



Leading the way forward



Xi Jinping, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, and the other members of the newly elected Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the 19th CPC Central Committee, Li Keqiang, Li Zhanshu, Wang Yang, Wang Huning, Zhao Leji and Han Zheng, arrive to meet the press at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing on Oct 25. XU JINGXING / CHINA DAILY

Re-elected as general secretary, Xi Jinping lays down road map for next five years

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General Secretary Xi Jinping was re-elected to lead the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee for a second term on Oct 25 amid the world's largest political party's efforts to strive for the Two Centenary Goals. At the First Plenary Session of the 19th CPC Central Committee, Xi presented the Party's new leadership to reporters and laid down a road map for the next five years.

Xi introduced the other members of the newly elected Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the 19th CPC Central Committee: Li Keqiang, Li Zhanshu, Wang

Yang, Wang Huning, Zhao Leji and Han Zheng.

The plenum also elected 25 members, including the seven on the Standing Committee, of the Political Bureau of the CPC Central Committee. Fifteen of them are new faces to the Political Bureau.

"I was re-elected general secretary of the CPC Central Committee," a confident Xi said against the backdrop of a giant Chinese landscape painting featuring the Great Wall. "I see this as not just approval of my work, but also encouragement that will spur me on," he said.

Xi thanked all other members of the Party for the trust they have placed in the new leadership and vowed to work diligently to

"meet our duty, fulfill our mission and be worthy of their trust".

The coming five years will see several important junctures and signposts, Xi told reporters.

"Not only must we deliver the first centenary goal, we must also embark on the journey toward the second centenary goal," he said.

The Two Centenary Goals are the strategic targets of building a moderately prosperous society in all respects by 2020, the centenary of the CPC, and building a modern socialist country by the centenary of the People's Republic of China in the middle of this century.

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