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Mission of the IPRCC

China will give full play to international poverty alleviation communication platforms such as IPRCC—providing Chinese solutions and sharing Chinese wisdom so as to effectively promote the exchange of poverty reduction experiences among developing countries.

—Chinese President Xi Jinping emphasized the above at the 2015 Global Poverty Reduction and Development Forum on October 17, 2015

The International Poverty Reduction Center in China was established in Beijing with a mandate to contribute to worldwide poverty reduction.

—Then President of China Hu Jintao addressed the UN 60th Anniversary Summit in September 2005

Major Mandates of the IPRCC

The International Poverty Reduction Center in China (IPRCC) was established in May 2005. It is directly under the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP). The IPRCC is one of the achievements that was made as a result of the Shanghai Global Conference on Scaling Up Poverty Reduction in 2004. The IPRCC was jointly initiated and established by the Chinese government, the United

Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the World Bank. It is designed to provide an international platform for research, training, exchange, collaboration and knowledge sharing on poverty reduction. The IPRCC mostly focuses on sharing China's poverty reduction experience with other countries and learning from other countries' poverty reduction experience to create an integrated platform for poverty reduction and development.



2004

At the Shanghai Global Conference on Scaling Up Poverty Reduction

Ministry of Commerce | The Chinese State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP) | UNDP



The Memorandum of Understanding on Establishing the IPRCC



2005.05

Ministry of Commerce | The Chinese State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP) | UNDP



Project Protocol on Establishing the IPRCC which marked the official launch of the IPRCC

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Creating an International Platform for Poverty Reduction

We actively communicate with other bilateral and multilateral poverty reduction institutions and jointly create an international platform for poverty reduction exchanges and seminars to promote the sharing of global poverty reduction experience. This is mostly done by holding global and regional dialogue forums.

Global poverty reduction experience exchange events



Global Poverty Reduction and Development Forum

This forum has been hosted by the Chinese State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP) since 2007 to promote research pertaining to poverty alleviation in China, create a think tank covering the area, carry out international exchanges and foster awareness of poverty alleviation. Senior officials from Chinese and foreign government bodies, representatives of international organizations, internationally-renowned experts and scholars have been invited to previous forums to discuss hot topics poverty reduction and development.

2017 减贫与发展高层论坛

2017 Global Poverty Reduction and Development Forum

2017年10月9日 中国·北京 October 9, 2017 Beijing · China

主办：国务院扶贫办
联合国驻华系统

Hosted by: State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development, P. R. China
UN System in China



Then Vice Premier **Wang Yang** attended the opening ceremony of the forum and delivered a speech.



Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development **Liu Yongfu** hosted the opening ceremony and delivered a keynote speech.

The forum was held in Beijing on October 9, 2017. It was hosted by the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP) and United System in China and organized by the IPRCC and UNDP in China. The forum was themed on *Targeted Poverty Reduction and 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*. Then Vice Premier Wang Yang attended the opening ceremony and delivered a speech. Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP) Liu Yongfu delivered a keynote speech. Secretary-General of the United Nations Antonio Guterres sent a message for forum. UN Under-Secretary-General and UNDP Associate Administrator Tegegnetwork Gettu delivered the opening statement and read the message. More than 200 people, including political leaders from 13 countries, representatives of 16 international institutions, and various experts and scholars, discussed deepening targeted poverty reduction and promoting the implementation of the 2030 agenda for sustainable development. Three parallel international sessions were held: The Youth Forum and the second China-Africa Youth Exchange Program on Poverty Reduction and Development, the Towards a World Free from Child Poverty: Multi-dimensional Child Poverty Parallel Session, and the Value Chain and Industrial Poverty Alleviation Forum.





International Forum on Reform and Opening Up and Poverty Reduction in China

On November 1, 2018, the International Forum on Reform and Opening up and Poverty Reduction in China was held in Beijing. The forum was co-hosted by the Publicity Department of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee, the Ministry of Finance, the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP) and the World Bank, and organized by the National Development Bank of China, the National Institute for Global Strategy of Chinese Academy of Social Sciences and the IPRCC. Participants discussed the *International Poverty Reduction Cooperation: Building a Community with a Shared Future for Humanity* theme and China's experience in reform and opening up and poverty alleviation. They agreed that reform and opening up have provided a powerful impetus for China's poverty reduction cause. China has embarked on a poverty reduction path with Chinese characteristics. More than 400 people from 51 countries and 11 international organizations participated in the forum.



Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development
Liu Yongfu delivered a speech at the forum

Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development Liu Yongfu stated that 2018 marks the 40th anniversary of China's reform and opening up and that the *International Poverty Reduction Cooperation: Building a Community with a Shared Future for Humanity* forum theme is meaningful. Reform and opening up is the only way for China to prosper and develop and is an important instrument to promote modernization and new achievements. Poverty eradication is a common goal of humanity and an important development issue in the current era. More than 700 million impoverished rural people have been lifted out of poverty in China in the last 40 years, which has been an important contribution to the cause of global poverty reduction. About 68.53 million people have been lifted out of poverty in the last five years at a rate of more than 10 million per year, which is the fastest rate in the history of poverty alleviation in China. The historic achievements fully reflect the political and institutional advantages of the leadership of the CPC and feature the following features of the new era.



China has strong leadership

The Communist Party of China and the Chinese government greatly value poverty alleviation. General Secretary Xi Jinping has always given poverty alleviation an important position on the government's agenda and personally studied and supervised the fight against poverty as head of the Party and the State.



China has a clear poverty reduction goal

The goal of poverty alleviation is to lift all rural people, villages and regions living under current 2020 standards out of poverty. This means rural citizens achieving net per capita income above the national poverty alleviation standard and being well-fed and well-clothed. Rural poor people have no worry about food and clothing and have access to compulsory education, basic medical services, and safe housing.



China has a precise basic strategy

Implementing the basic strategy of targeted poverty reduction represents the actualization of General Secretary Xi Jinping's long-term explorations for more than 40 years and a major innovation in poverty reduction theory and practice in the country. Implementing targeted poverty reduction has comprehensively deepened rural reform, resulted in the training of a large number of cadres, and improved rural governance and work standards.



China has strong policy support

China has formulated an accountability system for its poverty eradication campaign. The central government formulates overarching plans, provincial governments assume overall responsibility, and city and county governments are in charge of implementation. China has been increasing fiscal and financial support and strengthening land policy as part of the development of a funding system for these efforts. Trillions of yuan related to poverty reduction efforts have been injected into impoverished counties and villages. China has developed a system to mobilize Party members and social forces to reduce poverty; an oversight system covering work, responsibility and policies; and an annual evaluation system to assess the efficacy of the poverty reduction efforts of provincial Party committees and government bodies. Bodies that perform well will be rewarded, and those that perform poorly will be held accountable.

More than 30 million people in China are still living in poverty under the current standard. This group is experiencing deep poverty. They often live in poverty-stricken areas with high rates of poverty incidence, so it is very difficult to lift them out of poverty. China is determined to address the issue no matter how difficult it may be though so that a comprehensive, moderately prosperous society can be achieved by 2020. The country is fully aware that it will remain in the primary stage of socialism for a long time and that unbalanced and inadequate development is the primary contradiction that it faces. Poverty eradication efforts help eliminate absolute poverty, while relative poverty will exist for a long time. Poverty reduction is still a long-term challenge in China. We will continue to do a good job in poverty reduction.

General Secretary Xi Jinping put forward an initiative to jointly create "a community with a shared future for humanity that features common development and is free from poverty." We are willing to work with countries and international organizations around the world to strengthen exchanges and cooperation pertaining to poverty reduction, learn from each other and jointly promote global poverty reduction.



Forums



China Poverty Reduction International Forum

This forum has been held in Beijing every year for three consecutive years. It is meant to promote exchanges and cooperation between China and developing countries and international organizations and to share advanced, international theories and experiences related to poverty reduction to promote the realization of the UN 2030 agenda for sustainable development. The forum is hosted by the IPRCC and the China Internet Information Center (CIIC) under the guidance of the State Council Information Office. It has become an effective platform to showcase China's poverty reduction achievements.

2017 China Poverty Reduction International Forum



The forum was held in Beijing on May 26, 2017 and was themed on “development and sharing governance solutions to reduce poverty.” About 100 domestic and foreign guests representing 16 international organizations and seven countries attended the forum. Deputy Director of the State Council Information Office Guo Weimin; Director of China Foreign Languages Publishing Administration Zhang Fuhai; Vice Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP) Chen Zhigang; World Bank Country Director for China, Mongolia and Korea in the East Asia and Pacific Region Bert Hofman; Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) Representative in China and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea Vincent Martin; Asian Development Bank (ADB) Country Director for the

People's Republic of China Benedict Bingham; and International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) Program Management Department Director for Asia and the Pacific Division (APR) Hoonae Kim were some of the attendees at the forum. Participants had in-depth discussions on how to develop poverty alleviation cases and share China's poverty alleviation experience to help other developing countries find a way out of poverty. *Guests witnessed the launched of the [Global Poverty Reduction Online Knowledge Sharing Database](#).*

The forum was co-sponsored by the CIIC, IPRCC, World Bank, FAO and ADB; jointly organized by China.org.cn, China Development Gateway and Ada Technology (Beijing) Co., Ltd; and supported by the Red Fortune (Beijing) Investment Management Co., Ltd. under the guidance of the State Council Information Office.

The 2018 China Poverty Reduction International Forum

The 2018 China Poverty Reduction International Forum was held on May 23rd, 2018 in Beijing and was themed on “Sharing and Promoting Cooperation, Joining Hands in Poverty Reduction.” Vice Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP) Chen Zhigang, State Council Information Office Press Bureau Director-General Hu Kaihong, Deputy Director of the China Foreign Languages Publishing Administration Fang Zhenghui; World Bank Acting Country Director for China, Mongolia and South Korea Bekele Debele; Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) Representative in China

and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea Vincent Martin; International Agricultural Development Fund Representative in China and Mongolia Matteo Marchisio, WFP Representative in China Qu Sixi; Asian Development Bank (ADB) Country Director for the People's Republic of China Benedict Bingham; and 200 other Chinese and foreign guests representing nine international organizations and 28 countries attended the forum. Participants discussed promoting poverty reduction cooperation and development in the spirit of sharing Chinese solutions and China's wisdom to create “an international community with a shared future that features common development and is free from poverty.”



■ Initiate Case-based Solicitation, Innovative Partnerships

Chinese and foreign guests witnessed the official launch of the Global Solicitation and Challenge Prize on Best Poverty Reduction Practices at the forum. The campaign is seeking meaningful poverty reduction case studies from individuals and organizations working in poverty alleviation around the world. It is meant to gather poverty reduction information from around the world. This is the first time that seven top organizations have launched a global solicitation of poverty reduction case studies together, which attracted the participation of

many international organizations. It is the latest attempt to innovate and deepen global partnerships pertaining to poverty reduction. Applicants can submit case studies that adhere to writing standards and are effective in poverty reduction, have the potential to be applied more widely or are thought-provoking. A preliminary evaluation committee will select case studies that will be submitted for review to the final selection committee to review. Organizers will announce 100 winners, who will receive special certificates from the organizer.





International Seminar on Global Poverty Reduction Partnerships

The Global Partnerships for Poverty Reduction seminar is held in Rome, Italy every year. Its goal is to promote partnerships pertaining to poverty reduction, create an opportunity to exchange poverty reduction experiences, strengthen knowledge sharing, establish effective exchange systems and promote the realization of the *2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*. Participants come from relevant countries, UN organs, non-governmental organizations, academia and diplomatic corps.

2017 International Seminar on Global Poverty Reduction Partnerships

The International Seminar on Global Poverty Reduction Partnerships was held in Rome, Italy on April 28, 2017. It was co-hosted by the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation, FAO, IFAD, IPRCC and CIIC. More than 90 representatives from Rome-based agencies of the United Nations, non-governmental organizations, academia and diplomatic corps attended the seminar. The goal of the seminar is to analyze major challenges facing governments, policy makers and practitioners; promote the role of the the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation, IPRCC, FAO and IFAD in national, regional and international poverty alleviation; and incorporate South-South and trilateral cooperation in the implementation of the *2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*.

Platforms for sharing poverty reduction knowledge were jointly launched at the International Seminar on Global Poverty Reduction Partnerships. The Global Poverty Reduction Inclusive Growth Portal (South-South website) is one of them. This website was initiated by the World Bank, supported by the Asian Development Bank and operated by the China Development Gateway under the China Internet Information Center and IPRCC. The Global Poverty Reduction Inclusive Growth Portal (GPIG) was launched in May 2016. It features poverty reduction information from various sources.

IPRCC Deputy Director General Tan Weiping mentioned in his concluding remarks that although achievements have been made over the years, an information-sharing and partnership system is still necessary to eliminate poverty around the globe.



2018 International Seminar on Global Poverty Reduction Partnerships



The 2018 International Seminar on Global Poverty Reduction Partnerships was co-hosted by the FAO, IFAD, WFP, IPRCC and CIIC on June 5, 2018. It was themed on *Promoting Partnership and Sharing Knowledge to Realize UN Sustainable Development Goals*. The seminar was held at the IFAD headquarters in Rome, Italy. More than 90 representatives from China, Ghana, Kenya, Senegal, the FAO in Rome and Italian universities attended the seminar. Participants shared successful poverty alleviation experiences and challenges related to this endeavor in their countries based on the theme. They also discussed topics such as promoting poverty reduction partnerships and strengthening the sharing of poverty reduction information.

Five organizations issued the *Joint Communique on Strengthening Partnership to Promote Knowledge Sharing and Achieve Sustainable Development Goals* at the seminar. The parties decided to further develop the existing information sharing platform by sharing of poverty reduction research results in a timely manner to promote South-South cooperation through project cooperation and realize UN sustainable development goals around the world. The parties decided to hold seminars in both Beijing and Rome every year, beginning with 2019. This will create an international platform for poverty reduction exchanges and cooperation and establish an efficient exchange system. The *Global Solicitation and Challenge Prize on Best Poverty Reduction Practices* was launched at the same time. This is the first time that seven international authorities have collaborated to launch a global solicitation and challenge prize pertaining to poverty reduction. It has attracted the participation of many international organizations and is the latest attempt to innovate and deepen relationships related to global poverty reduction.



Vice Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development Ou Qingping stated in his opening speech: "After more than five years of hard work, China's poverty alleviation efforts have made decisive progress. The poor population has decreased from 98.99 million in 2012 to 30.46 million in 2017, and the incidence of poverty has decreased from 10.2% to 3.1%, which is the best record in China's history of poverty reduction. China is willing to continue to communicate with developing countries; learn from them and help them learn from us; and actively cooperate with ASEAN, Africa, Latin America and international organizations like FAO, IFAD and WFP to carry out multilateral and bilateral exchanges and cooperation and make new and greater contributions to the world's poverty reduction cause."



ASEAN-CHINA Forum on Social Development and Poverty Reduction

The forum has been organized by the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP) since 2007 and is a poverty reduction system established by China and ASEAN countries. It aims to provide a platform for policy makers, researchers and development practitioners from China and ASEAN countries to exchange policies and experience pertaining to social development and poverty reduction to promote cooperation on regional poverty reduction. The idea of the forum was proposed by the State Council LGOP at the 2nd ASEAN and China, Japan and Korea (10+3) Leader's Meeting on Poverty Reduction regional workshop in 2006 and received positive responses from ASEAN countries. An important part of the *Plan of Action to Implement the Joint Declaration on China-ASEAN Strategic Partnership for Peace and Prosperity (2016-2020)*, the forum has received support from the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Finance, the ASEAN Secretariat, the ADB and the UNDP. Twelve consecutive sessions have been held as of 2018.

The 11th ASEAN-CHINA Forum on Social Development and Poverty Reduction

This forum was held in Siem Reap, Cambodia during July 25-27, 2017. It was co-hosted by the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP) and the Cambodian Ministry of Rural Development; organized by the IPRCC; and supported by the ASEAN Secretariat, UNDP and ADB. It was based on the *China and ASEAN: Innovation and Practice on Poverty Reduction* theme. Participants discussed domestic and foreign concerns, such as innovative theories and policies and best poverty reduction practices in China and ASEAN countries. They also explored how to promote cooperation on reducing poverty between China and ASEAN and how China and ASEAN countries can achieve the goal set in the *2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*.

About 120 representatives from government bodies, academia, enterprises, non-governmental organizations and the media of China, Brunei, Cambodia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines,

Singapore and Thailand attended the forum as well as the Chinese delegation to ASEAN, ASEAN Secretariat, UNDP, ADB and other international institutions. Vice Minister of Chinese State Council LGOP Hong Tianyun, Minister of Cambodian Rural Development H.E. Ouk Rabun, Vice President of the Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region Huang Shiyong, Vice Chairman of the Lao PDR Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry Thongvanh Viayheuang and Director of the ASEAN Secretariat Human Development Department Rodora Babaran attended the opening ceremony and delivered speeches. Director General of the General Affairs Department of LGOP Su Guoxia delivered a keynote speech titled *China's Strategy of Targeted Poverty Reduction*. Deputy Director General of the IPRCC Tan Weiping presided over the opening ceremony. Deputy Director General of IPRCC Zhang Guangping delivered the concluding speech. After the discussion, participants made field visits to the Run Ta Ek ecovillage and other sites.



The 12th ASEAN-CHINA Forum on Social Development and Poverty Reduction

The Chinese State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP) and the National Anti-Poverty Commission of the Philippines jointly hosted the 12th *China-ASEAN Forum on Social Development and Poverty Reduction* in Manila, Philippines during June 27-29, 2018. It was co-organized by the IPRCC, National Anti-

Poverty Commission of the Philippines, ASEAN Secretariat, UNDP and ADB. More than 120 government officials, experts, scholars and reporters as well as representatives from enterprises, non-governmental organizations, and international organizations from China and 10 ASEAN countries attended the forum.



The forum was themed on *Enhancing Poverty Reduction Partnerships for an ASEAN-China Community with a Shared Future*. Republic of the Philippines Undersecretary of Foreign Affairs Ernesto Abella, Chinese State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP) Vice Minister Chen Zhigang, Philippines National Anti-Poverty Commission Secretary Liza Maza, ASEAN Secretariat Deputy Secretary-General H.E. Dr. AKP Mochtan, Vice President of the ADB Stephen Groff, Cambodian Ministry of Rural Development Secretary Sao Chivoan, Chinese Embassy to the Philippines Charge d'Affaires Sun Yi and Myanmar Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation Deputy Minister Hla Kyaw attended the forum and delivered speeches.

During the forum, participants discussed issues like sharing and cooperation systems pertaining to theory innovation in regional and international poverty reduction, China and ASEAN rural revitalization and poverty reduction practices, urban-rural poverty linkages and poverty reduction innovation, China-ASEAN rural development and trade liberalization and building a China-ASEAN community with a shared future. Deputy Director General of IPRCC Dr. Tan Weiping and Philippines National Anti-Poverty Commission Secretary Liza Maza made concluding remarks at the closing ceremony.

Participants visited integrated farming communities, coffee plants in Amadeo, Cavite and community fish landing center in Mabini, Batangas Philippines during the forum.



ASEAN+3 Village Leaders Exchange Programme

The programme is the first grassroots regional poverty reduction exchange activity in the region. It fills a gap in poverty reduction exchange and cooperation on the front lines in this region. The programme focuses on village leaders to expand the sharing of information related to poverty reduction at the grassroots level. Village leaders are the leaders and promoters of rural community development. The programme promotes the development of rural communities by improving the capacity of village leaders in ASEAN countries as well as China, Japan and Republic of Korea. The first event was held in April 2013, and welcomed by ASEAN countries. The ASEAN+3 Village Leaders Exchange Programme was included in the initiative of Premier Li Keqiang at the East Asia Leaders' Meeting in October of 2013, and the IPRCC was designated to carry it out annually. It has been successfully held in China and Malaysia for a total of seven sessions as of the end of 2018, which has gained recognition by all parties. Village leaders in China, Japan and Rok and ASEAN countries have the opportunity to work together to contribute to global poverty reduction by sharing their experiences and exploring ways to eradicate poverty through discussions and exchanges.

The 7th ASEAN + 3 Village Leaders Exchange Programme

The International Poverty Reduction Center in China (IPRCC) officiated the 7th "ASEAN + 3 Village Leaders Exchange Programme" during September 10–17, 2018 in Beijing in cooperation with the China Institute for South-South Cooperation in Agriculture (CISSCA) and ASEAN Secretariat.



The opening ceremony was attended by nearly 80 participants. They consisted of government officials; village leaders; experts and scholars from nine ASEAN Member States, China and the Republic of Korea; and representatives from international organizations such as the ASEAN Secretariat and ASEAN-China Centre (ACC). Director General of IPRCC Mr. Zuo Changsheng, Secretariat Poverty Eradication and Gender Division Senior Officer Agin Punama Prativi; Vice President of China Agricultural University Mr. Gong Yuanshi; Director of Cooperation Division, Planning and Cooperation Department of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry LAO PDR Ms. Khankeo Keomayphith attended and addressed the ceremony.

During the program, participants paid field visits to villages in Beijing's Huairou District to see some program sites, including the Guoao Village Villa and the Sunrising Apple Plantation. They talked with villagers and village leaders in Xishuiyu Village, Tianxianyu Villge, Beizhai Village and exchanged experiences pertaining to local agricultural development, rural tourism, modern agricultural production, the development of beautiful rural areas and the management of rural society.



The 6th ASEAN + 3 Village Leaders Exchange Programme

The opening ceremony of “The 6th ASEAN + 3 Village Leaders Exchange Programme” was held in Xishuangbanna Dai Autonomous Prefecture on March 5, 2018. The event was hosted by the International Poverty Reduction Center in China (IPRCC); co-hosted by the International Poverty Reduction and Development Center of Yunnan Province and People's Government of Xishuangbanna-Dai Autonomous Prefecture; and supported by the ASEAN Secretariat, ADB-PRC Regional Knowledge Sharing Initiative (RKSII) and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).



Group Photo of the 6th ASEAN + 3 Village Leaders Exchange Programme Participants

They consisted of government officials; village leaders; experts and scholars from nine ASEAN Member States, China and the Republic of Korea; and representatives from international organizations such as the ASEAN Secretariat. Acting Director-General of International Poverty Reduction Center in China (IPRCC) Dr. Tan Weiping, Director of Philippines National Anti-Poverty Commission Basic Sector Coordinating and Advocacy Services Ferdinand B. Hombrebueno and Vice Governor of Xishuangbanna Dai Autonomous Prefecture Liu Junjie attended and addressed the opening ceremony.

All participants made field visits to Mengla Township in Mengla County during the programme. They observed the ecological agriculture program that is being implemented at this location and experienced a rural tourist program at the site. They stayed in local households in Mengban Township's Hebian Village and lived under the same roof and ate at the same table and held discussions with local residents.

The 5th ASEAN + 3 Village Leaders Exchange Programme



The 5th ASEAN + 3 Village Leaders Exchange Programme (VLEP) was held during October 23-28, 2018 in Malaysia. Deputy Director of the IPRCC's International Exchange Division Ms. LI Linyi led the Chinese delegation the event. She introduced China's targeted poverty reduction strategy and poverty alleviation practice through tourism.



FOCAC - Africa-China Poverty Reduction and Development Conference

The FOCAC – Africa-China Poverty Reduction and Development Conference is a regular conference hosted by the Chinese State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP). The conference site alternates between China and African countries. It provides a platform for China and African countries to share poverty reduction experiences and development information and discuss relevant cooperation methods. The conference has been held nine times since 2010. It focuses on topics including China-African poverty reduction experiences, agricultural development, infrastructure construction in poverty-stricken areas, establishing special economic zones to reduce poverty and poverty alleviation through industrial development. The conference has become a major platform for China-Africa exchanges pertaining to poverty reduction information. It was officially included in the Forum on China-African Cooperation (FOCAC) Framework in 2015. As an important part in the implementation of the *Program for Strengthening Cooperation on Poverty Reduction between China and the AU*, the conference has obtained strong support from China, African countries, the African Union, the UNDP and other international organizations.

2018 FOCAC – Africa-China Poverty Reduction and Development Conference

The Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) – Poverty Reduction and Development Conference was successfully held in Beijing and Guizhou during August 14-16, 2018. It featured the theme “Belt and Road” and China-Africa Poverty Reduction Cooperation. Participants shared and discussed experiences related to social development and global poverty reduction. Topics included China-African poverty alleviation cooperation under the “Belt and Road” framework. The conference was hosted by the Chinese State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP) and organized by the International Poverty Reduction Center in China (IPRCC) and China Belt and Road Institute

for Agricultural Cooperation (BRIAC). It was supported by the African Union, UNDP, People’s Government of Guizhou Province and China Internet Information Center. The conference was attended by over 300 participants. They consisted of government officials from China; 40 African countries, including Angola, Botswana, and Mauritius; and developed countries, such as the United States, Japan, and Denmark. Experts; scholars; and representatives from international organizations, NGOs, the business community and the media attended as well. Fifty of the attendees were journalists that attended the meeting to conduct interviews. They represented over 30 media outlets from China and abroad, including the China-Africa Press Center (CAPC).

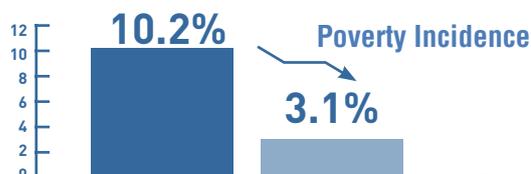
Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development Liu Yongfu acknowledged the successful work of China in poverty alleviation and eradication over the past five years in his opening remarks. China’s rural poor population decreased from around **98.99** million in 2012 to **30.46** million at the end of 2017, which was a decrease of **68.53** million people and an average annual decrease of **13.7** million. The national poverty rate dropped from **10.2 percent** to **3.1 percent** during this period. A solid foundation had been laid in eradicating poverty in the country. Mr. Liu proposed three suggestions. First, China and Africa should promote poverty reduction exchange under the BRI framework. Second, China and Africa should jointly work on studying poverty reduction and exploring effective ways to reduce poverty. Third, training and educating young talents is necessary and should be facilitated.



Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development **Liu Yongfu** delivering a speech at the opening ceremony

Rural Poor Population

Year of 2012	98.99 million
Year of 2017	30.46 million





Vice Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development **Chen Zhigang** introducing Bijie's Poverty Reduction experiences to the delegates

From August 15-16, 2018, a delegation led by Vice Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development Mr. Chen Zhigang and Director General of the IPRCC Dr. Zuo Changsheng went on a field trip to Bijie City, Guizhou Province to visit poverty reduction projects. The projects covered infrastructure construction, industrial development, a relocation program and an environmental protection program. The delegation visited project sites that were jointly developed by the Evergrande Group and China Hengrui Group, including the Purebred Aberdeen Angus Cattle Farm, Fengshan Town's Evergrande Second Village, Chuanyan Village's Shexiang Ancient Town in Yangchang Town and Linqun Town's Haizi Village in Qianxi County.

2017 FOCAC — Africa-China Poverty Reduction and Development Conference

The 2017 FOCAC – Africa-China Poverty Reduction and Development Conference was held during September 6-7, 2017 in Mauritius. It was hosted by the Chinese State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP) and Mauritius's Ministry of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment and organized by the International Poverty Reduction Center in China (IPRCC) and the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in the Republic of Mauritius. The conference was jointly supported by the African Union, UNDP and China-Africa Development Fund. Participants actively discussed the "Africa and China: Rising to New Challenges in Poverty Reduction" theme. They exchanged poverty reduction experiences and challenges faced by various countries to find more effective methods of poverty reduction cooperation between China and Africa. More than 100 participants attended the forum. They consisted of government officials, experts, scholars, and representatives from international organizations, NGOs, the

business community and the media. These participants came from China, Mauritius, Egypt, Cameroon, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Malawi, Nigeria, Uganda, Zambia, Kenya and South Africa.

Prime Minister of Mauritius and Minister of Home Affairs, External Communications and National Development Unit, as well as Minister of Finance and Economic Development the Honorable Pravind Kumar Jugnauth; Mauritian Minister of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment Mr. Marie Roland Alain Wong Yen Cheong MSK; then State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP) Party Group Member Mr. Xia Gengsheng; and China's Special Envoy to the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) Ambassador Zhou Yuxiao attended and addressed the opening ceremony. The conference was held in the spirit of the *Johannesburg Declaration of the Summit of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation* and received compliments from all parties. Delegates visited welfare housing, kindergartens, homeless shelters and other poverty reduction development projects in Mauritius.





China-Africa Youth Exchange Program on Poverty Reduction and Development

The China-Africa Youth Exchange Program on Poverty Reduction and Development has been held for three consecutive years since its initiation in 2016. The program fills the poverty reduction youth exchange gap between China and Africa. It aims to promote mutual trust and understanding through interpersonal exchange and visits, enhancing friendship between Chinese and African young people for future cooperation in the international arena. It endeavors to strengthen the sharing of principles and methods in international development cooperation between Chinese and African young people. The program also aspires to cultivate young leaders, raise the status and role of Africa in the international arena, and facilitate win-win cooperation between China and African countries.

The 2nd China-Africa Youth Exchange Program on Poverty Reduction and Development

The 2nd China-Africa Youth Exchange Program on Poverty Reduction and Development was held in Beijing as a parallel session of the 2017 Global Poverty Reduction and Development Forum. It was hosted by the International Poverty Reduction Center in China (IPRCC) and supported by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). Nearly 100 participants from China and Africa attended the forum. They mainly came from government departments, international organizations, foreign embassies in China, research institutes, think tanks, media outlets, grassroots units and civic organizations. The program was themed on "Poverty Reduction in the 21st Century China and Africa: The Role and Mission of Youth" and served as a platform for young people to exchange

ideas about poverty. It aimed to further enhance Chinese and African youths' understanding of poverty reduction and their social responsibility as the next generation through discussion and dialogues.

Deputy Director General of the International Poverty Reduction Center in China (IPRCC) Dr. Tan Weiping and Ambassador of the United Republic of Tanzania to the People's Republic of China H.E. Mbelwa Kairuki attended the opening ceremony of the forum and delivered keynote speeches. Country Director of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) for China Ms. Agi Veres chaired the opening ceremony. Chief Economic Advisor to the Prime Minister Newai Gebre commented on the forum.



The 3rd China-Africa Youth Exchange Programme on Poverty Reduction and Development

The 3rd China-Africa Youth Exchange Programme on Poverty Reduction and Development was held in Beijing on August 31, 2018. The programme was hosted by the International Poverty Reduction Center in China (IPRCC) and supported by the China Belt and Road Institute for Agricultural Cooperation (BRIAC)/China Institute for South-South Cooperation in Agriculture (CISSCA), China Agricultural University and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). More than 80 delegates, including government officials, scholars, members of the media,

and representatives of international organizations from China and Africa, attended the forum. Young people exchanged thoughts and ideas related to three themes, namely "China-Africa Cooperation in the Era of New Globalization," "Youth Role in Promoting China-Africa Cooperation" and "The Youth's Voice: Recommendations on China-Africa Cooperation." Deputy Director General of International Poverty Reduction Center in China (IPRCC) Dr. Tan Weiping attended the opening ceremony and delivered a speech.



Deputy Director General of the International Poverty Reduction Center in China (IPRCC) **Dr. Tan Weiping** attending and addressing the opening ceremony



Group photo of the participants



Carrying Out Intensive Studies on Poverty Reduction and Developing Knowledge Products of Poverty Reduction of China

The IPRCC has increased the number and variety of its informational products to meet international demands for information about China's experiences pertaining to poverty reduction and development. The IPRCC has a mission of introducing China's poverty reduction experiences to the world and learning about advanced international experiences. It has created an internet portal for poverty reduction and development studies to these ends. The portal has greatly promoted the dissemination of its high-quality poverty reduction products.

Further Studies on Poverty Reduction

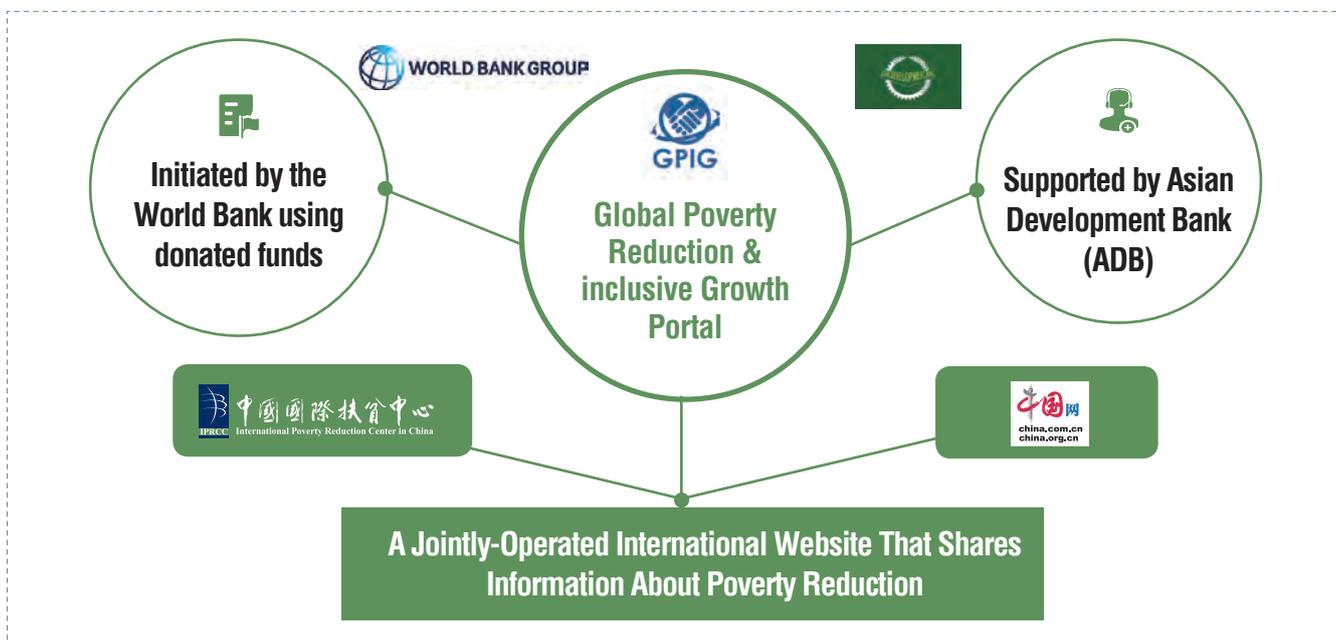


The IPRCC has developed high-quality informational products pertaining to poverty reduction and created a tailor-made online database focusing on national poverty alleviation and poverty reduction diplomacy to enrich the poverty reduction and development studies website.

The IPRCC has been tracking the development and trends of national and international poverty reduction efforts and conducted studies pertaining to international poverty reduction from the perspective of a given field or region. It aims to provide poverty reduction reference material for decision makers from China and abroad. Its recent studies focus on the following. 1) BRI (Belt and Road Initiative) countries' poverty reduction cooperation efforts 2) The influence of poverty reduction on Chinese companies operating overseas 3) The strategic "shared community with a common future for humanity" concept 4) International experiences and Chinese practices related to inspiring the inherent dynamism of the poor population 5) Sharing of Chinese experiences related to poverty reduction 6) Asset ownership determination and benefit distribution systems during industrial development. The IPRCC issues multiple publications in English and Chinese annually, such as the *International Poverty Reduction Briefing*, *Research Report*, *Working Paper*, *Brief on International Poverty Reduction Studies* and *Poverty Reduction Briefing*.



The IPRCC has edited and issued 155 international poverty reduction briefings, 91 research reports, 80 working papers, 37 briefs on international poverty reduction studies and 321 poverty reduction briefings as of the end of 2018.



The Global Poverty Reduction and Inclusive Growth (GPIG) Portal is an international platform for sharing poverty reduction knowledge. The overall mission of the GPIG is to introduce China's poverty alleviation achievements and experiences to the rest of the world and learn about international poverty reduction experiences as a reference for China's future poverty alleviation development.

Website topics



Website QR Code

GPIG Portal Home Page

Website Links: www.iprcc.org.cn/south
<http://south.china.org.cn>



The "Global Poverty Reduction Online Knowledge Sharing Database" was launched at the 2017 China Poverty Reduction International Forum. It is a portal for South-South poverty reduction knowledge sharing. It aims to combine the internet with specific cases to present China's poverty alleviation experience and development strategy and model to the public and share international poverty reduction experience, using practical cases to illustrate specific models and methods. The platform is open to the world to promote the international exchange and sharing of poverty alleviation knowledge and cases. It allows users to download poverty reduction models and methods that they are interested in so that they can learn about and apply successful approaches. Users with poverty reduction experience can upload their cases under the guidance of the case assistant following a unified format, so they can share their experiences with the world. The website respects the principles of openness, joint creation and sharing. The IPRCC strives to build a global poverty reduction knowledge sharing and exchange platform with the wide participation and strong support of the international community, thereby transforming from a knowledge-sharing platform to a knowledge-producing platform. It will become a new achievement of the Chinese government in its efforts to promote South-South cooperation.



South-South Website Information Classification:

Sectors

rural, urban, social,
finance, infrastructure

Topics

SDGs, vulnerability,
gender, environment

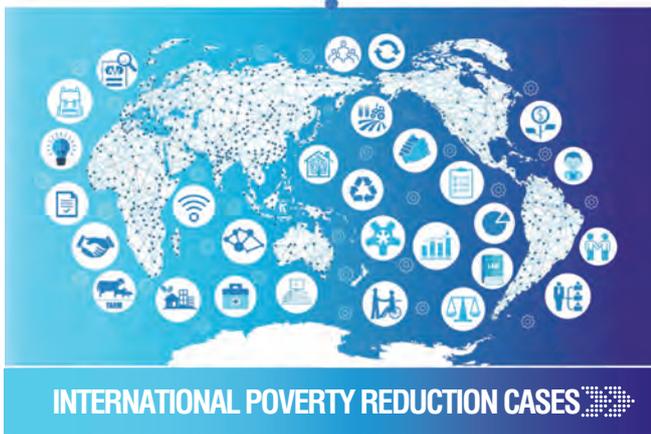
Regions

Asia, Africa,
Latin America
and Caribbean

Others

inclusive growth, relative
poverty and other hot
international topics

THE GLOBAL POVERTY REDUCTION ONLINE KNOWLEDGE SHARING DATABASE



INTERNATIONAL POVERTY REDUCTION CASES



CHINESE POVERTY REDUCTION CASES

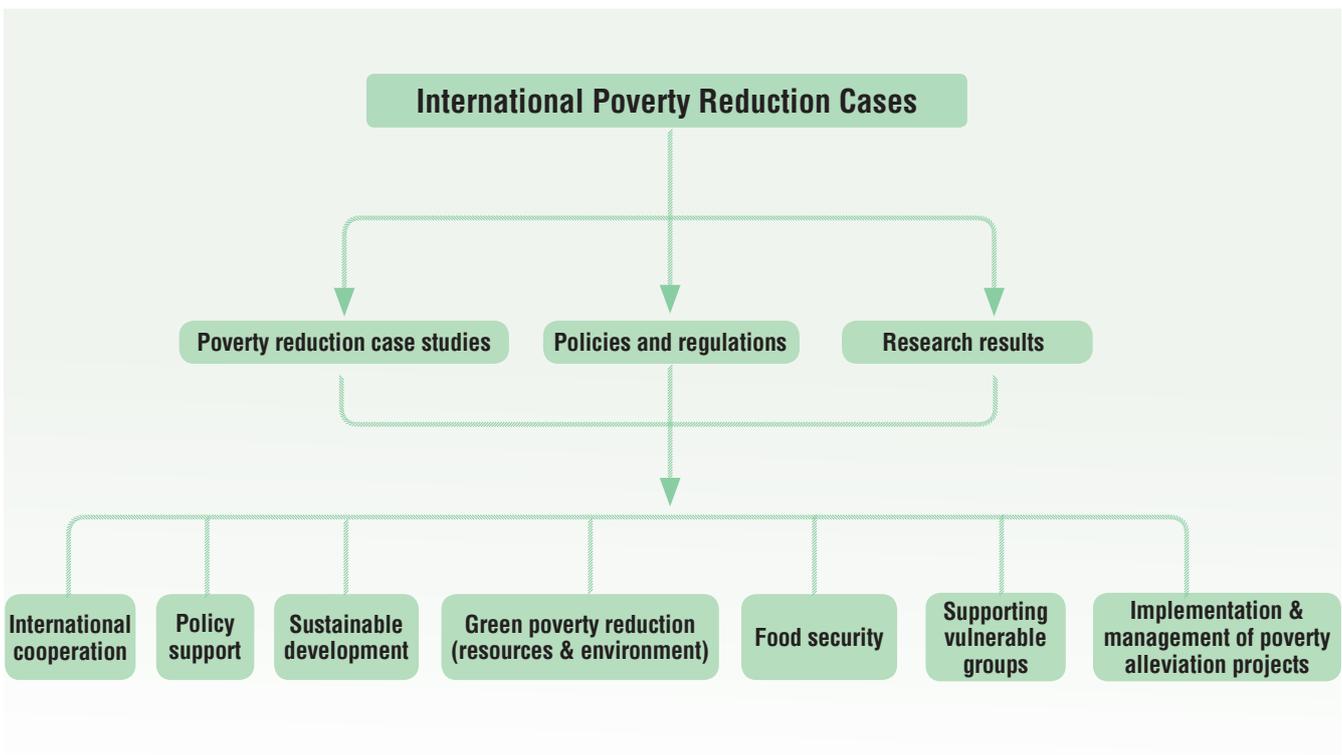
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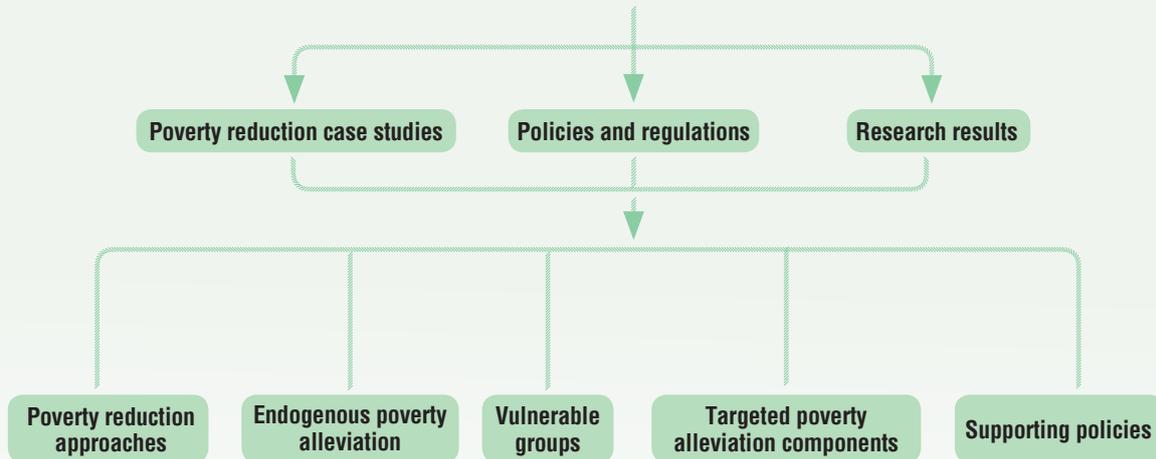
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Regional Knowledge
Sharing Initiative

 **OXFAM**
Hong Kong
Working
Without
Poverty



Classification of China Poverty Reduction Cases



Case development assistant QR code

Users can use the case development assistant WeChat app to support their case development after they register. It can be opened by scanning the QR code.

The Global Solicitation and Challenge Prize on Best Poverty Reduction Practices

The Global Solicitation and Challenge Prize on Best Poverty Reduction Practices event was jointly held by the IPRCC, China Internet News Center, World Bank, FAO, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), World Food Programme (WFP) and Asian Development Bank in May 2018. The project aims to collect original excellent poverty reduction cases from organizations and individuals. It aims to promote the sharing of poverty reduction experiences around the world, with the ultimate goal of creating a zero-poverty world. Its mission is to contribute to better and happier lives and to develop “a shared community with a common destiny, common development and no poverty.” Featuring the participation of seven international authorities, the event is an innovation in international poverty alleviation efforts. It is a new attempt for innovative and deeper partnerships in international poverty reduction. Qualified cases are selected from those that are submitted and given to experts for further review. The initiative has sought to obtain 100 case studies that have proven to be successful in fighting poverty. Award winners receive certificates from the hosts. Best case studies are showcased in the “Global Poverty Reduction Online Knowledge Sharing Database” (<http://case.iprcc.org.cn/china>) to enhance poverty reduction knowledge sharing and exchanges around the world.





Case standards

Each case needs to be highly relevant to poverty reduction. Authors should also follow the “Poverty Alleviation Case Study Writing Standards.”

Case standards and characteristics

- 1 Reliable case content
- 2 Outstanding poverty reduction performance
- 3 Replicable at a given scale
- 4 Provision of inspiration and guidance to poverty reduction work



Rewards

The Global Solicitation and Challenge Prize on Best Poverty Reduction Practices chooses 100 best poverty reduction cases from those that are submitted.

Best Poverty Reduction Cases from Individuals: Winners receive 3,000 yuan and certificates from the review organizations.

Best Poverty Reduction Cases from Organizations: Winners receive certificates from the review organizations. Cash awards are not provided.



Case Review Seminar

The IPRCC, China Internet News Center, World Bank, FAO, IFAD, UNDP and ADB are invited to multiple global poverty reduction case review meetings after the collection and initial selection of participating cases.

The Case Reviewing Seminar of the Global Solicitation and Challenge Prize on Best Poverty Reduction Practices was held in Tongliao City of Inner Mongolia



The Global Solicitation and Challenge Prize on Best Poverty Reduction Practices Case Review Seminar (Tongliao) was held in Tongliao City, Inner Mongolia from August 30-31, 2018. It was co-hosted by the International Poverty Reduction Center in China (IPRCC) and the China Internet Information Center (CIIC). Deputy Director General of the General Affairs Department of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation Mr. Zhangliang, China Internet Information Center (CIIC) Editor-in-Chief Mr. Wang Xiaohui and Deputy Secretary of CPC Inner Mongolian Tongliao Municipal Committee Mr. He Haidong attended the meeting and delivered speeches. Director General of the IPRCC Mr. Zuo Changsheng chaired the opening ceremony and made a summary of the conference. More than 40 participants attended the meeting. They consisted of government officials and experts from the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development, the State Council Information Office of the People's Republic of China, the World Bank, the United Nation Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), the World Food Programme (WFP), the Asian Development Bank (ADB), Beijing Normal University, the Poverty Alleviation Office of Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region, Tongliao Municipal Government in Inner Mongolia, and the banners and counties of the city of Tongliao.

Experts reviewed a number of cases during the seminar, including the *Targeted Poverty Alleviation of Horqin Zuoyi*



Director General of the IPRCC Mr. **Zuo Changsheng** chaired the opening ceremony and made a summary of the conference

Rear Banner through Yellow Cattle Industry case. They discussed how to promote exchange and sharing of international poverty reduction experiences through case dissemination and make contributions to global poverty reduction. Assessment work and the “Global Solicitation and Challenge Prize on Best Poverty Reduction Practices” case publication were also discussed. After the seminar, the expert review group visited the yellow cattle farm located at Baiyinzhuoer Gacha, Nugusitai, Keerqinhouqi, Nugusitai ecological development program site, the Chajintai Ranch silage base, the yellow cattle farm of Horqin Right Back Banner financial poverty alleviation example, and Kerchin Cattle Industry Co., Ltd.



The “Global Solicitation and Challenge Prize on Best Poverty Reduction Practices” Case Review Seminar was held at the China Internet Information Center (CIIC).

BEIJING, 5 August 2018 — “Global Solicitation and Challenge Prize on Best Poverty Reduction Practices” was launched by the China Internet Information Center (CIIC). Deputy Director General of IPRCC Ms. Zhang Guangping attended the meeting.



Nearly 400 case studies were received from Chinese government departments, enterprises, individuals and international organizations by the time the Case Review Seminar was held. They covered various related areas, including poverty alleviation through education, poverty alleviation through industrial development, poverty alleviation resettlement (PAR) programs, poverty alleviation through better environmental protection and innovation working systems.

The IPRCC and CIIC jointly established a working group to ensure an objective review process. It works with Beijing Normal University's China Institute for Poverty Reduction for revision and improvement of solicited cases. Case studies were sent to the expert group of seven organizations for assessment after they were translated into English.

The review seminar invited experts from various institutions to review, discuss and score the first batch of 20 cases. One hundred excellent cases will receive a Certificate of Honor from the seven hosts according to their merit.



Deputy Director General of the IPRCC
Ms. **Zhang Guangping** delivered a speech

Deputy Director General of the IPRCC Ms. Zhang Guangping stated in a speech: "Poverty reduction cases are effective carriers of poverty reduction experience. They are an effective way to share poverty reduction experience and tell a good story about poverty reduction. We sincerely hope that this meeting will be a very productive and rewarding experience and that it will play an important role in developing innovative partnerships and cooperation models and reinforce South-South Cooperation through the sharing of knowledge products."

The review seminar also invited experts from the United Nations International Children's Fund (UNICEF) to participate in case discussion.

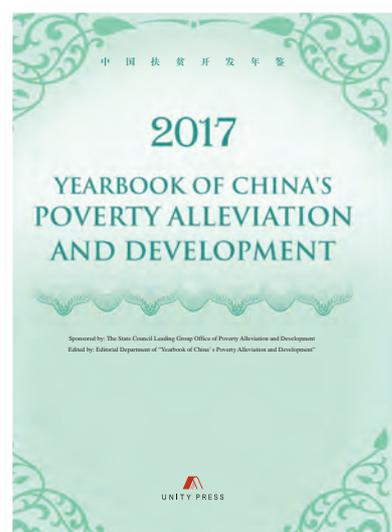


Group photo of experts attending the 1st "Global Solicitation and Challenge Prize on Best Poverty Reduction Practices" Case Review Seminar

China's Poverty Alleviation and Development Yearbook



The State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development oversees the compilation of *Yearbook of China's Poverty Alleviation and Development* ("the *Yearbook*"). The *Yearbook* is comprehensive, systematic, timely and authoritative. It serves as a comprehensive reference book that fully illustrates China's poverty alleviation efforts. It reflects the overall situation of China's poverty alleviation, relevant policies and measures, and effects. The *Yearbook* showcases the concrete work and actions of all departments, industries, regions and members of the general public who are involved in reducing poverty. It provides information to global poverty alleviation institutions and departments that they can use for decision making and helps relevant organizations and institutions study China's poverty alleviation and development experiences.



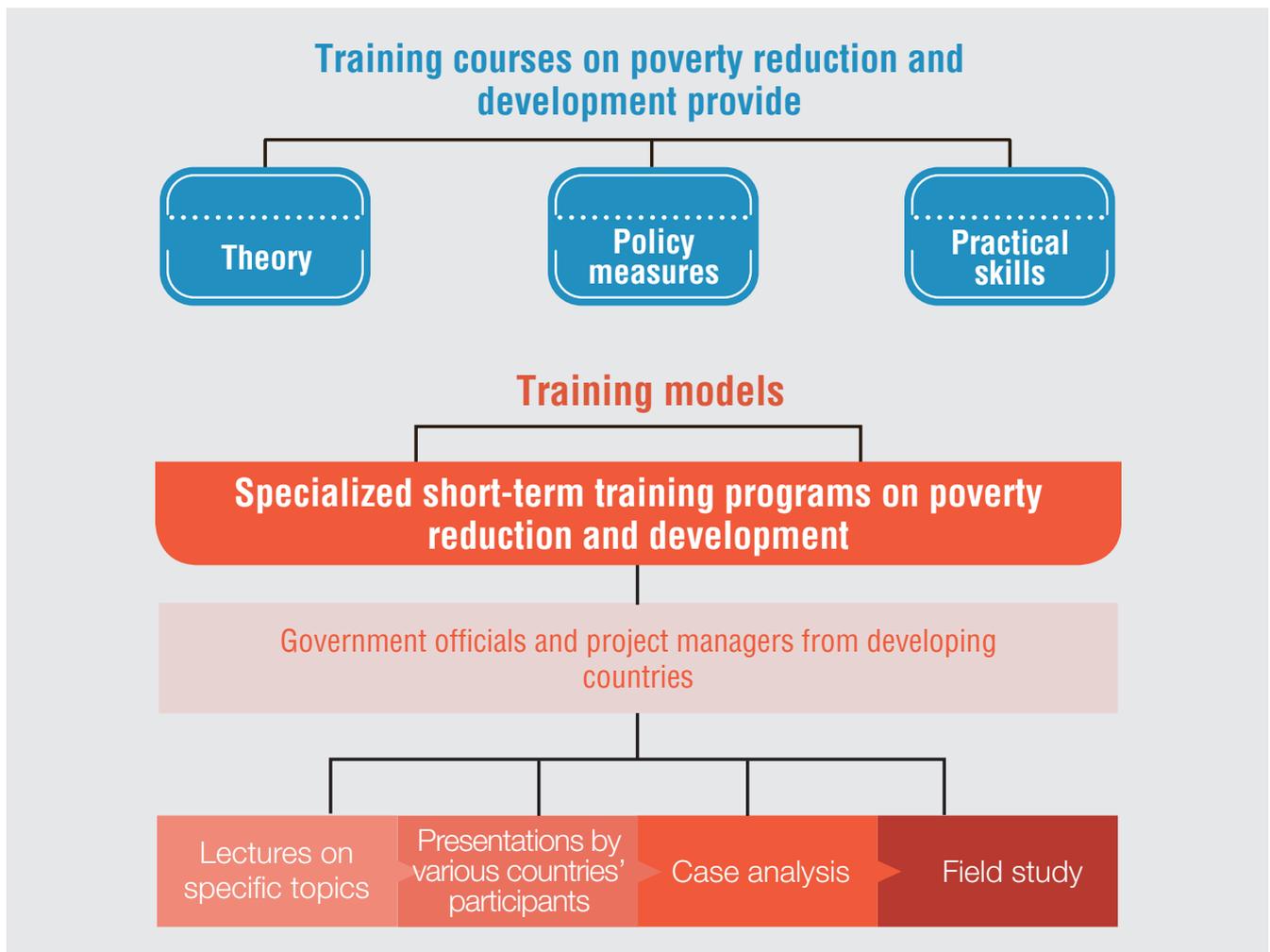
The bilingual *Yearbook* has been compiled and published annually since 2010. It covers areas such as special poverty alleviation, industrial poverty alleviation, social poverty alleviation, local poverty alleviation, international cooperation and individual studies. In 2017, the *Yearbook* collected 358 articles from government departments, poverty alleviation units, leading poverty alleviation units, provincial poverty alleviation offices, offices in charge of poverty alleviation cooperation between the East and the West, social organizations, private sectors, research institutions and academia. It also included 18 statistical documents on poverty alleviation from China's provinces (districts and municipalities) and 69 photos of poverty alleviation situations. The *Yearbook* features a total of 1.038 million words. All of the organizations and units involved in 2017 continued to be involved in the 2018 *Yearbook*. It contains 323 articles, 63 photos and 19 statistical figures and features a total of 0.95 million words.

The *Yearbook* is submitted to central leadership organs and sent to government departments, provincial (regional or municipal) poverty alleviation and development leading group offices, departments in charge of cooperation between the East and the West, leading poverty alleviation units and other relevant institutions. It is also offered free of charge to news agencies, libraries, universities and research institutions. The IPRCC organizes *Yearbook* writer training every year and invites experts to review the articles to ensure its quality.



Building an International Poverty Reduction Knowledge Training Brand

The IPRCC has organized various international poverty reduction trainings based on Chinese poverty reduction policies and experiences to meet developing countries' poverty reduction information demands and improve poverty reduction and development capability. By the end of 2018, a total of 139 international poverty reduction seminar sessions have been held. They occurred under the support and coordination of the Chinese State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP), Ministry of Commerce, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, other Chinese governments departments, the World Bank, the UNDP, other international organizations and the government of South Africa. Participants include 3,758 government officials and poverty alleviation practitioners from 133 countries and regions. The trainings have promoted the spread of successful Chinese experiences on poverty alleviation and development. China's poverty reduction wisdom and cases have greatly helped developing countries increase their capability to reduce poverty and tap their own potential.



The International Poverty Reduction Center in China achieved new milestones in its training program from 2017 to 2018. It has successfully held **36** seminars, which **1,216** senior and mid-level officials from **94** countries (regions) and **six** continents participated in. The number of seminars and participants achieved a new record. **Jamaica, Gambia, Guyana, Honduras, Oman, Azerbaijan, Costa Rica, Marshall Islands** and other countries sent participants to the seminar **for the first time**. The number of participants from **Panama, Dominica, Sierra Leone, Grenada, Pakistan, Mongolia, Palestine, Jordan, Suriname and Ethiopia** all increased significantly compared with previous years.



1.6% 



20 people from three European countries

Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Moldova

14.8% 



180 people from 10 North American countries

Antigua and Barbuda Panama
Dominican Republic Commonwealth
of Dominica Grenada Costa Rica
Honduras Mexico Jamaica



North American

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4% 



50 people from five South American countries

Ecuador Colombia Guyana Suriname Venezuela



606 people from 43 African

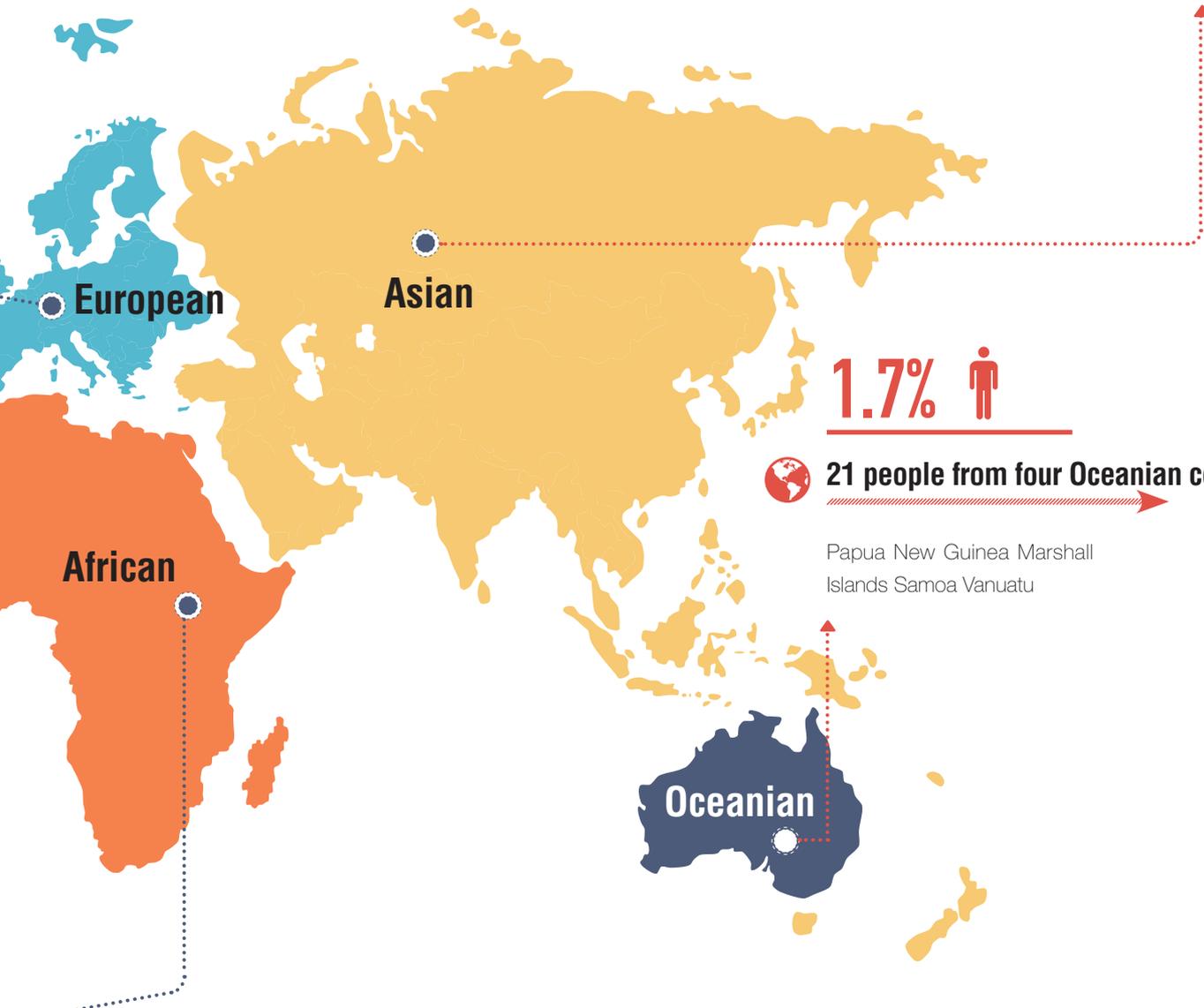
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Leone Senegal Seychelles Sudan Tanz

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27.9% 

 **339 people from 29 Asian countries and organizations** 

Afghanistan, Oman, Azerbaijan, Pakistan, Palestine, Bahrain, the Philippines, Georgia, Kazakhstan, South Korea, Cambodia, Laos, Lebanon, Mongolia, Bangladesh, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Turkey, Uzbekistan, Syria, Israel, India, Indonesia, Armenia, Jordan, Vietnam and the ASEAN Secretariat



1.7% 

 **21 people from four Oceanian countries** 

Papua New Guinea Marshall Islands Samoa Vanuatu

countries and organizations 

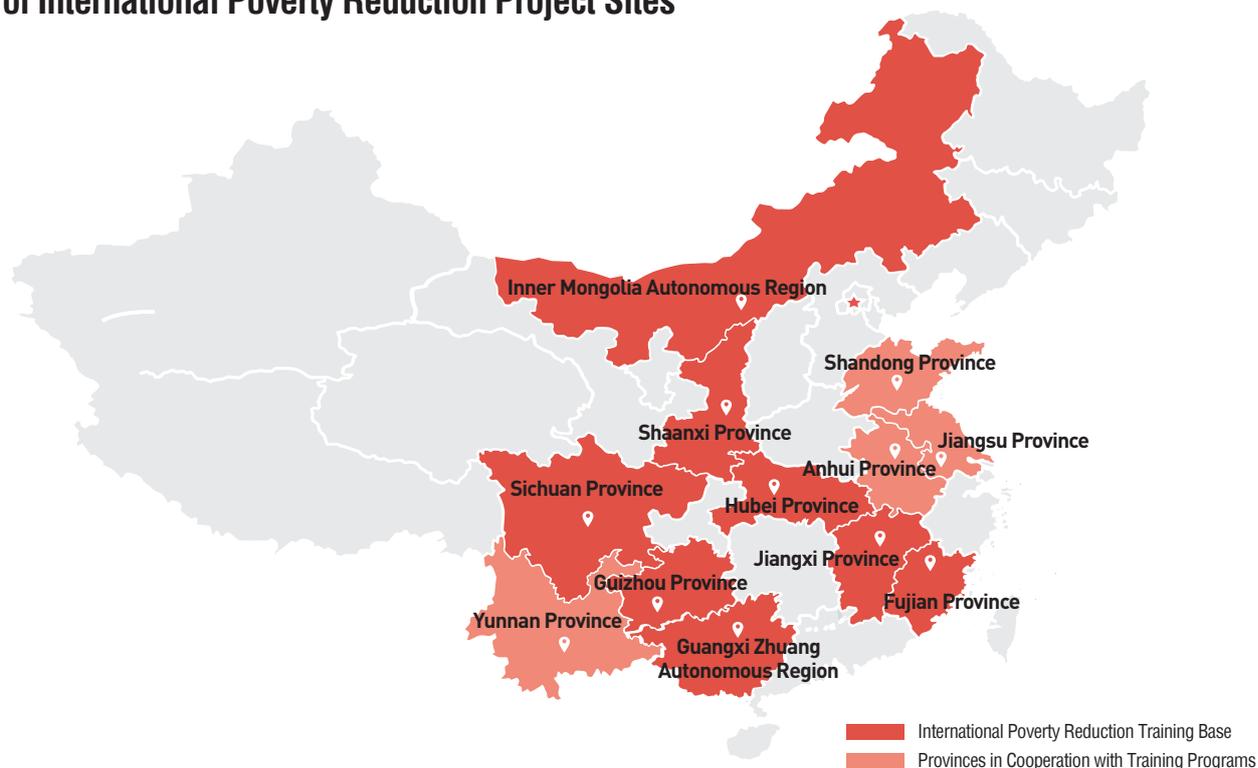
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The IPRCC has established a specialized training team dedicated to developing international poverty reduction trainings focusing on poverty alleviation. The team has been responsible for choosing topics for seminars, designing courses, inviting experts and arranging field visits. It has developed training materials in both English and Chinese as well. All materials are compiled into a book of *Ten Keys to Understanding China's Poverty Reduction Experiences*. Experts invited have been policy makers and enforcers from government departments, scholars from research institutes who specialize in poverty reduction and development, or practitioners from NGOs.

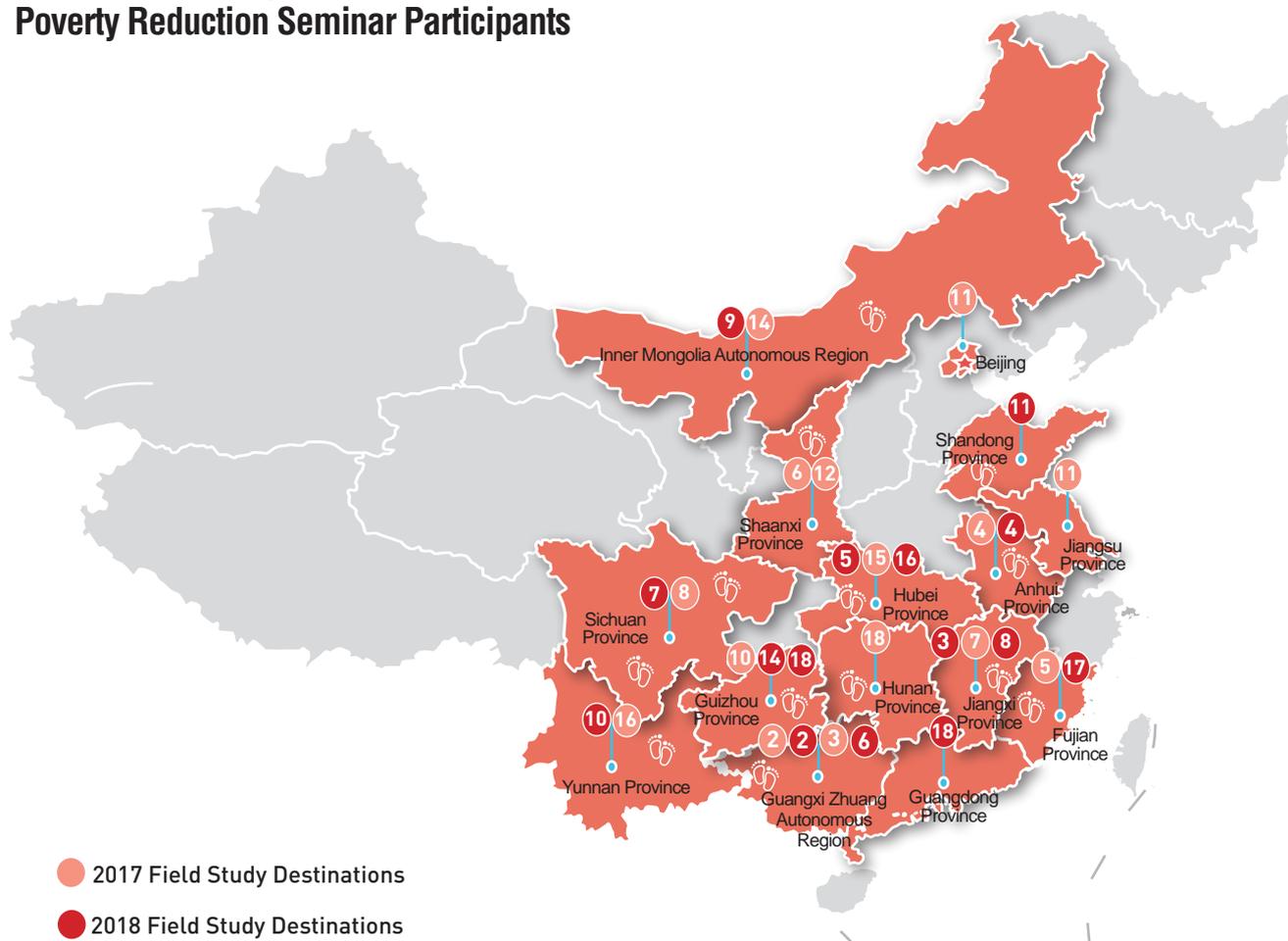


The International Poverty Reduction Center in China established international poverty reduction training bases in **eight** provinces (regions) from 2017 to 2018, **namely Inner Mongolia, Fujian, Jiangxi, Hubei, Guangxi, Sichuan, Guizhou and Shaanxi**. Training cooperation has occurred with provinces such as **Jiangsu, Anhui, Shandong** and **Yunnan**. Participants saw examples of poverty alleviation and development in China and experienced the results of China's poverty alleviation for themselves by way of onsite visits. The visits covered a wide range of poverty alleviation programs, including industrial development programs, poverty alleviation resettlement (PAR) programs, environmental protection programs, public services and social security programs.

Map of International Poverty Reduction Project Sites



Places visited by 2017-2018 International Poverty Reduction Seminar Participants



List of 2017-2018 International Poverty Reduction Seminars

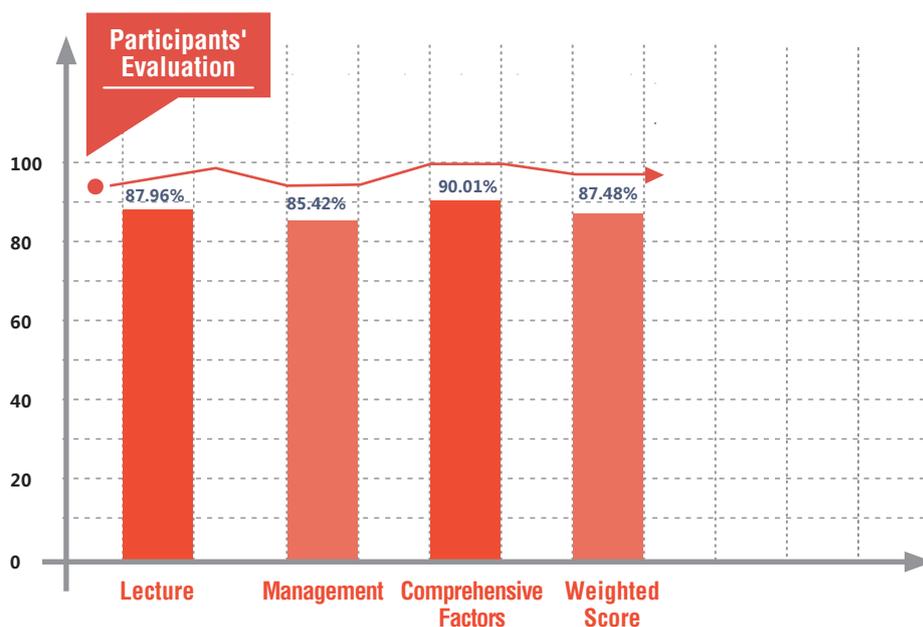
1. Delegation to China from the National Institute of Rural Development of the Ministry of Rural Development of India
2. Seminar on Economic and Social Policy for Sustainable Development for Developing Countries in 2017 and 2018
3. Seminar on Inclusive Growth and Sustainable Poverty Reduction for Developing Countries in 2017 and 2018
4. Seminar on Integrated Rural and Urban Development and Poverty Reduction for Developing Countries in 2017 and 2018
5. Seminar on Public Service and Poverty Reduction for Developing Countries in 2017 and 2018
6. Seminar on Rural Development and Poverty Reduction for Developing Countries in 2017 and 2018
7. Seminar on Development-oriented Poverty Reduction policy and Practice for African French-speaking

Countries in 2017 and 2018

8. Seminar on Poverty Reduction through Finance for Developing Countries in 2017 and 2018
9. Seminar on Poverty Reduction through Vocational Training and Labor Transfer for Developing Countries in 2018
10. Seminar on Poverty Reduction through Ecological Development and Tourism for Developing Countries in 2017 and 2018
11. Seminar on Promoting Rural Enterprises Development for More Inclusive Economic Growth for South Africa in 2017 and 2018
12. Seminar on Poverty Reduction for Pakistan Government Officials in 2018
13. Seminar on Poverty Reduction through Industrialization in South Africa 2018

- 14. Seminar on Targeted Approach to Poverty Reduction and Narrowing Income Gap for Developing Countries in 2017 and 2018
- 15. Seminar on Poverty Reduction through Medical and Health Care for Developing Countries in 2017 and 2018
- 16. Seminar on Small and Medium Enterprises Development and Capacity Building in Poverty Reduction of NGOs for Developing Countries in 2017 and 2018
- 17. Seminar on Poverty Reduction for Afghanistan Government Officials in 2018

- 18. The 8th China-IFAD South-South Cooperation Workshop and the 9th China-Africa High Level Experience Sharing Program-On Improving International Cooperation on Agriculture and Poverty Reduction under the Belt and Road Initiative
- 19. The 10th China-Africa High Level Experience Sharing Program and the 9th China-IFAD South-South Cooperation Workshop - Reform and Opening up and China's Poverty Alleviation



Ministerial Seminar on China-Africa High Level Experience Sharing Program

The Ministry of Finance has held ten consecutive “China-Africa High Level Experience Sharing Program” seminars and nine consecutive “China-IFAD South-South Cooperation” seminars since 2008 in cooperation with domestic and foreign institutions, such as the Ministry of Commerce, the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and the World Bank. These seminars have become important platforms for China to exchange and discuss development issues with developing countries and promote South-South cooperation.

The 8th China-IFAD South-South Cooperation Workshop and the 9th China-Africa High Level Experience Sharing Program-On Improving International Cooperation on Agriculture and Poverty Reduction under the Belt and Road Initiative were held in Beijing and Hunan Province from August 29 to September 4, 2017. They were themed on “On Improving International Cooperation on Agriculture and Poverty Reduction under the Belt and Road Initiative.” The seminars were organized by the IPRCC and co-sponsored by the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Commerce, the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and

Development (LGOP), the IFAD and the World Bank. Senior government officials from South Africa, Mongolia, Suriname, Jordan, Sri Lanka and Cambodia; representatives from relevant Chinese ministries and scientific research institutes; and more than 100 guests from international organizations attended the seminar. Participants discussed the positive role the government plays in promoting agriculture and poverty alleviation and topics such as the need for international cooperation in the development of African agriculture and poverty reduction. They also inspected Changsha City and Changde City in Hunan Province.



The 10th China-Africa High Level Experience Sharing Program and the 9th China-IFAD South-South Cooperation Workshop were held in Beijing, Guangdong and Guizhou from October 31st to November 4th, 2018. They were based on the “Reform and Opening up and China’s Poverty Alleviation” theme; organized by the IPRCC; and co-sponsored by the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Commerce, the LGOP, the World Bank and the IFAD. Senior government officials from countries and organizations such as Sierra Leone, Madagascar and

the African Union; representatives from ministries and scientific research institutes, such as the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Commerce; and more than 30 guests from international organizations participated in the seminar. Deputy Director General of the IPRCC Dr. Tan Weiping attended the opening ceremony and delivered a speech. Participants discussed reform and opening up, poverty alleviation and international cooperation. They also inspected Shenzhen City, Guangdong Province and Guiyang City and Bijie City in Guizhou Province.





Training Course in South Africa

The IPRCC has cooperated with the South African Department of Rural Development and Land Reform (DRDLR) since 2014 with the coordinated support of the World Bank. This mostly consists of poverty reduction training and information sharing, interaction between personnel and co-organization of international conferences. The LGOP and the South African DRDLR signed a memorandum of understanding on poverty reduction exchanges and cooperation on October 17, 2015 stipulating that the two parties will conduct high-level, mutual visits and policy dialogues pertaining to poverty reduction in the future, promote the sharing of poverty reduction information and personnel, and improve capacity for these efforts. The IPRCC signed an additional agreement with the DRDLR stipulating that the two parties will cooperate in the development of youth training programs to provide technical support and business guidance for the South African Rural Youth Service Company Training Institute.

The IPRCC has organized 12 official and youth training courses commissioned by the South African DRDLR since 2014, training a total of 419 trainees and achieving good results. Each course is divided into a special seminar and a field inspection. Training and survey routes are designed according to various needs and objectives. The courses have systematically introduced the history of China's rural development and poverty alleviation efforts; the development of rural enterprises and major experiences, achievements and challenges pertaining to them; rural youth employment and entrepreneurship experiences; the development of vocational education and other topics. This has promoted experiential exchange related to the development of rural industries and the employment of young people and has been well received by South Africa.

The 1st Seminar on Poverty Reduction through Industrialization in South Africa was successfully held in Mpumalanga Province, the Republic of South African.

The “Seminar on Poverty Reduction through Industrialization in South Africa 2018” was successfully held in Mpumalanga Province, South Africa from August 24th to September 7th, 2018. It was sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce of the PRC, organized by the IPRCC and supported by the South African DRDLR. The event was the first overseas seminar held by the IPRCC. Forty government officials from the South African DRDLR participated in the seminar. Counselor of the Economic and Commercial Counselor's Office of the Chinese Embassy in South Africa Mr. Zhao Zhongyi, Deputy Director General of the Development and Guidance Department of the LGOP Mr. Xu Jianmin and Deputy Director General of the IPRCC Ms. Zhang Guangping attended the opening ceremony and delivered speeches. Deputy Minister of the South African DRDLR Ms. Candith Mashego-Dlamini and South African DRDLR Deputy Director of General Rural Infrastructure and Youth Development Ms. Leona Archary attended the opening ceremony and delivered speeches as foreign representatives. The seminar was themed on “Industrial Poverty Alleviation in Rural Areas.” It combined expert lectures and field visits to enable students to fully understand theories and practices related to China's economic development, industrial poverty alleviation and financial poverty alleviation efforts at the central, provincial and county levels. It explored how South Africa could implement poverty reduction and promote the development of rural industries based on existing land policies in contrast to the rural industry poverty alleviation model currently being carried out there. A field trip was conducted in Mpumalanga Province during the forum to learn about poverty alleviation related to local industries.



A group photo of the Chinese delegation and Deputy Minister of the South African DRDLR **Ms. Candith Mashego-Dlamini**



A group photo of seminar participants and Chinese representatives

South African DRDLR Deputy Director of General Rural Infrastructure and Youth Development Ms. Leona Archary pointed out in her speech that the seminar was a historic innovation. In addition, she expressed gratitude to the Ministry of Commerce of the PRC, the IPRCC team and the Chinese experts who gave instructions. She expected that the students who participated at the seminar could apply what they had learned to their work and contribute to the development of South Africa.

Deputy Director General of the IPRCC Mrs. Zhang Guangping stated in her conclusion that this was the first time that a Chinese institution had organized an overseas seminar in South Africa. This is an important manifestation of the "implementation of capacity building actions" that Chinese President Xi Jinping pointed out in the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation keynote speech. Eight actions will be given implementation priority in the next three years and in the future. They embody a focus on "enhanced experience exchanges with Africa" since the establishment of the IPRCC. The seminar is based on innovation, science, organization and professionalism. It is hoped that the 40 South African students can cherish this valuable learning experience and apply the knowledge and experience that they have acquired to the cause of rural development and poverty alleviation in South Africa to promote local economic and social development in a sound, coordinated and sustainable way.



Group photo of both working teams



Chinese experts and students inspect local chicken farms.



Exploring Effective Methods to Apply China's Poverty Reduction Experience and Models to Facilitate Global Poverty Reduction

The IPRCC actively expands cooperation with African, Asian and Latin America countries to explore effective methods to apply Chinese poverty reduction models abroad. So far, it has signed bilateral cooperation agreements with Tanzania, Mauritius, Laos, Mozambique and Columbia. Relevant programs include the East Asia Poverty Reduction Demonstration and Cooperation Technical Assistance Program, China-Africa Cooperation Program, Asian Regional Cooperation Special Fund Program and Lancang-Mekong Cooperation Program.

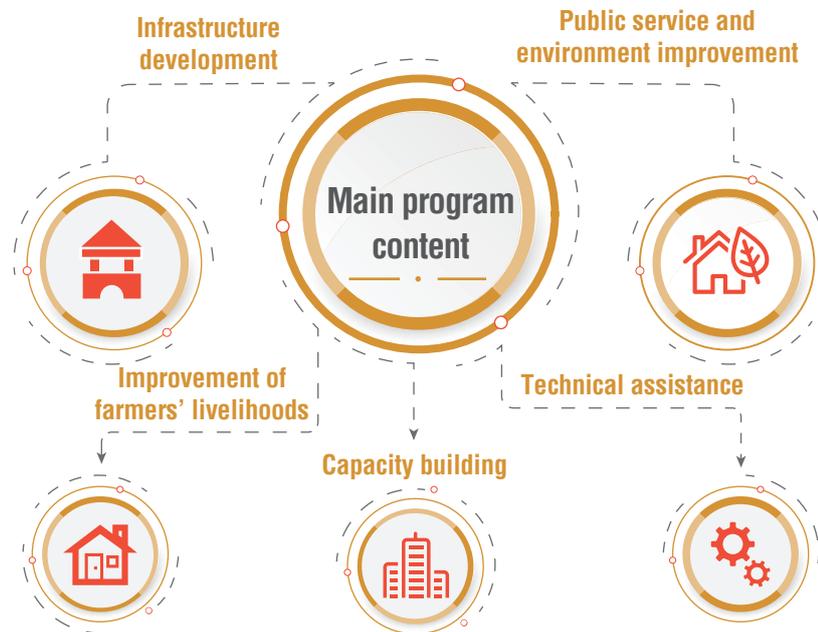


China-Aided East Asia Poverty Reduction Cooperation Pilot Program

In order to implement the Cooperation Initiative on Poverty Reduction in East Asia proposed by Premier Li Keqiang at the 17th ASEAN +3 Leaders' Summit, the IPRCC participated in the design and the implementation of the China-Aided East Asia Poverty Reduction Cooperation Pilot Program (hereinafter referred to as the East Asia Poverty Reduction Program). The East Asia Poverty Reduction Project is the first outbound technical assistance program in the poverty reduction sector. It is of great significance in exploring new international poverty reduction cooperation systems, showcasing China's poverty reduction experience to the world, developing global poverty reduction models and promoting the global poverty reduction process. The East Asia Poverty Reduction Project takes Laos, Cambodia and Myanmar as pilot countries. They each select two villages to carry out the program. It lasts for three years and covers rural infrastructure development, rural public service facility development, rural livelihood improvement, capacity building and technical assistance. As an executive agency of the feasibility study and co-management agency, the IPRCC cooperates with the Ministry of Commerce to coordinate the general planning of the program and assist in the management of the program. The program was launched in Cambodia and Laos in 2017 and in Myanmar in 2018.

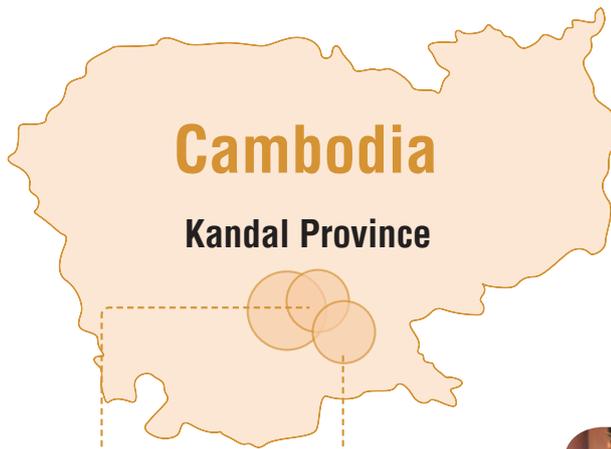


The program consists of five main parts:



Vice Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development **Chen Zhigang** led a delegation to Myanmar to engage in field study

Vice Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development Chen Zhigang led a delegation to Myanmar to inspect and direct the program from June 29-July 3, 2018. The delegation carried out field study in program villages, communicated with experts and villagers, and spoke with Myanmar's Minister of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation to consolidate bilateral consensus and pave the way for the program. Members of the IPRCC participated in the inspection.



Svay Ampear Village

Chheuteal Phlos Village

Start date

July 30, 2017

Program progress



Village activity center construction and toilet renovation for poor households are nearly complete.



Some materials have been procured.



Data collection and collation are under way in baseline surveys.



A training session in China and a local training session have been conducted.



The optimal plan is being determined for the drinking water sub-program.



A delegation has been sent to Cambodia to inspect, direct and supervise institutions responsible for implementing the program.

The Launch Ceremony of China-Cambodia Poverty Reduction Pilot Program was held in Kandal Province.

The Launch Ceremony of China-Cambodia Poverty Reduction Pilot Program was held in Svay Ampear Commune in Kandal Province on December 21, 2017. Nineteen officials including Economic and Commercial Counselor of the Chinese Embassy in Cambodia Mr. Li An, Minister of Rural Development of Cambodia His Excellency Dr. Ouk Rabun, the Secretary of State, the Deputy Secretary of State, Vice Governor of Kandal Province and the Director of Kandal Rural Development Bureau attended the event. Participants also included an expert team from the Program Center of Poverty Reduction and Immigration Bureau of Sichuan and 438 villagers from Chheuteal Phlos Village and Svay Ampear Village.



The goal of the program was to introduce China's experience of "Integrated village advancement" and targeted poverty alleviation, take differentiated measures based on local conditions, harness poverty causes, meet development needs and carry out community poverty reduction activities in two demonstration villages. The program is implemented through government guidance and public participation.



Start date

September 30, 2017

Program progress

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The program has drawn up international implementation regulations and enhanced staffing.
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The vehicles and facilities for the county-level joint program management office have been delivered.
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The program has accelerated the implementation of its livelihood development component and organized one round of local training and two rounds of training in China.
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The program has actively introduced private sectors to involve in some program components.
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Civil engineering bidding evaluation work has been completed.



A delegation has been sent to Laos to inspect, direct and supervise the implementing institutions.



Start date

January 23, 2018

Program progress



The program has established a three-tier management and implementation structure and established an internal management system.



The drinking water program has completed well drilling in Min Pyin Village and optimized the construction plan in Aye Chan Thar Village. Other construction programs are in the process of bidding preparation.



The program has made plans to help develop farmers' livelihoods and improve capacity.



The program has carried out industrial program research and planning.



The program has conducted a baseline survey and began the procurement of supervision, evaluation and consultation services.



A delegation has been sent to Myanmar to inspect, direct and supervise institutions responsible for implementing the program.

The Launch Ceremony of China-Myanmar Poverty Reduction Cooperation Pilot Program was held in Naypyidaw.

The Launch Ceremony of China-Myanmar Poverty Reduction Cooperation Pilot Program was held in Naypyidaw on February 1, 2018. China's ambassador to Myanmar Hong Liang and Myanmar Union Minister of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation Dr. Aung Thu jointly inaugurated the program. Myanmar Vice Minister of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation U Hla Kyaw and Deputy Head of Yunnan Provincial Poverty Reduction Office Yin Nan attended the event.

China will build roads and water supply facilities, support planting and husbandry industries, and carry out environmental management and professional training programs in Min Pyin Village, Leiway Town and Aye Chan Thar Village, Tetgone Town in Naypyidaw. About 1,400 families and 7,800 villagers will benefit from the program in the following three years.



Holding the implementation promotion meeting for the East Asia Poverty Reduction Cooperation Pilot Program

The IPRCC convened implementation promotion meetings for the East Asia Poverty Reduction Cooperation Pilot Program in Kunming, Yunnan and Chengdu, Sichuan on March 20, 2018 and September 11-12, 2018, respectively. General progress of the programs, existing problems and further work plans were reported at the meeting. Relevant institutions were requested to enhance their sense of responsibility, strengthen institutional development, streamline working systems, conduct strict management and accelerate program implementation to accomplish tasks and achieve pre-determined goals.



Carrying out capacity building events, such as trainings

The East Asia Poverty Reduction Cooperation Pilot Program Management Training Course for Foreign Staff was held in Beijing by the IPRCC from August 14-20, 2017. Director General of the IPRCC Zuo Changsheng attended the opening ceremony and delivered a speech. Twenty-two participants from poverty reduction and development departments in Cambodia, Laos and Myanmar attended the course. It enhanced the cooperation and implementation of pilot programs.





Lancang-Mekong Poverty Reduction Cooperation Program

Joint Working Group Meeting on Poverty Reduction for Lancang-Mekong Cooperation

Second Meeting

On July 26, 2017, the 2nd Joint Working Group Meeting on Poverty Reduction for Lancang-Mekong Cooperation was convened in Siem Reap, Cambodia. Secretary of State of the Ministry of Rural Development of Cambodia Sao Chivoan and Deputy Director General of the International Poverty Reduction Center in China (IPRCC) Dr. Tan Weiping jointly presided over the meeting. A consensus was reached on the Five-Year Plan on Lancang-Mekong Poverty Reduction Cooperation, and the General Principle of the Lancang-Mekong Poverty Reduction Cooperation Joint Work Group was ratified by six parties. Nineteen representatives from the Chinese State Council LGOP, the IPRCC, the Ministry of Rural Development of Cambodia, the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry of Laos, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Laos, the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation of Myanmar, the Ministry of Interior of Thailand, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Vietnam attended the event.



The 3rd meeting

The 3rd Joint Working Group Meeting on Poverty Reduction for the LMC and Seminar on Cooperation Initiative on Poverty Reduction in East Asia was held in Vientiane, Laos from December 12-13, 2018. The meeting was jointly hosted by the General Department of the LGOP and the Department of Rural Development and Cooperatives of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry of Laos, and it was organized by the IPRCC. Deputy Director General of the International Poverty Reduction Center in China (IPRCC) Dr. Tan Weiping and Director of the Laos Poverty Reduction Foundation Mr. Chit Thavisa presided over it. Twenty-three representatives from the IPRCC, the Cambodia Ministry of Rural Development, the Laos Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, the Laos-China Cooperation Committee, the Laos Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Myanmar Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation, the Thailand Ministry of Interior and the Thailand Ministry of Foreign Affairs attended the event.



Seminar on the Lancang-Mekong Poverty Reduction Cooperation

The IPRCC hosted a seminar in Kunming on March 21, 2018 in order to actively promote Lancang-Mekong Poverty Reduction Cooperation and support the first Lancang-Mekong Cooperation Week Event. It was themed on “gathering resources from all directions, supporting poverty reduction cooperation and jointly developing the Lancang-Mekong Community with a shared destiny.” Over 40 representatives from the government, academia, enterprises and the media attended the seminar. The seminar developed new ideas about Lancang-Mekong Poverty Reduction Cooperation, further promoted Lancang-Mekong Poverty Reduction Cooperation and built consensuses.



Seminar Supported by Lancang-Mekong Poverty Reduction Cooperation Special Fund Program



The IPRCC and the Cambodia Ministry of Rural Development jointly organized the “2018 Seminar on Poverty Reduction through Small Business Development.” Vice Secretary of the State of Cambodia H.E. Hap Omary attended the event. The seminar expanded the outlook and capacity of Cambodian officials in enabling small enterprises to reduce poverty through teaching courses and field study. Cambodian officials responded positively to the seminar. Then Secretary of State of Cambodia H.E. Hap Omary visited China again in November to learn about China’s poverty reduction policies and poverty reduction experience.

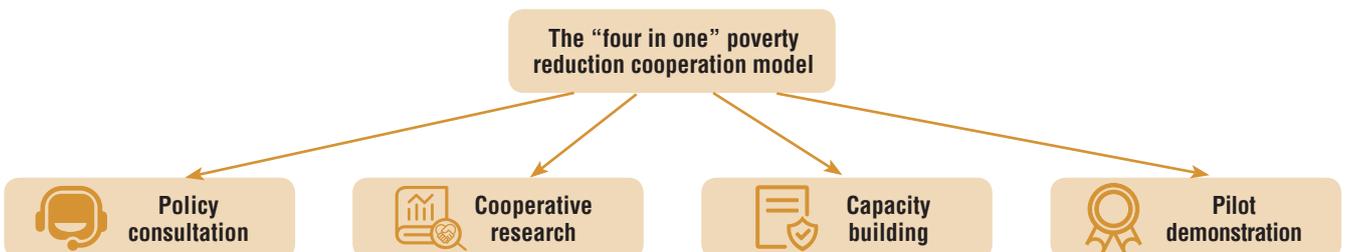
Actively Organizing the Application of The Lancang-Mekong Cooperation Special Fund Program

The Lancang River and the Mekong River run through China, Myanmar, Laos, Thailand, Cambodia and Vietnam. The first Lancang-Mekong Cooperation Leaders’ Meeting was held in Hainan in March of 2016, and the Lancang-Mekong Cooperation Mechanism was officially established. China announced the establishment of a special fund for Lancang-Mekong Cooperation. The IPRCC designed and declared a capacity-building program in order to improve the poverty reduction capacity of Lancang-Mekong countries themed on in-depth study of the Chinese poverty reduction system. The IPRCC actively coordinated relevant Lancang-Mekong countries to apply for the program. Counterpart departments in Cambodia, Myanmar and Laos submitted application forms for the Lancang-Mekong Cooperation Special Fund Program to China.



China-Africa Poverty Reduction Cooperation

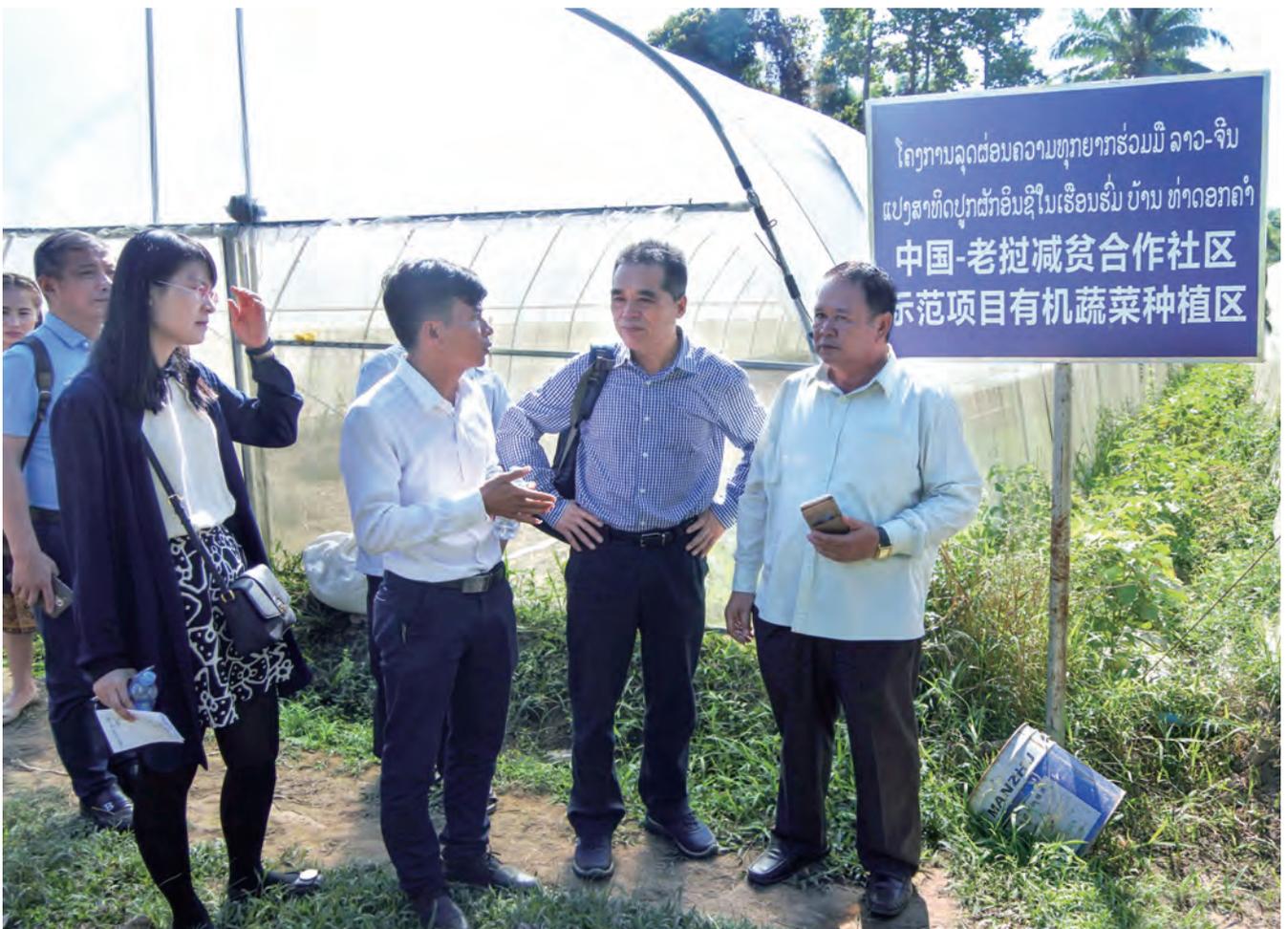
The IPRCC has signed strategic cooperation agreements with the China-Africa agricultural investment company, and signed a “Memorandum of Understanding on Jointly Carrying out Poverty Reduction and Development Cooperation in Africa”. The IPRCC has established a village-level poverty reduction learning center in Peapea Village, Morogoro in Tanzania, and explored a “four in one” poverty reduction cooperation model incorporating policy consultation, cooperation study, capacity building and pilot demonstration, and has thus promoted south-south poverty reduction cooperation between China and Africa. In 2017, the China-Tanzania village-level Poverty Reduction Learning Center program continued, and the IPRCC donated a batch of office equipment to the Tanzanian Planning Committee. The IPRCC concluded and summarized the program’s work in 2018.





Poverty reduction demonstration program in Thadokkham Village, Laos

The IPRCC uses the Special Fund for Asian Regional Cooperation to carry out a village-level poverty reduction cooperation pilot project in Thadokkham Village, Saythany District, Vientiane, Laos. The pilot project can help improve people's livelihoods and exert a sustained influence on the country. The project focuses on increasing villagers' income, gets technological support and farm produce sales facilitation from the China-Laos Cooperative Crops Fine Varieties Experiment Station, and uses industrial programs to carry out the China-Laos poverty reduction cooperation pilot project. The project consists of agricultural industry demonstration, small public infrastructure development, environmental improvement and capacity building. Organic vegetable farming in greenhouses and organic rice planting began in 2017-2018. Production and sales of farm products related to the project have been carried out orderly and have guided and promoted the surrounding farmers to follow suit.





Introducing and Applying International Experiences in China's Poverty Reduction Efforts

Since 2014, the IPRCC has in cooperation with international organizations, including the World Bank, the UNICEF, Bestseller Foundation, IFAD and Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, applied foreign poverty reduction loans and grants to poverty reduction demonstration projects in rural poor areas, such as integrated poverty reduction projects, industrial poverty reduction projects, and child poverty reduction and development projects. The effective implementation of poverty reduction demonstration projects has propelled local poverty reduction and development. More importantly, these projects have served as carriers that introduce advanced international poverty reduction methods and program management means, provide reference for the innovation of China's poverty reduction and development systems, and contribute to global poverty reduction exchange and cooperation.

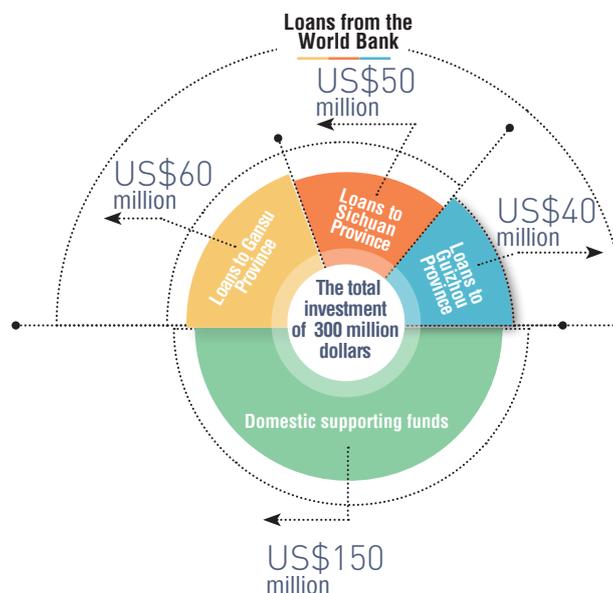


The Sixth World Bank Loan Project on Poverty Reduction

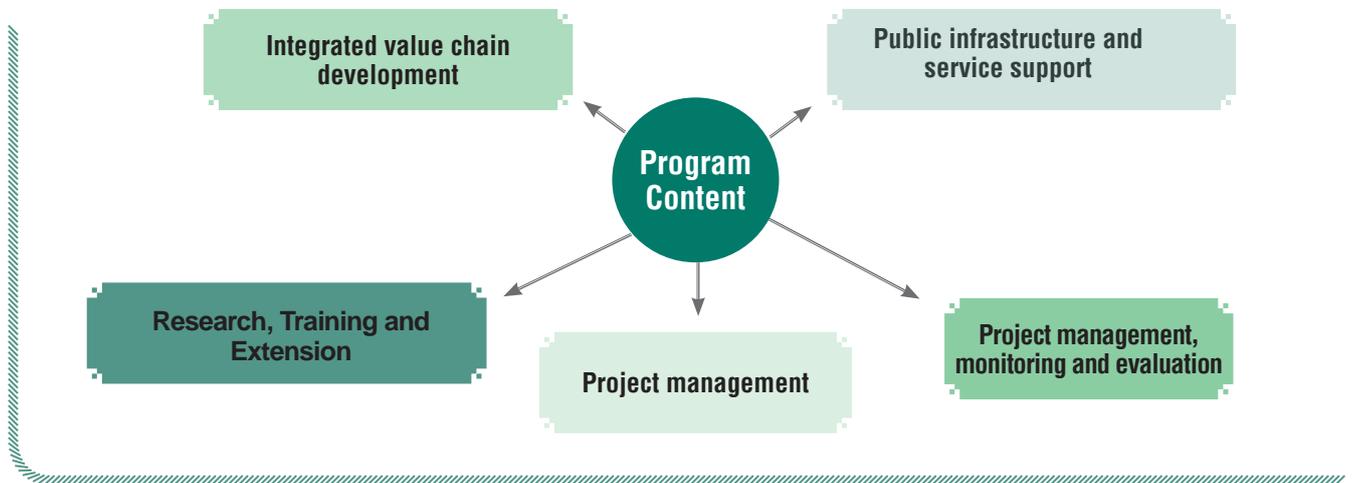
"China Poverty Alleviation and Agriculture-based Industry Pilot and Demonstration in Poor Areas Project" (the Sixth World Bank Loan Project on Poverty Reduction) was launched on September 28, 2015. It has been piloted in 537 villages in 27 counties in Sichuan, Guizhou and Gansu provinces. It is to develop and extend the agricultural value chain in the program area, improve the organization of poor farmers through providing support to farmer's cooperatives, innovate pro-poor systems and realize sustained income increases for poor households in project areas.

The project staff have learned about mature experiences and practices related to agricultural development and farmers' organizations by cooperating with the World Bank. The project has explored new industrial poverty reduction models with Chinese characteristics based on the realities of poor areas in China. These practices combine foreign innovation with domestic innovation, accumulate pilot project experience, and provide experience and examples for other poor areas and even the country's agricultural industry in general.

300 million US dollars of total project investment



Project Content



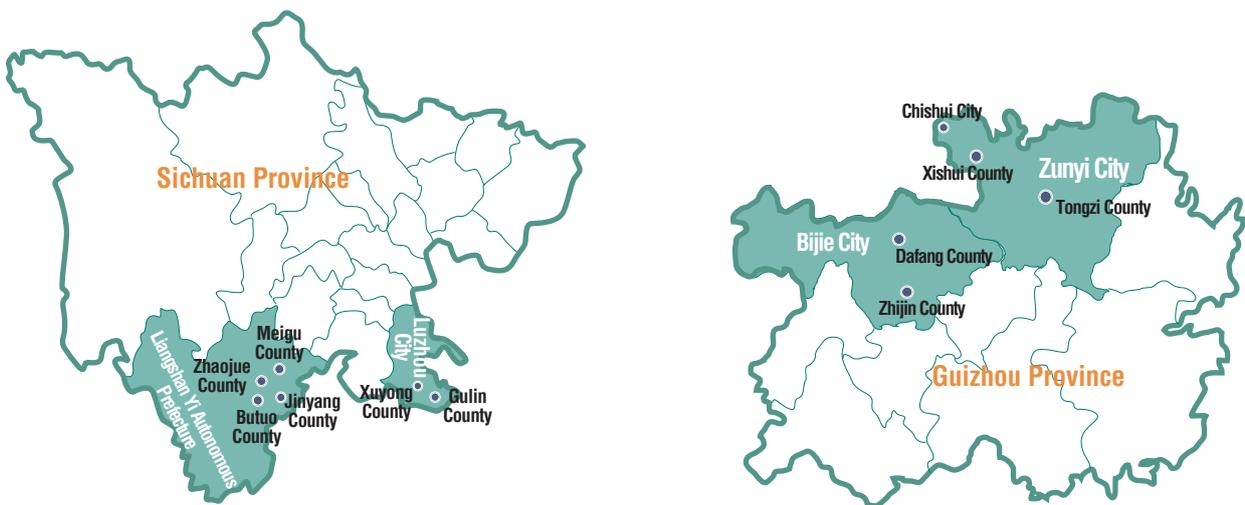
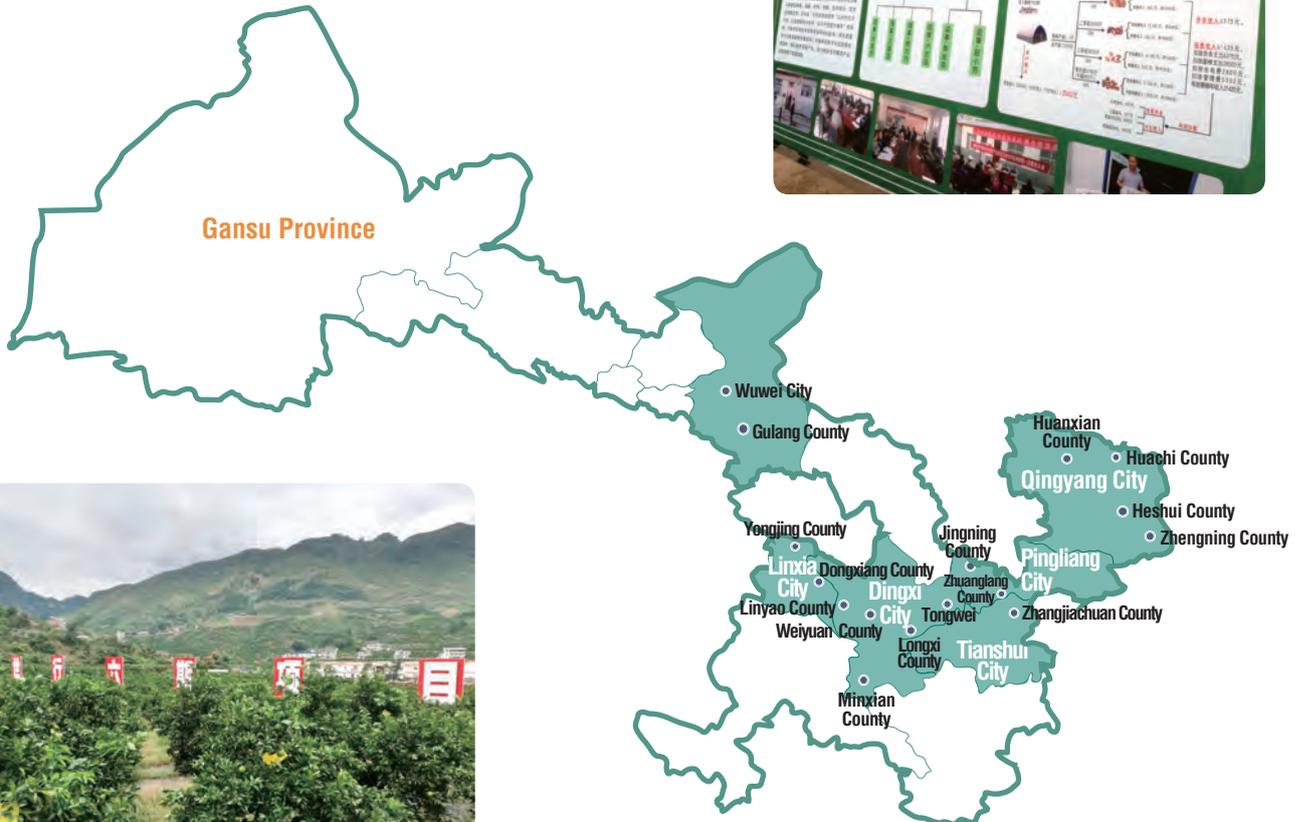
The IPRCC has steadily promoted the implementation of the Sixth World Bank Loan Project on Poverty Reduction by convening work meetings, organizing management training and improving regulations and project management. The IPRCC has periodically conducted project inspection with the World Bank to supervise and propel program progress and provide guidance and technical support for project implementation.



Distribution map of areas involved in the Sixth World Bank's Poverty Reduction Project

Project areas

The project covers **537** administrative villages from **134** townships in **27** counties and districts in **10** cities and prefectures in the Wumeng Mountain and Liupan Mountain areas in Sichuan, Guizhou and Gansu provinces.



Leading industries in the villages involved in the Sixth World Bank Loan Project Poverty Reduction

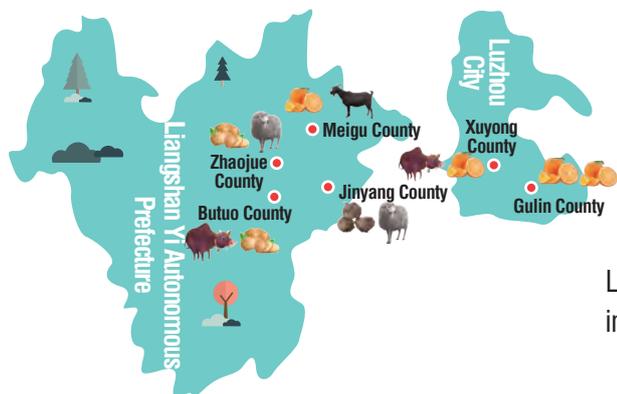
Sheep	Cow	Goat	Pig
Apple	Potato	Native chicken	Red-rooted salvia
Alpine	Astragalus	Bamboo fungus	
Meigu sheep	Liangshanfine-wool sheep	Tea	
White konjak	Black-bone chicken	Nut	
Orange	Dendrobe	Gastrodia elata	
Chili pepper	Rural tourism		



Leading industries in counties in Gansu Province



Leading industries in counties in Sichuan Province



Leading industries in counties in Guizhou Province



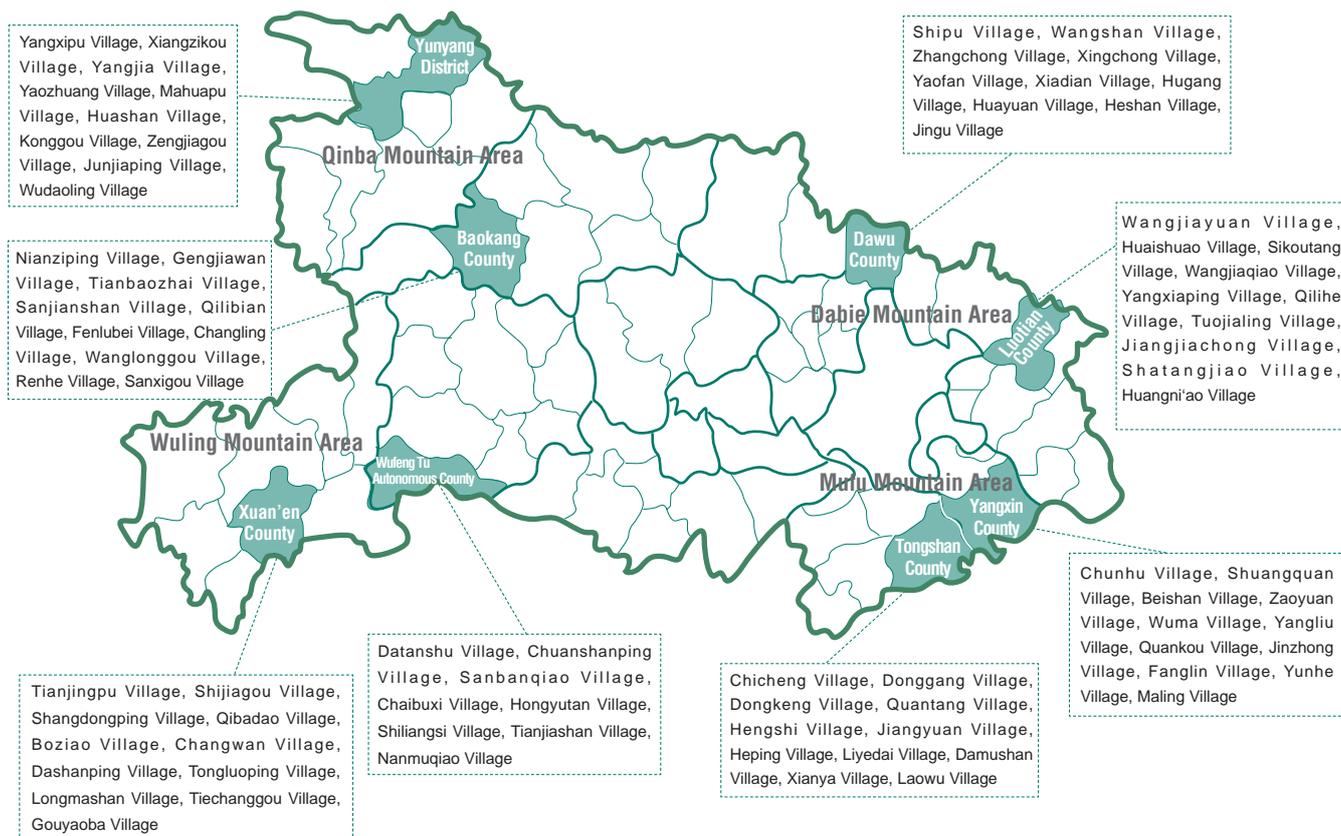


Children Poverty Reduction and Integrated Development Program in Poor Areas in China

In 2013, the former foreign capital project management center of the Chinese State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP) signed cooperation agreements with the Bestseller Foundation and Bestseller Fashion Group (Tianjin) to carry out the Children Poverty Reduction and Integrated Development Program in 80 impoverished villages that are located in eight impoverished counties. The IPRCC is now in charge of the program. The purpose of the program was to improve the overall situation of poor children in rural areas; guarantee their right to survive, develop and receive education; and reduce the children development gap between urban and rural areas. The program has propelled the integrated village development, established an integrated intervention model that multiple departments participate in, explored new systems for rural children poverty reduction and development with Chinese characteristics, and provided experience and reference for children poverty reduction and comprehensive development in rural areas in China by establishing a grand poverty reduction landscape.

The program introduces a multidimensional perspective and dimension of children poverty and identifies the main problems affecting children's survival and development through the cooperation of various sectors. Total program investment is more than 291 million yuan, including 248 million yuan for "whole-village promotion." Forty-two million yuan comes from a Bestseller Foundation and Bestseller Fashion Group (Tianjin) grant. The program ran for a total of four years (January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2017). The project explored specific ways to incorporate children poverty into China's rural poverty alleviation and development plan and to solve multi-dimensional children poverty, providing a model and reference for children's poverty alleviation in China's poverty-stricken areas.

In 2017, the IPRCC organized observation and volunteer capacity improvement for the Bestseller Children Poverty Reduction and Development Cooperation Program. It enhanced a program model that features the participation of children and interaction between multiple departments and organized case collection and summarization.



The program was carried out in **80** impoverished villages in **66** towns in **8** poor counties, including Xuanen County and Wufeng County in Wuling Mountain Area, Yunyang District and Baokang County in Qinba Mountain Area, Luotian County and Dawu County in Dabie Mountain Area, and Tongshan Mountain and Yangxin Mountain in Mufu Mountain Area.



From February 15 to 22, 2017, the 9th joint inspection delegation of the Children Poverty Reduction and Integrated Development Program in Poor Areas in China visited Xuan'en County and Luotian County in Hubei Province and engaged in field study and inspection.



Cooperation with International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)

The IPRCC has established a close partnership with the IFAD under the guidance of the Ministry of Finance Department of International Financial Cooperation. The IPRCC is entrusted by the Ministry of Finance and serves as the "IFAD project technical assistance support team" to provide technical support for the IFAD in the policy, project management and experience summary areas. The IPRCC also expands direct cooperation with the IFAD, such as carrying out poverty reduction knowledge-sharing programs, developing knowledge products, conducting research projects, holding international forums, enhancing knowledge-sharing networks and carrying out assistance training programs on international poverty reduction.

Assisting the Ministry of Finance to provide policy consultation on IFAD documents

The IPRCC closely traces the IFAD's policy focus and orientation on rural development, poverty reduction, investment arrangement, program evaluation and institutional flattening reform, as requested by the Ministry of Finance. It organizes the translation, arrangement, extraction and summarization of the IFAD's annual report and formulates special reports. The IPRCC also organizes experts to study and provide suggestions for the IFAD 11's 120th executive board documents and the 2nd IFAD 11 Consultative Conference on Capital Replenishment. The IPRCC studies about 40 meeting materials, summarizes the main content of each, puts forward China's position and suggestions, and formulates suggestion reports. It assists in the IFAD Country Strategy (2016-2020) seminars and collects opinions and suggestions from various parties for the Ministry of Finance and the IFAD to negotiate. The IPRCC participates in the "Symposium on the Mid-term Evaluation of the IFAD's Country Plans," which is hosted by the Ministry of Finance, and proposes consultation and advice.

Supporting International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) project management in China

The IPRCC actively designates members to participate in working meetings convened by IFAD and the Ministry of Finance on the IFAD's programs in China to exchange program experience, summarize the effects of the programs and make working plans.

The IPRCC participates in inspection of the IFAD's programs in China. It has sent members to join the IFAD's program inspection delegation for annual inspection, mid-term inspection, completion inspection and launch inspection in five provinces, namely Hubei, Qinghai, Yunnan, Jiangxi and Shaanxi. It has acknowledged the programs' situations, summarized experience, discovered problems, proposed suggestions for improvement and formulated situation reports for the five provinces.

The IPRCC has organized a revision of the *Guide Book on the Supervision and Evaluation of IFAD's Programs* in order to promote scientific, normalized and detailed management of the IFAD's loan programs and grant programs; further enhance the supervision and evaluation of management staff on the entire implementation process of the program; and improve the efficiency of program funds.

• Enhancing program experience summarization and dissemination

In order to summarize the IFAD's program experience and models and facilitate China's implementation of poverty reduction, the IPRCC has organized professionals to study the IFAD's eight poverty reduction cases to develop duplicable and referential examples from the perspectives of poverty reduction strategy, poverty reduction models and international cooperation.

2018 marked the 40th anniversary of China's cooperation with the IFAD. The compilation of the "IFAD's 40 Years in China" brochure began in the same year. It reviews the IFAD's work in China in the past 40 years, summarizes and disseminates cooperation outcomes, showcases the effects of IFAD programs, and provides good reference for the planning of overall rural poverty reduction strategy and policies in China.

Cooperating with the IFAD to carry out international poverty reduction exchange events

On April 28, 2017, the IPRCC and IFAD jointly hosted the International Seminar on Global Poverty Reduction Partnerships in Rome, Italy. The seminar aimed to discuss effective poverty reduction knowledge sharing partnerships and support the realization of the UN 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda. CCTV News reported the event, as did the People's Daily's, including front-page headlines. The global community paid great attention; mainstream media also reported the event.



From November 19 to 24, 2017, with the recommendation of the Department of International Financial Cooperation of the Ministry of Finance, Deputy Director General of the IPRCC Zhang Guangping led a delegation to Brasilia to attend the IFAD's South-South and Triangular Cooperation (SSTC) International Conference. Ms. Zhang attended a seminar on “increasing agricultural production and productivity by improving technology, water resource management, competitiveness and small farmers’ access to the market.” She delivered a speech on how e-commerce has promoted the development of the value chain in poor areas to introduce the role of e-commerce in China in promoting industrial chain development, e-commerce poverty reduction experience and difficulties, and how to give better play to the role of e-commerce in poverty reduction.

On October 9, 2017, which was World Poverty Reduction Day, the IPRCC and IFAD jointly convened an Developing and Sharing Governance Solutions to Reduce Poverty. The forum focused on international and domestic experience and practice pertaining to pro-poor value chain development and discussed the main problems related to these endeavors. The forum invited representatives from relevant ministries, representatives from East Asian countries covered by the IFAD, provincial representatives from IFAD programs in China, provincial representatives from World Bank programs in China, and experts and scholars to participate.



On May 26, 2017, the IPRCC invited IFAD Director for Asia and the Pacific Region Hoonae Kim to participate in the “2017 China Poverty Reduction International Forum” and deliver a speech to introduce the role of inclusive finance in poverty reduction. The forum was themed on “Developing and Sharing Governance Solutions to Reduce Poverty.” More than 100 guests from the State Council Information Office, CIPG, the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP), World Bank, FAO, ADB and IFAD participated. They discussed how to develop poverty reduction cases, share China’s poverty reduction experience and help other developing countries find poverty reduction paths.



During June 3-7, 2018, Vice Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development Ou Qingping visited Rome to promote institutional cooperation with three UN agricultural organizations, including the IFAD, during the 2018 International Seminar on Global Poverty Reduction Partnerships. He spoke with three organizations and made it clear that China will jointly carry out poverty reduction policy study with three organizations, enhance program cooperation, expand the “LGOP + three organizations + developing countries” multilateral cooperation models under the South-South cooperation framework and enhance poverty reduction knowledge sharing. During the meeting, the LGOP and three other organizations jointly issued the “Joint Declaration on Enhancing Partnership, Promoting Knowledge Sharing, Exchanging Cooperation and Realizing Sustainable Development” document.



Hosting relevant training and organizing experience exchange

The “8th China-IFAD South-South Cooperation Workshop and the 9th China-Africa High Level Experience Sharing Program” were held in Beijing and Hunan during August 29-September 4, 2017. The seminars were organized by the IPRCC and co-hosted by the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Commerce, the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP), the IFAD and the World Bank. They were themed on South-South information sharing.



The seminar was meant to promote exchange of China's poverty reduction and social development knowledge and to facilitate the discussion of means of improving poverty reduction strategies and systems in developing countries. Current President of the IFAD Mr. Gilbert Houngbo, Vice Finance Minister Shi Yaobin and Vice Minister Chen Zhigang of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development (LGOP) attended the event.

Carrying out research projects pertaining to poverty reduction innovation

The IPRCC has organized research in various areas. Recent research topics include “the role of e-commerce in industrial value chains in poor areas” and “agricultural industrial value chain and poverty reduction models in poor areas.” The research projects have systematically and comprehensively pursued the study and analysis of the development of agricultural industrial value chains in poor areas in China, especially the driving effect of industrial value chain development on poverty reduction. Preliminary outcomes of the research on “the role of e-commerce in industrial value chains in poor areas” were released at the International Forum on Industrial Value Chain Development and Targeted Poverty Reduction and were well received.



Multidimensional children poverty research, communication and capacity-building in collaboration with UNICEF

The State Council LGOP has cooperated with UNICEF since 2007 to promote research and pilot programs on children poverty and development in order to acknowledge the current childhood poverty situation and improve poverty reduction in rural areas. The task has been shouldered by the IPRCC since 2014. The IPRCC has engaged in a lot of work on the study and training of children poverty reduction and development thus far.



Carrying out relevant research

The IPRCC has completed several research reports, including the Global Research Report on Children Poverty and Differences (Chinese section). It has summarized and studied China's existing policies and measures from the perspective of multidimensional poverty and formulated the "Policy Research Report on Multidimensional Children Poverty in China." It has developed psychological indicators to measure children poverty and development based on a children pilot program in Hubei Province. In 2017, the IPRCC cooperated with UNICEF to carry out "document research on the relationship between children poverty and parental absence" and develop psychological indicators pertaining to children poverty analysis.



Holding training events on children poverty reduction

The IPRCC has held several training events on children poverty reduction for poverty reduction practitioners nationwide. The training events have been held in Beijing; Yichang, Hubei Province; Chengdu, Sichuan Province; and Xichang, Sichuan Province. Training content includes domestic and international poverty reduction theory and practice, the rights and perspectives of children, international experience pertaining to protecting children and poverty reduction, and children poverty reduction practice and experience in China and abroad.



Organizing children poverty reduction forums

The IPRCC has convened two children poverty reduction and development forums. The forums have successfully promoted the results of cooperation with UNICEF, deepened social understanding of children poverty, facilitated the sharing of children development experience, and facilitated pilot work pertaining to poverty reduction and children development. The IPRCC jointly held the "Multidimensional Poverty – Parallel Session on Children's Multidimensional Poverty and Poverty Reduction" event on October 17, 2017 (World Poverty Reduction Day).

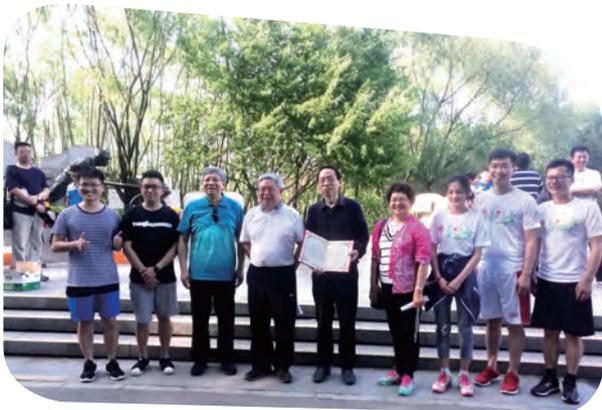


Training the International Poverty Reduction Exchange and Cooperation Team

The IPRCC has taken the international community's requests for information about China's poverty alleviation experience into account and developed informational products to this end. It is very committed to the internationalization of China's poverty reduction experience, the localization of international poverty reduction experience in China, the creation of a poverty reduction and development research network platform, the development of high-quality poverty reduction knowledge and products, and dissemination of information to the public through channels such as the internet.

Organizing team-building activities

The IPRCC has organized many team-building activities with various themes in order to enrich the cultural lives of its staff members, strengthen team cultural development and the spirit of teamwork, enhance communication between employees, stimulate their enthusiasm, and promote high morale and avidness for poverty alleviation.



The IPRCC came in second place at the LGOP's "Healthy Walking" event.



The IPRCC took its employees to visit the former residence of former Vice President of the People's Republic of China Soong Ching-ling during the festival.



The IPRCC carried out a team-building event themed on "Helping to Overcome Poverty and Tackle Key Problems via Job Responsibilities." This mostly consisted of teamwork development training and picking strawberries and vegetables.





◀ The IPRCC organized DIY cake-making activities for its employees during the festival.

The IPRCC has organized many employee training events.

The IPRCC has arranged for its employees to participate in various educational and training activities organized by relevant authorities, organized internal educational exchanges and given full play to the advantages of the international center's work network. It has arranged for its employees to participate in educational, training, exchange and inspection events organized by the Ministry of Commerce, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Finance, the World Bank, the ADB and the IFAD so that they can become more familiar with advanced experiences and improve their professional ability and work efficiency.



The IPRCC has organized teams that conduct trainings in South Africa and the United States pertaining to rural reform and poverty reduction models.

The IPRCC organized its employees as well as staff from local provinces, cities and offices to conduct trainings in South Africa and the United States. Trainees thoroughly investigated the local situation during the program. Participants learned that China's achievements in targeted poverty alleviation theory and practice have been widely recognized by the international community. They vividly express and fully demonstrate China's confidence in its future, its theoretical confidence, its institutional confidence and its cultural confidence. Its poverty reduction endeavors have universal significance for the world and developing countries in particular.





Annual events



Major Events in 2017

February 15-22

The eighth joint inspection team of the poverty alleviation and comprehensive development pilot project for children in poverty-stricken areas in China went to Xuanen County and Luotian County in Hubei Province for on-the-spot inspections.

March 24

Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development Liu Yongfu met with Co-chairman of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Mr. Bill Gates and signed a memorandum of understanding on strategic cooperation. Director of the IPRCC Mr. Zuo Changsheng participated in the event.

April 12-15

The Cooperation Initiative on Poverty Reduction in East Asia conducted foreign training as part of a technical assistance project in Chengdu.

April 19-23

The delegation of the Ministry of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment of Mauritius visited Guangdong Province to investigate China's economic and social development and development-oriented poverty alleviation efforts. Director General of the IPRCC Mr. Zuo Changsheng accompanied the inspection.

May 10-24

The "Seminar on Poverty Reduction through Rural Transportation and Water Resources for Developing Countries in 2017" was held in Beijing and Hubei Province. It was sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce of China and organized by the IPRCC.

May 18-19

The "International Symposium on China's Poverty Alleviation Experience and Experience Sharing in the Countries along the Belt and Road" was held in Beijing. It was co-sponsored by the China International Center for Economic and Technical Exchanges, the IPRCC, the EU Delegation to China and the China Internet News Center and co-organized by the Phase II Office of EU-China Policy Dialogue.

March 21 - April 1

The fourth inspection team of the World Bank's sixth poverty alleviation loan project conducted on-site inspections in Lintao County and Weiyuan County in Gansu Province and Meigu County, Zhaojue County, Butuo County and Jinyang County in Sichuan Province.

April 7 and 11

Deputy Director General of the IPRCC Ms. Zhang Guangping attended and delivered speeches at the launch ceremonies for the World Bank-financed rural poverty alleviation pilot project covering poverty-stricken areas in Guangxi and the rural community development project covering poverty-stricken areas in Shaanxi, respectively.

April 14-28

The "Seminar on Poverty Reduction through Informationization, Filing and Archiving for Developing Countries in 2017" was held in China. It was sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce of the PRC and organized by the IPRCC.

April 23-30

Deputy Director General of the IPRCC Mr. Tan Weiping led a delegation to Switzerland and Italy. The group met with the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and other governmental departments and international agencies.

May 14-18

The fourth inspection team of the World Bank's sixth poverty alleviation loan project carried out on-site inspections in Guizhou Province.

June 21

Director General of the IPRCC Mr. Zuo Changsheng met with wife of the Vice President of the Republic of Ghana Hajja Samira Bawum and her delegation.

July 6-26

The 2017 International Forum on Poverty Alleviation in China – Development and Sharing of Poverty Reduction Governance Program was held in Beijing. The forum was co-organized by China.org.cn, China Development Gateway and Ada Tech (Beijing) Co., Ltd. under the guidance of the State Council Information Office, the China Internet Information Center, the IPRCC, the World Bank, the UN Food and Agriculture Organization and the ADB. Vice Minister of the LGOP Mr. Chen Zhigang attended the forum.

July 14-28

The “Seminar on Targeted Approach to Poverty Reduction and Narrowing Income Gap for Developing Countries in 2017” was held in Beijing and Inner Mongolia. It was sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce of the PRC and organized by the IPRCC.

July 26

The second Lancang-Mekong River Cooperation on Poverty Reduction Joint Working Group session was held in Siem Reap, Cambodia.

August 29

The “8th China-IFAD South-South Cooperation Workshop and the 9th China-Africa High Level Experience Sharing program” were held in Beijing and Hunan Province. They were organized by the IPRCC and co-sponsored by the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Commerce, the LGOP, the IFAD and the World Bank. Vice Minister of the LGOP Mr. Chen Zhigang attended the opening ceremony and delivered a speech.

September 6-7

The Forum on China-Africa Cooperation - Poverty Reduction and Development Conference was successfully held in Mauritius. It was co-sponsored by the LGOP and the Ministry of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment of Mauritius and co-organized by the IPRCC, the Chinese Embassy in Mauritius, and the Mauritian Ministry of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment.

October 9

The “2017 Global Poverty Reduction and Development Forum” was held in Beijing. It was sponsored by the LGOP and the UN System in China and co-organized by the IPRCC and the UNDP Office in China.

October 22-28

Deputy Director General of the IPRCC Mr. Tan Weiren led a delegation to conduct a baseline survey on community poverty reduction cooperation projects in the Philippines and met with the Chinese Embassy in the Philippines and the ADB.

November 7-16

The “2017 Seminar on the Theory and Practice of Rural Development and Poverty Reduction in CICA Member States” was held in Beijing and Sichuan Province. It was sponsored by the IPRCC and co-organized by the Sichuan Provincial Office of Poverty Alleviation and Immigration.

July 6-26

The “Seminar on Poverty Reduction for Bangladesh Government Officials in 2017” was held in Beijing and Jiangxi Province. It was sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce of the PRC and organized by the IPRCC.

July 25-27

The 11th ASEAN-CHINA Forum on Social Development and Poverty Reduction was held in Siem Reap, Cambodia. It was co-sponsored by the LGOP and the Cambodian Ministry of Rural Development, organized by the IPRCC and supported by the ASEAN Secretariat, the ADB and the United Nations Development Program (UNDP).

August 14-20

The “Poverty Reduction Pilot Cooperation in East Asia Technical Assistance Project Training Course” was sponsored by the IPRCC and held in Beijing.

September 1-15

The “2017 Seminar on the Theory and Practice of Rural Development and Poverty Reduction in CICA Member States” was held in Beijing and Hubei Province. It was sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce of the PRC and organized by the IPRCC.

September 15-29

The “Seminar on Small and Medium Enterprises Development and Capacity Building in Poverty Reduction of NGOs for Developing Countries in 2017” was held in Beijing and Yunnan Province. It was sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce of the PRC and organized by the IPRCC.

October 18-22

Deputy Director General of the IPRCC Ms. Zhang Guangping participated in the 5th World Bank field inspection of the Industrial Poverty Alleviation Pilot Project in Poverty-stricken Areas (the World Bank Poverty Alleviation Project Phase VI) in Gulin County and Xuyong County in Luzhou City, Sichuan Province and attended the Sichuan Provincial Inspection Delegation summary meeting.

November 6-8

The “Seminar on Review and Prospects of International Poverty Reduction Research” was held in Haikou City, Hainan Province. It was co-sponsored by the IPRCC and Hainan Provincial Office of Poverty Alleviation.

November 22 - December 1

The “Learning about the Development and Operation of Farmers' Professional Cooperatives, Agricultural Technology Promotion and Community Participation in Small Rural Infrastructure Construction” training course was held in Beijing and Guangxi. It was organized by the IPRCC.

December 15

The third Lancang-Mekong River Cooperation meeting for foreign ministers was held in Dali City, Yunnan Province. Deputy Director of the IPRCC Mr. Tan Weiping attended the meeting as the head of the Lancang-Mekong River Cooperation Working Group on Priority Areas.

December 21

The launch ceremony for China's Demonstration Cooperation Project for Poverty Reduction in Cambodia was held in Swahamp Township, Kandal Province.



Major Events in 2018

January 15

The IPRCC held the World Bank Project Experience Seminar in Beijing.

March 5-9

The 6th ASEAN+3 Village Official Exchange Programme was held in Xishuangbanna Dai Autonomous Prefecture, Yunnan Province. It was sponsored by the IPRCC, co-organized by the International Poverty Alleviation and Development Center of Yunnan Province and the Xishuangbanna Dai Autonomous Prefecture People's Government, and supported by the ASEAN Secretariat, the ADB-PRC Regional Knowledge Sharing Initiative and the UNDP.

March 21

The "Gathering Global Resources, Helping Poverty Reduction and Cooperation, and Building a Lancang-Mekong Community with a Shared Future" Lancang-Mekong River Cooperation and Poverty Reduction seminar was held in Kunming, Yunnan Province. It was co-sponsored by the LGOP General Division and the Yunnan Poverty Alleviation Office and co-organized by the IPRCC and the Yunnan International Center for Poverty Alleviation and Development.

May 14-18

The IPRCC and the World Bank jointly conducted the sixth field inspection of projects in Zunyi, Guizhou Province and held a summary meeting in Chishui on May 18.

May 16

The "Summary Meeting on Pilot Projects for Poverty Alleviation and Comprehensive Development of Children in Poor Areas in China" was held in Wuhan, Hubei Province.

May 23

The IPRCC working group went to Laos, Myanmar and Cambodia to conduct the second inspection of the Pilot Technical Assistance Project for Poverty Reduction in East Asia.

June 3-7

Vice Minister of the LGOP Mr. Ou Qingping led a delegation to Rome, Italy. The group attended the International Seminar on Global Poverty Reduction Partnerships and the 159th Council of the UN Food and Agriculture Organization. Deputy Director General of the IPRCC Ms. Zhang Guangping joined the delegation.

February 1-2

The IPRCC held a working conference covering the World Bank-financed Poverty Alleviation Project Phase VI (i.e. the Industrial Poverty Alleviation Pilot Project in Poverty-stricken Areas) in Nanning, Guangxi.

March 20

The "Technical Assistance Project for Poverty Reduction Pilot Cooperation in East Asia" implementation meeting was held in Kunming, Yunnan Province.

April 22-28

The "Cambodian Ministry of Rural Development Seminar on the Development of Small Enterprises and Poverty Reduction" was held in Hangzhou and Yiwu, Zhejiang Province. It was co-sponsored by the IPRCC and the Cambodian Ministry of Rural Development and organized by the Zhejiang Provincial Poverty Alleviation Office and the Zhejiang University of Finance and Economics.

May 14-19

The IPRCC and the BN Vocational School held a work conference on educational poverty alleviation cooperation projects and the first training course in Beijing for vocational school teachers from Leishan County, Guizhou Province, Weiyuan County, Gansu Province and Shicheng County, Jiangxi Province.

May 23

The IPRCC, the China Internet News Center, the World Bank, the UN Food and Agriculture Organization, the IFAD, the World Food Program, and the ADB jointly organized the "2018 International Forum on Poverty Alleviation in China" in Beijing. Vice Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development Chen Zhigang attended the forum and delivered a speech.

June 26-July 3

Vice Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development Chen Zhigang led a delegation to the Philippines and Myanmar for a working visit. The group attended the 12th ASEAN-CHINA Forum on Social Development and Poverty Reduction, which was co-sponsored by the LGOP and the National Anti-Poverty Committee of the Philippines, and conducted field research on poverty reduction pilot cooperation technical assistance projects in Myanmar.

July 5-19

The “2018 Seminar on Poverty Reduction through Vocational Training and Labor Transfer for Developing Countries” was held in Beijing and Inner Mongolia. It was sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce and organized by the IPCEC.

August 14

2018 FOCAC-Africa-China Poverty Reduction and Development Conference was held in Beijing. Director General of the IPRCC Mr. Zuo Changsheng presided over the closing ceremony of the conference and accompanied more than 60 Chinese and foreign representatives to inspect poverty alleviation work in Bijie City, Guizhou Province on August 15-16.

August 30-31

The “Global Poverty Reduction Case Collection and Award Review Meeting (Tongliao)” was held in Tongliao City, Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region. It was co-sponsored by the IPRCC and China Internet News Center.

September 10-12

The IPRCC held the second “Technical Assistance Project for Poverty Reduction Pilot Cooperation in East Asia” project implementation meeting in 2018 in Chengdu, Sichuan Province.

September 16-29

The “Training on the US Poverty and Social Assistance System” organized by the IPRCC was held in Washington and New York. Eighteen staff members from the LGOP, the IPRCC, and poverty alleviation authorities in Jilin Province and 14 other provinces (autonomous regions and municipalities) participated in the training.

October 12

The second phase of management training for vocational school administrators from Leishan County, Guizhou Province; Weiyuan County, Gansu Province; and Shicheng County, Jiangxi Province was held in Beijing. The IPRCC and the Centennial Vocational School jointly hosted the event.

October 29

“The 10th China-Africa High Level Experience Sharing Program and the 9th China-IFAD South-South Cooperation Workshop” were organized by the IPRCC and co-sponsored by the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Commerce, the LGOP, the World Bank and the IFAD. The seminars were held in Beijing, Guangdong and Guizhou.

December 5

The first “Global Poverty Reduction Cases Collection” case review meeting was held at the China Internet News Center. Deputy Director General of the IPRCC Ms. Zhang Guangping attended the meeting and delivered a speech.

December 13-14

The “International Poverty Reduction and Development Trends” expert seminar co-organized by the IPRCC and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation was held in Beijing.

June 27-29

The 12th ASEAN-CHINA Forum on Social Development and Poverty Reduction was held in Manila, the Philippines. It was co-sponsored by the LGOP and the National Anti-Poverty Committee of the Philippines and co-organized by the IPRCC and the Secretariat of the National Anti-Poverty Committee of the Philippines. Vice Minister of the State Council Leading Group Office of Poverty Alleviation and Development Chen Zhigang attended the meeting.

July 25 - August 7

The “Seminar on Poverty Reduction for Pakistan Government Officials” was held in Beijing and Shaanxi Province. It was sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce and organized by the IPREC.

August 24 - September 7

The Seminar on Poverty Reduction through Industrialization in South Africa (Overseas Training) was held in Mpumalanga Province, South Africa. It was sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce and organized by the IPRCC.

August 31

The 3rd China-Africa Youth Exchange Program on Poverty Reduction and Development was held in Beijing. It was sponsored by the IPRCC and supported by the China Institute for South-South Cooperation in Agriculture (CISSCA) and the UNDP South-South Cooperation Office.

September 10-14

The 7th “ASEAN+3 Village Leaders Official Exchange Programme” was held in Beijing. It was sponsored by the IPRCC and co-organized by the China Institute for South-South Cooperation in Agriculture (CISSCA) .

September 17-21

The IPRCC successfully held the sixth World Bank Project Cooperative Leader Capacity Building Training Course (third phase) in Xining, Qinghai.

October 18 - November 6

The “2018 Seminar on Poverty Reduction for Afghanistan Government Officials” was held in Beijing and Fujian Province. It was sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce and organized by the IPCEC.

November 1

Deputy Director General of the IPRCC Ms. Zhang Guangping received a delegation of Japanese media workers headed by Katshiro Hiroyuki and conducted friendly exchanges based on the “Poverty Alleviation, Beautiful Countryside” theme.

December 12-13

The 3rd Joint Working Group on Lancang-Mekong River Cooperation and Poverty Reduction meeting and Poverty Reduction Cooperation Initiative in East Asia workshop were co-sponsored by the LGOP General Division and the Rural Development and Cooperative Department of the Lao Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, co-organized by the IPRCC and held in Vientiane, Laos.



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