Smoking is harmful to health but beneficial to the country

Just as everyone knows, cigarette packs are printed with "smoking is harmful to health" in China. But why China still has 316 million smokers? In fact, what the public doesn't know is that smoking is beneficial to for the country. As a result, governments should not ban cigarettes and they will never do that.

From an economic perspective, smoking contributes much to government revenue. In 2018, China National Tobacco Corporation pays tax of 1.1145 trillion yuan. It is equivalent to 7% of the total tax revenue in China that year which can even pay for the entire year of Chinese army.

For social stability, smoking should not be banned. In history, the United States has banned alcohol, but not only failed, but also led to serious consequences. If China want to ban smoking while maintain social stability, it has to solve the problem of addiction for 316 million smokers.

For the individual, we have to admit that smoking is really harmful to our health. However, smoking is a personal choice, and the harm is exaggerated. If smokers can limit the amount of smoking, it not only will not make devastating problem to health but also can relieve smokers’ stress.

In a word, smoking is harmful to health but it is undeniable that smoking plays a significant role in the society and governments should not ban cigarettes.