DAILY CONVERSATIONS IN CHINESE MEDIA

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I. Social Media Chatter in China

• **Apple sued for not including Charger:** Apple is being <u>sued by Chinese</u> <u>students for not including an apple charger in the box.</u> While the case is still in progress, it became viral on Weibo.

II. News in China

- Li Keqiang attended <u>the 16th East Asia Summit</u>; talking about the need to increase security and political cooperation, economic recovery, fighting the pandemic, free trade, and developing green energy and economy.
- A report released by the <u>China Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure</u> <u>Promotion Alliance</u> highlighted 2.223 million EV charging units in China, added 237,000 public charging piles in the first nine months of 2021.
- State Council has <u>released a plan to better protect</u> intellectual property rights by 2025.
- Yang Jiechi, the former Foreign Minister of the People's Republic of China, met the ambassador of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to China, Ri Ryong Nam. They discussed <u>deepening bilateral ties</u> at the top level; from strategic coordination to ensuring regional stability.
- With Taiwan's Joseph Wu visiting the Czech Republic, Chinese Foreign Affairs Committee reacted by <u>releasing a statement against the visit</u>, stating its a violation of one-China policy, and damaged the relations between China and the Czech Republic.
- <u>Wang Yi took part</u> in the Second Meeting of Foreign Ministers of The Neighboring Countries of Afghanistan, calling to ensure sovereignty and integrity of Afghanistan while coordinating and cooperating with Afghanistan to ensure stability in the region.
- China <u>submitted two documents</u> to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change, highlighting its aim to achieve carbon neutrality by 2060 and increase its non-fossil fuel consumption by 25% by 2030.
- Harvard University has decided to move its Mandarin Chinese summer program from Beijing to Taipei in summer 2022 due to a perceived lack of friendliness from the host University, Beijing Language and Cultural University.
- According to a Poll published (Oct11) by Nanos Research for The Globe and Mail, more than 75% of Canadians say Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's government should ban <u>Huawei</u> Technologies from participating in the construction of Canada's fifth-generation telecommunications network 5G.
- Daleep Singh, Deputy National Security Adviser, led a delegation to Colombia, Ecuador and Panama to counter China's Belt and Road Initiative.

III. India Watch

• As Taiwan attempts to build its diplomatic outreach, China's focus on limiting its success is increasing. It is hence important that India, along with like-minded partner states, refocuses its attention on the Taiwan Question, especially as the outcome of the same will hold huge ramifications for both Tibet and Hong Kong as well.