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Today, on the road of great creation for the people, we have marked another proud and worthwhile milestone.

Several days ago we started building the 10 000 flats planned for the capital city in 2022, which is of great significance in solving the housing problem for the people of the city. And today we are holding the groundbreaking ceremony for a large-scale greenhouse farm that will contribute greatly to the livelihood of the people in the city of Hamhung and South Hamgyong Province. The Central Committee of our Party and the government of our Republic regard this as a very auspicious and honourable undertaking.

First of all, I offer a militant salute to the service personnel and other builders who have come to this project site with a determination to render a contribution to promoting the people's wellbeing by successfully carrying out this project, which is a top priority in the construction policy of our Party and state.

Comrades.

The Central Committee of our Party has always

regarded it as a matter of crucial importance to solve the problem of supplying vegetables for the people of Hamhung, a major industrial and science city in the country, and of South Hamgyong Province. For several years it has been considering the construction of a modern greenhouse farm here, and has been developing a plan for it.

The Party had already decided to turn a key military base on the eastern front into a modern vegetable production base that would serve the working class and scientists in Hamhung and other people in South Hamgyong Province, who are striving so hard to play a major role in the development of the country's economy, and its science and technology. So, at the Fourth Plenary Meeting of its Eighth Central Committee, it identified the construction of the Ryonpho Greenhouse Farm as a key project for this year.

Having confirmed the site of the project and set the orientation of its construction, it formed a powerful project headquarters and made preparations for the construction's full-scale launch. As a result, we are holding this significant groundbreaking ceremony today.

This construction project, undertaken in accordance

with the Party Central Committee's intention, is an important initiative for building a modern farm that will contribute greatly to improving the people's living standards. It will also create another new standard in implementing the Party's policy of building greenhouse farms.

If, in the natural and climatic conditions in our country, we are to supply our people with adequate quantities of fresh vegetables all year round, we should build large numbers of greenhouses and put vegetable production on a modern, intensive and industrial footing.

This is why we built a large-scale greenhouse farm in North Hamgyong Province, where vegetable farming is not as effective as in other regions, and saw to it that valuable experience was gained through the project.

The construction of the Ryonpho Greenhouse Farm, which we are launching today, is a very important undertaking for promoting the large-scale construction of greenhouse farms, which began in North Hamgyong Province, extensively and at a higher level.

The Ryonpho Greenhouse Farm, which will be the largest and most modern greenhouse farm in our

country, will be twice the size and have twice the production capacity of the Jungphyong Vegetable Greenhouse Farm which was inaugurated two years ago. It will also be equipped with far more advanced technology and facilities with regard to nutrition guarantees, environment management and production automation.

In addition, some 1 000 flats of new and varied styles, along with all the necessary public facilities including schools, a hall of culture and comprehensive service establishments, will be built in a characteristic way to form a new farm district embodying the civilization of our era.

It is the Party Central Committee's intention not only to build this greenhouse farm into a large-scale vegetable farm with an annual production capacity of tens of thousands of tons, but also to make it a model farm for disseminating advanced agricultural technology, a new base for the creation of the rural civilization of our style, and a cultured socialist farm where it is good to work and live in both in name and reality. Its intention is also to push ahead with the country's overall rural development more dynamically and more confidently with this farm as the standard and beacon.

Such a modern greenhouse farm has been considered as an ideal and something for the future. If one is built here soon, in a place which is currently heavily influenced by gales from the sea, it will give greater confidence and encouragement to all the people across the country, to say nothing of the people of Hamhung and others in South Hamgyong Province.

It is a great honour for you, the officers and men of our army, to be undertaking the whole construction of such an important farm.

You have valuable experience in building a modern greenhouse farm and, in particular, through its construction you fully demonstrated the spirit of devoted service to the country and the people and a pure conscience befitting soldiers. The Party Central Committee took this into consideration when it decided to entrust you with the construction of this greenhouse farm.

In building the splendid Jungphyong Vegetable Greenhouse Farm you gave your honest sweat and devotion, as you would to your own parents and siblings. Because you did so, the people of Chongjin and others in North Hamgyong Province are now enjoying the benefits of the farm and are happy that the vegetable problem, which was one of the biggest

challenges they faced in life, has been largely resolved.

Now you should give similar pleasure to the people of Hamhung and others in South Hamgyong Province.

Mindful of the intention and expectation of the Party that has summoned you to this project, you should complete the Ryonpho Greenhouse Farm creditably before the founding anniversary of the Party this year, by giving full play to the militant mettle of our revolutionary army.

If you are to finish this project in the 230 or so days prior to the Party's founding anniversary, you should launch a fierce construction campaign, based on a level of preparedness and determination that is far higher than that at which you worked at Jungphyong. You should also act boldly to introduce further innovations to the existing standards and mode of construction. In this way you can generate the Ryonpho spirit of creation and stir up the hot wind of Ryonpho, in the true meaning of both phrases.

Precedence should always be given to political work for heightening and amplifying the soldier-masses' spiritual strength, which exemplifies the absolute superiority of our army and the source of its invincible might. The organization of and

command over the project should be conducted in a detailed and spirited manner, along military lines. Then the whole construction site will see the with militant mettle and the zeal for creating new miracles.

During the construction you, officers and soldiers, should strengthen your cooperation while competing with one another. You should proactively share your positive experiences and advanced building techniques, economize on building materials to the maximum, and maintain a tidy environment in the area surrounding the construction site. If you do all this, you will ensure that another new culture of construction in our era is created by the People's Army.

Although you have come to a different theatre of operations and combat, you should always be mindful of the fact that now you are standing at the very forefront for cementing more solidly our great army-people unity, which is more powerful than any strategic weapon. And you should make every effort to ensure that the greenhouse farm, for which the people are waiting with such pleasant anticipation, is completed as soon as possible.

In building a greenhouse farm, the highest quality standard should be guaranteed without fail. This is something I have always stressed.

Just as you did when building the Jungphyong Vegetable Greenhouse Farm and completing several other major projects flawlessly, you should, this time again, make sincere efforts and apply meticulous building techniques to every process and detail of the project, with the mindset that you are erecting buildings in which your parents and siblings will live and work.

In short, you should present the people with a farm that is a ten-out-of-ten architectural structure in terms of not only its functions and architectural aesthetics, but also its quality.

South Hamgyong Province should participate actively in the project.

Although the People's Army is taking overall charge of the project, it is the province itself that will benefit from it. So, it is natural that the province should contribute to it as much as possible.

The province should provide enough aggregate for the soldier-builders to push ahead with the project without delay and should create windbreaks as appropriate to the geographical features of the coastal area. The province should offer every other possible assistance for vigorously promoting the project. As this greenhouse farm is to be ultra-modern, it is especially important to ensure that the technical workforce is well prepared.

The South Hamgyong Provincial Party Committee and the agricultural guidance organs should form an effective farm management staff, team of technicians and body of employees, and make sure that they are technically qualified. They should also ensure that all the operational supplies, including vegetable seeds and farming equipment, are provided before the project's completion. Then, from next year they can supply the people of Hamhung with vegetables that are mass-produced here on a regular basis.

It is the Party Central Committee's demand that this project should serve as an example of construction guidance.

Well-knit work and guidance systems should be established for the project headquarters, the field guidance team and every department. Officials should adopt a far-sighted and responsible manner in their work to ensure that the project is pushed forward in strict accordance with the schedule and standards set by the Party.

Comrades.

We can see the ranks of elite units of our People's

Army standing in fine and proud array, and in a few months' time we will see a sea of greenhouses standing just like them. This valuable farm for our people will be a rarity in the world, and will represent the major transformation of the Ryonpho area.

While imagining the merry laughter that will ring out in every house and looking forward to the bright future of our country whose greater prosperity will be reflected in that laughter, let us all exert ourselves to erect buildings for our people as early as possible.

The Party Central Committee has ordered the courageous officers and men of the People's Army to present the people with a perfect, modern greenhouse farm as a gift. I firmly believe that you will carry out this order with credit by working with all the militant mettle of a revolutionary army, upholding with burning hearts the slogan "We serve the country and the people!"

Glory to the devoted struggle of our army that is absolutely loyal to the people!

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