

10.06.22

DAILY
**CONVERSATIONS
IN CHINESE
MEDIA**



**ORGANISATION FOR RESEARCH ON
CHINA AND ASIA**

PREPARED BY

Aakanshi Bansal (Research Intern)
writetous.orca@gmail.com

I. Social Media Chatter in China

- **Is it possible to debunk the myth of poverty alleviation?:** After photographing the Liangshan wedding dinner, Chinese netizens were interrogated by the authorities. Chen Jian uploaded the short video he took to Kuaishou and Douyin on May 24, according to video and screenshots circulating on the Internet, but three weeks later, on June 7, he received a call from the state government network supervisor.
- **Protests break out at checkpoints in Beijing:** On June 1, a protest broke out at the Baimiao checkpoint at the junction of 102 National Highway and Beijing in Langfang, Hebei. A huge number of police were deployed to maintain order, arresting office workers who were protesting and demanding to commute to Beijing. Under the pressure of protests from residents, the checkpoint has now been reopened.

II. News in China

- The approval information for domestic online games was issued on the official website of China's State Press and Publication Administration on June 7, and a total of 60 games were approved. Chinese game developers Perfect World, Poker Technology, and Hero Entertainment are among the approved game developers. It does not appear that the authorities' repeated deregulation of the Internet and real estate industries will help to improve the current sluggish economic condition.
- The US announced that the arms sales plan to Taiwan had been approved, and the Ministry of Defense of China responded by stating that the US sells arms and provides military technical support to China's Taiwan region, which seriously violates the one-China principle and the three Sino-US joint communiqués, particularly the "August 17" communiqué, grossly interferes in China's internal affairs, and seriously harms China's sovereignty and security interests. China is deeply displeased and opposed to this, as it jeopardizes the peace and stability of the Taiwan Strait.
- On June 9, the European Parliament passed a resolution declaring that the Chinese government's systematic human rights violations against Uyghurs in Xinjiang "constitute crimes against humanity and significant hazards" as well as "genocide," making it the eighth global resolution to do so. Genocide legislation poses a serious threat. In addition, Parliament passed a resolution requesting that the executive committee prohibited items made and exported using forced labor from entering and departing the European market.
- Defense ministers of China and the United States met on June 10 for talks. Following the talks, Defense Ministry spokesman Wu Qian held a press conference for Chinese and international journalists. Wu Qian stated that the Chinese side stated at the talks that China has always maintained an objective and fair stance on

the Ukraine issue and has made positive efforts to persuade peace and promote talks. China will continue to play a positive role as a responsible large country. But whoever tries to exploit the Ukrainian crisis to threaten China's rights and interests will be met with a determined response.

- The Hong Kong SAR Government gazetted the "Prevention and Control of Diseases Ordinance 2022 (Amendment of Schedule 1) Notice" and the "Prevention and Control of Diseases (Amendment) 2022" (No. 2) Regulation on June 10 in response to the potential risks posed by monkeypox to Hong Kong, enhancing Hong Kong's ability to monitor and respond to the disease. If doctors have cause to believe a patient has been infected with monkeypox, they must notify the case to the Department of Health, according to laws.
- According to the China Earthquake Networks Center, several earthquakes struck the Maerkang City of Aba Tibetan-Qiang Autonomous Prefecture in southwest China's Sichuan Province early Friday, the greatest of which was 6.0 magnitude at a depth of 13 kilometers. So far, no casualties have been recorded. Work on disaster relief is currently underway.
- The Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs' Office issued the "Implementation Programme for the Implementation of Effective Investment in Rural Agriculture through the Implementation of the National Economic Stability Video Conference" on June 9, in which the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development is deeply involved, and actively promoted the issuance of the State Council's Circular on Policy Measures to Secure the Economy Package.
- The Ministry of Commerce said on Thursday that China will support WTO reform and inclusive growth, as well as champion the cause of legitimate rights of developing countries, so that the multilateral trading system can play a bigger role in addressing global challenges and facilitating post-COVID economic recovery. The comments came ahead of the WTO's 12th Ministerial Conference, which will take place in Geneva, Switzerland, from Sunday to Wednesday.
- Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen stated on Wednesday that the US is planning to remove certain tariffs on Chinese imports "in the coming weeks," marking the first time the Biden administration has given a timetable for the tariffs to be rolled back in order to help control inflation. "This administration inherited a set of (Section) 301 tariffs imposed by the Trump administration that I believe were not meant to promote our strategic interests," Yellen said during a House Ways and Means Committee hearing.

III. India Watch

- During an interview, Chu emphasized Sun's strong ties to the United States, where he spent years seeking funds for the revolution against the Chinese Qing empire.

- Chu even drew parallels between Sun's "Three Principles of the People (san min zhu yi)" political theory and U.S. President Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address concept of "government of the people, by the people, for the people."
- It's too early to tell whether the KMT's reopened Washington office will be successful, but both the opposition party and the US stand to benefit from pursuing common goals: for the KMT, shaking its pro-Chinese and anti-American image during elections; for the US, limiting and monitoring Beijing's influence