

Comprehensively and Strictly Governing the Party is Inseparable from Practicing the Mass Line

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Abstract

Comprehensively and strictly governing the party is a sharp weapon for the Chinese Communist Party to deal with the "four tests" and "four dangers" of its governance. The actual effect of its promotion is related to the prosperity and decline of the party, the destiny of the country, the future of the nation, and the happiness of the people. In order to fully release its effect in the complicated situation, the key to comprehensively and strictly administering the party lies in compacting the mass line. The concrete mass line runs through the whole process of putting forward, advancing, and testing the idea of comprehensively and strictly governing the party. The more vigorous the development of socialism with Chinese characteristics in the new era, the more we must tighten the string of comprehensive and strict governance of the party, and compact the mass line step by step with perseverance on the road.

Keywords

Communist Party of China; Comprehensively and strictly governing the party; Mass line.

1. INTRODUCTION

Since the 18th National Congress of the Communist Party of China, the Party Central Committee with Comrade Xi Jinping at its core has paid special attention to exploring and summarizing the rule of governing itself. At the end of the party's mass line educational practice, Xi Jinping has said that this activity will play a very important role in exploring the rule of strictly administering the party under the new situation. And he has pointed out that the most profound enlightenment is that the strict governance of the party must be implemented concretely rather than abstractly, earnestly and not perfunctorily. To implement the requirements of comprehensively governing the Party with strict discipline, it is essential to consolidate the mass line as its basic project. This is the internal regulations and actions to follow the unification of historical reality and logical necessity of comprehensively governing the Party with strict discipline.

2. THE ACTUAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MASS LINE IS THE PROFOUND REALISTIC ROOT FOR COMPREHENSIVELY PROMOTING STRICT PARTY GOVERNANCE

2.1. The Results of The Phases of Implementing the Mass Line Have Strengthened Our Confidence in Comprehensively Governing the Party with Strict Discipline

In the new era, the implementation of the mass line has made great achievements, which has strengthened the self-efficacy of comprehensively promoting the strict governance of the party. Self-efficacy refers to people's judgment of their ability to organize and execute the course of action needed to accomplish the given behavioral goals. Its most influential source of effectiveness information is its personal achievements. And its assessment is directly related to

the strength of confidence in its own operational capabilities. Specifically, the stage effect of the implementation of the mass line is mainly from three aspects to enhance the self-efficacy of comprehensively governing the party with strict discipline. First, in terms of ideology and work style, many party members and cadres have strengthened their concepts of the masses and changed their work style, which have enhanced their self-efficacy in comprehensively and strictly administering the party. Second, at the organizational and institutional level, the Party's organizational life has gradually normalized and the institutional system has become more perfect, which have also enhanced the self-efficacy of comprehensively governing the Party with strict discipline. Third, at the level of feedback from the masses, the majority of the masses' core position have been ensured and the subject consciousness have been cultivated, which undoubtedly have enhanced the self-efficacy of comprehensively and strictly governing the party. The beneficial effectiveness perceived by the Party from the stage of implementing the mass line is helpful for the Party to always maintain its strategic focus and forge ahead spirit in the complex situation of self-revolution. Thus, it provides a fundamental guarantee for the coordinated promotion of the "Four Comprehensives" and casts a solid pillar for the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation.

2.2. The Uncertainty of the Implementation of the Mass Line Has Strengthened the Determination to Govern the Party Strictly in An All-Round Way

The uncertainty of the implementation of the mass line appears in the two dimensions of "time and degree". On the one hand, the time implies the era, time period and time point. The Party Central Committee with Xi Jinping at the core has opened the prologue to the implementation of the mass line in the new stage of the new era with the 18th National Congress of the Communist Party of China as a starting point. The results achieved have made a good start for governing the party. But what the cadres and the masses are most worried about is that the activity is like a gust of wind. What they hope most is that the activity can be normalized. Therefore, in the long term, the party still needs to continue to work hard on the implementation of the mass line, turning it from an intermittent dotted line to a continuous solid line. On the other hand, the degree includes breadth, depth and strength. Take the mass line education practice for example, it has achieved remarkable results. However, in order to manage the party well, the scope of the content of the mass line needs to be expanded, the level of problem solving needs to be deepened, and the joint efforts to solve problems need to be strengthened. The limitation of the implementation effect of the mass line in this two dimensions, coupled with the increasingly complex and severe situation of the dangers and challenges of the Party's ruling in the new historical starting point, urgently requires the Party to maintain the good momentum of the implementation of the mass line.

2.3. The Experience if Implementing the Mass Line Has Tempered the Ingenuity of Comprehensively and Strictly Governing the Party

The party has accumulated rich experience in the adherence and implementation of the mass line. At the conceptual level, the purpose of the mass line education practice is to firmly establish correct concepts for Party members and cadres. So as to stick to the soul of the lifeline by the mutual dependence and mutual promotion between the party and the masses. At the content level, the implementation of the mass line aims to effectively realize its multi-level and multi-gradient demands. It is a combination of belief line, decision-making line, livelihood line and integrity line. If we achieve these points we will stick to the lifeline. At the method level, the practice of the mass line has accumulated many effective methods. For instance, it is a good way to practice the mass line through the Internet. The network mass line will be paid more and more attention by the party. At the mechanism level, the successful implementation of the mass line depends on the continuous improvement of the system. The cooperation of these four aspects is an important magic weapon for the practice of the mass line to achieve the expected

goal. On the contrary, the effect is quite different. Therefore, to strictly govern the party in an all-round way, we need to draw wisdom from these experience.

3. THE EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MASS LINE IS A SOLID PILLAR FOR THE PARTY TO COMPREHENSIVELY AND STRICTLY GOVERN THE PARTY

3.1. The Practical Implementation of the Mass Line Permeates the "Comprehensive Network" of Comprehensively and Strictly Governing the Party

The term "comprehensive" is at the forefront of comprehensive and strict governance of the party, which is not only a major discourse innovation in the new era, but also the basic meaning of the successful promotion of the comprehensive and strict governance of the party. How to penetrate the "comprehensive network" of comprehensively and strictly governing the party is a fundamental, important and extremely challenging subject. The important strategic position of the mass line in governing the country makes it possible to realize this value. Xi Jinping has summarized the strategic position of the mass line in the 120th Anniversary Symposium to commemorate the birth of Comrade Mao Zedong. He has believed that the mass line is the lifeline and fundamental work line of our party, and it is also an important heirloom for our party to maintain its youthful vitality and combat effectiveness, and that the mass line should be carried out in all activities of governing the country at all times. Strictly governing the party in an all-round way is an important part of the governance of the country in the new era, and the implementation of the mass line has penetrated its "comprehensive network" mainly in these aspects. The mass line has not only related to Party organizations at all levels and their members, but also permeated all aspects of Party governance. Not only that, the mass line has also formed concentric circles both online and offline.

3.2. The Practical Implementation of the Mass Line Holds the "Strict Gateway" for Administering the Party Strictly in An All-round Way

The word "strict" is in the middle of the comprehensive and strict governance of the party. It is also the key to governing the party. The reason for this is that the implementation of the mass line has played three functions in comprehensively and strictly administering the party. First, the practical implementation of the mass line has the effect of stabilizing the helm. The mass line first emphasizes the position of the masses. Taking the people as the center is the party's interpretation and practice of the mass position in the new era. Standing firmly on the people's side is of great significance for the Party to maintain its political character forever. Second, the effective implementation of the mass line has the function of strengthening the body. Democratic centralism is the concrete application of the mass line in the party's organizational life. Its scientific and efficient operation in practice contributes to improve the party's organizational system, build a good leadership and cadre team, and gather patriotic and dedicated talents. Third, the successful implementation of the mass line has the effect on purifying the style of work and enforcing strict discipline. Keeping close relations between cadres and the masses is a sharp weapon for purifying unhealthy trends and strict discipline. The great practice of the mass line in the new era makes us more clear about this truth. That is to say, to manage the Party well, we must carry out strict management in all aspects and the whole process.

3.3. The Effective Implementation of the Mass Line Sharpens the "Deep-Hole Drill" of Comprehensively and Strictly Governing the Party

The word "depth" runs through the whole process of comprehensively and strictly administering the party. It means that the governance of the party should be extended from top

to bottom and from the outside to the inside. It is also the key word of comprehensively and strictly governing the party in the new era. Concretely, for one thing, the mass line starts from the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and connects the end of the party organization system. Its purpose is to build the party into a powerful battle fortress and consolidate the organizational foundation of the party's long-term governance. For another, the vigorous implementation of the mass line continuously promotes the comprehensive and strict governance of the party to go deeper and become more specific. This strengthened the party's leadership and governance capabilities. For example, when the majority of party members and cadres master Xi Jinping's thoughts on socialism with Chinese characteristics in the new era, they study very deeply. They also insist on getting through the "last mile" in serving and connecting with the masses. And the party supervises their work style throughout the process. Because of this series of deeper and deeper practice of the mass line, comprehensively and strictly governing the party can go to a higher level.

4. THE NORMAL AND LONG-TERM EFFECT OF THE MASS LINE IS A RELIABLE YARDSTICK FOR THE INSPECTION AND ASSESSMENT OF COMPREHENSIVELY AND STRICTLY GOVERNING THE PARTY

4.1. The Normal and Long-term Effect of the Mass Line Is the Inner Essence of "Regularity and Durability" of Comprehensively Governing the Party with Strict Discipline

Since the new era, the Party Central Committee with Comrade Xi Jinping at the core has always emphasized the importance of regular and long-term efforts to govern the party. Xi Jinping has talked about "three ideas we can't have". That is, we can't have the idea of relaxing and resting after one thing is done. We can't hold the idea of winning a battle and then there will be no another one. We can't keep the idea of stopping with a little success. "Regularity and durability" are the internal requirements and clear marks of comprehensively and strictly governing the party. As the basic project of comprehensively governing the Party with strict discipline, the mass line should be carried out in a normal and long-term manner. It jointly strengthens the original intention and mission of the Communists from the three dimensions of ideas, systems and measures. So that the party can be close to the masses. This will play a fundamental role in improving the relationship between the party and the masses, resolving the danger of negative corruption and mental slack, and enhancing the ruling ability. The normal and long-term effect of the mass line is the inevitable choice of the party's comprehensive and strict governance. From a deep level, this is not only a manifestation of the party's strategic determination to carry out self-revolution, but also a demonstration of the party's outstanding wisdom. Only by combining firm strategic determination with strong outstanding wisdom can we successfully continue to comprehensively govern the Party with strict discipline.

4.2. The Normal and Durable Effect of the Mass Line Is A Reliable Guarantee for "Rigidity and Authenticity" in Administering the Party Strictly

Comprehensive and strict governance of the party is concrete, not abstract. In order to manage the Party well, we must implement "rigidity and authenticity" in all its dimensions, and achieve the unity of knowledge and action. As the lifeline of the party and the fundamental line of all its work, the mass line can ensure the practical advancement of the comprehensive and strict governance of the Party by strengthening the ideology, consolidating the organization, purifying the style of work and optimizing the system, and so on. In the process of comprehensive and strict governance of the party, Xi Jinping has repeatedly emphasized that it has a long way to go. Therefore, We must make sure that it becomes a persistent process to govern the party strictly in an all-round way. Today, we emphasize the importance of "rigidity and authenticity" in comprehensively governing the Party with strict discipline. It is not to

constrain the party in its own construction, but to consider how the party can correct its shortcomings under the new situation, so that the party can make new achievements in the governance of a modern country. Facts speak louder than words. The normal and long-term effect of the mass line can indeed transform the party's way of management and promote the modernization of national governance. So there is no doubt that the normal and long-term effect of the mass line can effectively combine "rigidity" with "authenticity" in comprehensively governing the Party with strict discipline.

4.3. The Normal and Long-lasting Effect of the Mass Line Is the Result of Comprehensively and Strictly Governing the Party Following the Principle of "Extensibility and Suitability "

"Extensibility and suitability " are the consistent requirements for the comprehensive and strict governance of the party in the new era. On the one hand, it means that the comprehensive and strict governance of the party must extend vertically from the center to the end. Party organizations and members at the grassroots level are closest to the masses. The masses often judge the advanced nature of the party through their actions. If the grassroots are not strong, the party will become weak. Therefore, to administer the party strictly in an all-round way, we must go deep into the grassroots level. On the other hand, it also means that comprehensively and strictly administering the party should be appropriate horizontally. Take the self-revolution of party members and cadres as an example. If they want to win this battle, they must do every job well at all levels. They need to firmly grasp the excellent skills of serving the masses, usually find their own shortcomings, accurately find the causes of problems, and scientifically find effective ways to solve problems. Generally speaking, the reason why the normal and long-term effect of the mass line is the result of comprehensively and strictly governing the party following the principle of "extensibility and suitability " can be attributed to such factors. That is, the normal and long-lasting effect of the mass line is an important manifestation of of the Party's efforts to carry out organizational construction without any gaps. At the same time, it is a powerful demonstration that the party serves the masses wholeheartedly.

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