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## Nantong won ‘national ecological garden city’ title

By Jiang Jiaojiao

On 22 January, website of Ministry of Housing and Urban–Rural Development published 2019 national ecological garden city notice and Nantong was on the list. Nantong won ‘national ecological garden city’ title and got another wonderful ‘national level’ ecological name card.

ecological garden city is the ultimate glory of a city’s habitant environment and management level. In 2016 at the 12th congress of representatives of CPC Nantong Committee, building ecological garden city was confirmed as the target of urban transformation and development.

Nantong used ‘garden city’ as the target of urban transformation and development, accumulated more than 1000 hectares public green field of various types in three years, built Cao Ding memorial park, Neng Da ecological corridor, Nantong botanic garden, Wushan forest park Junshan district and other parks, 6 of them

have an area of more than 100 hectares. Nantong promotes 10–20 small petty street gardens building every year. Close to 100 petty street gardens were built. Up to now, the completed green space has taken up 41% of the total area, the average park space per person in the city has reached more than 18 square meters, which are in the top in Jiangsu.

## Highway deck of Shanghai–Nantong Yangtze River Bridge joined

By Zhu Beining

‘Today a major construction stage of the bridge will come: the highway deck will be joined up!’ on 18 January, led by secretary of the working committee of CPC of Shanghai–Nantong Yangtze River Bridge project of China Railway Major Bridge Engineering Group Yuan Bo, we went towards pier No. 26 along the bridge deck.

On the top of the pier No. 26, there was a 38 m long expansion joint, its width was about 3 m at the south side and 2 m at the north side. It was the

last expansion joint of the highway deck of the bridge. As the last casting was completed, the highway deck of the bridge was joined up officially.

‘Expansion joint is the key part of project quality. We must make sure that there is no mistake.’ Project manager of the second division of Shanghai–Nantong Yangtze River Bridge project of China Railway Major Bridge Engineering Group Gu Wenbin told the reporter while coordinating the work: they would take half a day off on afternoon of Chinese New year’s Eve, one day off on Chinese New



Year, and work on the other days. After casting of highway deck was completed, asphalt laying and supporting facilities installation

would started; overhead lines were being installed at the lower railway deck by China Railway Electrification Bureau Group.

## Overhead lines installation started at Shanghai–Nantong Yangtze River Bridge



From night of 15 January to dawn of 16 January, overhead lines of Shanghai–Nantong Yangtze River Bridge installation was started in the rain.

Overhead lines are power supply lines of high speed trains. Line erection work is the most significant part of overhead lines installation. It determines whether the electric powered trains can operate normally.

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## GDP of Nantong in 2019 is 938.35 billion Yuan

By Tang Jiamei

On 23 January, macroeconomic performance and people’s livelihood index data published by Nantong bureau of statistics and National bureau of statistics Nantong investigation team together showed that in 2019 the gross regional product of Nantong was 938.35 billion Yuan, there was a 6.2% increase from the year before last.

Person in charge of Nantong bureau of statistics introduced that last year people’s livelihood protection was enhanced, expenditure on education increased 16.2%, expenditure on culture, tourism, sports and media increased 98.7%, expenditure on health increased 7.5%, expenditure on urban and rural community affairs increased 10%; people’s ‘wallets’ were more full, the average per capita disposable income reached 40320 Yuan, there was an 8.8% increase from the year before last.



On 23 January, the 1st deep sea dynamic positioning crude oil barge in the world (N697–CTV1) set off from Qidong COSCO marine engineering port to Brazil for operation. The project is another achievement of COSCO marine engineering’s march in advanced and new technology field and international marine engineering high end market.

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## Customs helped Nantong establish ‘the Belt and Road’ clear path

Last year companies had about 100 million U.S. dollars tariff benefit

By Wu Xiaoyun

In 2019, Nantong Customs signed and issued certificates of origin for more than 40 thousand batches of cargo which were exported to countries and areas along ‘the Belt and Road’. The value of the cargo reached 2.024 billion U.S. dollars. Companies could enjoy about 100 million U.S. dollars tariff benefit.

Nantong Customs combined ‘the Belt and Road’ proposal and free trade area strategy, based on certificate of origin management work of the Customs, has improved utilization of certificates of origin in free trade agreement of companies, helped Nantong companies create a way to develop ‘the Belt and Road’ market.

‘We exported close to 26 million U.S. dollars cargo to ‘the Belt and Road’ countries such as Indonesia and Vietnam. With certificates of origin issued by the Customs, we enjoyed more than 11 million Yuan tariff reduction in 2019.’ Logistic manager of Momen performance materials Co., Ltd Jiang Shunping said . The more satisfying thing is that with certificates of origin, the company can have tariff reduction. Jiang Shunping said that saying certificates of origin were paper gold was not exaggerating.