



• Getting stuck in ...

Parents try to pull their daughter, and her boots, from a paddyfield when they take part in a rice seedlings transplanting activity for the first time at the Countryside Culture Festival in Jiading's Huating Town this month. Apart from transplanting the rice seedlings, activities include doing farm work and fishing for crabfish. — Li Huacheng

Have your say on 2035 master plan

Tom Qian

Views are being sought on a master plan compiled by the Jiading and Shanghai governments on the district's development by 2035.

The district is aiming to become a world-class automobile industry center and an important scientific innovation center.

There will be around 1.6 million permanent residents, with 266.6 square kilometers for planned construction, of which 250.1 square kilometers will be

in urban areas.

Anting, Nanxiang and Jiangqiao will be developed into core towns.

Anting Town aims to be a world center for the automobile industry.

There will be three urban circles in Jiading — one with Jiading New City as its core, one made up of Anting in its center, and another made of Nanxiang and Jiangqiao.

In 2035, no fewer than 235.9 square kilometers in Jiading will be used for ecological purposes and 19 square kilometers will be

kept for future development.

Jiading New City will have a total population of up to 700,000 in a planned area of 121.8 square kilometers. From Metro Line 11's Jiading New City Station to Yuanxiang Lake, the area will be devoted to culture and scientific innovation.

In the south of Jiading, around 100 square kilometers will form an ecological space.

In the north, the Zhouqiao area of Jiading Old Town will be devoted to traditional culture and become a public activity center.

Waigang Countryside Park, Jialiu Countryside Park and Jiabao Forest will be set up on the base of Jiabei Countryside Park. The total area will be around 170 square kilometers.

In 2035, the average per capita area of greenery in Jiading will be 14 square meters. In addition to the above parks, another 22 parks will be set up, along with more than 200 kilometers of greenways.

Jiading plans to develop a local network of medium-capacity buses and have 784 kilometers of road networks.

Districts agree on innovation cooperation

Tom Qian

JIAODING will cooperate with Suzhou's Kunshan and Taicang in its neighboring Jiangsu Province on a wide range of sectors, particularly in automobiles, medical treatment and transport.

The district government has signed a cooperation agreement with Suzhou on coordinated innovation.

By 2020, the total gross domestic product of the area is expected to reach 800 billion yuan (US\$125 billion), of which more than

600 billion yuan will be generated by strategic and emerging industries.

By then, expenditure on research and development will be no less than 3.5 percent of total GDP. Sewage treatment rate will be more than 95 percent, and green coverage ratio over 40 percent.

Shanghai's Metro Line 11 connects Huaqiao Town in Kunshan with suburban Jiading District. This year, construction will begin on a road linking Taicang's Yuelu Highway and Jiading's Chengbei Road.

The Jiading-Kunshan-Taicang Science

and Technology Expo will make its debut in September with its opening ceremony in Jiading. From next year, the expo will be held during the annual Shanghai Science Festival in May.

The Jiading-Kunshan-Taicang Scientific Innovation Park will be set up with a zone in Taicang's Chengxiang Town as its core.

Zhangjiang High-Tech Park Jiading branch, Kunshan National High-Tech Zone, Kunshan Economic Development Zone and Taicang High-Tech Zone in Suzhou will also join the group.



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The 2018 World Innovation and Entrepreneurship Expo in Jiading recently discussed challenges and opportunities of the future and how big data can help change the world. Smart cities is a hot topic. **Page 4-5**



PEOPLE

No Ordinary Visitor

The elderly man checking on the plants at Jiading Wisteria Park is no ordinary visitor. Fujimoto Michio founded the park and has devoted himself to promoting friendly relations between Japan and China. **Page 8**



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