

The Practice Path and Internal Logic of Upholding and Strengthening the Party's Overall Leadership in the New Era

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ABSTRACT. Upholding and strengthening the Party's overall leadership is a brand-new judgment put forward in the report of the Nineteenth Party Congress and the fundamental compliance of the great project of promoting the Party's construction in the new era. As a scientific proposition, Upholding and strengthening the Party's overall leadership has its inherent historical logic, realistic logic, political logic and theoretical logic. To put this in fact, we must always adhere to the thought on socialism with Chinese characteristics for a new era of Xi Jinping and continually complete and perfect the Party's leadership system to provide ideological and institutional guarantee for upholding and strengthening the Party's overall leadership.

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1. Introduction

In the report of the Nineteenth Party Congress, General Secretary Xi Jinping put forward a brand-new judgment of upholding and strengthening the Party's overall leadership, and repeatedly emphasized the basic principle that the Party exercises overall leadership over all areas of endeavor in every part of the country. Upholding and strengthening the Party's overall leadership is a profound summary of the CPC's experience in leading China's revolution, construction and reform, and a fundamental guarantee for continuous advancing of promoting the great cause of socialism of Chinese characteristics[1]. Therefore, a thorough study of the internal logic and practical path of upholding and strengthening the Party's overall leadership is of great practical significance to the implementation of the essence of the 19th National Congress of CPC and the realization of the Chinese dream of great national renewal.

2. The Inherent Logic of Upholding and Strengthening the Party's Overall Leadership

Observed from the perspective of genetics, upholding and strengthening the Party's overall leadership has its inherent logic. To analyze the internal logic of the proposition from the historical, realistic, political and theoretical dimensions is the basic premise for a thorough understanding of the proposition[2].

2.1 The Historical Logic of Upholding and Strengthening the Party's Overall Leadership

In the history of modern China, the political groups of the landlord class, the peasant class and the bourgeoisie all once entered the historical arena, and various political parties and theories emerged to save the national crises[3]. However, from the Westernization Movement to the Revolution of 1911, modern China was still in the abyss of semi-colonial and semi-feudal society, and the goal of national independence and prosperity didn't achieved. It was not until the founding of the Communist Party of China in 1921 that the picture of the Chinese revolution was renewed and the wretchedness of the Chinese nation was fundamentally changed. It was the Communist Party of China that led the Chinese people to accomplish what other political parties could not do. The Chinese Nation has achieved a tremendous transformation: it has stood up, grown rich, and is becoming strong. Therefore, the leadership position of the Communist Party of China is not self-appointed, but gradually formed and consolidated in the process of leading the Chinese people to carry on the revolution, the construction and the reform. It is the inevitable result of historical choice as well as the Chinese people's choice.

2.2 The Realistic Logic of Upholding and Strengthening the Party's Overall Leadership

The construction of socialism with Chinese characteristics has entered a new era. The profound changes in the ruling environment have posed new challenges to the ruling ability and leadership level of the Communist Party of China. Under the historical position of the new era, China's reform has entered the deeper level and a crucial period. To be in power, the problems in various fields and the contradictions among all parties must be solved. In such a historical context, in order to continue to promote the construction of socialism with Chinese characteristics and realize the Chinese dream of great rejuvenation, a strong core of political leadership is needed to play an overall role and coordinate all parties. Function. In current China, only the Communist Party of China can shoulder the historical burden of leading China's socialist modernization and guarantee the country's political stability and people's well-being. Therefore, upholding and strengthening the Party's overall leadership has its profound realistic logic. Only by upholding the Party's overall leadership in all major affairs and in all fields can we resist significant political risks and maintain the right direction and continue to write a new chapter in socialist construction.

2.3 The Political Logic of Upholding and Strengthening the Party's Overall

Leadership

The Communist Party of China is the core of contemporary Chinese politics and the supreme political force. Socialist countries generally follow the revolutionary model of building a country by the Party. The country was created by the Communist Party which fundamentally determines that strengthening the political capacity of socialist countries must start with improving and strengthening the Party's political capacity. The CPC has built the People's Republic of China with the core of itself. The construction of the national political system reflects the Party's will and proposition. The stability of political order and society depends to a large extent on the strength and stability of the leadership core. As Deng Xiaoping said, the key to China's affairs lies in the Party. Therefore, strengthening the Party's leadership ability is the key to China's success. Only by strengthening the leadership of the Communist Party of China politically can we continuously strengthen the Party's overall leadership in all fields and aspects of society and consolidate the stability and development of the political system with the CPC as the core. Therefore, it is necessary for the socialist system with Chinese characteristics to uphold and strengthen the Party's leadership which has profound political logic.

2.4 The Theoretical Logic of Upholding and Strengthening the Party's Overall Leadership

Leadership of the Party has always been a major concern of Marxism classic writers, and it is also an issue that the Communist Party of China attaches great importance to in leading the Chinese revolution, construction and reform. The proposal of upholding and strengthening the Party's overall leadership is not only the inheritance of Marxist classical writers' thoughts, but also a profound summary of the experience of the CPC in leading revolution, construction and reform. Marx and Engels believed that the prerequisite for realizing communism was to establish an advanced proletarian party, which was the core of the leadership of workers and peasants. Lenin clearly pointed out that the Party is the advanced proletarian vanguard and the highest form of organization as well as the leader with the power of direct administration. In leading the Chinese revolution, construction and reform, the Communist Party of China attaches great importance to the leadership of the Party, makes a systematic theoretical interpretation of the leadership of the Party, and always emphasizes the critical role of the leadership of the Party in the cause of socialism with Chinese characteristics. Generally speaking, upholding and strengthening the Party's overall leadership is not only a new development of the theory of Marxist political party, but also a profound summary and sublimation of the leadership experience of the Communist Party of China.

3. The Practical Path of Upholding and Strengthening the Party's Overall Leadership

Since the Eighteenth National Congress of the CPC, the Central Committee has

consistently implemented the strategy of exercising full and rigorous governance over the Party. As the saying goes, it takes a good blacksmith to make good steel. Through this due responsibility, the Central Committee comprehensively strengthened the self-construction of Party and its leading position in various fields of the country and society. However, in some fields and departments, the problem that the leadership of the Party is weakened or even ineffective still exists. From now on, we must start with strengthening the socialist thought with Chinese characteristics, strive to improve and perfect the leadership system of the Party, and keep on strengthening the Party's ability to lead politically, to guide through theory, to organize the people, and to inspire society to ensure that as history progresses and we continue to uphold and develop socialism with Chinese characteristics, the Party remains always a powerful leadership core.

3.1 Strengthen the Leading Role of the Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era

Taking Xi Jinping's thought on socialism with Chinese characteristics for a new era as the theoretical arm of the whole Party is an inevitable requirement for strengthening the "four consciousness" of the whole Party, and also an inevitable choice for the implementation of upholding and strengthening the Party's overall leadership. Upholding and strengthening the Party's overall leadership is not only a theoretical issue, but also a practical one. The possible development ways of the Party's leadership is the first question to be answered in the implementation of upholding the Party's overall leadership. The thought on socialism with Chinese characteristics for a new era is the latest theoretical achievement of the socialist thought with Chinese characteristics. It systematically and scientifically answers the questions including the leadership of the Party. Only by insisting on taking the thought on socialism with Chinese characteristics for a new era as the theoretical arm, continuously enhancing the party's understanding of the leadership and grasping the essential requirement of strengthening the overall leadership of the Party, can the party fundamentally strengthen its leadership in all fields.

3.2 Strengthening and Completing the Party's Leadership System and Mechanism

Under the historical position of the new era, the key measures to uphold and strengthen the Party's overall leadership and to continuously promote the modernization of the state governance system and governance capacity are to continuously improve the Party's leadership system and mechanism. After the Eighteenth National Congress of the CPC, the CPC Central Committee carried out an all-round reform, broke the barriers of interests affecting the Party's leadership, made a series of effective institutional arrangements, and implemented the Party's leadership in all aspects of governance. In order to continuously strengthen the leadership of the Party, we should start with perfecting the laws and regulations within the Party, constantly optimize the Party's institutional construction, strengthen the Party's core leadership position among all other organizations at

corresponding levels, and strive to improve and perfect the Party's leadership system and mechanism.

4. Conclusion

Strengthening the Party's overall leadership and expanding its leadership field is one of the most important issues in political life of contemporary China since the 18th National Congress of the Party. The emphasis on the Party's overall leadership runs through all aspects of Xi Jinping's thought on socialism with Chinese characteristics. It can be said that the leadership of the Party is the essential feature of socialism with Chinese characteristics and the key to understand the logic of China's political operation and promote China's political development. Therefore, from the perspectives of history, reality, politics and theory, this paper begins analyses the internal logic of the proposition of upholding and strengthening the Party's overall leadership. On the basis of grasping this proposition logic, it is proposed that in order to full implement the proposition of upholding and strengthening the Party's overall leadership, the leading role of the thought on socialism with Chinese characteristics for a new era, the strict governance over the Party and the Party's leadership system must be strengthened and improved. Furthermore, these provide ideological, organizational and institutional guarantees for upholding and strengthening the Party's overall leadership.

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