

## **BBC Monitoring International Reports: North Korean radio reports leader's visit to construction sites**

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The great leader [ryo'ngdoja], Comrade Kim Jong Il [Kim Cho'ng-il], gave on-the-spot guidance to the construction site of Hu'ich'o'n Power Plant [Huichon Power Station].

The great leader of our party and our people, Comrade Kim Jong Il, who is general secretary of the Korean Workers' Party [KWP], chairman of the **DPRK** National Defence Commission [NDC], and supreme commander of the Korean People's Army [KPA], gave on-the-spot guidance to the construction site of Hu'ich'o'n Power Plant.

Leading commanding officers of the army, including KPA Vice Marshal Comrade Kim Yong Joon [Kim Yo'ng-jun], minister of the Ministry of the People's Armed Forces, and KPA Generals Comrade Hyo'n Ch'o'l-hae [Hyon Chol Hae] and Comrade Ri Myo'ng-su [Ri Myong Su], and Comrade Pak To-jun [Pak To Joon], chief secretary of the KWP Central Committee of Chagang Province, and Comrade Pak Nam-gi [Pak Nam Ki] and Comrade Jang Song ThaeK [Jang So'ng-thaeK] who are department directors of the KWP Central Committee, accompanied him.

The builders of the power plant were engulfed by infinite emotions and joy upon receiving the respected and beloved General Kim Jong Il at their worksite again in six months.

The great leader, Comrade Kim Jong Il, gave on-the-spot guidance to the construction site of the Yongnim Dam [Ryongnim Dam] of No 1 Hu'ich'o'n Power Plant first.

At the site, the respected and beloved comrade supreme commander was met by commanding officers of the KPA units participating in the construction of the dam.

Thanks to the dedicated struggle of the soldier builders who have accepted the militant tasks the fatherly general assigned when he was visiting the construction site in March of this year in their blazing hearts, the construction of the Yongnim Dam is progressing at a rapid pace.

By displaying mass heroism and the spirit of patriotic devotion, the builders - who are afire with a single mind to finish the construction of the power plant at an early date and to thereby contribute to the construction of a powerful state - have performed an amazing miracle by having finished a huge amount of work, including the basic concrete placing, one of the most difficult tasks, which would take several years under the normal circumstances, only in five months.

After being briefed in front of a painting showing the plan of the construction of the power plant, Comrade Kim Jong Il made the rounds of the construction sites and acquainted himself in detail with the status of the progress of the construction.

On seeing the large construction sites that were intensely seething like a fierce battlefield, Comrade Kim Jong Il said that a great structure of creation has begun to emerge in the remote Yongnim Ravine only in a few months and expressed his great satisfaction over the fact that the construction of the power plant is being expedited at an amazing speed.

Saying that it is very good that the soldier builders, devoting all their wisdom and passion and inventing and adopting a variety of new technology and construction methods, have increased the speed of construction, still saving a lot of materials and manpower, Comrade Kim Jong Il praised the soldier builders' creative and innovative way of doing things.

Saying that the soldier builders, resolutely breaking through the difficulties and obstacles they encountered with the revolutionary soldier spirit and with the spirit of death-defying implementation, have indeed accomplished a lot of work in a brief period of time, Comrade Kim Jong Il highly assessed the feat they had performed.

Remarking that the construction of the power plant alone clearly shows how powerful the spiritual might of our army is, Comrade Kim Jong Il added that the structures of creation being built everywhere today in the military-first era are the shining fruits of the limitless great spiritual might of our army and people that are single-heartedly united around the party.

Saying that the huge dam of No 1 Hu'ich'o'n Power Plant will rise high into the sky, and there will appear a large man-made reservoir before long thanks to the soldier builders' heroic struggle, Comrade Kim Jong Il appealed to them to carry out a resolute charge to further hasten the day of victory.

Then, the great leader, Comrade Kim Jong Il, gave on-the-spot guidance to the dam construction site of No 2 Hu'ich'o'n Power Plant.

The respected and beloved comrade supreme commander was met on the spot by commanding officers of the units of the Korean People's Security Forces participating in the construction.

The soldier builders - who have rushed to the construction site under the great general's order - have opened up a definite prospect for finishing the construction of the dam ahead of schedule by meticulously carrying out combat operations and by doing things boldly and in a big way.

At present, thanks to the soldier builders' loyalty, the dam of No 2 Hu'ich'o'n Power Plant has begun to show its gigantic shape.

After being briefed in front of a painting showing a panoramic view of the power plant, Comrade Kim Jong Il looked around the dam construction site and inquired into the status of the progress of the construction.

On seeing the dam that was rising against time, Comrade Kim Jong Il expressed his great satisfaction over the fact that the soldier builders, actively adopting the efficient methods of work and waging multidimensional battles, are achieving dazzling accomplishments in the construction of the dam, and he then highly assessed the feat they had performed.

Saying that the unit is a proud unit with a glorious tradition of struggle, which performed brilliant feats in the socialist construction in the past, Comrade Kim Jong Il once again praised the effort of the soldiers of the unit who are devoting themselves to the construction of Hu'ich'o'n Power Plant with the 1950s' spirit of the death-defying defence of the fatherland and with the 1990's spirit of the Arduous March that grave difficulties were defiantly broken through with a do-or-die resolve.

Saying that the soldier builders' heartwarming, heroic struggle can be noticed at every power plant construction site where fierce battles are waged day and night, Comrade Kim Jong Il added that the precious lives that they have devoted to the country's prosperity and development will be splendidly etched in the history of the construction of a powerful state.

Saying that we can competently carry out any nature-harnessing project of a global scale at will, because we have the heroic soldiers who are boundlessly loyal to the party and the revolution, Comrade Kim Jong Il added that this is the wealth and glory that only our party and people can enjoy.

Remarking that every minute and second at the Hu'ich'o'n Power Plant construction site is precisely a leap forward and an innovation, and amazing miracles are being ceaselessly performed through such a surge of passion, surprising the peoples of the world, Comrade Kim Jong Il proudly added that this great speed is precisely the new speed of ch'o'llima, the speed of Hu'ich'o'n, which is based on the revolutionary soldier spirit - the base of the military-first politics.

After making the rounds of the construction sites, the great leader, Comrade Kim Jong Il, set forth at the sites the programmatic tasks that would serve as guidelines in finishing the construction of Hu'ich'o'n Power Plant ahead of schedule.

Comrade Kim Jong Il said that the successful resolution of the electricity problem is the top priority task in building a powerful state.

Saying that more of new power plants should be built everywhere, in addition to increasing power production, if the rapidly growing demand for electricity is to be met, Comrade Kim Jong Il pointed out

that finishing the construction of Hu'ich'o'n Power Plant whose output is large in a short period of time is particularly important.

Remarking that constructing the large Hu'ich'o'n Power Plant - which would normally take more than 10 years in the past - in two to three years is a truly difficult and hard task, but it can be definitely done, as long as we have the limitless might of the army and the people and the foundation of the powerful, self-supporting industry, Comrade Kim Jong Il stressed that the entire party, the entire army, and all the people should be fully mobilized to wage an all-out battle to finish the construction of the power plant before 2012.

Saying that it is very good that the whole country, including the ministries and other central agencies, while upholding the party's appeal for finishing the construction of Hu'ich'o'n Power Plant on time, has stepped forward to give assistance both materially and morally, Comrade Kim Jong Il pointed out that all related units should supply the necessary building materials, equipment, and facilities in a timely manner and with top priority.

Saying that the construction should be properly directed, if the construction speed is guaranteed as scheduled, Comrade Kim Jong Il pointed out that, to this end, the combined power plant construction command and the power plant construction on-site command should meticulously carry out combat operations and should responsibly adhere to the control and direction of the overall construction.

Saying that the highest quality should be guaranteed in building Hu'ich'o'n Power Plant, because it is a permanent and precious treasure to be passed on to our descendants, Comrade Kim Jong Il pointed out that the requirements of the construction method should be thoroughly fulfilled.

Saying that properly taking care of the builders' daily lives is a very important work to increase the construction speed, Comrade Kim Jong Il pointed out that special attention should be paid to providing the conditions for their daily lives, including lodgings and food, so that they might not have even the slightest inconvenience.

Comrade Kim Jong Il pointed out that the builders, including all of the soldiers participating in the construction, should once again highly display the revolutionary spirit of heroic Korea to the whole world by even more highly displaying the revolutionary soldier spirit and the revolutionary spirit of fortitude in the construction of Hu'ich'o'n Power Plant and by thereby rushing like a gust of wind while holding sway over the century with the new speed, the speed of Hu'ich'o'n.

Saying that at present the builders' fighting spirit is so high as if to reach the sky, Comrade Kim Jong Il pointed out that the organizations and functionaries of the party and working institutions, in line with the uplifted zeal of the combatants, should more intensely adhere to the organizational political work and should vigorously lead the masses through persistent implementation.

Comrade Kim Jong Il expressed his conviction that the builders of the power plant would pay back the party's trust and expectations with proud feats by displaying mass heroism and the matchless spirit of dedication and by thereby unconditionally completing the construction of Hu'ich'o'n Power Plant by 2012.

All of the builders of Hu'ich'o'n Power Plant, while being unable to suppress the surging emotions of gratitude towards the respected and beloved general who had visited their faraway worksites in the rugged mountains again and who had kindly inspired and encouraged them and led their every step by the hand, overflowed with the resolve of loyalty to devotedly accomplish the militant tasks assigned by the fatherly general and to thereby excellently play their role as pioneers and advance guards in the sacred struggle to open the gate of a powerful state.

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