

North Korea's nuclear weapons development

■ **Feb 2005:** Pyongyang announces possession of nuclear weapons

■ **Oct 2006:** First of four underground nuclear explosions takes place at Punggye-ri test site

■ **May 2009:** North Korea conducts second nuclear test one month after pulling out of six-party talks on its nuclear programme

■ **Dec 2011:** North Korean leader *Kim Jong Il* dies – son *Kim Jong Un* takes power

■ **Dec 2012:** Eight months after failed attempt, North Korea launches long range rocket which international community condemns as disguised ballistic missile test

■ **Feb 2013:** Third nuclear test attracts added UN sanctions

■ **May 2015:** Pyongyang claims to have tested a submarine-launched missile

■ **Jan 2016:** North Korea says it has successfully tested a hydrogen bomb

