



Xuhang farmers kick off the harvest season

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XUZHANG Town in Shanghai's Jiading District began harvesting the first batch of "National Day Rice" on September 15.

At Shanghai Aihui Grain, Vegetable and Fruit Cooperative in Anxin Village, golden rice waved in the wind, and harvesters moved around the fields.

The harvesting of "National Day

Rice" covers an area of about 20 *mu* (1.33 hectares), and this variety is favored by citizens for its fragrance, softness and glutinous texture.

After the harvest, the rice was dried and processed immediately and hit the market in late September.

Ding Huide, the head of the cooperative, said that this year they experimented with soilless substrate rice seedling-raising technology for

the first time, resulting in overall good rice growth.

The expected per *mu* yield will be higher than that of previous years, reaching about 450-500 kilograms.

Xuhang also planted other varieties this year, with the total area of "National Day Rice" reaching about 60 *mu*.

Other cooperatives will also start harvesting one after another.

Showcasing the development of Jiading's sports industry

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THE 3rd Jiading District Citizens' Sports Meeting was held recently at Shanghai Citizens' Sports Park, showcasing the development and achievements of the suburban district's sports industry.

More than 29 mass sports events were covered, including football, basketball, beach volleyball, orienteering, pickleball, fishing and fitness yoga.

As a benchmark event for coordinated sports development in the Yangtze River Delta region, this year's Jiading Urban Orienteering Series adopted a centralized competition system.

It set up five themed routes such as Anting future, ancient charm of Nanxiang and Jiading industry smart chain routes, attracting about 800 participants.

Participants could not only enjoy the scenery but also take part in check-in activities. Those who completed the race had the chance to



Children have a fun ride during the sports meeting. — Ti Gong

win slots for the 2026 New Year's run, as well as tickets for events such as the 2026 Formula E World Championships Shanghai and the 31st Volvo China Open.

A sports market was set up at the event site. The sci-tech sports experience area offered programs like simulated formula racing, virtual rowing, spinning bikes and table tennis robots, allowing visitors to

experience the hardcore charm of sci-tech sports.

The 4th Shanghai Citizens' Sports Park and Sports & Entertainment Carnival was also held. After three years of development, the carnival has grown from six events with 16,000 participants in its first year to eight events this year, attracting more participants and becoming a public sports carnival brand.

Local tech firm inks US\$40m lidar deal with US company

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HESAI Technology signed a lidar order worth over US\$40 million with a leading American Robotaxi company, the Jiading-based enterprise announced recently.

Hesai Technology will serve as the sole lidar supplier, providing long-range and short-range lidar products, and the order is scheduled to be delivered by the end of 2026. Lidar is an optical technology that measures distances by sending and receiving laser light.

"The deepened cooperation confirms the recognition of Hesai's technical strength, product quality and large-scale mass-production ability by global leading Robotaxi," said Li Yifan, co-founder and CEO of Hesai Technology.

Hesai Technology held a 61 percent market share in the global L4 autonomous driving lidar market in 2024, ranking first for four consecutive years, and is the preferred core sensor supplier for leading global autonomous driving enterprises, according to the 2025 Global Automotive Lidar Market Report released by the international organization Yole Group.

Mass production order

In August, Hesai Technology announced that it had obtained the mass-production order of lidar for a joint venture brand under Toyota Motor.

Its new energy vehicles will be equipped with Hesai's compact ultra-high-definition long-range lidar ATX, which will be produced on a mass scale in 2026.

In the first six months of 2025, the total delivery volume of Hesai Technology's lidars reached 547,913 units, an increase of 276 percent year-on-year, exceeding the total delivery volume of 2024, demonstrating strong market growth momentum and large-scale delivery ability.

Hesai Technology has established a solid global business layout in the United States, Europe and Asia, with customers in more than 40 countries around the world.



Hesai Technology's lidar products