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SOCIAL MEDIA CHATTER IN CHINA

- **Wentian Lab Modules show positive results:** The payloads for the [first lab module](#) of China's space station have been received in good condition and are fulfilling its need in scientific experiments smoothly. A press conference regarding the same stated that Thale Cress seeds and Rice seeds have sprouted in the module.
- **Chinese enterprise contributes to relief:** A Chinese enterprise of Mes Aynak copper mine in Afghanistan known as [MJAM](#) has contributed to relief efforts meant for the people of Logar Province affected by the flood. The initiative by the Chinese company reflects its social responsibility toward the people of Afghanistan.

NEWS IN CHINA

- Huaqianbei district in Shenzhen is China's [southern technology hub](#). It is home to the largest electronics wholesale market in the world. This market has been ordered to shut down from Monday to Thursday in an effort by the authorities to contain a fresh outbreak of Covid-19. This shutdown has led to disruptions in the local supply chain. According to Huaqiang Electronics World, the biggest operator in the district's market stated that merchants woke up to the notice on Monday that notified them that the area will be closed through Thursday and that all tenants are supposed to work from home and take a nucleic acid test every day. As part of broader measures by the Shenzhen government, all shops in the affected areas have received orders to shut down other than essential businesses including supermarkets, pharmacies, and restaurants only allowing

takeaways and no dine-in services. In March, the city was able to manage to contain a Covid-19 outbreak with Beijing balancing its zero-Covid policy. These preventive measures suggest that once again, China will try to manage two conflicting goals.

- Based on the Memorandum of Understanding signed between China's National Energy Administration and Finland's Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, The Guangzhou Nansha "Multiple in One" Micro-Energy Demonstration project has been put to use recently. It is the first energy demonstration project to be implemented through the MoU. With the use of leading technologies, the project provides clean and efficient use of energy production. According to Li Tao, project manager of Guangzhou Power Supply Bureau, affiliated with Guangdong Power Grid, Co., Ltd., the first Bedrock Thermal Energy Storage has 170 U-shaped pipes, can store excessive underground heat, and would be able to use the heat during winter. The primary goal of the demonstration project is to provide technical solutions that can be replicated as models to help reduce emissions of carbon. This MoU paves the way for long-term energy collaboration between the two countries.
- During the Long Spring air exhibition, at a press conference, Shin Jinxin, a spokesperson for the Air Force introduced the "20 series" of aircraft including the razing-20, transporting-20, and transporting oil-20. On 25 August, Zeltweig Air Fairs which is one of the well-known air fairs in Europe was also hosted. On display

will be China's largest transport, the 20 strategic transport aircraft. The organizers of the exhibition specially referred to shipment-20 as the "Phoenix from the East" with details of multiple humanitarian relief missions overseas since its induction into service. Therefore, the shipment of the 20-large transport aircraft will be simultaneously showcased at two of the most well-known air fairs. Due to intercontinental flight capabilities, air force capacity on a national level is measured in terms of whether it is equipped with advanced aircraft and whether it has a capability of strategic delivery. In this regard, shipment 20 fulfils both a multi-autonomous gap at the strategic air transport level and enhances the strategic delivery capacity. The humanitarian relief missions which included more than two to twenty flights demonstrated China's spirit of humanitarian relief, and also validated the performance of transport 20. By estimations, the cost of a single shipment-20 is to be in the range of \$800-\$100 billion which is beneficial from a low-cost production advantage.

- China's State Council has created task forces appointed at some of the major economic provinces in order to supervise the implementation of policies for economic stabilization, as the nation is enhancing the economic powerhouses at the regional level to acquire a momentum of growth through multiple targeted measures. In a rare pro-growth move, ministers heading the working groups have appointed supervisory and assisting roles on the front line. So far, 5 task forces have been assigned as part of an action plan revealed by the executive meeting held on
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Wednesday. The meeting led to the immediate dispatch of working groups assigned with oversight and economic stabilization services to unspecified major economic provinces in the country. On Thursday, a supervisory task force headed by the Minister of Housing and Urban-Rural Development, Ni Hong, arrived in the Fujian Province. On Friday, Minister of Transport, Li Xiaopeng arrived in Hubei Province spearheading another team. Li Guoying, Minister of Water Resources, led another working group to the Hunan Province from Thursday through Saturday. On Friday, citing Ni Hong, the China Construction News reported that the decision by the State Council comes at a crucial time when China is attempting to solidify the foundations for its economic revival.

- As per China's top anti-graft body, [8,185 Chinese officials](#) who were in violation of the country's eight-point code on improving Party and government conduct were punished in July. The eight-point rules on frugality to counter undesirable conduct at work were released in late 2012 by the Communist Party of China (CPC). According to a monthly report by the CPC Central Commission for Discipline Inspection and the National Supervisory Commission, these officials were involved in a total of 5,434 cases and 5,626 of these officers have received disciplinary or administrative penalties. According to the report, a prominent problem in this issue was the dereliction of duty in social and economic development and environmental protection. In total, 4,007 officials were punished for engaging in bureaucratism and 4,178 officials were punished for

hedonism and extravagant conduct, which includes an exchange of gifts, bonuses, and awarding of unauthorized allowances.

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- The State Council's decision of deploying task forces and working groups showcases China's priority toward revamping the country's economy. The country is already trying to balance the COVID-19 preventive measures without letting it affect the economy on a larger scale. The task forces are sent to certain specific provinces in the country that have more economic output. Individual working groups are headed directly by ministers which shows that the leadership is committed to making the initiative a success. As of now, the working groups with their ministerial leadership have arrived at multiple provinces with assigned tasks of overseeing the implementation of certain policies. The initiative is likely to be a success since the top leadership of the Communist Party is participating in the implementation of policies at the grass-root level. It should be noted that the task forces are assigned to specific provinces only and the leadership with their participation can ensure positive output from the respective provinces. If successful, with this plan, China will be able to achieve economic growth from multiple provinces accumulating an economic boost at the macro level.