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I. Social Media Chatter in China

- **The Perplexing Case of Henan Bank Depositors and Changing Health QR Codes:** The story of a [Henan banking scam](#) that resulted in depositors' Health Codes flashing red this week sparked online debate in China and even made international headlines. Where can people turn when their money appears to have vanished? How did Health Codes go from green to red at random? And who will be the voice of justice? These are the questions that Chinese internet users have been asking about the Henan bank depositors' case, which has been making headlines this week.
- **Border villages in Arunachal Pradesh discussed on Weibo by military observers:** Military observer accounts [discussed](#) 3 border villages which are to be developed in Arunachal Pradesh on Weibo. They note that "it's better not to underestimate the activities of Indians in "South Tibet". Their goal is not necessarily to win the hearts and minds of the natives in "Southern Tibet". For the natives, using guns is enough. It is very likely that they are doing so to attract Indian immigrants to these border villages. The fact that cannot be ignored is that Hindus in southern Tibet already account for about one-third of the total population."

II. News in China

- The [Fujian](#), China's third aircraft carrier, was launched in Shanghai on Friday. China designed and built the carrier, which bears the name Fujian Province. At a launch ceremony that began about 11 a.m., the new carrier was lowered into the water. A naming certificate was delivered to the navy unit receiving the carrier by Xu Qiliang, a member of the Communist Party of China Central Committee's Political Bureau and deputy chairman of the Central Military Commission (CMC). The Fujian was granted hull number 18 after being approved by the CMC.
- Beijing [Fengtai](#) Station, Asia's largest railway hub passenger station, is about to open for business. During the visit, the reporter witnessed the construction of 11 connecting roads around Beijing Fengtai Station, the installation of all 19 kilometers of overhead lines, and the use of 512 parking spaces. The environment has much improved, and the century-old station has received a makeover.
- The People's Republic of China's [Cyberspace Administration](#) intends to change the regulations governing the management of Internet threading and commenting services involving barrage and remarks.
- The launching ceremony for the country's [third aircraft](#) carrier took place on June 17 at China State Shipbuilding Corporation's Jiangnan Shipyard. Colonel Liu Wensheng, a Navy spokesman, released relevant information on the Fujian ship's naming, deployment location, performance characteristics, and test arrangements this evening.

- China's top economic regulator said on Thursday that it will speed up the execution of a slew of pro-growth policies in the second quarter to keep the country's economic performance within a sustainable range. At a news conference in Beijing, Meng Wei, a spokesperson for the National Development and Reform Commission, said that China's economy is at a key juncture that will determine full-year economic performance patterns in 2022.
- China is optimistic about attaining respectable growth in foreign trade this year, which would help the country's macroeconomic stability, according to the Ministry of Commerce. Shu Jueting, a ministry spokeswoman, told reporters that despite "increased pressure to ensure stable growth in trade... there are multiple enabling factors to stabilize foreign trade and improve trade quality," there are "multiple enabling factors to stabilize foreign trade and improve trade quality." According to the latest Customs data, China's exports increased 15.3 percent year on year to 1.98 trillion yuan (\$290 billion), while imports increased 2.8 percent to 1.47 trillion yuan, owing to the orderly resumption of production and business operations such as those of industrial and supply chains, as well as policy measures aimed at boosting economic growth.
- Teng Biao, a human rights lawyer based in the United States, made Xu Zhiyong's documentary claiming "Xu Zhiyong is innocent," and demanded international attention. Xu Zhiyong is a Chinese human rights lawyer who was imprisoned for four years in 2013 for promoting a number of Chinese civic movements such as official property disclosure and educational equality, was charged with subversion of state power two years ago, along with another human rights lawyer, Ding Jiayi.
- On June 16, three years ago, two million Hong Kong residents flocked to the streets to march; three years later, the "five demands" that Hong Kong residents chanted on that day have yet to be fully achieved. Some Hong Kong residents believe that the only way to elect a chief executive who truly belongs to the people of Hong Kong is to adopt true universal suffrage for one person, one vote.
- As we mark two years after the Galwan clash in the Ladakh highlands, which claimed the lives of 20 Indian soldiers and sunk India-China relations to their lowest point in decades, the two countries are normalizing relations in many ways, with the Indian side demonstrating pragmatism far ahead of the "lal aankh" rhetoric.

III. India Watch

- Despite the fact that New Delhi has yet to convince the Chinese to leave some parts of eastern Ladakh on India's side of the Line of Actual Control or ensure a return to the status quo ante (as it was in April 2020), bilateral trade has soared and is now at an all-time high, according to first-quarter data. Furthermore, India's commerce with China in calendar year 2021 was \$125 billion, up from \$120 billion

the previous year and greater than levels prior to the epidemic and the Ladakh stalemate. China's imports were \$97.5 billion, while exports broke the \$20 billion barrier for the first time. While full political engagement has yet to restart, substantial encounters have occurred. In March, Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi paid a visit to Delhi. Ajit Doval, the National Security Adviser, has attended meetings of the multinational Shanghai Cooperation Organisation, as well as a BRICS security officials' meeting hosted by his Chinese counterpart Yang Jeichi on Wednesday. Prime Minister Narendra Modi is likely to participate in a virtual BRICS summit hosted by China next week.