

Nantong report

Murat Kokoglu, CEO of Koksan Group, visited Nantong

By Zhu Wenjun

Recently, Murat Kokoglu, CEO of Koksan Group from Turkey, and his delegation visited Nantong. Koksan Group is a well-known polyester material production enterprise in Turkey and even the Middle East Region. It has 5 manufacturing bases over the world. In July 2024, the group planned to develop a green polyester new material project in Rudong County. Its total investment is over 700 million US dollars, which was a record high for Turkish companies' investment in China in recent years. The phase 1 project is expected to be put into operation in the second quarter of next year.

Wu Xinming, Secretary of CPC Nantong Committee, welcomed the arrival of Murat Kokoglu and his delegation. He said that since the project settled, the construction of the project has

made rapid progress. Nantong is one of the cities with the greatest development potential in the Yangtze River Delta, and it is increasingly favoured by domestic and international investors. He hopes that Koksan will strengthen its confidence in its development in Nantong, continue to strengthen cooperation in fields including green industries and green technologies, and work together to make more development achievements.

Murat Kokoglu said that the high-quality resources, good business environment and booming development trend of Nantong have left a deep impression on him. They will make every effort to accelerate construction of the project and play a bridging role, to build bridges between Nantong and relevant key areas of Turkey in economic and trade exchanges, sister city exchanges, etc., to help Nantong achieve high-quality development.

The 2nd Oh! Castle Festival in Topu will be held

in Haimen from 11th July

By Huang Tianling

The 2nd Oh! Castle Festival in Topu will be held in Haimen High-tech Zone Topu Science City from 11th to 20th July. The theme of the art festival is 'playfulness'. With the circus tent as the main image, it integrates Chinese chou roles and

Western clowns to start a playful drama journey. The exhibition and performance section will bring together more than 30 theatre troupes from 10 countries and regions including China, France, Armenia, Hungary, Switzerland, Belgium, Bulgaria, Israel, and Brazil. During the 10-day festival, more than 150 performances and events will be held.

Nantong ⇌ Lanzhou flight resumed

One flight on every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday

By You Lian

At 16:05 on 26th June, flight DZ6345 with 145 passengers took off from Nantong Airport. Nantong ⇌ Lanzhou flight officially resumed.

Nantong ⇌ Lanzhou flight is operated by Donghai Airlines. It is planned to operate until 30th August, covering the whole summer golden travel season. There will be one flight scheduled on every

Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. It has provided new choices for passengers from Nantong and nearby cities to travel to Northwest China.

To better meet the summer travel needs of passengers, Nantong Airport has added or resumed flights to tourism cities including Lanzhou, Wuhan, Dalian and Yichang. Passengers can buy discounted air tickets on OTA platforms such as Ctrip, Tongcheng and Fliggy.

Fashion parade show



On 23rd June, the school of art and design of Nantong Vocational University held a graduation design fashion parade show. The activity presented more than 30 clothing works done by the class of 2025. The themes included traditional culture, digital technology, environmental protection and ecology, etc.Photo by Xu Peiqin

Experiencing Chinese culture



On 26th June, Nantong Tongzhou District held a Chinese and foreign cultural exchange activity. University students from Russia were experiencing writing Chinese characters with a brush.Photo by Zhai Huiyong

The import and export of Nantong from January to May increased by 14.5% year-on-year

By Wu Xiaoyun

Data from Nantong Customs shows that from January to May, the total foreign trade import and export of Nantong is 165.52 billion yuan, ranking 4th in Jiangsu, and there is a year-on-year growth of 14.5%. The growth rate keeps leading in Jiangsu. Among them, the export value is 109.9 billion yuan, and there is a year-on-year increase of

19.3%; the import value is 55.62 billion yuan, and there is a year-on-year increase of 6.1%.

In terms of export market, imports and exports to ASEAN, EU, and other countries and regions increased significantly. In the first five months, Nantong's imports and exports to ASEAN, EU and the Middle East are 25.2 billion yuan, 24.28 billion yuan and 16.18 billion yuan respectively, and the increase rates are 25.6%, 19.8% and

17.5% respectively.

In terms of major export goods, exports of traditional products such as ships, electrical equipment, and integrated circuits have increased significantly. In the first 5 months, the export of Nantong mechanical and electrical products is 61.66 billion yuan, and there is an increase of 35.4%. Among them, the exports of ships, electrical equipment and integrated circuits increased by 142.5%, 146.1% and 31.7% respectively.

Optimization of parking fee policy in Nantong Motor vehicles can be parked for free for 30 minutes

By Jiang Jiaojiao

Since 10th July, free parking time of temporary parking spaces on urban toll roads will be extended from 15 minutes

to 30 minutes.

For other parking facilities that implement government pricing or government-guided pricing, the free parking time shall also not be less than 30 minutes. For facilities that

provide over 30 minutes' free parking at present, the policy remains unchanged.

The change will provide more convenience for short-term parking and temporary business of citizens.

‘Air-to-air transfer’ cargo channel launched in Nantong Airport

By Wu Xiaoyun

At 12:15 on 20th June, a cargo flight from Tokyo to Nantong landed at Nantong Xingdong International Airport.

Unlike usual, the goods carried by the plane were not goods imported by Nantong. Instead, the cross-border goods would transfer

through Nantong Xingdong International Airport under the supervision of Nantong Customs, and would arrive in Chengdu in the early morning of the next day. It marked the official start of 'air-to-air transfer' multimodal transport service in Nantong.

'Air-to-air transfer' means the transportation mode in which air

cargo is transported to its destination via two or more flights under the supervision of the Customs.

The mode not only successfully linked airports without direct flights, but also significantly improved the cargo transfer efficiency and enhanced logistics efficiency, and reduced the cost of transport for enterprises.

Briefly

Fencing Championships concluded
Nantong athlete Shi Yuexin won her first championship

By Wang Quanli

On 22nd June, 2025 Asian Fencing Championships concluded in Bali, Indonesia. Nantong player Shi Yuexin helped Chinese Women's Epee Team win the gold medal in the team event.

It is worth mentioning that it was the 'post-00s' national player's first time to stand on the champion podium of the Asian Championships. She became the 3rd Nantong player who won the women's epee championship at the Asian Fencing Championships.

Jiangsu Dongcheng Power Tools Co., Ltd. is valued at over 16.7 billion yuan

By Huang Hai

Recently, 'China's 500 most valuable brands in 2025' was released by World Brand Lab. Jiangsu Dongcheng Power Tools Co., Ltd. was on the list. Its brand value is 16.792 billion yuan, ranking 442nd on the list. It is the only Chinese power tool brand on the list this year.

Dongcheng Power Tools Co., Ltd. was founded in 1995. In 2024, the company's overall sales reached 6.468 billion yuan, and there is a year-on-year growth of 4.52%.

World Brand Lab, as an international brand value research institute, its research results have become an important basis for the evaluation of intangible assets in many corporate mergers and acquisitions.