Xi: healthy, stable China-India ties needed

BEIJING'S smog is expected to arrive earlier this year, said China's Ministry of Environmental Protection (MEP).

"The smog, which often occurs in late autumn and winter, has already returned to the capital city in early September," said a senior official of the Ministry. "Air quality started to worsen Saturday morning with PM2.5 density reaching 176 micrograms per cubic meter, indicating heavy air pollution."

Xi Jinping, President of China, has promised to tackle smog and improve air quality in Beijing.

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Over 100 mobile library vans serve readers across Hubei Province yesterday. More than 100 mobile library vans have served readers across the province since 2012.

China lodges representations to DPRK Embassy

China confirmed Monday its Foreign Ministry has lodged solemn representations to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) Embassy in Beijing over its sixth nuclear test.

The representations were lodged to the person in charge of the embassy, Foreign Ministry spokesperson Geng Shuang said at a regular news briefing.

"The representations were lodged to denounce the DPRK's act of nuclear testing," Geng said.

Wuhan halts new shared bikes on streets

The number of shared bikes in Wuhan has been in Wuhan since December. Their rapid expansion has led to parking chaos, safety hazards and obstructions in crowded areas such as subway entrances, shopping malls, bus stations and even highways.

The government informed the companies and those that fail to comply will face further controls.

"We will develop a data monitoring platform to manage the existing shared bikes," the official said.

Regional cooperation needed for a peaceful settlement of the Korean Peninsula

Regional cooperation is needed for a peaceful settlement of the Korean Peninsula, expressing appreciation for a number of countries' calling for dialogue and settlement without the problem.

At a Glance

Fire breaks out

A FIRE broke out at an abandoned refrigeration warehouse in southern Beijing yesterday morning, but caused no casualties, the Beijing fire fighting authority said.

Camel flu

CHINESE quarantine yesterday issued a notice alerting travelers to the Middle East to guard against camel flu. The virus, Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS), is a respiratory disease that has killed hundreds of people.

With the cases of infection on the rise, travelers to the Middle East should take general hygiene measures to avoid contact with people showing symptoms, as well as animals, according to a General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine statement.