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26th NSW-GUANGDONG JOINT ECONOMIC MEETING A SUCCESS

The NSW-China economic relationship has entered a new era following the 26th NSW-Guangdong Joint Economic Meeting (JEM), which focused on growing both economies through innovation.

Premier Gladys Berejiklian and Guangdong Governor Ma Xingrui signed a Joint Statement at the JEM, setting a clear agenda for the NSW-Guangdong Sister State relationship into the future.

“The Joint Statement we have signed commits us to collaboration across health, education, financial services and smart cities. It will shape the NSW-Guangdong relationship for years to come,” Ms Berejiklian said.

“Both sides have agreed to pursue initiatives which will have real outcomes, including work in the medical space on vector-borne disease control and work on smart cities to further explore the benefits of smart engineering. This means jobs for NSW in sectors that will continue to grow in the decades ahead.

“There is so much knowledge and expertise NSW can share with Guangdong and so much NSW can learn from Guangdong, which is why we are launching this new wave of initiatives.”

Parliamentary Secretary John Sidoti has joined the Premier and a delegation of 50 leaders from some of NSW’s most innovative companies, organisations and learning institutions in China.

“The NSW-Guangdong Sister State relationship is stronger than ever and now we are taking it to the next level through new collaborations and partnerships,” Mr Sidoti said.

“We have announced a new technology partnership between the University of Technology Sydney and China’s Southern University of Science and Technology and there is more on the way.”

This year marks the 38th anniversary of the NSW-Guangdong Sister State relationship. It was the first such relationship formed between two states in China and Australia. The biennial Joint Economic Meetings provide an opportunity to explore new business and other bilateral opportunities.

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