

19th CPC NATIONAL CONGRESS

PROCEDURES

1. Preparatory meeting



- Examines the qualification of delegates
- Elects the presidium and its secretary general

What does the presidium do?



Sets the agenda of the National Congress



Organizes delivery and discussion of the reports



Determines the list of invitees in addition to delegates



Organizes elections of members of the CPC Central Committee and members of the Central Commission for Discipline Inspection



Presides over the congress

Two missions

DECISIONS

Major issues of the Party are discussed and decided, including:

- Updating and improving the basic theories of the Party
- Drawing up and revising guidelines, principles and policies
- Amending the Constitution of the Communist Party of China
- Studying and making decisions about major issues of the Party and the country
- Summarizing the experience the Party has gained from its historical process

ELECTIONS

Elect the Party's top anti-graft body

Central Commission for Discipline Inspection (CCDI)

Assists the Central Committee in improving the Party's work style and in organizing and coordinating the work against corruption

Elect the Party's central leadership at the First Plenary Session of the new CPC Central Committee

Central Committee of the CPC

Convenes the National Congress and determines delegate numbers and election procedures

Elects the Political Bureau, its Standing Committee and the general secretary of the Central Committee

Elect

- Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the CPC
- Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the CPC Central Committee
- General Secretary of the CPC Central Committee

2. First presidium meeting

- **Approves two lists**
list of the presidium's standing committee members
list of nonvoting participants and guests

- **Adopts a review report on the delegates' qualifications**

- **Other agenda-related issues**

3. Opening of the National Congress – First plenary meeting

- Great Hall of the People, Beijing
- General secretary of CPC Central Committee delivers a report on behalf of the CPC Central Committee

- The report reviews the work over the past five years of the CPC Central Committee and sets the tone for work in the next five years



Hears the report of the Central Commission for Discipline Inspection

4. Second plenary meeting



Delegates deliberate on the two reports



Political Bureau members will join some discussions

Note: Usually, Political Bureau members visit delegations related to their work areas:

In 2012, then vice-president Xi Jinping visited the Shanghai delegation (where he once worked) and Hong Kong and Macao delegations (in his capacity at the time as head of central leading group for coordinating HK and Macao work)

5. Panel discussions

HOW CPC CONVENES ITS NATIONAL CONGRESS

The National Congress of the Communist Party of China lasts 5 to 7 days and the 19th congress opened on Oct 18. Here's how the leading body is convened.



All delegates vote by secret ballot on the members and alternate members of the CPC Central Committee and members of the CCDI from the candidate lists



All delegates vote on adoption of the two reports that are revised after discussions, as well as amendments



All delegates vote on adoption of the new Party Constitution and the amendments to it

CPC Central Committee

Consists of 200+ members and 160+ alternate members



Its members and alternate members are from all walks of life, including:

1. Party and government agencies
2. Universities
3. Research institutions
4. Media groups
5. State-owned enterprises
6. Armed forces
7. Others



Further narrows the candidate lists

Election based on lists of prospective candidates



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10. First Plenary Session of the new CPC Central Committee

9. Closing of the Congress – Third plenary meeting

8. Third presidium meeting

7. Panel discussions