

Future belongs to great Iranian nation - 2/May/2008

Islamic Revolution Leader Ayatollah Sayyed Ali Khamenei vowed Friday in a large gathering of war veterans' families in Fars province central Iran that the great Iranian nation would keep advancing along the illuminant path of its martyrs by adhering to Islamic values and making unwavering efforts to meet national aspirations.

The meeting was held in the compound of the holy shrine of Ahmad ibn Mousa, a prominent descendant of the Household (A.S.), known as Shahcheraq situated in the Fars provincial center Shriaz.

Ayatollah Khamenei reviewed the stunning developments which have taken place in Iran following the triumph of the Islamic Revolution, adding that among others the issue of martyrs and martyrdom was exceptional as it reflects light and wonder no matter it is approached from which facet.

The IR Leader elaborated that the case of martyrdom in the Islamic Revolution was startling in terms of the motivation of the martyrs to serve the path of God, their valiant conduct in the battleground and their impatience to get reunited with their beloved God.

"The patience and fortitude of the honored families of the martyrs is also among the matters which would stun every one," the IR Leader continued.

Ayatollah Khamenei said the Iranian nation owes a tremendous debt to its sublime martyrs and their enduring families, adding that the martrs opened up the way of salvation and dignity for the Iranian nation and brought liveliness, decisiveness and independence to the nation.

"The Iranian history will never lose sight of this debt," Ayatollah Khamenei urged.

The Islamic Revolution Leader noted that the endurance and growing popularity of some historical events including Ashura (Imam Hussein's uprising) in the course of history attests to the significance of those events, adding that the issue of martyrs and martyrdom in the Islamic Revolution too enjoys the same qualities as those events and the passage of time would unearth the reality.

The IR Leader pointed to the admittance by enemy that the Islamic Revolution is growingly finding its way into the hearts of the nations, adding that the enemy's threat-game stems from its fear about the increasing popularity of the Islamic Revolution.

The Leader criticized those negligent individuals who claim that the era of Islamic Revolution, Imam Khomeini and martyrs was over, adding, "The unaware enemies too at some point believed the claims were true but then became frustrated as they faced the progress and grandeur of the Iranian nation."

Ayatollah Khamenei said the hostile mood of the US and Zionists towards the accomplishments of the Islamic System stems from their monopolistic policies.

"Transgressor aliens considered Iran as a sweet prey in light of its endless reserves and strategic location however they grow frustrated and infuriated as the nation was awakened and the Iranian youths shined in different fields of science and technology, including nuclear energy," The IR Leader.

"The fury of the US government is not stoked by the remarks of certain IRI's authorities or certain IRI's policies rather they are angered by the vigilance, motivation and diligence of the nation in covering the path of honor, or say



the path of martyrs," Ayatollah Khamenei said.

Ayatollah Khamenei said the martyrs and those live veterans who have lost their body parts in the 8-year defense (1980-88) are the mainstay of the nation, urging their next of kin to take pride in those flags of dignity.

"The wives of those martyrs could live up to their status by growing children who are determined to follow the model of their fathers," Ayatollah Khamenei encouraged, adding that the Almighty God would award those valiant women.

"Future belongs to the great Iranian nation. The people and authorities will achieve their greatest dreams by the resolve of the youths and under the auspices of the flames lighted by the blood of the martyrs," the Islamic Revolution Leader underlined.