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CLP's "Power the Youth Expedition" Brings Hong Kong Students to Zhanhuang, Hebei for Energy Study and National Education

CLP Holdings Limited (CLP) successfully organised the "Power the Youth Expedition" study tour to Hebei from 30 June to 4 July 2026. Following the earlier visit of students from Hebei Zhanhuang Middle School to Hong Kong, 23 teachers and students from Hong Kong Kiangsu-Chekiang College visited Guangdong, Beijing, and Hebei. Through the exploration of low-carbon energy, cutting-edge technology, traditional culture and history, participants deepened their understanding of new quality productive forces and cultivated a stronger sense of national identity. The tour was supported by the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council and the People's Government of Zhanhuang County in Hebei Province.

Focusing on the theme of "Understanding New Quality Productive Forces, Strengthening National Belonging", the first stop of the study tour brought the students to the Daya Bay Nuclear Power Station in Guangdong Province, the first large-scale commercial nuclear power station on the Chinese Mainland. CLP jointly invested and established the Daya Bay Nuclear Power Station in 1985. It is the largest signature joint venture project launched during the initial stage of the reform and opening up. Today, 80% of its output is supplied to Hong Kong, meeting a quarter of Hong Kong's demand with safe, reliable, and non-carbon energy at stable price. At the Daya Bay Nuclear Power Science and Technology Museum, the students learnt about the history of nuclear energy development and gained insights into its role in addressing climate change as well as supporting the nation's "dual carbon" goals.

The second leg took the group to Beijing, where the students visited the capital's cultural landmarks, including the Forbidden City, the Temple of Heaven, and Laoshe Teahouse. They learnt the urban development strategies and the importance of the Mainland-Hong Kong connection when visiting Beijing Planning Exhibition Hall and the Beijing Office of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government respectively. At the China Space Museum and Xiaomi Auto Factory, they gained first-hand knowledge of advanced technologies. Viewing through the lens of the national 15th Five-Year Plan, the visits underscored Beijing's robust momentum in driving intelligent and green transformation forged by new quality productive forces.

At the core of this study tour, Zanhuang County in Hebei Province welcomed the Hong Kong students as "old friends". Earlier this year, CLP facilitated the sister schools agreement between Hebei Zanhuang Middle School and Kiangsu-Chekiang College in Hong Kong. Months later, students from both schools reunited to experience the intangible cultural heritage of lacquer fan making, further deepening their ties. The Kiangsu-Chekiang College students also visited the Yuancun Intangible Cultural Heritage Workshop for traditional cloth weaving, explored rural vitalisation at the patriotic education base Niushangou village, and learnt from history at the Xibaipo Memorial.

CLP Power Chief Corporate Development Officer Ms Quince Chong said, "CLP leverages its expertise in the energy sector to establish the 'Power the Youth Expedition' as a flagship programme, integrating energy study and national education. The programme aligns with the national strategy of 'new quality productive forces' while carrying a dual mission: exploring both cultural and energy origins. This cross-regional journey enables Hong Kong youth to understand the contributions of low-carbon energy and the strategic objectives of the nation's 15th Five-Year Plan. The experience empowers youth to pursue their aspirations with a strong sense of national identity and pride."

Ms Chong added that CLP has extended the deep exchanges fostered by the study tour to launch "CLP Inspire" Programme, an educational support initiative at Zanhuang. This year, CLP funds improvements to the boarding facilities at Zanhuang Middle School to enhance students' learning and living conditions.

Kiangsu-Chekiang College Principal Mr Fong Chung Lun said, "This return visit is not merely a study tour but a continuation and deepening of the friendship between students. Through on-site visits, students have gained a more comprehensive understanding of the nation's green technologies and cultural heritage." He reaffirmed the commitment to leveraging the sister-school platform for ongoing exchanges and resource sharing.

Hebei Zanhuang Middle School Principal Mr Ren Jianyin expressed gratitude to CLP for facilitating the exchange and for funding improvements to the school premises. He said, "From the March visit of our school's teachers and students to Hong Kong to the current return visit, the 'Power the Youth Expedition' has become a vital bridge connecting the students from both schools. Through exchanges spanning energy, culture, and history, students have deepened mutual understanding and built a sense of shared identity, which has a profound significance in their personal growth and national identity."

Student Ethan Chan from Kiangsu-Chekiang College said, “Seeing how nuclear energy is safely and efficiently converted into clean electricity at Daya Bay Nuclear Power Station made me realise that new quality productive forces are a tangible driver of social progress. At Xibaipo, I gained appreciation of the historical significance behind the phrase ‘New China was born here’ and a deeper understanding of the hard-won prosperity the country enjoys today.” Student Shi Tianbei from Zanhuang Middle School said, “Reuniting with Hong Kong peers after several months was especially heartwarming, as we exchanged views on our studies and life and talked about our ambitions.” She noted that such two-way exchanges are valuable and highly motivating, encouraging them to move forward together towards a bright future.

Launched in 2025, the Power the Youth Expedition leverages CLP’s expertise and experience in the energy sector, creating a cross-regional and interdisciplinary learning platform for students from Hong Kong and the Mainland. It adopts the tripartite collaboration model involving government, enterprise, and schools. Integrating green technology, cultural heritage, and national education, the programme aims to nurture a new generation with a strong sense of national identity and global vision.

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Photo Captions

Photos 1 & 2



Students participating in CLP's "Power the Youth Expedition" visit the Daya Bay Nuclear Power Science and Technology Museum to discover the significance of nuclear energy in decarbonisation.

Photos 3, 4, 5 & 6



At the Forbidden City, Zanhuan Yuancun Intangible Cultural Heritage Workshop, the China Space Museum, and the Xiaomi Auto Factory, the students connect with traditional culture and envision the future.

Photo 7



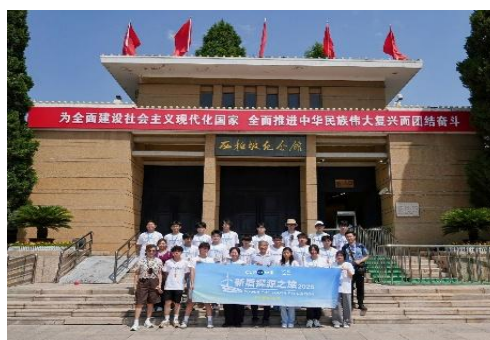
At the Beijing Office of the HKSAR Government, Deputy Director Enoch Yuen (third from left) engages with students, explaining how the Office serves as a vital bridge between Hong Kong and the Mainland.

Photos 8 & 9



CLP Power Chief Corporate Development Officer Ms Quince Chong poses with teachers and students from the two sister schools outside Zanhuang Middle School before joining them to make intangible cultural heritage lacquer fans.

Photos 10 & 11



Travelling from the Lion Rock to the Taihang Mountains, Hong Kong students cultivate national pride through nature and history exploration at Niushangou village and Xibaipo.

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