

Nantong report

RCEP took effect for Indonesia Nantong issued the 1st certificate of origin in Jiangsu

By Wu Xiaoyun

On 2 January, Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) took effect for Indonesia officially. On the first day it took effect, Nantong Customs issued RCEP certificate of origin for a batch of Aspartame which was going to be exported to Indonesia to Nantong Changhai Food Additive Co., Ltd. It was the first RCEP certificate of origin to Indonesia issued in Jiangsu. By the certificate of origin, the batch of cargo of the enterprise which was worth 117.8 thousand U.S. dollars can enjoy about 42 thousand yuan tariff reduction.

Nantong Changhai Food Additive Co., Ltd. is a professional manufacturer which does research and manufacture of special food additives.

The production and sales of 3 major products which are aspartame, sucralose and folic acid are ranked the top 3 in the world. Indonesia is a traditional market of aspartame export of the enterprise. In the past, the enterprise had to pay 5% import tariff for the products exported to Indonesia. After RCEP took effect in Indonesia, the export tariff cost of the enterprise was reduced to zero.

Indonesia and our country's economy complement each other. It has great cooperation potential. It is an important destination of 'One Belt and One Road' cooperation of Jiangsu enterprises. There are many overseas industrial cooperation districts. After RCEP took effect for Indonesia, cumulative area of origin area will be expanded further, which will promote the advantages complement of industrial chains of member states.

Over 40 thousand new energy vehicles licensed last year

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By Guo Xiaoping and Yu Huijuan

In 2022, in total 40461 new energy vehicles were licensed in Nantong, which accounts for about one fourth of all the new licensed cars of our city. Among them, cars which mainly includes

private cars accounts for over 90 per cent of all licensed cars.

Since 2020, the number of new energy vehicles of our city has been increasing year by year. Up to end of 2022, the holding of new energy vehicles in our city has exceeded 80000. In order to satisfy the charging demand of new energy vehicles better, up to 2025, there will be about 15 thousand public charging piles in central city area. Public charging facility service network whose service radius is not larger than 1.5 km will be built, which will make charging more convenient.



Muppet rabbit

Before New Year's Day, 'intangible cultural heritage new year muppet' rabbit designed by Zhang Lei, intangible cultural heritage successor of Shen Shou embroidery workshop, arts and design college, Jiangsu College of Engineering and Technology appeared. The rabbit used Nantong indigo dyed blue cloth and Lufei cloth as major design elements, is playful and festive. Photo by Xu Congjun

Stamp of the year of the rabbit on sale

13200 sets will be released in Nantong, stamp collectors queued to buy

By Wang Weili

Year 2023 is the year of rabbit. On 5 January, *Kuimao year* special stamp launch ceremony was held at China Post Nantong branch.

On the early morning, at the gate of China Post Nantong branch, stamp collectors were queuing up. Some stamp collectors who already purchased the special stamp were sticking stamps and putting commemorative stamps on first-day covers, preparing to mail to relatives and friends. Citizen Mr. Xia is a member of Nantong staff philatelic association. This year he came on early morning, queued and purchased a set. 'I have collected zodiac stamps for more than 20 years. It can be considered a tradition of the new year.'



Kuimao year special stamp is the 8th set in the 4th round of Chinese zodiac stamps. It was designed by Mr. Huang Yongyu, famous artist and 'father of monkey stamp'. There are two stamps in the set. The first one is called 'kui mao ji fu', an intelligent mao rabbit who has a pen in right hand and letter in

left hand in blue colour which represents childhood was pictured. The second one is called 'tong yuan gong sheng', the picture shows the scene of 3 rabbits running non-stop, each tail is close to the head of the next rabbit. The design inspiration is from Dunhuang fresco 'three rabbits that share ears'.

The first time Huang Yongyu created zodiac stamp was Gengshen year monkey stamp in 1980. After that, he got an honored name 'father of monkey stamp'. It was also the 1st zodiac stamp released after PRC was established. After 36 years, the fourth round zodiac stamp *Bingshen year* monkey stamp was Huang Yongyu's second time to design zodiac stamp.

The number of circulation of *Kuimao year* stamp in Nantong is 13200 sets. The face value of one set is 2.4 yuan.

Briefly

Came back fully loaded



On 4 January, a fishing boat which was fully loaded berthed at Lvsì fishing port No.1 island port. Workers were busy transporting baskets of sea food to the bank. The various types of sea food caught that day weighed about 35 thousand kg, including squid, Spanish mackerel and coarse fish. Photo by Pan Yang

Hasten production



On 2 January, at the workshop of Weg (Jiangsu) electrical equipment Co., Ltd. at Rugao economic and technological development district, workers were busy with the orders of export electric motor products. 60% of the products of the enterprises are sold to countries including Germany, Italy and Japan. Photo from CFP

New Year pictures sell well



Recently, spring festival products sales in Zhongxiu small commodity market have been recovered gradually. Spring festival decorations such as New Year pictures are selling like hot cakes. The photo presents citizens purchasing New Year pictures and lanterns. Photo by Qian Xianhua