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Key progress has been made in the construction of the Xi'an-Chongqing High-Speed Railway

As of January 30, 2026, 45 tunnels and 63 bridges have been completed, and the railway has fully entered the stage of bridge erection and station construction. The project has a total investment of over 120 billion yuan (€14.54 billion) and is expected to be completed in 2028, reducing travel time between Xi'an and Chongqing to approximately 2.5 hours. **(Baidu News)**

Major Projects Launched by Central State-Owned Enterprises

At the start of 2026, several central state-owned enterprises (SOEs) focused their efforts on key strategic and security areas and emerging infrastructure and industries. For example, the second phase of the Wanzhou Power Plant of the State Energy Group (total investment of €0.85 billion) and the Zhao'an Fishery-Solar Complementary Photovoltaic Power Station of China Power Construction Corporation were launched. **(China Economic Net)**

Hunan Province is making every effort to promote railway construction

At the Hunan Provincial Transportation Work Conference held in January 2026, officials announced that they would make every effort to promote the commencement of the Changsha-Zhuzhou Intercity Railway project. In the same year, Hunan plans to complete more than 84 billion yuan (€10.18 billion) in fixed asset investment in highways and waterways. **(Changsha Municipal People's Government)**

China completes first phase of 6G technology trials

China has completed the first phase of its 6G technology trials and accumulated a reserve of more than 300 key technologies, according to the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, underscoring policymakers' efforts to steadily enhance the country's information and communications technology capabilities. The country has built the world's largest and technologically advanced information infrastructure. **(China Daily)**

China to Pilot Zero-Carbon Factories, Expanding to Textiles and Petrochemicals by 2030

China will begin selecting zero-carbon factories in 2026, starting with electronics and light industry, before expanding to textiles, steel, and petrochemicals by 2030. The guideline emphasizes technological upgrades, structural adjustment, and green microgrids to reduce carbon footprints. The Ministry of Industry and Information Technology will step up coordination and policy support. **(China Daily)**