

## Beijing police destroy seized narcotics

Beijing police on Sunday destroyed 1.4 tonnes of narcotics, which had been seized in various operations between 2014 and 2015.

The haul included heroin, methamphetamine, cocaine, ketamine, and caffeine.

The drugs were destroyed at Beijing Cement Plant, incinerated in furnaces up to 2,700 degree Celsius.

In 2016, Beijing police arrested more than 10,000 suspects in 1,366 narcotics cases.

Beijing has over 36,000 registered drug addicts, most of whom use synthetic drugs like methamphetamine, according to Liu Yi, deputy director with the municipal narcotics control commission.

“Beijing police face a tough battle against drugs and therefore have ‘zero tolerance’ for drug-related crimes,” said Liu.

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## State Council appoints, removes senior officials

The State Council, China’s cabinet, announced the appointment and removal of several officials on Monday.

Sun Yao was appointed vice education minister.

Ni Yuefeng was named deputy head of the General Administration of Customs.

Yang Xiaowei was appointed deputy director of the Cyberspace Administration of China, to replace Wang Xiujun.

Sun Dawei was removed from the posts of deputy director of the General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine, and director of Certification and Accreditation Administration.

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## Chinese vice premier calls for strengthened ethnic solidarity

Chinese Vice Premier Liu Yandong Sunday called for more efforts to promote solidarity and progress among various ethnic groups in China.

Authorities should greatly improve the education, healthcare and employment for the ethnic minorities and give them equal access to basic public services, Liu said at a conference on ethnic solidarity in Hohhot, capital city of north China's Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region.

They should promote the communication among and integration of ethnic groups, creating a social environment where ethnic people live, study, work and share joy together, according to Liu.

Local governments should handle ethnic affairs according to law, and safeguard ethnic solidarity and harmony by laws and the Constitution, She said.

During an inspection in the region, Liu also asked ethnic groups to respect and communicate with each other, making joint efforts to safeguard ethnic solidarity and social stability.

The Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region was founded 70 years ago as China's first minority autonomous region under the leadership of the Communist Party of China.

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## CPC calls to set up 'relatively complete' regulatory system

The Communist Party of China (CPC) will establish a "relatively complete" regulatory system by its centenary in 2021.

In a recently published document, the CPC Central Committee said rule-based Party governance is a precondition for good state governance.

Improving Party regulation is necessary step to improving Party governance, building a socialist legal system with Chinese characteristics, and modernizing state governance. It is key to the Party's long-term rule and China's lasting stability, it said.

By 2021, a relatively complete regulatory system, an efficient implementation system and forceful safeguards for development of Party rules and regulations

should have taken shape. The CPC's capability to govern itself in accordance with its own rules and regulations should have been strengthened.

The document said Party regulations should be based on the CPC constitution and the principle of democratic centralism.

It should consist of four parts: organizational rules that regulate various Party organs; leadership-related rules to improve guidance on all fronts; self-development rules to clean up unwanted work styles and corruption and to foster innovation and cohesion; and supervisory rules.

The document stressed that the system must be rational in terms of its content and in line with procedural norms, so that all Party rules serve their function.

To smooth implementation, CPC officials will take the lead in learning and abiding by Party regulations, with educational activities and supervisory inspections on the regulations.

Those who breach the rules will be put under investigation and given severe punishment.

A team will be set up within the CPC for regulatory work.

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## **Premier Li stresses innovation-driven development**

Premier Li Keqiang has called for efforts to promote innovation-driven development as a new round of technological and industrial revolution is to bring profound changes to the world.

China should grasp the opportunity to promote innovation-driven development in an effort to chase or stand at the world's technological forefront, Li made the remarks Thursday while chairing a symposium on the new round of world technological and industrial revolution.