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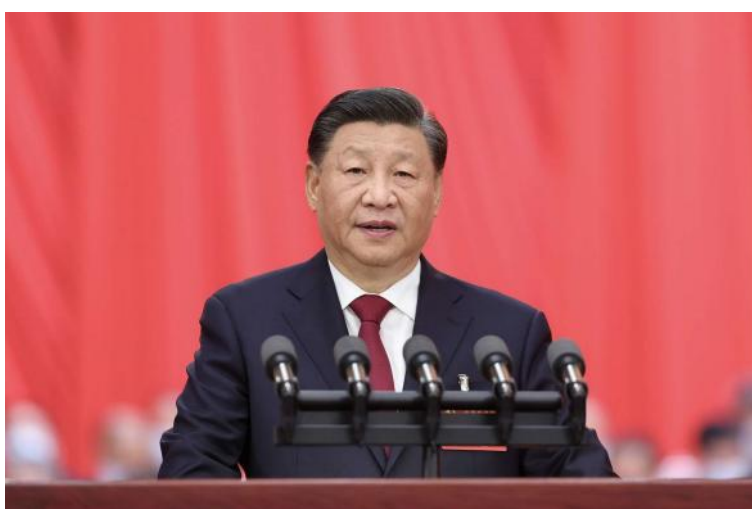
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The 20th National Congress of the Communist Party of China (CPC) commenced in Beijing on Oct.16th.

At the opening of the five-yearly gathering, Xi Jinping delivered a comprehensive report in the presence of over 2,000 delegates representing over 96 million CPC members nationwide, highlighting past remarkable achievements and defining the course of action for the next five years and beyond.



In his passionate address spanning nearly two hours, Xi, general secretary of the CPC Central Committee, set the tone for striving in unity to build a modern socialist country in all respects and advance the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation on all fronts.

Expounding on the goals of the Party on the new journey of the new era, Xi said the key task of the CPC will be to lead the Chinese people of all ethnic groups in a concerted effort to realize the Second Centenary Goal and to advance the rejuvenation of the Chinese nation on all fronts through a Chinese path to modernization.

The CPC leadership has been the determining factor behind China's remarkable achievements.

In the preceding decade, the CPC has led the Chinese people to three historical accomplishments that will have a significant impact on the globe.

In Xi's words: "We embraced the centenary of the Communist Party of China; we ushered in a new era of socialism with Chinese characteristics, and we eradicated absolute poverty and finished building a moderately prosperous society in all respects, thus completing the First Centenary Goal."

The achievements of the past decade in China demonstrate not just the

dedication of the Party and the government to guide the country through incredible progress, but also the CPC's long - standing commitment to enhancing the lives of the Chinese people.

An overview of the report Xi delivered indicates that China's socialist democracy, specifically the whole - process people's democracy, efficiently protects the fundamental interests of the people.

China's governance mechanism is also dynamic since the CPC has continued to adapt to the shifting needs of the people and has endeavored to meet their desires.

The basic objective of the Party in fostering economic and social growth

has always been to address the needs of the people for a better life.

Consequently, unswerving efforts have been made to address practical issues of public concern, such as employment, education, social security, health care, housing, elderly care, food safety and public security.

China's commitment to its foreign policy goals of protecting world peace and advancing common development is also reaffirmed in the report, providing greater reassurance to the international community.

China continues to steadfastly pursue an independent foreign policy of peace, mutual respect and win - win cooperation, as without peace and



Video: Xi delivers report to 20th CPC National Congress  
(<https://www.chinadaily.com.cn/a/202210/17/WS634ca339a310fd2b29e7cd95.html>)

harmony all other development initiatives will be futile.

It has always taken a principled stance on geopolitical issues and stayed committed to respecting the norms of international relations and defending

international fairness and justice.

China has never meddled in the internal affairs of other countries or employed military action against any nation, and it is a major force of peace in the geopolitical landscape.

History is a testament to the fact that China has never or will never pursue hegemony or engage in expansionism; its preferred approach is constructive engagement, instead of the use of force.

## The following are some highlights from the report:

### Momentous five years

The five years since the 19th National Congress of the CPC have been truly momentous and extraordinary.

The Party Central Committee has pursued a strategy of national rejuvenation amid global changes of a magnitude not seen in a century, with major strategic plans made for advancing the cause of the Party and the country.

### Historic achievements over past decade

The CPC has taken China on a new journey toward building a modern socialist country in all respects.

Under the leadership of the Party Central Committee, the entire Party, the military, and the Chinese people have been brought together to carry out a great struggle with many new

features of the times.

### Opening new chapters in adapting Marxism to Chinese context

It is the solemn historic responsibility of today's Chinese Communists to continue opening new chapters in adapting Marxism to the Chinese context and the needs of the times.

Since the 18th CPC National Congress, with the courage to make theoretical explorations and innovations, the CPC has, from an entirely new perspective, deepened its understanding of the laws that underlie governance by a communist party, the development of socialism, and the evolution of human society.

### CPC's central task on the new journey of the new era

From this day forward, the central task of the CPC will be to lead the

Chinese people of all ethnic groups in a concerted effort to realize the Second Centenary Goal of building China into a great modern socialist country in all respects and to advance the rejuvenation of the Chinese nation on all fronts through a Chinese path to modernization.

The CPC aims to basically realize socialist modernization by 2035, and build China into a great modern socialist country that is prosperous, strong, democratic, culturally advanced, harmonious, and beautiful from 2035 through the middle of this century.

### New development pattern and high-quality development

To build a modern socialist country in all respects, we must, first and foremost, pursue high-quality development.

We must fully and faithfully apply the



new development philosophy on all fronts, continue reforms to develop the socialist market economy, promote high – standard opening up, and accelerate efforts to foster a new pattern of development that is focused on the domestic economy and features positive interplay between domestic and international economic flows.

### Role of education, sci–tech and talent in modernization drive

Education, science and technology, and human resources are the foundational and strategic pillars for building a modern socialist country in all respects.

We must regard science and technology as our primary productive force, talent as our primary resource, and innovation as our primary driver of growth.

### Whole–process people's democracy

Whole–process people’s democracy is the defining feature of socialist democracy; it is democracy in its broadest, most genuine, and most effective form.

We will improve the system of institutions through which the people run the country.

### Rule of law

China must strive to build a modern



socialist country in all respects under the rule of law.

The comprehensive advancement of law –based governance has been a profound revolution in China’s governance. Law –based governance is important for the Party’s success in governing and rejuvenating the country, for the wellbeing of the people, and for the long –term stability of the Party and the country.

### Building cultural confidence

To build a modern socialist country in all respects, we must develop a socialist culture with Chinese characteristics and be more confident

in our culture.

In the efforts to turn China into a country with a strong socialist culture, the CPC will focus on upholding socialism with Chinese characteristics, rallying public support, fostering a new generation of young people, developing Chinese culture, and better presenting China to the world.

### Improving people's wellbeing

Working for the people’s wellbeing is an essential part of the Party’s commitment to serving the public good and exercising governance for the people.

The CPC will work hard to resolve the pressing difficulties and problems that concern the people most, improve the basic public service system to raise public service standards and make public services more balanced and accessible, so as to achieve solid progress in promoting common prosperity.

### Advancing Beautiful China Initiative

Respecting, adapting to, and protecting nature is essential for building China into a modern socialist country in all respects.

China will prioritize ecological protection, conserve resources and use them efficiently, and pursue green and low-carbon development.

### Safeguarding national security, social stability

National security is the bedrock of national rejuvenation, and social stability is a prerequisite for building a strong and prosperous China.

The Party will take coordinated steps to ensure external and internal security, homeland and public security, traditional and non-traditional security, as well as its own security and common security.

### Modernizing defense, military

Achieving the goals for the centenary of the People's Liberation Army in 2027 and more quickly elevating the people's armed forces to world-class

standards are strategic tasks for building a modern socialist country in all respects.

The CPC will intensify troop training and enhance combat preparedness across the board, strengthen all-around military governance, and consolidate and enhance integrated national strategies and strategic capabilities.

### 'One country, two systems' and national reunification

The policy of "one country, two systems" is a great innovation of socialism with Chinese characteristics. It has proven to be the best institutional arrangement for ensuring sustained prosperity and stability in Hong Kong and Macao after their return to the motherland.

The CPC will implement its overall policy for resolving the Taiwan question in the new era, and unswervingly advance the cause of national reunification.

### Promoting global community with shared future

China has always been committed to its foreign policy goals of upholding world peace and promoting common development.

China remains firm in pursuing an



independent foreign policy of peace. It has always decided its position and policy on issues based on their own merits, and it has strived to uphold the basic norms governing international relations and safeguard international fairness and justice.

China stands firmly against all forms of hegemonism and power politics, the Cold War mentality, interference in other countries' internal affairs, and double standards.

## Exercising Full and rigorous Party self-governance

As the largest Marxist governing party in the world, the CPC must always stay alert and determined to tackle the special challenges that a large party like the CPC faces, so as to maintain the people's support and consolidate its position as the

long-term governing party.

The CPC must meet the overall requirements for Party building in the new era, improve the systems for exercising full and rigorous self-governance, and comprehensively advance its efforts to purify, improve, renew, and excel itself.

Video: Key takeaways from the report to 20th congress  
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## Quotable quotes from Xi Jinping's report

-- The past decade marked three major events of great immediate importance and profound historical significance for the cause of the Party and the people: We embraced the centenary of the Communist Party of China; we ushered in a new era of socialism with Chinese characteristics; and we eradicated absolute poverty and finished building a moderately prosperous society in all respects, thus completing the First Centenary Goal. These were historic feats -- feats accomplished by the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people striving in unity, feats that will be forever recorded in the Chinese nation's history, and feats that will profoundly influence the world.

-- Chinese modernization is socialist modernization pursued under the leadership of the Communist Party of China. It contains elements that are

common to the modernization processes of all countries, but it is more characterized by features that are unique to the Chinese context. It is the modernization of a huge population, the modernization of common prosperity for all, the modernization of material and cultural-ethical advancement, the modernization of harmony between humanity and nature, and the modernization of peaceful development.

-- Education, science and technology, and human resources are the foundational and strategic pillars for building a modern socialist country in all respects. We must regard science and technology as our primary productive force, talent as our primary resource, and innovation as our primary driver of growth.

-- We will work to raise the share

of personal income in the distribution of national income and give more weight to work remuneration in primary distribution.

-- The deficit in peace, development, security, and governance is growing. All of this is posing unprecedented challenges for human society. The world has once again reached a crossroads in history, and its future course will be decided by all the world's peoples.

-- As the largest Marxist governing party in the world, we must always stay alert and determined to tackle the special challenges that a large party like ours faces, so as to maintain the people's support and consolidate our position as the long-term governing party.

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