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Policy Roadmap of the Moon Jae-in Administration

1. “Five-year Plan for the Administration of State Affairs” and the One Hundred Policy Tasks

- The State Affairs Planning Advisory Committee has submitted a **“Five-year Plan for the Administration of State Affairs”** that contains policy recommendations to be pursued over the next five years of the Moon Jae-in Administration.

The “Five-year Plan” consists of a **national vision, policy goals and strategies, 100 policy tasks** and consolidated innovative tasks.

- **“A Nation of the People, a Republic of Korea of Justice”** is the **national vision** that will serve as the guiding principle for the Moon Jae-in Administration.

“A Nation of the People” signifies the embodiment of the spirit of the candlelight rallies that reaffirmed the fact that the people are the rightful owners of the nation and the realization of a new Korean Government that runs its state affairs in accordance with the constitutional spirit of popular sovereignty.

“A Republic of Korea of Justice” is the declaration that all systems in Korea will be reconfigured in accordance with the principle of “justice”, the core value of the Moon Jae-in Administration.

- The State Affairs Planning Advisory Committee set **five policy goals, 20 policy strategies and 100 policy tasks** as action plans to achieve the national vision.
- The 100 policy tasks were chosen after a thorough review of **201 pledges and 892 detailed pledges** proposed to the public during the presidential election campaign.

Similar pledges were merged together as single policy tasks while comprehensive pledges that encompass a variety of independent policies were separated into multiple policy tasks.

The policy tasks also incorporate **public proposals** collected by the Citizens Advisory Committee for Presidential Transition through online and offline channels (“*Gwanghwamun 1st Street*”) and **pending policy issues** that have direct bearing on the people’s everyday life.

- In addition to the 100 policy tasks, **four consolidated innovative tasks** were selected to be carried out as top priorities so as to underscore the national vision of the new Administration:
 1. The job-creating economy,
 2. Nurturing innovative startups,
 3. Overcoming the demographic challenges, and
 4. Autonomous decentralization and balanced national development.
- Implementation strategies and action plans have been put in place to carry out **143 regional pledges**.

2. Key Policy Tasks under the Five Policy Goals

A Government of the People

- Ministry-by-ministry task forces aimed at rooting out long-accumulated ills will be formed, and the influence-peddling scandal of the previous administration will be thoroughly analyzed to find out what caused it and to draw up measures against any recurrence.

A strong anti-corruption reform drive will be carried out by installing an independent agency against corruption in 2018 as a control tower. The inter-agency consultative body against corruption will also be restored in 2017.

- Schedules for the President and key government figures will be made public in real time. Endeavors will be made to enhance the stature and role of the National Human Rights Commission of Korea and phase in a public defender system.
- An open government innovation platform will be introduced, to make it easy and convenient for the public to communicate and participate.

Criteria for appointing senior government officials will be upgraded, and a fair and transparent personnel system will be adopted.

- A law will be enacted to establish an agency to investigate corruption among senior government officials in 2017. This will come into force in 2018.

A proposal to coordinate the investigation authority of police and prosecutors will be worked out in 2017 in line with measures to disperse police power and establish a model of human-rights friendly policing. The two interlocking measures will be put into action in 2018.

An Economy Pursuing Co-Prosperity

- A total of 810,000 jobs will be created in the public sector, which will serve as pump priming for job creation in the private sector.

A youth employment promotion allowance will be introduced, and the youth employment quota system in public organizations will be expanded, thus raising the quota for young people to 5 percent from the current 3 percent. In 2017, those who have completed the Successful Employment Package Program will be given 300,000 won for three months until they find employment, and a certain number of unemployed young adults will be given 500,000 won monthly for up to six months in 2019.

- Minority shareholders' rights and independent directorship will be further enhanced to prevent arbitrary management by conglomerate owners and their families.

By enacting a law stipulating that subsistence-type businesses can be undertaken only by microbusiness owners for their livelihoods, small retail businesses will be protected, and the social economy will be revitalized by legislating a framework act on the social economy, which will help create more jobs and innovate social services.

- Credit card fees will be lowered for small-and medium-sized credit card member stores, and 30 percent of newly introduced welfare benefits and public servants' welfare benefits will be given in the form of traditional market gift certificates.

The burden from mobile phone charges will be alleviated by expanding the exemption of charges for the vulnerable and raising the discount rate.

- A presidential committee on the Fourth Industrial Revolution will be established, and core infrastructure such as a network dedicated for the Internet of Things (IoT) will be established together with efforts for 5G commercialization.

Intensive investments will be made in core technologies, including artificial intelligence, and a priority will be placed on nurturing forward-looking new industries with high added value.

- R&D in SMEs will be doubled before the term of the current administration ends, and venture funds will be expanded by a large margin to reach 5 trillion won in 2022 from 3.2 trillion won as of 2016.

When a business which has already employed two young adults as regular workers hires one additional young regular employee, the Government will provide the wages for the third employee for three years.

A Nation Taking Responsibility for Individual Lives

- Allowances for children will be introduced, and the basic pension will be gradually increased. The Government will take responsibility for dementia patients, and the family support obligation rules under the National Basic Livelihood Security System will be eased in phases. All these measures will help support those in need more effectively.

An annual average of 170,000 public rental units will be provided, and trust in the national pension plan will be improved by carrying out an innovative reform in pension fund governance with a focus on increasing expertise and independence.

- Public education will be further enhanced: Total expenses for the Nuri Curriculum, which aims to integrate education and care at daycare centers, will be covered by state funds, and the number of children admitted to national and public daycare centers and kindergartens will be raised to 40 percent. In addition, free education at high schools will be phased in.

Educational reforms will be carried out by introducing a credit system at high schools, streamlining college admission procedures and enhancing fairness in those procedures.

- Personnel for the speedy response to disasters will be additionally recruited, and an integrated disaster management system will be established.

The Government will take charge of food safety and finalize a comprehensive plan to deal with fine dust. The proportion of coal-fired power generation and diesel cars will be reduced. Close examination of the Four Major Rivers Restoration Project will be implemented as part of efforts to restore the rivers' original conditions.

Nuclear power plants will be phased out on the basis of a nuclear phase-out roadmap, and the energy price system will undergo reforms to provide safe and clean energy.

- The government will comprehensively resolve the problem of irregular workers by coming up with a roadmap to reduce their number, and strengthen protective measures for workers on non-traditional contracts and workers engaged in emotional labor.

A genuinely gender-equal society will be realized by establishing a national action plan for the prevention of gender-motivated violence.

- Laws will be introduced to guarantee the rights and interests of artists, and employment insurance for artists will be created along with a “welfare safe” to provide them with urgent living or medical expenses.

Legal working hours will be normalized to achieve a total number of working hours per year of between 1,800 and 1,900, and workers’ right to rest will be guaranteed by providing subsidies for vacation and expanding the designation of “substitute holidays” for public holidays that overlap with weekends.

Well-balanced Development Across Every Region

- Genuine autonomy of local governments will be achieved by transferring a range of national functions and introducing a second cabinet meeting of provincial governors and city mayors; in addition, the proportion of national and regional taxes will be adjusted to bring about strong financial decentralization.
- A system to support balanced development will be established by reviving the Presidential Committee on Balanced National Development; in addition, clusters centered on regional growth bases such as

innovative cities, industrial parks and the *Saemangeum* reclaimed area will be revitalized.

Urban regeneration projects will be promoted, and the supply of public rental housing in old residential areas and declining central areas will be expanded.

- The price of rice will be stabilized by introducing a system to adjust rice production, the public-purpose direct payment program designed to preserve farmers' income will be expanded, young farmers and fishery workers settling in rural areas will be further supported and disaster insurance for farmers, foresters and fisheries workers will be expanded.

The Korean Peninsula of Peace and Prosperity

- The capability to respond to asymmetric threats such as North Korea's nuclear weapons, missiles and cyber-attacks will be acquired at an early stage.

The government will seek the transfer of wartime operational control within the President's tenure, based on a robust Korea-United States alliance.

National defense reform will be pursued all across the military, and the salary of rank-and-file soldiers will be raised to the level of half the minimum wage.

- All possible measures, including dialogue and sanctions, will be taken to resolve the North Korean nuclear problem, a peace regime will be established, and inter-Korean relations will be reestablished by signing a basic agreement between the two Koreas.

New growth engines will be created by promoting in earnest a "new economic map for the Korean Peninsula."

- The Government will strive to improve the ROK-U.S. alliance and relations between Korea and China, between Korea and Japan and between Korea and Russia in a forward-looking and national interest-oriented manner, and establish a responsible "Northeast Asia Plus Community" to form a friendly, peaceful and cooperative environment in Northeast Asia

3. Ways to Manage Policy Tasks

- A fund of 178 trillion won will be raised to implement these policy tasks by expanding tax revenue and reducing expenditures.
- The government will submit 92 percent of legislative bills (427 out of 465 laws and ordinances that need to be passed or amended by the National Assembly) to the National Assembly by 2018, and will revise 59 percent of the subordinate laws and ordinances within this year (108 out of 182).
- The comprehensive monitoring and management of the implementation of the 100 policy tasks will be carried out in close cooperation among *Cheong Wa Dae*, the Presidential Commission on Policy Planning and the Office for Government Policy Coordination.

Attachment: List of 100 Policy Tasks. /END/