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The Third Standing Committee Meeting of the 11th Committee of AllChina Youth Federation Convened

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On August 16, 2012, the third enlarged meeting of the standing committee of the 11th committee of All-China Youth Federation was convened in Beijing. Wang Zhaoguo, member of the Politburo of the Communist Party of China and Vice-Chairman of the standing committee of the National People's Congress, attended the meeting.

Wang Zhaoguo praised the achievements made by the 11th committee of All-China Youth Federation and proposed new demands and expectations for the committee members of All-China Youth Federation. "Catering to the features of the work of youth federations as well as the new circumstances of social development and youth development, youth federations at all levels should conduct their work and promote the development of themselves with innovative ideas," said Wang Zhaoguo, "strengthen the common fundamental ideas of youth federation, take advantage of the positive effect of youth federation in complying with the overall situation and serving youth, promote the team construction of all level youth federations and continuously enhance the scientific level of youth federation work."





On the evening of August 9, 2012, thunderous applause broke out now and again in the Hackney Empire Theatre of London—the Olympic theatrical performance performed by Chinese youth and children was being held in this historical building. Blended with oriental flavor and the fashionable elements of modern musical art, the programs performed by Chinese youth and children presented nearly 1000 audiences from all over the world with a fantastic night of oriental culture, thus proving the charm of Chinese culture.

This activity was organized by the Chinese Young Pioneers Business Development Center and the programs were selected from the hundreds of programs recommended by the schools and youth palaces across China. During the event, youth and children representatives from all over China watched the Olympic games, visit the British Museum, the former residence of Shakespeare, Oxford University, Cambridge University and attended other cultural exchange activities.

Youth and children who took part in the activity thought the activity was a precious opportunity for them to broaden their horizon and enrich their experience as well as to exhibit the image of Chinese youth and children. The performance also played an important role in enhancing the mutual understanding between Britain and China and strengthening trust and friendship between youth and children from different countries.

The Eighth National Youth Vocational Skills Competition Concluded

On the evening of September 27th, the final of the Eighth National Youth Vocational Skills Competition has concluded in Shenyang, Liaoning province.

There are 254 contestants from all over China in the final round. After three-day intense competition, the winners of Comuputer Network Administrator, Tool Fitter and Automobile Mechanic go respectively to Li Wenyuan from Guangdong province, Zhang Wenliang and Shi Weihua from Liaoning province.

It's reported that nearly 4.5 million youth labor workers have



taken part in different vocational skills competition at all levels from 1,799 municipal competitions and 715 proivincial preliminaries in China. 19,795 young people have promoted their technical grade

through skills competitions.

The National Youth Vocational Skills Competition is held annually since 2005 as a first class national competition, which provides the youth workers with a platform of showing and learning skills together and plays a positive role in upgrading youth skill qualities and strengthening team construction of skilled youth.



Over 9.6 Million People Benefited from "Voluntary Service for the Children of Migrant Workers"

Youth Representatives from Member States of Shanghai Cooperation Organization Visited China

Over the summer of 2012, the local youth federations all over China, working on the fields of tutorial guidance, familial companion, city traveling, self-protection education and donation, and through the means of voluntary service, teaching service and summer camps, created a pleasant, safe and meaningful summer holiday for the children of migrant workers.



During the process of voluntary service, these local youth federations, catering to the needs of the children of migrant workers and adopting the model of "team of volunteers + children of migrant workers + relay", actively explored the long-term mechanism for serving the children of migrant workers.

So far, this activity has been carried out in 2801 cities and counties. Over 50,000 bases have been built and 44,000 schools have been matched in the activity, covering a total of 9.64 million children.

At the invitation of All-China Youth Federation, 80 youth leaders from four member states of Shanghai Cooperation Organization, namely the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Russian Federation and the Republic of Tajikistan, visited Beijing and Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region during August 15 to 24, 2012.

The heads of the national delegations were mainly composed of leaders of governmental youth affairs agency or major youth organizations and the members consisted of outstanding youth representatives from the sectors of parties or governments, trade and economics, social organizations, media and academia.

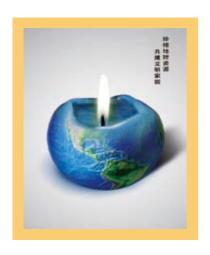
Members of the delegations took part in the youth forum of Shanghai Cooperation Organization and discussed with their Chinese counterparts on the topics of the status quo and future of Shanghai Cooperation Organization, youth employment and entrepreneurship, youth organization development and capacity construction, new media and youth development, etc. In Beijing, they visited the Press of China Youth Daily, Beijing Youth Entrepreneurship Garden and took part in voluntary services. In Xinjiang, they visited enterprises in the high tech development zone of Urumqi, economic-technological development zone, Xinjiang University and exchanged with youth representative of the region.



New Media Creativity Competition for University Students Launched

On June 30, the 2012 "Jinchi" New Media Creativity Competition for university students and the supporting project for creative talents were launched in Zhuhai, Guangdong Province. The activity aimed to help creative talents obtain opportunities of further education, employment and entrepreneurship, and enhance the development of cultural and creative industry.

It was reported that this competition would focus on eight areas, namely animation, cartoon, micro film, mobile phone software, creation and innovation, and online popularity competition, and at least one hundred prizes would



be awarded. The competition also set three supporting projects—education support for people with creativity, marketing and R&D support for creative works and jobhunting support for people with creativity.

The largest funding support for marketing and R&D of creative works can be as high as 100,000 RMB yuan.

The competition is strongly supported by related departments of Macau. This competition will play an important role in enhancing the cultural exchange between the mainland and Macau, the creativity-related education in universities of Macau and the development of cultural and creative industry.

The whole process of the competition will be carried out via new media. University students and companies interested in the competition can login the official website of the



competition (www.mdltv.com) or via Tencent microblog (t.qq. com) to finish the procedures of application, uploading works, commenting on the works and etc.. The assessment of the works will also be conducted via the Internet or other new media.

The whole process of the competition will last for half a year. In order to strengthen the interaction and exchange with students and entend its influence, the organizers of the competition will hold touring exhibition at certain important universities all over the country.

International Children's Biennale Exhibition of Painting and Calligraphy was Held in the National Stadium

On the morning of August 18, the 2012 International Children's Biennale Exhibition of Painting and Calligraphy was held in the National Stadium of China in Beijing.

According to the person in charge of the organizers of the exhibition, since its founding in 2000, the Chinese Children's Institute of Painting and Calligraphy has held a series of thematic activities, among which

the Chinese Children's Aesthetic-Oriented Painting—a large scale thematic painting event, got the attention and support from the whole society. 376 renowned artists from all over China, such as Zhang Ting, Wu Guanzhong and Jin Shangyi took part in the event.

Since the launching of the exhibition in April, the organizing committee has received more than 30,000 pieces of work

contributed by over 10,000 children from more than 20 provinces of China and five other countries, namely the United States, South Korea, Canada, Germany and Malaysia. 600 pieces of work passed the assessment and entered the exhibition. The entries exhibits fully displayed the imagination, creativity and mentality of children from different countries and regions.



Training for Leaders and Major Members of Youth Social Organizations Conducted

In August 2012, the training for leaders and major members of youth social organizations was held in Guangdong Province and Hong Kong Special Administration Region by All-China Youth Federation. More than 30 trainees form all over the country presented at the training courses.

In Guangdong, the trainees listened to the featured lectures such as "The Development and Reform of Social Organizations in the Era of New Media" and "Social Transformation and Organization Restructuring" and discussed on the topics of "the status quo and problems faced by youth social organizations", "the means and routes for youth social organization in serving the society and youth" etc. They also visited the Volunteers Center for the Affairs of Youth& Children in Haizhu District of Guangzhou and Nanhai Guicheng Social Service



Center in Foshan.

In Hong Kong, the trainees learned the management system of youth associations and the development and operating principles of youth organizations by visiting the Home Affairs Bureau, Hong Kong Youth Federation, Hong Kong Volunteers Association and the Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups. They also visited Wofoo Social Enterprises and discussed with the operators of the company on the management, operation and objectives of

Wofoo.

It was reported that All-China Youth Federation has been offering training to leaders and major members of youth social organizations for three consecutive years. The training was expected to help the trainees broaden their horizon, enrich their experience and create a platform for youth social organizations form different areas to share good practices and seek cooperation.

Project of Joint Social Practice for Multi-ethnic University Students Concluded

The Third Session of Training for Young Rural Entrepreneurial Leaders Ended

From July 13 to July 21, 2012, the project of joint social practice for multi-ethnic university students was undertaken in Jiangsu Province. 230 ethnic minority university students from nine western provinces and regions such as Xinjiang and Tibet and 188 Han university students from 94 universities of Jiangsu took part in the project. The participants listened to the report on the social and economic development of Jiangsu and received training on ethnic theory and social investigation approaches. After the reports they were divided into ten teams and dispatched to ten counties, such as Kunshan, Haimen and Gaoyou, where they had an indepth understanding and experience on the social and economic development of Jiangsu since the reform and opening up by the means of internship, visiting, field investigation and art performance. By taking part in quality expanding and training, student twinning, interaction via official microblog and social practice, students of 24 different ethnic groups exchanged with and learned from each other, thus deepening their understanding of the country and strengthening their sense of belonging to the Chinese nation and Chinese culture.

On the concluding meeting held on July 21, focusing on the topics of "the past and present of Jiangsu", "inter-ethnic friendship", "imagining the future" and taking the means of on-spot interview and video displaying, the participants of the project shared their experience and feeling with the audiences presented. In addition, they reached a consensus during the meeting and made it the slogan of the project—"we are a family".



From August 26 to 30, 2012, the third session of training for young rural entrepreneurial leaders was conducted in Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region. More than 80 young entrepreneurial leaders from 16 provinces took part in the training.

The training was conducted in the forms of thematic report, seminar and field investigation. The participants listened to a series of thematic reports, such as "the status quo and future of the modernization of Chinese agriculture", "the marketing for agricultural produce", "research on the e-commerce of agricultural produce", attended the seminars and discussions related with their own business, and investigated the



representative agricultural projects of Xinjiang, like the Xinjiang Agricultural Produce Market.

Three sessions of training for young rural entrepreneurial leaders have been held respectively in Hunan, Inner Mongolia and Xinjiang this year, with a total of nearly 300 people being trained.

Beijing: "Green Transportation" Project Launched

Tianjin: the Induction of Volunteers for the Summer Davos Forum was Held

Complying with the initiative of "month of green transportation" proposed by the municipal government of Beijing, the launching ceremony of the project of "Green Transportation" was held in the Sun Park of Beijing on the morning of September 4, 2012.

As the representative for thousands of youth organizations, Sun Jian, President of Iron Brush Cycling Club, announced the initiative for "Green Transportation" to the 8 million youth and children of Beijing, calling on them to "be a cultivated and polite Beijinger" and "drive less and enjoy green transportation".

During September and October, the organizers of the project will encourage green transportation among youth and children with a series of activities, such as "hiking culture festival", "forum on healthy hiking and health management", "Beijing cycling", "'hutong' cycling", and "harmonious bus touring", making green transportation a fashionable trend for young people.





On the morning of September 5, 2012, the induction of volunteers for the 2012 Summer Davos Forum was held in the square of Meijiang Convention and Exhibition Center of Tianjin. The induction was organized by Tianjin Young Volunteers Association. 2,000 volunteers and more than 50 supervising teachers participated in the induction.

All the volunteers took an oath together: "I swear to carry forward the spirit of volunteering, practice the idea of volunteering, making the smile of volunteers the best token of Tianjin!" After the oath, the leaders presented handed out the certificates to the volunteers.

The 2012 Summer Davos Forum will commence on September 11 in Tianjin. 2000 volunteers from more than 40 universities and colleges of Tianjin will offer etiquette, logistics and operational services during the forum.

Jiangsu: the Week of International Entrepreneurial Elites was Held

Fujian: "Project Hope" Helped More than 3,000 Students Fulfill Their Wish



From July 8 to 10, 2012, the week of international entrepreneurial elites was held in Suzhou. With the theme of "converging global wisdom, creating the paradise for entrepreneurship", the Week attracted more than 4,600 high-level applicators from 24 countries and regions. More than 2,000 guests attended the Week. Till the end of the Week, 434 contracts were signed, up by 32.3% over the previous year, among which there were 117 technological cooperation contracts and 317 investment contracts. In addition, 472 cooperation intentions were reached and 504 projects were under negotiation.

On August 31, 2012, the donation ceremony for "Project Hope" of Fujian Province was held in Fuzhou.

In 2012, the all level youth federations of Fujian Province, by setting special columns of funding education with televisions, newspapers and websites, and taking the forms of street fundraising, charity bazaar and fundraising party, raised a total of 11,510,285 RMB yuan, which helped 3,529 poverty stricken students fulfilled their wish of entering university. The fund mainly went to students from 23 impoverished counties and 22 former Central Soviet region counties.

Since the beginning of the project of helping impoverished students fulfill their wish in 2006, a total of 66,441,888 RMB yuan has been raised, which helped 18,159 impoverished students fulfilled their dream of receiving university education.



Hainan: the Third Session of Youth& Children Self-protection Camp Commenced

Guizhou: Asian Youth Animation& Comics Contest Opened

Traffic safety is closely related with our daily life and it is the responsibility of the whole society to cultivate the awareness of traffic safety among people, especially among youth and children. At 9:00-11:00 on the morning of August 23, the third session of youth& children self-protection camp commenced at the traffic safety training base of Haikou. Nearly 70 youth and children participated in the camp.

The theme of the self-protection camp was "traffic safety" and its content includes basic trafic knowledge sharing, traffic scenario simulation, traffic safety video show, exhibition of equipments used by



traffic police and prize-giving quiz. The objective of the camp was to improve the awareness of traffic safety among youth and children by the means of interaction and experiencing. During the activities, the guides made a detailed and illuminating illustration, which attracted the interest of youth and children and gingered up the atmosphere. The camp turned out to be a success.

It was reported that Hainan Youth Federation is collecting self-protection skills from the society. 100 skills will be selected and published into handbooks to be handed out to youth and children all over the province.

On August 17, 2012, the Asian Youth Animation& Comics Contest opened in the International Exhibition& Conference Center of Guiyang. The award ceremony was held at the opening of the contest, on which dozens of outstanding works stood out from the 31,600 entries handed in by competitors from 48 countries. These award-winning works stood for the highest level of animation and comic works in the world.

The contest specially set up the competition on "continuous playing cartoons" based on the development of new media technology. It was the first time that the concept of "continuous playing cartoons" was proposed in China—a technology which brought together the static cartoons, illustrations and comics with digital technologies and created the effect of interactive animated cartoons and games.

During the contest, a series of activities were held, such as the foundation laying ceremony for the Western China Animation Industry Park, excellent-work displaying, fair of animation/comic related products, international digital life exhibition, international animation& comics summer camp, face-to-face meeting with cartoon masters and national cyber games etc.



Guangdong: China's First Institute of Education for Young Migrant Workers Founded

On September 5, 2012, the Institute of Education for Young Migrant Workers was founded on the campus of Zhaoqing University. As China's first research institute fully devoted to the education of young migrant workers, the Institute will fill the gap in the field of further education for young migrant workers in China.

There are 242 million migrant workers working out of their hometown in China and 20 million young people of them are working in Guangdong. Most of them left school early for a living. Lacking of knowledge and



labor skills, work and life in cities is uneasy for them. They strongly long for the opportunities of further study so as to improve the living and working conditions.

In coordination with the

founding of the Institute of Education for Young Migrant Workers, the corresponding online learning platform (www. qgyjy.org) will also be accessible for young migrant workers. There are various courses on different sectors selected from all over the country on the website. Visitors can learn the courses free of charge according to their needs.

The Institute will recruit 100 doctors and professors into its research team, thus offering itself with scientific and forward-looking development strategies as well as providing young migrant workers with highly professional and systematic courses which can precisely meet their needs.



Pre-New Semester Purchase

School Supplies Welcomed by the Summer Market

With the approaching of the new semester, the consumer market featured pre-new semester purchase: pupils bought new stationeries and middle school and university students bought digital products such as mobile phones and computers. Facing a new round of "shopping spree", the sellers were busy with occupying the market, while the parents were complaining with the high price and heavy burden.





In the Fushun Book Building of Liaoning Province, reference books were always in great demand at the beginning of new semesters. Many students would set new targets for themselves and buy the corresponding reference books to facilitate the realizing of their new targets.

Compared with middle school and university students, the demands of pupils were relatively easy to fulfill and cost relatively less money. However, the stationeries for pupils were also very diversified in types. In a supermarket of Shijiazhuang, Hebei Province, all kinds of big stationery sets or stationery boxes can be found. A stationery box sold at the price of 49 RMB yuan contained color pens, rulers, erasers and so on. The area selling learning machines and the related software occupied a large proportion in the supermarket. Many students and parents were choosing products here.

Many students will buy new glasses before the beginning of new semester and glasses shops offer discounting at that period. Many students would like to choose those at the price of about 300 yuan—an affordable price and glasses with this price were usually sound in quality.

Ms. Zhang, who has been working for many years in the field of electrical equipment selling, told the reporter that the periods after the college-entrance examination or before the beginning of new semesters were the peak periods for the market of mobile phones, MP3s and laptops.

The Unaffordable Apple Three-piece Suite

It was reported that a student who was enrolled by the university recently squabbled with his parents for his demanding of the Apple three-piece suite. The so-called Apple three-piece suite referred to three types of Apple products, namely the iPhone4s, iPad3 and MacBook.

A student parent told the reporter that, the reason why

so many students want to have the Apple three-piece suite was because many of their classmates already had it and often flaunt it, so those who didn't have it become envious.

Nowadays, with many kinds of digital products becoming the indispensible tools for would-be university students, there has always been heated discussion on how to balance fashion and price-quality ratio. Most students attached great importance to the practical performance and utility of digital products. A manager of a laptop shop told the reporter, he often recommended students to buy the laptops priced at 3000-4000 yuan, which were reasonable in price and can well satisfy the needs of study.



The Reason

The pre-new semester purchase is a heavy burden for working-class families. "Equipments priced at more than 100 yuan are very common, while digital products usually cost more than 1,000 yuan. With the advancement of technology, the learning tools are constantly upgrading. We are concerned that outdated tools and equipments may hinder the study of students," Mr. Huo, whose child was in middle high school, told the reporter.

In addition, Mr. Huo said, many schools and universities sent their homework arrangement and learning material via e-mail, text message or on-line education system. The wide application

of learning software and online classes was also one of the factors which made electronic devices popular among students.

Faced with the social phenomena of high consumption and pre-new semester purchase among students, Jing Ronghua, who has been a middle school teacher for more than 30 years, said that there were mainly three reasons. First, it was rooted in the psychological features of students. The post 1990s generation emphasize individual character. For instance, they are fond of famous brands and the trend of wearing outlandish clothes.

Second, the parents also

played an important part in these phenomena. Parents didn't want to see their children treated not as well as others', therefore, they were ready to buy what other children have for their own children. Other factors also influenced the choice of students, such as the diversification of products and the temptation of advertisements.

The third reason is the lack of related education on rational consumption. Schools and universities should encourage green and rational consumption among students. Parents should also help their children cultivate the awareness of reasonable consumption and conservation.



Dou Benjia: the Boy Who Changed the Life of People in His Hometown

Before departing for the United States for further study, Dou Benjia, a 21-year-old Tibetan boy, told the teachers of his alma mater Tianjin University of Technology, "I" be back—back to my hometown instead of big cities".

In the hometown of Dou—a village in Gui'de County of Qinghai Province, the senior people once offered hada to him (a custom of showing respect to others) in order to express their admiration to this young boy. On the campus of Tianjin University of Technology, Dou also won a good reputation. "When some of his peers are complaining about the scanty of allowances offered by parents, Dou has changed the life of people in his hometown", some people described him like this.

Six months after he entered the university, he put forward an initiative in his university for raising some books for the students of Gui'de Minzu Middle School, his alma mater, to broaden their horizon and renew their ideas. Before long the initiative was proposed, 1500 books were collected. This was the first philanthropic act taken by Dou.

In the first winter holiday after Dou was recruited by the university, all the students in his class were required to conduct social investigation during the holiday. At the beginning of the new semester, Dou handed to his teacher a more than 20-page report.

Dou conducted his social investigation in his hometown—a village named Gangta with only some 30 households and located in the mountainous area at an altitude of more than 3500 meters. The irrigation system of the village was solely a 640-meter fragile earthy water channel. People who looked after the channel were mainly women and children. Some of Dou's classmates even dropped out school for the reason of guarding the water channel.

In his social investigation report, Dou pointed out that the construction of a new water channel will help to improve the enrollment rate of children in his village. He promoted his report via the Internet, "If



you think it's a project worth doing, please help me. If you cannot help me, could you please transmit this report to all your friends?" Eventually, Dou won the support from the New Zealand Embassy in China and it only cost the villagers less than a month to finish the construction of the 640-meterlong water channel. When he back home in the winter holiday, the villagers vied in expressing their appreciation to him and offering hada to him.

The next thing Dou did was even more amazing. After another social investigation, he proposed an inconceivable idea: purchase a combine harvester for the four villages in his hometown.

Dou publicized his fund-raising initiative via the local media of Tianjin. The original price of the targeted harvester was RMB 103,850 yuan. After minus the 30% subsidiary offered by the government, he needed to pay 72,950 yuan.

Many people expressed their intention to donate, but Dou called an end to the fund-raising when the total sum he raised reached 65,000 yuan. He insisted that the reminder should be collected from the villagers so that they will take good care of the harvester and cherish the "seemingly easy coming" benevolence. He even designed a road for the harvester to go around the mountain.

"I am more aware of my responsibilities and obligations now, and I've also had the more ambitious target and become more motivated", said Dou.





























Contemporary Youth



On July 29, the China-Japan-Korea Youth Rock Music Exchange activity was held on the Olympic culture square of Beijing Happy Valley amusement park. Youths from the three countries enhanced their friendship through music.



On July 28, the China Youth Palace Culture and Art Festival opened in Tianjin, which was aimed at urging youth palaces all over China to guide the healthy growth of youths with cultral, art and fashion means.



On August 16, the farewell ceremony for service team of Guangzhou youth volunteers to Seychelle was held in Guangzhou. The 18 volunteers would offer medical, music and Chinese education, technology support services in Seychelle for one year.



On July 28, "Under the Flag" activity was held in Tianfu, Chengdu. Nearly 1000 youth representatives from 25 Hongkong youth organizations and Sichuan province were present at the flag-raising ceremony.



From July 21 to August 1, the "2012 Tour to the Ethnic Regions" activity was held. 45 excellent high school students from needy families and some top scorers in Henan 2012 college entrance examination would go to Gansu and Xinjiang for youth ethnic exchange.

International Exchange



On September 23, Chinese youth gave facechanging performance for Korean youth in Pyongyang.



On September 26, Chinese youth delegation visited Malaysia.



On August 17, the Youth Forum of Shanghai Cooperation Organization was held in Beijing.



On August 1, the delegation of Australian Political Exchange Council had close contact with Chinese panda.



On September 6, the participants of International Youth Organization Leaders Thematic Seminar communicated with the artists of China Disabled People's Performing Art Troupe.