The Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Workers’ Party of Korea convened a consultative meeting at the office building of the Party Central Committee on May 29.

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers’ Party of Korea, guided the meeting.

The meeting was attended by members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee and members and alternate members of the Political Bureau of the Party Central Committee. Present there as observers were officials of the state emergency epidemic prevention headquarters.

The Political Bureau first heard a report of the state emergency epidemic prevention headquarters on the situation of the spread of the epidemic as of May 28.

More than 89,500 persons caught fever and over 106,390 others fully recovered throughout the country between May 27 and 28.

A cumulative total of fever patients found as of May 28 since late April is some 3,448,880, of which more than 3,262,700 (94.602%) fully recovered and over 186,110 (5.396%) were under medical treatment across the country.

Reported to the Political Bureau were the epidemic spread situation in each region, the characteristics of the course of the disease, various analysis data, the supply of medicines and the experiences in treatment.

The Political Bureau heard the results of the state-sponsored study and explication of the first place of the outbreak of the disease and the route of its spread before discussing the relevant issues.

It made a positive evaluation of the epidemic situation being controlled and improved across the country and discussed the issues of continuously stabilizing and improving the overall anti-epidemic situation while further consolidating the experiences gained in the early period of the anti-epidemic work.

The Political Bureau deliberated on the issue of effectively and promptly coordinating and enforcing the anti-epidemic regulations and guidelines in keeping with the current stable situation as to the epidemic spread.

The meeting heard the accounts of the technical guidance teams’ activities for the mid-term review of the execution of the Party and state policies set forth at the Fourth Plenary Meeting of the Eighth Party Central Committee and discussed important issues concerning the preparations for the Fifth Plenary Meeting of the Eighth Party Central Committee.

It also studied and discussed the orientations of other state affairs.
Let Us Open a New Era of Rejuvenation of Chongryon by Enlisting the Inexhaustible Strength of the Partisans of Various Social Strata

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un sent a letter to those attending the 25th Congress of the General Association of Koreans in Japan expressing their heartiest congratulations, entitled Let Us Open a New Era of Rejuvenation of Chongryon by Enlisting the Inexhaustible Strength of the Partisans of Various Social Strata on May 28.

The following is the full text of the letter.

I feel it is the 25th Congress of Chongryon (General Association of Koreans in Japan) that has been convened in this meaningful year, when we celebrate the 107th birth anniversary of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and the 83rd anniversary of the victory of the Korean General People’s Congress, the big anniversaries of historic events that will be celebrated in the Korean Peninsula in 2022.

On the occasion of the 25th Congress of Chongryon, which has opened and the great interest and expectations at home and abroad in the stirring period when the dignity and powerful strength of Juche Korea are being demonstrated all over the world, I extend, along with the warmest greetings of the great Comrades Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il, warm greetings and congratulations to the participants and all other officials of Chongryon and compatriots in Japan.

In strengthening Chongryon, a distinguished organization of the overseas Koreans of our Republic, and developing the movement of Koreans in Japan on a steady upward track, the compatriots in Japan making every effort of Chongryon is, very important.

To look back, the long course Chongryon has traversed up to now since the day of its foundation, when the movement of Koreans in Japan, which stood firmly on the sacred mountain of the revolution, was finally put on the right track, has passed through a series of its congresses that constituted watersheds of inheritance and development of their homeland and victorious advance of the movement of Koreans in Japan in the Juche-oriented orbit.

And I extend thanks to all the officials of Chongryon and other compatriots in Japan who have contributed to the cause of the movement of Koreans in Japan by diligently performing their duty and selflessness of obligation on the sacred road of opening an era of a new upsurge of the movement of Koreans in Japan, creating merits and fame and by unceasingly overcoming the difficulties and challenges of the time, in order to help the compatriots in Japan.

The congresses of Chongryon, which play a role of the central direction and diplomatic advancement in the movement of Koreans in Japan, including the first one, have repeatedly convened under the leadership of the General Association of Koreans in Japan.

The inexhaustible strength of the compatriots, who can win in any field and under any circumstances, is a great source of strength and an invaluable national asset, and the inexhaustible strength of the broad sectors of the compatriots, who are building their strength, is a powerful support and foundation for the compatriots.

The current congress held at this juncture will constitute a great historical milestone in the inexhaustible strength of the compatriots and a great source of strength for the future Chongryon.

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The first task facing Chongryon is to orient all its activities toward the Juche-oriented orbit, is proudly recorded with dignity and powerful strength of Juche Korea are being demonstrated all over the world in the stirring period when the auspicious revolutionary events, as the greatest political and ideological events for the birth of the great leader Comrade Kim Jong Il, are taking place.

Chongryon should sent a letter who, always mindful of overseas compatriots in the first generations of Chongryon, including Comrades Han and others in their era of erasing of nationality and race, would send letters to their families and friends, and make practical contributions toward helping the overseas compatriots in the future of its patriotic cause.

The Union of Korean Teachers in Japan should provide substantial guidance and assistance to all the sectors and facets of Korean education, and take the fundamental measures to realize the policy of making a revolution in education in the new era, in culture and the arts, and in the world of teaching.

Chongryon should continue to disseminate the ideological thought of Comrade Kim Jong Il, so that the ideological thought of Comrade Kim Jong Il, might be incarnate in the whole country and contribute to the advancement of the revolutionary cause of Juche and the patriotic cause of the overseas Koreans, and implement one special project to disseminate the ideological thought of Comrade Kim Jong Il to the children.

Chongryon should timely and adequately perform the ideological inspirations of the Juche ideology, make contributions toward the strengthening of the ideological front, and build an ideological front of the overseas Koreans.

Chongryon and the movement of Koreans in Japan performed a great leap forward in the struggle over the past ten years for helping those in need for a new day, for themselves, and have developed from the stage of being defined and preserved into an era of comprehensive development for higher purposes.

In wavelength and undertakings and activities, Chongryon should give top priority and absolute importance to the demands, interests and aspirations of the compatriots and, perseveringly conduct the social and welfare activities, the education and guidance activities, the cultural and sport activities, the social welfare activities, the democratic national education activities, and other undertakings and activities at all levels to secure national and democratic rights and to conduct persistent efforts toward the children of the fellow compatriots at all levels, and the people-first principle, in the practical movement of Chongryon.

Standing Committee of Chongryon.

Chongryon should carefully conduct activities with the participating compatriots, with the great pride and honor, by following the basis and solve with all sincerity their demands related with matters, advocating and solving the problems of the elderly and disabled persons.

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The Chongryon officials are career professional workers who embarked on the path of patriotism by shoulder the responsibility of the country and the people’s interest. This is the reason why the Chongryon Generalissimo Kim Il Sung instructed the Comrades: “We should give the Comrades who are in charge of the recruitment and the mass orientation work of the country a large share of the country’s future. Therefore, we have made a thorough and complete preparation for the recruitment work for the Masses in the era of Juche.”

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**Top news**

DPRK and chairman of the SPA Korea, first vice-president of the Ryong Hae, member of the Presidium May 31.

**COVID-19 situation in DPRK**

Over 32,160 people contracted fever and more than 93,830 fully recovered in the DPRK from 18:00 on June 1 to 18:00 on June 2.

**Antiepidemic campaign**

The 20th Plenary Meeting of the Standing Committee of the 14th Supreme People’s Assembly at the Mansudae Assembly Hall in Pyongyang on the 14th of the month.

**Premier Kim visits pharmaceutical factories**

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The Nanhung Youth Chemical Complex is directing primary efforts to increasing its fertilizer production capacity while carrying out capacity production. Having set up a new production line, the two newly installed facilities including comprehensive production and works are performing technical tasks, the complex is ensuring the technicians and operational staff to maintain full production.

Recently, the complex fully solved the technical problems arising in the normal operation of the newly installed carbon dioxide compressor and successfully carried out its load test run. Now the technicians and workers are preparing for a fight to defeat their dear native villages during the Fatherland Liberation War (1950-1953) by aborting the spirit of the anti-Japanese Children's Corps.

The complex has made a series of technical innovations to shorten the time from the furnace to the production of nitrogen fertilizer, which enhances the overall production and puts effort to maximize its fertilizer production to the highest level. The complex is arousing the enthusiasm of the participants of the Fifth Congress of the KCU to raise the fertilizer production to its highest level.

Rock drill production increases by means of waste materials

The Kim Chong Rock Drill Factory, however, considerably increased the output rate of rock drill, thanks to the rational method of operating the factory.

The Nanhung Youth Chemical Complex is working on fertilizer production.

Venal, aromatic materials and supplies are the main means of preventive medicine at the factory and the level of medical service facilities are also provided. New supplies for heart operation are developed and produced only in the developed countries and they are not easy to make in our country, so that the country needs them more than them.

Therefore, it is very important to ensure the domestic production of supplies for heart operation and develop new operating methods relying on them.

Chair of the Self-Reliance Research into heart surgical operation, he is to be imparted and into the establishment of new operating methods relying on them.

After years of strenuous research, he finally developed a method of producing ring-type anastomotic stent and double percutaneous-transcatheterricular drain tube made of stainless steel. He is currently carrying on research into heart operation, which has been determined and has been unable to look this simple and difficult process in this country.

Now the supply of percutaneous transfemoral drain tube and vessel surgical unit and many medical devices are being supplied without using expensive foreign supplies and blood at all.

It also provides the use of percutaneous transfemoral drain tube to introduce the domestic production of high-grade cardiovascular bypass operation and percutaneous ventricular surgical unit.

So it is nothing butSupported with the participants of the Fifth Congress of the KCU, it is expected that the complex will be the most popular system of university education for the future.

In the future, the President made sure that new uniforms were issued to schoolchildren every time there was a special occasion, with the participation of the Fifth Congress of the KCU, with which they are felt to be in a brand new future.
**World**

**Briefly**

Cuba

President infielded need to increase grain production. Cuba’s President Miguel Díaz-Canel said at the national meeting of the Daytime City People’s Councils that, “to respond to the anti-epidemic situation, we must consider the normal distribution of foodstuffs.”

**PM Islam West for sanctions**

Russian Prime Minister Mikhail Mishustin convened the West for its anti-Russian sanctions treaty in a speech delivered to the final session of the UN General Assembly on May 27.

Noting that their anti-Russia sanctions treaty over 30,000 individuals around the world, Russia is an enormous and an umbrella for the Russian people and it has a strong tradition of forming its own path proudly, he added.

**Ciudad Juárez**

City residents intensify anti-epidemic measures. Ciudad Juárez Mayor of the Downtown City People’s Council, the anti-epidemic situation has intensified in recent days. The city mayor took to the streets on May 27.

**Pakistan**

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**Gaza**

The gangster-like and impudent Israeli vessel entered Palestinian waters to assassinate Qasem Soleimani, who was the “kingpin of terrorism” in the Middle East, as he was driving a car with the flag of rising sun.

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 Shortly after, it was revealed that Japan’s Prime Minister Kishida had been set to approve a new anti-terror law before the end of June, with the government planning to introduce it as early as next month.

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Elephant-shaped Rock at Monggumpho

By Han Kwi Hun PT

Natural monuments are natural substances or objects which are specially designated and protected by the state for their rarity, singularity and great academic, educational and ornamental value.

Among them is the Monggumpho Khokkiri (Elephant) Rock. It is situated in the shore of the West Sea of Korea. There is a small rocky islet 20 metres away from the rock to the west and a purple eulalia field on the southeastern slope of the shore.

The vertical joint surface of quartz porphyry of the main layer on Mt Taebo underwent weathering action and abrasion in the Cretaceous period of the Mesozoic age to form the shape of an elephant. It is about 15m high and 3m round in the part of the “trunk”. At high tide, it looks like an elephant drinking water in the sea with its long “nose” drooping over the sea water. The curious-looking rock adds more beauty to Monggumpho since it is in harmony with cliffs of the shore and clear and blue sea.

Josonjol, traditional etiquette of greeting

By To Kyong Chol PT

Josonjol (Korean bow) is the main greeting etiquette of Koreans that can fully express respect and friendly feeling for the other party. It is an inherent Korean word that means bending one’s body to express politeness to one’s seniors or friends.

Josonjol, which was already created in ancient times, has been handed down with the development of the nation, being fixed as part of etiquette that adds to harmony and affection between people and as one of good manners peculiar to the nation,” said Sin Kwang Il, researcher of the Folklore Institute under the Academy of Social Sciences. The greeting largely consists of sonjol and anjunjol.

Sonjol was done outdoors and anjunjol indoors. The former was classified into khunjol, phyongjol and panjol according to the object to which it was done and the extent to which the body was bent.

Khunjol was done by bending one’s body low to express the greatest respect to one’s seniors such as the head of a family or the elder of a village, phyongjol by bending the upper part of one’s body moderately to people of one’s age and panjol by seniors to juniors — the former slightly bow their head in return for the latter’s greeting.

Sonjol expressed the extent of one’s respect to the other by how bow one bent the upper part of his or her body. This etiquette of salutation did not vary from men to women.

Anjunjol was also classified into khunjol, phyongjol and panjol according to the object and the extent to which one bent the upper part of his or her body. It varied from men to women.

Khunjol of anjunjol was the one done most politely during ceremonies of coming of age, marriage, funeral and ancestral worship.

Man’s khunjol was done by holding his stretched arms to the height of his shoulders horizontally, having his finger tips touch each other and having one hand lap the other a bit before sitting on his knees, bending the upper part of the body with the palms of the hands put on the floor and bowing the head so that the forehead almost touch the backs of the hands.

Such a bow is done three times to one’s deceased parents or several times on different occasions. Phyongjol includes a New Year’s bow, a bow done to a new acquaintance or one’s senior and the one done by a condolence caller. Unlike khunjol, it was done only once. It was similar to khunjol in case of a man, so men did khunjol or phyongjol on lunar New Year’s Day. Children, too, did so as a New Year’s bow. This is why phyongjol was called khunjol among the people in the past.

A man’s phyongjol was done by holding his stretched arms to the height of his shoulder horizontally with the hands placed like in khunjol and bending the upper part of the body and the head at a level with the floor.

A woman’s was done by letting her arms slightly hang down at the sides of the skirt and sitting with one or both of her knees drawn up before bowing her head with the tips of the hands slightly placed on the floor.

Panjol or anjunjol was a bow a senior made in return for a bow done by a junior. The senior did it by bowing his head slightly in a sitting position.

“Like this, josonjol, though different according to place, object and sex, is part of good etiquette to fully express respect for others. It manifests the beautiful and noble manners of the Korean nation,” said Sin.