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Ringing in 2026, Xi Envisions New Chapter of China's Miracle

Summing up tangible progress in 2025, Chinese President Xi Jinping urged solid steps to write a new chapter in the story of China's miracle in his 2026 New Year message on Wednesday evening.

Noting that the year 2026 marks the beginning of the 15th Five-Year Plan, Xi said on New Year's Eve that a successful venture should start with a good plan, and with clear goals set, calling for efforts to promote high-quality development, further deepen reform and opening up across the board, and deliver prosperity for all.

"We should focus on our goals and tasks, boost confidence, and build momentum to press ahead," Xi said.

Solid advances in 2025

As the year 2025 marked the completion of China's 14th Five-Year Plan for economic and social development, Xi hailed that the country has met the targets in the plan and made solid advances on the new journey of Chinese modernization.

"Our economic strength, scientific and technological abilities, defense capabilities, and composite national strength all reached new heights," Xi said. Describing this year as one that is full of indelible memories, Xi said that the country commemorated the 80th anniversary of the victory of the Chinese People's War of Resistance Against Japanese Aggression and the World Anti-Fascist War, and established the Taiwan Recovery Day, rallying a mighty force for national rejuvenation.

Xi highlighted that China sought to energize high-quality development through innovation, turning itself into one of the economies with the fastest growing innovation capabilities.

The Chinese people endeavored to nurture their spiritual home with cultural development, as there was a surging public interest in cultural relics, museums, and intangible cultural heritage, and the Chinese culture is shining in even greater splendor, Xi added.

The president said that the Chinese people joined hands to build a better life and enjoyed it together.

"No issue of the people is too small; we care for every leaf and tend every branch in the garden of people's well-being," he said. "When the happy hum of daily life fills every home, the big family of our nation will go from strength to strength."

Embracing the world

In the New Year message, Xi said that over the past year China continued to embrace the world with open arms.

To better address climate change, China announced new Nationally Determined Contributions, Xi said, adding that after announcing the three global initiatives on development, security, and civilization, he put forward the Global Governance Initiative to promote a more just and equitable global governance system.

"China always stands on the right side of history, and is ready to work with all countries to advance world peace and development," Xi said.

China's reunification unstoppable

"We Chinese on both sides of the Taiwan Strait share a bond of blood and kinship. The reunification of our motherland, a trend of the times, is unstoppable," Xi said.

On Hong Kong and Macao, Xi said the policy of "one country, two systems" should be unwaveringly implemented and the two special administrative regions be supported to better integrate into the overall development of the country and maintain long-term prosperity and stability.

Party self-governance

"Only a strong Communist Party of China can make our country strong," Xi said in the message. The Party exercised strict self-governance through credible measures, and promoted self-revolution to fight corruption and advance healthy governance.

"As a result, the conduct of our Party and government steadily improved. We must stay true to our original aspiration and founding mission, and pursue our goal with perseverance and dedication," Xi said.

Source: Xinhua

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Xi Congratulates Science and Technology Daily on Its 40th Anniversary

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Chinese President Xi Jinping has sent a congratulatory letter to the *Science and Technology Daily* on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of its founding.

Xi, who is also general secretary of the Communist Party of China Central Committee and chairman of the Central Military Commission, extended congratulations to the newspaper's staff.

In the letter, he pointed out that over the past 40 years, the *Science and Technology Daily* has, focusing on the central tasks of the Party and the country, played an active role in promoting the Party's innovative theories, interpreting sci-tech policies, reporting on sci-tech achievements, and popularizing

scientific knowledge.

Xi emphasized that, from a new starting point, efforts should be made to tell well China's sci-tech innovation stories, reflect the voices of sci-tech workers, and gather more wisdom and strength to achieve high-level scientific and technological self-reliance and strength, and to build a strong country in science and technology.

Founded on January 1, 1986, the *Science and Technology Daily* has evolved into a comprehensive media organization with platforms such as newspaper, journal, website and mobile application.

Source: Xinhua

Celebration Held to Mark S&T Daily Milestone

By Staff Reporters

A celebration meeting to mark the 40th anniversary of the founding of the *Science and Technology Daily (S&T Daily)* was held in Beijing on January 1, where a congratulatory letter from President Xi Jinping was read out by Science and Technology Minister Yin Hejun.

Yin said the letter affirmed *S&T Daily's* role in serving the nation and provided fundamental guidance for improving the publication, strengthening sci-tech communication, and advancing China's science and technology endeavors.

He also said over the past 40 years, *S&T Daily* has fulfilled its responsibilities and mission in sci-tech communication, playing an active role in demonstrating China's sci-tech progress and socio-economic development.

Looking forward, he urged *S&T Daily* to tell well China's sci-tech innovation stories to enhance society-wide confidence in innovation, and promote the spirit of scientists and foster a culture of innovation.

It should reflect the voices of sci-tech workers to rally more closely around the cause of science and technology and innovate in content delivery to enhance its reach, effectiveness, and influence.

Wu Jing, president of *S&T Daily*, said the publication will implement the spirit of the letter and steadfastly uphold the truth, remain committed to facts, and embrace innovation — thereby better fulfilling its role as the primary platform for science and technology communication.

It will strive to open a new chapter in sci-tech journalism, and make greater contributions to building a leading country in

science and technology.

Zhang Boli, an academican of the Chinese Academy of Engineering, said as China accelerates its efforts toward greater self-reliance and strength in science and technology and becoming a sci-tech powerhouse, there is a greater need than ever to promote the spirit of scientists and to have a professional, responsible sci-tech media.

He expressed confidence that *S&T Daily* would continue to uphold scientific integrity and better serve the nation's major policies and strategic needs, making new achievements from this new starting point.

Other leaders from the Ministry of Science and Technology, representatives from state government departments and agencies, news organizations, and local departments also attended the event.



① The 1st English edition of S&T Daily. ② Belt and Road Initiative 10th anniversary special edition. ③ The poster for the Into Tech Park program.

Telling China's Sci-tech Innovation Stories with Passion and Dedication

Since its founding on January 1, 1986, *Science and Technology Daily (S&T Daily)* has remained deeply engaged in recording China's scientific and technological progress and groundbreaking innovations from research frontlines around the world, acquiring widespread influence in China and the international sci-tech community.

Science sees no borders, thriving on openness. As China deepens its integration into the global innovation network, *S&T Daily* works to better connect China with the rest of the world and facilitate global communication.

On July 1, 2021, we launched the English edition of *S&T Daily* to foster mutual understanding, share knowledge and connect minds across borders.

The English edition of *S&T Daily* focuses on cutting-edge scientific fields, centering on four core themes: Innovative China, Open China, Cultural China and Beautiful China.

Collaborating to address global challenges is an essential component of China's vision for building a community with a shared future for humanity. *S&T Daily* showcases successful

international research partnerships and highlights how technology is empowering people's daily lives in China.

It also conveys the voices advocating mutual understanding between China and the rest of the world, and interprets China's open and inclusive innovation policies, telling its sci-tech stories with heart, passion and dedication.

The 223 issues published in four years have built *S&T Daily's* reputation for thoughtful and quality journalism. Its columns, such as "STI Frontier (stories of China's innovation achievements)," "International Cooperation," and "Dialogue (spotlighting foreign experts in China)," have been widely appreciated.

In addition, our bilingual multimedia series like "Youth on Tech" and "Into Tech Park," which follow young people from around the world as they explore China's innovation hubs, have drawn participants from all over the world into the heart of China's sci-tech ecosystem.

We've also launched several programs, such as "Tech for a Better Life" and "Tech with Heart AI for Good," bringing China's

perspectives on sci-tech innovation, sustainable development, human well-being, and responsible AI governance to a global readership.

In order to expand its global network of collaborators, *S&T Daily* initiated the International Union for Science and Technology Communication. This union now brings together 19 leading media organizations and think tanks from across the world, creating a shared space where diverse perspectives meet, trust grows and joint solutions emerge.

President Xi Jinping's letter charts the course to tell China's sci-tech innovation stories well, inspiring us at *S&T Daily* engaged in global sci-tech communication. We will thoroughly study and implement the spirit of the letter and strive to tell more compelling stories of China's sci-tech progress, foster international sci-tech collaboration and promote mutual benefit and shared progress across borders.

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