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SINGAPORE CONCLUDES SIXTH JOINT IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE MEETING FOR THE CHINA-SINGAPORE (CHONGQING) DEMONSTRATION INITIATIVE ON STRATEGIC CONNECTIVITY

1. The sixth Joint Implementation Committee (JIC) Meeting for the China-Singapore (Chongqing) Demonstration Initiative on Strategic Connectivity (CCI) was held via videoconference today. The meeting was co-chaired by Minister for Manpower and Second Minister for Home Affairs Josephine Teo and Chongqing Mayor Tang Liangzhi. Minister of State (Prime Minister's Office and Ministry of National Development) Tan Kiat How also attended the JIC Meeting.
2. The co-chairs reaffirmed the good progress achieved by the CCI since its launch and deliberated on its next steps. The meeting also endorsed the CCI Overall Blueprint, which serves as a framework for Singapore and Chongqing's cooperation from 2021-2025, with a further outlook to 2035. The CCI Overall Blueprint charts the way forward not just for the CCI's four priority sectors (Financial Services, Aviation, Transport and Logistics, and Information and Communications Technology) but also in other areas, such as healthcare, education, and tourism.
3. Mrs Teo and Mr Tang also discussed how the CCI has progressed since it was first established and now embodies an all-rounded partnership that evolves with the times. The co-chairs further acknowledged the importance of the CCI-New International Land-Sea Trade Corridor (CCI-ILSTC) in allowing both sides to harness shifts in global supply chains and deepen regional connectivity. Singapore and Chongqing will continue to seek new areas of cooperation to bring benefits to our businesses and people.
4. Mrs Teo said, "Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, the CCI has demonstrated how both Singapore and Chongqing can work together to turn challenges into opportunities to strengthen our cooperation. I am confident that the mutual trust between both sides will continue to deepen, thereby allowing our businesses and people to prosper."
5. Seven Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) were also signed among various organisations at the meeting. The MOUs focus on collaboration in areas such as agricultural exports, cold chain logistics, research and development, and people-to-people exchanges. The signing of the MOUs was witnessed by Mrs Teo, Mr Tan, and Mr Tang.

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Annex A : Photo of the Sixth Joint Implementation Committee (JIC) Meeting for the China-Singapore (Chongqing) Demonstration Initiative on Strategic Connectivity (CCI)

Annex B : Photos of the MOU Signing Ceremony

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Caption: Minister for Manpower and Second Minister for Home Affairs Josephine Teo and Chongqing Mayor Tang Liangzhi co-chaired the sixth CCI-JIC Meeting, which was held via videoconference.

Annex B: Photos of the MOU Signing Ceremony



Caption: At the Meeting, seven Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) were signed.



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