




Policy and Practice

The Development of China's Port Industry

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Rapid Development of China's Container Port Industry

Container throughput (1997-2007)
rise from 10 mil TEUs to 100 mil TEUs



Overview of China's Port Industry

- **90% of China's foreign trade is carried by sea;**
- **set up coal, oil, iron ore and container transport systems;**
- **port throughput in 2007 over 100 mil TEUs;**
- **Six ports have become the top 20 world container ports;**
- **China's port handling efficiency set world records;**
- **Ensuring smooth traffic without any port congestion**

Top Priority Given to Transport Development

- **Strive to establish an expeditious, smooth, efficient & and safe integrated transport system;**
- **Further improve the layout of ports;**
- **Expand the handling capacity of ports;**
- **Improve the navigation condition of inland waterways to promote the combined sea-river transport;**
- **Enhance the efficiency of port logistics and multimodal link between road, rail and ports.**

Experience in China's Port Development

- **Commit to reform and opening-up and ride the tide of economic globalization for win-win cooperation;**
- **Be demand-oriented, plan first and plan ahead;**
- **Bring into full play the role of seaports as link for the sound economic interaction between coastal and inland regions;**
- **Be guided by the concept of scientific development for the sustainable development of port and shipping industries.**

Commit to Reform and Opening-up Against Economic Globalization

- **China emerged as “the world factory” ;**
- **Establish a port financing and administrative system with Chinese characteristics;**
- **Encourage private & foreign investment in port construction;**
- **Fulfilling WTO commitments & continuous opening-up**
 - ❖ **Foreign businesses participated in the funding and running of 60% coastal container terminals;**
 - ❖ **20 liners offering service to Chinese ports;**
 - ❖ **80% market share by overseas liners.**

Demand-Oriented, Plan First and Plan Ahead

- **Develop the national plan for port layout**
- **Focus on the development of the eastern coast and the Yangtze River;**
- **Adopt the approach of Developing city through port & promoting port development by city;**
- **Harmonize port development with regional economy.**

The Role of Seaports for the Economic Interaction Between Coastal and Inland Regions

- **Develop 5 coastal port groups:
the Yangtze River Delta, the Pearl River Delta,
the Bohai Rim, the Southeastern Coast and the
Southwestern Coast**
- **Establish 8 transport systems:
coal, oil, iron ore, container, grain, car, ro-ro ferry and
passenger.**

Pursue the Concept of Scientific Development for the Sustainable Development of Port and Shipping

- Encourage use of energy conservation & emission reduction technology**
- Encourage application of advanced science & technology in ports**
- Achieve state-of-the-art technology in the manufacture of port handling equipment;**
- Improve working conditions by technological innovation;**
- Implement IMO Conventions for safe and environmentally sound operation of ports.**

International Cooperation in the Fields of Port and Shipping

- **Maintain sound maritime cooperation with major nations and regions:**
 - ❖ **over 60 bilateral maritime transport treaties signed**
 - ❖ **China-EU maritime transport agreement entering into force**
 - ❖ **substantive maritime cooperation with Greece in the areas of shipping, port investment, shipbuilding and ship survey.**
- **International cooperation to meet challenges from climate change, slowdown of world economic growth and the shrunk global financial assets.**



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