

News in Briefs

Metro test run

THE north part of Metro Line 11 will begin its test runs in late December. The newly built line will enjoy the highest train speeds among all the Shanghai Metros, with about 100 kilometers an hour at most. Recently, the first train was ordered and another 17 will be in place this year. Before Expo, the total number of trains will amount to 28.

Brands praised

FOUR Jiading brands, including "Ai Pu Ji Tu" and "Renle," were recently honored as Top China Brands, bringing the number of Top China Brands to 10 in Jiading.

Research gains

THE Jiading District Governor Sun Jiwei told the 2009 China New Energy Automobile Summit in Beijing Tsinghua Science Zone in mid-June that by 2015, Jiading would be an important research and manufacturing center for new energy automobiles in China.

More stations

JIADING government signed a new contract early this month with Shanghai Electric Power Co for it to build 10 more transformer substations at 110 (35) kilovolts level, increasing the total capacity by 675 megavolt amperes.

Energy bonus

TO encourage businesses to preserve more resources, those saving coal stocks of more than 300 tons a year will be rewarded by 200 yuan (US\$29) for each ton saved, Jiading announced at an energy saving meeting this month.

Parking added

JIADING recently added 1,935 parking positions through the district, increasing the total number to 4,732.

New work group

EIGHTY-ONE members registered to join the recently established Jiading Agriculture Professional Cooperative Union. There are more than 90 cooperatives of this type in Jiading, six of which have been honored as the top ones in Shanghai.

Dirty rivers targeted in crackdown on pollution

Staff Reporters

Since early this month, daily reports on 66 enterprises listed as Jiading District's key water pollution inspection targets, have been sent to the local environmental protection department through an online inspection system.

Jiading government is making more efforts to reduce emission and protect the environment.

The department has received more than 7,500 pollution reports recently and more than 10

enterprises have been fined. The maximum penalty is 500,000 yuan (US\$73,157).

The district has set itself a clear goal in improving the environment and this year 186 polluting enterprises are slated to be removed from the district.

In Nanxiang Town, for example, it eliminated 11 enterprises of high pollution and energy consumption between January and May. This results in saving 17,798 tons of water for industry use and 2,431 tons of standard coal.

By the end of next year, it will reduce emission of sulfur dioxide by 677 tons and emission of oxygen-absorbing chemicals by 4,370 tons. This means the district must reduce the daily use of standard coal by 50,000 tons and build a new sewage treatment plant that can daily handle 50,000 tons of waste.

Great emphasis has also been placed on improving sewage treatment. Human waste will be collected from 40 villages and treated in different plants.

The same efforts have been applied to deal with the problem of dirty rivers. By early June, the project to clean 133 dirty rivers, a total length of 122 kilometers, had been 75 percent completed. Coupled with green riversides, the district can provide more recreational areas for residents.

Qingjing River, in the northeast of Jiading, used to be polluted by human waste but after clearing out illegal community stores and restaurants, the 930-meter-long watercourse became alive again.



New walkways

Jiading District has taken on a new look after great efforts have been put in to improve the environment and welcome the coming of World Expo 2010. — Li Huacheng

Support for crops up as harvest starts

Sun Ling and Fei Lai

A fund of 5.7 million yuan (US\$833,942) will be invested by the Shanghai and Jiading governments this year to ensure a summer harvest.

The total amount of the fund has surpassed that of previous seasons.

This year, total land growing wheat in Jiading District amounts to 4,123.3 hectares, an increase of 533.3 hectares compared to last year. Total output is expected to reach 16,000 tons this year.

Wheat had already been reaped by June 18. Since "No. 11 Yangmai" is a species maturing earlier than usual, it is reaped three to four days ahead of cropping in past years.

To get fully prepared for the harvest, the district's agricultural department invested 1.59 million yuan to buy more than 130 reaping machines, tractors, driers, rice transplanters and rice drills.

Also, more than 70 reaping machines were borrowed from other districts and counties to complete the work.

This year, the total planting area for rice in Jiading hit 4,466.67 hectares. Currently, 300,000 kilograms of rice seeds have been distributed to farmers. By June 15, the district had transplanted rice seedlings in 525 hectares and directly seeded 3,140 hectares of rice.

The subsidy for each farmer is 1,200 yuan per hectare but to encourage farmers to plant on a larger scale, an extra 1,050 yuan per hectare will be granted to those who grow on more than 100 hectares.

By reducing the cost, more farmers will benefit.

Wireless coverage spreads wider

Shen Qing and Fei Lai

The second phase of Jiading District's "Wireless City" project was completed this month.

Jiading's downtown area and towns such as Anting, Nanxiang, Malu, Huangdu and Zhenxin, Maoqiao Village and Huating Family Modern Agriculture Garden have been covered by the wireless network.

People can have free access to the Internet either inside or outside. A total of 15,000 family units have

registered as users of the wireless network.

The average daily usage of the wireless network reaches about 3,000 people. Main services include file transfer, Web browsing, email service, online games, chatting and financial stock services.

The wireless blanket is being further expanded to buses. A total of 182 buses in the district have been equipped with intelligent systems which enables passengers to find information about routes, the stop

and the terminals.

The wireless network is also extended to communities. At Jiazhong Garden community, doctors can learn patients' medical history on the Internet.

Agriculture also benefits from it. Hami melon (cantaloupe) at Huating Family Modern Agriculture Garden has critical need for temperature and humidity information. Relying on the wireless network, information on plant growing conditions can be collected in time to facilitate good

growth conditions.

With video inspection equipment, the security of "Baoli Family," a residential complex project under construction, is also guaranteed. Project managers can check construction and safety conditions timely with the help of the wireless network.

In the next phase, the wireless blanket will be expanded to the intelligent security system at Jiading Information Industry Zone and High-tech Zone.