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Meeting of Presidium of Politburo of WPK Central Committee Held

Pyongyang, May 18 (KCNA) -- A meeting of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea (WPK) was held at the office building of the Party Central Committee on Tuesday.

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea, guided the meeting.

Attending the meeting were members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee.

Present there as observers were Ri Il Hwan, secretary of the WPK Central Committee, and Kim Jae Ryong and Ju Chang Il, department directors of the WPK Central Committee.

The meeting made an analysis of the current state of the health crisis, studied and discussed the enforcement of immediate epidemic prevention policy and the orientation for executing the Party and state policies under the maximum emergency epidemic prevention situation.

It also examined a report on the execution of the Party and state policies for the first half of this year as of May 17 before discussing the documents and agenda item on an organizational matter to be submitted to the 5th Plenary Meeting of the 8th Party Central Committee.

The Presidium of the Political Bureau made a comprehensive analysis of merits and demerits in the activities of the members of the leadership body of the Party Central Committee and took relevant measures in consideration.

The Presidium of the Political Bureau discussed the issue of helping the Party organizations at all levels, leading officials and officials of the state organs enhance their role with firm will, confidence, boundless devotion and responsibility and achieve remarkable progress in implementing the policies of the Party Central Committee while holding fast to its monolithic leadership as their lifeline and thus play a leading role in building the socialist economy and the national defence and overcoming the severe health crisis.

The Presidium of the Political Bureau analyzed the reality in which the leading officials of the Party and state organs fail to properly handle affairs in the current health crisis due to shortage of their experience, and studied and discussed the issues of enhancing their leading role, creativity and activity.

It discussed measures for further enhancing the comprehension and control over the work, activities and role of the Party organizations at all levels, leading officials and officials of the state organs so as to make sure that they do not maintain their position with inability and self-preservation,

and for establishing the strong discipline within the whole Party and state organs.

It discussed the issue of further intensifying the discipline inspection within the Party, strengthening the Party organizational and ideological life and enhancing the guidance and control including organizational control and inspection to make all the Party organizations and officials of the state organs fulfill their duties and further perfecting the organizational and institutional measures for vigorously implementing the Party's grand line of socialist construction.

Importantly discussed at the meeting was the issue of further enhancing the function and role of the Secretariat and all departments of the Party Central Committee.

The General Secretary analyzed the limitations and defects revealed in the activities of the Secretariat and the Political Bureau of the Party Central Committee and clarified the measures for overcoming them.

The Presidium of the Political Bureau examined a report of the state emergency epidemic prevention headquarters on the spread of epidemic as of May 17 and recognized the justness, efficiency and scientific accuracy of the state emergency epidemic prevention policy now in effect. And it discussed the issue of continuously maintaining the good chance in the overall epidemic prevention front by adjusting steadily and in a mobile way the state epidemic prevention policy in keeping with the sustained favorable turn like today and changing epidemic prevention situation.

Intensively learning about the work launched to immediately rectify the deviations in medicine supply, the Presidium of the Political Bureau assigned to study such additional anti-epidemic measures as the establishment of a center for disseminating medicines and district treatment centers throughout the country.

At the meeting, the General Secretary made an important conclusion in regard to the implementation of the Party and state epidemic prevention policy at the present.

He said that immaturity in the state capacity for coping with the crisis, revealed from the early period of trial in the epidemic prevention facing us for the first time since the state building, and the non-positive attitude, slackness and non-activity of state leading officials fully disclosed the vulnerable points and vacuum of our work and resulted in further increasing the complexity and hardships only in the early period of epidemic prevention campaign in which time is the life.

He stressed the need to criticize and analyze in depth the evils and defects revealed in every sector in the early period of anti-epidemic war from the developmental point of view and take prompt counter-measures, further perfect the methodology of implanting relevant policies of the Party Central Committee into all sectors and arming them with the policies and reinforce the state unified command system and obedient system. All units and all officials should not allow negligence of the lack of recognition and preparations, willful interpretation and willful action in recognizing and overcoming the graveness of the situation and intensify the education and control to tide over such practices and raise the hot wind of struggle, he added.

He underlined the need to concentrate efforts to preventing the spread of epidemic and curing for the present under the state emergency epidemic prevention situation and simultaneously push ahead with the material and technological preparations to cope with the future threats and challenges in an all-round way, rectify the recently revealed defects, shortcomings and vulnerable points, reinforce the health and epidemic prevention systems so as to make the health crisis facing us at present an opportunity of accelerating the development of the state capacity for epidemic prevention.

Saying that redoubled efforts should be made to stabilize the people's life, he stressed the need to more scrupulously organize the work for providing the living conditions and the supply of daily necessities and make every effort to meet the inhabitants' demand for medical treatment and ensure the conditions for it as much as possible.

The Party organizations at all levels should attach importance to the public trend and voices of the popular masses, timely learn about them and take measures, explain well the justness and scientific accuracy of the emergency steps taken by the Party and the state, enhance their consciousness of crisis and responsibility for the grim state's emergency situation, educate and guide all of them to sincerely fulfil their voluntary duty and overcome the anti-epidemic war with the involvement of all the people by relying on them, he said.

The crisis facing us offered a test board to distinguish between merits and demerits of all working system of our state, he noted, stressing that we should correctly scrutinize all the phenomena of the emergency situation and take measures from the critical and developmental point of view, make the thought and action of all Party organizations, power organs and all sectors of society unconditionally unified with the decisions and orders of the Party Central Committee and maintain unified pace with the Party Central Committee voluntarily and obligatorily in all state activities.

It is imperative to implant again the idea of the Party Central Committee on attaching importance to the Party cells and the role of the Party members into all Party organizations and all Party cells to enhance the core role and vanguard role of the Party members, he said.

In particular, it is necessary to make the cadres lead the Party members and the broad section of the popular masses in the van of the fighting areas and fronts and fight valiantly as scouts and discharge their duty and role as bulletproof walls, he stressed repeatedly.

He affirmed that he would arouse the whole Party like active volcano once again under the state emergency situation to make the tested leadership peculiar to our Party proven before the history and times and fulfil its responsibility and thus defend the wellbeing of the country and the people without fail and demonstrate to the whole world the strength and the spirit of heroic Korea once again. -0-