

## Experts at home and abroad gather in Guizhou for exchange

A four-day tour for experts and journalists from home and abroad opened in Zunyi, a city of southwest China's Guizhou Province, on Nov. 21, 2017. It offered a chance to review what the province has achieved under the leadership of the Communist Party over the past five years.



A four-day tour for foreign and Chinese experts to exchange, entitled “Progress along the Long March of the New Era” opens in Zunyi, a city of southwest China's Guizhou Province, on Nov. 21, 2017. [Photo by Sun Tao/China.org.cn]

A four-day tour for foreign and Chinese experts to exchange, entitled “Progress along the Long March of the New Era” opens in Zunyi, a city of southwest China's Guizhou Province, on Nov. 21, 2017.

Entitled “Progress along the Long March of the New Era,” the activity attracted more than 30 foreign and Chinese experts and journalists, offering a platform for them to exchange their views on Guizhou's rapid growth through visiting historical and cultural sites, such as the site of the 1935 Zunyi Conference, the five-hundred-meter Aperture Spherical Radio Telescope (FAST) and the Big Data hub, as well as chatting with residents of Huamao Village.

It was at a crucial meeting in Zunyi during the famous Long March that Chinese Communist Party leader Mao Zedong finally emerged as the highest authority of the Communist Party of China.

This milestone in Party history has ensured that the place has become a pilgrimage site as well as a symbol of the communist revolution.

"The first time I knew about Zunyi was when I translated an article about it. And then I was very curious about this history and always looked forward to visiting the site," said Su Li, a postgraduate from Russia who is now studying international media development at the Communication University of China.

She said that, thanks to the activity, she finally had an opportunity to see the old pictures in situ, adding that, inside the Zunyi Conference Memorial Museum, one could get a better idea of Zunyi's significance in modern Chinese history.

Generation by generation, the spirit of forging ahead was carried forward and encouraged more Chinese people to realize the Chinese Dream in a new era, especially for the younger generation.

Conducting visitors through the Zunyi Conference Memorial Museum and delivering a commentary on the exhibits from time to time, Yuan Changjie, a 12-year-old boy who volunteered to act as a tour guide of the site, said he was very proud of his role.

"I always bear in mind that a nation will prosper only when its young people thrive. The spirit I learned from the history encourages myself to aim high and bravely fulfill my responsibilities and dreams." Yuan said in a firm and confident voice.