

Xi urges coordinated efforts to deepen overall reform

Chinese President Xi Jinping on Monday called for more coordinated efforts to carry out reforms and review all existing major reform programs.

Xi, who is also general secretary of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee and chairman of the Central Military Commission, made the remarks at the 36th meeting of the Central Leading Group for Deepening Overall Reform, which he heads.

All departments and localities should be devoted to delivering reforms and should ensure all results are reviewed, according to a statement released after the meeting.

The group called for timely corrections to problems uncovered during inspections and any lax implementation of reforms should be addressed.

Departments and authorities should track reform implementation and assess overall outcomes, the statement said.

The meeting saw the passing of guidelines and plans including a pilot plan on establishing Qilian Mountains National Park, measures to improve people's lives and a system to supervise natural resource exploitation.

The leading group stressed that mixed-ownership reform of state-owned enterprises (SOE) is important to overall SOE reform, vowing to complete the mixed-ownership reform by the end of this year.

Emphasizing the important roles of Chinese enterprises overseas and outbound investment in maintaining the security of China's overseas interests, the group called for improved supervision and regulation of overseas investment.

It was decided at the meeting that China would open wider to foreign investors and continue innovation-driven development following two years of effective practice in free trade zones in Guangdong, Tianjin and Fujian.