

# China's Aim to Build a Socialist Harmonious Society is to Build a Resilient Society

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# 1, China's Rigid Society in the Planning Economy Period

- A Stable society is not necessarily a harmonious society. However, a harmonious society must be a stable society.
- From 1949 to 1979,

# 1, China's Rigid Society in the Planning Economy Period

- The planning society is a rigid and ordered society. The social stability was achieved at the cost of social efficiency and personality.



Figure 1 China's Social Security System in Planned Economy Period



## 2, China's Resilient Society in the Socialist Market Economy Period

- The market mechanism is in essence a competition mechanism. Freed from the iron rice bowl and big pot pattern of resource allocation, the various agents (organizations or individuals) are able to obtain various resources in the market through their own efforts.

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- In the course of pursuing interests, the various interest groups have created tremendous frictions. Hence, great social structural pressure is formed.



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- Excessive achievement motives and too high expectations will bring about competitive pressure for the social agents in various aspects.

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- Just like bones need soft tissue to link up, the social structure also needs a new integrating mechanism.



## 2, China's Resilient Society in the Socialist Market Economy Period

- Firstly, we need to build an interest coordinating mechanism to solve the conflicts between interest groups. The interest coordinating mechanism becomes the most urgent need of the present day's society. It is also the key to solve the problem of polarization of the rich and the poor. Among others, the government's economic policies and social policies, especially the social security mechanism, plays the decisive role in adjusting group interests.

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- Secondly, we need a social safety valve mechanism to solve social contradictions. We need the effective channels and methods to divert and release the contradictions and conflicts accumulated at the micro-strata of the society so that the various agents could negotiate and communicate with the rational attitude, and defuse the contradictions, disputes and conflicts. The traditional post and interview system is far from enough to solve the problems. We must employ the policies, laws, economic and administrative measures, and the educational, consultative, and intermediary methods to solve the internal contradictions of the people effectively.



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- Thirdly, we should establish the social flow mechanism to release social structural pressure so that the people at the lower strata have the channels to flow and their identity as lower social strata and interest groups will not be petrified. A set of fair social policies should be established so that the competitors could make achievements through their own abilities and efforts instead of being subject to the constraints of blood, identity, and wealth.



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- Fourthly, we need a social management mechanism to contain transgressional ( deviance ) wealth making. The transgressional ( deviance ) and illegal activities should be effectively and timely contained and upset while competition is encouraged. The various anti-society forces should be controlled effectively and solved in a just manner on the basis of law.

Figure 2 China's Social Security in Hu and Wen New Deal Period

# Social Security

## Urban Social Security

## Rural Social Security

### Social Insurance

### State Security

### Social Relief

### Special Care

### Social Welfare

### Social Relief

### Social Insurance

### Special Care

Pension

Health Care Insurance

Industrial Injuries Insurance

Maternity Insurance

Non-contributory Pension

NHS

MLG

Wubao

MLG

NRCHC

Pension

### 3, The Asia Pacific Region also needs to build a resilient society.

- While a country shall build a resilient society among various groups, the Asia Pacific region needs to build a resilient society between countries (economies). Cooperation resilience is needed between the various governments, between the various social groups of different countries, between various enterprises of different countries, and between the academic circles of various countries.



### 3, The Asia Pacific Region also needs to build a resilient society.

- The principle for cooperation is rule compliance and mutual respect. The purpose of resilience is to enhance communication and avoid conflicts. I wish the Asia Pacific Region will lead the initiative to realize harmonious prosperity.
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- I hope the social insurance of workers in Asia Pacific Region will be free from the country like in EU.
- Thanks for your attention.