



Climate Change

—From China's Perspective



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- **Different conferences but with one theme**
- **Diversified participants but with joint efforts**

—— **Climate Change**



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- A global climate campaign is taking shape
- China has already found its part to play



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I . China's view towards climate change

II . China's efforts and achievements

III . China's proposition to COP15



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I. How does China look at the climate issue?



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China regards Climate change as:

- One of the most serious challenges in the 21st century, which not only affects the development of the global economy, but also the very existence of all human beings.



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i **Developed countries——**

- the major contributor to the global warming
- Stronger capability in terms of more sufficient funds and advanced technology
- **Should live up to its responsibilities and play a leading role**
- **With the aim to improve the capacity of international community as a whole**



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- **ii To build a resource-conserving and environment-friendly society**
- Appropriately handle the relationship between development issue and climate issue



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iii Technology innovation + **Technology transfer**

- Effective employment of the existing low-carbon technologies,
- The most efficient way to make full use of the current technological achievements



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iv **Massive participation**

A mechanism featured with government guidance, enterprise participation and market operation, together with public awareness



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II. What has China done in addressing Climate change?



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- **1995** to transform the economic mode
- **21st Century** to head for a **sustainable development**
- **2005** to reduce the per unit GDP energy consumption by **20 percent** in 2010
- **2007** **National Climate Change Program**
- **2008** **White Paper On Climate Change**
- **2009** **Position Paper on COP15**



- Between 2006 and 2008
 - closed inefficient **thermal power** plants with a total capacity of **34.21GW**
 - closed **6028** small **coal mines**

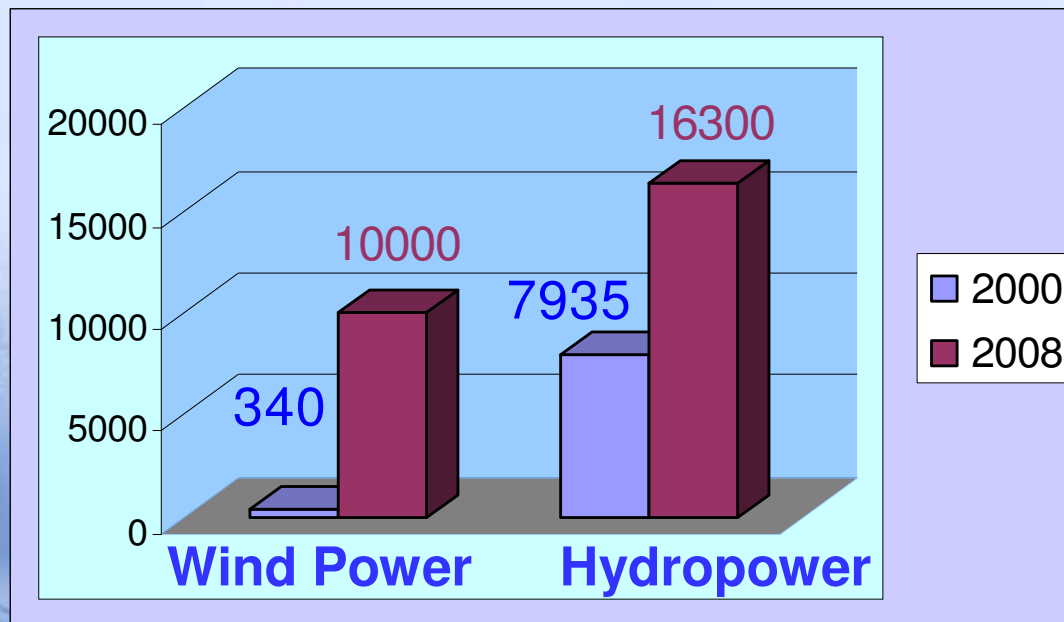


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- The renewable energy consumed in 2007 contributes to an emission reduction of 500 million tons of CO₂.



Unit: MW



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- **China's GDP of 2007 = 12 times of 1980, GDP energy consumption per unit ↓ 60%**
- **4-trillion-yuan financial stimulus package, 350 billion was donated into environmental and climate related industries**



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- China always maintains a **positive and constructive attitude** in international cooperation and actively participates in international negotiations.



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- **China today is ——**
 - **a determined supporter**
 - **a positive contributor**
 - **an active player**
 - **in the climate campaign**



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III. What are China's propositions regarding to COP15 ?



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- **i Full confidence towards COP15**
 - Global economic crisis ——both Challenges and Opportunities.
 - To address Climate issue also presents an additional option to tackle the economic crisis



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- **ii Stick up to the existing framework**
- **UNFCCC and Kyoto Protocol**
- Principle of “common but differentiated responsibilities”



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■ **iii To take concrete actions**

- Developed countries as a whole, shall reduce GHG emissions by at least **40%** below 1990 levels by 2020
 - Obligation in assistance to the developing countries
- Developing countries to take appropriate mitigation and adaptation actions at a national level



■ iv To promote dialogue and cooperative atmosphere

- Dialogue based on equality, and cooperation featured in mutual benefits ——to avoid contradictions and confrontations in the process of negotiation



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- **To enhance the good momentum of cooperation at all levels and promote political consensus**



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