

Memorial Tree-planting in the Days of the Grand Chollima Upsurge

One day in April Juche 54 (1965) President **Kim Il Sung** went to Rungna Island and personally planted a tree.

When he planted a fourth tree while teaching the officials the method of planting trees and their characteristics, an official asked him to stop working.

President **Kim Il Sung** replied that he had planned to plant five trees and continued working.

After a while he stretched himself, telling others to have a break.

But even during the break he went over the plan for building the Rungna Pleasure Park, stressing the need to make the island more picturesque by surrounding it with embankments.

Although the officials dissuaded him, he planted 15 trees that day before leaving.

On the way back, he said with delight that he had planted good species of trees, that in the morning he had planned to plant five trees, but planted 15 trees, which meant he planted memorial trees for the grand Chollima upsurge.