

Seventy Year History of Showing Validity and Invincible Vitality of Juche Idea



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In the stirring period when the mankind's desire and aspiration for independence and peace get ever more ardent, we hold with splendor in Pyongyang the international seminar on "The Juche Idea and 70 Years of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea".

This seminar is arousing great interest at home and abroad as it is being held in the stirring period when the DPRK demonstrates its might as the people's country of high dignity thanks to the matchless courage, gut and outstanding political ability of respected Chairman Kim Jong Un.

In the name of the Korean Association of Social Scientists (KASS), I would like to extend my warm congratulations to the delegations and delegates from several countries of the world who have participated in this seminar, cherishing in mind the resolute will and conviction in the people's cause of independence and friendly feelings towards our people.

It is of significance that the delegates from several

countries, who are fulfilling their responsibility as the pioneers of the ideology of the times in realizing independent development of countries and nations and the people's cause of independence, meet here today to discuss meaningful issues.

In the present century too, the people that opened up and advanced history through the struggle for independence are now hastening their advance in order to build a new independent and peaceful world.

Independence is the life and dignity of a country and nation, and the symbol of an independent sovereign state.

It is the main trend of the times that all countries and nations demand to live and develop independently and struggle for its realization.

The Juche idea illuminates the road of realizing the demand of our era, the era of independence.

The Juche idea is the mighty ideological weapon that enables man to become the master of the world

and his own destiny and the banner that guides the building of a new independent and peaceful world.

The validity and unbreakable vitality of the Juche idea has been clearly proved through the 70-year long history of the DPRK.

Our country, which had once been trampled down by the outside forces and lost its colors from the world map, is now demonstrating its might as an independent, self-sufficient and self-defensive socialist power, the people's country of high dignity. This is the brilliant fruition borne by the Juche idea.

Scientific accuracy and truthfulness of the Juche idea is proved also through the stirring events that the people in many countries, who had lived under the imperialist subjugation and oppression, have achieved independence and turned out in the struggle for a new society and hurrah for independence is resounding more loudly in every part of the world.

The Juche idea has been studied and disseminated vigorously and continuously even under the collapse of socialism and the complicated world situation. This shows that the world acknowledges the scientific accuracy and truthfulness of the Juche idea.

Today in the international arena, antagonism and conflicts have become serious between the world progressives who are to safeguard independence and dignity of their countries and nations, and the imperialist reactionary forces that resort to aggression

and war, high-handedness and arbitrariness.

The distinctive feature of the current world situation is that the discord and antagonism between the big powers for expansion of their domination get more sharpened and the imperialist and reactionary forces are gradually falling into decay and ruin in the showdown with the forces of independence.

Today's situation demands all countries and nations to firmly unite for their sovereignty on the basis of independence and turn out vigorously in the struggle for global independence.

The primary in implementing this historic task is to provide the people with the correct guiding principle.

We should study and disseminate the Juche idea actively to fulfill the honor and duty of pioneers in adding luster to the 21st century as the genuine people's century that will be strong with independence, and prosperous with peace.

I believe that this meaningful seminar where many delegates, the standard bearers who lead the cause of independence in the 21st century to victory, will express their determination, will be a historic momentum in encouraging in name and reality the world progressive people's advance for independence, peace and progress and in bringing about a fundamental turn in building a new independent world, a new world of justice.