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**CONVERSATIONS
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MEDIA**



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I. Social Media Chatter in China

- **Netflix forced to remove episodes from Pine Gap:** Australian spy drama Pine Gap saw two episodes removed from Netflix in the Philippines. The Philippines government asked Netflix to remove these episodes after scenes involving maps that depicted the Chinese claim in the South China Sea, violating the Philippines' sovereignty.
- **Metaverse flagged for national security risks:** Chinese-state owned think tank, China Institutes of Contemporary International Relation, flagged multiple national security risks to Facebook's metaverse. The think tank stated the metaverse brings a range of cybersecurity risks and creates a "technological hegemony".
- **Chinese government urges families to store basic necessities:** After the government urged families to stock up on basic and essential supplies in case of an emergency, social media users on Weibo went on a buying frenzy to ensure their houses were well supplied.
- **Epic Games shutting down its ventures in China:** With the new gaming restrictions in place, Epic Games is shutting Fortnite's gaming services in China, causing many Weibo users to petition the company to store their user data in servers outside China.
- **Football fans urged authorities to save their club:** Jiangsu FC faces financial troubles and reports have been released that the club might have to shut down. Fans of the club took to Weibo to express anger and dismay, further encouraging authorities to take necessary steps to help the football club.

II. News in China

- Xi urged attendees at the COP26 meeting to uphold multilateralism, honor commitments while making realistic goals towards combatting climate change and transition towards greener sources of energy.
- Wang Yang, the Chairman of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, met Thailand's deputy parliament president and senate speaker, Pornpetch Wichitcholchai.
- The Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development stated that they have completed 720,000 housing units between January to September, and aim to reach their year goal of 936,000 units.
- Ping An Healthcare and Technology Co shares fell by more than 30%, whereas Alibaba Health Information Technology Ltd lost 18% after the government released draft rules that highlighted restrictions on the growth of the online medicine sector.

- Xi Jinping signed regulations aimed at basic rules and regulations for governing military equipment and military equipment procurement.
- The National Development and Reform Commission is rigorously promoting coal mines and coal production, estimating that coal reserves will exceed by 110 million tons within 3 days.
- Beijing has appointed new regional party chiefs. The total number of changes are eight and these changes are: Wu Zhenlong has been appointed as party secretary in Jiangsu, Li Ganjie has been appointed as the head of eastern Shandong province, Wang Junzheng became the head of Tibet autonomous region, Zhang Qingwei will oversee the Hunan province, Liu Ning is promoted to the party secretary of Guangxi, Xu Qin replaces Zhang Qingwei as the party secretary of Heilongjiang, Wang Ning promoted to party secretary of Yunnan province, and Yi Lianhong has been promoted to the position of party secretary of Jiangxi province.

III. India Watch

- Changes in CCP's regional level highlights that the government is preparing for the upcoming cementation of Xi's rule over the country as he gets ready to run for a third term. Positional changes and crackdown on non-supporters via anti-corruption drives have been Xi's modus operandi before preparing for his own political campaigns.