

General Secretary Kim Jong Un inspects Sohae Satellite Launching Ground

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Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the DPRK, inspected the Sohae Satellite Launching Ground.

Accompanying him were Kim Jong Sik, Jang Chang Ha and other leading officials of the munitions industry and national defence scientific research sectors and relevant officials of the National Aerospace Development Administration.

Making the rounds of several places of the launching ground, the General Secretary set them a goal of modernizing it and specified the detailed orientation and ways for achieving it.

As he learned about and evaluated the present state of the launching ground, he advanced the task to modernize it on an expansion basis so that various rockets could be launched to carry multi-purpose satellites, including a military reconnaissance satellite, in the future, and to build some facilities in the launching ground.

To enable large carrier rockets to be launched there, he assigned the tasks for reconstructing on an expansion



DPRK leader sets a goal of modernizing the launching ground on an expansion basis

basis the launching ground zone and the facilities for the general assembly and trial gearing of rocket and for the trial gearing of satellite, establishing extra facilities and systems for the injection and supply of fuel and modernizing parts of the launch control facility and major technical posts on an expansion basis.

He also gave detailed instructions as regards the matters arising in modernizing the Sohae Satellite

Launching Ground on an expansion basis, including the matters of expanding the capacity of the engine ground jet test site, ensuring the convenience of carrier rocket transport, improving the ecological environment around the launching ground and building a grandstand in the safe zone on the ridge opposite to the launching ground.

He said that the Sohae Satellite Launching Ground is a place associated with the desire of President

Kim Il Sung and Chairman Kim Jong Il for a space power and it is a significant place where our state successfully launched artificial satellites twice with its own efforts and technology, true to the lifetime intention of the President and the Chairman. And he stressed that it is the noble duty of our Party and space scientists and technicians in our era to turn the launching ground, associated with our state's great dream and ambition for a space power, into an ultramodern advanced base and a starting line of space conquest for the future suited to the prestige of the DPRK.

Encouraged by his teachings, the officials, scientists and technicians hardened their strong will to turn the Sohae Satellite Launching Ground into the best model suitable for the dignity and prestige of our state by devotedly carrying out the militant tasks set forth by the General Secretary, fully aware of their mission as space pioneers who should surely carry into practice the grand plan of the Party Central Committee for building a space power, true to the behest of the President and the Chairman.



General Secretary Kim Jong Un inspects National Aerospace Development Administration

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Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the DPRK, inspected the National Aerospace Development Administration (NADA).

Accompanying him were Department Director Yu Jin and Deputy Department Director Kim Jong Sik of the WPK Central Committee.

The General Secretary was greeted on the spot by leading officials of the NADA and the Academy of Defence Science.

Kim Jong Un learned in detail from leading officials of the NADA about the process of scientific research and development intended to attain the goals of space defence science and technology set forth at the Eighth WPK Congress and the Fourth Plenary Meeting of the Eighth WPK Central Committee.

After acquainting himself with the development and preparations of optical photographing equipment, video transmitter and other communication data transceivers and various kinds of sensors and devices for satellite, he heard reports on the results of the major tests recently conducted by the NADA.

Seeing the vertical and oblique high-resolution images on specific regions on the ground taken through the major tests, he highly appreciated the successes the NADA has recently made including the image composing and processing technology, the ability of processing a large volume of data communication, the accuracy of control command system and the communication encryption technology, true to the space development policy of the Party.

Saying that the development of



Kim Jong Un stresses strategic significance of the recon satellite development

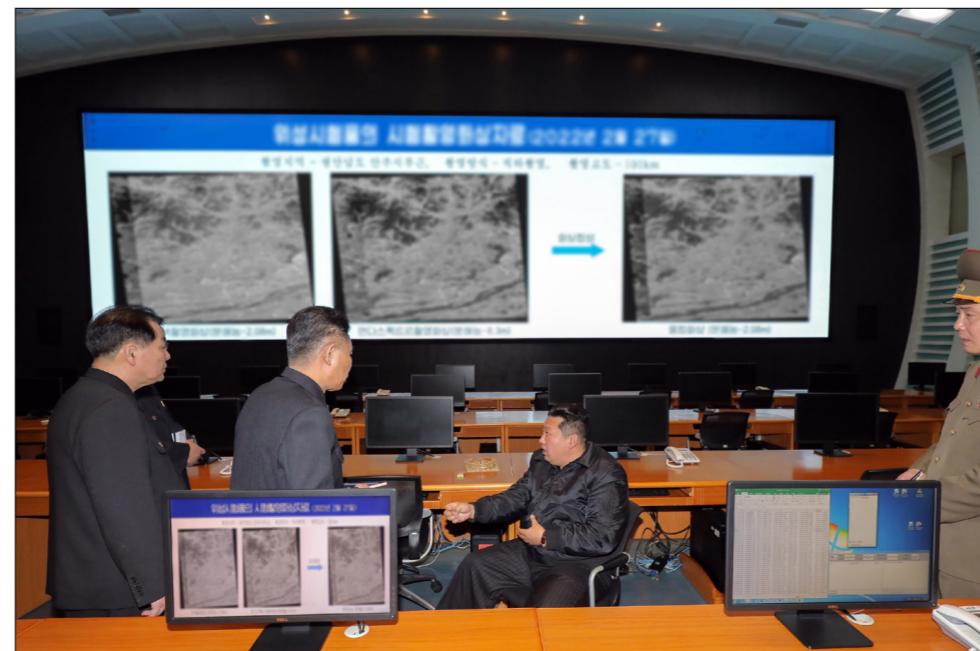
reconnaissance satellite is not merely a scientific research work, the development of information-gathering means, but the protection of our sovereignty and national interests, the exercise of the legitimate rights to self-defence and the elevation of national prestige, he stressed that this urgent project for perfecting the country's war preparedness capacity by improving our state's war deterrent is the supreme revolutionary task, a political and military priority task to which our Party and government attach utmost importance.

He called on the officials, scientists and technicians in the space and defence science research sectors to successfully accomplish the development of a Korean-style reconnaissance satellite within the period set by the Party Central Committee by getting united and closely cooperating with each other, true to the WPK's policies for space development and national defence development.

The General Secretary also learned about the construction of the Academy of Space Science and a cosmic environment experiment centre.

Noting that it is very important to lay a solid material and technical foundation for the field of space science research so as to attain the high sci-tech goal for space conquest set forth by our state, he stressed the need to give more state support to the space science research sector and examine the important measures for its steady development.

He said that it is our Party's important strategic and tactical policy on bolstering the national defence capability to keep a



close eye on and distinguish the character of hostile military actions against the DPRK committed by the aggression troops of US imperialism and its vassal forces in and around the Korean peninsula and enhance the capability for controlling situation and improve the rapid counteraction capability of the armed forces of the state according to the relevant situations. And he set forth the militant goals related to the development and operation of the reconnaissance satellite in the period of the five-year plan to implement this policy.

He noted that the purpose of developing and operating the military reconnaissance satellite is to provide the armed forces of the DPRK with real-time information on military actions against it by the aggression troops of US imperialism and its vassal forces in south Korea, Japan and the Pacific. And he said that

the Party Central Committee fully supports the decision of the National Aerospace Development Administration on diversely putting a lot of military reconnaissance satellites into sun-synchronous polar orbit in the period of the five-year plan so as to possess the strong capability for gathering intelligence by satellites.

He expressed high expectation and belief that the space and national defence scientific research sectors would fully demonstrate the heroic mettle of the defence science group remaining boundlessly faithful to the Party and revolution by rising up in the scientific research campaign to thoroughly carry out the strategic plan of the Party Central Committee and making strenuous efforts.

The Hwanghae Iron and Steel Complex has introduced an advanced technology of furnace operation to shorten the melting time and increase the molten iron output per charge. The Chollima Steel Complex is raising the actual output ratio of rolled steel.

Iron ore production is on

the increase at the Musan Mining Complex and Unnyul and Jaeryong mines.

Medium-sized and small power stations in Jagang Province are taking measures to ensure electric power production on a high

level.

Huichon Power Station Unit 3 is increasing power generation by 1.5 times, and the Hungju Youth Power Station is producing a great deal of electricity with the same volume of water as before by rationally adjusting the hydraulic turbine blades. Power stations in Hwaphyong, Janggang and many other counties manage well their hydraulic structures in line with seasonal conditions.

The Tukjang Area Coal-mining Complex is increasing the production of coal to be supplied to thermal power stations. The Sangwon Cement Complex increases the operating rate of facilities with the help of the integrated production system.

trains, making it possible for

of thousands of parts in a short time, thereby contributing to the bag production across the country.

Cement producers across the country ensure sufficient production and supply of cement for the construction sites of major projects by raising the operation rate of equipment.

The Pyongyang Bag Factory overfulfils its daily production plan through a vigorous drive to improve the quality of products and develop new ones.

The factory's technical staff improved the shape and kind of the products in a distinctive style and introduced beautiful colour patterns, thus presenting a dozen new designs this year.

Jagang Province is increasing the varieties of consumer goods by tapping local material resources and introducing advanced recycling technologies.

By using their locally-abundant raw and other

materials, Jonchon County produces various wooden products and drunks, Manpho City grasswork and Songgan County special foodstuffs including oil of pine nuts and sunflower seeds, oktang sugar and processed edible herbs and wild fruits.

The production of consumer goods is being expanded by using idle materials in different cities and counties including Huichon City and Janggang, Usi and Rangnim counties and the varieties of daily necessities are being increased and their quality improved at such light industry factories as the Kanggye footwear and knitwear factories and factories and enterprises in the machine industry sector.

The province arranges a consumer goods exhibition on a regular basis to widely introduce and generalize success and experience and increase their production.

The medical appliances factory produced new types of medical appliances to suit the actual conditions of rural areas.

The Education Commission and provinces, cities and counties push ahead with the establishment of more technical senior middle schools or technical classes.

They have taken measures to select and convert appropriate senior middle schools into technical ones and train more teachers who can teach students special technical subjects according to the new curriculum.

NADA and Academy of Defence Science conduct another important test for developing reconnaissance satellite

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The DPRK National Aerospace Development Administration (NADA) and the Academy of Defence Science conducted another important test on March 5 according to the plan for developing a reconnaissance satellite.

The test helped the NADA confirm the reliability of the data transmission and reception system of the satellite, its control command system and various ground-based satellite control systems.

Syrian ambassador pays farewell call on DPRK officials

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the department and staff members of the Syrian embassy were present there.

That day, Kang Yun Sok, vice-chairman of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly of the DPRK, met Tammam Sulaiman, who paid a farewell visit, in an amicable atmosphere at the Mansudae Assembly Hall in Pyongyang. Officials of

Syria friendship association, officials concerned and Syrian embassy staff were in attendance.

Earlier, Ri Son Gwon, minister of Foreign Affairs, met the Syrian ambassador who paid a farewell call on him.

Tammam Sulaiman was awarded an Order of DPRK Friendship 2nd Class that day.

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Agriculture
Vegetable greenhouse farm gathers good harvests

The Jungphyong Vegetable Greenhouse Farm has gathered a bountiful harvest of vegetables to bring benefit to the local people in Chongjin City and North Hamgyong Province.

The farm paid attention to manuring and cultivation from the outset of this year, thus producing thousands of tons of vegetables.



The Sangwon Cement Complex increases the operating rate of facilities with the help of the integrated production system.

Health
New types of appliances supplied to hospitals, clinics



Hundreds of lowest-level medical institutions in Jagang and North Phyongan provinces have been equipped with medical appliances produced by the Myohyangsan Medical Appliances Factory and the Huichon Hospital Bed Factory.

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Education
More technical senior middle schools to be set up

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Ninth Congress of KCU to be held

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The Ninth Congress of the Korean Children's Union (KCU) is to be held in Pyongyang in early June 2022.

According to the announcement of the Central Committee of the Socialist Patriotic Youth League on March 5, the congress will review the five-year work of the KCU after its Eighth Congress and discuss the tasks and ways for strengthening and developing the KCU into the children's organization of the respected Marshal Kim Jong Un.

Factory puts more effort into technical innovation

High-speed air jet loom developed



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Technicians discuss technical problems to improve the performance of air jet looms.

By Kim Chol Nam PT

The Pyongyang Textile Machine Factory has introduced technical innovation plans conducive to improving productivity and quality.

Based on a sci-tech development plan, the factory is implementing it by focusing on the modernization of production

processes and the domestic production of equipment and raw and other materials.

Researchers and developers of the technical development section have always played an important part in the effort.

Recently, they developed and completed a high-speed air jet loom surpassing the hydraulic jet loom which had been imported in the past.

The factory is conducting a dynamic mass technical innovation drive.

All employees are

saving costs and manpower and improving quality in the production of weaving machine parts.

Textile machines of the factory are used effectively across the country, including the Pyongyang and Sinju textile mills and Nyongbyon Silk Mill.

Shortly ago, it was awarded the title of thrice model technical innovation unit.

In the past, they established a resin powder painting process and precision casting process based on combustion model, thereby

improving productivity and quality.

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By building up technical force



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A technician helps an employee introduce a new creative idea.

By Han Jong Ho PT

The Pyongyang Bearing Factory is reenergizing production and pushing its modernization by building up its own technical section.

It is noteworthy that the factory pushes ahead with the training of technical personnel according to a far-reaching plan.

In February last year, the factory established an industrial technology research institute and doubled the

technical staff of the design institute with field engineers to increase production," said Kim Kwang Ho, chief of the technical section.

The number of the employees enrolled at the study-while-you-work system is on the steady increase.

In the course of this, not only technicians but also all other employees search

for the solutions to the technical problems arising in expanding production and updating equipment and present valuable new ideas and technical innovation plans.

The factory also holds a sci-tech prize contest every week and every month, and those who propose valuable technical innovation plans are admitted to the new technology development team.

Jang Ki Bom, staffer in charge of technology, said that during the recent prize contest, the rational forging methods, considered impossible previously at the bearing production process, were presented and now they contribute to fulfilling the daily plans by over 50%.

The factory laid the foundation for mechanizing the process of making insulating bricks by manufacturing a slag crusher, a mixer and a moulding machine, and set up a phosphate treatment process to prevent bearings from rusting and prolong the lifespan of guard rings.

The factory operates on a regular basis its sci-tech



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All employees learn to develop new techniques

Fifty percent of employees have access to study-while-you-work system

By Kim Il Jin PT

The Rangnang Ponghwa Garment Factory was awarded the title of model technical innovation unit for the third time.

At present, 50 percent of its employees have finished the course of the study-while-you-work system and thus technical innovation has become work of the producers' own, said chief engineer Choe In Chol.

Now the employees enthusiastically take part in the development of new products.

This year, all of them have taken part in developing new products to produce various products, including new types of padded clothes, sportswear and jumpers, which are good sellers in commercial service amenities.

After its products were highly rated in different festivals and exhibitions like the national festival of science and technology and the Pyongyang Department Store No. 1 commodity exhibition in the past period, the factory, through a mass technical innovation movement, increased the production of the clothes popular with people and modernized the production line to add to its fame.



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Farm normalizes mushroom production

By Yun Kyong Il PT

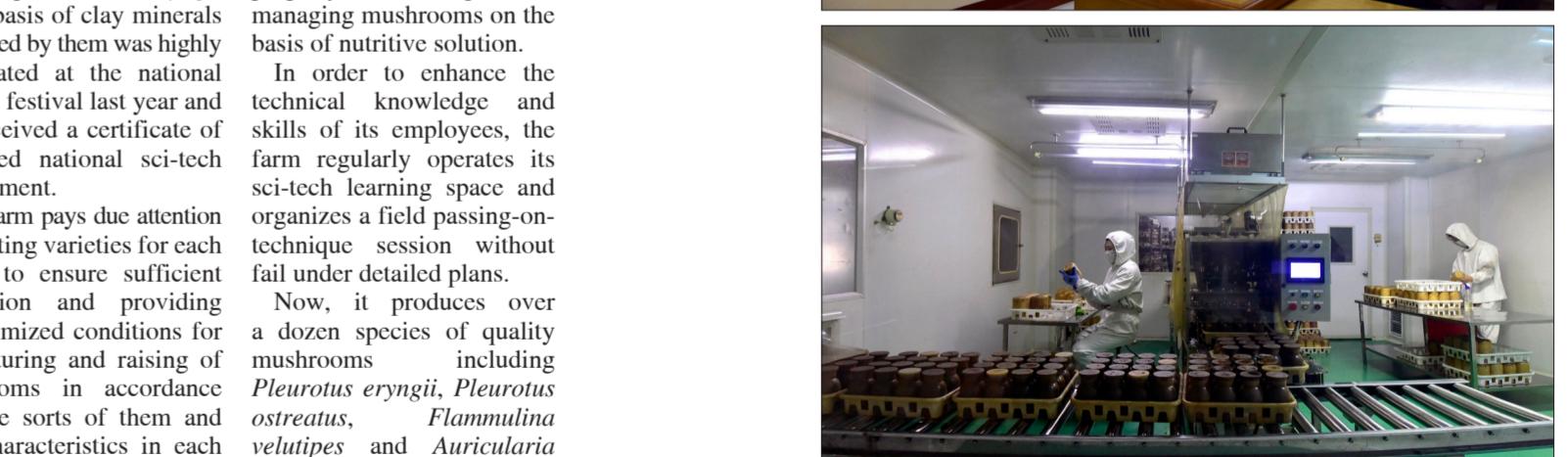
The Ryugyong Mushroom Farm ensures the normal production of quality mushroom.

Recently, the farm has reduced the production cost by introducing multi-functional natural mineral nutrients in the production of *Pleurotus eryngii* and recycling waste substrates twice and thrice.

It pushes ahead with the introduction of science and technology for normalizing the production while saving energy in accordance with the completion of an integrated manufacturing system from raw material feeding to production.

It saved a large amount of coal and ensured the sterilizing efficiency at 99 percent by upgrading two boilers used for the operation of the sterilizer, and manufactured a high-efficiency filter badly needed for making the production free from germs and dust in cooperation with a relevant engineer.

The farm pays due attention to selecting varieties for each season to ensure sufficient production and providing the optimized conditions for the culturing and raising of mushrooms in accordance with the sorts of them and their characteristics in each stage of growth.



School grows mushroom with help of solar heat

By Jong Hwa Sun PT

Vocational technical school for nursery teachers in Mangyongdae District is one of the units well known for cultivating mushroom well.

The mushroom cultivation ground of the school is not big, but it is covered with appetizing mushrooms that grow competitively.

According to its principal Choe Kyong Sil, the school

began to cultivate mushroom 20 years ago.

It is noticeable that it grows mushroom by making use of solar heat.

Generally, proper temperature, humidity and air are believed to be the three major factors in the production of mushroom.

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Teachers of the school say that it sprouts at the

temperature of 4-5 degrees centigrade and grows well even at temperatures below 10. And it is highly nutritious and productive.

The temperature needed for mushroom cultivation is provided with the help of solar energy.

The cultivation ground uses solar heat in daytime and is covered with vinyl sheets at night to maintain the internal temperature in winter.

Humidity is increased

by plastering the edges of substrate seedbeds with mud and spraying water over them in the morning and evening.

Spores are also cultured scientifically to grow mushroom in tiers in all four seasons.

Mushroom yield is rising year after year.

Mushrooms cultivated by the school are supplied to nurseries in the district and its experience is widely introduced into other units.

New research findings conducive to promotion of people's health

By Kil Chung II PT

Medical workers of the Pyongyang University of Medical Science Hospital have brought about research findings conducive to the improvement of medical service.

Chae Pyong Chol, department director of the hospital, said, "All clinical departments and laboratories of the hospital set clear targets

of research into advanced methods of diagnosis and treatment and pushed the projects, thus achieving success."

The hospital established a digitalization standard for prognostic estimation of acute pancreatitis to suit the physical characteristics of Koreans and applied it to clinical practice, thus raising the recovery rate of acute pancreatitis patients to the advanced level.

Researchers of the abdominal surgery laboratory, who already completed methods of laparoscopic surgery for different abdominal diseases, have succeeded in making surgery of children scientific to further widen the domain of laparoscopic surgery.

The cerebral nerve surgery and thoracic surgery departments completed a method of operation for hypophysoma without

removing the skull and an advanced method of operation for esophageal carcinoma respectively, making it possible to make treatment of obstinate diseases more effective.

The members of the department of limb orthopedic surgery and those of the department of abdominal surgery completed a method of syndesmoplasty and a method of conserving the spleen by using retroperitoneum in case of traumatic splenic rupture respectively.

All the research findings of the hospital are widely introduced in clinical practice, pleasing the relevant patients.

"We will set a higher goal for this year to improve the quality of medical service and strive to attain the goal," said Chae.



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Surgeons of the limb orthopedic surgery department perform syndesmoplasty at the Pyongyang University of Medical Science Hospital.

For increased production of quality medicines

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Medicine production is on the increase at the Sinuiju Pharmaceutical Factory.

By Jong Chol PT

The Sinuiju Pharmaceutical Factory is putting spurs to the normalization of medicine production and the improvement of their quality.

Although it encountered lots of difficulties and bottlenecks in that course, the factory fully mobilized its scientific and technical potentials and translated valuable technical innovation plans into reality to remarkably increase the rate of use of locally available raw and other materials.

To make the medicines preferred by the people—this is the factory's major goal.

Besides, it is striving to eliminate the shortcomings of its products by frequently organizing a show of them and consulting with their users.

This makes it possible to steadily increase production and raise the quality of products.

Antibiotics, antimicrobial and other medicines of the factory are favourably commented upon by users as they are diverse in kind and of high quality.

By giving full play to the creative initiative of

the masses, the factory has pushed the modernization of production processes and solved the problem of raw and other materials, which had been imported previously, with its own efforts.

The prospect of the homemade ophthalmic micro-scalpel is good since it can be applied to clinical practices as it is on a par with those of developed foreign countries in terms of material and precision and is cost-effective," said Kim Man Sok, department chief of the Ryugyong General Ophthalmic Hospital.

Besides, the institute completed the research into medical appliances badly needed for resuscitation including a mechanical chest pressure machine and laid a foundation to put production on a normal footing.

"The development and production of medical appliances and equipment are an undertaking which requires a great deal of efforts and funds. We have taken an initial step and we will continue efforts to send more homemade medical appliances to hospitals," said Kim Tong Chol.

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Proactive efforts for domestic production of medical appliances, facilities

By Jang Kyong Nam PT

Our institute directed efforts to solving scientific and technological problems arising in manufacturing badly needed medical appliances and equipment so as to develop new ones with our own efforts instead of relying on imports like in the past, said Kim Tong Chol, director of the medical appliances institute of the Medical Appliances Industry Management Bureau under the Ministry of Public Health.

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"Devoted Service for the Good of People" was staged at the National Theatre.

There were a distinctive acrobatic performance of the National Acrobatic Troupe at the Pyongyang Circus Theatre and an open-air performance of artistes of the Song and Dance Ensemble of the Ministry of National Defence at the Yangdok Hot Spring Resort.

A variety of amusement games full of national flavour held by women's union members in different places

of the country added more to the festive mood in Central, Moranbong and Pothonggang districts of Pyongyang, cities of Sariwon and Munchon, Phohang District of Chongjin, Unnyul County and many other places.

Public catering establishments across the country provided special services for women.

Families were filled with happy laughter of women who received kind gifts and beautiful flowers from their husbands and children.



March 8 International Women's Day is significantly celebrated across the country.

By To Kyong Chol PT

The 112th anniversary of March 8 International Women's Day was celebrated significantly across the country.

After entering the plaza of the Kumsusan Palace of the Sun, the supreme temple of Juche where President Kim Il Sung and Chairman Kim Jong Il are preserved in their lifetime appearance, masses recollect with deep emotion the benevolence of the great leaders who regarded "The people are

God" as their lifelong maxim and cultivated the flower garden of attaching importance to and respecting women on this land.

They visited the statues of the great leaders on Mansu Hill in Pyongyang and their beaming images in different parts of the country, presented baskets of flowers, bouquets and flowers and made a deep bow to them.

Marking the day, officials of every province, city, county, industrial establishment and farm congratulated exemplary women workers.

Officials told them about the Workers' Party of Korea's great love for and trust in women, congratulated them on their innovative achievements and encouraged them to be true women revolutionaries who perform their duties they assume on behalf of society, collective and families.

A variety of congratulatory performances and amusement games took place in different parts of the country.

A concert was given by the National Symphony Orchestra at the Moranbong Theatre in Pyongyang and drama



Women's dance parties held

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Horse race run to mark March 8

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There was a horse race in Pyongyang on March 8 in celebration of March 8 International Women's Day 2022.

Choe Ryong Hae, Jo Yong Won, Ri Il Hwan, Ju Chang Il, Ri Tu Song and other senior Party and government officials signalled the start of the horse race as they blew horns and beat big drums.

Male and female dancers in traditional costumes danced sword and warrior dances and other performers demonstrated the might of the orthodox martial art of the nation to add to national emotion.

It was followed by a demonstration of the club's horse riding and equestrian feats of the actors and actresses of the National Circus. The riders entered the venue to light music and represented a formation in the shape of March 8.

Spectators were fascinated by the world of horse riding as they watched the dressage demonstration, the most typical event of equestrian games.

Before the start of the race, sweet children appeared on horse-drawn carriages to give bouquets of congratulation to women officials.

An opening remark

was made by Kim Il Guk, minister of Physical Culture and Sports.

Couples selected from Pyongyang and provinces in which each spouse of every couple led a horse by the bridle by turns, which drew special interest of spectators adding zest to the race held in celebration of the March 8 holiday.

On the outdoor racetrack there were 1 600-metre races of riders and male and female amateurs amid the deafening cheers of spectators.

They were also very pleased to see various other competitions such as a 100-metre cattle riding race on the racetrack and a steeplechase, hurdles on an unsaddled horse, women's trotting race and pony canter at the indoor training ground.

And the racers were greeted with warm applause of spectators.

After the race was over, cups, medals, diplomas and prizes were awarded to winners.

The race was followed by a congratulatory performance to mark March 8 International Women's Day.



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International Women's Day.

The plaza was alive with the delight of women who help invigorate the building of a powerful socialist country and devote themselves to national prosperity and the happiness of their

families.

The dance party fully demonstrated women's great pride in leading a happy life as flowers of the country, life and families.

Similar events took place in the seats of provinces, cities and counties across the country.



Kim Po Hyon University 75 years on with agricultural development

University trains competent farm managers

By Sim Chol Yong PT

agriculture.

Today, its campus encompasses an area of over 14 000 square metres and has a dormitory, a canteen and amenities and other attached buildings as well as the main building equipped with advanced education facilities.

The government has provided it with tractors, farm machinery and other equipment needed for experiments and practical training.

The university trains agricultural engineers at the agronomics, agricultural statistics and agricultural design departments and also runs an in-service training course for incumbent management officials.

In order to keep abreast of developments,

In keeping with the new era of rural development

By Ri Myong Jun PT

abilities and advanced science and technology.

Yun Phung Sik, director of the agronomics department, said that it is the Workers' Party of Korea's view on strategic development in the present time to convert the country's agriculture into an advanced one and achieve stable and sustained growth in agricultural production with science and technology as the major driving force the agricultural development.

Kim Po Hyon University strives to train students into administrators who are possessed of great administrative and business

"As it is an era of science, we have to believe in science and technology and develop by relying on them," he noted.

He continued to say that each farm has different environment from others, adding that it is important to renovate teaching contents and methods in line with changed reality.

Accordingly, the university makes sure that lecturers go out to cooperative farms to

gain experience of actual life and find out new teaching contents and methods in reality.

And the university sees to it that students acquire general elementary knowledge badly needed for agriculture including biology and chemistry and different advanced technologies like scientific farming method, mechanical engineering, and water and soil management

techniques.

"I did farming in Hyesan City, Ryanggang Province, before entering the university. I have learned a lot indeed.

While studying, I came to keenly realize what I did wrong and right in my work in the past. And I came to know what I should do in the future," said Kim Yong Jin, student at the agronomics department.

According to him, what he likes at the university is that

it gives priority to discussion in lectures unlike the past period.

Discussion is another reality, said Yun Phung Sik, adding that not only students but also lecturers learn many things through discussion.

Kim Yong Jin said that he decided to learn much more things during university days so as to develop the farm where he worked into a model unit of rural development.



Lecturers make redoubled efforts to improve the quality of education at Kim Po Hyon University.



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Supply of uniforms, school things to children high on Party and state agenda

By Kwon Hyo Song PT

Dwellings provided free of charge



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Residents dance as they move into new homes in Phothae-dong, the City of Samjiyon.

By Ri Sung Ik PT

In recent years the DPRK has put efforts into the building of houses for the people as it set this as its most important work.

Thanks to the people-first politics of the Workers' Party of Korea, modern Changjon Street, Mirae Scientists Street and Ryomyong Street sprang up in the centre of Pyongyang along with apartment houses for lecturers of Kim Il Sung University and Kim Chaek University of Technology in the past ten years alone.

The Korean people are allotted such houses free of charge.

Nobody knows the price of the houses they move into full of joy.

Having planned to usher in a golden age of construction and build apartment houses for 50 000 families during the period of the five-year plan, the WPK and the DPRK government are striving to

villages in the Komdok area implement the plan.

Last year alone, the "Kyongru-dong" took shape as a new residential district for ordinary people in a good place of Pyongyang, followed by the completion of apartment buildings for 10 000 families in the Songsin and Songhwa area.

Fairyland villages appeared with the completion of cosy modern houses and public buildings in flood-stricken areas including Taechong-ri of Unpha County and Kangbuk-ri of Kumchon County.

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Under the warm care of the WPK that put forward the large-scale construction of apartment buildings for the people as the most important task and ushers in a new golden age of construction, all those who will move into the apartment houses free of charge cannot find words to express their gratitude to the socialist system, to the WPK and the DPRK government that spare no expense for the people.

Party and the state, General Secretary Kim Jong Un put forward a task of supplying all students with new types of quality uniforms and satchels without exception and took an important measure of the Party Central Committee for its implementation at the Fourth Plenary Meeting of the Eighth Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea.

The state supplies everything from teaching aids and school fixtures to materials needed for experiments and practical training free of charge through the whole course of the 12-year compulsory education and covers the expense for students' extracurricular activities, socio-political personnel, competent and creative talents and reserves of socialism by developing education into the most advanced and ideal one to which the country can entrust its future.

The DPRK set it as the main objective of the educational revolution in the new century to train all schoolchildren as genuine revolutionary personnel, competent and creative talents and reserves of socialism by developing education into the most advanced and ideal one to which the country can entrust its future.

The DPRK, the majority of whose population had been illiterates some 70 years ago, has become a country of learning and education where everyone makes the most of their talents thanks to the popular free educational system. It is now realizing its dream of making all the people well versed in science and technology.

During the Fatherland Liberation War (1950-1953), orphans' schools and orphanages were built in all parts of the country and war orphans were raised at the state's expenses. The educational conditions and environment were provided as ever and the regular supply of uniforms, school things and soya milk had never been disrupted in the 1990s which was recorded in history as a period of the Arduous March.

The DPRK set up the universal 11-year



Pupils study to their heart's content under the benefits of the universal 12-year compulsory education at Pyongyang Primary School No. 4.

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State responsible for provision of schooling

By Pang Un Ju PT

The DPRK Cabinet adopted a decision on comprehensively abolishing school fees of students in March 1959 and enforced universal free education from April 1 that year.

The DPRK government not only dismantled school fees but also took full responsibility for everything needed in education.

This remained unchanged even in the country's hard times.

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Saying that the supply of school uniforms and things to the students across the country at the state's expense is a consistent policy of the

gave top priority to the supply of uniforms to students as the work to do unconditionally.

Now relevant workers across the country are devoting themselves to the production of new types of uniforms and satchels.

During his inspection tour of the Mindulle Notebook Factory, too, the General Secretary repeatedly instructed that it should produce quality notebooks as much as possible in the way mothers would bind such books for their dear children. And he frequently called in relevant officials to give them instructions as to the supply of uniforms, bags and other school things to all schoolchildren and students

RI MYONG GUK / PICTORIAL KOREA
After receiving Haebaragi (sunflower)-brand school things.

Product of ignorance bereft of even an ability to distinguish matters

By Kim Sol Hwa

Recently, the Defense Minister of Japan picked again on our important test for developing a reconnaissance satellite, saying that it is a "threat to peace and security of Japan, the region and the international society" and a "violation of the UNSC resolutions", while asserting that it is a "launch of a ballistic missile".

To state the conclusion first, this is clearly the result of ignorance and benightedness of the Japanese who are bereft of even an ability to distinguish matters, obsessed with their inveterate repugnance, prejudice and hostility toward

our Republic.

Our test this time is an open and aboveboard test conducted under the phased plan for developing a reconnaissance satellite in 1998. It has been operating seven spy satellites since its first launch in 2003 and is attempting to establish a reconnaissance satellite system consisting of 10 reconnaissance satellites in the future.

Even at this moment, the US and other hostile forces are perpetrating espionage acts against us while keeping a close watch over the whole Korean peninsula in real time by mobilizing huge assets for gathering reconnaissance information including reconnaissance satellites.

It is an open secret that its main purpose is to make preparations for aggression on the Asian continent at any moment by strengthening espionage on military movements of our country and other neighbouring countries.

Any attempt to violate our self-defensive right can never be tolerated, and Japan shall certainly pay dearly for that.

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Education, prerequisite for noble and civilized mode of life and morality



Choe Nam Sun
Dean of the linguistics faculty of Kim Hyong Jik University of Education

Moral perfection is of importance in perfecting human beings.

Today, intensifying moral education of the new generation arises as an important issue. This is because the future of a country and nation depends on how young people and children are trained.

A noble and excellent moral world is never cultivated of its own accord.

To thoroughly establish a sound moral habit among young people and children, it is necessary to closely combine school education,

home education and social education.

Everyone receives home education in their early days, and they perfect themselves through school education and social education.

School education in particular plays a very important role.

Teachers' role and responsibility should be enhanced in order to ensure good school education.

It is the mission of our education to train students into not only sci-tech talents but also useful people sound mentally, culturally and morally.

There is an old saying, "A good teacher is behind a good student."

As the phrase "personal example" implies, teachers should set examples through practice in order to educate their students. When teachers have moral defects, they are not respected by students, and whatever good words the former may say, the latter would not believe the words. This is why teachers have to possess good moral qualities to live for the good of society, collective and the country.

BYWORD

Life style, morality of Korean people

The sound and cultured way of life and morality based on collectivism are the basis of Korean-style socialism and a vitamin for its progress and development.

The Fourth Plenary Meeting of the Eighth Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea stressed the need to consolidate virtues and traits, which are peculiar to the Korean people and are highly displayed day after day, as social and national traits.

Upholding the slogan "One for all and all for one!", the Korean people have thought the interests of collective before individual interests, and the state affairs before family affairs, and devoted their all to society, collective and the state. The course of their struggle for socialist construction is just

the period during which they have displayed such sound spiritual world and traits to a high degree.

All the DPRK people lead a harmonious, healthy and civilized life by establishing beautiful human relations of comradely love, cooperation and revolutionary ethics.

The sound and cultured way of life and morality have an important role in encouraging people to make strenuous efforts, regarding it as a moral obligation to disburden the Party and state of their trouble, and making them overflow with warm comradely love and affection.

OPINION

Such a country pretends to be a 'human rights initiator'

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Everybody greets New Year's Day with new hopes and aspirations for the future. But in France, murder incidents occurred on this day in which three women were killed by their husbands or boyfriends, throwing everyone into consternation.

In this connection, organizations for the protection of women's human rights revealed that more than 200 000 women in France are suffering family violence every year and the incidents of murder this time are only the tip of the iceberg.

They also strongly berated the government authorities for not having taken proper measures to eradicate serious act of family violence deeply rooted in French society.

While women, who deserve respect from family and society as the housewives of families, are dying being subjected to pains and misfortunes, children are also withering away even before opening the bud, to say nothing of warm love of their parents.

According to information available, more than 50 000 children are living in temporary accommodations or on streets in France and 7 000-10 000 minors are forced into prostitution every year with the number of victims to child prostitution increasing by 70% over the last five years.

Besides, 700 000 students—equivalent to one in ten middle-school students—are subjected to different acts of violence at schools throughout the country, and the number of suicides continues to increase among them, causing great apprehension and concern in society.

In recent years, human rights violations of using excessive violence against innocent residents are committed in succession among French policemen under the pretext of exposing crimes such as drug trafficking.

In July 2016, a policeman killed a young black man by committing an outrageous act while arresting him. Reportedly, this incident has not properly been explained yet, although it still remains vivid in people's memory.

What French people, who adopted the "Declaration of the Rights of Man and of the Citizen" in 1789, wanted then might not have been France of today where the records of all sorts of human rights violations are piled up, nor it might have been France at all that habitually instructs others instead of clearing its own household affairs.

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History of friendship carried forward along the road of independence against imperialism

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It has already been 36 years since President Kim Il Sung and Chairman Kim Jong Il had an emotional meeting with Comrade Fidel Castro Ruz, the historic leader of the Cuban revolution, who visited our country, and gave valuable instructions concerning the development of friendly relationship between the two countries.

Fidel Castro paid a visit to our country from March 8 to 11 1986, leading the Party and government delegation of the Republic of Cuba.

President Kim Il Sung and Chairman Kim Jong Il personally went to the airport and warmly welcomed Fidel Castro Ruz and his entourage, the goodwill envoys of the Cuban people, who came to Pyongyang over the continents and the oceans, and bestowed heartwarming hospitality on them during their visit.

President Kim Il Sung held exclusive and plenary talks with Comrade Fidel Castro Ruz and his entourage, and hosted a welcome banquet and luncheon for them who were standing with

our people in the common trench of joint struggle for independence against imperialism. He also made arrangements for them to see the music and dance epic "Song of Glory" and to have a tour of several places.

He also met with several high-ranking delegations of Cuba who visited our country, and gave valuable instructions concerning the development of friendly relations with Cuba by issuing several works including "Helping the Cuban People Is an International Obligation of Socialist Countries and We Should Render an Active Assistance to the Cuban People in Their Struggle". He also met with several high-ranking delegations of Cuba who visited our country, and gave valuable instructions concerning the development of friendly relations with Cuba by issuing several works including "Helping the Cuban People Is an International Obligation of Socialist Countries and We Should Render an Active Assistance to the Cuban People in Their Struggle".

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Chairman Kim Jong Il always paid close attention to consolidating and developing the relations of friendship between the DPRK and Cuba which are revolutionary, comradely and fraternal ones, and clarified the principled stand of our Party and government to attach importance

to the relations with Cuba by personally sent a message of condolence and wreath, and paid a mourner's visit to the Embassy of the Republic of Cuba in the DPRK and made a significant entry in a book of condolence. He also took benevolent measures to urgently prevent the practice of forest and farmland destruction.

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Our people rejoice as their own at the wonderful successes achieved by the Cuban people in the vigorous struggle to oppose imperialism and to build socialism in the Western Hemisphere.

We always send full support and solidarity to the fraternal Cuban people who are safeguarding the revolutionary gains and socialism and steadily moving forward towards victory while smashing at every step the anti-socialist manoeuvres of the hostile forces which are getting more undisguised.

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RIM UN SIM, FOUR-TIME NOMINEE FOR TOP TEN PLAYERS OF DPRK HONOUR

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Kim Chun Hui, secretary-general of Korean Weightlifting Association



By Han Kwi Hun PT

Rim Un Sim (pictured), weightlifter of the Kigwancha Sports Club, won three gold medals in the women's 64kg weightlifting at the Mangyongdae Prize Games in Celebration of the Day of the Sun last year and two other golds and one silver at the national championships.

The younger sister of world weightlifting ace Rim Jong Sim started to learn the sport at the then Juvenile Sports School of the Weightlifting Gymnasium on Chongchun Street in Pyongyang in

2005.

With a strong competitive spirit, she made persevering efforts to acquire basic techniques while competing with her elder sister with an ambition to become a world weightlifting ace in the future.

Starting her weightlifting career at the Kigwancha Sports Club, she steadily honed her skills after setting an ambitious goal to set a new world record.

She made remarkable achievements in different international games including the 18th Asian Games where she took first place in the

weightlifting event.

In 2019 alone, she bagged a bronze medal in snatch and a silver in jerk and took second place in the total standing in the women's 64 kg category of the 2019 IWF World Cup. And she went on earning three gold medals at the 2019 Asian Weightlifting Championships in the same category.

She also bagged three silvers in the women's 64kg category of the 2019 IWF World Weightlifting Championships and won three golds at the women's 71kg event of the 2019 IWF World Cup.

Therefore, she won over 30 medals including 20 golds at a dozen rounds of international games.

“The strong point of Rim Un Sim is that she is so preserving she never leaves the training ground before perfecting her technical movements by making exact demands on herself,” said Kim Chun Hui, secretary-general of the Korean Weightlifting Association.

A winner of Kim Il Sung Youth Honour Prize and Merited Athlete, Rim Un Sim was nominated as one of the top ten players of the DPRK four times until last year.

rickets.

Mussel is effective in treating frailty, dizziness, hypertension, impotence and cold sweat.

The ingredients of matured mussel for 300g of mussel are 200g of lobster, 10g of vinegared and spiced and red peppered bean paste and 5g of mustard.

Put mussels into boiling water for a moment before separating their flesh. Sprinkle lobsters with salt and parboil and shell them before halving each of them. Arrange the mussel and lobster in a dish in two different colours and serve the food along with mustard and the red peppered paste.

Its protein contains all kinds of essential amino acids evenly.

It also contains fat, sugars, minerals and vitamins A, B and C and provitamins, which are good for preventing

Maturated mussel, a traditional Korean food

By Sin Pyol PT

Maturated mussel is one of the traditional foods of the Korean people.

This shellfish inhabits the east and west coasts of Korea.

There are many kinds of mussel in Korea, including *Mytilus edulis*, *Mytilus coruscus*, *Mytilus grayanus* and *Modiolus modiolus*.

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Horse riding, a traditional Korean custom



The murals in the Tokhung-ri tomb from the Koguryo period located in Tokhung-dong of Kangso District, Nampho, depict mounted archers in hunt.

By Yun Ki Song PT

Horse riding is one of the fine customs of the Korean people which have been passed on for a long period of time. It has a long history of horse breeding.

In Ancient Joson (the early 30th century BC-108

and especially horse riding, archery and arrow-shooting on horseback have been recognized as its national sports for a long time.

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In Ancient Joson (the early 30th century BC-108

BC) the Koreans made bits with copper to tame horses and decorated them with ornaments.

The people of Koguryo Kingdom (277 BC-AD 668) are known to have been most proficient in riding in the history of the Korean nation.

They learned how to ride horses and shoot arrows in their childhood.

These skills were used as a standard to select talents during the period of Koguryo.

On March 3 by the lunar calendar every year, all the warriors across the country got together on Rangnang Hill to play a hunting game.

It was the game of martial arts during which they fought against wild beasts while riding horses and shooting arrows.

The Tokhung-ri tomb mural vividly portrays competitors shooting arrows at fixed targets on horseback.

The spirit of attaching importance to military affairs based on the horse riding custom of Koguryo, which existed as a powerful country for nearly a thousand years, exerted a great effect on later generations.

Koguryo's riding custom, tools for handling horses and ornaments for horses had marked influence on the countries of the same nation—Paekje, Silla and Kaya—and on the neighbouring country of Japan as well.

The riding custom was carried on through Palhae (the late 7th century-early 10th century) and Koryo (918-1392) to the feudal Joson dynasty (1392-1910).

The people of Koryo, who named the country thus as they succeeded Koguryo, inherited the tradition of archery, swordsmanship and spearsmanship on horseback established in the latter.

From its early years, Koryo set it as a state law to select brave, powerful and agile young people and teach them horse riding and archery. Competitions were often held among folks who were proficient in horse riding and archery and the losers would treat winners to meals.

In Koryo, warriors who were good at horse riding and archery were drafted from counties to form special forces including *singi* force, or a unit with excellent horsemanship, and *mabyolcho*, or a special cavalry, to guard the royal palace and defend the country.

There are many stories about such special cavalry

units in *Koryosa* (History of Koryo Dynasty).

In particular, *kyokku*, or a kind of polo played by two teams on horseback using wooden sticks with hammers at the end to hit a ball, was very popular.

Historical records say that even women played the game in Koryo.

Horse riding and archery were also encouraged in the feudal Joson dynasty on a nationwide scale.

It is by no means accidental that Sejong and other kings frequently said that “our specialties are good bowmanship and horsemanship”.

It is said that warriors of the feudal Joson dynasty, who went over to Japan for negotiations at the closing stage of the Imjin Patriotic War (1592-1598), showed excellent skills on horseback, drawing the admiration of the people of Japan, the enemy state.

Horse riding is still encouraged among the Korean people as it is beneficial to health and helps them develop bravery and tenacity.

