

The great leader President KIM IL SUNG , Eternal Sun of Humankind

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On the occasion of the 110th anniversary of the birth of the great leader comrade KIM IL SUNG , we recall and reflect on the great achievements and ideas of comrade KIM IL SUNG which shine ever more brightly despite the passing of years .

April 15, the day when comrade KIM IL SUNG was born into a humble and honest peasant at Mangyongdae , Pyongyang in 1912 , is proudly celebrated by the people of the DPRK as well as world progressive and revolutionary people throughout the world because the birth of comrade KIM IL SUNG was like the bright sun rising over a new era of liberation and independence , a new era of socialism and a new era of Juche .

I was honoured to participate in the celebrations in the DPRK itself of the 90th anniversary of the birth of the great leader President KIM IL SUNG in April 2002 and the 100th anniversary in 2012 and also the 105th anniversary in 2017 .It always a truly marvellous feeling to be in in the DPRK for the Day of the Sun , as you see the single-hearted unity of the people around the Party and leader and the achievements of Juche socialism in action.

Comrade KIM IL SUNG was a great liberator of the Korean people and the ever-victorious general and iron-willed brilliant commander who defeated two barbarous and aggressive imperialist powers , Japan and the US , within the space of one generation. When spineless politicians , hidebound dogmatists and worshippers of big powers just argued among themselves or held useless debates , comrade KIM IL SUNG set about the hard work of organising the struggle for national liberation and went deep among the masses of people . Comrade KIM IL SUNG founded the Down With Imperialism Union , the Korean People's Revolutionary Army and the Association For the Restoration of the Fatherland and led the

15 year war for independence to which came to a victorious conclusion when Korea was liberated on the 15th of August 1945 . When the US imperialists attacked the young country of People's Korea in June 1950 the great leader comrade KIM IL SUNG did not flinch even though the US was many times the size of the DPRK and was undefeated in its many wars of aggression and conquest and also dragged 15 of its satellite countries into war . Under the leadership of generalissimo KIM IL SUNG , the DPRK and Korean people proved invincible , inflicting the first ever defeat on US imperialism which began to decline afterwards.

Comrade KIM IL SUNG , a great thinker and theoretician , authored the immortal Juche idea whilst fighting a war against the Japanese imperialists . The Juche idea not only guides People's Korea but is the torch of liberation for all the oppressed , downtrodden and toiling people throughout the world . The Juche idea teaches us to always be independent and creative .

Applying the Juche Idea in practice, President KIM IL SUNG built the party , state and armed forces of People's Korea . He founded the Workers Party of Korea in 1945 , then the Korean People's Army in February 1948 and later the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in September 1948 . President KIM IL SUNG guided the building of an independent , Juche-oriented socialist power , different from any other socialist country , in the land of Korea . A powerful state of Juche , of independence , self-sufficiency and self-reliant defence was built up splendidly thanks to President KIM IL SUNG .

Comrade KIM IL SUNG created a socialist paradise in which exploitation and oppression was wiped , in which there was free health care , free education , full employment and even taxation was abolished !

Visiting People's Korea for the first time in May 1992, when comrade KIM IL SUNG was living , I witnessed for myself the solidity and invincibility of Juche-based socialism . Socialism in a number of countries, including the once powerful USSR which was worshipped by so many and seen as perfect , collapsed . Some thought that People's Korea would go the same way but this did not happen. Visiting the DPRK

I realised that Juche socialism would never collapse . I remember a researcher of the Korean Association of Social Scientists saying to me when we visited Mt Myohyang ‘ as you can see ,socialism in our country is ever-victorious ‘.

Comrade KIM IL SUNG , a true communist and militant anti-revisionist kept to revolutionary principles when the modern revisionists in the early 1960s preached capitulation and compromise, countering them by developing independent , Juche -based socialism In the late 1980s and early 1990s when the revisionists and traitors, whose pockets were stuffed full of dirty Yankee dollars , betrayed socialism , comrade KIM IL SUNG held high the red flag of socialism and made sure that People’s Korea kept to the straight revolutionary road of Juche , socialism and independence.

Today the great ideas of the great leader comrade KIM IL SUNG are carried forward by the dear respected leader Marshal KIM JONG UN , general secretary of the Workers’ Party of Korea . People’s Korea is virtually the only country in the whole world without a Covid 19 case and is building socialism in the spirit of self-reliance in defiance of the imperialist sanctions .

Thus the achievements and ideas of comrade KIM IL SUNG live on in today’s People’s Korea and will shine forever like the bright morning sun of spring !

ETERNAL GLORY TO THE GREAT LEADER COMRADE  
KIM IL SUNG , ETERNAL RED SUN OF JUCHE !  
LONG LIVE RESPECTED MARSHAL KIM JONG UN !  
LONG LIVE JUCHE !  
LONG LIVE SELF-RELIANCE !  
LONG LIVE PEOPLE’S KOREA !

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