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- A nighttime photograph of a cityscape, likely Pyongyang, North Korea. The central focus is a tall, illuminated skyscraper with a distinctive tiered top. The city is lit up with warm lights, and numerous colorful fireworks are exploding in the dark sky, creating a festive atmosphere. The foreground shows a mix of modern and older buildings.
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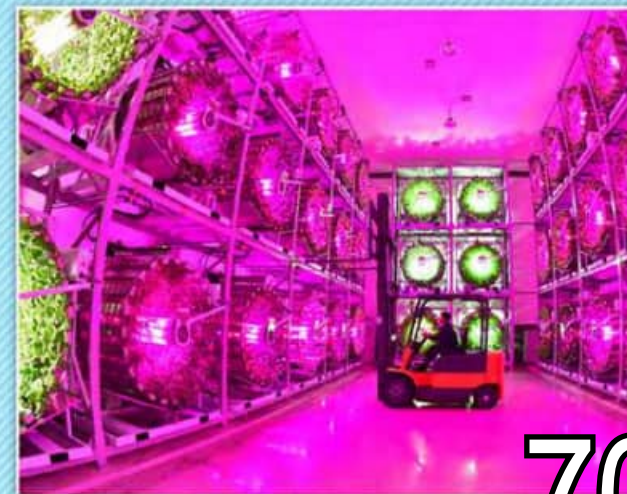
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# Highest Institute for Training Party Cadres in New Era Ensuring Steady Continuity and Development of Revolutionary Cause of Juche

## Inauguration Ceremony of Central Cadres Training School of WPK Held with Splendour



Directly initiated and wisely guided by the Central Committee of the great Workers' Party of Korea, the Central Cadres Training School of the WPK, the highest institute for training Party cadres, was built in the historic Kumsusan area as a symbol of the absolute prestige of our Party and the invincibility of our cause, and greeted the day of its inauguration.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un unfolded a far-reaching plan to renovate the "pedigree farm" for training the backbone of the Party, related with its future for the next 100 years, as required by the developing times, and personally designated the site for its construction. And he provided energetic guidance to make sure that its design comprehensively reflected its appearance and dignity as befits a research centre that would support the organizational and ideological strengthening of the Party and its leadership activities in an educational and academic way.



# Respected Comrade Kim Jong Un Makes Speech and Cuts Inauguration Tape



Thanks to the vigorous efforts of the builders who upheld with matchless fighting efficiency and creative abilities Kim Jong Un's noble intention to add glory to the cause of building the Kimilsungist-Kimjongilist party by building the political institution, which had made a great contribution to the long and glorious history of Party building, into a prestigious educational base in the world both in name and reality, the school was successfully built as a model of the Juche-oriented architecture and education sector in a little more than one year after groundbreaking.

The school, which has a total floor space of over 133 000 square metres and was built on an ideal site in terms of its political character as a "pedigree farm" for training the backbone of the WPK and

educational environment, has administration section, cultural and sports section, living section and others laid out in a modern and practical way to suit their missions, functions and purposes, and they are equipped with an advanced educational system and a high level of educational conditions and environment.

The inauguration ceremony of the Central Cadres Training School of the WPK took place with splendour on May 21.

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the WPK and president of the State Affairs of the DPRK, attended the inauguration ceremony.

When Kim Jong Un arrived, all the participants broke into stormy cheers of "Hurrah!"

They cheered enthusiastically, looking up to Kim Jong Un, the

prominent leader of the ever-victorious WPK, steadfast Kimilsungist-Kimjongilist and greatest successor.

Kim Jong Un extended warm congratulations and greetings of encouragement to all the participants in the historic ceremony, which would be greatly significant for the future destiny of the Party and the revolution.

Present at the inauguration ceremony were Kim Tok Hun, Jo Yong Won and Choe Ryong Hae, members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee, Ri Il Hwan, Kim Jae Ryong and Pak Thae Song, secretaries of the WPK Central Committee, and other officials of the WPK Central Committee, chief secretaries of provincial, city and county Party committees, officials of the Cabinet, ministries, national agencies and provincial Party committees, teaching staff of the Central Cadres Training School of the WPK, officials of the Party cadres training institutes at all levels and leading Party officials of major units in Pyongyang and provinces.

The national anthem of the DPRK was played.

Kim Jong Un made a speech, titled, "Train Cadres of the Party in the New Era Who Are Faithful to the Ideal and Spirit of Its Founding" in celebration of the inauguration ceremony.

Kim Jong Un in his speech expressed his excitement of greeting the moment of etching in history the Central Cadres Training School of the WPK, which has a glorious history and tradition, with its newer

appearance as suited to its position and weight. And he expressed his satisfaction at the fact that with the successful completion of the project prepared with much care for years to add eternal glory and honour to the WPK, a prestigious school in the world has taken on its majestic appearance as the "pedigree farm" for training the backbone of the Party and as a research centre for ideologically and theoretically supporting the Party in its building and activities.

Saying that the "pedigree farm" for succession to our Party's cause has been built at a place adjacent to the sacred temple, where President Kim Il Sung and Chairman Kim Jong Il lie in state, and near the Revolutionary Martyrs Cemetery on Jujak Peak, where the great leaders can hear even the whispering by the students in the campus and the martyrs can always look at them, Kim Jong Un noted that this fact is a manifestation of the determination of all the members of the WPK to remain eternally loyal to the revolutionary cause of the President and the Chairman invariably holding aloft the banner of the immortal Juche idea and their steel-strong will to carry on to the end and accomplish without fail the revolutionary cause of Juche so as not to feel ashamed for themselves before the martyrs.

Availing himself of the auspicious inauguration ceremony, he expressed thanks to the commanders and soldiers of the heroic guard construction unit and officials in the designing sector who had fully displayed matchless fighting capacity, creative ability and unusual





sense of duty during the construction in order to build the school as a crystallization of patriotism and loyalty that embodies the plan and intention of the Party Central Committee most correctly and as a masterpiece of the era that is perfectly true to the Juche-oriented architectural idea of the Party.

He also extended heartfelt congratulations and encouraging greetings to the teachers and researchers of the Central Cadres Training School and education workers of other Party cadres training institutes who are working devotedly to fulfil their heavy yet honourable duty they assume in the important position, which nobody else could tackle, for the steadfast continuity and development of the Party's ideology and cause, and to students who are the first to enrol at the excellent political school.

He referred to the profound significance of the new birth of the highest institute for training revolutionaries, which is directly related to the long-term development of the Party and succession of the revolutionary cause.

Stressing that the party-building cause of the working class is a long-term undertaking which continues generation after generation and the success in the matter of preserving the party's fighting programme and character and maintaining and intensifying its inherent character and climate would never come of its own accord simply because the party has a long history as government party and excellent traditions, he referred to the importance of the strong party cadres training base for the working-class party to pave the victorious path of the revolution by carrying forward its glorious history since the great founding and maintaining and strengthening its ruling capacity and leadership. And he appreciated the sacred course and honourable title of the Central Party Cadres Training School of the WPK which has fulfilled its mission since its founding as a reliable base for firmly preserving the integrity of the ranks of the Party cadres.

The history of the WPK's Central Cadres Training School spanning nearly 80 years, when it has supported the glorious ruling history of the WPK, teaches the truth that the historic cause of succession

begins and comes to accomplishment at the "pedigree farm" for educating and training reserve Party cadres and that the top priority in aspiring to and designing the bright future of the Party and the revolution should be given to the effort to build up an excellent base for training Party cadres, he said, adding that this is just the Party's strategic view of value.

He said that to turn the Central Cadres Training School of the WPK into a world-class school is not merely an undertaking of sprucing up the appearance of an educational institute but the most important task for ensuring the continuity of the lifeline of the Kimilsungist-Kimjongilist party and its invincible leadership for all ages. Anyone who visits here can find clear answers to the questions of how the lifeline of the Party and the revolution is carried forward and how its absolute ruling power and leadership ability are put on a permanent basis and can read the steadfast will of the WPK to defend the eternal continuity and invincibility of the Juche revolution by giving definite precedence to training Party cadres over all other affairs in

the future, too, he noted.

Now, for our Party, as it faces another turning point in its course of development, the circumstances and conditions have changed radically, compared with the past, in the light of its own development and implementation of its revolutionary tasks, he said, adding that hence the WPK adopted the line of Party building in the new era and set forth the task of bringing about a radical improvement in the five major fields of Party building at the Sixth Plenary Meeting of its Eighth Central Committee and has pushed ahead with its implementation in every way.

He said that the most pressing and critical task at the present stage, for the long-term development of the Party building and in implementing the Party's programme of struggle is to make the cadres possess and improve loyalty to the Party, the revolution and the people as three essential qualities. Proceeding from the requirement of the reality when the Party has now entered a crucial point of its qualitative consolidation, he set forth the slogan "Let Us





Usher in a Great Heyday of Building Up the Party in the New Era by Carrying Forward the Ideals and Spirit of Its Founding!” and defined it as the primary revolutionary task for the cadres to equip themselves with the ideals, faith and spirit of the revolutionaries of the first generation who accomplished the cause of the Party founding.

Affirming that to do so is the best option for transforming the ranks of the Party cadres on a revolutionary and working-class pattern as soon as possible and a shortcut to ushering in a practical heyday of

Party building, he said that it is a guarantee for the invincibility of the revolutionary Party and the law of its ruling to set great store by the sacred first page of the Party’s history and invariably carry it forward as new pages and exploits are added to it.

Noting that the inauguration ceremony reminded us once again of the school’s mission and duty, which we can never entrust to anyone else, along with the law-governed nature of the Party building and succession to the revolutionary cause which we should never forget,

he set forth in detail all the tasks arising in the important course of strengthening the school into the “pedigree farm” for training communists in the new era.

To turn the “pedigree farm” for training the backbone of the Party into the best university and a model of the educational sector is itself a main factor and extension of the Party work, he said, adding that the WPK came to have the foundation for successfully training its excellent successors by securing a powerful strategic base.

He clarified the important principles to be held fast to by the school in its educational work, analyzed some deviations being manifested in the educational work of the Party cadres training institutes at various levels, and advanced strategic tasks for improving educational work as required by the times and the developing revolution.

To guarantee the lasting prosperity of the WPK by carrying forward the ideals and spirit of the Party founding pure and clean is the core of the idea of our Party building, he said, adding that the WPK will



grow stronger with today as a new starting point and write a proud chapter of history of making another great turn in the destiny of the country and people.

He paid high tribute to the invincible WPK which organizes and

guides all victories of the Korean people, affirming that the undying dignity and glory of the WPK, which is most faithful to the desire of the masses of the working people and to the socialist ideology, is most thoroughgoing in the orthodox nature as a revolutionary party



of the working class and is outstanding and seasoned in its fighting efficiency and leadership, will shine more brilliantly in the ceaseless struggle of all the Party members united single-heartedly around its Central Committee.

All the participants raised enthusiastic cheers as a token of their highest glory to the great leader of the Juche revolution, who is developing the WPK into an ever-victorious guiding force, which firmly guarantees the eternal future of the powerful nation, with his





far-sighted wisdom, profound ideology and theory and energetic guidance, and demonstrating its invincibility and heroic spirit to the whole world.

A letter of pledge of the teaching staff of the school to Kim Jong Un and the WPK was read out.

Kim Jong Un cut the inauguration tape.

Amid cheers, fireworks were set off and balloons floated over the venue of the inauguration ceremony which witnessed the historic event to be markedly recorded in the course of strengthening the Party guided by the five-point building line in the new era.

The ceremony ended with the playing of the song "Internationale."

Kim Jong Un looked round the revolutionary museum.

He looked back with deep emotion on the history of the school, which, over the past eight decades since its establishment on June 1, Juche 35 (1946) as the country's first permanent Party cadres training institute thanks to the far-sighted initiative and leadership of President Kim Il Sung, has always been a source of power and

pride for the WPK in the course of the struggle to steadily train competent cadres needed for building and strengthening the Party as a whole.

He underlined the need to bear in mind that the development of the WPK hinges on the role of the school and that all the undertakings for strengthening the Party and the eternal future of Party building depend on every step it takes forward, adding that it was important in ensuring the durable existence and successful development of the WPK to carry forward, purely, thoroughly and perfectly, the ideals and spirit handed down by the generation that pioneered the cause of Party building.

Guided by leading officials of the school, he looked around the education and science exhibition hall, room for studying Party-building, lecture hall No. 3, etc.

He learned about how the school stepped up its efforts to scientifically systematize, enrich and introduce in its academic courses the important ideas and theories and practical experience

being explored, formulated and applied by the Party in the course of the historic struggle in the new century of the Juche era, on the principle of combining inheritance with progressiveness.

Noting that it is the basic mission of the school, which is responsible for nurturing the future of the Party, for all the teaching staff to fully equip themselves with the red flag idea of the WPK and make the spirit of the students red, he stressed that as it plays a leading role in improving educational work in the Party cadres training institutes at all levels, the school should make proactive efforts to bring about a radical turn in education as demanded by the Party Central Committee and thus fulfil the strategic and historic tasks entrusted to it by the times and the revolution.

He had a photo taken with the teaching staff of the school, a sacred educational institution devoted to steadily carrying forward and developing the WPK's ideas and cause.

All the teaching staff expressed their heartfelt thanks to Kim Jong Un for having taken steps to build a revolutionary school without parallel in the world in the sacred place associated with the great history and traditions of the Korean revolution, and for putting them forward as the first masters of this school on a par with the most prestigious universities in the world.

An artistic performance was given to mark the inauguration of the school.

The songs sung by the performers aroused ennobling reverence among the audiences for the WPK noted for its outstanding revolutionary ideology and seasoned leadership, a great party which

was founded on the basis of the ideal "The people are God" under the banner of the Juche revolution and, for long years since its founding, has brought up the Korean people to be heroes and heroines with an invincible spirit of single-hearted unity and cleared a path for building a powerful country, independent in politics, self-supporting in the economy and self-reliant in defence.

The performance ended with a firework display, the audiences raising loud cheers again.

Kim Jong Un waved back to the cheering participants, who were fully determined to share will and purpose with the Party Central Committee and act as one in response to its call, while making redoubled efforts for the development of the great Kimilsungist-Kimjongilist party and the victorious advance of the revolutionary cause of Juche.

The participants made the rounds of the school, appreciating its distinctive features as befits the most prestigious political school of the WPK and a masterpiece of the present era perfectly embodying the Juche-oriented idea on architecture.

A dinner was given to congratulate the teaching staff of the school.

Present there were senior cadres of the Party and the government.

The inauguration of the school will be recorded in history as a new step forward towards eternal prosperity of the WPK, and as the birth of a powerful strategic base guaranteeing the brilliant inheritance and victory of the noble ideals and sacred cause of Party building.





# Kim Jong Un Has Photo Session with Soldier-builders, Designers and Artistes Who Contributed to Building of Central Cadres Training School of WPK and Its Grand Inauguration Ceremony



Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, on May 22 had a photo session with the soldier-builders, designers and artistes who contributed to the building of the Central Cadres Training School of the Workers' Party of Korea and its grand inauguration ceremony.

Kim Jong Un warmly congratulated the service personnel, the experienced group of designers and artistes for having built a world-class political and ideological school with perfect features as a "pedigree farm" for training the hard core of the WPK, the most authoritative revolutionary school of a socialist ruling party, which embodies the dignity and revolutionary will of the WPK at the highest level, thus performing feats of eternal significance in the history of the development of the WPK, and praised them for their great efforts.

He highly appreciated the ardent patriotism, loyalty and devotion of the officers and men of Unit 267 of the Korean People's Army who fully demonstrated once again their matchlessly great abilities and spirit of death-defyingly implementing the Party's policy in the school construction, a project of the WPK's top priority. Saying that the heroic Guards unit is really excellent, he noted that it has built many world-startling monumental edifices in the recent ten-odd years, single-heartedly and loyally upholding the grand construction plan of the Party and that it is a source of pride of the Party and the country to have such a capable unit without parallel.

Looking back with deep emotion on the efforts of the designers who built an iconic entity of Juche-oriented architecture and education in a little more than a year by displaying the enterprising and innovative spirit of creation and strenuous fighting spirit, he highly praised them for their brilliant feats enshrined in each precious structure symbolic

of an era of change built in every part of the country.

Only when a powerful design force is prepared before a construction workforce is organized can we shape a rosy future according to our ideals, he said, calling on the designers in the sector to become excellent artists and gardeners who paint and cultivate a brilliant future paradise and thus ensure the everlasting prosperity of the country.

Describing the renowned army unit and design group as his Guards unit and a group under his personal command, he urged them to continue to build every structure to be a viable monument fully representing the Juche- and people-oriented characters and national traits peculiar to our state, the aspirations and sentiments of the people and the dignity and spirit of a great powerful nation so as to take the lead in upholding the cause of building a prosperous, powerful and civilized socialist state.

Appreciating the high artistic skills and devoted efforts the authoritative creative workers and artistes displayed at the recent national events, he gave thanks to all the performers for supporting with their wonderful musical works the sacred struggle of the WPK for a new victory of the revolution in the performance given the day before in celebration of the inauguration ceremony of the Central Cadres Training School of the WPK in particular.

Expressing firm belief and expectation that the soldier-builders and designers would continue to display the reputation of a meritorious unit and experienced design group which have upheld the Party's construction policy with heroic creative activities and achieve signal successes in the vanguard of the construction revolution for ushering in a heyday of socialist civilization, and wishing for more inspiring successes in the art field in the future, he had photos taken with them.



# Grand Monument to Youth Representing Future of Civilized Thriving Country Inauguration Ceremony of Jonwi Street Takes Place with Splendour

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# Kim Jong Un Cuts Inauguration Tape



Jonwi (Vanguard) Street, a new modern street which has been majestically built at the northern gateway to Pyongyang, the capital city of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, writing another proud chapter in the heroic history of the course of development of the Korean youth movement shining with great succession and feats, greeted its inauguration.

The large architectural group, which presents a spectacular scene with high-rise and super-high-rise apartment houses of various styles, including an iconic 80-storey apartment building, and public buildings, is an admirable gift of labour presented to the country and the people by the reliable young vanguard who are upholding and defending the cause of the Workers' Party of Korea with ardent patriotism and loyalty. It is also a creation of the dynamic advance of Korean-style socialism.

The inauguration ceremony of Jonwi Street took place with splendour on May 14.

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, attended the ceremony.



When Kim Jong Un and his beloved daughter arrived at the venue of the ceremony amid the playing of welcome music, all the participants broke into stormy cheers of “Hurrah!”

The national anthem of the DPRK was played.

Ri Il Hwan, member of the Political Bureau and secretary of the WPK Central Committee, made an inaugural address.

Referring to the honour of greeting a significant moment of presenting to the country and the people a monumental edifice associated with the name of the young vanguard in the presence of the respected fatherly Marshal Kim Jong Un, the speaker warmly congratulated the reliable young builders who had given pleasure to the people first and greeted the moment of glory with the pride of having built another new street in our beloved capital city.

He stressed that it was not easy for the young people to build a

large-scale street, in which high-rise and super-high-rise apartment houses with thousands of flats and neighbourhood-serving amenities formed a large architectural group, in a year by their own efforts, but they turned out bravely for the capital city of Pyongyang, true to the plan and determination of Kim Jong Un, and finally attained the huge construction goal, thus achieving the high honour and dignity of the revolutionary vanguard and wonderfully repaying the great trust of the motherly Party.

The construction of the new street in the Sopho area was a large-scale project associated with the profound aim and intention of the fatherly Marshal to train the young people into the masters of the new era and genuine successors to the revolution, he said, adding that Kim Jong Un, who personally attended the ground-breaking ceremony, placing absolute trust in the young builders with his





speech, named the street Jonwi, and saw to it that the state prioritized the project as its own undertaking and threw its full weight behind it.

In the grand construction, whose prerequisite was steel-like organizing ability and unity, many young people have grown into the full-fledged socialist builders and dignified revolutionaries and patriots who cultivated and redoubled their loyalty, devotion,

collectivism and optimism, he noted, adding it is the precious success not inferior to remodelling the appearance of the capital city that the active character of the youth league has been raised and youth officials who can plan their work in a fresh way and dynamically lead it have been trained.

This is just the success further valued by our Marshal, he stressed.



And he ardently called upon all the people to redouble their strength of patriotism and unity and wage a more courageous struggle for the brilliant implementation of the decisions of the Eighth Party Congress, for the eternal prosperity of the country and for the well-being of the people.

Kim Jong Un cut the inauguration tape of Jonwi Street.

The participants raised stormy cheers of “Hurrah!” and fireworks were set off, beautifully decorating the May nocturnal sky.

Kim Jong Un met the young innovators who performed labour feats in the construction of Jonwi Street and highly appreciated their efforts.

Noting that it is the greatest pride for our revolutionary Party to have its reliable successors and reserves, he said that the victory of the cause of building a powerful socialist country is sure to be achieved as there is a large contingent of the passionate young people

who are faithful to the call of the country, sincere before society and the collective and devoted to the future.

An artistic performance was given to celebrate the inauguration of the street amid the display of the strong faith and will of all the people to achieve all the glory of the world under the guidance of the great Party Central Committee, which is leading to victory the historic struggle of creation and change for the prosperity of our socialist state and the promotion of its people’s wellbeing.

When the performance was over, stormy cheers burst forth again.

Kim Jong Un warmly acknowledged the enthusiastically cheering participants and expressed belief that the young people would continue to fully demonstrate the wisdom and bravery of the youth they displayed in the construction of the capital city and perform shining feats in the vanguard of the times advancing towards the comprehensive development of the state.



# Kim Jong Un Oversees Test Fire of Controllable Shells for Multiple Rocket Launcher



Kim Jong Un on May 10 learns about the technically updated version of the 240mm multiple rocket launcher system and oversees the test fire of controllable shells for the multiple rocket launcher produced at different national defence industrial enterprises.

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, on May 10 learned about the technically updated version of the 240mm multiple rocket launcher system and oversaw the test fire of controllable shells for multiple rocket launcher produced at different national defence industrial enterprises.

The updated multiple rocket launcher with high mobility and concentration of fire has an automatic fire combined control system and will be deployed in units of the Korean People's Army as replacement equipment from 2024 to 2026.

The launched eight shells hit the target point, intensively proving the advantages and destructive power of the updated rocket launcher system and the controllable shells for multiple rocket launcher.

Kim Jong Un discussed the ways for putting greater spurs to the national defence economic work to raise to the highest level the production of the technically updated multiple rocket launcher system and controllable shells for multiple rocket launcher, and set forth important tasks and orientations to this end.



# Kim Jong Un Inspects Major Defence Industrial Enterprises



Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, gave field guidance at major defence industrial enterprises under the Second Economy Commission on May 11 and 12 to learn about the implementation of the Party's policy on munitions industry.

Kim Jong Un inspected a complex producing ultramodern precision munitions to learn about modernization of its production lines.

Noting that it is a prerequisite and important guarantee for developing the self-reliant defence industry onto a more radical stage to ensure that modernization of the production lines at the defence industrial enterprises playing a core role in bolstering up the combat capability of the army is put on a higher level and they possess world-level technical capabilities, he added that the recent remarkable development made in the national defence industry on a world level is a brilliant fruition of the validity and vitality of the Party's strategy for national defence economic development and its policy for carrying it out.

He highly appreciated the fact that automation and streamlining have been successfully realized at many enterprises, and expressed great satisfaction at the ideas and efforts proactively made to ensure practical and effective arrangement of ultramodern equipment and devices with high accuracy and reliability in operation throughout the whole production lines, ranging from production of parts to their assembly and test and to perform production in a scientific way.

He stressed the need for major defence industrial enterprises to effectively organize the economic work for serial production of major munitions whose quality is thoroughly guaranteed, saying that it is important to build up the technical forces, establish strict quality control regulations and order, and carry on the supply of materials and products under contract in a planned way in keeping with their production lines being modernized on a high level.

He said that the core defence industrial enterprises under special care of the Party should play a vanguard role and fully guarantee the combat readiness of the Korean People's Army materially



and technically, calling for conducting ideological education of all officials and employees in a more offensive way and giving full play to their spiritual strength as required by the prevailing situation of the revolution so that they can turn out as one in the munitions production.

He urged all the defence industrial enterprises under the Second Economy Commission to wage on a more developed basis the

struggle for establishing a cultured way of production and life and continue to create a model culture of the munitions industrial workers in the new century and innovate it.

He visited an enterprise producing major small arms to learn about the performance of various small arms newly developed in Korean style, including sniper's rifle.

Showing his deep care for a newly-developed sniper's rifle, he

**Kim Jong Un shows his deep care for a newly-developed sniper's rifle and speaks highly of the scientists and technicians for having developed sniper's rifle with world-level performance and might.**







Kim Jong Un notes with appreciation that the automation system of the launchers has been put on a high level and the launchers have been made qualitatively on the principle of ensuring the maximum combat effectiveness of the 240mm multiple rocket launcher system, stressing the need to further expand the production results by increasing and steadily innovating the scientific and technological capabilities and thus accelerate the bolstering of the combat capabilities of the artillery of the KPA.





spoke highly of the scientists and technicians for having developed sniper's rifle with world-level performance and might.

Referring to the WPK's plan and intention to bring about a revolution in the production of small arms of a higher level, he indicated the orientation of long-term development for major small arms production enterprises and the issues of principle to be maintained in the work for organizing the national defence economy for its realization as well as important tasks and ways.

He learned about the production of updated 240mm multiple rocket

launchers to be equipped by the Korean People's Army artillery units newly formed this year.

Going round the produced launchers, he acquainted himself with the production plan for this year and the production results to date. And he got on a launcher to learn about its combat performance, giving it a test run personally.

He noted with appreciation that the automation system of the launchers has been put on a high level and they have been made qualitatively on the principle of ensuring the maximum combat

effectiveness of the 240mm multiple rocket launcher system, stressing the need to further expand the production results by increasing and steadily innovating the scientific and technological capabilities and thus accelerate the bolstering of the combat capabilities of the artillery of the KPA.

In order to mass-produce multiple rocket launchers of our style with high efficiency and reliability, it is important to steadily improve the level of modernization of the production lines, he said, calling for continuously updating the goal for modernizing the production lines

with the main emphasis put on steadily improving the performance of the launchers.

He expressed expectation and belief that the major defence industrial enterprises would not only carry out the munitions production plan, set forth by the Party, in a qualitative way without fail but also make fresher innovations and leap forward with the spirit of development and manner of creation peculiar to them, always holding high the banner in the vanguard of struggle for implementing the Party's national defence development strategy.

# Kim Jong Un Learns about Production of Major Weapons and Equipment



Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, on May 14 acquainted himself with the tactical missile weapon system to be newly equipped by the combined missile units of the Korean People's Army in charge of an important firing assignment.

The relevant defence industrial enterprises under the Second Economy Commission have fulfilled their munitions production plans for the first half of this year and will carry out the plans for the production of tactical missile weapon system assigned by the WPK

Central Military Commission by the end of the year.

Expressing great satisfaction over the production results registered by the defence industrial enterprises in the first half of the year, the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un particularly stressed the need to bring about an epochal change in the preparations of the KPA for war by carrying out the munitions production plans for 2024 without fail.

The missile launchers produced in the first half of the year will be equipped by the firepower assault combined units of the KPA's western operation group.



## DPRK Missile Administration Conducts Test Fire of Tactical Ballistic Missile

The DPRK Missile Administration conducted a test fire of tactical ballistic missile, which employed a new autonomous navigation system, in the East Sea of Korea on May 17.

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, oversaw the test fire.

The accuracy and reliability of the autonomous navigation system were verified through the test fire.

The test fire is part of the regular activities of the administration and its affiliated defence science institutes for rapid technological development of weapon systems.

Kim Jong Un, expressing great satisfaction at the strategic military value involved in the result of the independent development and successful introduction of the autonomous navigation system, highly appreciated the relevant defence science and technology team, which contributed to achieving the valuable success.

# Kim Jong Un Guides Production Activities of Major Defence Industrial Enterprise



**Kim Jong Un highly appreciates once again the distinguished feats performed by the enterprise in bolstering up the nuclear war deterrent of the country and expresses great satisfaction at the production results it had achieved in the first half of 2024 and the prospect for fulfilment of the yearly munitions production plan.**

In the crucial period when epochal results have been achieved in the field of defence industry of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and remarkable changes are being made one after another in bolstering up its defence capabilities, great achievements have been made even in carrying out the tasks for production for national defence assigned by the Central Military Commission of the Workers'

Party of Korea, which attaches special importance to them.

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, on May 17 visited a defence industrial enterprise, which is bringing about an upsurge in the production of major weapons and equipment, and learned about its production activities.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un highly appreciated once again the distinguished feats performed by the enterprise in bolstering up the nuclear war deterrent of the country, expressing great satisfaction at the production results it achieved in the first half of 2024 and the prospect for fulfilment of the yearly munitions production plan.

Learning about the technologies of the parts of the newly updated combat equipment, he said he was pleased with the remarkable progress made by the enterprise and it is an encouraging success for the whole field of the defence industry.

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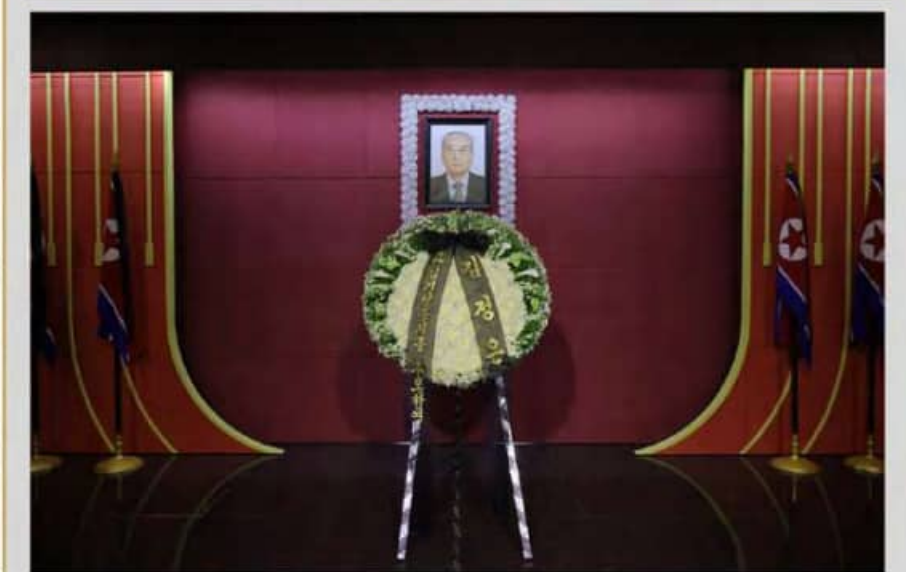
environment of the country created due to the enemies' reckless military confrontation moves which have become more undisguised and desperately developed recently, he stressed the need to continue to accelerate important activities and production activities for more rapidly bolstering up the nuclear forces without interruption and hesitation.

He said that the enemies would grow dreadful and dare not play with fire only when they witness the nuclear combat posture of our state which is hard for them to realize, and that this just means war deterrent. He called for clearly showing the enemies the infinite capability of the DPRK developing rapidly.

He clarified the strategic tasks for discharging the important mission of the national defence field to firmly guarantee the peaceful life and safety of our people and defend the stable environment of the development of the country.



# Kim Jong Un Visits Bier of Kim Ki Nam to Express Deep Condolences



Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, visited the bier of Kim Ki Nam, former secretary of the Central Committee of the WPK who was winner of the Order of Kim Il Sung and Order of Kim Jong Il and Labour Hero, at 02:00 of May 8 to express deep condolences over his death.

Accompanying him were members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau and secretaries of the Central Committee of the WPK.

Amid the playing of dirge, the hall was wrapped in sorrow over the loss of a veteran of the Party and the revolution, a prestigious theoretician and a prominent political activist who made great contributions to firmly defending and glorifying the revolutionary ideology and cause of Juche.

A wreath in the name of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un was laid before the bier of the deceased.

Kim Jong Un paid silent tribute to Kim Ki Nam who made

contributions to the sacred struggle for the development of the WPK, modelling the revolutionary ranks on the one ideology and the victorious advance of the socialist cause with his thoroughgoing view on life, Party principle, high political and theoretical qualifications and spirit of devoted service to the country and its people.

He looked round the bier of Kim Ki Nam with bitter grief over the loss of a veteran revolutionary who, as a competent official in

the Party's ideological field, had remained boundlessly loyal to the cause of the WPK and devoted himself to consolidating the single-minded unity across the Party and society centred on the Party Central Committee in every way and to the Party's ideological building and strengthening of its leadership ability till the last moment of his life.

He expressed deep sympathy to the bereaved family members and consoled them.



# Funeral of Late Kim Ki Nam Held



A state funeral of Kim Ki Nam, former secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, winner of the Order of Kim Il Sung and Order of Kim Jong Il and Labour Hero, was solemnly held in the capital city of Pyongyang on May 9.

A flag was hoisted at half-mast at the Sojang Hall where the bier of the deceased was laid and the guard of honour of the Korean People's Army lined up.

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, came to the funeral hall.

A ceremony of carrying out the coffin of the late Kim Ki Nam took place.

Amid the playing of dirge, Kim Jong Un, chairman of the state funeral committee, paid silent tribute to Kim Ki Nam, hardly repressing bitter sorrow at the loss of the genuine loyalist of the WPK, steadfast

revolutionary and prominent political activist.

The coffin of the late Kim Ki Nam was carried out of the hall.

Kim Jong Un saw the bier off, expressing deep condolences again over his death.

The citizens in streets of the capital city expressed their condolences towards the funeral car out of the sorrow of bidding last farewell to the late Kim Ki Nam.

The funeral car passed through the

buildings of the Central Committee of the WPK, the supreme headquarters of the revolution, where the Party flag of victory and glory is fluttering.

Officials of the WPK Central Committee paid their last respects towards the funeral car with the sorrow of parting from the loyal veteran of the WPK who made a great contribution to the historic cause of modelling the entire Party and the whole society on the revolutionary ideology of the



leader while working at an important post of the WPK Central Committee for over 60 years.

A ceremony of bidding farewell to the late Kim Ki Nam took place at the Patriotic Martyrs Cemetery in Sinmi-ri.

Kim Jong Un attended the ceremony.

The guard of honour of the KPA lined up there to greet the bier.

Kim Jong Un, together with members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK, greeted the bier of the late Kim Ki Nam at the entrance

to the cemetery.

With the remains of the deceased at the head, Kim Jong Un climbed the cemetery together with members of the state funeral committee and the bereaved family members.

The ceremony of bidding farewell to the late Kim Ki Nam was declared and the DPRK national anthem was played.

Ri Il Hwan, member of the Political Bureau and secretary of the Central Committee of the WPK, made a condolatory address.

A ceremony of burying the remains of the

late Kim Ki Nam was held.

A volley of 180 rounds of ammunition was fired in reflection of the sorrow over the loss of a prominent political activist who performed distinguished feats before the Party and the country.

Kim Jong Un laid earth on the remains of the deceased, feeling bitter grief at the last parting with the precious veteran of the Party and the revolution.

Members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee and the bereaved family members covered the remains of the deceased with earth.

Kim Jong Un expressed his grief, recollecting with deep emotion the noble life of the veteran revolutionary who had reliably defended the validity of our ideology and cause.

A wreath bearing his name was laid at the grave amid the playing of the wreath-laying music.

Kim Jong Un paid silent tribute to the memory of the late Kim Ki Nam, together with all the participants in the ceremony.

He said that thanks to the veterans of the revolution like Kim Ki Nam, who made a positive contribution to consolidating the cornerstone for the existence and development of our Party and state and greatly encouraged all of us through their genuine revolutionary careers and immortal

exploits, the revolutionary cause of Juche could dynamically advance despite the tempest of history.

The noble traits of the veteran revolutionary serve as a model of life shining with loyalty and patriotism, he said, adding that such noble soul and spirit will be immortal along with the cause of the Party and the history of brilliant development of our great state.

He paid high tribute to all the martyrs who glorified the annals of national liberation, national defence and national prosperity with their precious sacrificing and patriotic devotion on the long journey from the days of pioneering the revolution to the present.



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# Kim Jong Un Lays Flower Before Grave of Hyon Chol Hae on Occasion of Second Anniversary of His Demise



Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, visited the Patriotic Martyrs Cemetery in Sinmi-ri on the afternoon of May 19 on the occasion of the second anniversary of the demise of Hyon Chol Hae, his most respected revolutionary comrade-in-arms.

Recollecting the career of the revolutionary soldier who was infinitely loyal to the Party and the country all his life with a genuine communist outlook on life, the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un laid a flower before the grave of Hyon Chol Hae.

Kim Jong Un paid high tribute to Hyon Chol Hae in reflection of his reverence, praying that he, an outstanding revolutionary and competent military and political activist produced by the Juche revolution, will always live at the height of glory looked up

at by everyone with deepest respect, along with the high prestige of the country, the great name of Chairman Kim Jong Il and the shining honour of the ever-victorious Korean People's Army.

He said that the outstanding feats performed by Hyon Chol Hae for firmly consolidating the cornerstone of the spiritual pillar of the KPA, the armed forces of the revolutionary Party, and building a politically and ideologically strong army will be immortal in history, and his soul and dear image will remain forever in the hearts of all the service personnel of the KPA.

Before the memorial monument at the Patriotic Martyrs Cemetery, he paid high tribute to the martyrs, praying that their noble careers etched in the history of the country would shed the most beautiful rays forever like the shining star of the national flag.



## 20th Meeting of Political Bureau of Eighth Central Committee of WPK Held

The 20th Meeting of the Political Bureau of the Eighth Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea took place on May 24.

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

Also present there were Jo Yong Won and Choe Ryong Hae, members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee, and members and alternate members of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee.

The meeting discussed an agenda item of convening the Tenth Plenary Meeting of the Eighth WPK Central Committee.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un presided over the meeting.

He referred to the necessity to convene the Tenth Plenary Meeting of the Eighth WPK Central Committee, which will conduct an interim review of the work in the first half of this year and discuss and decide a series of important issues, in order to successfully implement this year's orientation of state affairs and all tasks decided at the Ninth Plenary Meeting of the Eighth WPK Central Committee.

He outlined the major agenda items to be discussed at the plenary meeting, and proposed a draft decision of the Political Bureau.

The Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee adopted with unanimous approval a decision on convening the Tenth Plenary Meeting of the Eighth WPK Central Committee late in June.

The Political Bureau also discussed other important issues arising in the work of the Party and state, and heard a general report of the General Staff of the Korean People's Army on the recent military situation.

The meeting advanced the immediate tasks for military activities by the armed forces of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to creditably defend the national sovereignty, security and interests, and underlined the need to responsibly carry them out.



# "We Are the Happiest in the World," Eternal Theme Song of DPRK

In the Democratic People's Republic of Korea children are regarded as the kings and top priority is given to the affairs for the rising generations.

This embodies the ennobling view of President Kim Il Sung (1912-1994) on the younger generations and future.

The President showed warm affection for the members of the





President Kim Il Sung visiting the Taedongmun Primary School on the day of starting new school year in September Juche 61 (1972)

Children's Corps in guerrilla zones during the arduous anti-Japanese war, and brought up the pencil problem as an item on the agenda of the first session of the provisional people's committee in the days of building a new country.

Chairman Kim Jong Il, too, bestowed love on the children throughout his life.

In the closing years of the last century, when the country had to undergo difficulties owing to the tenacious anti-DPRK stifling



Chairman Kim Jong Il with students of the Mangyongdae Revolutionary School in January Juche 86 (1997)

manoeuvres of the imperialist allied forces, the Chairman ensured that all necessary steps were taken to provide the children with school things on a preferential basis even in difficult situations and that children's camping continued, though he was always on his way

to the Korean People's Army units.

Under the care of the Chairman who found the greatest pleasure in merry laughter of the children and provided them with best things, monumental structures for the rising generations sprang up



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un among the participants in the Eighth Congress of the Korean Children's Union in June Juche 106 (2017)



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un at the completed Pyongyang Baby Home and Orphanage in October Juche 103 (2014)

throughout the country.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un, carrying forward the love of the President and the Chairman, is writing a new chapter of history of loving the rising generations.

One year he visited an orphanage and a baby home directly after he delivered the new year address, and listened to the songs of children and presented them with gifts. When he visited a kindergarten, he unceremoniously had himself examined by a child pretending a doctor, and drew a red five-pointed star on a letter from a child who had done good deeds. And when he visited a children's camp he sent for the campers on a sightseeing tour of mountains and waited for a good while before having a photo

taken with them.

Among the children who have photos taken with him are children of a worker who moved to a new flat, those on a remote island, little ones playing at the People's Open-air Ice Rink, and those at the schoolchildren's palaces throughout the country.

He even calculated how much fish would be needed if 300 grams of them were to be supplied every day to each of the orphans across the country, and issued an order on the spot to set up a station specializing in catching fish for them.

With ardent love for the children, he unhesitatingly visited the construction site of a children's hospital in a rainy day, and made an earnest request at a children's foodstuff factory that delicious

and highly nutritious foodstuffs should be produced in larger amounts.

It is his ennobling view that the loss suffered by the state for the benefit of the rising generations is not a loss, and that the more the work is done for the children, the brighter the country's future is. Thanks to it, it was adopted as a state policy to regularly supply nutritious foods to the children across the country, and the issue of supplying school uniforms and bags was discussed at an important meeting of the state.

At a plenary meeting of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea held at the end of 2023 he stressed that the work for our schoolchildren is a political work guaranteeing the rosy future

of the country, not merely an economic and practical work, and the children's bright laughter is just a symbol of the socialist system and the image of Korean-style socialism, and earnestly requested all officials to further enhance their sense of responsibility and role in the important revolutionary work with which the Party takes all pains by maintaining the feature and fulfilling the sacred duty of a genuine revolutionary.

Indeed, as the respected fatherly Marshal Kim Jong Un gives the best things to the children, they sing more loudly the song "We Are the Happiest in the World."

Text: Pak Ui Chol



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un giving field guidance at the Mindulle Notebook Factory in April Juche 105 (2016)



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un visiting the newly-built Pyongyang Primary School for Orphans in February Juche 106 (2017)



It has become an eternal policy of the DPRK to supply children and students with dairy products, school uniforms, shoes, bags and school things at state expense.







# Yonggwang Primary School in Sariwon

The school is well equipped with facilities for education—scores of classrooms, nature study room, swimming pool, gymnasium and others—as suited to students’ ages and minds as well as pedagogical requirements, and has put curricular and extracurricular education, and administration and management activities on a modern and IT footing.

Yonggwang Primary School in the city of Sariwon, North Hwanghae Province, was founded nearly 60 years ago.

In recent years the school has been dynamically pushing the improvement of the teachers’ abilities in line with the contents and scope of the education in the primary school sector being widened and developed.

In the course of this, new teaching methods and characteristic visual aids were devised and manufactured, and are proactively utilized in the teaching practice.

The teachers are endeavouring to develop the cognitive faculties of the students and ensure the efficiency of teaching.

Thanks to their strenuous efforts, the honour students grew in number, a lot of talented ones were produced, and the

overall abilities of the students reached a considerable high.

The school holds academic contests, skills shows, sports games and others frequently, and they serve as important occasions in preparing students as competent personnel

with versatile knowledge and talents.

Jang Kyong Suk, head of the school and honoured with the title of People’s Teacher, said: “We, teachers, will always be the solid foundation for the education of the students so that they study to their heart’s

content and realize their hopes, enjoying the benefits of the universal 12-year compulsory education.”

Photo: Ri Chol Jin  
Text: Kim Son Gyeong





# Sangmyong Toy Bricks

Playing with toy bricks helps children  
cultivate their intelligence

Toy bricks in different shapes  
and kinds produced by the  
Pothonggang Sangmyong  
Toy Manufactory are liked  
by children.





# Dance Notation of Korean Style Put on Scientific and IT Footing



A notable success was made in putting the dance notation on a scientific and IT footing on a high level in the DPRK, thus fostering the development of the country's art of dance.

Dance creation support system Ryultong was developed based on the alphabetical dance notation of the Korean style.

The study of dance notation began in the DPRK already in the early 1970s according to personal proposal of Chairman Kim Jong Il and under his meticulous guidance, and the alphabetical dance notation of the Korean style was created in the mid-1980s.

After the creation of the dance notation, the Chairman wisely led the effort to improve it. When he visited the then Pyongyang University of Dance in November Juche 99 (2010), he set forth the task of completing the dance score editing program, thus opening up the origin of the work for putting the dance notation on an IT footing.

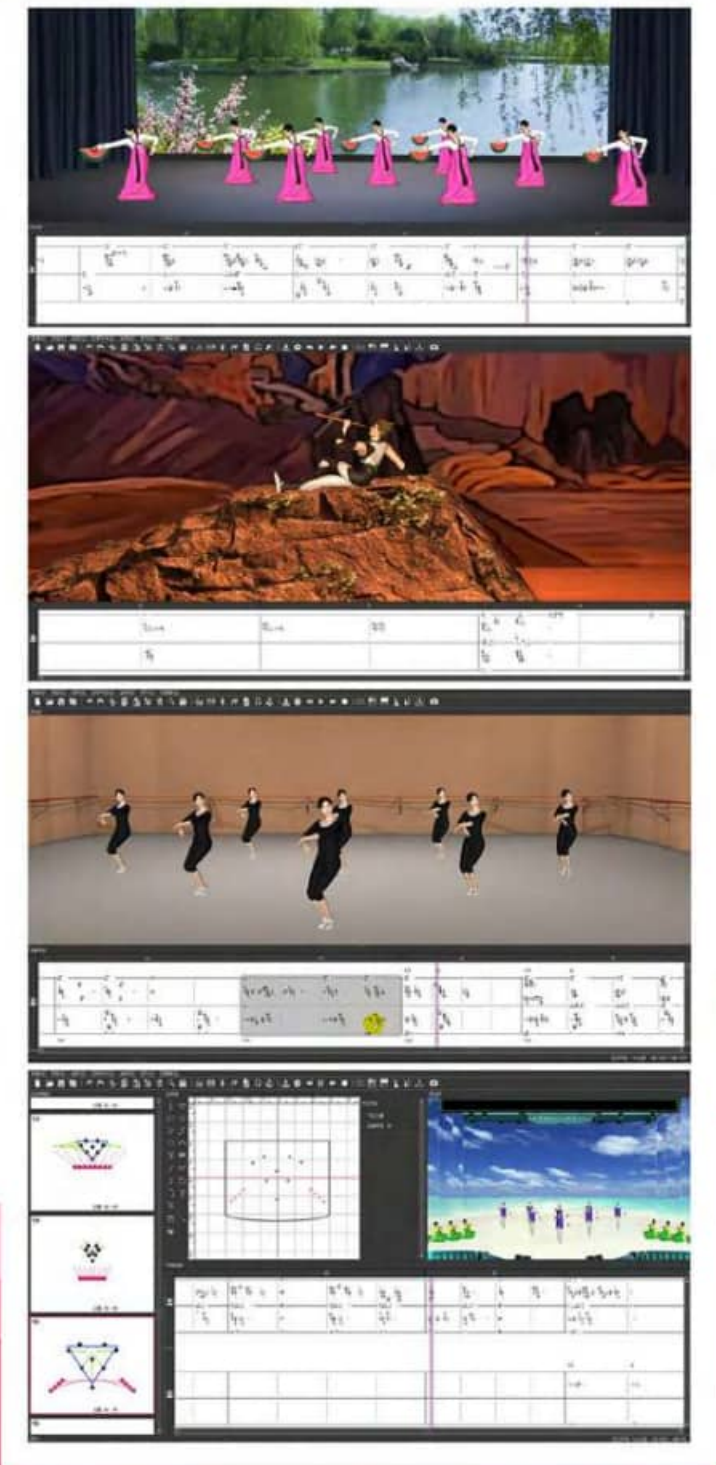
Under the close concern of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un, the work for putting the dance notation on a scientific and IT basis entered a new stage of its development.

The Korean-style alphabetical dance notation information department under the Ministry of Culture developed Ryultong, a system for supporting the creation of dance, based on the successes and experience gained so far in the study of the alphabetic dance notation.

The system aims at facilitating innovations in the work of creating dances and education and further improving them by widely disseminating the Korean-style alphabetical dance notation and actively applying it to creative activities.

Consisting of programs for editing dance scores, simulating dance works, inputting dance symbols and aiding the education in dance notation, it is based on the combination of information technology in various fields, so that it can show the choreographer's intentions in a three-dimensional way.

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# World-class Vegetable Production Base



## KANGDONG GREENHOUSE COMPLEX

The Kangdong Greenhouse Complex was wonderfully built on the outskirts of Pyongyang, the capital of the DPRK, and went into operation last March.

### “Greenhouse town”

The Kangdong Greenhouse Complex can be called a “greenhouse town.”

There are modern greenhouses with unique styles, including a greenhouse with cylindrical vegetable cultivation devices and domed glass hydroponic greenhouse, thus forming a vast group of greenhouses.

In addition, terraced houses for more than 1 200 households, nursery, kindergarten, school and polyclinic have been built to blend in well with the surrounding natural scenery.

### Intelligent integrated production system

An intelligent integrated production system has been established in the Kangdong Greenhouse Complex to control all production processes automatically.

For instance, the environment and growth of crops in the greenhouses are measured in real time and automatically read so that optimized production conditions are provided accordingly.

### Greenhouse applied with cutting-edge technology

The greenhouse equipped with cylindrical vegetable cultivation devices, the first of its kind in the country, is called a “plant factory.” In this greenhouse, essential environment and all conditions for the

growth of vegetable crops are artificially provided at an ideal level and vegetables are produced by an industrial method.

Vegetables can be harvested some 20 days after young seedlings are transplanted.

### Greenhouse for the people

The Kangdong Greenhouse Complex was built under the wise leadership of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un, who is making devoted efforts to provide people with a more affluent and happier life.

He unfolded a grand blueprint of building a large group of greenhouses in the Kangdong area of Pyongyang and energetically led the whole process of the construction project.



He guided the master plan of construction of the greenhouse complex, a bird's-eye view map, formation plans and technical design drawings, amounting to more than 3 500.

Photo: U Jong Guk  
Text: Kim Son Gyong





The factory with a history of more than 70 years has led the pharmaceutical industry of the DPRK by producing efficacious medicines conducive to the health promotion of the people.

## Renovated Pyongyang Pharmaceutical Factory

The Pyongyang Pharmaceutical Factory was renovated in November last year.

For more than 70 years after its inauguration, it has led the pharmaceutical industry of the country by producing efficacious medicines conducive to the health promotion of the people, treatment and prevention of diseases.

Thanks to the noble intention of the Workers' Party of Korea that regards the constant development of public health service as an eternal state policy of the DPRK, the factory was transformed into a modern and comprehensive pharmaceutical base, whose production processes and environment conform to international standards and production

capacity is increased several times. Based on such solid foundations, it is turning out on a normal footing a wide variety of medicines.

The Koryo medicine workshop manufactures in large quantities the traditional Koryo medicines that suit the constitutional features of Koreans and bring about greater effects with locally available medicinal herb resources. Workers there strive to be well versed in the modern facilities with greater capacities while ensuring hygienic safety of products.

The Western medicine workshop mass-produces the household and essential medicines, closely coordinating processes and putting constant emphasis on the equipment and technical management.



Thanks to the noble intention of the Workers' Party of Korea that regards the constant development of public health service as an eternal state policy of the DPRK, the factory has been reconstructed.



The factory directs efforts to making containers for pharmaceuticals hygienic, attractive and useful and designing them for the convenience of the users.

In close contact with medical research institutes, the research team of the factory positively introduces new technologies to meet the global trend of pharmaceutical industry, improves the quality of products and increases production.

The factory that has integrated production with science and technology on a high level is pushing ahead with the development of new medicines.

Photo: Ri Myong Guk, Hwang Jong Hyok  
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The factory has established an integrated production system to supervise all the production lines and manage them in a unified way at the general control room.



# Multi-Mineral Capsules




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