

## 《中国残联官方网站英文版上线》

A new English-language website was launched by China Disabled Persons' Federation on Wednesday, with assistance from China Daily.

Zhang Haidi, the federation's chairwoman, said at the launch ceremony that the website will enhance international communication and act as a window to the world for China's disabled population of about 85 million.

Zhu Ling, the publisher and editor-in-chief of China Daily, said the media group will use its expertise in communication and brand influence to build the website into one which provides all the latest news and updates on the federation, as well as information about the services it provides.

The website, which includes sections devoted to resources, initiatives and a media center, will allow foreign readers to learn more about the stories of disabled people in China and promote international communication and cooperation in the sector, Zhu added.

The welfare of disabled people is a priority for China's leadership, according to the current Five-Year Plan (2016-2020), which has set targets to promote their well-being.

By the end of last year, the country had 7,111 specialized facilities catering for the disabled, which provided services to about 7.5 million disabled people.

Peng Liyuan, China's first lady, has also paid several visits to disabled children, the latest on May 15.

The federation, meanwhile, plans to improve disabled access this year through the promotion of barrier-free environments and universal design concepts.

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