Fundamental and Crucial Problems of Socialism with Chinese Characteristics

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Abstract. Since the 18th National People’s Congress of Communist Party of China was smoothly held, the central party and government departments commanded by the secretary general Xi Jinping carry out improvement for leadership work of party and government teams and implement new political thoughts, political measures, and political viewpoints, including construction of people-oriented and people-centered party and government work orientation, for the purpose of maintaining Chinese people’s social dominant position. Besides, the central party and government departments insist on depending on people to establish the socialism with Chinese characteristics, and then improve party and government leadership and construction work so as to ensure that the party and government departments always stand at the front line of development of socialism with Chinese characteristics and provide the firm backup force for reform work; insist on unifying party leadership and people’s dominant position into great practice of socialism with Chinese characteristics so as to maintain the close relation between people and CPC. Those important strategic thoughts not only cover the connotation and crucial problems of socialism with Chinese characteristics, but also lay a firm foundation for Chinese national revitalization, economic prosperity, and happy Chinese dream.

Introduction

Since the 18th National People’s Congress of Communist Party of China was smoothly held, the central party and government departments commanded by the secretary general Xi Jinping carry out improvement for leadership work of party and government teams and implement new political thoughts, political measures, and political viewpoints in order to ensure and maintain Chinese people’s social dominant position, which lays a firm foundation for construction of socialism with Chinese characteristics and also provides strong support for people’s happy life.

Insist on people-oriented principle, build firm mass base, and establish the people-centered work orientation

The development of one society belongs to natural historical process, and it is not moved based on human beings’ will. However, the overall rule of social development is not as spontaneous as the natural development, and the social development is achieved by virtue of human beings’ conscious and targeted actual activity. How to know the function of human beings play in the social and historical development as the social subject becomes a task related to whether it is able to master the rules of social development. Before the appearance of Marxism, the historical viewpoint of heroes and idealism always play a core position in human society. No matter what kind of type of representation such historical idea adopts, they have a common feature, that is, determining the starting point of social existence from social consciousness, denying people’s main function in social construction, excessively exaggerating the function of heroes’ achievements and thoughts in social development, and thinking that the history is created by few generals and ministers, heroes, and even ideologists and lawmakers. For example, the French enlightenment thinkers in the 18th century think that the “justice” and “rationality” shown in individual talents is the force which promotes continuous development of one country.
On the basis of historical materialism and dialectical materialism, Marxist initiators emphasize people’s dominant role and core function in social development; this concept successfully breaks the myth of idealism and historical viewpoint of heroes, creates materialistic people-subject concept, and provides most powerful support for construction of socialist society and reform of proletariat. In Die heilige Familie, Engels and Marx made a targeted discussion on historical viewpoint of heroes of Hegel school and showed the materialistic historical idea that the historical activity was the undertaking which focused on people, and the fundamental material production was the birthplace of all histories. Lenin also made explicit analysis. He thought that the difference between Marxism and other theory was that Marxism excellently realized the combination of above two aspects; it could think about objective trend and objective progress of evolution through absolutely reasonable clam attitude, and firmly keep the connotation of people’s revolutionary perseverance, revolutionary pioneering spirit, and revolutionary creativity.

Who I am, for whom I make, and whom I depend on are the primary fundamental problems in the construction process of socialism with Chinese characteristics. People are the creator of history, and also the energy source of development of socialism. The political stand and attitude that the communists shall maintain is to insist on the thoughts of striving for people, depending on people, people orientation, sharing a common fate with people, and blood thicker than water. The foundation of CPC is people, the source of energy is people, and the success or failure, prosperity or depression also depend on people; as for this concept, the state president Xi Jinping has emphasized it for many times and made deep explanation. While the 1st Plenary Session of the 18th Central Committee of the CPC was closed, Xi Jinping emphasized it on Political Bureau of the Central Committee Standing Committee journalist meeting that people’s desire for happy life was the striving direction, and CPC would share happiness and woe with people to establish a firm relation. In the national model worker representative forum, Xi Jinping also emphasized that it was required to closely relate with people, always give considerations to people, and depend on honest, industrious, and creative labor to construct more harmonious society in order to realize social striving objective and create more beautiful prospect. In the new period of carrying out construction of well-off society and quickly promoting socialist modernization, it is required to insist on people dominant role, further exert people’s initiative spirit, and ensure people’s basic interests, which is of important significance for fully promoting construction of CPC and socialism with Chinese characteristics.

The party and government departments shall insist on the basic purpose of serving for people and highlight people’s social dominant role, which is also the inevitable demand for wining the victory of constructing socialism with Chinese characteristics. In a series of investigation, survey, and speech in recent years, Xi Jinping has made a comprehensive explanation on this fundamental problem. In the 1st collective learning of the political bureau of the central committee of CPC, Xi Jinping pointed out that the construction of socialism with Chinese characteristics belonged to people’s career, thus it was required to help people to exert their protagonist spirit and then ensure that people could be a master in social construction. Besides, while talking about the reform of party and government departments at various levels, Xi Jinping also emphasized that serving for people was the basic purpose of CPC, and also the basic purpose of party and government departments at various levels; no matter how change happened in party and government function, the principle of serving for people would remain unchanged. While mentioning to revitalize the Chinese nation, make China become prosperous and strong, and realize people’s Chinese dream, Xi Jinping proposed that it was required to insist on the road of socialism with Chinese characteristics, put forward the patriotic ideas-centered national spirit and spirit of the time which takes reform and innovation as element, and consolidate the great unity of people of all nationalities. Besides, Xi Jinping especially emphasized that Chinese dream was people’s dream, thus it should be achieved by virtue of people’s great force to continuously bring benefits to people.
Improve party and government leadership work, enhance party and government construction, and ensure that the party and government institutions can provide people with better service.

The socialist construction with Chinese characteristics is a great career which conforms to historical development and reflect people’s consciousness, and there shall be firm core of leadership. Since the end of Opium War, China fell into poor and embarrassed development situation, and the increase of domestic strife and foreign aggression promoted people’s resistance; however, due to lack of advanced and efficient part and government leading policy, it was hard to change the situation that the country fell separately and was split differently and people suffered all kinds of hardship. The appearance of CPC made people get an unprecedented formation, and the destiny of nationality and country changed since then. Over a long time, CPC has won the revolutionary victory, realized the independence of people and country, won the victory of socialist construction, established the basic system of socialism, carried out further exploration on the road of socialist construction, and perfected the socialism with Chinese characteristics by virtue of people’s force. The fact shows that CPC is a Marxist political party which stands at the leading end of era, and bears historical heavy responsibility, and it can be said that CPC is an important force which leads Chinese people to continuously initiate the new stage of social development.

In the new era, it is rare since ancient times that CPC bears complicated and hard task in promoting socialist modernization, reform and innovation process. The changes continuously happen in domestic and international trend, and the development risk and chance that the party and government departments face are unprecedented. Chinese reform work has stepped into the crucial period of extreme misery, thus it is required to solve a series of fundamental deep problems and conflicts. Under this era background, Xi Jinping emphasized in national organization work conference that it was required to realize various indexes established in the 18th Party Congress, carry out the reform struggle with new historical characteristics, ensure that CPC always serves as a chief commander in the development of socialism with Chinese characteristics, guide the progress of reform work, improve CPC leadership policy, and motivate the core guiding function of CPC in overall surveying and multi-way regulation, as well as enhance internal construction of party and government departments under the condition of facing the international development trend which was hard to be controlled and complicated and difficult domestic reform task. Since the holding of the 18th Party Congress, China has entered into new historical period and faces various aspects of crisis and challenges, some of which come from other countries, and some of which come from domestic environment; however, the biggest threat comes from party and government institutions. Generally speaking, CPC faces the challenge of being in power, reform and open-up, external environment, and market economy, and the danger of idle spirit, insufficient ability, passive corruption and isolation from the people; those challenge and danger factors are sharply placed before party and government departments. Xi Jinping once emphasized that one must firstly sharpen his tools if he wants to do a good job; therefore, all party and government personnel of CPC should raise their vigilance to correct their outstanding problems, and warned that the governance and improvement work to party and government department should be not relaxed at any time as for CPC which had more than 80 million members and carried out long-term management in a country with 1.3 billion of population; in case of not strict governance and imperfect management, the in-CPC outstanding problems fed back from people couldn’t be improved, and then it would be inevitable that CPC lose the qualification to be in power and then it is inevitably eliminated in history.

Under new development trend, the internal construction of CPC faces many new problems and challenges, thus it is very urgent to realize the goal of strictly managing and governing CPC than any other time. Xi Jinping has showed that CPC shall manage CPC to manage party and government work, and strictly govern CPC to clean the atmosphere of party and government; as for the outstanding problems existing in party and government departments, it is neither evasive nor ignored; the fact can’t be covered and the problems shall be solved. Besides, Xi Jinping has emphasized to carry out stricter management on cadre team, insist on cautious employment orientation, dig out the good cadres who are hardworking and down-to-earth, have active concept, take delight in pay-out, have
clean hands, and bravely bear responsibility and reasonably utilize them; improve the assessment on party and government cadres, and carry out judgment not merely based on growth rate of GDP; make each grass-roots party and government institution become the fighting place of anti-corruption work; insist on opposing the special privilege’s mentality and phenomenon, opposing corruption, and close the hegemony into the systematic cage to form strict punishment system that no one dare to make corruption and guarantee system of avoiding corruption; in party and government departments, the atmosphere is most important; if the attitude toward correcting unhealthy atmosphere is not firm, the corruption will become a wall to separate people from CPC and make party and government department lose blood vessels, force and foundation after a long time. The new term of party and government leadership team has timely made eight rules of enhancing party-people relationship and improving party atmosphere, and require to enhance the atmosphere construction in a down-to-earth way; this decision causes positive response at home and abroad as well as in and out of CPC. Currently, CPC is deeply carrying out people-oriented practice and education activity which takes clean hands and practice as outline, focuses on bureaucrat thought, indulging atmosphere, extravagant atmosphere, and formalism, which obtains the support of the people and party and government personnel. We firmly believe that the party and government construction can be continuously enhanced and there will be a more harmonious relation between party and government and the people as long as we continuously carry out reform according to Xi Jinping’s planning and requirement. After the internal construction of party and government institutions is implemented, people’s basic interests can be firmly guaranteed, thus national people have firm backup force and the construction of socialism with Chinese characteristics have the light to direct the way.

Conclusion

In the eve of 92nd anniversary of CPC, the state president Xi Jinping clearly pointed out in the 7th collective learning of the 18th political bureau of the central committee of CPC that there should be our own road in order to insist on and put forward the construction with Chinese characteristics under new historical stage, thus CPC should get a deep knowledge of overall situation of the world, serve as the best representative of people’s fundamental interests to enhance CPC construction, and also establish the confidence to the socialism with Chinese characteristics. This is not only the summary of Chinese excellent development history, but also the overall conclusion of development requirement for current era, with clear guidance and targeting function; it points out the direction and road for construction of socialism with Chinese characteristics. CPC shall insist on the Marxist fundamental that the history is created by people, insist on the concept of people orientation, transform CPC political views into people’s voluntary behavior, and fully show the core guidance function of CPC under the premise of ensuring the people’s dominant role so as to gather great energy for socialist modernization and national reform and also provide most fundamental guarantee for politics.

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