

# Water discharging from Three Gorges Dam

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## 'One country, two systems' successful: HKSAR gov't

The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) has been exercising "Hong Kong people administering Hong Kong" with a high degree of autonomy in strict accordance with the Basic Law, since Hong Kong returned to the motherland, a spokesman for the HKSAR government said on Friday.

This demonstrates the full and successful implementation of the "one country, two systems" principle, which has been widely recognized by the international community, he noted.

The spokesman made the remarks in response to a report issued by the United States Congressional-Executive Commission on China on Thursday local time.

"Foreign legislatures should not interfere in any form in the internal affairs of the HKSAR," the spokesman said.

The Basic Law of the HKSAR specifies the guidelines of "one country, two systems" and "Hong Kong people administering Hong Kong" with a high degree of autonomy.

The previous economic and social systems of Hong Kong and the way of life have remained unchanged, and most laws continue to apply.

The Basic Law ensures the HKSAR has a high degree of autonomy and enjoys executive, legislative and independent judicial power, including that of final adjudication.

World Bank data show that Hong Kong's indicator of the rule of law, a core value of Hong Kong society, has jumped from behind 60th in the world in 1996 to the 11th place in 2015, well ahead of some major Western economies.

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## [China to air documentary on achievements](#)

A documentary highlighting China's social and economic achievements since the 18th National Congress of the Communist Party of China (CPC) in 2012 will be aired on the state broadcaster China Central Television (CCTV), according to an official statement Thursday.

The seven-episode documentary, named "Forging Ahead with Original Aspirations in Mind," also summarizes the thoughts and footsteps of Xi Jinping, general secretary of the CPC Central Committee.

The film shows how policies and top-down designs were formulated and carried out by the CPC Central Committee, detailing its courage, intelligence and sense of responsibility in fulfilling its dreams.

By telling inspiring stories, the documentary gives a vivid depiction of Party members forging ahead while keeping original aspirations in mind.

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## [Fireball meteor observed in SW China](#)

A brilliant fireball meteor was observed in southwest China's Yunnan Province on Wednesday evening, with no casualties or property losses reported yet.

"The fireball was caused by a very small heavenly body, compared with an asteroid," said researcher Wang Xiaobin with Yunnan Observatory of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, adding that such incident is not unusual.

The incident that happened at around 8 p.m. amazed many residents in Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture of Deqen who were viewing the full moon on the Mid-Autumn Festival. Videos capturing the seconds-long phenomenon have gone viral on the Internet.

"We first heard a big bang, and then saw a light. We thought it was an earthquake, but did not feel the jolt," said villager Duji.

Wang explained that a glorious fireball usually occurs when an meteoroid burns after entering the atmosphere.

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# Campaign launched to target pollution-related crime

North China's Hebei Province has launched a six-month campaign targeting pollution-related crime in order to improve the environment during the coming winter, according to the provincial public security department.

The campaign will run from Oct. 1 to March 31 and targets crime such as illegal disposal of dangerous waste, small polluting factories and fabrication of monitoring data by companies with emissions.

Illegal disposal of dangerous waste is the most common environmental crime, accounting for more than 70 percent of environment-related criminal cases in the province, according to Hebei Public Security Department.

Inspections will be carried out by the provincial public security and environmental protection departments as well as provincial higher people's court and procuratorate.

Hebei police have handled 719 pollution-related criminal cases and arrested 1,287 suspects so far this year.

By the end of September, more than 11,000 people had been punished this year for poor implementation of measures controlling air pollution, including 220 leading officials, according to the provincial environmental protection department.

According to a work plan issued in August, the head or Party chief of a county will be held responsible if the county lags behind in terms of air quality improvement.

"We have a zero tolerance policy towards manipulating monitoring data," said Li Zhengfang with the department. The Party chief will be held responsible if three cases of monitoring data fabrication are reported in the county, Li said.

The province, home to several of China's top 10 most polluted cities, set up an environmental police squad in 2013 and later an environmental protection courtroom within the provincial higher people's court.