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Abstract

The construction of modern Chinese civilization constitutes an essential component of China's modernization process, encompassing economic development, cultural advancement, and social progress. The Sinicization of Marxism represents the core of this endeavor, fostering both the development of socialism with Chinese characteristics and the innovation of Marxist theory. China's construction of modern civilization holds profound significance for achieving

the complete reunification of the motherland and promoting sustainable human development. The Chinese approach offers important lessons for countries worldwide in attaining common development and prosperity.

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General Secretary Xi Jinping, from a strategic and holistic perspective of upholding and developing Marxism, has creatively proposed the “two combinations”—integrating the basic tenets of Marxism with China’s specific realities and with its excellent traditional culture—and has made a series of important discourses on this subject [1]. Xi Jinping has pointed out: “To develop socialism with Chinese characteristics on the profound foundation of over 5,000 years of Chinese civilization, it is imperative to combine the basic tenets of Marxism with China’s specific realities and with its excellent traditional culture. This is the rule we have discovered in exploring the path of socialism with Chinese characteristics and represents our greatest asset for success” [2]. The Sinicization of Marxism is not only the necessary path for constructing modern Chinese civilization but also an important model for world peace and development.

1. Modern Chinese Civilization as a Component of National Modernization

The construction of modern Chinese civilization encompasses multiple dimensions, including economic, cultural, and social development. Economically, it requires adherence to market-oriented, rule-of-law, and international principles to enhance the quality and efficiency of development, encompassing industrialization, urbanization, and informatization. Culturally, it demands promoting excellent traditional Chinese culture while absorbing achievements from world cultures to elevate the cultural quality of the people, covering cultural innovation, inheritance, and exchange. Socially, it insists on people-centered principles, fairness and justice, and sustainable development to improve people’s quality of life, including education, healthcare, social security, and environmental protection.

The scope of modern Chinese civilization construction extends across political, economic, cultural, and social domains. Politically, it requires upholding the path of socialism with Chinese characteristics and advancing comprehensive rule of law. Economically, it calls for accelerating the transformation of the development model to achieve high-quality development. Culturally, it involves inheriting and developing excellent traditional Chinese culture while promoting cultural diversity and the development of cultural industries. Socially, it requires building a harmonious society that promotes the all-around development of individuals.

2. The Sinicization of Marxism as the Core

The Sinicization of Marxism involves integrating the basic tenets of Marxism with China's specific realities and its excellent traditional culture, applying Marxist positions, viewpoints, and methods to research and solve practical problems in China's revolution, construction, and reform. It entails summarizing the practical experience of China's revolution, construction, and reform to understand and master objective laws, thereby adding new content to the theoretical treasury of Marxism. It also requires using popular national language to expound Marxist theory, making it a form of Marxism with Chinese characteristics, style, and ethos.

Although Marxism and traditional Chinese culture have different origins, they exhibit a high degree of compatibility. Their mutual enhancement transforms Marxism into something Chinese and traditional Chinese culture into something modern, creating a new organic cultural entity. This endows the path of socialism with Chinese characteristics with a broader and deeper historical dimension, expanding its cultural foundation. Chinese modernization endows Chinese civilization with modern power, while Chinese civilization provides profound heritage for Chinese modernization. This "combination" represents another ideological emancipation, enabling us to fully utilize the valuable resources of traditional Chinese culture in a broader cultural space to explore future-oriented theoretical and institutional innovations. As President Xi has noted, this "second combination" consolidates cultural subjectivity, and the establishment of Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era represents the most powerful manifestation of this cultural subjectivity [2].

The Sinicization of Marxism constitutes the core of modern Chinese civilization construction. It not only guides us in upholding and developing socialism with Chinese characteristics but also drives innovation in Marxist theory. The theoretical achievements of the Sinicization of Marxism, such as Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era, point out the way forward and provide action guidelines.

3. Significance for National Reunification

Chinese culture represents the root and soul of the Chinese nation and serves as the spiritual pillar for the Chinese people's united struggle and self-improvement. By advancing the construction of modern Chinese civilization, we can better promote Chinese culture, inherit the spirit and traditions of the Chinese nation, and enhance national confidence and cohesion.

During his inspection in Jiangsu, Xi Jinping emphasized: "Building modern Chinese civilization is an inevitable requirement for advancing Chinese modernization and an important component of socialist spiritual civilization construction. Jiangsu should strengthen the protection, inheritance, and innovative development of excellent traditional culture, actively participate in constructing the Yangtze River and Grand Canal national cultural parks. It should vigor-

ously develop modern science, technology, and education to comprehensively improve the scientific and cultural quality of the people. It should prosper cultural undertakings and industries, continue to promote the standardization and equalization of urban and rural public cultural services, solidly carry out urban and rural spiritual civilization creation, strengthen civic moral construction, advance the construction of a scholarly society, and elevate the level of modern social civilization” [4].

The Taiwan issue arose from national weakness and will inevitably end with national rejuvenation. Jiangsu’s remarkable development in recent years demonstrates that Taiwan can also achieve better development by leveraging the mainland’s support. The key lies in how to mobilize and organize, how to plan and implement, and how to unite and develop. The complete reunification of the motherland represents the fundamental interest of the Chinese nation and constitutes an important goal of modern Chinese civilization construction.

Civilization construction can promote social harmony and integration. By prospering cultural undertakings and industries, elevating civic moral standards, and advancing spiritual civilization creation, we can foster a favorable social environment. A highly civilized society that emphasizes fairness and justice, respects diversity, and pursues coordinated development will facilitate mutual understanding and integration among all ethnic groups, achieving social harmony and stability. These represent common development goals cherished by compatriots on both sides of the strait.

When the motherland develops well, the people gain confidence. By advancing modern Chinese civilization construction, we can better enhance the cohesion and centripetal force of the Chinese nation, laying a solid ideological and cultural foundation for complete national reunification. Therefore, modern Chinese civilization construction holds significant importance for achieving national reunification, and we should actively promote it to contribute our strength to this cause.

4. Significance for Sustainable Human Development

Development is an inalienable right of all nations and should not be monopolized by a few. All countries should become partners on the path of development and revitalization, opposing economic coercion and decoupling.

The development concepts of “innovation, coordination, green development, openness, and sharing” [5] can not only promote common development and prosperity but also enable common prosperity across regions, ethnic groups, and social strata without resorting to war and plunder.

At the 15th BRICS Summit, President Xi Jinping stated: “Development is an inalienable right of all countries, not the ‘patent’ of a few nations. BRICS countries should be partners on the path of development and revitalization, opposing ‘decoupling’ and economic coercion. We should focus on practical cooperation,

particularly in digital economy, green development, and supply chains. China will establish a ‘China-BRICS New Era Science and Technology Innovation Incubation Park’ and explore the establishment of a ‘BRICS Global Remote Sensing Satellite Data and Application Cooperation Platform’ to provide data support for agricultural, ecological, and disaster reduction development in all countries” [6].

The Chinese government has consistently attached great importance to the development and revitalization of developing countries and actively promoted the implementation of the Global Development Initiative. These measures will effectively promote cooperation and development among BRICS countries and advance the implementation of the Global Development Initiative. The Chinese solution provides important reference for countries worldwide to achieve common development and prosperity. China adheres to the path of peaceful development, actively participates in the reform and construction of the global governance system, promotes the building of a community with a shared future for mankind, and has made important contributions to world peace and development.

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