

CHINA DIGEST

Quotable

“The most important way to reduce pollution is to reduce emissions through the help of ample funding, improved technologies and well-implemented policies, as China did. Other countries facing similar issues could learn from China.”

LIU JIAN,



chief scientist at the United Nations Environment Programme, saying China's practices in curbing air pollution could be valuable

for countries in Africa that are dealing with the issue.

ON THE SUBJECT OF ADMINISTRATION

Confucius said: ‘The filial piety with which a man serves his parents may be transferred as loyalty to the ruler.’ Thus, in order to find a loyal subordinate one only needs to look from families with filial children.

Scroll 22: Hou Han Shu, Vol. 2

Editor's note: This is an extract from *The Governing Principles of Ancient China*, based on 360 passages excerpted from the original compilation of *Qunshu Zhiyao*. *Qunshu Zhiyao* or *The Compilation of Books and Writings on the Important Governing Principles*, commissioned by Emperor Tang Taizong of the Tang Dynasty in the seventh century, contains advice, methods and historical notes on the successes and failures of the imperial governments of China. Today it continues to be relevant as a source of inspiration for self-improvement, family management and interpersonal relations.

Make homeland green, says Xi

Both quantity and quality should be ensured as China unfolds its effort to make the homeland greener, President Xi Jinping said on April 2 as he took part in a voluntary tree-planting event in Beijing.

Xi, also general secretary of the Communist Party of China Central Committee, has called on top officials at different levels to lead public efforts in planting trees voluntarily and cherishing the natural environment as much as their lives.

China has set the goal of increasing the area covered by forest to average world levels around the middle of this century.

The homeland greening effort also aims to increase its percentage of forest cover to about 23 percent in 2020 and 26 percent in 2035.

The April 2 event helped fulfill a duty and is also a tangible move that helps shape a beautiful China, boosts ecological civilization and improves public well-being, Xi said.

App to help protect students overseas

A private Chinese company has released an app dedicated to providing professional security services for overseas Chinese students, whose safety abroad has become a growing public concern due to a slew of recent safety scandals.

Designed by ZBHA Group, a Chinese enterprise engaged in modern security services, the app embraces 16 types of overseas security services for Chinese in the United States, Australia, Cambodia, Israel and New Zealand.

The app, which is available for both Apple and Android phones, involves various functions. Students can reserve regular safety training and professional assistance at an airport, such as baggage-claim, check-in and pick-up or drop-off services, especially for those going abroad for the first time who are not familiar with foreign environments.

President welcomes Zimbabwean leader

China is hopeful Western countries will improve relations with Zimbabwe and work toward the country's development, President Xi Jinping said on April 3.



President Xi Jinping pitches in at a tree-planting activity in Beijing's Tongzhou district on April 2. He said such efforts will greatly benefit future generations. XIE HUANCHI / XINHUA

Xi made the remark while meeting with visiting Zimbabwe President Emmerson Mnangagwa at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing.

Witnessed by the two presidents, China and Zimbabwe signed cooperation agreements covering such areas as the economy, technology, agriculture and human resources.

The two leaders also agreed to upgrade bilateral relations to a comprehensive strategic cooperation partnership.

Noting that China and Zimbabwe are all-weather friends, Xi said the two countries have always supported each other in the past, no matter how international relations changed.

The two countries should continue high-level exchanges, draw the blueprint for cooperation in all areas and keep supporting each other on issues related to core interests and major concerns, Xi said.

Easier residency for top foreign experts

Shanghai streamlined the procedures on April 2 for highly skilled foreigners working in the city to get their residence permits within three working days through an online application, the municipality's latest measure to attract such overseas workers.

High-level professionals iden-

tified by national or Shanghai authorities who manage human resources or foreign experts affairs only need to go to crj.police.sh.cn and submit documents, according to the Exit-Entry Administration Bureau of the Shanghai Public Security Bureau. They can retrieve their permits at exit-entry offices after three working days.

“High-end professionals employed by the 8,818 enterprises on a list seen as key leaders in Shanghai's quest to become a global technological innovation hub by 2030 will also become beneficiaries of the new measure,” said Xin Wenke of the information office of the Exit-Entry Administration Bureau.

Policies to motivate students to return

China will roll out more incentives for overseas Chinese students to return to start their own businesses and make innovations, a State Council, China's Cabinet, executive meeting chaired by Premier Li Keqiang decided on April 7.

Measures will be introduced to simplify certification requirements and procedures at local levels and to make it easier for overseas Chinese students to obtain *hukou*, the government system of household registration for urban residency. Favorable policies concerning the

schooling of returnees' children will be implemented without delay, it was decided at the meeting.

Li said a considerable number of Chinese students each year choose to return home to engage in innovation and entrepreneurship after completing academic studies overseas.

“The policy incentives in the pipeline require close interagency cooperation and coordination to see concrete results delivered,” he said.

Tiangong I space lab bids fiery farewell

China's first space laboratory, Tiangong I, bade farewell on the morning of April 2 as it re-entered Earth's atmosphere before breaking apart in a fireball over the South Pacific Ocean.

In a statement posted online, the China Manned Space Agency said the results of analysis and tracking by the Beijing Aerospace Control Center and other Chinese space organizations showed that re-entry took place at 8:15 am and that most of the spacecraft burned up in the process.

Remnants may have crashed somewhere in the central part of the South Pacific, the agency said, without elaborating.

>> PAGE 3



China Daily Asia Weekly's circulation is audited by BPA Worldwide



© 2018 China Daily All Rights Reserved VOL 9 • NO 13

A member of the Asia News Network

CONTACT US

Published by China Daily Asia Pacific Limited, Unit 814-815, Hing Wai Centre, 7 Tin Wan Praya Road, Aberdeen, Hong Kong.

Tel: 852-2518 5111

Fax: 852-3543 0702

Feedback:
editor@chinadailyapac.com

Subscriptions:
852-3465 5430
subscription@chinadailyapac.com

Advertising:
852-2518 5128

SUBSCRIPTION

Australia: 1800-843 933
Brunei: 673-2336492
Cambodia: 855-12 977 536
Dubai, UAE: 971-4-5519685
Hong Kong: 852-3465 5430
India: 022-42202101
Indonesia: 62-21-5367 7736
Japan: 81-3-3820 1227

Malaysia: 603-7980 3002
Myanmar: 959-876 2909
Nepal: 977-1-5005601
Pakistan: 92-300-2774651
Philippines: 63-2-2266999
Republic of Korea: 02-1688 2952
Singapore: 65-6388 3838
Thailand: 66-(0)2-3901678