# On the Enlightenment of Marxist philosophy in China's fight against the COVID-19 epidemic situation

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Abstract: The great struggle against COVID-19 in China interprets and shows the theoretical depth and strong life of Marxist philosophy, which enriches and develops the connotation of The Times of Marxism. The struggle against the epidemic in China enlightens us to deeply study and apply materialism and vigorously carry forward the great spirit of anti-epidemic; to deeply study and apply dialectics and strive to win an all-round victory in the struggle against epidemic; to deeply study and apply the mass view and speed up the construction of a strong public health system; to deeply study and apply the theory of practice and focus on improving the ability to prevent and defuse major risks; to deeply study and apply the concept of social and history, consolidate and expand the advantages of the socialist system. We will continue to open up a new realm of Marxist theory and win new victories in building a modern socialist country in an all-round way.

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#### 1. Introduction

President Xi Jinping, also general secretary of the Communist Party of China Central Committee and chairman of the Central Military Commission, has repeatedly stressed that Marxist philosophy is a speciality of Communists, and we must learn to understand and make good use of it. Practice has proved that Marxism is the scientific guide for the Communist Party of China to unite and lead the people of all ethnic groups in challenging one impossibility after another and realizing the great leap forward of the Chinese nation from standing up, getting rich and becoming strong. It is also a decisive magic weapon to overcome dangers and meet challenges in a critical period. In the great struggle against COVID-19, the Chinese Communists with General Secretary Xi Jinping as the core followed the Marxist people's stand, ideological point of views and scientific methods, united and led the broad masses of the people in the struggle against epidemic disease, experienced a great historical examination, made great achievements, wrote heroic feats, and interpreted and demonstrated the theoretical depth and strong life of Marxism with the great and vivid anti-epidemic practice. It enriches and develops the meaning of Marxism in the times.

#### 2. The Enlightenment of Marxist Philosophy

At present, the 14th Five-year Plan and the new journey of the second centenary have begun in an all-round way. However, the epidemic situation of COVID-19 is still in the stage of routine prevention and control, which poses a serious threat to the production and livelihood of the people, the reform and development of the country, and world peace and security. Only by constantly adhering to and developing Marxism, adhering to the stand of the people, carrying forward the great spirit, absorbing anti-epidemic experience, mastering scientific methods, and taking on the responsibility, can we co-ordinate the overall situation of the domestic and international, promote the two major events about development and security, and constantly cultivate new opportunities in the crisis and open up a new situation in the changing situation.

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## 2.1 Study and apply Materialism in depth and vigorously carry forward the great spirit of fighting the epidemic

Materialism holds that material determines consciousness, and consciousness is the subjective image of the objective world. Consciousness, has a dynamic reaction to material, and requires us to be practical and realistic, proceed from reality, attach importance to the power of spirit and play the role of spirit. The great struggle against the epidemic forged the great spirit of utting people's lives first, nationwide solidarity, sacrifice, respecting science, and a sense of mission for humanity. [1]The great anti-epidemic spirit is rooted in the touching, scientific and accurate practice of anti-epidemic, and inherited in the spiritual endowment and cultural genes of the Chinese nation, which is the inheritance and development of patriotism and national spirit in the new era. We must vigorously carry forward the great spirit of and anti-epidemic, use spiritual strength to guide practice, unite and work together, and transform it into a powerful force for building a modern socialist country and realizing the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation. It is necessary to transform the great spirit of fighting against epidemic into a powerful force in carrying out the great struggle, and lead and unite the people of all ethnic groups throughout the country to overcome difficulties and struggle tenaciously in a state of spirit that dares to fight and is good at struggle. It is necessary to transform the great spirit of fighting against epidemic into a powerful force in building great projects, adhere to and improve the leadership of the Party, strengthen and improve Party building, and lead the Chinese people to move forward resolutely and break through the waves. It is necessary to transform the great spirit of fighting against epidemic into a powerful force to promote the great cause, coordinate and promote the overall layout of "the one of the five", coordinate the" four comprehensives" strategic layout, and constantly create a new situation for the development of the cause of the party and the state. The virus-fighting spirit has been transformed into a powerful force to realize the great dream, and to create a new and greater miracle in achieving the Two Centenary Goals and realizing the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation.

## 2.2 Study and apply Dalectics in depth and strive to win an all-round victory in the struggle against the epidemic diseases.

Materialist dialectics holds that the world is generally related, things are eternal developing, contradiction is the motive force and source of the development of things, the problem is the manifestation of the contradiction of things, which requires us to persist in observing things in a way, developing rather than static, comprehensive rather than one-sided, Systematically rather than scattered, generally related rather than singly isolated, and we should enhance the consciousness of problems and innovation, accurately grasp the objective reality, master the regular pattern and properly handle all kinds of major relations. To win an all-round victory in the struggle against epidemic disease, we should realize that the development of things is the unity of progress and twists and turns, not only strengthen the confidence and determination to win the fight against epidemic disease, but also prepare for difficulties and challenges, and further improve the decision-making command system, the medical assistance system, the material support system, and the care and service system. It is necessary to grasp the universality and diversity of ties, recognize the interconnection and interaction between overseas epidemic situations and domestic prevention and control, uphold the concept of a community with a shared future for mankind, deeply promote international cooperation in epidemic prevention and control, and promote the construction of a healthy community with a shared future for humanity. It is necessary to adhere to the unity of the two-point theory and the key theory, thoroughly implement General Secretary Xi Jinping's important exposition on epidemic situation prevention and control and general warfare in key areas, seize the double victories of epidemic situation prevention and control, and economic and social development, and improve the mechanism of normalization, precision prevention and control, and local emergency management. It is necessary to accurately grasp the relationship between the universality and particularity of contradictions, not only be careful to do a good job in the overall prevention and control of the epidemic situation, but also do a good job in the prevention and control of regional classification and differentiation, and make every effort to ensure the hard-won results of epidemic prevention and control.

## 2.3 Study and apply the Mass-View in depth and speed up the construction of a strong public health system.

The supremacy of the people is the political stand of Marxism, and the character of the people is the most distinct character of Marxism. The masses of the people are the creators of history and driving

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force behind Socialist Cause. The mass line is an important magic weapon for our party to defeat the enemy, So it is necessary to adhere to the views of the masses, practice the mass line, and earnestly safeguard and develop the fundamental interests of the overwhelming majority of the people. The practice of fighting epidemic in the early stage has once again proved that the unyielding willpower of the Chinese people is the source of strength to overcome all difficulties and obstacles on the way forward. The preventive and control of the epidemic situation is a people's war, a general war, and a blocking war. We should take the people's stand as the fundamental stand, fully absorb the achievements of the previous anti-epidemic experience, give full play to the main role of the masses, respect the pioneering spirit of the masses, speed up the construction of a strong public health system, and earnestly ensure the safety and health of the people's lives and health. It is necessary to insist on do everything for the broadest masses of the people, unswervingly adhere to the public welfare attribute of basic medical and health care, strengthen the responsibility of the government, improve institutional guarantees, and construct mechanisms for the prevention and control of infectious diseases, major public health risk assessment, research and handling of public health emergencies. It is necessary to persist in relying on the masses, step up propaganda and education on disease prevention and comprehensive management in urban and rural areas, promote prevention as the main and prevent it, fundamentally reduce the occurrence of diseases, and reduce the cost of social medical care. It is necessary to persist in coming from among the masses and going to the masses, extensively bringing together the experience, wisdom and typical practices presented by the masses during the period of fighting against the epidemic and rising to the level of national governance, and then persisting in it among the masses, so as to constantly improve the level of leadership and constantly improve the effectiveness of the work.

## 2.4 Study and apply Practicalism in depth and strive to improve the ability to prevent and resolve major risks.

In essence, the whole social life is practical, and practicality is the remarkable characteristic of the difference between Marxist theory and other theories. General Secretary Xi Jinping pointed out, it is necessary to study and master the principle of dialectical relationship between cognition and practice, adhere to the viewpoint that practice is the first, constantly deepen understanding and sum up experience, and constantly realize benign interaction between theoretical innovation and practical innovation in accordance with the changes of the times and the development of practice.[2]The great struggle against epidemic is a vivid practice that our party unites and leads the people of all ethnic groups and the people of the world to deal with major risks, having focused on the broad human feelings of our party, the scientific ruling concept, the outstanding leadership ability, and the advanced governance system, which has accumulated important experience and profound enlightenment for us to understand and transform the world. It is necessary to grasp the conscious initiative of practical activities, take the initiative to respond to the topics of the times, enhance the awareness of suffering and risk, strengthen strategic, systematic, and forward-looking research planning, and make good ideological preparations and work preparations for a long time to deal with changes in the external environment. It is necessary to grasp the objective reality of practical activities, constantly improve the level, breadth and depth of practical activities, innovate material production practice, social and political practice, scientific and cultural practice, and provide strong economic strength, scientific and technological strength, cultural strength and comprehensive strength for preventing and resolving major risks. It is necessary to attach importance to the reaction of cognition to practice, adhere to a correct understanding of truth, prevent the spread of anti-wisdom and subjectivism, guide the broad masses of the people to overcome unknown fears, and make correct value judgments and behavioral choices to risks, challenges, and rumors.

## 2.5 Study and apply the concept of social history in depth, consolidate and expand the advantages of the socialist system.

The material mode of production is the basis of social development, on the basis of which the contradiction between productive forces and relations of production, the contradiction between economic base and superstructure is the basic contradiction and fundamental motive force of social development. In order to accurately grasp the law "the relations of production must be suitable for the status of productive forces, superstructure must be suitable for the economic base", and constantly reform the relations of production and superstructure to promote the self-improvement and development of the socialist system. The great struggle against epidemic has fully demonstrated the institutional advantages of socialism with Chinese characteristics. This advantage lies in being able to

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resolutely safeguard the authority of the CPC Central Committee and form a preventive and control system that takes charge of the overall situation and coordinates all parties; lies in being able to persist in taking the people as the center and doing the utmost to safeguard the lives, safety and health of the masses of the people; and lies in being able to concentrate efforts to do major events, difficult tasks, and urgent tasks at all costs. In order to deepen the historical new stage of reform, it is necessary to grasp the leadership of the Communist Party of China is the greatest advantage of the socialist system with Chinese characteristics, strengthen the extremely strong leadership, and give full play to the dominant role of fighting against the storm; it is necessary to deepen the reform of the economic system, adapt to and lead the new normal of economic development, improve the level of development of the productive forces, accumulate solid national strength, and form a profound spirit of calmly coping with the rough waves; It is necessary to highlight and perfect the fundamental system, basic system and important system that support the socialist system with Chinese characteristics, focus on strengthening the foundation, promoting advantages, making up for weaknesses, and constantly improving the modernization level of the national governance system and ability, so as to better transform the institutional advantages of our country into governance Effectiveness.

#### 3. Conclusion

Standing in the new historical position, facing the complicated international situation, arduous and onerous domestic reform, development and stability task and the serious impact of COVID-19 's epidemic situation, we must persist in making good use of Marxism, especially using Xi Jinping's thought of socialism with Chinese characteristics in the 21st century to observe, interpret and lead the times. Only by promoting the development of Marxism with fresh and rich Chinese practice can we constantly open up a new realm of theory and win a new victory in building a modern socialist country in an all-round way!

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