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I. Social Media Chatter in China

- **National Games gain fervour on Weibo:** With focus on women's skateboarding, Zeng Wenhui won the gold medal with 15.92 points, Lan Junyi won the silver medal, hubei team Shi Wenxiu won the bronze medal. 16-year-old Zeng Wenhui is China's first Olympic skateboarder and won the sixth place in skateboarding at the Tokyo Olympics in 2020.
- **Dorm cleaning 'gang' goes viral:** A video showing a team of female students inspecting dorms at a vocational college in Heilongjiang, China, has gone viral on Chinese social media. The girls have a 'gang' like authoritarian approach, which has amused people.

II. News in China

- Chinese media has reported that according to the Communist Party of India (Marxist), many offices of the Communist Party of India (Marxist) have recently been looted and damaged by mobs belonging to the ruling Bhartiya Janta Party. At least six cars were burned and the headquarters of the Communist Party of India (Marxism) in Tripura was destroyed.
- Multi-type air defense missiles fired by live ammunition in the Tibet Military Region. At an altitude of more than 4500 meters, a synthetic Brigade air defense unit of the Tibet Military Region organized live fire assessment after receiving sudden order from the superior.
- Wang Yi, the State Councillor and Foreign Minister, visited Vietnam and met his counterpart, Pei Qingshan. The two discussed the impacts of coronavirus pandemic and China supported the new administration that came to power.
- Hong Kong's Association of Education Professionals dissolved the Education Association after a resolution was passed by Congress.
- In Daxinzhuang Village, a worker at the processing factory fainted while inspecting a pump. A failed rescue mission led to the death of 6 people while 1 person was successfully rescued.
- The Ministry of Industry and Information Technology held a meeting with companies such as Tencent, Alibaba, Huawei and more to discuss blocked websites and links. The Ministry also discussed compliance standards for messaging software.
- The Press Office of the People's Government of Putian City released a statement that confirmed 24 positive cases, all of the Delta strain of the coronavirus.
- Huawei's rotating Chairman, Xu Zhijun, in an email predicted that 6G technology will be in the market by 2030.

- Typhoon Sundo has caused Shanghai Pudong Airport and Hongqiao airport to shut down, cancelling all flights in and out of the airports.
- Vietnam's Ministry of Industry and Trade aims at easing difficulties and reduce custom clearance times for goods at the border with China, to avoid backlog of goods and port congestion.
- American aircraft carrier group, called the USS Carl Vinson, continues to operate in the Southwestern part of South China Sea region. Its presence in the region is being tracked by Chinese Navy.
- China responds harshly to India's dam building plans in the Himalayas in continued escalation to water politics.

III. India Watch

- As India lags behind in its 5G outreach, China's call that 6G will be in the market by 2030 is a cause of major concern for New Delhi and its partner states. India arrived at the 4G and 3G spectrum also later than the others, and sought to not replicate the same error for 5G. However, the same has not happened and it is crucial that India now re-orient its technology policies towards a stronger actionable and realist paradigm.
- After many Indian media were caught on reporting on fake news that Pakistan had launched an invasion of Afghanistan, Zhao Lijian spoke to the press to condemn spreading false information and data. He advocated for cooperation with the international community in combatting fake news to ensure a "healthy, rational and objective public opinion environment". The statement indirectly advocates for state controlled media when read in its entirety.
- Even as China is building its own mammoth dam on the Brahmaputra, it has responded harshly to India's dam building plans. This is part of Indo-China water politics, as water between the two countries is an importance source of energy generation. China's reporting on Indian plan is an attempt to spin the narrative in their favour by ideating that India does not care about its rural communities or international treaties.
- India and Australia held their first ever 2+2 dialogue. Both countries agreed to strengthen their ties and increase their cooperation of defence and trade relations. India and Australia are part of QUAD and Supply Chain Resilience Initiative, and the 2+2 meeting indicates the alignment of interests for the two countries, which China will view with alarm.