Current Reform and Development of Urbanization in China

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I. Urbanization plays a significant role in China's economic development.
II. Factors driving and hindering urban development in China.
III. Reform and development outlined in the "National Modern Urbanization Plan"
IV. Possible areas of urbanization cooperation in Asia-Pacific
• status quo of China’s urbanization

· Urbanization rate: 53.7%
· Urban population: 730 million
· Cities: 658
· Towns: 19000

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Significant Role

- Transfer of rural labor
- Expanding of domestic demand
- Development of service industry
- Adjustment of spatial pattern
- Increase of economy
**Crucial Stage**

*Former extensive expansion approach*

- Cheap land
- Cheap labor
- Low environmental cost

Problems confronting Chinese urbanization:

- Out of access to the same public services
- Too much attention on cities, appearances
- Waste of resources
- Reliant on the income of land sale

*Low cost, imbalanced, unsustainable mode*

Transformation and upgrading
Promising Blueprint

- Package of reforms to be conducted
- Cultural continuity
- Macro-level city layout to be optimized

National Urbanization Plan

- People's rights at the center
- Modern urbanization, new-type industrialization, IT application and agricultural modernization to be integrated
- Macro-level city layout to be integrated

Implementation Focus

Innovative development

- Green development
- Low-carbon development
- Smart development
- Financially sustainable development
- More balanced development among different sized cities

Economic Reform

1. Household registration system
2. Land reform
3. Administrative system in setting up new cities
4. Tax, revenue and investment system

Expected effects

1. Urban infrastructure investment
2. Long-term consumption mode
3. Industrial workers with more training
4. Booming service sectors
Cooperation Proposal

1. Conduct further study
2. Carry out training programs
3. Organize forums and policy dialogues
4. Disseminate cooperation programs
5. Set up special fund
6. Promote sister city plan

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