

Nantong report

Zilang Medicine Valley opened

The first ten projects settled

By Li Tong

On 18th December, Zilang Medicine Valley opened. The first 10 projects settled. Zilang Medicine Valley covers an area of 74 mu. The gross floor area is 120,000 square meters. It is targeting the fields of new macromolecular antibody drug research and development, cell and gene therapy drug development, high-end implantable devices, precision medicine, special food and medicine, etc. and working on

making new breakthroughs and obtaining new achievements in aspects such as research and development investment, technological breakthroughs and achievement transformation. At present, the first batch of 10 projects including Shanghai Biotechan Pharmaceuticals Co. Ltd., Worg Pharmaceuticals (Zhejiang) Co., Ltd., and the Center for Biomedical Engineering(Jiangsu Jitri Zhongke Advanced Optoelectronic Technology Research Institute) have been signed and settled.

Lintex Advanced Materials listed on the Beijing Stock Exchange

By Zhang Shuilan

On 18th December, Jiangsu Lintex Advanced Materials Technology Co., Ltd. was listed on the Beijing Stock Exchange successfully. The securities abbreviation: Lintex; the securities code: 920106. The initial public offering was 5.85 million shares with an issue price of 19.82 yuan per share. Lintex is an enterprise specializing in the research, development, production and sales of automatic transmission friction plates of cars. It moved to Suxitong Sci-

ence and Technology Industrial Park in July 2023. Wet paper-based friction plate, the core product independently developed by the company, broke the monopoly of foreign companies in the field of automatic transmission friction plates of passenger cars. Import substitution and independent control have been achieved in this field. Up to now, there have been 58 listed companies and 60 companies listed on the National Equities Exchange and Quotations, among which 7 companies are listed on the Beijing Stock Exchange.

A world-class factory settled in Nantong

By Si Zhanwei

On 16th December, DP Engineering Plastics (Nantong) Co., Ltd., with a total investment of 561 million US dollars, opened in Nantong Economic & Technological Development Area. The project is a world-class factory which can produce 180,000 tons of polyoxymethylene (POM) engineering plastics every year. DP Engineering Plastics (Nantong) Co., Ltd. is a wholly foreign-owned enterprise invested by Polyplastics Co., Ltd. and Mitsubi-

shi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. from Japan. It is a globally leading engineering plastics manufacturing company. Polyoxymethylene (POM) is one of the five major engineering plastics. It is called 'metal in plastics'. It has properties such as high temperature resistance and corrosion resistance. After the project is completed, Nantong Economic & Technological Development Area will become the world's largest polyoxymethylene (POM) engineering plastics base with the lowest energy consumption in the industry.

Loaded and set out



On 14th December, the ship 'Fu Zhou Guo Ji' loaded with 4 automated rail cranes of Sri Lanka left the port of Zhenhua Heavy Industries Nantong branch, heading to Colombo West Port.Photo by Xu Congjun

Researched and developed independently by a Nantong enterprise Dialysis artificial blood vessel approved for market release

By Miao Bei and Lu Chenghui

On 17th December, Jiangsu Bioda Life Science Co., Ltd. announced that the innovative medical device researched and developed independently by the company 'the dialysis artificial blood vessel' obtained

the innovative medical device registration certificate, which marked the the birth of China's first domestically produced dialysis artificial blood vessel approved for market. Bioda was founded in 2015. It is located in Chongchuan Shibei Hi-tech Zone. In 2022, the company successfully researched and devel-

oped the first artificial blood vessel in China, and achieved mass production in the next year. The dialysis artificial blood vessel approved this time was experimented and improved several times by Shanghai Changdy, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Bioda over the past 7 years, and finally succeeded.

16,000-TEU container ship 'NACKS 422' set out for a trial voyage from the Yangtze River

By Wu Xiaoyun and Peng Junjun

On 13rd December, the first 16,000-TEU container ship 'NACKS 422' independently researched, developed, designed and built by

Nantong COSCO KHI Ship Engineering Co., Ltd., set out for a trial voyage from the Yangtze River Nantong section. 'NACKS 422' with a length of 366.99 meters, a width of 51 meters

and a deadweight tonnage of 160,000 tons, has become the largest container ship which can pass through the Panama Canal's new lock at present. When it is fully loaded, the ship can carry up to 16,280 standard containers.

Briefly

A family of three mute swans appeared in Tongzhou Bay. It was the first record in Nantong in the past more than ten years



By Peng Junjun

In the past few days, Nantong bird lovers shared their posts: took photos of mute swans in Tongzhou Bay waters. On the early morning of 15th December, staff from Jiangsu Nantong Environmental Monitoring Center once again captured the scene of swans playing in the water through surveillance.

As early as 7th December, Jiangsu Nantong Environmental Monitoring Center found the National Class II Key Protected Wild Bird, the 'King of waterfowl' — mute swan in Yaosha reservoir in Tongzhou Bay for the first time. After checking with the Bird Watching Record Center, Jiangsu has only recorded it in Lianyungang in the past two years. There had been no record in Nantong for more than 10 years.

Data shows that the mute swan is a National Class II Key Protected Wild Animal. Although it is the most numerous species of wild swans, it is the least numerous species in China. It has a relatively large size and was named because of the wart-like protrusion on its forehead. Mute swans have strict requirements for the quality of the living environment. They usually live in waters with wide water surface, little human interference, good water quality and abundant food. As its weight is close to the maximum weight for birds to fly, it is called the 'King of waterfowl'.

The product from Xinyi Garment in Tongzhou was rated the best-selling brand of Japan TV shopping for 2024

By Huang Yanming and Ren Yibin

On 18th December, the buyer

team of QVC, a well-known Japanese TV and online department store retailer, came to Nantong Xinyi Garment Co., Ltd., and dis-

cussed the company's independent brand 'FEE CERISE' entering the Japanese market. QVC Japan is a joint venture founded by the world's largest TV and online department store retailer QVC from the United States in Japan in 2000. Through satellite platforms and cable TV, products including clothing, home appliances, beauty products and jewellery are broadcast to women 24 hours a day. Xinyi Garment located at Shizong Town, Tongzhou District started OEM for Japanese orders in 1986. In 2006, the financial crisis caused a sharp decline in foreign trade orders of the company. Gu Dongliang, the Chairman of the Board of the company, thought that pure manufacturing companies were at the low end of the industrial

chain and could not control the market, and that only creating its own brands, independent designs and participating more in the competition at the high end of the industrial chain could result in better development space for the company. In 2008, Xinyi Garment registered its first trademark 'Fee Cerise' in France, and hired Fabio, a French designer, to design women's clothing products for the brand. In 2010, the company spent a lot of money to hire Kiyohisa Sato, the first 'Japanese craftsman' in the clothing industry, as the company's technical director for 6 consecutive years, to cultivate employees' skills, improve the production process of high-end clothing, and then set up the company's design and marketing team. On 21st November, ANNECOQUINE women's clothing designed and pro-

duced by Xinyi Garment was rated 'Best Seller' (the best-selling brand of the year) for 2024 by QVC from Japan. Up to now, Xinyi Garment has created two brands, which are 'Fee Cerise' and 'Sakura Sprite', opened 72 directly operated offline stores all over the state, and established a China-Japan joint venture and introduced two Japanese women's clothing brands. From January to November, the company's sales in the Japanese market exceeded 15 million US dollars. 'Our products have not only secured markets in Japan, Korea and Europe, but we have also gained new customers from countries such as Russia this year.' Gu Dongliang said that currently the company's foreign trade sales have increased by 20% year-on-year.



Staff from Xinyi Garment received Russian customers.