2022 Winter Olympics co-host to build high-speed railway station

Construction will soon start on a high-speed railway station in Zhangjiakou, a north China city which will co-host the 2022 Winter Olympics with Beijing.

The Zhangjiakou South Station in Hebei Province stopped its passenger service on Saturday night after the last passenger train departed. The service was transferred to the Shalingzi West Station in the city.

The Zhangjiakou South Station had handled more than 20 million passengers since it was put into use in 1957. It cannot meet the growing passenger service demand any more.

The 174-km-long high-speed railway between Beijing and Zhangjiakou is expected to be completed and put into use in 2019, when the fastest trip between the two cities will be cut from more than 3 hours to just 50 minutes.