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# DAILY CONVERSATIONS IN CHINESE MEDIA

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## NEWS IN CHINA

- On Thursday, Chinese Foreign Minister Qin Gang urged the Group of 20 (G20) members to work more closely together to strengthen multilateralism and advance international development. According to Qin, the G20 must strengthen collaboration and give its fair share to advancing global prosperity in the face of an unstable international environment and growing global difficulties. In dealing with international matters, he emphasized the importance of conversation on an equal footing and achieving consensus through consultation. He urged action to make global development more inclusive, robust, and advantageous for all, noting that China's proposed Global Development Initiative (GDI) has provided a fresh approach to accelerating the adoption of the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
- On March 2, the "Healthy Beijing" WeChat official account published a document stating that in order to fully protect the public's health, the city rationally allots medical resources, further optimises its capacity to receive patients, continuously raises the standard of care, and strengthens its infrastructure. This is in response to the recent rise in respiratory infectious diseases, the massive rise in fever patients, and the mounting demands on paediatric outpatient clinics. All of the city's medical and health institutions are adamant about establishing fever clinics as frequently as they can, as well as adjusting and expanding fever clinic areas and clinics, judiciously allocating medical personnel, and doing their best to increase the city's capacity for patient admission. Beijing will take more steps to improve treatment capabilities, bolster drug monitoring and supply assurances, and actively work to

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prevent and control seasonal influenza in the next stage to protect the public's health and safety.

- Vu Van Sang received a telegram from President Xi Jinping on March 2 congratulating him on taking office as the leader of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam. China and Vietnam are socialist, cordial neighbours that are connected by mountains and rivers, as noted by Xi Jinping. X Jinping placed a high value on China-Vietnam relations, stating his willingness to collaborate with Chairman Vu Van Thang to advance the continued, healthy, and stable development of the two countries' relations as well as their shared efforts to forge a community of the future with strategic significance.
- Ni Minjing, a member of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference's National Committee and the director of the Shanghai Science and Technology Museum, stated in an interview that the pairing of ability and position, rather than the arts and sciences, is what accounts for the difference in career opportunities and salaries. Despite of an individual's degree in the arts or sciences, it is important to build lifelong learning skills and enhance overall quality. According to Ni Minjing, it is incorrect to claim that liberal arts majors have limited work opportunities and low salaries. He believed that work required all-around competence.
- Chinese Foreign Minister Qin Gang and Russian Foreign Minister Lavrov met in New Delhi as part of the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting, according to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs website.

According to Qin Gang, China-Russia relations have developed steadily, healthily, and predictably under the strategic leadership of Xi Jinping and Putin. They have also established a new paradigm for a new kind of major-country relationship and have been crucial in fostering the solidarity and cooperation of emerging markets and developing nations. The 2023 Consultation Plan between the Foreign Ministries of the two nations was signed jointly by the two parties.

## SOCIAL MEDIA CHATTER IN CHINA

- **Son's autism brings back estranged parents together:** On Thursday, the story of Ms. Huang and her husband generated traction social media in mainland China. Following their divorce, Ms. Huang and her ex-husband learned that their son had autism. Together, they assumed responsibility for raising the child while supporting one another. They made the decision to remarry about 4 years later. The couple separated after getting married because they had a lot of disagreements and had trouble getting along with one another. The two resolved to deal with his son's autism together after it was later discovered that he had it. Besides caring for the children in different provinces while they receive treatment, the husband sells fish to make money. The two support and comfort one another after enduring hardship together.

## INDIA WATCH

- Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi proposed China's Global Development Initiative (GDI) as a means of accelerating the
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implementation of the 2030 agenda in his speech to the UN General Assembly (UNGA) in 2022. China prefers to set up its own tent and invite others within, even though its GDI aims and guiding principles closely resemble those of the global development agenda. More than 100 nations and international organizations have subsequently indicated support for the GDI despite the lack of clarity surrounding what it will truly comprise. China has defined its participation in the GDI as that of a developing nation cooperating with other nations of the Global South. Meanwhile a G20 conference on financial inclusion was also held in Kolkata recently under India's leadership. Moreover, in its quest to voice the Global South, India conducted a virtual summit for Around 120 countries from the global south. The participating delegates expressed their concerns and identified points of agreement where integration of the Global South could be enhanced. In a year when it is leading the G20 presidency, India has appropriately taken on the responsibility of championing their causes and concerns. India has a chance to advance its position as a global leader across a range of engagement platforms by laying out the concept of collaboration among the Global South in order to have a powerful negotiating position as a significant bloc in international fora.

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