates to correctly strike and annihilate any strategic objects within the 15 000 km of range.

Also raised were the tasks to develop and introduce the hypersonic gliding flight warhead in a short period, to push ahead with the work of developing inter-continental ballistic rocket with the use of underwater or ground solid-fuel engine as planned and to access to nuclear-powered submarine and underwater-launch nuclear strategic weapon which are of important significance in raising the long-range nuclear striking capability.

It referred to securing the ability of reconnaissance and information gathering with the operation of reconnaissance satellite for military purposes in the near future and conducting in real earnest the most important research of developing reconnaissance drones and other reconnaissance means capable of conducting precision reconnaissance of up to 500 km depth from the front.

It defined it as the main task facing the field of defense science at present to make the People's Army an elite one technically advanced in view of the conventional structure by highly developing the science and technology for national defense and studying and developing more latest weapons and combat equipment.

Putting the arms and equipment on an intelligent and IT, precision, unmanned, high-performance and lighter basis should be set as the core goal of munitions industry, and study and development be oriented to it.

The report dealt in depth with the task to complete the preparations of all-people resistance, the crucial work that can never be neglected in firmly consolidating the national defence capability.

The important tasks for strengthening the national defence capability raised in the report are an expression of iron-willed faith and will to

continuously strengthen the country's military capabilities till when the vicious cycle of the brink-of-war and detente, dialogue and tension is removed once and for all and such phrases as the threat and blackmail by the hostile forces are terminated on this land, under the situation where the equilibrium of forces in the world is being disturbed owing to the reckless arms buildup of the U.S. and the hostile forces.

Kim Jong Un in the report set forth the tasks to promote the development of science and technology and confidently open the broad venue of achieving prosperity by dint of self-reliance.

The report defined development of science and technology as a crucial task, policy of utmost importance in the socialist construction, comprehensively analyzed deviations revealed in the course of implementing the line of attaching importance to science and technology and raised targets for the development of science and technology to be attained by each field during the period of the new five-year plan, and ways of putting them into practice.

It is important to actively solve urgent scientific and technological problems in the implementation of the new five-year plan for the national economic development and promote the development of core and advanced ultra-modern technology.

It is essential to set up proper Party, state, administrative guidance and management system for the development of science and technology and keep pushing forward the work of the sharing of scientific and research achievements and making all the people well versed in science and technology.

The Supreme Leader in the report referred to the achievements, experience, mistakes and lesson drawn in the construction of socialist culture during the period under review.

It is the far-reaching goal and ideal of our Party to create new period of efflorescence of socialist culture and lead our people to our-style high civilization in the new century.

The report analyzed and assessed the work of education, public health, literature and art, public health, media and sports in the period under review which hold an important share in bringing up all members of society to be powerful beings, adding vitality to the advancing revolution and successfully stepping up the socialist construction.

The general goal of education to make it the one which our future can be fully entrusted to was earnestly reiterated, and goals and detailed tasks for

the development of education for turning our country into education power with lots of talents by effecting a drastic turn in education in the new century were also mentioned.

In the secondary and higher educational field the methodological work should be carried out to steadily update the educational contents and methods and education management system and to enhance the ability and qualifications of teachers who are responsible for bringing about a radical turn in education to meet the trend of development of education in the modern days and to meet the pedagogical demand.

The nationwide investment and support for the educational field should be strengthened in order to powerfully conduct the work to spruce up the educational conditions and environment including the building of schools.

The report dealt with detailed plans for providing people with better medical benefits by developing socialist healthcare into the most advantageous and advanced public health.

The public health field should substantially carry out the work of updating treatment and prevention institutions and pharmaceutical and medical appliances factories and firmly build the ranks of medical workers and create strong anti-epidemic basis for coping with whatever health crisis of the world.

The report also made serious analysis of the work in the field of literature and art and set forth tasks for unfolding the new era of efflorescence of the Juche literature and art by effecting a radical turn on all fronts of literature and art.

Creation-guidance officials, creators and artistes in the field of literature and art should display the enterprising working spirit with high discernment to produce good works consistent with the Juche character, national identity and modernity, give peculiar performances and purposefully carry out the training of reserves on a long-term basis by establishing proper systems and setting development strategy and clear goals.

Such tasks were set forth for the mass media as raising the fierce flames of new revolution in newspapers, news services, broadcasting and publications as required by the new period of drastic change and upsurge in socialist construction so as to wage a vigorous reportorial and wordy campaign to deeply instill into all the people the core of the ideas, lines and policies of the Party Congress and inspire them to the implementation of the decisions of the Party Congress, and for the field of physical culture and sports as making

redoubled efforts for making our country join the ranks of advanced sports nations to be well-matched to the prestige and position of our dignified state.

The innovative orientations for building socialist culture are a reflection of grandiose plan for creating a new Korean-style civilization by bringing about a great revolution in all sectors of socialist culture with successes, experience, mistakes and lessons gained in the period under review as a springboard for advance and leap forward.

The report put an emphasis on the issue of effecting a revolutionary change in the mental and moral life of the people by pushing ahead with the eradication of non-socialist, anti-socialist practices and thorough establishment of socialist lifestyle throughout the country as a work of the whole Party, state and society.

All the people should create and develop the noble and civilized new life of our own style and stage a powerful mass campaign against the practices running counter to the socialist lifestyle, deeply bearing in mind faith in socialism and love for and trust in theirs.

In his report, the Supreme Leader set forth tasks for further consolidating the state social system in response to the reality that witnesses a radical rise of our Republic's position and the revolution entering a new stage.

The report underscored the need to strengthen the popular nature of the state befitting the intrinsic character of our-style socialist system, realize the unified, scientific and strategic control and thoroughly establish a revolutionary spirit of law observance throughout the society as required by the building of a socialist law-governed state, and called on judicial and procuratorial organs and public and state security organs to fulfill their sacred mission and duty they assume for defending the system, policy and people as reliable defenders of the socialist system.

The Supreme Leader in his report put forward the important tasks for strengthening the working people's organizations, a link between the Party and the masses and the fringe organization of the Party, into powerful political ones and powerful forces for building socialism.

The report stressed the need for the working people's organizations to hold fast to their internal work as befitting their duty as the organizations in charge of ideological education to firmly arm all their members with the Party's revolutionary idea and, in particular, the need to prepare the youth league as the reliable shift and reserves of the Party.

The report, that indicated the road towards dramatic progress in socialist construction, serves as a militant banner powerfully inspiring the people to a next-stage new victory by giving full play to the advantages and might of our-style socialism in the overall state affairs, including the building of economy, national defense and culture and sci-tech development, under the prevailing situation.

3. For Independent Reunification of Country and Development of External Relations

Supreme Leader **Kim Jong Un** mentioned in the third system of his report the important issues for independent reunification of the country and development of external relations.

The report studied the issues concerning the south in view of the prevailing situation and the changed times and clarified our Party's principled stand on the north-south relations.

As specified in the report, our nation is now standing on the crucial crossroads; whether to advance along the road of peace and reunification after breaking the serious deadlock in the north-south relations or continuously suffer the pain resulting from division in the vicious cycle of confrontation and the danger of war.

It is not exaggeration to say that the current inter-Korean relations have been brought back to the time before the publication of the Panmunjom Declaration and the dream for national reunification has become more distant.

Hostile military acts and anti-DPRK smear campaign aggravating the situation of the Korean peninsula are still going on in south Korea, dimming the future of the inter-Korean relations.

Judging that the present frozen north-south relations can not thaw by the efforts of one side nor be resolved by themselves with the passage of time, the report stressed that if one sincerely aspires after country's peace and reunification, being concerned of the destiny of the nation and the future of posterity, one should not look with folded arm on this grave situation but take proactive measures to repair and improve the present north-south relations in catastrophe.

The report clarified the principled stand on the inter-Korean relation as follows:

It is necessary to take stand and stance to solve the basic problems in the north-south relations, halt all acts hostile toward the counterpart and prudently deal with and honestly implement the north-south declarations.

The report referred to the main cause why the north-south relations which had developed on good terms in the past were frozen abruptly and brought back to confrontation.

Currently, the south Korean authorities are giving an impression that they are concerned about improvement of north-south relations by raising such inessential issues as anti-epidemic and humanitarian cooperation and individual tourism.

They are going against the implementation of the north-south agreement on guarantee of peace and military stability in the Korean peninsula in disregard of our repeated warnings that they should stop imports of latest military hardware and joint military exercises with the U.S.

Worse still, they are getting crazier about modernization of armed forces, labeling our development of various conventional weapons, which pertains entirely to the just exercise of our sovereignty, a "provocation."

If they want to find fault with it, they should first give an explanation for the chief executive's personal remarks calling for furthering the efforts for securing and developing latest military assets, saying that ballistic and cruise missiles with more correct and stronger power and longer range than the existing ones will be developed and a ballistic missile with the world's heaviest warhead was developed. They should also provide a convincing explanation for the purpose and intention in their continued introduction of cutting-edge offensive equipment.

The report seriously warned the south Korean authorities that if they continue to label our action "provocation" with a double-dealing and biased mindset, we have no other choice but to deal with them in a different way.

A new road toward improvement of the north-south relations based on firm trust and reconciliation can be paved only when the south Korean authorities strictly control and root out any abnormal anti-reunification conducts.

Whether the north-south relations can be restored and invigorated or not entirely depends on the attitude of the south Korean authorities and they will receive as much as they pay and try.

The report stressed that at the present moment there is no need to unilaterally show goodwill to the south Korean authorities as done in the past,

and that we should treat them according to how they respond to our just demand and how much effort they make to fulfill the north-south agreements.

It made an analysis that whether the north-south relations may return to a new starting point of peace and prosperity in the near future as they were in spring 3 years ago, as desired by all compatriots, or not depends on the south Korean authorities' behavior.

The Supreme Leader in the report clarified the general direction and policy stand of the WPK on the overall development of external relations.

The report analyzed in depth the current international situation and the external environment of our Republic.

The major review and conclusion of our Party's external activities in the period under review are that the strategy of countering toughness in kind should be consistently adhered to against the hostile forces unwarrantedly running amuck and the big powers using high-handed practices.

After affirming this stance, the report set it as the general direction of the foreign affairs at present to extensively develop the foreign relations on a par with the strategic position of our state and thus reliably guarantee the socialist construction in political and diplomatic aspects.

Hence, it clarified the principled matters to be maintained in the field of foreign affairs.

It is needed to hold fast to the principle of independence in external activities, regarding it as the first mission of the Republic's diplomacy to defend the majesty of our Party, enhance the national prestige and champion the interests of the state.

We should wage offensive diplomacy to smash the maneuvers of the hostile forces seeking to violate our sovereignty and defend our state's rights to normal development.

We should put the focus of foreign political activities on containing and subduing the U.S., the fundamental obstacle to the development of our revolution and our foremost principal enemy.

The report stressed the need for the field of external affairs to adopt the strategy toward the U.S. in a tactical way and steadily expand the solidarity with the anti-imperialist independence forces, noting that the entity of the U.S. and the real intention of its policy toward the DPRK will never change, whoever comes into power in the U.S.

It also referred to the issue of frustrating the reactionary offensive of the enemies and exalting the position of our state by enhancing the role of the foreign propaganda sector.

It stressed the need for the field of foreign affairs to further develop the relations with socialist countries, consolidate the unity and cooperation with the revolutionary and progressive parties aspiring after independence and resolutely wage the joint struggle against imperialism worldwide so as to make the external environment of the state more favorable.

The report expressed the steadfast will of our Party to reliably defend peace and stability of the Korean peninsula and other parts of the world.

In this planet, there is no such country as the DPRK always exposed to war threat, so its people's desire for peace is very strong.

We have stored and steadily bolstered up the strongest war deterrent in order to defend ourselves and open up an era of genuine peace knowing no war forever.

Now that our national defence capabilities are in the level of preemptively containing the hostile forces' threat outside our territory, the future escalation of tensions on the Korean peninsula will lead to the instability of security on the part of the forces posing threat to us.

The report solemnly clarified the stand of the WPK to approach the U.S. on the principle of answering force with toughness and good faith in kind in the future, too, stating that a key to establishing new relationship between the DPRK and the U.S. lies in the U.S. withdrawal of its hostile policy towards the DPRK.

It reaffirmed that the DPRK, as a responsible nuclear weapons state, would not misapply the nuclear weapon unless the aggressive hostile forces try to use their nuclear against the DPRK.

The report on the work of the 7th Central Committee of the WPK clarified the foreign policy stand of the WPK to strengthen friendship and solidarity with all the countries in the world respecting the sovereignty of the DPRK and realize a genuine international justice. This, therefore, provided the strategic and tactical guidelines to further increase the DPRK's international authority and influence in the new forthcoming period.

4. For development of Party work

In the fourth system of the report Supreme Leader **Kim Jong Un** summed up successes gained in the work for developing the Party during the period

under review and set forth the tasks and ways arising in improving the Party work as required by the times and developing reality.

The report evaluated that it were precious successes achieved in the Party work during the period under review that the unified leadership system of the Party Central Committee was firmly established in the entire Party, the fighting efficiency and leadership ability of the Party remarkably developed and the Party's foundation readjusted and developed in a comprehensive and detailed way.

It said that the WPK has fully discharged its mission and duty regarding the people-first principle as its political idea.

When the Party's fighting efficiency and leadership ability are steadily developed, the cause of building socialism can be led to victory with pluck all the time amid the absolute trust of the people despite any obstacles and difficulties-this is the main review and precious experience gained in the Party work during the past five years.

The report set forth important tasks and ways for bringing about radical innovation in the Party work in line with the present situation, in which the Korean revolution has entered the period of new development and leap.

It clarified it as the first task to attach primary importance to establishing the monolithic leadership system and further develop it.

As mentioned in the report the Party organizations and officials should ensure the absolute authority of the Party Central Committee always and everywhere and staunchly safeguard it. And they should never tolerate or connive at even the slightest tendency to undermine the authority of the Party Central Committee, but wage uncompromising struggle against it.

They should consistently push forward with the efforts to defend and glorify the Party's leadership feats, particularly give a facelift to the units associated with the leadership exploits and the ones inspected by the great leaders, and ensure that they become the model units in carrying out the Party policies.

Party organizations should scrupulously organize the work to carry out the Party policies, learn in detail about how it is done, and review it, so as to thoroughly implement the policies.

To cement the single-minded unity of the Party and the revolutionary ranks in every way by doing the Party's internal work effectively was raised as an important task in the report.

The report underscored the need to put major efforts on the building up of the ranks of the cadres, the hard core of the Party and the leading officials of the revolution, to steadily strengthen the education and control of them to prevent them from getting ideologically degenerated and to improve the quality of the ranks of the Party by strictly adhering to the Party principle of increasing Party membership, the one on which the people recognized by everyone else are selected carefully.

The report underlined the need to continue directing big efforts to strengthening the primary Party organizations and Party cells, the lower-echelon organizations of the Party, to effectively press ahead with the organization of and guidance on the Party life as a main link in the whole chain of the Party work and to rally the broad masses more closely behind the Party by concentrating on the work with the masses.

The Party's ideological work is one of the main tasks of the Party leading the revolution; it is also an important work which should not be neglected in the whole period when the Party leads the revolution and construction.

The report advanced the tasks of strictly adhering to the principle of unitary management in the Party ideological work, of correcting the deep-seated shortcomings revealed in the Party information field, and of fundamentally improving the forms and ways of the ideological education work in line with the developing reality.

It also put forward the task of strengthening the Party guidance and policy-oriented guidance over the revolution and construction; it stressed the need to improve the quality of Party committees, the political general staffs of relevant units, and enhance their roles; it underlined the need for Party organizations to establish the revolutionary traits of adopting proper decisions and implementing them unconditionally, and the need for them to resolve all the problems in the Party way, the political way while thoroughly guarding against such practices as taking administrative functions upon themselves and conservatism of following others at the back rather than leading them in front.

The report set forth ways of improving the Party work fundamentally.

First of all, the irrational Party work system and methods should be done away with in line with the developing reality, and the Party work replaced with the popular and proper work true to the Party's idea of believing in the people as in Heaven.

The more thoroughly the popular and realistic character is applied to the Party work, the closer the whole party will get to the fact and the truth, and

the more successfully the fighting efficiency of the Party will be redoubled- these are an important idea of the report.

The report stressed once again that abuse of power, bureaucracy, irregularities and corruption are what the Party must most strictly guard against and its primary struggle target at present, and that Party organizations should carry on an uncompromising struggle against even any iota of them.

Calling for thoroughly establishing the revolutionary discipline of intensifying criticism, ideological struggle and study and of working according to functions, the report stressed that it is a way of improving the Party work to decisively improve the level and ability of the Party officials.

The Supreme Leader in the last part of the report said that through the report on the work of the Party Central Committee, an in-depth understanding of successes and shortcomings in our work and their causes and lessons and the future struggle orientation and detailed ways was given, and that through collective discussion, it was possible to confirm strategic and tactical policies based on the common opinions.

He expressed his expectation that all the delegates would make a profound study and discussion of the issues dealt in the report in line with the leadership idea of the Party and with a high sense of Party responsibility, and he ardently called on them to vigorously work for a fresh leap forward and victory in the socialist construction, for our great state and for our great people, uniting closely around the Party Central Committee under the uplifted banner of great Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism.

His historic report that comprehensively clarified the important guidelines for bringing about a new upswing in overall work of the Party and revolution aroused full support and approval of all the participants in the congress, and adds confidence to the victorious advance and bright future of our socialist cause.

His report on the work of the 7th Central Committee of the WPK will always shine as a lasting monument in the sacred chronicle of the WPK leading the Juche revolution to the most brilliant victory along the glorious road with its great ideology and leadership.

The detailed text of the report will be distributed to the Party organizations at all levels as a text for internal use. -0-