

## **First Guidance Trip of New Year**

In January 1999, Chairman **Kim Jong Il** visited the then Academy of Sciences.

After looking round several places of the academy to learn in detail about scientific research, he expressed great satisfaction over the fact that its scientists and technicians have made many achievements in the drive to develop the country's science and technology to the world level by devoting their efforts, wisdom and talents with boundless loyalty to the Workers' Party of Korea, revolution, fatherland and people.

He gave important teachings on scientific and technological issues with his outstanding insight and knowledge for hours. When he was about to leave the academy, a leading official asked him if they might regard his visit to the academy as his first guidance trip of the year.

And he added that he wanted to shout to the world that the Chairman inspected the academy as his first guidance trip of the New Year.

Laughing heartily, **Kim Jong Il** said: You want to trumpet to the world about my visit to the academy as my first guidance trip of the year. And you may do it.

Expressing his gratitude with delight and excitement, the official said he would surely do it.

Today, the scientists of the country say with pride that they are engaged in scientific research in the embrace of the respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un** who is identical with **Kim Jong Il**.