





Kim Jong Un inspects the Kosan Combined Fruit Farm in September Juche 105 (2016).

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Bumper Harvest in “Youth” Orchards

An unusually bountiful fruit harvest was reaped in the Kosan Combined Fruit Farm, widely known as a sea of apple trees under Chol Pass in the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea.

The farm has been turned into a great fruit producer with “youth” orchards, thanks to the wise leadership of the Workers’ Party of Korea which is eager to provide the people with lots of delicious and fragrant fruit.

Kim Jong Un visited the farm in September as it reaped an unheard-of harvest in Kosan.

Seeing the officials who said they had been anxiously waiting for him to date since the blossoms of apple trees, he appreciated the farm workers for unheard-of miracles and innovations they performed all year long.

He looked round the room for the education in the revolutionary history which was remodelled. Watching the precious historic relics with keen attention, he said that the farm built under the far-reaching plan of President Kim Il Sung had been turned into a combined fruit producer under the loving care of Chairman Kim Jong Il. He continued to say that laudable successes achieved by the farm are unthinkable without the devoted efforts of the great leaders who had indicated the road to a bright prospect for it, adding that they should always remember how the history of the sea of apple trees began at the foot of Chol Pass.

Every branch of apple trees is laden with appetizing fruits, apples seem to be dyed red, and it looks all red under Chol Pass, he said as he had a bird’s eye view of the farm and looked round the fields.

He continued that he never gets tired of enjoying the scenery of Kosan as it adds joy and delight, makes one’s stomach full for just a look at it, and such a view is not to be seen anywhere else.

He made the rounds of the newly built storehouse with a capacity of thousands of tons and noted that officials and members of the Construction Shock Brigade 618 have impeccably built the storehouse. He spoke highly of them for having made a positive contribution to developing the farm into the world’s leading fruit farm true to the behests of the Chairman and the intentions of the Party.

Stressing that the farm should work harder to take a huge leap forward by relying on the achievements it has made this year, he specified tasks to be tackled by the farm.

Cherishing the pride and dignity in having received the field guidance of the supreme leader, the officials and employees of the Kosan Combined Fruit Farm made up their minds to perform fresh innovations in the worthy struggle to implement the Party’s idea of loving the people.

Article: Kim Thae Hyon



The world-level combined fruit farm has an unusual bumper year for apples.

Another Demonstration of Might of Juche Korea in Defence of Global Justice and Peace

Statement of the Nuclear Weapons Institute of the DPRK

Korean scientists and technicians carried out a test to assess the power of a new nuclear warhead at the northern nuclear test ground in line with the Workers' Party of Korea's plan for building a strategic nuclear force.

The Central Committee of the WPK sent warm congratulations to the nuclear scientists and technicians involved upon their successful nuclear test.

The nuclear test serves as a final examination and confirmation of the structural and operational specifications, performance, and power of the nuclear warheads that have been standardized to be able to be mounted on strategic ballistic rockets of the Hwasong artillery units of the Strategic Force of the Korean People's Army.

The test analysis proved that the measured values including explosion power and the nuclear material usage coefficient conformed to the calculated values and that there was no leakage of radioactive materials, having no adverse impact on the ecology nearby.

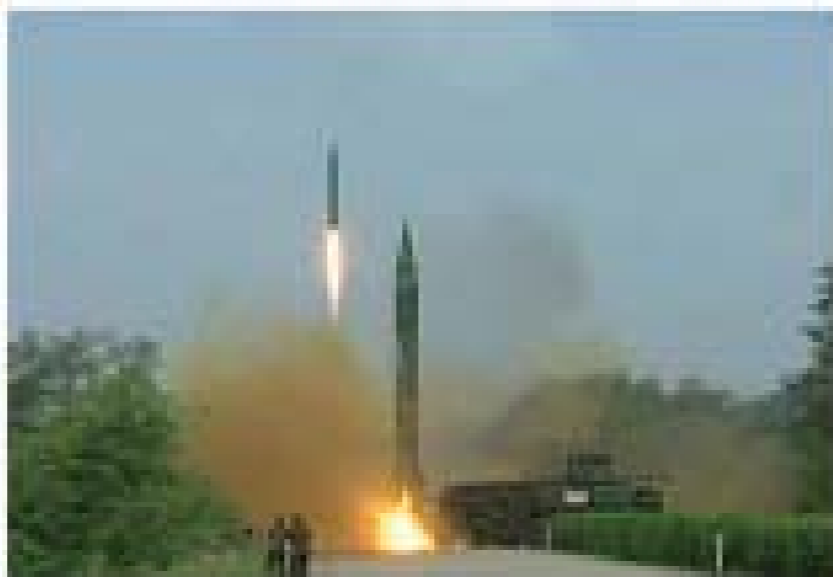
The standardization of the nuclear warhead will enable the DPRK to produce at will and as many as it wants a variety of smaller, lighter and diversified

nuclear warheads of higher strike power with a firm hold on the technology for producing and using various fissile materials, and this has also raised the country's nuclear weaponization onto a higher level.

The test is part of the practical countermeasures against the threat and sanctions racket launched by the US and other hostile forces which are viciously taking issue with the DPRK over its exercise of the right to self-defence while persistently denying its strategic position as a full-fledged nuclear state. It is also a demonstration of the tough stance of the WPK and the Korean people that they are ready to hit back the enemies when they are first to provoke.

The DPRK will take further steps to strengthen its nuclear force in quality and quantity in order to maintain its dignity and right to existence and safeguard genuine peace from the increasing US threat of nuclear war.

Pyongyang
September 9, Juche 105 (2016)



Successive miracles were created in the defence industry sector in accordance with the WPK's plan for building a strategic nuclear force.



The Pyongyang army-people rally held to celebrate the successful nuclear warhead test which strongly demonstrated the might of Juche Korea.

An army-people rally took place at Kim Il Sung Square in Pyongyang in September amid the national jubilation and rejoicing at the success of the nuclear warhead test carried out in step with the strategic plan of the Workers' Party of Korea for nuclear arms building.

It was attended by officials of the Party and military organs, ministries and national agencies, and officers and men of the Korean People's Army and the Korean People's Internal Security Forces, officials and working people from institutions at all levels and industrial establishments and youth and students in Pyongyang, totalling a hundred thousand.

The statement of the Nuclear Weapons Institute of the DPRK was read and congratulatory speeches followed.

On behalf of the Party, service personnel, scientists and the youth, the speakers congratulated the scientists and technicians on their successful test to assess the power of a new nuclear warhead on the occasion of the founding anniversary of the DPRK.

They described the test as a mega-event that ensures the eternal prosperity

and security of Juche Korea, and an inspiring action of national significance instilling confidence in and optimism about final victory in the entire service personnel and people who are rushing forward for the building of a powerful socialist country under the leadership of the great Party.

They also noted that it is the philosophical principle kept by the Korean army and people in the decades-long anti-imperialist and anti-US showdown that the imperialists' vicious hostile policy and war schemes should be responded only with tougher counteroffensive and merciless and instant strike.

Stressing that only victory and glory are in store for the Koreans who are advancing under the leadership of the Party, they called on all the service personnel and people to work hard to build a powerful socialist country of Juche, people's paradise, on this land, firmly rallied around the supreme leader Kim Jong Un.

Similar army-people rallies took place in other provinces.

Article: Choe Kwang Ho





The seminar was attended by delegations and delegates of the Juche idea study organizations from many countries and regions.



They had a photo taken in front of President Kim Il Sung's old home at Mangyongdae.

International Seminar on the Juche Idea Held

The International Seminar on the Juche Idea for Anti-imperialism, Independence and Solidarity took place at the People's Palace of Culture in Pyongyang in September on the occasion of the 68th founding anniversary of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

It was sponsored by the International Institute of the Juche Idea (IIJI). Present there were delegations and delegates of the organizations for the study of the Juche idea from different countries and regions including Harish Gupta, vice-director general of the IIJI, and members of the Korean Association of Social Scientists as well as other people from relevant fields.

In the report, Harish Gupta stressed that in the present era when humankind's existence and their development are exposed to serious threat, it arises as an urgent demand to conduct anti-imperialist independence struggle more briskly to smash aggression and war schemes of imperialists, defend global peace and security and achieve progress and prosperity. He continued that Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism, the great guiding ideology of our times which gives a perfect solution to all the theoretical and practical problems arising in defending and realizing independence, is the guiding principle in the struggle against imperialism and to realize global independence.

He underscored the need for the Juche idea study organizations to conduct more brisk activities for studying and disseminating Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism and putting it into the struggle for anti-imperialist independence and solidarity as it has powerfully encouraged the cause of independence among broad masses

by dint of unprecedented attraction and to steadily expand the ranks of the advocates of the Juche idea.

In the following speeches, the speakers explained the issues arising in achieving global independence through solidarity and alliance under the banner of anti-imperialist independence, guided by the immortal Juche idea.

They pointed out the need for the masses to have a great guiding ideology in order to carve out their destiny independently and creatively, and emphasized that the research into the Juche idea should be conducted more energetically to shed a light on the road of building a new independent society. They also noted that Juche idea study organizations should work proactively to disseminate the Juche idea in various forms and strive to rally all the people aspiring to independence, justice, truth and progress into the organizations and thus expand the core ranks of the advocates.

A letter to the Korean supreme leader Kim Jong Un was adopted amid the enthusiastic applause of the participants.

The seminar which was held amid the expectations and concern of the advocates of the Juche idea worldwide has provided a venue for the gathering of historic significance that has strengthened international solidarity between countries and peoples struggling for the realization of the cause of anti-imperialism and independence and accelerated the studying and disseminating of the Juche idea.

Article: Jong Ki Sang
Photo: Kim Yun Hyok

Collected Poems and Books Praise Korean Leaders



Collected poems and books praising the Korean leaders were published in many countries on the occasion of the Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea.

The publications all carried on their front pages the portraits of the smiling Generalissimos Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il and the respected Kim Jong Un.

Books "Korea's Answer" and "Korea Seen from the New Viewpoint" and collected poems "The Country Shining in the East" were published in Peru. Collected poems "Day of the Sun Is Marked Century after Century" and "The Undying Star in Memory," and books "Unheard-of 70 Years" and "Correct Understanding of the Trust in the Leader in the DPRK" were published in Russia.

They all noted that proud history of socialist Korea which has been established by the great leaders and advanced along the road of victory under their leadership is the common wealth of the progressive mankind that aspire to independence. They also said that undying exploits the great leaders had performed for the independent cause of the Korean people and the cause of global independence will shine for ever in the political history of the world.

They stressed that the ever-victorious history of modern Korea and its indomitable mettle created and enriched by the Generalissimos are being carried forward by the respected Kim Jong Un, another iron-willed brilliant commander, who is developing the DPRK into an invincible one that is making leap forward towards an economic and civilized power firmly based on the politico-ideological and military power.

Book "An Outline of Public Education in the DPRK" rolled off in Belarus praised the immortal exploits the great leaders performed in establishing the people-oriented socialist education system and expressed a firm belief that the DPRK will occupy a solid status of an educational and sci-tech power in the near future under the wise leadership of Kim Jong Un.

Book "Kim Jong Un, Politics of Love for People" published in Bangladesh introduced the birth of the glorious era of Kim Jong Un, proud development of the DPRK in this era, and happy life of the Korean people under his politics of love for the people. It stated that the song in praise of the politics of love for the people administered by Kim Jong Un will resound throughout the planet.

Article: Kim Hyon



A typhoon and the heaviest downpour in meteorological observation since Korea's liberation in 1945 hit the northern part of North Hamgyong Province, inflicting serious damages on several cities and counties of the province.

The Whole Country Turned Out to Turn Misfortune into Blessing



The heroic working class of Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il have turned out in hearty response to the appeal of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea.



The DPRK Red Cross Society sent relief goods to the victims.



The service personnel and people rose as one in the reconstruction campaign to stabilize the life of the flood victims as early as possible and turn the damaged areas into a socialist paradise.

The northern area of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is seething with the service personnel and people of the country who have turned out in the grand campaign to safeguard the people and serve them, giving full play to the might of the great idea of prioritizing people pursued by the Workers' Party of Korea.

A typhoon and heavy rain hit some areas of North Hamgyong Province between August 29 and September 2, causing the worst-ever flood damage in the areas along the Tuman River since Korea's liberation.

The heaviest downpour in meteorological observation caused the Tuman River and other

streams to overflow, hitting Hoeryong City, Musan, Yonsa, Onsong, Kyongwon and Kyonghung counties and several areas of Rason City.

It claimed hundreds of lives and left over 68 900 people homeless.

29 800 houses were destroyed with 11 600 dwelling houses completely collapsed, 900 production and public buildings destroyed or damaged, and railways, roads and other traffic networks and power supply system broken.

27 400 hectares of farmland were destroyed or submerged, and dams and spillways of the rivers

and reservoirs damaged in 150 places.

Kim Jong Un, Chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea, Chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK and Supreme Commander of the Korean People's Army, was grieved by the misfortunes inflicted on the economic development and people's livelihood of North Hamgyong Province. He took important measures to direct the main thrust of the 200-day campaign to the campaign for recovering from the flood damage in the afflicted northern areas and mobilize the whole Party, entire army and all the people to deal with

the emergency.

His ennobling intention and wise leadership to achieve the miracle of turning misfortune into a blessing by dint of the single-hearted unity of the Party, army and people have become the source of the infinite strength with which to overcome the severe ordeals.

The Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea made public on September 10 the appeal calling on all Party members, service personnel and people to relieve the severe flood damage in the shortest time and work a new miracle of





dispatched to the most severely damaged areas are working out new miracles in the spirit of At a Go and in a sweeping way like a charge of dynamite set off.

Members of the shock brigades and young people from the major construction projects are determined to create new heroic miracles and dashing forward at a Mallima speed.

The Sangwon Cement Complex, Sunchon Cement Complex, Kim Chaek Iron and Steel Complex, Chollima Steel Complex, February 8 Vinalon Complex, Chollima General Building-Materials Factory, and other units are waging vigorous campaigns for increased production to ensure an emergency supply of cement, steel materials, tiles, paints and other materials.

True to the lofty intention of the WPK that prioritizes, respects and loves the people, the officials are working to restore normalcy in the afflicted areas.

They visit the bereaved families to express sadness over their loss, and take measures to provide them with lodging and boarding and supply food, drinking water, fuel and firewood, and bedclothes and other materials.

The whole Party and society have turned out to assist the afflicted northern areas with food, daily necessities, materials and facilities for reconstruction and funds.

The WPK's politics of prioritizing, respecting and loving the people, great single-hearted unity of the leader, the Party and the people, and the grand army-people unity will present another impressive reality in which misfortune is turned into a blessing in the era of the Workers' Party.

Article: Choe Kwang Ho

Photo: Kim Jin Myong, Han Kwang Myong, Kim Kwang Hyok, Ri Chung Song



Artistic performances on the spot encourage all the people involved in the reconstruction campaign.



Food and building materials are promptly transported to the rehabilitation sites.

turning misfortune to good account by enlisting and concentrating all human, material and technical potentials of the state on the front of the reconstruction in the afflicted northern areas.

An emergency meeting was held to take measures to reconstruct the flood-hit areas, and the central and field headquarters were organized comprising officials of the Party Central Committee, the Cabinet, the State Planning Commission, ministries, national agencies, and the province, forming a well-knit command system to push ahead with the reconstruction project.

Detailed objectives were sent to all the sectors and units to set the rehabilitation of the afflicted areas as the main task of the 200-day campaign, ensure the mobilization of the construction personnel, materials, machines and equipment on a priority basis and complete the construction projects as soon as possible.

In hearty response to the Party's call all the service personnel and people turned out as one in the rehabilitation campaign, fully aware that the rehabilitation project is the sacred campaign to defend single-hearted unity, to ensure the absolute trust in the WPK cherished by all the people and also

the fierce class struggle with the hostile forces.

Service personnel, shock brigade members and other powerful construction forces that had been mobilized in the major construction projects for Ryomyong Street, Samjiyon area, livestock base in the Sepho area, waterway of South Hwanghae Province, Chongchon River-Phyongnam irrigation gravity-fed waterway, Wonsan area and others, were dispatched to the flood-hit areas.

Military units, shock brigades, national agencies and local units in North Hamgyong Province mobilized all their road vehicles and heavy construction machines in the field.

Power generation at the thermal and hydroelectric power stations across the country are steadily increasing, and the power transmission network has been restored to supply electricity to the afflicted areas, railways and production units without interruption.

Thanks to the efforts of the workers in the rail transport sector, railway lines have been reconstructed in several sections and a large amount of materials are being transported to the flood-stricken areas every day.

The KPA service personnel who have been



The first train ran between Komusan Youth Railway Station and Musan Railway Station ten-odd days after the railways reconstruction campaign.



By Putting Business Management on a Scientific Basis

The Chollima General Building-Materials Factory was built in the suburbs of Pyongyang, thanks to the great plan of General Kim Jong Il who was always anxious to provide people with the most cultured and happiest life in the world. It has now developed into a large-capacity building materials production base under the wise leadership of the respected Kim Jong Un.

It has established an administrative information system, put its business operation on a scientific footing, and made all the production lines automated and flow-lined.

It produces blocks, sheet-metal roofing materials, light steel structure, steel bars, plastic and aluminum window frames, heat-proof composite boards, plastic pipes, iron fences, wire-net fences, and other building materials.

The factory products were widely used in many construction projects, including Wisong Scientists Residential District, Mirae Scientists Street and Sci-Tech Complex.

At present the factory is striving to implement the tasks advanced at the Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea.

It is further improving its management methods and perfecting its infrastructure to keep up with the developing reality.



It is also closely combining scientific research with production to diversify building materials in types, kinds and colours and produce them by relying on

locally available raw and other materials and on its own efforts and technology.

Let us keep our feet firmly planted on our land and vigorously advance to beat

the world!—this is the goal of the factory.

Son Yong Su, manager, said proudly: “My factory has a bright future with promising production potentiality and

sound material and technical foundations. We will turn out more and better-quality building materials at a faster rate, thus making active contribution to sustaining

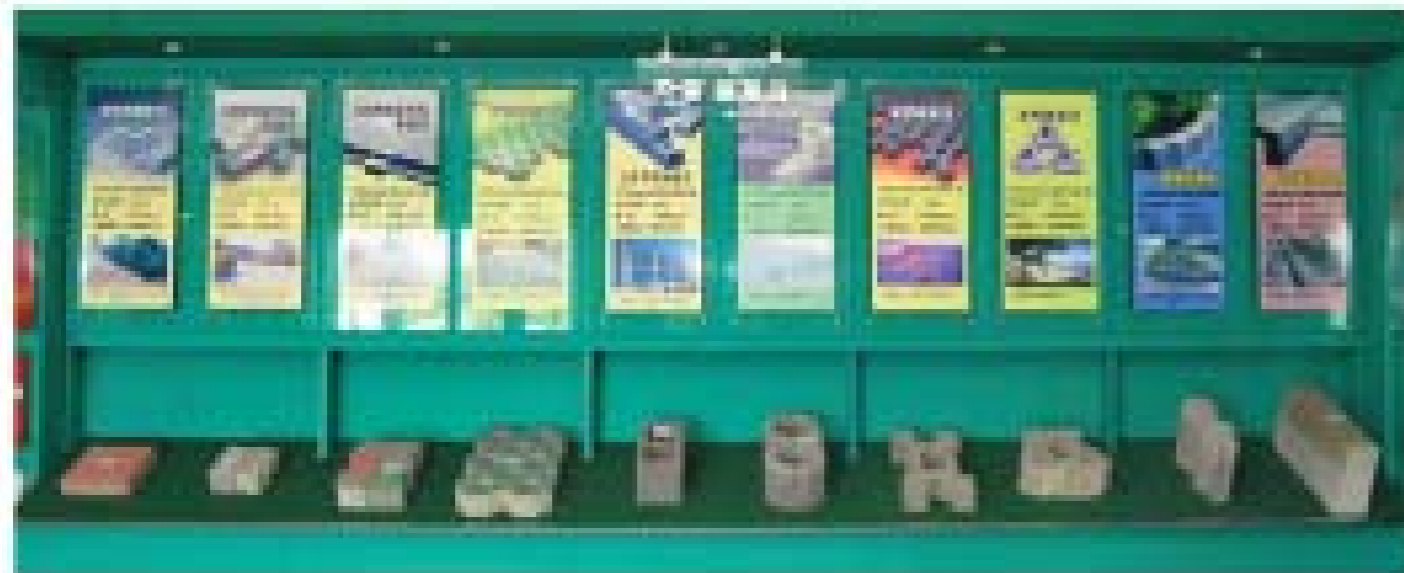
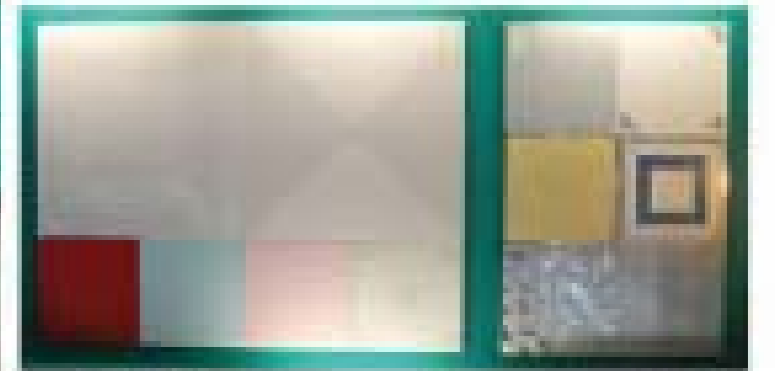
the formative and artistic features of the architecture.”

Article & photo: Jin Yong Ho





The close combination of scientific research and production makes it possible to produce building materials in various types, kinds and colours.





To implement the decisions of the Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea

Relying on Science and Technology



The Phyongsong Artificial Leather Factory is registering remarkable achievements in production and management activities.

With a high sense of responsibility that they have a lion's share in the light industry development of the country, the factory's personnel are giving priority to science and technology.

Its officials are encouraging the technicians to ensure the full operation of modern machines and equipment, remodel the existing machines, raise the proportion of domestically-produced raw and other materials, and develop new technologies for making products in various kinds and colours.

In the course of this the technicians developed new heat stabilizer for vinyl chloride and filler for artificial leather, and succeeded in employing polyurethane artificial leather in manufacturing goods in various types and colours and in more than 40 kinds.

The factory is also pushing ahead with the work to develop technologies for artificial leathers with resistance to flame and for sports goods its technical personnel and workers have developed by pooling their creative wisdom and strength.

The whole factory is seething with an enthusiasm for studying science and technology.

Its sci-tech learning space is always crowded with not only officials, technicians and skilled workers but also the novices who strive to learn advanced sci-tech knowledge. This year alone many of the factory employees were involved in the online education system to be well-versed in sci-tech knowledge in their respective sectors and apply them in practice.

It is greatly paying off, and several technical inventions and innovation conceptions are developed and being introduced into production. By doing so, the factory is turning out artificial leather products as good as the natural ones in physical and qualitative terms including in tensile and bending strength.

At present the factory is making strenuous efforts to establish an integrated manufacturing system in production and business activities and upgrade machines and equipment.

Thanks to the concerted efforts of its management and working staff to manufacture the world-class artificial leather by relying on science and technology, the factory is boosting its production of nonwoven fibre fabric, wet and dry artificial leather, a variety of bags and so on.

Article: Pak Pyong Hun
Photo: An Chol Ryong



Overlapping process.



Wet artificial leather production.



Dry artificial leather production.

New Process of Acrylic Paint Production



The Sunchon Chemical Complex is making a great stride in placing its production on a Juche-oriented basis in its effort to implement the gigantic programme of building a powerful socialist country advanced at the Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea.

To this end, its officials, technicians and workers set a goal of acrylic paint production relying on the domestic raw materials, efforts and technology and turned out as one in its implementation.

The acrylic paint production has been a monopoly of a few developed countries because of the difficulty in the development of techniques, manu-

facture of production equipment and the operation of the process.

However, the officials, scientists and technicians at the complex and relevant units gave fullest play to the spirit of self-reliance and self-development and made painstaking efforts to establish an acrylic paint production process.

By the concerted efforts with those from Ministry of Chemical Industry, Namhung Chemical Designing Institute and Kim Chaek University of Technology, they developed the acrylic paints and manufactured all things needed in production in Korean fashion. They succeeded at one go-off in

the establishment of the acrylic paint production process, such as synthesizing and rectifying of acrylic acid and production of water and oil paints. They also made it possible to mass-produce the paints on a normal track.

The acrylic paints produced at the complex are varied in colours and widely used for painting the exterior and interior of the buildings, metals and wood. Terracottem, substance for ameliorating soil and supplementing moisture, is also produced in large quantities at the complex.

The respected Kim Jong Un visited the complex in August and was greatly satisfied with

the world-level quality of the acrylic paints and terracottem made by its own efforts and technology. He pointed out the need to direct continuous efforts to developing chemical industry based on the successes achieved and clarified tasks and ways of placing the chemical goods production on a highly Juche-oriented basis.

True to the intention of the supreme leader, all the employees of the complex are striving to carry out the tasks he set forth and thus supply quality acrylic paints to various sectors of the national economy.

Article & photo: Ri Kwang Song



Acrylic paints, terracottem and microbial agrochemicals are produced by relying on domestic technology, raw and other materials and facilities.



Natural History Museum

The Natural History Museum newly built at the foot of picturesque Mt Taesong in Pyongyang is now attracting many visitors.

Occupying a total floor space of over 35 000 sq metres, the museum is a centre for diffusing encyclopaedic knowledge of the natural history, such as the history of the earth, the origin of life, fauna and flora.

Entering the central hall of the museum, visitors catch sight of torrents of lava and model frameworks of dinosaurs reflecting the ancient times of the earth.

The first floor of the museum has the halls of outer space and the Paleozoic age. The second floor is dedicated to animals and the third floor to animals and plants, and the fourth floor has a hall

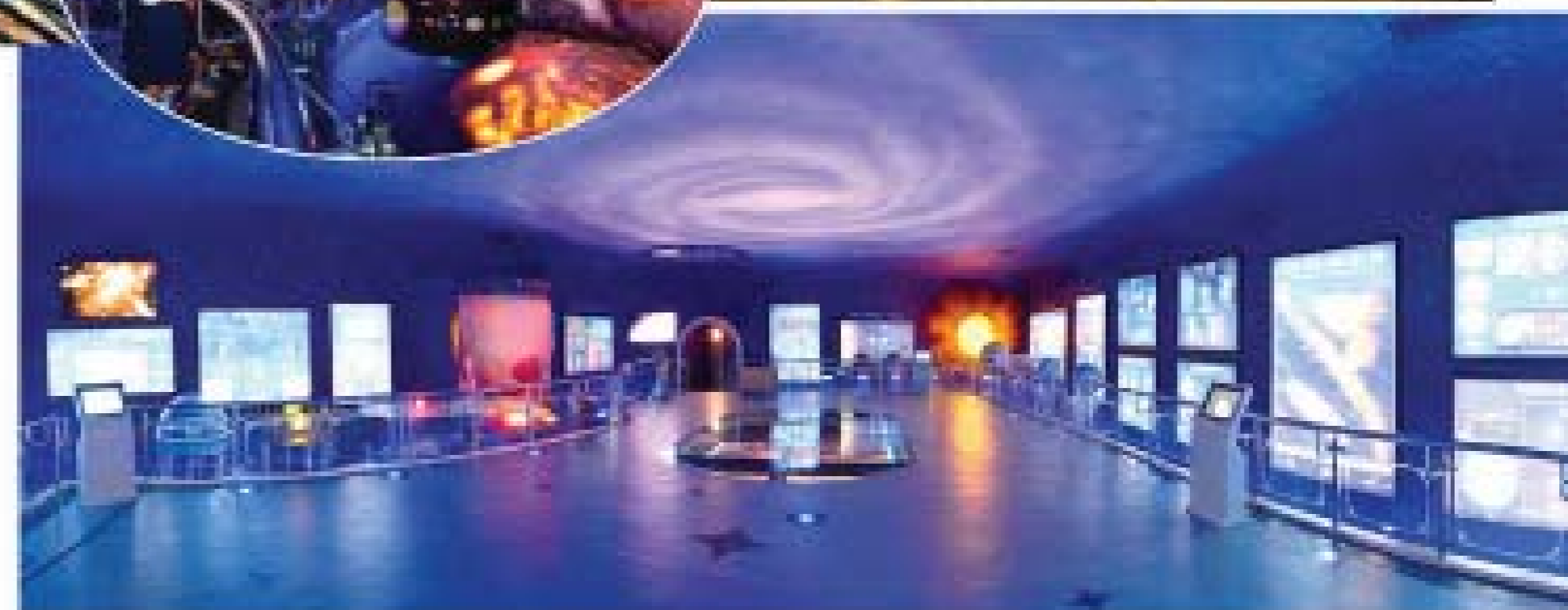
of temporary exhibition, e-reading room and sci-tech learning space.

On display in the hall of outer space are a dozen of model objects with fluorescent illustrations and other unique devices, offering a fresh understanding of the evolution of the space, the formation of the solar system, the effects of the sun on the earth, the time and weather, and so on. In the hall of the Paleozoic age visitors can see the environmental changes of the earth and evolution process of life from the origin of life to the emergence of human beings through a variety of specimens and scientific data exhibited in a scientific and all-round way.

One of the attractions in the museum are the planetarium that offers a glimpse of the formation of the earth, the motion of planets in the solar



General view of the Natural History Museum.



Hall of outer space offers a fresh understanding of the formation of the solar system and the earth.



Dinosaur park.

system and the constellations and a dinosaur park with several life-like model dinosaurs in motion and crying.

The animal and plant halls exhibit various specimens of animals and plants, including stuffed specimens and herbariums, all arranged in a systematic order. Touch-screen computers and other visual aids help visitors get a wide knowledge

of fauna and flora on the earth, such as species, ecology, distribution and conservation.

In front of the large electronic screens that are installed in many places of the museum to display various animation materials of natural phenomena the visitors are seen engrossed in hot debates. Some others scan computers in the main halls on every floor for interesting information.

Unique resting places are laid out in various parts of the museum.

Visitors to the Natural History Museum are unanimous in saying that they have acquired a lot of knowledge there and they will come again and again.

Article: Kim Son Gyong
Photo: Choe Won Chol



Visitors look round the models and displays of the Mesozoic ocean.



Cenozoic jungle and hall of anthropology.

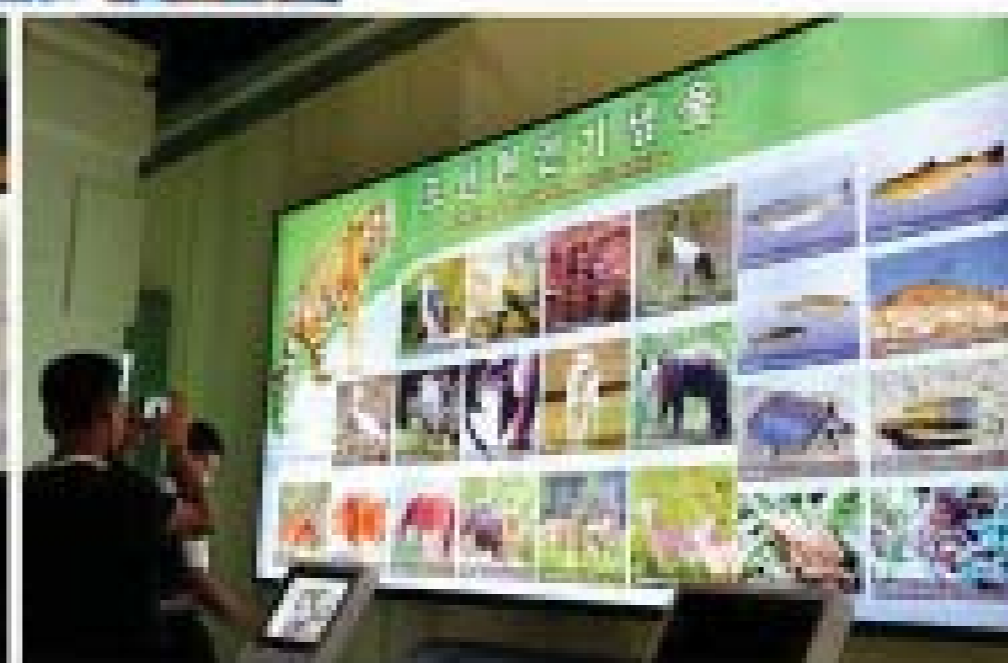




The animal hall offers a wide-ranging knowledge of the species, ecology, distribution, usage and conservation.



The plant hall gives knowledge of the shapes, structures, distribution, usage, ecology and conservation of various kinds of plants found on earth.



E-reading room.





The opera portrays Choe Hui Suk, an anti-Japanese revolutionary fighter, who cherished the indomitable faith in victory in the revolution and fought unyieldingly under the Japanese imperialists' torture.

The Revolutionary Opera

I Can Still See Victory in the Revolution

The Phibada Opera Troupe has recently staged the revolutionary opera *I Can Still See Victory in the Revolution*.

Since its debut in April at the Pyongyang Grand Theatre, the revolutionary opera has created great sensation and attracted many people every day.

The opera fictionalizes a heroic struggle of Choe Hui Suk who fought during the anti-Japanese armed struggle organized and led by Kim Il Sung, Commander of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army.

Keeping the unshakeable loyalty to the leader as her unshakeable faith, she fought unyieldingly though she was arrested and lost her eyes by the Japanese imperialists. At the last moment of her life she shouted, "I can still see victory in the revolution."

The opera deals with a thematic issue of a revolutionary and faith, faith and victory, which is of great socio-political significance in the stirring reality in which the building of a powerful socialist country is in progress. And it gives all the service personnel and people the clear explanation of the idea and spirit they should possess in the present times in an ideological and artistic way.

The opera portrays in a vivid and truthful way the lofty mental world of the heroine who carried out the Commander's order to make military uniforms without the slightest delay in the difficult period of 1941. She keeps as the great trust the gold ring she received from the Commander as a commendation. Choe, with an indomitable fighting spirit, presents a striking contrast to So Sang Phil, a renegade.

In Scene 1 of Act 2 the heroine happens to meet her daughter Pom Sun whom she left in the care of a strange old woman when she embarked on the road of revolution. Although she is glad to see her daughter whose living or death has been unknown

so far, she cannot readily hug her, as she is carrying out her mission of underground work. And she sings out her grief-stricken feelings. In Scene 1 of Act 4 she, deprived of her eyes, hugs her daughter in the prison. The scenes move all the audience to tears.

The opera employs such artistic representations as the 3D stage art, dance, combined orchestra, pangchang and stanzaic songs, as required by the Sea of Blood-style operas, which accord with the aesthetic sense of the times.

Chae Myong Sok, head of the directors section, a winner of Kim Il Sung Prize and People's Artist, and other creators made painstaking efforts to produce an excellent opera by carrying forward the tradition of the Sea of Blood-style revolutionary operas created in the 1970s.

All the performers in the opera, including Kim Myong Sin, 29, who plays the role of the heroine, Merited Artiste Mun Myong Sam that of old Pak, Yang To Song that of So Sang Phil, and Rim Su Yon, 8 years old, that of Pom Sun, offer impressive and true artistic presentations.

The revolutionary opera, with *Let's Keep the Revolutionary Faith to the Death* as its theme song, implants in the minds of all the service personnel and people the faith to be cherished unto death on the road of victoriously advancing the building of a powerful socialist nation in faithful support of the idea and will of the respected Kim Jong Un.

Article: Kang Su Jong
Photo: Jin Yong Ho



The creators of the opera.



Wonsan International Friendship Air Festival-2016

The Wonsan International Friendship Air Festival-2016 was held in Kalma Airport situated in Wonsan, a port city of the DPRK, in September.

There were acrobatic flights by military and civilian aircraft, skydiving demonstrations by local and foreign parachutists as well as enthusiasts, performance of model aircraft, sightseeing flight and artistic performance during the festival.

Photo: Ri Kwang Song, Pak Chang Bok, Pyon Chan U



Several kinds of aircraft participated in the festival.



The 15th Pyongyang International Film Festival



Korean feature film *The Story of Our Home* won the best film award and its heroine the best actress award.



The 15th Pyongyang International Film Festival (PIFF) ran between September 16 and 23 in Pyongyang, capital of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, under the ideals of independence, peace and friendship.

The PIFF that brought together film-makers from many countries served as an occasion for promoting exchanges and cooperation and breaking new ground in the cinematic art.

The festival opened on September 16, as Pyongyang citizens extended warm welcome to the participants in the festival. In the opening ceremony feature, documentary and short films as well as others for special screenings were introduced.

Pak Chun Nam, minister of culture and chairman of the organizing committee of the festival, made an opening speech.

In his speech he welcomed the foreign film-makers and guests and said that the PIFF was a significant get-together of the film-makers around the world, who aspired to achieve social progress and human coprosperity and develop national filmmaking, to promote friendly ties among them.

Amid the playing of the Korean song *We Love Our Country*, the flag of the festival was hoisted and members of the international jury were introduced.

Yuri Mityushin, chairman of the International Jury

Committee, said in his congratulatory speech that the committee would try its best to build up the prestige of the PIFF held in Pyongyang, one of the most beautiful capitals in the world.

Also introduced were the prizes of the festival, followed by artistic performance of the National Folk Art Troupe of the DPRK.

At the end of the opening ceremony the participants watched the Russian film *Frontier Post "Serene."*

During the festival cinema houses in Pyongyang were filled to capacity.

At the closing ceremony on September 23 the international jury made public its judgements.

Korean feature film *The Story of Our Home* was awarded the best film award, Russian feature film *The Green Carriage* the best direction award, Indian feature film *Ram Singh Charlie* the best screenplay award, and French feature film *En Mai, fais ce qu'il te plait* the best shooting award.

The hero of the Russian film *The Green Carriage* won the best actor award, and the heroine of the Korean film *The Story of Our Home* won the best actress award.

Article & photo: Kang Su Jong



Korean Feature Film

The Story of Our Home



The Korean Film Studio has produced *The Story of Our Home*. The feature film, through the depiction of the heroine, Ri Jong A, who brings up orphaned children with maternal love, gives an artistic representation of the warm affection overflowing in the large socialist family and the beautiful ideological and spiritual world of the new generation of the Korean youth.

Ri has just graduated from a middle school. She takes care of orphaned Un Jong and her younger brother and sister so that they grow up without feeling the sorrow of parentless children.

When Un Jong mistakes her sincerity for mere sympathy and distances herself from her, Jong A wins her mind with warm affection and takes care of the children like their mother so that their eldest brother continues his military service faithfully without worrying about them.

Her selfless devotion greatly impresses officials, teachers, neighbours and friends and they all turn out to look after the orphaned children.

Jong A is honoured to become a delegate to the second national conference of exemplary young people of virtue. The supreme leader Kim Jong Un calls her a "girl mother" and sees that she is widely known across the country as a role model.

The film tells that the heroine's ennobling spiritual world and laudable deeds are seen only among the young people of the present era who have grown up under the care of the Workers' Party of Korea, and they are the precious fruition of the validity and vitality of the Party's idea and line of prioritizing the youth.

For its high ideological and artistic influence it won the best film award in the 15th Pyongyang International Film Festival in September.

Article: Mun Jin Yu





“Happy Mother’s Day!”

November 16 is celebrated as Mother’s Day in the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea.

That day all the mothers in the country receive congratulations from their sons and daughters.

Among them is Kim Kyong Suk who is the head of a nursery in Sariwon, North Hwanghae Province and mother of two sons.

It is well known that mothers dedicate their all to bringing up their children.

Busy as she was with her work, she never neglected her responsibility for bringing up her children as pillars of the country. Back home late after a long day’s work, she checked up their homework, washed their school uniforms and ironed them without fail.

And she told her young children to feel grateful to the country for its free medical care and education systems and study hard to repay the benefits.

She was a role model for the children.

In her 20 odd-year career as the nursery head, she remodelled the nursery as required by the demands of the new century and consolidated material foundations for the upbringing of the children with a sense of maternal affection. Thanks to her efforts her nursery became well known across the country as an exemplary one, and she received a gold ring bearing the august name of Kim Jong Il and the title of Merited Nurse for her meritorious deeds. Such her image exerted a great influence on her sons.

The eldest son Ri Chung Hyok, who graduated from the College of Technology of Hwangbuk University, is now acknowledged as a competent technician in the construction of waterways in

South Hwanghae Province, a grand nature-remaking work to realize irrigation. The younger son Ri Chung Il, a graduate from Kim Il Sung University, is now a member of the three-revolution team at the Pyongyang Textile Machine Factory and known as an inventor.

When the two sons congratulated their mother with bunches of flowers, she said: “Mothers are happy when their children become patriots before being dutiful sons. I want you to be strong pillars in building a powerful country.”

Article: Kim Son Gyong

Photo: Pyon Chan U



Kim tends her nursery children like their mother.



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The 10th Pyongyang International Sci-Tech Book Fair was held.



The 35th Yun I Sang Concert was held.



The 12th Pyongyang Autumn International Trade Fair was held. On display were metal, electric and electronic products, renewable energy products, building materials, chemical products, machines, light industry goods, foods, and vehicles presented by more than 280 local and foreign companies.



A World Tourism Day 2016 was observed.



An event to observe World First Aid Day took place.

Strong Protests against THAAD Deployment

Public protest is gathering momentum in south Korea against the THAAD deployment forcibly carried out by the Park Geun Hye regime as the shock brigade for realizing the US strategy of domination over Asia-Pacific region.

THAAD, the Terminal High-Altitude Air Defence system with high-performance radar capable of detecting strategic targets in the range of thousands of kilometres, is the major tool for realizing the strategy of the US to dominate Asia-Pacific region.

The United States has doggedly pursued its ambition of military domination of the Asia-Pacific region by deploying the THAAD system in south Korea. And in July the Park Geun Hye regime, in tandem with the US manoeuvres of aggression, decided on the THAAD deployment in south Korea.

The decision has thrown south Korea into turmoil and precipitated political, military and diplomatic conflicts between the powers. And it is clear that the south Korean people will hardly escape the catastrophe in case of any possible accidental clash.

Even the foreign mass media express their apprehension over the THAAD deployment in south Korea, noting that south Korea has become “the most dangerous mine field” in the region.

THAAD is known to radiate electromagnetic waves harmful to human body and environment, as they cause cancers and birth of deformed children. The THAAD system is thus set up in either uninhabited coasts or deserts in the US mainland.

Despite the fact, the south Korean regime agreed to deploy the THAAD system, and worse still, burdened its people with taxes to fund its deployment



South Koreans of all walks of life have turned out in the struggle against the THAAD deployment plan, a pro-US, sycophantic act of the Park Geun Hye regime.

and operation.

This is the traitorous act of the Park regime that sacrifices the south Korean people for the realization of the US strategy of supremacy, asserting that the decision of the THAAD deployment is to “safeguard” its people from the “north’s nuclear and missile threats.”

However hard it tries to conceal its pro-US, sycophantic policy, it fails to soothe the enraged south Korean people.

South Korean people from all walks of life are strongly denouncing the regime’s decision as the most traitorous act of selling out the national interest and the disaster incurring manifold misfortunes and fetters, and their protests against the Park regime are getting fiercer.

Thousands of locals in Songju County staged strong protests urging the

withdrawal of THAAD plan. When the prime minister and defence minister visited Songju to give a briefing on the deployment of THAAD, they were detained for six and a half hours by the angry crowd who hurled water and eggs. The leader of the Saenuri Party and his party, on their visit to Songju to soothe the enraged people, were greeted by the locals in mourning garments and wailing in lamentation as they held the funeral ceremony for the Saenuri Party.

Not only locals in Songju but also other people from all walks of life in south Korea have turned out in protest against the THAAD deployment plan of the Park regime, holding interviews, rallies, fasting, head shaving, signing, and candlelit demonstrations.

Strongly denouncing the regime’s THAAD plan as the crime of modern

version of five traitors in the year of Ulsa (1905) and the great disaster that endangers the public security with the threat more dangerous than war, the south Korean people wage protest actions against the THAAD, demanding their right to existence and peace in the region.

The Park Geun Hye clique, vicious traitors to the nation, who are hell-bent on pro-US worship and confrontation with the fellow countrymen, enforcing only misfortunes and troubles upon the south Korean people, and causing a nuclear holocaust in the Korean peninsula and northeast Asia, will never escape stern punishment by the whole nation for their heinous crime.

Article: Kim Jong

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