

Recent development of uranium industry in China

——Demand and Supply

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Importance of nuclear energy

- China's economy is still the second largest.
- The generation and consumption of electricity will expand undoubtedly.
- nuclear industry is very important from the economic, social development and national energy security sides.
- objective : the consumption of the non-fossil energy accounts for about **15%** of primary energy by 2020.

Actions taken after Fukushima accident

- There hasn't been any radiation death accident, level 2 or higher nuclear power plant accident.
- Security level has been set higher to new nuclear power plants.
- Important strategic period for China's nuclear development after Fukushima accident.
- **Continue to see growth in the nuclear industry in China,** nuclear is still needed for increased supply of electricity and adjustment of energy structure;
- **Move more cautiously**
 - Began to take the nuclear and radiation safety issues even more seriously;
 - Progressed nuclear safety checks on all operating facilities and projects under construction nationwide;
 - Related regulations has been improved, 《Twelfth Five Plan of Nuclear Safety and Radioactive Pollution Protection and Prospective Goal for 2020》 was passed by State Council on June 4th, 2012.

➤ Government's nuclear power program

The total capacity of nuclear power plants will reach **40GWe** by the end of 2020, while the other **18GWe** is under construction.

➤ Nuclear Power Development

- **15** nuclear reactors currently in operation, with a capacity of **11.88GWe**, accounting for **1.22%** of China's total capacity of electricity.
- Additional **26** units, with the capacity of **29.89GWe** are under construction.
- Reach **40.94Gwe** by 2015.



Sources from <http://www.cec.org.cn/>

Nuclear Power Plants in Operation

Index	Name of Nuclear Power Plant	Reactor	Capacity MWe	Construction	Operation	
1	Qingshan I	PWR	320	1985-3-21	1991-4-1	
2	Daya Bay	No. 1	PWR	984	1987-8-7	1994-2-1
		No. 2	PWR	984	1988-4-7	1994-5-6
3	Qingshan II	No. 1	PWR	650	1996-6-2	2002-4-15
			PWR	650	2006-4-28	2010-10-5
		No. 2	PWR	650	1997-4-1	2004-5-3
			PWR	650	2007-1-29	2011-11-25
4	Ling'ao I	No. 1	PWR	990	1997-5-15	2002-5-28
		No. 2	PWR	990	1997-11-28	2003-1-8
	Ling'ao II	No. 3	PWR	1080	2006-6-15	2010-8-7
		No. 4	PWR	1080	2006-6-15	2011
5	Qingshan III	No. 1	HWR	728	1998-6-8	2002-12-31
		No. 2	HWR	728	1998-9-25	2003-7-24
6	Tianwan	No. 1	PWR	1060	1999-10-20	2007-5-17
		No. 2	PWR	1060	2000-9-20	2007-8-16
Total Installed Capacity of 15 Units, MWe			11880	5		



Nuclear Power Plants under Construction

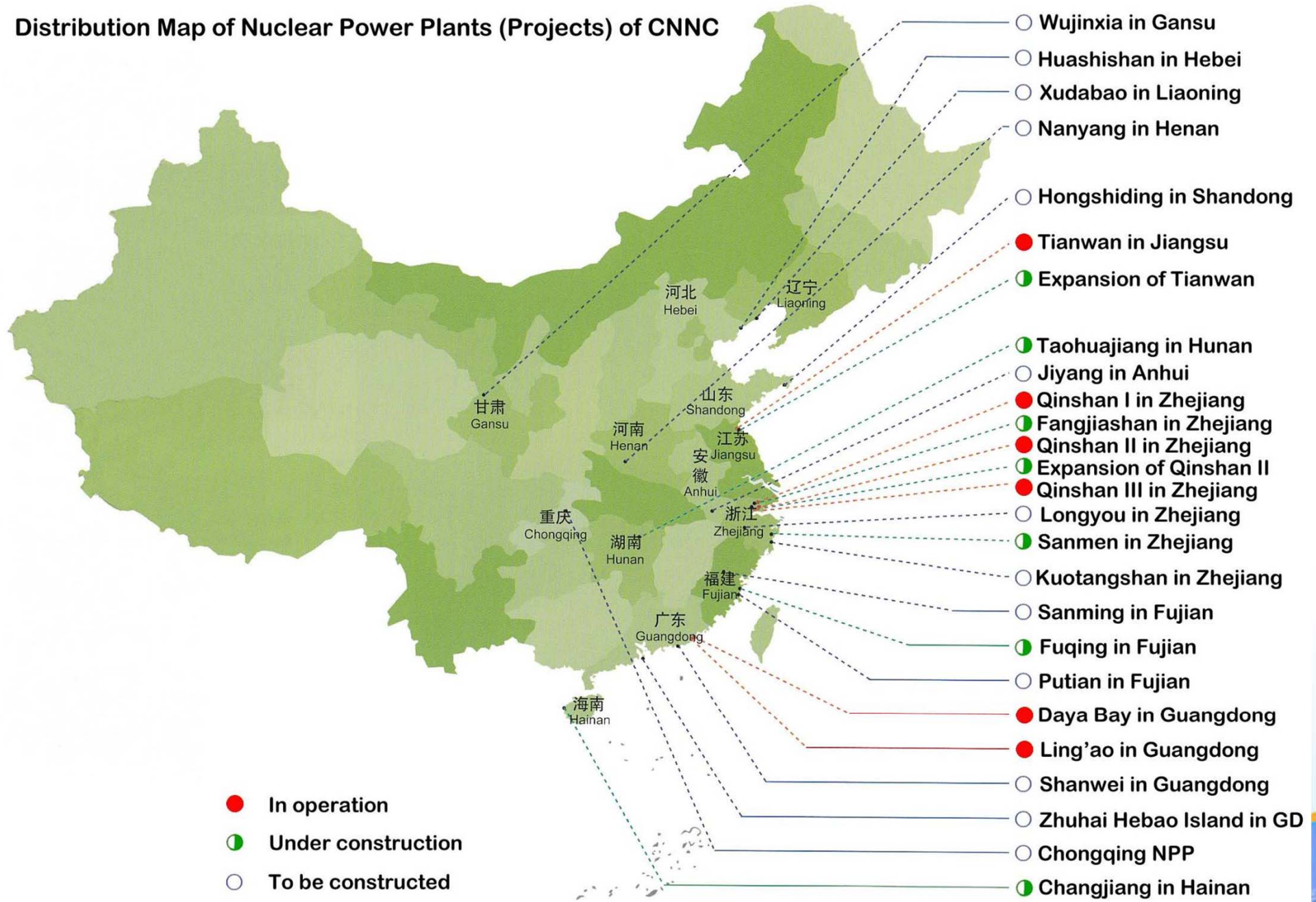
Index	Province	Name of Nuclear Power Plant		Reactor	Construction	Capacity, MWe
1	Liaoning	Hongyianhe	No. 1	CPR PWR	2007-8-18	1080
2	Fujian	Ningde	No. 1	CPR PWR	2008-2-18	1080
3	Liaoning	Hongyianhe	No. 2	CPR PWR	2008-3-28	1080
4	Fujian	Ningde	No. 2	CPR PWR	2008-11-3	1080
5	Fujian	Fuqing	No. 1	PWR II	2008-11-21	1080
6	Guangdong	Yangjiang	No. 1	CPR PWR	2008-12-16	1080
7	Zhejiang	Fangjiashan	No. 1	PWR II	2008-12-26	1080
8	Liaoning	Hongyianhe	No. 3	CPR PWR	2009-3-7	1080
9	Zhejiang	Sanmen	No. 1	AP1000 PWR	2009-4-19	1250
10	Guangdong	Yangjiang	No. 2	CPR PWR	2009-6-5	1080
11	Fujian	Fuqing	No. 2	PWR II	2009-6-17	1080
12	Zhejiang	Fangjiashan	No. 2	PWR II	2009-7-17	1080
13	Liaoning	Hongyianhe	No. 4	CPR PWR	2009-8-15	1080

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14	Zhejiang	Sanmen	No. 2	AP1000 PWR	2009-12-15	1250
15	Guangdong	Taishan	No. 1	EPR PWR	2009-12-21	1750
16	Shandong	Haiyang	No. 1	AP1000 PWR	2009-12-28	1250
17	Fujian	Ningde	No. 3	CPR PWR	2010-1-8	1080
18	Guangdong	Taishan	No. 2	EPR PWR	2010-4-15	1750
19	Hainan	Changjiang	No. 1	PWR II	2010-4-25	650
20	Shandong	Haiyang	No. 2	AP1000 PWR	2010-6-20	1250
21	Guangxi	Fangchenggang	No. 1	CPR PWR	2010-7-30	1080
22	Fujian	Ningde	No. 4	CPR PWR	2010-9-29	1080
23	Guangdong	Yangjiang	No. 3	CPR PWR	2010-11-15	1080
24	Hainan	Changjiang	No. 2	PWR II	2010-11-21	650
25	Guangxi	Fangchenggang	No. 2	CPR PWR	2010-12-28	1080
26	Fujian	Fuqing	No. 3	PWR II	2010-12-31	1080
Total Units		26		Total Installed Capacity, MWe		30970

Sources from Mr. Zhang Huazhu's "The achievements and Prospection of China Nuclear Power Development" in Defence Science & Technology Industry (No. 4 in 2011)

Distribution Map of Nuclear Power Plants (Projects) of CNNC

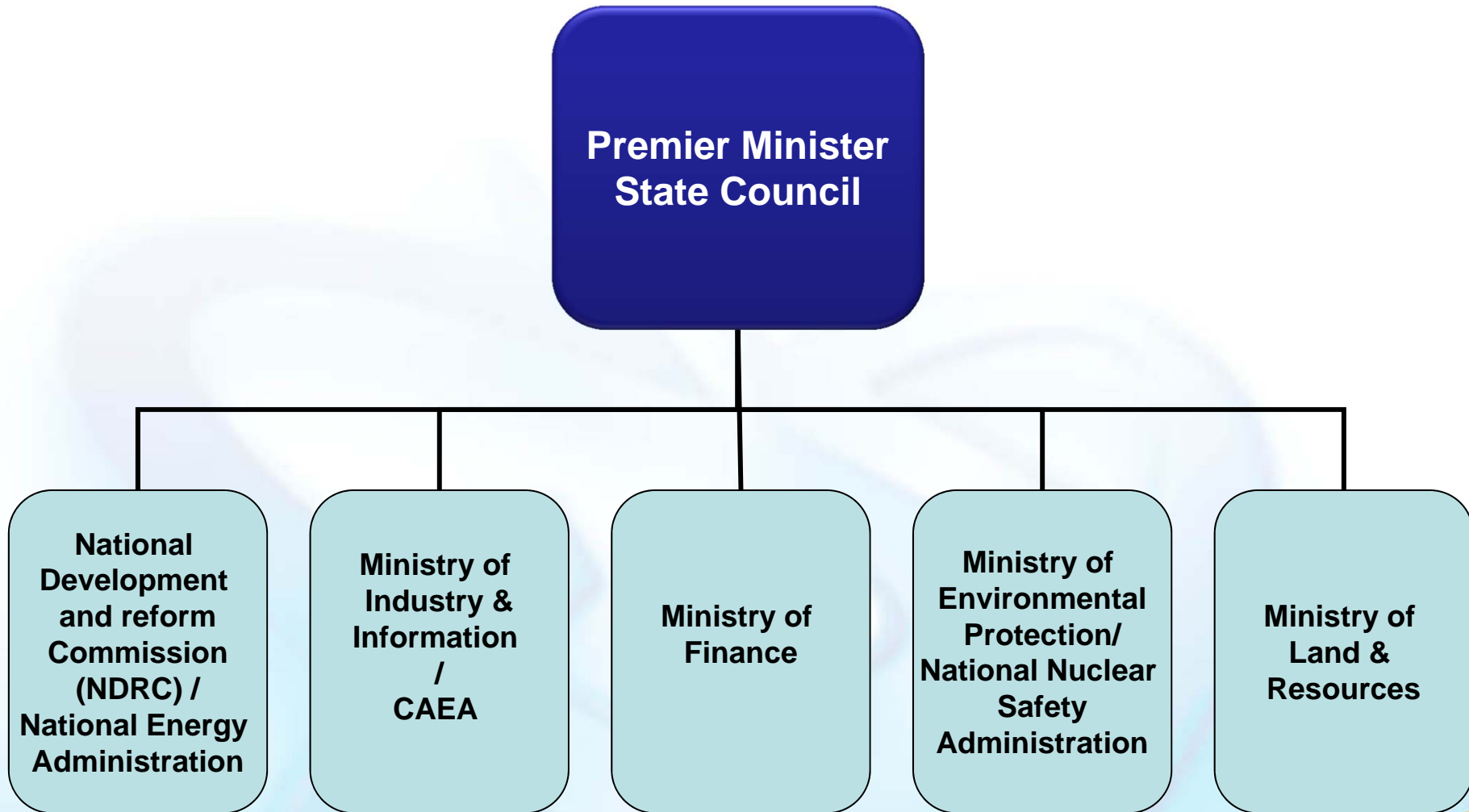


U Demand and Supply

- Significant growth in nuclear capacity and uranium demand is anticipated, demand for uranium is expected to **continue to rise** for the foreseeable future.
- Based on the preliminary calculation, the uranium requirements will be **8,200tU** in 2020.
- “Facing Two Markets and Using of Two kinds of Resources” policy has been taken by Chinese government. Uranium supply will be guaranteed through three main channels, **domestic production**, **overseas exploitation** and **international trade**.



Related Government Agencies



Domestic U Industry

All the domestic uranium production centers are carried out by China National Nuclear Corporation. It's a 100% state owned company which also engages in overseas projects.

100% State
Owned Company

**China National
Nuclear
Corporation(CNNC)**

Controls all the
domestic projects
inside China

**Dept. of Mining &
Geology , CNNC**

Wholly owned
subsidiaries of
CNNC

**Bureau of
Geology
(BOG)**

**China
Nuclear
Uranium
Corporation
(CNUC)**

**China
Uranium
Corporation
Ltd.(CUC)**

Domestic U Resources

- Over **90%** of domestic uranium deposits were discovered by BOG.
- Granite type, volcanic rock type, sandstone type, black shale type- **4 types** of uranium deposits account for over **90%** of the proved reserves.
- More financial input and actual works, domestic uranium prospecting and exploration has been intensified and increased. **2.6 million meters** total drilling footage during 11th five-year plan (2006-2010).
- China has great potential for uranium resources. **1.2 -1.7 million tonnes** potential uranium resources are predicted.
- Uranium resource in China totalled **221500tU** according to the latest data, as listed in the following table.

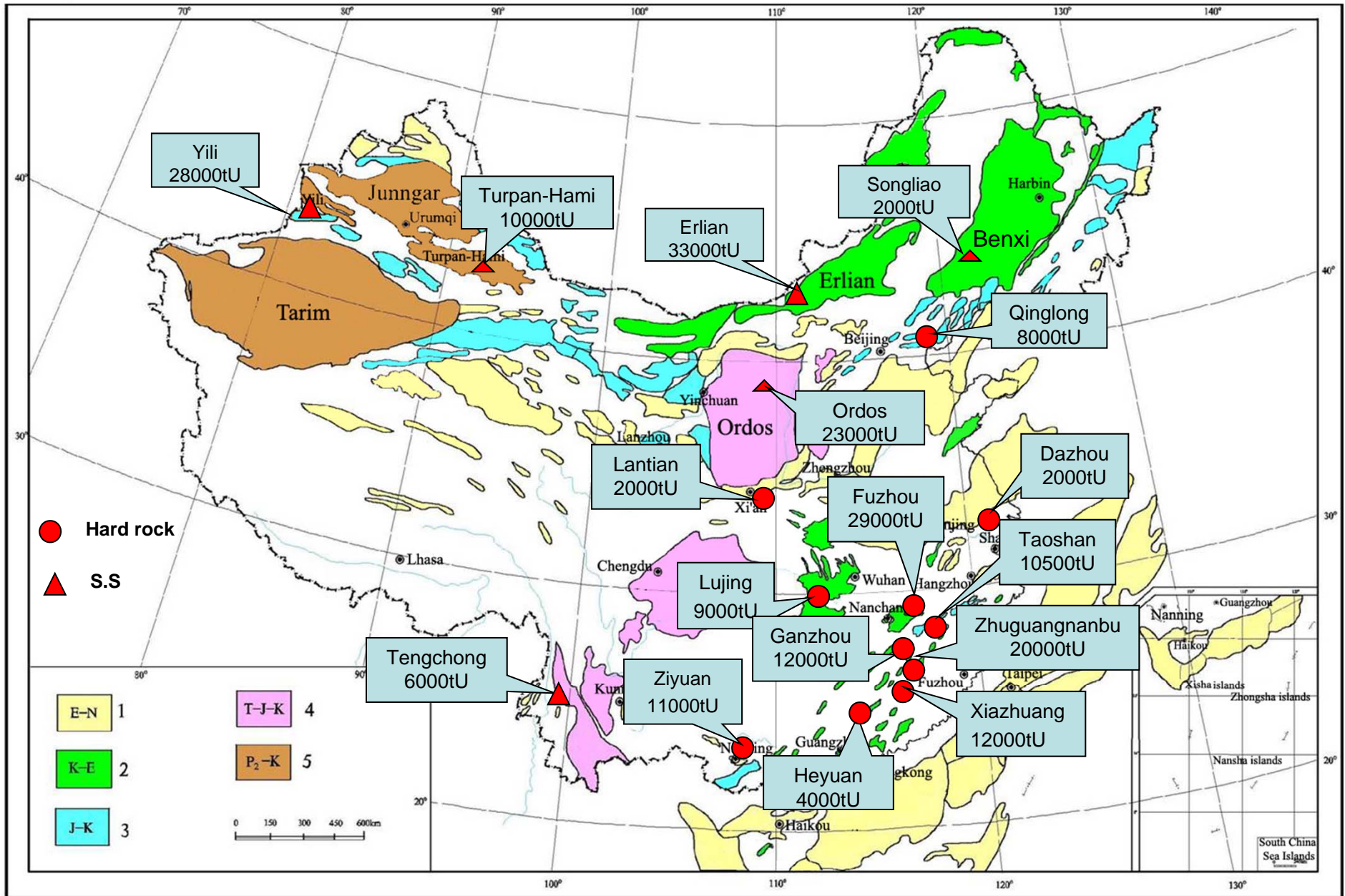
Domestic U Resources

NO.	Location(provinces +places/name)		tU
1	Jiangxi	Xiangshan	29000
		Ganzhou	12000
		Taoshan	10500
2	Guangdong	Xiazhuang	12000
		Zhuguangnanbu	20000
		Heyuan	4000
3	Hunan	Lujing	9000
4	Guangxi	Ziyuan	11000
5	Xinjiang	Yili	28000
		Turpan-Hami	10000
6	Inner Mongolia.	Erdos	23000
		Erlian	33000
		Songliao	2000
7	Hebei	Qinglong	8000
8	Yunnan	Tengchong	6000
9	Shanxi	Lantian	2000
10	Zhejiang	Dazhou	2000
Total			221500

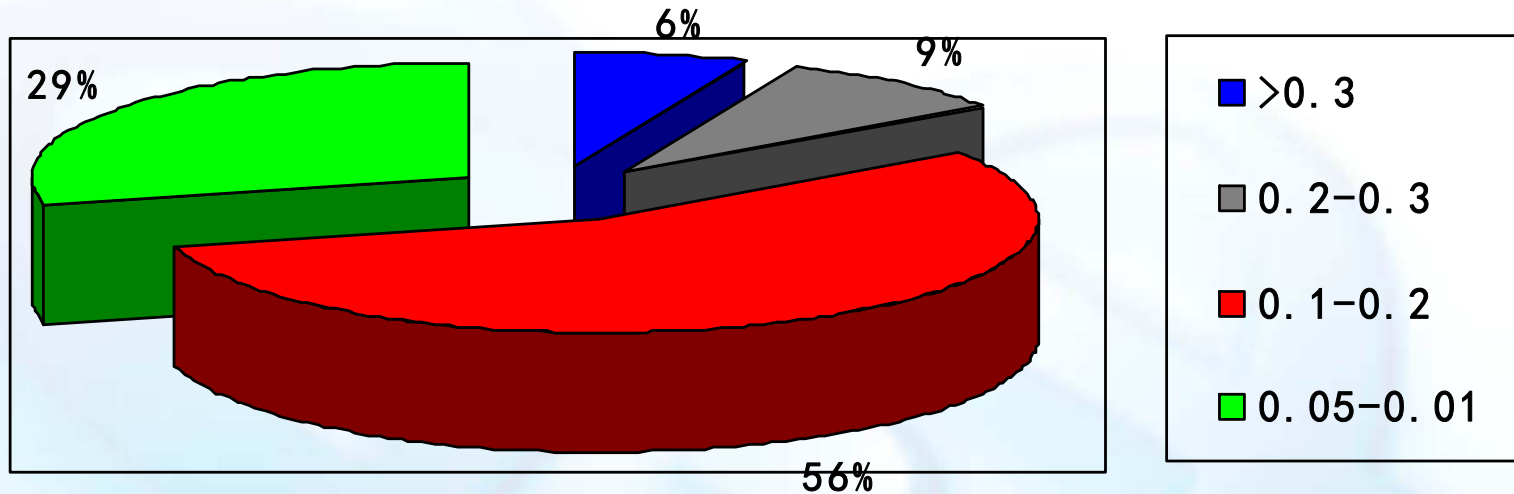
Identified conventional resources 221500tU(RAR+IR) in China



Major U Deposits

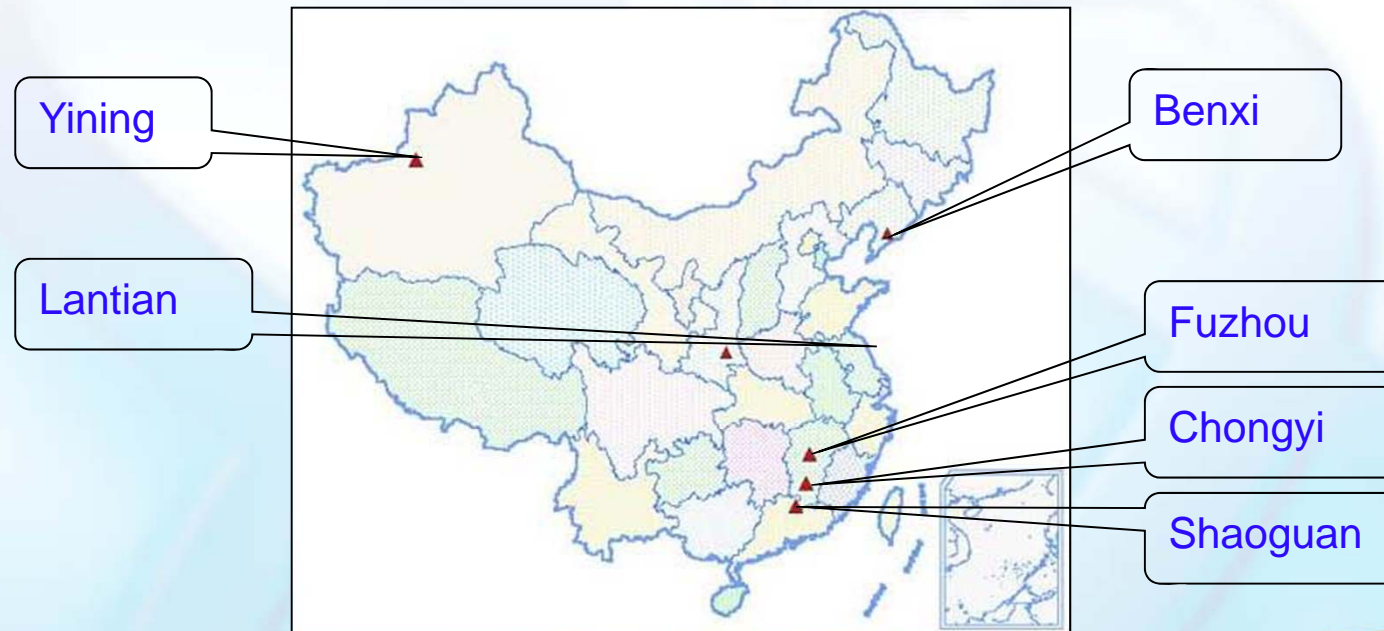


The grade character of uranium resources in China (%)



Domestic U Production

- The domestic uranium mining of the whole country is carried out by CNNC through its subsidiary, China Nuclear Uranium Corporation.
- Six production centres, **Fuzhou** and **Chongyi** in Jiangxi of East China, **Lantian** in Shaanxi of Central China, **Benxi** in Liaoning of Northeast China, **Shaoguan** in Guangdong of South China and **Yining** in Xinjiang of Northwest China.



Location of the uranium production centres

U Production Centers

	Centre #1	Centre #2	Centre #3	Centre #4
Name of production centre	Fuzhou	Chongyi	Yining	Lantian
centre classification	existing committed	existing	existing	existing
Date of first production (year)	1966	1979	1993	1993
Source of ore: ‣Deposit names(s) ‣Deposit type(s) ‣Recoverable resources (tU) ‣Grade (% U)	Volcanic	Granite	Deposit 512 Sandstone	Lantian Granite
Mining operation: ‣Type (OP/UG/ISL) ‣Size (tonnes ore/day) ‣Average mining recovery (%)	UG 700 92	UG 400 90	ISL NA NA	UG 200 80
Processing plant: ‣Acid/Alkaline ‣Type (IX/SX) ‣Size (tonnes ore/day) For ISL (mega or kilolitre/day or litre/hour, specify) ‣Average process recovery (%)	Conventional Acid IX 700 90	Heap Leach Acid IX 350 84	Acid IX NA NA	Heap Leach Acid IX NA 90
Nominal production capacity (tU/year)	350	150	330	100
Plans for expansion (Yes/No)	Yes	Yes	Yes	NA
Other remarks	Expansion to 500 tU/a	Expansion to 300 tU/a	Expansion To 500 tU/a	

U Production Centers

	Centre #5		Centre #6
Name of production centre	Benxi		Shaoguan
Production centre classification	existing	existing	existing
Date of first production (year)	1996	2007	
Source of ore: †Deposit names(s) †Deposit type(s) †Recoverable resources (tU) †Grade (% U)	Benxi Granite	Qinglong Volcanic	Granite
Mining operation: †Type (OP/UG/ISL) †Size (tonnes ore/day) †Average mining recovery (%)	UG 100 85	UG 200 85	UG 500 90
Processing plant: †Acid/Alkaline †Type (IX/SX) †Size (tonnes ore/day) For ISL (mega or kilolitre/day or litre/hour, specify) †Average process recovery (%)	Acid SX NA 90	IX NA 96	Acid SX NA 90
Nominal production capacity (tU/year)	120	100	200
Plans for expansion (Yes/No)	NA	NA	NA
Other remarks			19



Qinglong uranium Mine

Qinglong uranium mine of Benxi production centre had reached its full capacity since 2009 for building up coverings to keep the heaps warm in the cold Winter of Northeast China.

ISL in Yining, Xinjiang



Fuzhou Mine & Mill



- China is one of the world's largest potential markets of uranium. Only **two companies** has the authorization of importing uranium, China Nuclear Energy Industry Corporation (CNEIC), subsidiary of CNNC, and CGNPC Nuclear Fuel Co., Ltd, subsidiary of China Guangdong Nuclear Power Corporation(CGNPC).
- CNEIC signed a long term uranium supply contract with Cameco Inc. on June 24, 2010 for total **10 000tU** supply in 10 years.
- CNEIC signed a long term uranium supply contract with KAZATOMPROM on February 21, 2011 for total **30 000tU** supply from 2011 to 2020.

Sources from [http:// www.cneic.com.cn/](http://www.cneic.com.cn/)



- **China's ST & MT needs are well covered by inventories & contracts, LT remains very promising.**
- **Chinese companies began to search opportunities for oversea uranium development, at the beginning of the 21st century.**
 - CNNC has been searching for projects in Africa, Asia, Australia and other areas;
 - CGNPC engages projects in Irkol mine Kazakhstan, Rossing South, Namibia;
 - Sino steel & CGNPC also cooperate on projects in Australia.

China Uranium Corporation Ltd. (CUC)-Oversea uranium resources development platform for CNNC.

- One operating mine- Societé Des Mines D' Azelik, in Niger;
- Two prospecting projects in Namibia and Zimbabwe;
- One project in Mongolia;
- searching for opportunities in other promising regions.

Azelik Project in Niger

- the first overseas uranium project of China
- Mining License, Nov 2007
- Mine life, 20yrs
- 700 tU/yr
- Opening ceremony of testing production was held on March 17, 2011



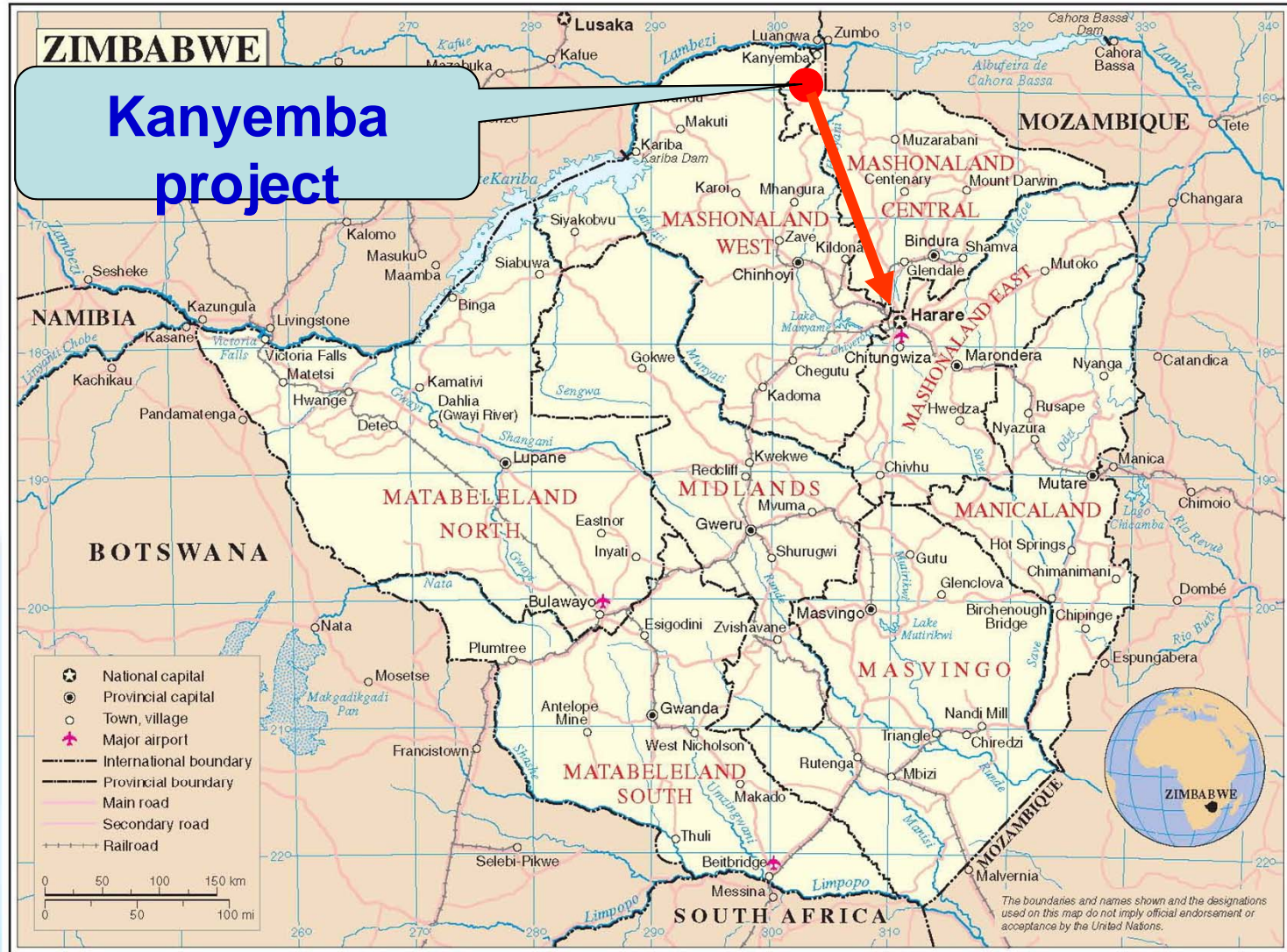
Exploration Projects in Africa

project	Namibia	Zimbabwe
General information	Operated by Zhonghe Resources (Namibia) Development (Pty) Ltd., 58% of which is owned by CUC, 42% is owned by a local company.	Operated by Afri-Sino Mining Resources Ltd., 42% of which is owned by CUC. Another Chinese company owns 28%, 30% is owned by a local company.
Project Location	Located in the midwest of Namibia, 200km away from Windhoek, the capital of Namibia, 110km apart from Walvis bay, the biggest deepwater harbor in Africa.	310km away from Harare, the capital of Zimbabwe, near the Mozambique and Zambia border. Has an area of 3450 km ² .
prospecting potential	A great potential in the surrounding and deep of one deposit, indicating good prospecting potential in the project area.	Indicates big prospecting potential.



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- Lack of experience;
- Costs of production have increased, while market prices have declined;
- Challenging and lengthy regulatory requirements and processes;
- Infrastructure and labour issues in developing countries.

- **China's increasing engagement in the global mining industry**
 - World important uranium producer in the future;
 - Joint Venture might be a better option.
- **Play important role in social Responsibilities**
 - Priority to health and safety;
 - Responsible and respectful of the people and the environment;
 - Remediate the mining sites;
 - Improve the local social and economic fabric.

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