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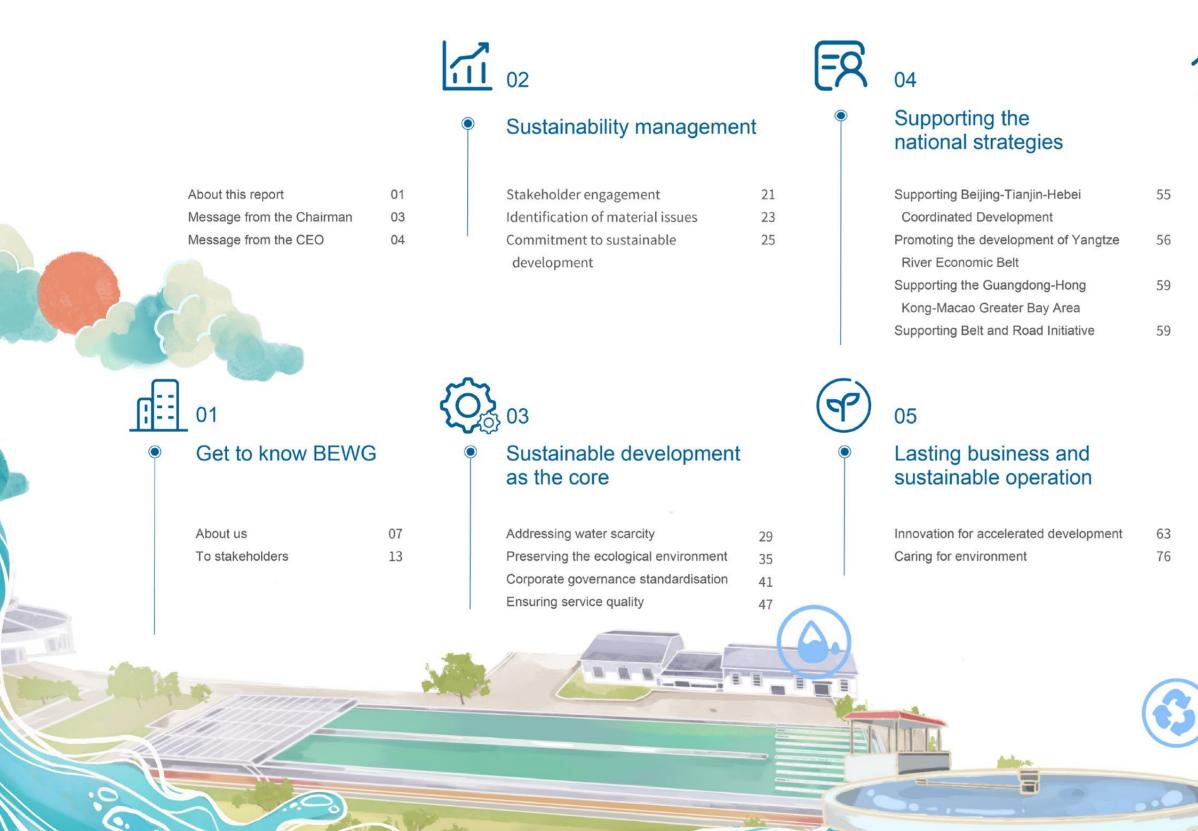


Sustainability Report

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## About this report

This is the fifth non-financial report issued by Beijing Enterprises Water Group Limited. It reflects the Group's environmental, social and governance (hereinafter "ESG") performance and its efforts in respect of sustainable development.

#### **Reporting period**

The reporting period is from January 1 to December 31, 2019. Information beyond this period is indicated in such

#### **Reporting scope**

All information and data are from Beijing Enterprises Water Group Limited, its headquarters and its subsidiaries, as cited in the Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements. Data outside of this scope is indicated in such sections.

### **Data explanation**

All information and data are from the statistics, and statistical reports provided by subsidiaries. Unless otherwise specified, all monetary amounts are in RMB.

#### **Reporting guidelines**

This report is prepared with reference to the requirements of Appendix 27 Environmental, Social and Governance Reporting Guide (hereinafter "ESG Reporting Guide") of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (hereinafter "the Listing Rules") on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (hereinafter "HKEX") and the GRI Sustainability Reporting Standards (hereinafter "GRI Standards") issued by the Global Reporting Initiative (hereinafter "GRI").

#### **Abbreviations**

Group" or "we".

#### **Confirmation and** approval

For ease of reference, this report refers to Beijing Enterprises Water Group Limited as "the Company", and Beijing Enterprises Water Group Limited and its subsidiaries as "BEWG", "the

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After confirmation by management, this report was reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors of the Company (hereinafter "the Board") on March 30,



# Message from the Chairman

Focusing on the mission of "safeguard the source of life and create a green environment", we align the national green growth strategy and promote the coordinated development of the Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei region, integrated development of the Yangtze River Delta, and sustainable development of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area. We proactively respond to the Belt and Road initiative by implementing measures to protect the Yangtze River. We bear in mind our social responsibilities and mission as a state-owned environmental enterprise. thus contributing to the "three critical battles" and striving to build a beautiful China. In 2019, we reached the "Top Ten Influential Enterprises in the Water Sector in China" for the ninth consecutive year and was listed among the Fortune China 500 for the fourth consecutive year. We were also awarded the "Most Honored Company" as well as the "Most Environment Responsibility Award".

Adhering to the dual-platform strategy and the asset-light business model, we accelerate the transformation from rapid development to quality development. We have built consensus and enriched our culture to achieve the sustainable development and promote the industry's ecological value. building a community of a shared future for the water service industry. Focusing on people's well-being and taking root in the environmental industry. we implement ecological strategy and promote the prosperity of the industry, and build a water services ecosystem based on shared benefits and featuring pan-centralization as well as symbiosis, interdependence and regeneration to improve the industry's service capacity and overall value. Taking innovation as the main force, we enhance intelligent water services and streamline ecological management. We will continue to follow a sustainable development path to build the world's first-class operation platform and service brand for public utility (water service) assets.

As a leader in the environmental industry, we feel honored to participate in the development of ecological civilization and the construction of a beautiful China in this great era. With expertise, leading thinking, and pragmatism, we offer governments and society more valuable ecological products, lead the industry from a forward-looking perspective, create a more supportive environment to groom talents and provide better solutions for cleaner water and improved ecology, thus contributing to a better life.

For ten years we have never stopped making progress and now we advance like always. Next, to embark on a new stage, we will keep pace with the country's development and the times to further integrate national strategies into our businesses. When continuously building the internal "cohesion", we will also unite the industry to form an industrial ecology of "reshaped integration, innovation, and interconnection", promoting the construction of "Beautiful China". Starting from our founding mission, we engage in the environmental industry following the spirits of the times and will make more splendid achievements on the way to be the world's best environmental company!

Chief Executive Officer Mr. Zhou Min

# Message from the CEO

It's inspiring to think about how we made our way to today. The year 2019 celebrates the 70th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China when our country's economy is being transformed to quality development and ecological protection becomes a high priority. Keeping abreast of the times, we initiate the quality revolution to promote business sustainable growth. We have proposed a strategy of transform We have proposed a strategy of dual-platform development including the asset management platform and the operational management platform, to support the transformation to asset-light business model, and to enhance our core competitiveness in operating mass assets and stimulate a second growth. We will continue to strengthen our advantages in two main businesses - water services and water environment comprehensive renovation. As of December 31, 2019, the main businesses reported a revenue of HKD 28.19 billion, with a total daily design capacity of 39.389 million tons, treating a drainage area of more than 7.000 square kilometers.

We will stay true to our founding mission and be royal to environmental protection. Centered on environmental protection, we comprehensively optimize and improve the low-carbon management,

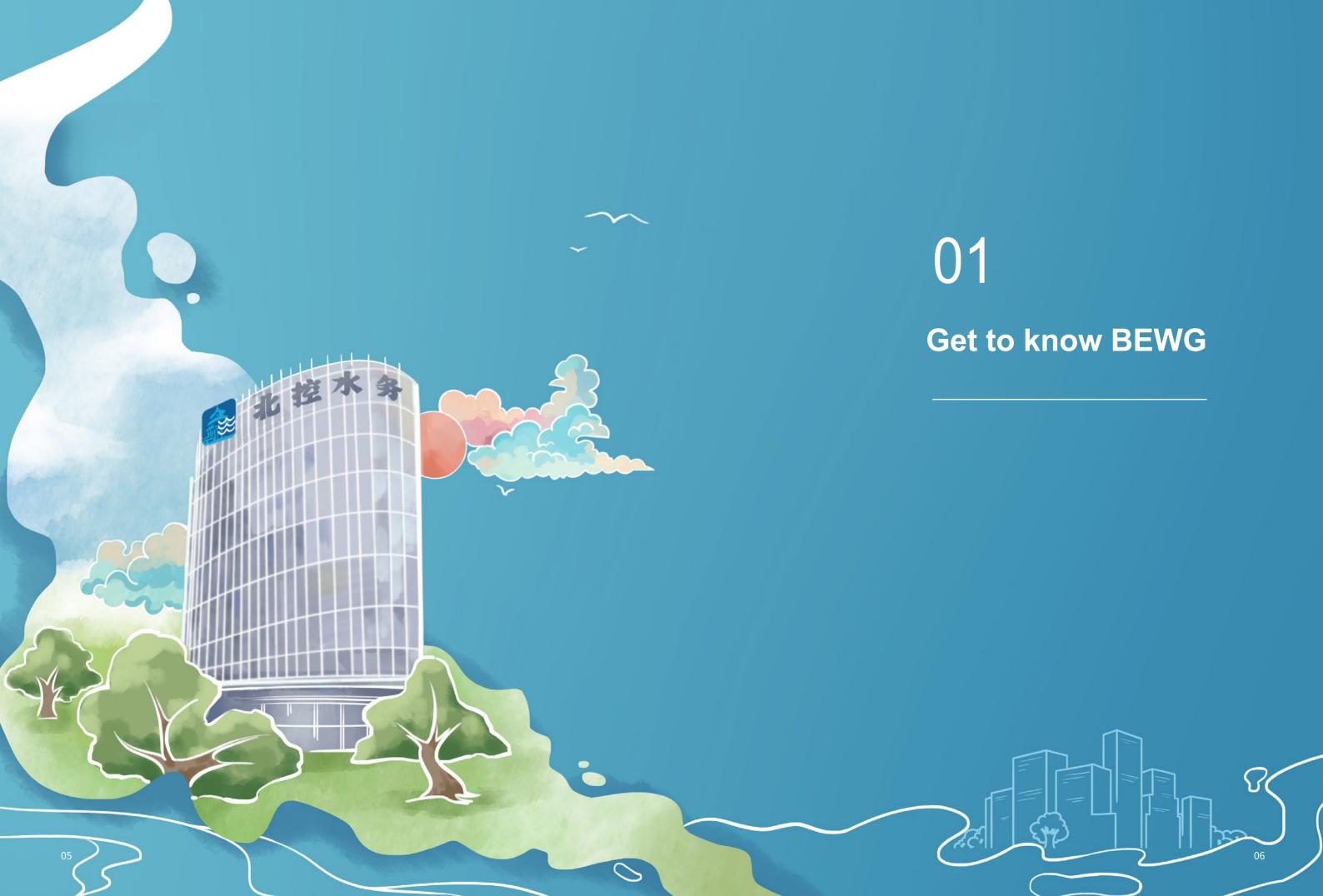
water resource management and biodiversity protection to apply green management to the whole process. To meet stakeholder expectations, we work on targeted poverty alleviation and carry out philanthropic activities. We highlight premium services, prioritize technological innovation, appreciate employee growth and comply with ecological protection principles. To achieve win-win results in the industry, we develop an open, integrated, cross-disciplinary industrial pattern and improve the internal ecological mechanism for coordination, upgrading and innovation. We have taken efforts to ensure the prosperity of our stakeholders during coordinated development with the local environment. We have made bold changes and crucial breakthroughs. In line with the

We have made bold changes and crucial breakthroughs. In line with the safety development concept, we have continuously strengthened the overall risk management to ensure the compliance and sustainability of the company's operations. In 2019, we further improved the asset-light transformation and quality development to enhance the core operational capability and drive a second growth. We emphasized the technological empowerment and carried out new operational modes and explored and applied technologies to the intelligent water services to streamline operations management professionally.



We continued to promote hierarchical management for water treatment plants. Through a star rating system, thus developing excellent BEWG operations management brands. We pursued product and management standardization to improve product quality and streamline management, achieving the scale effect. We will continue to accelerate the transformation and build on core capabilities to create greater value for shareholders, society, and employees and promote the healthy development in the second decade with new driving forces.

The blueprint is in place and it's time for us to fight. A great dream makes great things happen and a great company is doing great things. In the future, we will advance in line with national strategies and the times to lead the industry and build ecological civilization. We must not fail our mission or waste any time. We should promote operations to reshape our core advantages and prioritize innovation to embrace a second growth spurt. Last but not least, we should safeguard the source of life and create a green environment.



## About us

Focusing on water recycling and waterrelated environmental protection, BEWG is a comprehensive and leading professional water and environment service provider with our business covering industrial investment, design, construction, operation, technical services and capital operation in full industrial chain. We rank number one in the industry in China, in terms of water treatment capacity. and water environment comprehensive renovation, we focus on five fields, including environmental sanitation and solid waste, overseas business, technological services, financial services and clean energy. Headquartered in Beijing, we serve more than 100 prefecture-level cities in 33 provinces and autonomous regions of China (including Hong Kong and Taiwan), as well as 8 countries including Malaysia, Singapore, Australia, New Zealand, Portugal, Angola and Botswana.

Besides our core businesses of water services









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## **BEWG's business fields**

#### Urban water services

We actively explore the urban water services market through PPP<sup>1</sup>, BOT<sup>2</sup>, TOT<sup>3</sup>, entrusted operation, equity acquisition, joint venture and other methods. We provide comprehensive solutions including investment, construction, operation and management for projects involving water sources, water delivery, water supply, sewage, reclaimed water and pipeline networks.

#### Water environment comprehensive renovation

The water environment comprehensive renovation business is based on the actual needs of the people and the condition of the ecosystem. We continuously upgrade and innovate on water treatment concepts. To improve water environments, we gradually evolved from single project to region and basin-wide treatment. We offer comprehensive solutions and innovative services for local governments and regional development by assisting them in "water safety, water resources, water environment, water ecology, water landscape, water culture, water management, and water economy". At the same time, we drive local industrial upgrading to provide a green, livable environment for local residents, achieving the shared aspiration of all parties. Currently, our business covers urban black and odorous water bodies treatment, urban watershed treatment, smart environment, ecologically flexible cities, regional environmental treatment and new rural construction

#### **Rural water services**

We began researching sewage treatment in villages and towns in 2008, and gradually evolved from "river basinwide improvement to drive sewage treatment in villages and towns" to the "fourth-generation rural sewage treatment technology" plus "all-in-one" model. We developed construction and operation models such as "plantpipeline network integration", "urban-rural integration", and "water supply-drainage integration" and these solutions combine piping, small-scale centralization, and household-based treatment according to local conditions. We employ intelligent operation and maintenance to enable automatic operation, unattended operation, centralised management, and rapid response.





#### Seawater desalination

In order to ensure by Miyun to the north, the Yangtze River to the south. the Yellow River to the west. and Bohai to the east, we have incorporated seawater desalination into its development since 2009. We invested in the Caofeidian seawater desalination project and gradually explored the seawater desalination market.

**Overseas business** 

We serve Asia-Pacific. Euro-

American, African and Middle

Eastern markets, with platforms

in Malaysia and Singapore. We

draw on leading technologies and

rich management experience to



#### **Financial services**

We have established strategic cooperation with many large financial institutions and explored all-round cooperation in the field of buyout fund and industry investment fund to build our own financial holding service platform.

In terms of industrial water treatment, we mainly provide industrial park

Industrial water

services<sup>4</sup>

wastewater treatment, wastewater treatment for key industries, and comprehensive water resources utilisation. Our seven major business fields are industrial parks, the steel industry, power industry, petrochemical industry, coal chemical industry, pharmaceutical industry, and dyeing and printing industry. Our five technology fields are pre-treatment system, biochemical treatment system, advanced treatment system, reclaimed water system and zero emission system.

<sup>2</sup> Build-Operate-Transfer is a cooperation model in which the government and private institutions cooperate on the investment, construction, and operation of infrastructural projects

<sup>3</sup> Transfer-Operate-Transfer is a method used to finance projects.

<sup>4</sup> Beijing Enterprises Industrial Environmental Protection is responsible for this business segment.

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establish a strategic position in the international water market.

<sup>5</sup> See the ESG Report of BJ ENT URBAN (stock code: 3718.HK) for details. <sup>6</sup> See the ESG Report of BE Clean Energy (stock code: 1250.HK) for details.

#### **Environmental sanitation** and solid waste treatment

#### **Technological services**

We focus on Chinese environmental industry policy studies, industry trend studies macro-environmental problems and countermeasures studies, top-level planning and design in the environmental sector, frontier field research and interdisciplinary integration, high-tech research and development (hereinafter "R&D"). transformation and commercialisation of research achievements, engineering project design support, talent training and development, and so on.



#### Environmental sanitation and hazardous waste<sup>5</sup>

Our environmental sanitation and hazardous waste business segment -Beijing Enterprises Urban Resources Group Limited (hereinafter "BJ ENT URBAN") is a provider of comprehensive waste management solutions in China. It is listed on the main board of the HKEX (stock code: 3718. HK) on January 15, 2020. BJ ENT URBAN focuses on providing environmental sanitation services and hazardous waste treatment services

#### Solid waste treatment

We are committed to becoming an international leader in solid waste treatment and disposal. Currently our solid waste treatment business operates in more than 10 provinces and cities nationwide.

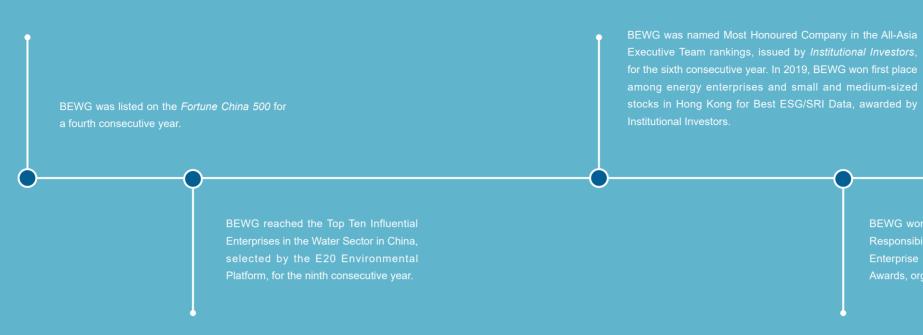
### Clean energy<sup>6</sup>

Our clean energy business segment -Beijing Enterprises Clean Energy Group Limited (hereinafter "BE Clean Energy"), is a joint venture between BEWG, CITIC Industrial Fund, and Tsinghua Qidi. It is a comprehensive clean energy investment platform that focuses primarily on solar power generation as well as wind power and heating. BE Clean Energy is listed on the main board of the HKEX (stock code: 1250.HK). BE Clean Energy works primarily on clean energy development and clean energy utilisation to provide "clean energy+" solutions. It strives to build a multi-energy, multi-business, and multi-profit clean energy ecosystem. It is committed to becoming a leading comprehensive clean energy services provider.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Public-Private-Partnership refers to cooperation between government capital and social capital. It is an operation mode for infrastructural projects.

Sustainable development as the core Supporting the national strategies

## Awards and honours in 2019



## **Performance highlights 2019**



Total revenue

2,819,250 HK\$10,000





Total daily design capacity for new project



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## 39,388,882 Tons

Number of sewage treatment plants

1,058

Number of water distribution plants

162

30

plants

2

Number of reclaimed water treatment plants

Number of water environment comprehensive renovation projects

30+

Potential of 2019 by the Overseas

Number of seawater desalination





Area of river basin treatment

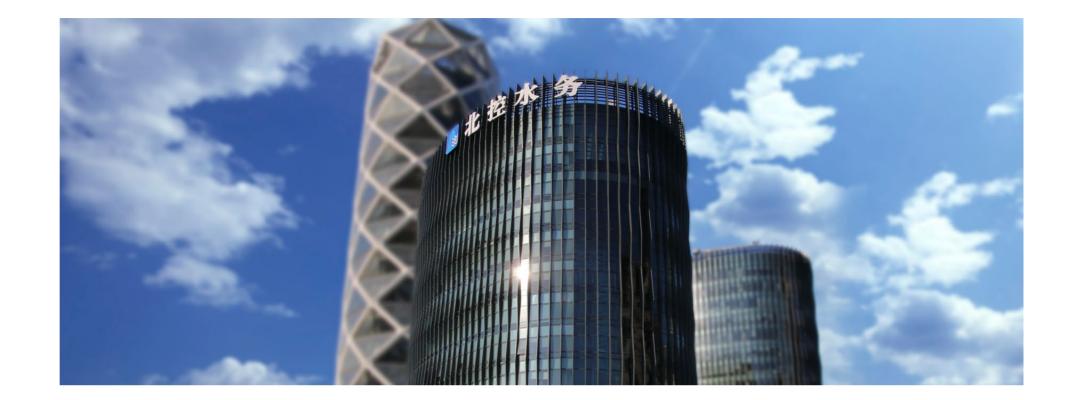




Supporting the national strategies

## **To stakeholders**

We have learned from a decade of rapid development, and shifted our focus from high-speed development to high-quality development. We propose an asset-light strategy, through the implementation of ecological strategies, to create a dual-platform (asset management and operation management development) model, and achieve a wide range of ecological collaboration with all links in the industrial chain to lead enterprises to become more sustainable.

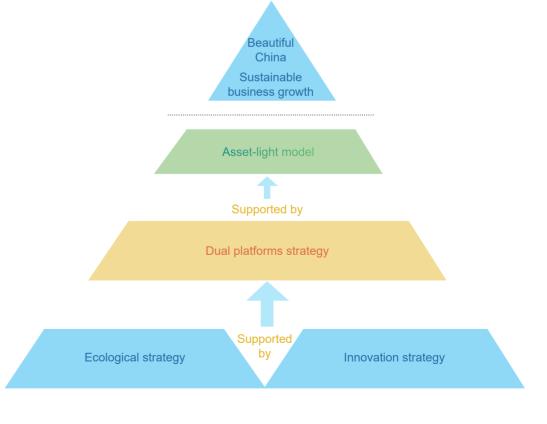


### **Strategic** sustainability

In 2019, keeping in step with the trends of the times and seizing the opportunities brought by the Internet revolution, we reinforced our strategic focus on environmental protection and developed an asset-light model that aims to set up dual platforms for development. We enhanced our core competitiveness by strengthening investment ability, innovating and optimising technology, applying intelligent technology, improving asset

quality and efficiency, and recruiting high-quality talent. These create a largecapacity, eco-friendly basis for all links of the industry chain, including investment, R&D, design, construction, operation and back-office support. Externally, we empowered enterprises in the ecosystem. Internally, we established an innovation platform. As a result, we have become an integrated water system solution provider for smart cities and continue to grow.





## **Management** sustainability

In 2019, we continued to strictly comply with laws and regulations. We improved our corporate governance, standardised the functions of the Board of Directors, comprehensively improved our internal risk management capabilities and developed a "basic business unit"-based systematic risk enhanced investment safety, improving the decision-making mechanism of key nodes such as project initiation, bidding, and review. We enhanced financial safety, establishing a post-project analysis mechanism and the Financial Risk Map. We enhanced brand safety, comprehensively implementing public opinion management measures and PR crisis management mechanisms. improved anti-corruption policies and training, and promoted sustainable management.

Corporate governance indicators

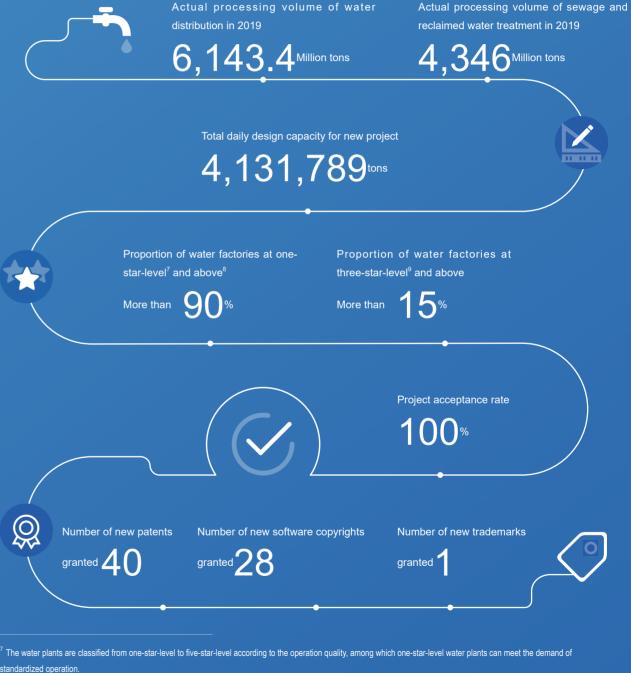


### Business

#### sustainability

In 2019, we promote business standardisation. We clarified our investment direction and enhanced investment risk management with revised policies and standardisation. We put forward new operation management inspections for ongoing projects, rolled

Production and service indicators



standardized operation.

<sup>8</sup> The proportion refers to the number of star-leveled water factories assessed according to the BEWG Implementation Rules for Star-level Operation Enterprise Appraisal, out of the total amount of water factories participating in the star rating. <sup>9</sup> The water plants are classified from one-star-level to five-star-level according to the operation quality, among which three-star-level water plants can meet the demand of highquality operation.



out project star ratings, and improved our emergency response capability. We encouraged technological innovation, accelerated the smart upgrading of water services, and initiated a "quality construction year" to ensure sustainable development.



In 2019, we continued our efforts to save energy, reduce emissions,

mitigate climate change, minimize our environmental impact, and protect the sustainability of the environment.



and supplier indicators

Proportion of female employees



For BEWG, corporate development and responsibility are not overnight tasks. High-quality development and responsibility are long-term undertakings. In 2019, in line with the Group's strategic transformation plan, we officially replaced the Corporate

<sup>11</sup>Suppliers certified by ISO 9001 and ISO 14001.

<sup>10</sup> Chemical oxygen demand



Number of Certified<sup>11</sup> suppliers



Social Responsibility Report with the Sustainability Report, to demonstrate our determination to build a sustainable business world. We will continue to incorporate sustainability into our regular processes and mechanisms, and hence create a lasting business.

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# Sustainability management

BEWG follows the path to cleanness, the path to good governance and the path to mutual aid. In that spirit, we pay close attention to the expectations and requirements of stakeholders and support the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the United Nations with our own business development.

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Get to know BEWG

## Stakeholder engagement

Stakeholders' valuable opinions are crucial stakeholders and communicates with them to our sustainable development. BEWG on a regular basis. pays close attention to the feedback of

In 2019, in addition to regular engagement activities, we conducted phone interviews with investors, suppliers and other stakeholders to understand their concerns and expectations in respect of ESG,

Stakeholder	Engagement	Expectations and requirements	Stakeholder	Engagement	Expectations and requirements
Shareholders and investors	– General meeting of shareholders – Periodic reporting and announcements – Investor communication meeting	<ul> <li>Compliance</li> <li>Continual and stable return on investments</li> <li>Product and service enhancements</li> <li>Risk management</li> <li>Climate change action</li> <li>Corporate governance</li> </ul>	<b>Industry</b>	<ul> <li>Launching and participating in industrial activities</li> <li>Sharing research results</li> <li>Constructing communication platforms</li> <li>Interindustry cooperation</li> <li>Technical exchanges</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Industry-leading development</li> <li>Technological innovation</li> <li>Product and service enhancements</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Disclosure of information</li> <li>Daily communication and reports</li> <li>On-site investigation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Compliance</li> <li>Provision of employment</li> <li>Response to the national strategy</li> <li>Product and service enhancements</li> <li>Safe production</li> <li>Technological innovation</li> <li>Energy saving and emissions reduction</li> </ul>	Suppliers and partners	<ul> <li>Public bidding</li> <li>Contracts and agreements</li> <li>Suppliers' meeting</li> <li>Supplier training</li> </ul>	– Compliance with contracts – Mutual benefits – Supply chain management
Government and regulators	– Supervision and inspection – Visit and reception		Community	<ul> <li>In-person visits</li> <li>Charity activities</li> <li>Charitable donations</li> <li>Volunteer activities</li> <li>Open Day event</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Community engagement</li> <li>Community service</li> <li>Community investment</li> <li>Environmental protection</li> <li>Compliance</li> </ul>
Clients	<ul> <li>Customer satisfaction survey</li> <li>Visits and communication</li> <li>Customer activities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Product and service enhancements</li> <li>Disclosure of information</li> </ul>	The public	– Open Day event – Public welfare activities	<ul> <li>Safe and reliable products</li> <li>Stable employment</li> <li>Environmental protection</li> </ul>
Employees	<ul> <li>Labour contracts</li> <li>Opinion-seeking</li> <li>Communication channels for career development</li> <li>Care activities</li> <li>Tailor-made training</li> <li>Anonymous communication channel</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Guarantee of employee rights and benefits</li> <li>Occupational health and safety</li> <li>Professional training and development</li> <li>Employee care</li> <li>Employee engagement</li> </ul>	Research and academic institutions	<ul> <li>Industry-university-research integration</li> <li>Talent cultivation</li> </ul>	– Talent cultivation – Industry-leading development – Technological innovation

climate change, water stress, innovation and exchanges, to adjust our materiality matrix.



Sustainable development as the core

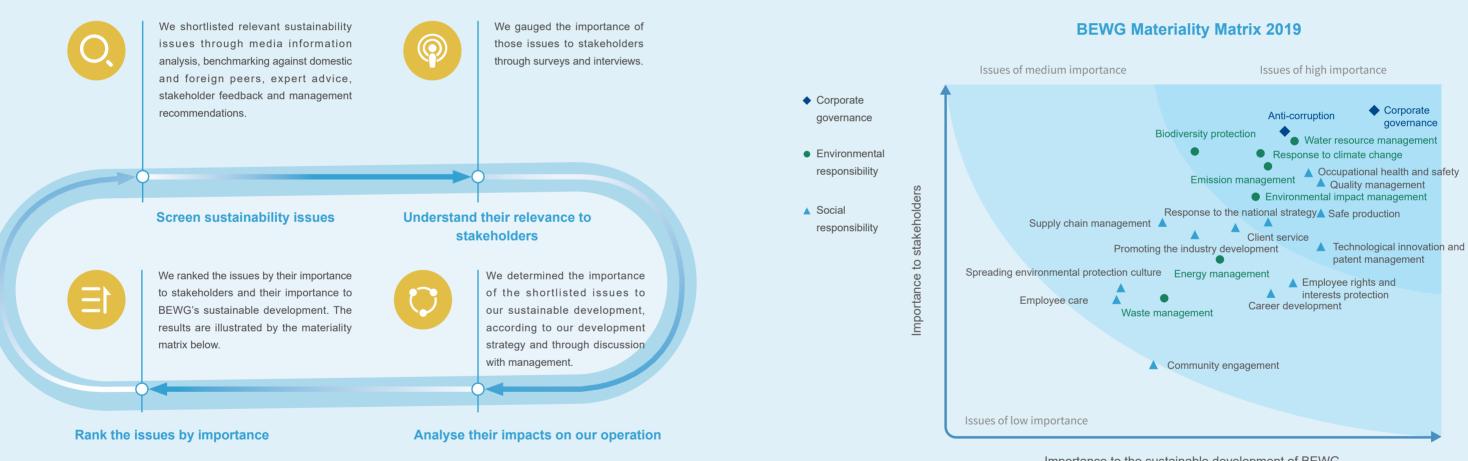
## Identification of material issues

Based on the results of stakeholder communication, BEWG initiated the material issue screening procedure

and took identified material issues as guidance on our sustainability management.

In 2019, BEWG analysed the issues related to the Group and the industry that is concerned with mainstream statistical rating organisations in the capital market with emphasis and summarized the communication results with stakeholders. In light of this discussion and analysis, BEWG broke

#### How we identified the issues



down previous issues and added four issues, namely, environmental impact management, biodiversity protection, emissions management, and response to climate change, revised and adjusted the level of importance of 12 issues, and finalised the 2019 materiality matrix.

Importance to the sustainable development of BEWG

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## Commitment to sustainable development

As an environmental company, in 2019, we will continue to support the 17 SDGs of the United Nations to fulfil our corporate social responsibility by sustaining stable water supply, improving sewage treatment efficiency,

and strengthening technological innovation

We have identified the eight United Nations SDGs that are most relevant to us, and incorporated them into our development strategy and business:



#### BEWG' s actions and results in 2019

Chapter

## Goal



We provide clean water for society. In 2019, we supplied a total of 6,143.4 million tons of water. We strengthened investment safety, financial safety, and production safety management, to ensure a safe working environment for the health and well-being of the public and our employees.

Ensuring service quality People-oriented

culture



We uphold equal employment, protect women's rights and interests in the workplace, and strictly prohibit sexual discrimination. In 2019, female employees accounted for 35% of the Group's employees.

People-oriented culture



We provide clean, safe water for society through the water supply business, and recycle sewage into resources through the sewage treatment business, improving the reuse of water resources and ensuring safe water use. We strengthen resource management, innovate in water-saving technologies, and ensure sustainable development of water resources. In 2019, we developed the Water Source Areas Management System to standardise the protection of resources.

Addressing water scarcity



We continually improve employee training, compensation and benefits. We provide good career opportunities, and help employees develop. In 2019, we had 18,424 full-time employees, all of whom received training. Training hours per employee were 105. We support local employment, for example, our Portuguese company hired more than 95% of employees locally.

People-oriented culture





13 CLIMATE ACTION

We took measures to mitigate climate change by promoting clean energy and renewable energy, improving our energy conservation and emission reduction, and strengthening our green office.



**17** PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

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We protect biodiversity throughout a project's life cycle. We have implemented six prohibition measures to protect the habitats of animals and plants, and promote the harmony between man and nature. In 2019, we developed the BEWG Biodiversity Conservation Policy and created ecological parks. Our Australian company carried out wildlife protection and plant yard afforestation.

We build open and win-win partnerships and join hands with parties to support regions such as the Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei region, Yangtze River Economic Belt, Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, and Belt and Road Initiative countries and regions. In 2019, we signed memorandums of understanding with the Kingdom of Cambodia and Kyrgyzstan to achieve common development.

#### BEWG' s actions and results in 2019

We launched a smart operation system in the water sector as we sought digital transformation. In 2019, our NEwater brand AQENT® was approved as a registered trademark. We achieved remarkable results in digital transformation, such as the BECloud smart platform and the "1+N" integrated water treatment plant management model, which effectively promoted the smart upgrading of the water

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Preserving the ecological environment

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# Sustainable development as the core

In the journey towards sustainable development, BEWG has always been committed to the mission of "safeguarding the source of life and create a green environment" and strived to alleviate the water crisis. We practice our purpose for eco-environment protection with actions, secure the stable operation of the enterprise with norms, continuously improve the service quality, and impress all stakeholders with satisfactory fruits.



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## Addressing water scarcity

Freshwater is a precious resource. We cannot live without it. Access to safe and sufficient freshwater is a basic resources development and utilisation, human right. However, rapid population growth and industrial development have increased demands and caused frequent 700 billion cubic meters. Increasingly pollution. Water scarcity threatens the stringent laws and regulations regarding international community. World Resources Institute research shows that a quarter of the world's population faces a water crisis, and 17 countries face "extreme water stress". Frequent droughts caused by climate change exacerbate the situation. In China, more than one-third of regions face high or extremely high water stress. To mitigate this, the State Council promulgated the Opinions of the State Council on Implementing the Strictest

Water Resources Management System in 2012. This defines the red line for water and states that - by 2030 - the total water consumption of China shall not exceed water resources have encouraged us to enhance management, improve efficiency and pursue technological innovation.

## Enhancing water sources management

Faced with water stress, BEWG strengthened water resources management at the source. In response to the State Council's Water Pollution Prevention Action Plan, we developed the Management System for Water Source Areas - in accordance with laws and regulations such as the Law of the People's Republic of China on the Prevention and Control of Water Pollution and the Water Law of the People's Republic of China – to protect water source areas and the surrounding environment, and ensure a sustainable supply. Each project company developed its own water source protection policies, based on local conditions.

To protect this valuable resource, we took water in strict accordance with the amounts defined by the Water Procurement Permit,

and reduced the use of groundwater. To ensure sustainability, we assessed local water sources before constructing treatment plants and engaged third-party organisations to undertake independent assessment and certification. After receiving approval from the government, we carry out protective construction. We use digital technology and big data to develop smart systems that monitor the hydrological indicators of water source areas - such as water quantity and water quality - in real-time, thereby ensuring sufficient water supply and water safety. In addition, we developed response plans for environmental emergencies in water source areas and prepared backup water source areas to guarantee supply in the event of environmental emergencies.

## Improving water efficiency

### In 2019, the project increased local tap water supply by

6 5 million tons

reduced groundwater exploitation by

1 million tons

BEWG innovates and explores diverse methods to save water, conducts R&D to improve existing technologies, enhances water-saving capacity, recycles water resources, forecasts water demand accurately and utilises water resources rationally to improve water efficiency and ease water scarcity pressure.

Firstly, on the supply side, BEWG effectively reduces the difference rate of production and sale of water supply and improves water efficiency from the source through improving management efficiency of all links. In production and operation, we strictly control our self-supply water consumption. We developed the star-level water treatment plan assessment standard, which sets higher requirements for water efficiency than the national Standard for the Design of Outdoor Water Supply Engineering. According to our own standard, the proportion of self-supply water for plants that engage in process water reclamation should be no higher than one per cent. The proportion of self-supply water for plants that do not engage in process water reclamation should be no higher than three per cent. In addition, all new plants are

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Case

#### Assisting the government to seal private wells to ensure safe water use

As the Nanyang People's Government discussed sealing private wells in the main city, the BEWG Nanyang Water Group raised more than RMB 60 million and spent more than eight months sealing such wells and providing access to tap water instead. We sealed 417 private wells and enabled 331 households to use tap water. In 2019, the project achieves remarkable

results: it increased local tap water supply by 6.5 million tons and reduced groundwater exploitation by 10 million tons. The project eliminated the hazards of private wells and saved resources while ensuring water safety for users.

equipped with water reclamation and reuse systems. We also encourage older plants to add water reclamation and reuse systems. We use reclaimed water first in production and operation, and recycle water for reuse through water recycling technologies.

We explored new models to develop and use reclaimed water and NEWater. Drawing on internationally leading technological processes and refined operation and management, we built NEWater treatment plants and launched our own NEWater brand AQENT<sup>®</sup> to provide high-quality reclaimed water that exceeds the requirements of The Reuse of Urban Recycling Water - Water Quality Standard for Urban Miscellaneous Water Consumption and The Reuse of Urban Recycling Water – Water Quality Standard for Scenic Environment Use. In this way, we offer customers high-quality water for industrial water, landscape water and drinking water.



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We took steps to innovate and upgrade seawater desalination. We deployed an eco-friendly circular industry chain - integrating water, electricity and salt-based chemical processes - so seawater can be used as a supplemental water source to alleviate stress in water-scarce regions. As of the end of the reporting period, BEWG had two ongoing and operating seawater desalination projects. The capacity of the operating ones was 350,000 tons per day.

In addition, BEWG has always been building sponge cities with action. BEWG has effectively intercepted and collected surface runoff, enabled more infiltrated water into the local area of cities, and facilitated regional water

conservation by building a variety of sponge facilities across major comprehensive treatment projects for the river basin.

#### 2019 BEWG water consumption<sup>12</sup>

Category	Unit	2019
Reclaimed water consumption	Tons	28,736,677.35
Fresh water consumption	Tons	2,688,615.48
Fresh water consumption	Tons	609.00
Fresh water consumption	Tons	165,036.00
Fresh water consumption	Tons	2,854,260.48
Fresh water density	Tons per HK\$10,000	1.01
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<sup>12</sup> Water consumption includes only the consumption of Wastewater Treatment Business.





Xinfeng River, as a part of the North Canal Basin, is one of the important water sources in Tongzhou, the subcentre of Beijing. Before the treatment, the Xinfeng River replenished only about 20.000 m<sup>3</sup>/d of water in Huang Village Town and some sections run drv due to the shortage of water resources. Base on the fact that the basin is short of water resources as a

whole and the river is unable to supply the sufficient environmental water, BEWG proposed the water resources optimisation and utilisation system as a solution: prioritising reclaimed







Located in the middle course of the Yellow River Basin, Taiyuan is subjected to a shortage of water and environmental water. Reclaimed water is an important support for the sustainable development of Taiyuan in the future. BEWG follows the principle of "prioritising water quality with efficient allocation", reasonably and effectively uses water resources in industry, ecology, and landscaping, and promotes the utilisation of has been formed.

After the completion of the project, it is planned to supply 167,000 m<sup>3</sup>

#### Comprehensive treatment project of Xinfeng River Basin, Daxing District, Beijing

water as the main water source enabling rainwater and clean water resources supplementary to water environment improvement and protection, jointly utilising reclaimed water, rainwater and clean water. and ensuring the smooth flow of running water in the main and

The connection and recycling project of the Xinfeng River system has been basically completed now. About 40.000 m<sup>3</sup> of clear water is discharged into the river every day, and the upper course of Xinfeng River and Laofeng River have been supplied with reclaimed water. At the same time, the overall improvement of water environment has also effectively promoted the restoration and improvement of the ecosystem in Xinfeng River Basin, and successfully shaped a beautiful landscape of "clear water, green riverbank, eco-friendly river and pleasant scene".



reclaimed water according to local conditions. At present, the reclaimed water project phase I in Taiyuan has been completed, and the main framework of pipe network for reclaimed water supply to industrial enterprises, eight rivers, and landscaping in Taiyuan

of water for key industrial needs and landscaping waster every day, and 25% urban reclaimed water will be reused to enable the sustainable development of the city through water capacity-based production, urban planning, population control, and land development.

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#### Daoxiang Lake underground reclaimed water plant

Daoxiang Lake Reclaimed Water Plant is the first fully underground sewage treatment plant in northern China. With an all-underground design, Daoxiang Lake Reclaimed Water Plant alleviates the environmental impact caused by the contradiction between traditional water plants and the "green heart" positioning of the northern ecological area of Haidian District, reducing the covering area from 17 hectares to

4.47 hectares. The plant has not outflow guality of the water plant only saved 70% of the precious land can meet the highest water quality resources but also improved the quality of surrounding environment making remarkable contributions and the land value. Daoxiang Lake to build a resource-saving and Reclaimed Water Plant has adopted the advanced Membrane Bio-Reactor (MBR) proprietary to BEWG, which combines traditional biological treatment with advanced membrane separation technology, so that the

requirements in the globe, thus environmentally friendly society in Beijing.



## Reducing water waste

The huge urban water supply pipeline network has a significant impact on the difference between production and sale. Water leaks create massive waste and affect our costs. Reducing leaks and pipeline damage are among our most important tasks. We strictly control the quality of pipelines during construction and include the flowing, dripping and leaking of water in quality assessment. During operation, we inspect the pipeline networks for leaks and damage, and

regularly replace and repair aged pipes. Relying on the smart water supply platform, our smart leak and damage control platform uses geographic information system (GIS), hydraulic models and digital tools to create a leak and damage analysis system, and monitors leaks and damage in real-time. This greatly reduces water waste



#### Yongzhou Water Operation and Development Co., Ltd. prevents and controls pipeline leaks

Our Yongzhou project company implemented measures to control pipeline leaks and reduce the difference between production and sales in 2019. To strengthen leak prevention and controls, it formed a working group dedicated to managing the production/sales difference. Delivering full-process control, the group consists of six teams: leak detection, pipeline network maintenance, meter management, meter reform and inspection, pipeline installation and quality control, and

#### Guigang Smart Water Supply Platform starts to show leak control results Case

The Group invested more than RMB 10 million to develop the smart water supply platform for BE Guangxi Guigang Co., Ltd. in 2019. This systematically analyses leaks and damage in our pipeline network, and uses a water leak sound recorder to gradually replace traditional manual inspections. On receiving warning of a suspected leak, the platform arranges immediate detection and repair. The platform's ticket system - for network operation and maintenance, inspection and repair improves work quality and timeliness.



water treatment plant regulation. Yongzhou project company also formulated measures for pipeline leak detection performance assessment and management measures for pipeline networks and maintenance performance assessment. These assessments motivated employees to improve their efficiency. In addition, the company formulated an implementation plan for the meter census and established six working groups to inspect more than 120,000

water meters in the city. An e-label is attached to each inspected meter. The aim is to identify the problems and hidden risks of meters for residents and large clients. The Yongzhou project company's management of the pipeline network and its other measures paid off remarkably in 2019: it reduced its production/ sale difference by 6.04 per cent from 2018.

The platform has been running for one year, controlling costly leaks and reducing the difference between

water production and sale from 22 per cent to 18 per cent.

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## Preserving the ecological environment

Ongoing industrialisation and urbanisation have made the impact of humans on the environment apparent. Climate change and biodiversity protection are common concerns of the international community. As a responsible nation, China signed the Convention on Biological Diversity in 1992 and the Paris Agreement in 2015 and submitted to the Secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change the Enhanced Actions on Climate Change: China's Intended Nationally Determined Contributions. China undertakes that its carbon dioxide emissions will peak in 2030, and carbon

dioxide emissions per unit of GDP will drop to 60-65 per cent of the 2005 level. As a responsible enterprise, BEWG embraces green and low-carbon development. We protect biodiversity and undertake ecological restoration to contribute to the construction of ecological civilisation. With operations in a variety of countries, we cooperate with local governments, work towards local carbon emission reduction targets, and strictly abide by local biodiversity protection policies.



## Low-carbon management

BEWG acts in strict accordance with laws and regulations such as the Energy Conservation Law of the People's Republic of China and promotes green and low-carbon management.

To sustain refined energy management, BEWG strictly monitors energy consumption in all business sectors, collects data and uses it to improve environmental management performance. In 2019, drawing on water treatment automatic controls and equipment assessment tools, we developed a system that monitors, and evaluates the efficiency of, major energy-consuming equipment,

and combined process operation data to analyse the energy efficiency indicators and operation parameters of major energyconsuming equipment such as lifting and conveyance, air blow aeration and sludge dewatering systems. Consequently, we established indicators and strategies to help operators monitor and control the efficiency and energy consumption of the equipment, control operation parameters in a reasonable way, and hence support water quality and energy conservation measures.

#### BEWG optimised intelligent control technology to reduce energy consumption

In 2019, we optimised intelligent unit control technology and solutions for eight new and renovated water treatment plants. This involved offline process simulation, big data analysis and artificial intelligence. We launched 13 intelligent dephosphorising agent application projects and commissioned two intelligent aeration

projects. These improvements ensured emissions were up to standard and reduced the energy consumption of air blowers by 10 to 20 per cent.



∧ Intelligent unit control manual (excerpt)

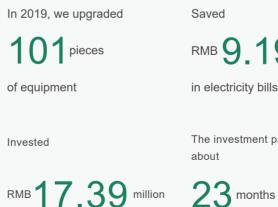


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In 2019, BEWG piloted an energy efficiency management system at the Dalingshan Water Treatment Plant in Guangdong Province. Using software and hardware, we enabled real-time control of the plant's power consumption,

We incorporate energy conservation and emission reduction in designs and operations. We prioritise energy-efficient equipment and gradually eliminate any with high energy consumption. For example, we gradually replaced multi-stage centrifugal fans with highefficiency, energy-saving air suspension blowers and magnetic levitation blowers. We upgraded lift pumps for economic operation and energy conservation to ensure that water pumps operate in the high-efficiency range, which significantly

saved energy. At the same time, we continuously studied measures and technologies that reduce emissions and improve efficiency. We set an incentive mechanism to promote such upgrading. In 2019, we issued six technical guidelines, and appraised equipment with efficiency lower than 50 per cent. We particularly focused on the upgrading of lift pumps and blowers. In 2019, we invested RMB 17. 39 million to upgrade 101 pieces of equipment, saving RMB 9.19 million



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#### Energy efficiency management system piloted in **Guangdong Dalingshan Water Treatment Plant**

automatic collection and analysis of energy consumption data, and early warning of excessive consumption. The results influence decisionmaking regarding the equipment's operation and regulation.

in electricity bills. Our investment is expected to be recovered within 23 months

We also made great efforts to promote clean and renewable energy in water treatment plants, such as using solar energy to reduce power consumption and replacing coal with water source heat pumps. These efforts reduce our dependence on fossil fuels and improve our energy consumption.

RMB 9 19 million

The investment payback period is



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#### Saving energy and reducing emissions with solar power at Huanhai Sewage **Treatment Plant**

Lijin County Huanhai Sewage Treatment Co., Ltd. responded to the national strategy by working with BE New Energy to utilise solar power. The company installed over 20.000m<sup>2</sup> of solar panels on its vacant land and biochemical pool. The installed capacity totalled 975

its power generation per day in peak seasons could reach 5,000 kWh (1.1 million kWh annually). 1,848<sup>13</sup> tons. Most of the power is consumed by the water treatment plant. When the plant requires less power, the excess is exported to the grid.

KW. The project runs stably and Since September 2017, the project has generated a total of 2.2 million kWh, reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by





In 2019, the installed capacity of our new energy projects totalled

3.53<sup>GW</sup>

a year on year increase of

14%

clean energy policies and promoted the development of new energy business. Our subsidiary BE Clean Energy explores solar power, wind power and clean heating and other clean energy projects, to bring green, clean and sustainable energy to society, to mitigate climate change and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. In 2019, the installed capacity of our new energy projects totalled 3.53 GW - a yearon-year increase of 14 per cent. The capacity of grid-connected solar power generation projects totalled 3.05 GW, wind power generation projects 485 MW. In 2019, we exported 4.586 billion

BEWG actively responded to China's

kWh of electricity to the grid - a yearon-year increase of 31 per cent. The capacity of ongoing wind power and solar power protects totalled 606 MV. The capacity of proposed wind power projects is 1GW. The capacity of our clean heating business was 27.33 million m<sup>2</sup>.

Some of our overseas operation projects tried to establish a carbon footprint assessment system to thoroughly monitor and manage carbon emissions.



Our Portuguese project company established carbon footprint assessments. They used cleaner production technology to reduce carbon emissions, and assessed the carbon dioxide emissions of all major projects. It grasped the energy consumption and greenhouse gas

#### 2019 Greenhouse gas emissions of main business segments

	Greenhouse gas emissions	Unit	2019
Water Business	Greenhouse gas emissions – Scope 1 <sup>14</sup>	Tons of carbon dioxide equivalent	2,977.56
	Greenhouse gas emissions – Scope 2 <sup>15</sup>	Tons of carbon dioxide equivalent	1,149,527.04
	Total greenhouse gas emissions	Tons of carbon dioxide equivalent	1,152,504.61
Overseas Water Business	Greenhouse gas emissions – Scope 1	Tons of carbon dioxide equivalent	19.15
	Greenhouse gas emissions – Scope 2	Tons of carbon dioxide equivalent	86,534.40
	Total greenhouse gas emissions	Tons of carbon dioxide equivalent	86,553.55
Solid Waste Business	Greenhouse gas emissions – Scope 1	Tons of carbon dioxide equivalent	1,176.56
	Greenhouse gas emissions – Scope 2	Tons of carbon dioxide equivalent	404.23
	Total greenhouse gas emissions	Tons of carbon dioxide equivalent	1,580.79
Total of Main Business Segments	Total greenhouse gas emissions <sup>16</sup>	Tons of carbon dioxide equivalent	1,240,638.95
	Greenhouse gas emissions intensity	Tons of carbon dioxide equivalent per HK\$ 10,000	0.44

Note:

1.Scope 1 emissions were calculated according to the Guidelines of the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Accounting and Reporting for Other Industrial Enterprise, by converting the consumptions of direct energy such as gasoline, diesel, and liquefied petroleum gas. Scope 2 emissions were calculated according to the 2017 Baseline Emission Factors for Regional Power Grids in China and Guidelines of Environmental Performance Indicators Reporting included in the Environmental, Social and Governance Reporting Guide Index of the HKEX.

2. The increase in greenhouse gas intensity is mainly due to the increase in the statistical range of 2019 compared with 2018.

<sup>14</sup> Greenhouse gas emissions – Scope 1 refers to those generated in production and operation from direct energy, such as coal, gasoline, diesel, natural gas, propane and methane. <sup>15</sup> Greenhouse gas emissions - Scope 2 refers to those generated in production and operation from indirect energy, such as externally purchased electricity and steam. <sup>16</sup> Only the greenhouse gases produced in the production process are included, not the greenhouse gases produced in office buildings

13 The calculation of carbon dioxide emission reduction is based on the Emission Factor of Baseline of China's Regional Power Grid for 2017 Emission Reduction Project

#### BEWG's Portuguese project company establishes carbon footprint

emissions of each project, thereby monitoring and assessing the energy efficiency of the projects. These assessments improved employee awareness and enhanced the company's lowcarbon management



#### 2019 Energy consumption of main business sectors

	Energy/resource	Unit	2019
	Electricity	kWh	1,267,856,816.52
	Renewable energy substitution	kWh	25,942,173.48
	Gasoline	Tons	460.01
Water Business	Diesel	Tons	451.49
	Natural gas	Cubic meter	82,117.80
	Steam for heating (purchased externally)	GJ	136.94
	Liquefied petroleum gas	Tons	2,480.58
Overseas Business	Electricity	kWh	137,356,186.73
	Gasoline	Tons	4.66
	Diesel	Tons	1.68
Solid Waste Business	Electricity	kWh	483,126.00
	Gasoline	Tons	42.30
	Diesel	Tons	336.00
Total of Main Business Segments	Comprehensive energy consumption	Tons of standard coal	174,767.36
	Comprehensive energy density	Tons of standard coal per HK\$ 10,000	0.06

Note: Comprehensive energy consumption was calculated according to GB-T25892008 *General Principles for Calculation of Comprehensive Energy Consumption* by converting the consumptions of gasoline, diesel, natural gas, electricity, and the heat purchased.

# Protecting biodiversity

Ecosystems are vulnerable. Guided by the China Biodiversity Conservation Strategy and Action Plan (2011-2030), BEWG is dedicated to biodiversity conservation and ecological restoration. In construction and operation, we thoroughly implement the Environmental Impact Assessment Law of the People's Republic of China and have developed the *BEWG Biodiversity Protection Policy*. We respect and strictly abide by relevant laws and regulations in overseas jurisdictions, and strive for harmony with the environment based on the characteristics of its green water services. We incorporate biodiversity protection into construction, operation and management. Before construction starts, we remove wild animals from the site and educate employees about biodiversity and animal protection. When construction is completed, we restore the site's vegetation and landscape, to preserve the ecosystem. Our *Water Source Areas Management System* explicitly prohibits fishing – including cast-net fishing, poison

fishing, electrofishing and blast fishing – and the hunting of animals under state protection, such as wild swan, egret and wild duck. It emphasises the importance of animal protection in water source areas and its implementation is supported by regular inspections.

We have an inherent responsibility to protect the water environment. Over the

#### Case Black-odour water treatment in Xiaotaihou River, Tongzhou District, Beijing

Located in the southeast of Beijing, the Xiaotaihou River is a critical link connecting the downtown and the subcentre. The section of Kouzi Village-Maying Village is one of the 53 blackodour rivers in the Tongzhou District in 2017.

BEWG has been implementing landscape improvement and ecological restoration projects in the Xiaotaihou River since July 2015. The environment of the river has been renewed now. The result of the water ecology survey indicates the presence of variety populations of plankton, zoobenthos large fish, and aquatic plant in the river, marking that the nearly complete recovery of the water ecological system. The wellarranged aquatic plants in the river guarantee the continuous improvement of water quality in the river, greatly enhance the habitat and provide a comfortable home to animals and





To address the threat posed by urban polluted and odorous water bodies to aquatic organisms, we promoted the construction of underground sewage treatment plants. We discharged treated, purified water into surface years, we have been working intensively on comprehensive water environment treatment, continuously innovating water treatment concepts, carrying out regional or basin-wide comprehensive treatment, and restoring the overall ecosystem.

plants. At present, it has attracted many kinds of aquatic birds, such as the green sandpiper and little grebe, to winter or dwell here.

With the unremitting efforts of BEWG, the Xiaotaihou River has been transformed from the infamous black-odour river into a typical demonstration river full of vitality.



water bodies and built ecological parks to restore the water ecosystem.

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**Functions of the** 

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In strict accordance with Appendix 14 Corporate Governance Code of the Listing Rules of the HKEX, and domestic and overseas regulatory requirements, our scientific and efficient corporate governance defines rights and responsibilities, and ensures coordinated operation.

The Board directs our development direction, determines the strategic direction, formulates the Group's overall strategies and policies, monitors the performance of management and safeguards the long-term interests of the Group and its shareholders. The Audit Committee under the Board is responsible for identifying and managing the Group's ESG risks and reporting to the Board on a regular basis.

A detailed description of the functions of the Audit Committee is available at

#### The Board of BEWG

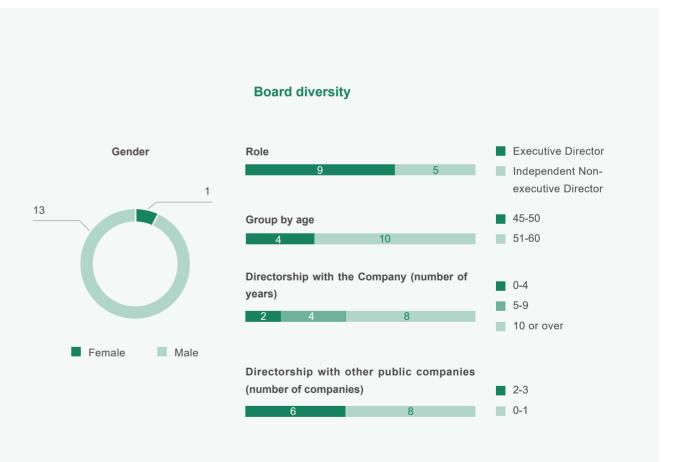
Audit Committee	<ul> <li>Identify material ESG issues</li> </ul>
	•Make recommendation on ESG goals, policies and structure of the Company
	•Monitor and evaluate the ESG management approaches, strategies and goals
	<ul> <li>Identify and evaluate the ESG related risks, ensure that the Company establishes</li> </ul>
	effective ESG risk management and internal control systems
	•Review and evaluate the ESG performance and report to the Board
	•Review ESG report

	<ul> <li>Carry out ESG issues materially evaluation</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Formulate ESG goals, policies and structures</li> </ul>
ESG Task	•Formulate work plan for ESG management, goals achievements, etc. and ensure
Force	implementation
	•Compile ESG report
	•Report to the Audit Committee/management on a regular basis

The roles of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer are taken by different people. Their duties and responsibilities are well separated, to ensure the Chairman leads the Board and the Chief Executive Officer manages the Group's businesses so that the operation of the Board and the businesses, operation, and routine management of the Group are independent of each other. Independent non-executive Directors bring diverse experience and expertise to the Group, provide independent opinions, judgments and proposals for the Group's business strategy, performance and management, and balance the interests of the Group and its shareholders. The Group confirms

that each independent non-executive Director and length of service. The Board regularly complies with the independence guidelines in reviews and supervises the implementation Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules.

Board diversity is important. Our board As of the date of issuance of this Report, the diversity policy was formulated in accordance Board comprised nine Executive Directors with the Listing Rules. All appointments of and five Independent non-executive the Board shall be based on merit to ensure Directors. One of the independent nonthe Directors have the balanced skillsets, executive directors holds the professional experience and diverse perspectives and accounting qualifications required by required by the Group's businesses. When the Listing Rules of the HKEX. considering candidates, the Nomination Committee considers factors including gender, age, cultural and educational background, professional experience, skills, knowledge



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Compliance with laws and regulations We attach great importance to our

is the cornerstone of a company's credibility, observe high business

stability and development. Our well-

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high-level corporate governance.

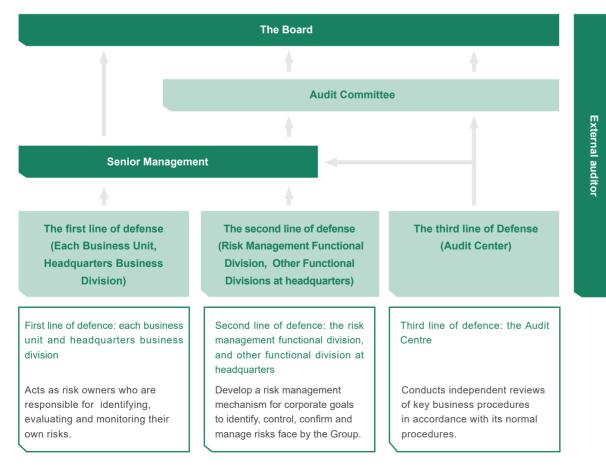
of the board diversity policy.



### **Risk management**

The Group attaches great importance to risk management and control. The Board of Directors is fully responsible for assessing the nature and degree of risks that the Group may face and ensuring that the Group has sound and effective risk management and internal controls. The Board of Directors has delegated to the Audit Committee to oversee the management's design, implementation, and supervision of the risk management and internal control system. We adopted the enterprise risk management framework formulated by The Committee of Sponsoring organisations of the Treadway Commission and established the "Three Layers + Three Lines of Defence" structure to clarify risk management procedures such as risk identification, risk assessment and risk handling.





To further standardise risk management, the Group formulated the *BEWG Overall Risk Management System* to prevent, control, resolve operational risks. The Group closely manages environmental and social risks, and has established a Sustainability Risk Assessment System under the Audit Committee to identify and update important environmental factors in products, services and water treatment plant construction. Before investing in a project, the Group will identify local environmental and social risks, analyse risk prevention and control measures, and develop targeted plans for risk prevention and emergency response.

We continue to strengthen internal risk control in daily operation and management. We formulated internal risk control systems including the *Measures for Investment Review and Decision-making Management*, and *Audit System* to establish systematic risk management framework based on business unit. We attach great importance to investment safety and continuously improve the decision-making mechanism of key nodes such as project initiation, bidding, and review to ensure our investment projects. At the same time, we established a postproject analysis mechanism and *Financial Risk Map* to enhance corporate safety and financial safety. Additionally, we fully implemented public opinion management measures and public relations crisis management mechanisms to ensure brand safety.

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### Anti-corruption

BEWG strictly observes business ethics and has a zero-tolerance policy for corruption. In strict accordance with laws and regulations such as the Criminal Law of the People's Republic of China, Supervision Law of the People's Republic of China, Company Law of the People's Republic of China, Anti-Unfair Competition Law of the People's Republic of China, United Nations Convention against Corruption, and OECD Convention against Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions, and ethics-related rules and regulations of the jurisdictions in which we operate. Our anticorruption system covers the entire group and all employees, standardising anticorruption work and its supervision. We continued to establish a culture of integrity and to deepen integrity and compliance for all employees, regardless of region and business area. We take preventive measures to prevent corruption at source, creating a culture of integrity that ensures high-quality development. At the same time, we joined the China Enterprise Anti-Fraud Alliance. In the future, we will work with other enterprises in innovative ways to share benefits and promote our antifraud work. This supports healthy development and contributes to a clean workplace.



The Discipline Inspection and Supervision Commission of the Group implements the anti-corruption requirements raised by the Board, performs the duties of discipline inspection and supervision and continues to enhance our anti-corruption work. Currently, the Commission has five members, including one Secretary and one Deputy Secretary, both are executives of the Group. At the Group's headquarter, the Discipline Inspection and Supervision Department strengthens our anti-corruption supervision, prevention and education, ensures the accessibility of whistleblowing channels, and standardises the handling of clues concerning corruption, bribery and violation of business ethics. Each year, all centres and regions sign an Integrity Commitment that defines and guides their anti-corruption responsibilities and work.

We pay close attention to improving policies and systems and deepening anticorruption management. On the one hand, we implement business ethics thoroughly and update the *BEWG Code of Business Conduct* – applicable to all employees

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and subsidiaries - every three years. We expressly ban all forms of bribery, corruption. and fraud and strictly prohibit any employee from bribing, soliciting bribes or accepting bribes, including soliciting or providing any benefits from/for customers, suppliers, legislators/law enforcement agencies or other persons related to our business, or acting as a third-party intermediary to provide, solicit or accept any Interests. On the other hand, we have established a comprehensive anti-corruption supervision and accountability system. We issued the Anti-Corruption Management System, Whistleblower Protection System, System for the Investigation and Punishment for False Accusation, Confidentiality for Whistleblower System, and Overseas Anti-Corruption System. We improved policies and systems with reference to relevant provisions in the United Nations Convention against Corruption, the World Economic Forum's Partnering Against Corruption Initiative and Transparency International's Anti-Bribery Guidance. We sought to ensure that our anti-bribery clue collection and investigation processes are applicable

to jurisdictions outside China in order to effectively prevent and punish corruptive behaviour.

Our online office platform and mobile app have a Corruption and Compliance tab. Beneath it are four items: whistleblowing methods, punishment announcements, warning cases and integrity views. The hotline, e-mail, phone and address of the Discipline Inspection and Supervision Commission are available to all. Clues about corrupt behaviour are processed in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. Our Internal Audit department, external auditors and thirdparty organisations are engaged if necessary. Punishment for violation of laws and regulations is announced in a timely manner. According to the whistleblowing and discipline inspection work system, when handling clues about corruptive behaviour, we endeavour to protect whistleblowers and the information provided, even if it is proved to be incorrect or lacking a factual basis. Discrimination against whistleblowers, and retaliatory action, is severely punished, in

accordance with the law and regulations.

To create a cleaner atmosphere, we actively promote a culture of integrity. We organised a series of events and activities on the theme of "fighting corruption and being devoted to career". This included visits to the Beijing Anticorruption Warning and Education Base, the Integrity Olympic Demonstration Base and the Party School of the Beijing CPC Committee. We also held five immersive training sessions on our culture for managerial staff at all levels and regional units in Beijing. The Group's five regions, and affiliated entities, hosted the Original Aspiration course to enhance integrity and compliance training for employees at all levels. Before every important holiday, we carry out a special inspection to fight the "four evil trends" (formalities performed for formalities' sake, bureaucratism, hedonism, and extravagance) and issue an Integrity Initiative to all employees. We focus on "Integrity and Compliance" tab, analyse typical cases within and outside the Group - about gambling, bribery, misappropriation and other violations - in view of the Criminal Law and Public Security Administration Punishment

Law, and select cases about gambling, bribery, misappropriation, and other violations as promotion and education materials. We adopt different measures to improve employees' awareness of compliance. In addition, we continuously strengthen our own supervision and inspection team. We require employees at discipline, inspection, supervision and internal audit units to undertake anti-corruption training organised by superior organisations and the Group and study standards for criminal registration for reported violations, case investigation, department operation and anticorruption promotion. In 2019, board members received eight hours of anti-corruption training in two anti-corrupiton training sessions, while general employees received four trainings with an average training time of four hours per participant. In 2019, in relation to corruption, the Group received no major complaint and there was no concluded litigation.



In 2019, the Group conducted



anti-corruption training for board members



anti-corruption training for general employees

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## Ensuring service quality

Ensuring healthy lifestyles, and promoting the well-being of all, are essential for sustainable development. Safe drinking water plays an important role. Rapid socioeconomic growth and accelerated urbanisation have contributed to water pollution and uneven supply. We have a great responsibility for ensuring water

quality and safety. To this end, we implement high standards for the quality and safety of our construction and operations, and strictly monitor outlet water from sewage plants.



## Meeting quality standards

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Water Group 2019 Quality Year Construction Core. We aim to improve quality, and draw on standardised management, and technological and conceptual innovation, to create national model water treatment plants.

In response to the Three-year Action Plan for the In 2019, we promoted standardisation and consolidated Upgrading and Efficiency Improvement of Sewage the management of each business line through policy Treatment of the country, we made 2019 our revision, standard development, management structure Quality Year, and issued the Beijing Enterprises optimisation, and standardised data management. In 2019, in accordance with the requirements of ISO 9001<sup>17</sup>, ISO 14001<sup>18</sup>, and ISO 45001<sup>19</sup> certification systems, we developed the Beijing Enterprises Water Group Quality, Environment, and Occupational Health demonstration water environment projects and and Safety Management Manual, and organised ISO transition training and certification audits.

In 2019, to promote standardisation, we started with business and management to improve the quality of deliverables.

•Technology: we issued the Technical System White Paper and Guidelines for Collaborative Operation of Water and Water Environment, and developed and revised more than ten enterprise standards and business operation guidelines. These clarify technical standards, quality controls and processes for the entire life cycle.

•Investment: we completed the systematic definition of our products and services.

•Construction: we launched completion and acceptance standards for water and water environment projects, and worked with China Tiesiju Engineering Group Co., Ltd. to compile the Urban Waterworks Construction Technical Manual.

•Procurement: we introduced a coding system to standardise material management.

•Operation: we upgraded implementation rules and evaluation standards for star-level enterprises

<sup>17</sup> Quality Management System Certification

<sup>18</sup> Environmental Management System Certification

<sup>19</sup> Occupational Health and Safety System Certification

·Organisational standardisation: we standardised organisational levels, classification, attributes and other rules. optimised the organisational structure of the headquarters, promoted three-level control and established a standardisation department.

•Position standardisation: we standardised titles of positions at headquarters, regions and business areas

·Project standardisation: We clarified investment-construction-operation data transmission rules and scale data management specifications of the regions and the Group, and issued a three-volume data dictionary white paper.

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For completed projects, we perform joint completion acceptance to ensure

100%

completion acceptance rate

project inspection coverage

100%

In terms of construction project management. from time to time, we conduct unannounced inspections of construction projects, to conduct spot checks on the timeliness of financing and construction formalities, progress, quality, safety, business management compliance and customer satisfaction. These inspections determine whether the managers and engineers meet the requirements of the projects. If any item fails to meet the requirements of the BEWG Construction Management System - Technical Quality Work Manual, those responsible are disciplined according to the

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In 2019, we set up an SPV support platform to solve via rapid response and timely decision-making in management problems that occur between the initiation of a project and its construction.

• A project initiation meeting enhances preconstruction planning and ensures that cost, schedule, quality and safety goals are achieved.

• We carried out inspection tours and completed 119 inspections during the year.

• We formed a joint completion acceptance mechanism that engages investment, technology, construction, operation, and procurement departments. It completed joint acceptance and assessment of 43 projects. The acceptance rate was 100 per cent. We delivered high-quality projects: Xintang Yonghe, Nanyang Zhanggang, Mianyang Tazi Dam, Shenzhen Hengling, Zaozhuang Xuecheng and Daxing Yinghai

• We focused on building four national model projects in Shuangliu, Chengdu Municipality, in Yuhang, Hangzhou City, in Zengcheng, Guangzhou City, and in Yinchuan, Ningxia Autonomous Region.



The Xintang Yonghe Phase IV sewage

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quality management appraisal and reward and punishment measures in the manual. For completed projects, we perform joint completion acceptance to ensure a 100 per cent completion acceptance rate and 100 per cent project inspection coverage

#### BEWG establishes SPV support platform to manage projects in construction projects

#### **Exhibition of excellent projects:**

treatment plant is an important element of the "Clearer Waters for Guangzhou" Action Plan and the Water Ecological Civilisation Town Programme. The project company overcame a number of difficulties, made plans in advance, alternated engineering processes, and shortened the construction period while ensuring quality. The plant opened within half a year and

completed its trial operation in the eleventh month.

We also set high standards for the Nanyang Zhanggang Sewage Treatment Plant. The construction team established models, which greatly improved construction quality. The project was highly recognised by the government for meeting its schedule and having a controllable total cost.





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90%

projects among the Group applied for star-level status qualified for one star

In terms of operation management, we innovated management methods, we rolled out star ratings for operation projects, and standardised the management process by developing systematic criteria. In 2019, 222 projects among the Group applied for starlevel status. Of these, 90 per cent qualified for one star "standardised management, production safety and normal operation" or above, and over 15 per cent qualified for three star water plants.

We issued the BEWG Implementation Rules for Star-level Operation Enterprise Appraisal, and Star-level Operation Enterprise Process Management Assessment Standards (including standards for sewage operation project quality, sewage operation project operation, water supply project operation quality, water supply company operation, water treatment plant operator operation, and raw water operator operation).

A project is assessed in five areas: onsite process management, operation quality, operation management, staff capability, and innovation and benefit generation. Requirements vary for different levels to differentiate them and offer management guidance.

Star ratings Star ratings system methods Star **Case library** Incentives and guidelines and rewards

We issued a library of standardisation cases and guidelines for water supply, sewage treatment and equipment operation. We analysed in detail the key issues in production management, equipment management, and integrated management, listed irregularities discovered in inspections, illustrated standardisation cases, and offered guidance for standardised operations.

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We issued the Star-level Enterprise Employee Subsidy System, according to which employees at starred enterprises receive subsidies each month based on their number of stars and the Group's staffing standards. This encouraged grassroots employees to apply for star certification

We encouraged project companies to optimize their processes to maximize the efficiency of deep treatment and encouraged gualified projects to upgrade their water outlets. At the same time, we pay close attention to the operation and management capabilities of water treatment plant employees, especially in quality testing and quality control. Targeted

#### Upgrading and transforming a partner water treatment plant in the Min-Tuo River Basin Case

As the government raised the standard for the project from Class I Standard A to the discharge standard of pollutants in municipal wastewater - as per the Sichuan Province Discharge Standard of Pollutants for Min River and Tuo River - we transformed the sewage treatment plant of Chengdu BE Shudu Investment Co., Ltd. in the Min-Tuo River Basin. The capacity of the plant was 100,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day, yet treatment reached 110,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day. Despite this excessive load, we upgraded the process from "coarse screen + lift pump + fine screen + aerated grit chamber + A2O biochemical tank + secondary sedimentation tank + D-type filter tank + UV disinfection" to "coarse screen + lift pump + fine screen and aerated grit chamber/ SSGO + hydrolysis acidification and

## **High-quality service**

Case

Committed to assuring the government and satisfying the public, we endeavour to incorporate excellence in our everyday management. We bring clean water and customer service to the government, enterprises and communities.

#### Smart water supply platform in Guigang establishes BEWG as a user-friendly enterprise

In 2019, the Group established a smart water supply platform and 15 major business systems for BEWG Guangxi Guigang Co., Ltd., and optimised the management model based on system functions. A comprehensive ticket management system was launched to enable ticket-based management for 11 items, including meter reading, installation request, leak detection, and maintenance. Innovative functions such as calculation of actual person-hours, rated personhours, automated performance calculation

service.

The customer service platform focused on convenience and effective marketing. It integrates meter installation, meter reading, fee collection, meter

training strengthens their skills. In 2019, the number of projects with water outlet quality exceeding Class I Standard A accounted for 52.7%.

regulation tank + A2O biochemical tank + secondary sedimentation tank + secondary lift pump and denitrification biological filter + magnetic coagulation sedimentation tank + UV disinfection". These enhancements meet the new standard and provide an overload capacity.

As technology and customer behaviour evolve, we focus on the customer experience when building systems and platforms, and employ technology as the driving force.

were introduced to the ticket system, which significantly improved efficiency. We also provided a 24/7 hotline system and digitized all offline businesses. The regulation centre functioned as the smart brain of the management and control platform to effectively improve customer

management and a service hotline, and is compatible with WeChat and Alipay for bill payments and communications. The platform enabled smart meter reading for 45,000 meters, benefitting 61,000 WeChat users. Thanks to the platform, users need visit the site only once at most. This earned BEWG first place in the Guangxi "Ease of Doing Business Appraisal".



In 2019, BEWG selected 15 pilot projects across the country to conduct customer satisfaction surveys. We invited the government officials responsible for these projects to evaluate all stages. We responded to the problems identified by developing solutions and making rectifications.

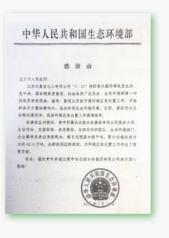
Our dedication to quality is reflected in our ability to quickly respond to, and properly handle, emergencies: to control their development, and to reduce damage and losses to customers. The

BEWG Management Measures for Production Safety Accident Emergency Response Plan and BEWG Production Safety Accident Emergency Response Plan detail the reporting and decisionmaking processes for emergencies, and the internal and external coordination mechanisms. These documents enable quick responses, ensure the safety of water supply and sewage, and safeguard industries and lives.



#### BEWG assists the government to tackle polluted water bodies Case

At around 2pm on March 21, 2019, an explosion occurred in Jiangsu Tianjiayi Chemical Co., Ltd. in Chenjiagang Chemical Park, Xiangshui County, Yancheng City, Jiangsu Province. BEWG started its emergency response plan immediately. Our Quality Safety Centre, Operation Management Centre and East China Region organised more than 50 employees to control and remedy the situation. The Chenjiagang Water Treatment Co., Ltd. was on the frontline, cooperating with the Ministry of Ecology and Environment to treat polluted water, implement the emergency response plan, and ensure no untreated wastewater would be discharged into the environment. Thanks to these concerted efforts, production was resumed within one day. We consulted experts and promptly obtained the required medicament. Our action was praised by the Ministry of Ecology and Environment.



#### BEWG ensured water safety during the COVID-19 outbreak

Since the COVID-19 outbreak began, all water treatment plants have acted in strict accordance with the Suggestions of 12 Experts with the Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development on Virus Removal and Control of Drinking Water Treatment Plants During the Outbreak, Notice on the Supervision of Treatment of COVID-19 Polluted Medical Wastewater and Urban Sewage, COVID-19 Polluted Medical

Wastewater Emergency Treatment Technical Plan (Trial), Discharge Standard of Water Pollutants for Medical Organisation (GB 18466-2005), and Guidelines for Drinking-water Quality – Fourth *Edition*, issued by the World Health Organisation to ensure the safety of water supply and the stability of sewage treatment.

Employees of our five companies in the Hubei - Hubei Yichang BE Water Purification Co., Ltd., Yichang BE Water Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd., Yingcheng BE Water Co., Ltd., Chibi BE Water Co., Ltd. and Chibi BE Urban Development and Water Co., Ltd. - worked on the frontline to ensure the safety and stability of sewage treatment. Local governments recognised the devotion and courage of BEWG employees during the outbreak.



At 22:55 on June 17, 2019, a magnitude 6.0 and a 5.1 magnitude earthquake occurred in Changning County and Gong County, Yibin City, Sichuan Province, China. BEWG attached great importance to the situation and rushed to the rescue.

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Safe drinking water is the most fundamental guarantee after an earthquake. This disaster broke the pipe joint between the chlorine dioxide generator and contact disinfection chamber of the water plant of BE Gong County Water Supply Co., Ltd.

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#### 赤壁市环境保护局 当阳市住房和城乡建设局 感谢信 参量北腔水各有限公司、由壁北控战镇发展水各有限公司; 参量市城东污水处理厂和去壁镇、宫塘桥镇和赵孝桥镇 專 11 个乡镇污水处理厂(1+11)是非型市城镇污水处理厂 重点环保项目和民生基础设施。在此次应对新型冠状病毒) 宜昌北控水质净化有限公司; 当前,新型记状病毒威胁著人们群众的生命安危,全市各地 生成可称为100元发生物服果。这么么么。2018年2月20日, 完良物务的发生使。各百下服的(111) 建填污水炭炭厂 发现各不低、交遣管控、服材料均含苦润、尿度换与 功能管理。特别是在生态非是称下也发到结果计法算生一门 的通知后。你们就要求加强了点水的清虑一次,结合实际话 需要消毒商捐物的改加量。确况所尽改用下运水大的名句 各部门协协打响了抗击新型把抗病毒感染的肺炎液浆战。 在抗击疫情的关键时刻,你半位初数爆突市委市政府及行; 主营部门有关绑着要求,以过程的政治发悟和责任担当,体尽3 守,这原因行,以备通的要与灾物的击使爆的导角,居忘我,不 怕梦,不怕累的实际行动物较响应上很导石,会力很障了全考生 活污水处理系统的正常运行。特比内作半位很出表册! 希望你半位全体干部职工完组质者买品能都情绪,将很有污。 收指标达到《就懂污水处理厂污染物排出标准》要求、为亦 即水环境保护和防止新型冠状病每污染水体做出了突出 、 有鉴于此,特对责公司在此次应对新型短状病毒影长 所添發強。为夺取皮情防控阻击战的全面胜利做出新的更大贡献 而当下4.時內或以44年次後且不能問題代兩書新炭校 開幹位工作系統實業款未完全公司。希望你已經改長成 情。再獲再房,严格按照生态环境部(其干集分新型运行的 希感及的肺炎疫情面疗疗术年減值方术算常工作的通知》是 实施好污水质電工作力会面談起此來解提現状病者肺炎疫 情報做實驗。 A HA

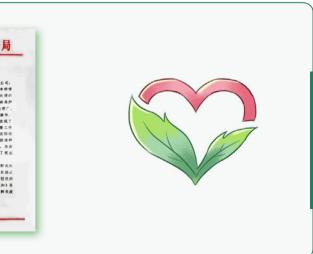
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#### BEWG rushed to earthquake relief to ensure water supply and proper sewage treatment

The company immediately initiated the emergency response plan for hazardous chemical leakage and took emergency measures to stop the application of agents. After all chlorine dioxide was pumped out, maintenance staff fixed the pipeline and restored disinfection facilities as soon as they can to ensure that residents in the affected area have access to clean water. The earthquake also cut the power supply to the reservoir of our Gong County company. The company took measures immediately to investigate the cause of the power outage and reported it to the Power

Supply Bureau. At 3 am on June 18, power supply was restored and the water plant began to process water. Water supply to the city was restored at 5 am.

We fulfilled the social responsibility of a state-owned enterprise and water service provider with a strong sense of mission. We spared no effort to ensure the water supply and proper sewage treatment to support earthquake relief.



# 04

# Supporting the national strategies



To safeguard the source of life and create a green environment, BEWG actively responds to key national strategies such as the coordinated development of the Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei region, the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), the Yangtze River Protection Plan, and the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area development plan.



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Supporting the national strategies

## Supporting **Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei** Coordinated **Development**

Case

BEWG implements the spirit of the Outline of the Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei Coordinated Development Plan and upholds the strategy of solidifying business in Beijing, strengthening development in the Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei region, and fuelling growth in the Bohai Economic Rim and entire North China. We strive for the sustainable restoration of the water

environment from five aspects: source, point, line, surface and body. The aim is to build a governance system consisting of "one core and two wings" with the distinct characteristics of BEWG, to restore clear waters, lush mountains, and the harmony between cities and water, and to integrate our services into people's lives in a faster and broader way.

China PPP Fund of the Ministry of Finance invests in PPP project for sewage sludge treatment in Qinhuangdao City

On March 5, 2019, the China PPP Fund of the Ministry of Finance paid RMB 330 million for shares of the Qinhuangdao PPP sewage sludge treatment project. It not only marked the formal participation of the Fund in BEWG North China's Qinhuangdao

PPP sewage sludge treatment project but also the launch of our first equity fund, based on the principle of "equal right for all shares".

The project is a high quality, prefecturelevel, plant-pipe network integration, with mud-water integration revitalizing stock assets. Consistent with current national policies, it commands the largest investment of existing PPPbased drainage facilities.

Cooperating with local governments for better cities

BEWG is committed to being based in the Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei region and influencing North China. In 2019, we joined with local governments to build better cities.

#### February 27

BEWG and Dalian Water Group signed a strategic cooperation agreement to promote innovative development. We will focus on national strategies, deepen the reform of state-owned enterprises, give full play to our strengths, and explore cooperation in urban water supply, drainage and environmental governance.

## **Promoting the** development of **Yangtze River Economic Belt**

Chinese government aims to utilise the locational advantages of the Yangtze River Economic Belt. This stretches across East, Central and West China. As the country mobilises forces to protect the environment, shuns large-scale development, prioritises ecological restoration and pursues green development, BEWG coordinates



A Sun Zhiyu, Party Division Member and Deputy General Manager of China Three Gorges Corporation, and Li Yongcheng, Vice Chairman and Executive Deputy General Manager of BEWG, signed the Agreement on Deepening Cooperation on the Protection of the Yangtze River on behalf of the two groups.

#### May 28

BEWG and the People's Government of Hengshui City signed a Strategic Cooperation Framework Agreement. Following the public-private partnership (PPP) project for water system restoration in the main city of Hengshui, we will unite in fields such as urban infrastructure construction and operation, water environment governance and urban environmental services.

#### August 8

of Junan County signed a cooperation agreement for the Longwang River sewage treatment plant reclaimed water project in Junan.

resources, gathers strength and contributes smart solutions in cooperation with the China Three Gorges Corporation. We will participate in the ecological restoration of the river basin and help to protect the river itself and work on six areas including equity, fund, business, dual platform, research and industrial alliance.

BEWG and the People's Government

#### August 15

BEWG and the Baoding Municipal People's Government signed an Investment and Cooperation Agreement for the Comprehensive Treatment of Huanghua Ditch of the Baoding Comprehensive Water System Treatment Plan (Phase I) PPP project in Beijing. BEWG draws on its capital, technology, and operational and management strength to provide the government and local residents with a better and more comprehensive water supply, sewage treatment and water environment treatment.



#### Milestones in this work in 2019 included:

#### January 18

BEWG signed a cooperation agreement with Yangtze River Ecological Environmental Protection Group Co., Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as "Yangtze River Ecological Environmental Protection Group"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of China Three Gorges Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "Three Gorges Corporation"), on proposed cooperative items.



BEWG and Three Gorges Corporation signed an agreement on deepening cooperation in Beijing.

### June 4

A consortium led by BEWG won a bid for the PPP sewage treatment project in downtown Yueyang City – a pilot for the Yangtze River Protection Plan.

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#### November 27

The Three Gorges Corporation and BEWG jointly founded the Yangtze River Green Development Fund Management Co., Ltd.

June 5 The Yangtze River Ecology and

Environmental Protection Industry Alliance was established. BEWG served as the deputy chairman

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#### PPP comprehensive sewage treatment project in Yueyang City

The total investment of the PPP comprehensive sewage treatment project in Yueyang City was

 $\mathsf{RMB}\,4.445\,\mathsf{billion}$ 

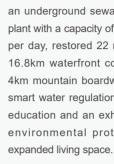
of seven companies – including the Yangtze River Ecology and Environmental Protection Group and Beijing Enterprises Water Group (China) Investment Co., Ltd. - who won a bid for a PPP comprehensive sewage treatment project in downtown Yueyang. This project is one of the first pilots for the Yangtze River Protection Plan. The total investment of the project was RMB 4.445 billion. It is also the first result of China Three Gorges Corporation and BEWG signing a cooperation agreement to implement the requirements of the plan.

On June 4, 2019, BEWG led a consortium

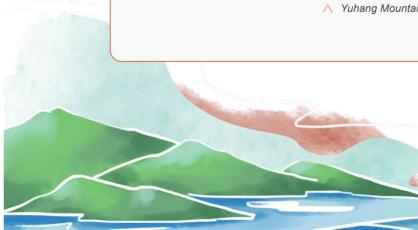
The model for the project integrated the plant, pipe network, river and riverbank. Inventory asset acquisition, upgrading and expansion of sewage treatment plants, improvement of the sewage pipe network and water environment management are all involved. The project revolutionised the traditional isolated-pointbased treatment model. It focused on improving the overall ecological environment and took municipal sewage treatment as the entry point. Through systematic governance, demonstration and promotion, it established a new model for protecting the Yangtze River and building a green development demonstration zone.

PPP Yuhangtang River basin water environment treatment project

The Yuhangtang River basin has an important impact on the green development of the Yangtze River Basin and therefore on the Yangtze River Economic Belt. Investment in the environment treatment project totalled RMB 2.35 billion. With four sub-projects - sewage collection and treatment, river network and water system treatment, dredging the main course of the Yuhangtang River, and the Phoenix Mountain Park - it involved a plant, pipe network, river, riverbank and people. To build a highquality urban ecosystem, we upgraded 5km of municipal sewage pipeline, built







plant with a capacity of 150,000 tons per day, restored 22 rivers, built a 4km mountain boardwalk, enabled smart water regulation, established education and an exhibition about environmental protection, and

As of the end of 2019, the Phoenix Mountain Park was essentially completed. River network regulation and Yuhangtang main river course regulation projects were 90 per cent completed, and the sewage

an underground sewage treatment treatment plants were 50 per cent completed. It is expected that all sub-projects will be completed 16.8km waterfront corridor and a by the end of 2020. The project provides urban flood control and reduces the risk of waterlogging. It can also remedy polluted rivers and contribute to clear water and beautiful scenery, creating an enjoyable environment for local residents

A Yuhang Mountain Park upon completion

Sustainability management

## Supporting the **Guangdong-Hong** Kong-Macao **Greater Bay Area**

The Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area is one of the most open and economically lively regions in China. It plays a strategic role in the development of the country. Guided by the spirit of the Outline Development Plan for the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, we contribute to the area's eco-friendly development.

Phase I of the comprehensive water environment treatment program in Pengjiang District, Jiangmen City, commended by local government Case

In June 2019, we won a hid to treat black and odorous water bodies treatment project of the comprehensive water environment treatment project (phase I) in Pengjiang District. In the first phase of this project, we remedied water quality in the basins of the Tiansha and Duruan rivers, and thereby significantly improved the environment of the district in Jiangmen City. We completed 90 per cent of survey and design tasks, and 50 per cent of construction, within half a year. Our efforts made a remarkable contribution to the city's treatment goals. The People's Government of Pengjiang District, Jiangmen City, highly praised our work and promoted us to other cities and districts

江门市蓬江区人民政府 

## **Supporting Belt** and Road Initiative

We actively implement the spirit of the BRI and draw on our capital strength, advanced technology and rich management experience to bring clean water and ecological restoration to BRI areas and countries, and contribute to BRI sustainable development.

#### First reclaimed water project in Yinchuan City

The total investment of the first reclaimed water plant project in Yinchuan City is RMB 1.504 billion, covering an area of 31.6 hectares with the construction scale of 300,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day. The project adopted semi-underground construction form and "AAO + high-efficiency sedimentation tank + V-shape sand filter" process, and its effluent met the ground quasi-IV standard. Taking the construction of the "Belt and Road Water Ecological Experience Innovation Center E-park" as the core design, the project built the ground landscape into an open three-dimensional park which keeps warm like spring based on the design concept of "green, intelligence, innovation, and sharing", thus

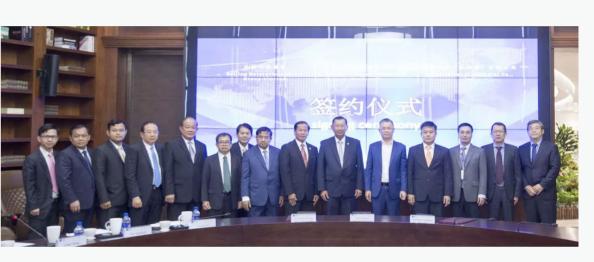
becoming an open area to provide leisure and fun for citizens.

The implementation of this project will integrate sewage treatment, reclaimed water utilization and environmental knowledge sharing, and exert great significance to the ecological environment and water resources recycling in the northeast of Xingqing District and the Desheng District. In addition, the first reclaimed water plant in Yinchuan City will be used as a resource gathering area to form a vitality circle, a living circle and an ecological circle that serve the nearby area, changing the "nearby-avoiding" effect into the "nearby-benefiting" effect.



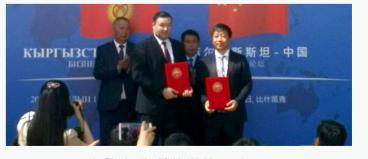
#### BEWG signs memorandum of understanding on cooperation with the Kingdom of Cambodia

On August 20, 2019, at the invitation of BEWG, Cham Prasidh - Minister of Industry and Handicraft and State Councillor of the Kingdom of Cambodia - and delegation visited the Group held talks with Zhou Min. President of BEWG, and signed the *Memorandum of* Understanding on Water Cooperation.



## **BEWG signs MoU with Kyrgyzstan**

On June 13 - witnessed by Kubatbek Boronov, First Deputy Prime Minister of Kyrgyzstan, and Li Yue, Economic and Commercial Counsellor of the Chinese Embassy in Kyrgyzstan -Director Adilbek uulu Shumkarbek of Kyrgyzstan's Promotion and Protection of Investments Agency of Kyrgyzstan and Vice President Li Haifeng of BWEG signed an MoU on behalf of both parties.



According to the MoU, the Cambodian government welcomes BEWG to participate in the construction of water supply and sewage projects in Cambodia. It supports BEWG with information access, project application, communication and coordination through the Ministry of

Industry and Handicraft. We will foster in-depth cooperation with the ministry and draw on our strengths to provide quality solutions for water infrastructure in Cambodia.

Signing ceremony for the MoU with the Kingdom of Cambodia

long-term cooperation in the water sector and lay a foundation for BWEG to

The MoU will guide China and Kyrgyzstan's contribute to environmental protection in Kyrgyzstan.

A Signing the MoU with Kyrgyzstan



# 05 Lasting business and sustainable operation

Over the years, BEWG has been determined to tackle challenges in the pursuit of clean water and green mountains. We keep in mind the mission of innovative development, design innovation strategies, lead industry collaboration and strive for information security. At the same time, we bear in mind our goal of protecting the green environment, optimize the environmental management system, take actions to implement low-carbon emissions and improve resource utilization, safeguarding the clean water and green mountains and building a beautiful home.

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Get to know BEWG

## Innovation for accelerated development





Innovation is the eternal theme of development. Faced with the new requirements of the times and new trends in the industry, in 2019, we launched our innovation strategy. The principle of the strategy is "focusing on value, focusing on problems, expanding opening-up, daring to make mistakes, and enhancing incentives". We aimed to establish a longterm mechanism and lead the development of the industry with new thinking, new technology, and new methods.

## Innovation as driving force

BEWG attaches great importance to the development of innovation capabilities and continuously and comprehensively establishes a complete innovation mechanism. In 2019, BEWG announced the Group's innovation strategy, completed the top-level design, released the report of BEWG Strategic Framework and Comprehensive Innovation Strategy and the BEWG Innovation Strategy Implementation Outline and made the plan to implement

2019-2020 innovation strategy. At the same time, we continued to explore new models of Industry-University-Research collaboration and innovation, encourage and stimulate internal innovation, and take actions to promote production innovation, technological innovation and management innovation. We see innovation as the primary driving force for development and business progress, and an important path to serving the country and society.

## Case

The BEWG Water Cup of the 2nd China Internet Plus Ecological Environment **Innovation and Entrepreneurship Competition** 

On November 9, 2019, the BEWG Water Cup of the 2nd China Internet Plus Ecological Environment Innovation and Entrepreneurship Competition came to a successful finish at the South China University of Technology. After the rigorous online preliminary round and semi-finals, 26 project teams went through to the national final. Ten projects were then shortlisted for the championship. The Harbin University of Technology team, with its unconventional green wastewater treatment technology, won first place and 100,000 RMB to fund its entrepreneurialism. In these times of mass entrepreneurship and innovation, the Entrepreneurship and Innovation Competition promotes education, training, innovation and transformation with competition as it pays more attention to the growth of projects and talent. It has developed a set of professional and methodical service systems of nurtures innovation and talent, based on the mobile internet. And by connecting education, talent, industry and industry, valuechain and innovation chain while promoting innovation in the ecological environment and transforming it puts scientific and technological theories into practice







To boost operating efficiency and guality through internal innovation, BEWG held its first innovation competition - the Beidou Award - in 2019. The competition was divided into three groups: production innovation, science and technology innovation, and management innovation. Forty projects were shortlisted.



#### Production innovation group

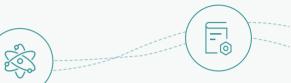
The winner joined the project of "The Development and Application of Energy Efficiency Management System in Water Treatment Plants", proposed by the team from our operation management centre, and the "Study and Verification of Step Rate Testing Technology in Wastewater Network", proposed by the team from BEWG's eastern region



Production innovation

BEWG looks for unknown innovative implementers who contribute their share to the excellent operation in their positions, encourages more creation of individual value, completes and expands the coverage, focuses

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#### Science and technology innovation group

First prize was won by BEWG's 'Seven-Stage' Decision-Making Roadmap for Biochemical Processes and the Process-Based Upgrading and Reconstruction Technology, designed by the Group's technical centre, and Overall Smart Solution for Leakage Control of the Water Supply Network, proposed by the operation management centre.

#### Management innovation group

First prize in this group was won by the operation management centre, with its project The Base Construction of Operation Training. and by BEWG's eastern region with its Innovative Management Practice of A Key Elements-Driven Empowerment System





on the production line, and improves the operation technology, equipment, process, operation method, working environment for specific posts, so as to increase employee efficiency, save cost and improve quality

#### "1+N" smart management

"1+N" smart integrated management is our new model for water treatment plants. It increases automation and informatization in the factory through digital technology. It facilitates regional control via an industrial control network, a video network and information management platforms. It improves operation management thanks to technology and human resources. And it is a foundation for further improvements.

In 2019, a single spark of the pilot project - in Dalingshan, Guangdong - lit fires of inspiration among our regions. These included the digital group of the Taizhou wastewater treatment plant in the east, the digital group of the Anning and Kaili wastewater treatment plants in the west, the digital integrated multi-business aroup of the Beijing and Qinhuangdao plant-network integration in the north, and the digital integrated multi-business group of Mianyang in the central region. The project involves 29 water treatment plants, 100 pumping stations, 157 village wastewater

treatment stations and more than 400 km of sewer networks among four regions. The integrated management model has improved the refinement, intensification and transparency of the treatment plants



## Science and technology innovation

BEWG explores ways to apply cloud computing, Internet of things (IoT), big data, artificial intelligence and other internet technologies to smart water services in an effort to further the digitalization of the industry.

BEWG continues to enhance regulations and rules formations in digitalization and informatization, BEWG Digital Project Management System, for example, to further standardise and effectively develop smart water services.

In 2019, BEWG promoted the development of the BECloud smart cloud platform, standardised corporate information and built a digital warehouse. These moves have helped us develop our smart controls, mechanisms, smart sensing systems, business operations and lines. We also developed and improved the management of digital projects and security. In such a context, the Company has fundamentally established the basic structure of smart water for a double platform strategy forms a foundation for future digital upgrades.

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#### **BECloud smart cloud platform**

BEWG's open source cloud platform BECloud offers modelling tools and real-time designs for the water industry, and historical data trends, process basic modelling and basic equipment modelling for water treatment plants and other open capabilities. With the R&D of digital products based on BECloud, the Company has completed the R&D of sewage operation and management systems in towns and villages as well as the R&D of the whole process control technology of water treatment plants. The Company has also supported the regional implementation of "1+N" smart and integrated water treatment plant

We support science and technology by protecting intellectual property rights. BEWG has established and standardised procedures for applying for and granting intellectual property rights. We strengthened key steps - such as patent-pending searches, avoiding intellectual property infringements, and early patent applications - and developed Management Measures for Intellectual Property to promptly and effectively protect our core technology. We continue to improve incentives for intellectual property rights - including patents, software works and trademarks - and encourage employees to innovate



management and standard digital water treatment plant. BEWG has initially completed the IoT in wastewater treatment in North China and enabled data access of 100 pilot water treatment plants and the implementation of cloud smart applications.

Enabled data access of

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pilot water treatment plants and the implementation of cloud smart applications







BEWG digs deeper into the potential of technology, applies for patents, and promptly registers software copyrights when conducting integrated packaging for technical brands. We use a double application for technology trademarks.



In 2019, the Group has applied for

56 national invention and patents for utility models

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software copyrights

1 technology trademark In 2019, the Group has obtained

authorized patents

28 authorized software copyrights 81

software copyrights

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patents

As of December 31,

the Group had been granted

authorized technology

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Water reclamation technology brand approved as a registered trademark by the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA)

In July 2019, BEWG's water reclamation technology brand AQENT<sup>®</sup> was approved as a trademark by the China National Intellectual Property Administration. As the company's first registered trademark in science and technology services,

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this is a milestone in our efforts to protect our intellectual property.

With its advanced and independent core technology, BEWG provides professional services for customers at home and abroad throughout the life cycle of projects, spanning investment, financing, design, construction and operation. The treated water can be used in industrial processes, urban environments and environmental restoration. In 2019, to standardize our independent research projects, BEWG formulated the Management Measures for the Registration of Independent Research Projects and Management Measures for the Funding of Independent Research Projects, which cover organizational structure, project registration management, process management and acceptance, funding management and use, and intellectual property rights and asset management, to further ensure standardized management and success of independent projects.

In 2019, we undertook ten major scientific research projects, including the national key

## Management innovation

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R&D plan of the Ministry of Science and Technology, Major Science and Technology Program for Water Pollution Control and Treatment of the Ministry of Environmental Protection under the 13th Five-Year Plan and the Beijing Municipal Science and Technology Commission. We established 30 independent science and technology projects, 18 of which are ongoing. These cover three categories of R&D: industryleading technology R&D for strategic technology reserve; technology optimization and innovation R&D to meet the demands of production and operation: business construction R&D for design optimization, improvement and operation management.

BEWG is committed to developing new management models, developing new paths and improving and upgrading the management regarding management models, management mechanisms, and investment and financing methods to empower the Group's highquality development. In 2019, we resolutely implemented the transformation to asset-light strategy, explored various asset-light investment models such as the Qinhuangdao model, and were committed to developing the core competitiveness in operation and continuously improving the quality of assets. In addition, we adopted a new centralized procurement model and took the "packaging negotiation, separately signing" method to increase management efficiency and improve product quality and service.

### BEWG develops new supply chain practice

In 2019, BEWG has carried out all-round and multi-perspective innovation practice in supply chain management.

#### New model

BEWG subverted the conventional idea of "one buy for one sale", followed the current trend of "Internet Plus" with smart "big data", and establishes a new, centralized, and smart procurement system. It implemented standardized procurement while achieving value creation, helping practicing Group's ecological strategy and light assets strategy, and boosting the highquality development and precision management of the industry. BEWG has developed from purchasing equipment and services during the construction period to in-depth and extensive procurement and developed product output and technical services throughout the overall industrial chain of investment, construction and operation. forming a "great procurement" thinking: BEWG has promoted the improvement of product quality and services through procurement and business activities, contributing to achieve the "great strategy" of the Group; BEWG has used big data to empower procurement and business activities, reflecting the "great intelligence" thinking; BEWG has been adhering to the principle of information opening and sharing, jointly creating a "great ecology" pattern; BEWG has provided more cooperation opportunities to promote the industry's "great development" landscape.

the trademark
 AQENT<sup>®</sup> of BEWG



To promote the improvement and innovation of the technical capacity of the regions, project companies and front-line technical teams, BEWG has formulated the *Methods* of *Business Technical Capacity Improvement Plan Management* to support the technology improvement and technology verification of production process and the related business construction research conducted by all the regions and subsidiary project companies, thus effectively guaranteeing the first-line innovation.

#### New ideas

#### New Methods

BEWG changed from control to service, actively streamlined, managed, and improved procurement. We conducted centralized negotiation while signing the contract separately, as well as delegated powers to improve the efficiency of procurement and promote the standardization of procurement: we changed the management concept from the business line-based procurement to the joint procurement by multiple units; we built a supplier data platform, established a sound approach to supplier cooperation, achieved a dynamic management system, including supplier registration, qualification, and performance review, field investigation, product quality evaluation and other dimensions, and facilitated friendly competition and healthy competition development of suppliers.

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#### **BEWG** develops new service models

BEWG follows the asset-light strategy. It has consulting capabilities in urban water environment projects such as top-level planning, project planning and scheme design, project risk assessment and process correction, technical management of project life-cycle and large-scale operation technical service of water environment projects. By combining those capabilities. BEWG initially formed a service-offering mode for special technology and technical management. In 2019, the model was proven to be an effective and wellreceived business model in six projects, including technical consultation for the Guipanhai river system improvement project (Guipanhai River system), and ecological water system protection and construction planning at the Yangtze River Delta International R&D community.

Guipanhai project

The Yangtze

River Delta R&D

community

is the centre of the Suzhou high-speed rail new town. The technical consulting project analyses the regional water environment, using simulation research of water quality and hydrodynamic force, and also puts forward suggestions for the improvement of the ecological environment. These measures support the R&D community's planning and construction. Aiming for a beautiful, clean and quiet system in the Xiangcheng District, our proposals - which cover diverting water, guaranteeing quality and ensuring conservation - will feature in the 14th Five-year Plan of Xiangcheng District.

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commenced in March 2017, construction has fallen behind schedule, mainly owing to inadequate technical management. At the recommendation of the local authority, the owner entrusted the BEWG Water Environment Research Institute to participate as a technical consultant for three months. Through on-site investigation, problem identification, technical suggestions and on-site services, our team provided innovative and practical solutions for the problems and for customers' challenges. The owner subsequently sent a commendation letter, praising our technology and technical management.

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# BEWG builds practical training bases to improve operation and management

In 2019, we built five practical training bases: for wastewater quality examination, equipment maintenance, water supply pipe network leak detection, water meter verification, and water quality examination and verification. By standardising our bases, courses, business training and professional title determination, we encouraged employees to be more devoted to learning and their jobs.

These bases support our employee development and talent training, and the skills of frontline workers and trainers.

### The wastewater quality examination base

Examines 30 water indicators, 14 sludge indicators, and seven common chemical substance indicators.

#### The water meter verification base

Has five sets of verification devices, with detection capabilities ranging from DN15<sup>20</sup> to DN200<sup>21</sup>.

#### The water supply quality examination and verification base

Accomodated 20 laboratory technicians for practical training and 50 for theoretical training. Phase I of the base examines 27 water quality indicators. That number will reach 106 when Phase II is completed.

#### The water supply pipe network leak detection base

Equipped with pipes of different materials and calibres, leak detection areas with different road surfaces, a maintenance area, a DMA<sup>22</sup> demonstration area and a measurement equipment testing area.

### The equipment maintenance base

Offers training and certification in electromechanical integration, automatic control systems and instruments, smart water services and equipment management.

<sup>20</sup> DN15: nominal diameter of the valve 15 mm.

- <sup>21</sup> DN200: nominal diameter of the valve 200 mm.
- <sup>22</sup> DMA: independent measurement area; that is, water supply pipe network divided into separately metered water supply areas.



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# **Cooperation and** prosperity

As the leader of the environmental protection industry, BEWG actively shares its insights into wastewater treatment and builds a platform to seek common growth, cooperation and winwin results with related companies while following eco-friendly strategies, creating an industry ecosystem and ongoing technological innovation

among the environmental protection industry in China, which promotes China's ecological progress and contributes to global pollution control. In 2019, BEWG was a member of 134 industry associations, societies and organisations, and paid annual memberships of more than RMB 2.81 million

# **Promoting industry** prosperity

BEWG does more to provide support to scientific and technological innovation. The Company continues to increase investments in scientific and technological R&D and helps the

state and industry solve key technical problems in the field of municipal water and water environment comprehensive treatment. In 2019, BEWG has made the following achievements:

- We carried out eight cooperative R&D projects through platforms such as the Tsinghua-BEWG Research Institute. Six of them are being or have been demonstrated and put into practice.
- The PANTAI wastewater treatment plant BEWG's project in Malaysia - won first prize for Excellent Municipal Engineering Design of Excellent Engineering Design Among Industry, awarded by China Engineering and Consulting Association.
- Our "management system featuring vertically and horizontally decentralised control technology" created by the Group won first prize in the modernization and innovation of Beijing corporate management.

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BEWG promotes industry standardization and has 14 national, industrial and enterprise standards. In 2019, three standards codeveloped by BEWG were released: The Reuse of Urban Recycling Water-Water Quality Standard for Scenic Environment Use (GBT18921-2019), issued by the Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development of the Peoples Republic of China, Indicators and Assessment System of Clean Production in Wastewater Treatment, Recycling and

Reuse Industry, issued by the National Development and Reform Commission, Ministry of Ecology and Environment of the People's Republic of China and the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology of the People's Republic of China, and Technical Guidelines For Underground Municipal Wastewater Treatment PlantT/CAEPI 23-2019. issued by the China Association of Environmental Protection Industry.

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The Indicators and Assessment System of Clean Production in Wastewater Treatment, Recycling and Reuse Industry is the first such system applicable to clean production in the wastewater treatment industry. It implements the Law of the People's Republic of China on Promoting Clean Production. The assessment system applies to clean production auditing, potential and opportunity judgment and performance evaluation of enterprises

focused on urban wastewater and

protection

The compilation of the assessment system was based on multiple samples and indicators from regional water treatment plants, of different types and with different water

# **Collaborating with** industry, universities and research institutes

BEWG initiated the China Eco-environment Industry and Education Alliance, the Integration of Production And Education Summit Forum, the "Internet Plus" Ecological Environment Innovation and Entrepreneurship Competition, and the construction of the industry college, to deepen the integration of production and education, improve people's livelihood and society and support the development of the nation's education system.

In 2019, BEWG explored a new paradigm of the industry-university-research combination: we established a college in collaboration with Changsha Environmental Protection College, Shandong Water



# BEWG is the only water services supplier to collaborate on the Indicators and Assessment System of Clean Production in Wastewater Treatment, Recycling and Reuse Industry

accepts a maximum of 20 per cent of industrial wastewater within a total volume of treated water. It is also enforceable in environmental impact assessments, pollutant discharge permits and environmental

qualities. In combination with the operational practice, it has further given many practical suggestions to enhance the feasibility, effectiveness and instruction of the assessment system

Conservancy Vocational College, Guangdong Polytechnic of Environmental Protection Engineering, and Yangling Vocational & Technical College. This delivers innovative and compound talents to the smart water industry.

Through joint training and collaboration, BEWG strengthens links between universities and enterprises. We established the Technology Research Centre of Coastal Ecological Restoration and Protection with Hehai University, and the Joint R&D Centre of Ecological Environment in Tropical Areas with Hainan University. BEWG and Mr. Peng Yongzhen, an academician of the Chinese Academy of Engineering, built the academician expert workstation. We also cooperated with Peng's team in strategic project consultation and guidance, technical innovation, the transformation of scientific and technological findings, scientific and technological development, and high-end talent training

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#### Establishing courses in smart water services

With the approval of the Shandong Provincial Department of Education. BEWG and Shandong Water Conservancy Vocational College have established Water Management courses for Smart Water Services, which are not only the first course in smart water services to be approved by Shandong Provincial Department of Education. They are also the first such course in China's colleges and universities. This university-enterprise initiative creates a precedent and an example for environmental protection education in our country, and will provide the industry with more high-level skilled talent in smart water services to offer significant guidance and examples in university-enterprise cooperation.

To complement BEWG's exceptional smart water faculties at the school we mobilised more than 50 teams – headed by our operation experts, management experts and factory directors - to design top-of-the-line smart water curricula. The

BEWG centre in the eastern region will utilise its regional advantages in nearly 100 operating companies to equip smart water majors with professional mentors and professional quidance.



# Pursue winwin outcomes for ecological

BEWG implements the ecological strategy and attaches importance to building the BEWG ecosystem. Through flexible and diverse cooperation mechanisms, BEWG takes the lead and develops together with protection partners other enterprises in the industry.

> We innovated business models for river basin treatment and municipal water services, and upgrade cooperation models. In 2019, BEWG and China Three Gorges Corporation established cooperation in "fund, project, research, alliance, and dual-platform" in addition to equity cooperation. The two groups launched dual-platform companies in Nanjing and Changsha to implement the dual-platform strategy on the protection of the Yangtze River. The two groups initiated the Yangtze River Green Development Fund Management Co., Ltd., which raised RMB 20 billion in Phase I.

We enhanced the collaboration with the Jinke Group, Zhejiang Kaichuang Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd, BG Well-point, China BEWG Co. Ltd, Huai'an Water & Power Engineering Consulting Co., Ltd., Beijing Sinoteck, WPG, EJOBIM, SND Group and many other technology-based enterprises in the future through equity cooperation, and continuously improved the BEWG industrial chain to improve the competitive advantages of BEWG. In addition, we strengthened the cooperation with banks and other financial institutions. We established long-term financing cooperation with the three major policybased banks, namely, World Bank, Asian Development Bank and China Development Bank, and executed investment collaboration agreements with China Life Investment Holdings Co., Ltd. to carry out all-round cooperation.

#### **BEWG-WPG** ecological cooperation enterprise is successfully launched Casi

BEWG and WPG established ecological collaboration through equity cooperation. WPG is a comprehensive service provider of water supply solutions, which is dedicated to solving the problems in water supply for customers regarding equipment products. technical services and standardized management. Since the cooperation was started two years ago. the two parties have been exploring the secondary water supply in the entire industrial chain from frontend investment to operation, jointly promoting the transformation and upgrading of the operation and management in the secondary water supply industry.

As an excellent ecological cooperation enterprise for BEWG, WPG was officially listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange on February 22, 2019 (stock code: 603956).

# China BEWG Co. Ltd strengthens its service

With one centre and one hub, China BEWG Co. Ltd builds its presence in the market with distribution centres reaching out to the rest of the country. It centres on the Yizhuang Development Zone and Daxing District to strengthen the service philosophy as a "housekeeper" and proceeds to market by means of the public resource and technology. Our Daxing Xinfenghe project has remarkable economic and social benefits: it has made breakthroughs in financing, output, employment and ecological improvement, which have been hailed by the government and media.

# **BEWG invests in Jinke Group**

Jinke Group focuses on membrane system applications and membrane system operations. It has three core technologies including membrane universal platform equipment technology, membrane system application technology and membrane system operation technology, which are all independently developed by the company. Investing in Jinke Group is of importance for BEWG to improve the layout of the water environmental protection industry chain and further implement the Group's ecological strategy. BEWG empowered Jinke Group in four aspects, namely, technical services, business collaboration, financial services and capital collaboration, thus promoting the high-quality development of all the enterprises and jointly enlarging the industry benefits.

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# **Beijing Enterprises Holdings Environment Technology** Co. Ltd makes inroads in iron and steel

Our subsidiary Beijing Enterprises Holdings Environment Technology Co. Ltd. - a pioneer of wastewater treatment for the iron and steel industry - won a bid for a new facility for Jiangsu Shente Iron and Steel Co., Ltd., with a capability of 10,000 tons per day. Our smart visual system Epick has been widely applied because it has access to the environmental protection data of 1,000 enterprises. In another first for Beijing Enterprises Holdings Environment Technology Co. Ltd, the wastewater treatment plant in Longyou County has been readied for trial operation. This is the first project application of our aerobic granular sludge technology in Asia

# Zheijang Kaichuang Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd deepens environmental technology research and development

Zhejiang Kaichuang Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as "Kaichuang Environmental Protection") is a national high-tech enterprise engaged in membrane water treatment. The major business of the company is providing membrane modules, membrane equipment, membrane application solutions and back-end operation services for customers with hollow fiber ultrafiltration membrane materials which are independently developed and produced by the company as core components. BEWG executed an investment agreement with Kaichuang Environmental Protection in January 2016 and strategically invested in Kaichuang Environmental Protection to guarantee the membrane technology for existing water assets in BEWG.

Kaichuang Environmental Protection, which developed an advanced treatment process for municipal drinking water, stepped into a new business in 2019. The company has led the introduction of green and low energy-consumption technology into the printing and dyeing industry. It tackles the industry's environmental protection challenges with zero liquid discharge and utilization of salt resources.





# Information security



attach great importance to information security and make it the top priority of digitalization. In 2019, in accordance with laws and regulations of the state and governments at all levels, and in combination with the company-specific and industry-specific reality, with the support of its own experts and independent experts, BEWG developed the Information Security Management System of BEWG Group and other information securityrelated rules and regulations, clarified the personnel, organization, procedures, standards and specifications related to information security management, and ensured the practical implementation of the project management as well as technical framework control.

While encouraging smart growth, we

BEWG's Information Security Management Committee is headed by group leaders, and includes the Digital Research Institute and a relevant specialist from each department and region. It enforces our information security rules and regulations and tracks their implementation by teams and projects, and organises on-site and online training. It also summarises, analyses and proposes improvements on a quarterly basis. All measures are aimed at ensuring security throughout the key links of our development.

Protecting customer privacy is an important part of corporate information security. We undertake unified identification and multilevel management of sensitive information. We have technical schemes for user authentication, application permission, structure security, storage security and network security, and safeguard customer privacy as a part of our security management.





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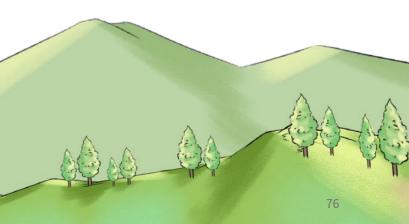


BEWG continually increases our efforts in environmental management, improves our environmental management system, strictly controls the discharge of pollutants and advocates green energy conservation and emission reduction. We develop green

As the state is encouraging modern management systems and the capacity of ecological civilization construction and intensifying environmental protection supervision and inspection, BEWG attaches great importance to sustainable operation, and undertakes corporate responsibility for the environment while improving economic benefits.

BEWG strictly adheres to the Environmental Protection Law of The People's Republic of China and - using the ISO 14001 management standard - developed the Practice and Measures of Key Control Nodes in Traditional Water Construction Projects, The Design of Urban Wastewater Treatment Engineering and The Environmental Yardstick Assessment System. These environmental management systems require project-specific companies to strictly follow our regulations on investment, design, construction and operation. They must identify, analyse and mitigate environmental risks, and maximise environmental benefits, to achieve our objectives of saving energy, reducing consumption, cutting pollution and increasing efficiency. In 2019, in accordance management for the entire process of each project, strive to improve resource efficiency, reduce impacts on the environment, and contribute to the protection of the environment and the recycling economy.

with our Quality, Environment, Occupational Health and Safety Management Manual, the Group established the Control Procedure for Environmental Factor Identification and Evaluation. It also mobilised all departments, first-level units and water treatment plants to identify, evaluate, summarise and update environmental factors, perform environmental assessment for all links including investment, design, construction, and operation, and fully took the scope, degree and frequency of environmental impacts into consideration. In particular, environmental factors must be identified and evaluated for new-build, reconstructed and expanded projects before construction commences. Holding fast to our environmental principles, we disclose information to all stakeholders and the public, and remain open to their supervision when pushing the process forward.





pollution.

Investment	Design	Construction	Operation
Environmental risk and environmental impact are important factors in the assessment of investment value. Projects with lax environmental management and substandard emissions are disqualified.	We take full account of the impact of a project on the environment and resources. Green designs optimize the environmental benefits and mitigate the effects, while ensuring quality and functionality.	We implement green plans and strictly manage construction. We control environmental impact by using green building materials, strengthening emission and discharge control, improving the use of resources and protecting biodiversity.	We establish sound environmental management during the operation period. We standardise the collection, management and disclosure of environmental data, ensure pollutant emissions are up to standard, and save energy and resources. We regularly inspect and supervise projects, and develop reward and disciplinary mechanisms, including assessments and ratings.

∧ BEWG developed a whole-process environmental management

BEWG also attaches great importance to the environmental compliance of overseas operations. We strictly abide by local laws and regulations, and form corresponding environmental management systems. For example, to control the impact of production and operation activities, our projectspecific company in Portugal has an environmental yardstick assessment that defines impacts in terms of effects, attributes and timeliness. Its three-level assessment is complemented by a rating system and control measures.

# Emissions management

BEWG is committed to low pollution, low emissions and creating a clean and healthy ecological environment. We strictly manage water, gas, sound, solid waste and other emissions,

vigorously promote innovation in emission and waste reduction, and minimise environmental pollution and damage.



# Green construction

BEWG adheres to the concept of green construction. Emissions reduction teams for construction projects rigorously control the emission of

Preventing air pollution

- Construction waste must hoisted in a container and not thrown in the air carelessly. It should be removed and carried away in a timely fashion. Water should be sprayed to reduce dust.
- Cement and other bulk fine powders should be sealed or covered tightly. Measures should be taken during their unloading to reduce dust.
- Makeshift roads on site should be hardened with concrete or paved with cement hexagon blocks to prevent dust.
- Dust-monitoring devices must be installed on-site. Personnel and equipment must be arranged to spray water to reduce dust. These will be supervised by a construction site supervisor.

## Prevention of light pollution

- There should be no continuous lighting on the project site. Only necessary lighting shall be used, excessive lighting should be avoided during unavoidable construction at night.
- The lighting of the construction company should be centralised and cover only the scope of the site to avoid affecting nearby traffic.

air pollution, water pollution, noise pollution, light pollution and waste.

Prevention of water pollution

 A drainage ditch should be built on-site to centralise and collect the wastewater, to avoid seepage into the ground, soil pollution and groundwater contamination.

 The site must be equipped with a sedimentation tank so wastewater can be discharged into the municipal pipeline after sedimentation.

 The warehouse where oils are stored must be treated against leakage, to prevent oil spills, dripping, seepage, leakages water

 If a temporary canteen is set up on-site, it must be equipped with a simple and effective grease trap where oil should be removed regularly to prevent pollution. Prevention of noise pollution

- Safety and noise-avoidance construction education for workers entering the site should be carried out. A management system for controlling manmade noise should be established to reduce loud sounds as much as possible and encourage staff to prevent noise disturbing residents.
- The supervisor is required to detect noise during the construction process, strictly monitor the hours of loud operations, and avoid construction at night and break time.
- To reduce the spread of loud sound, a sealed shed for mechanical equipment should be built and a silencer installed for noisy machinery.

# Waste management

- A temporary waste storage site should be built at the site. The waste should be classified and stored separately, with clear safety signs and preventive measures.
- The waste should not be scattered or mixed during transportation. Recyclable waste should be recycled and reused.
- Engine oil, paints, anti-corrosion material tailings and cooking performance enhancers from the chemical laboratory will be collected by classification, and entrusted to a licensed organisation for treatment. The generation time, production, storage, transfer and personnel for handover for waste liquid should be recorded.

# **Green operation**

to the law of the People's Republic of China on the Prevention and Control of Environmental Pollution by Solid Waste, The Law of The People's Republic of China on the Prevention and Control of Water Pollution, The Law of The People's Republic of China on the Prevention and Control of Air Pollution, to local environmental laws and regulations, and to internal policies, including the Quality, Environment, Occupational Health and Safety Procedures Document and Practice and Measures of Key Control

During operation, BEWG strictly adheres

Nodes in Traditional Water Construction and Emergency Response Plan for Production Safety Incidents of BEWG. These rules and regulations provide clear guidance on the generation and treatment of waste gas, wastewater, hazardous and non-hazardous wastes by operation, and cover whole-cycle management of all pollutants. For the pollutants resulting from the operation, we strictly comply with emission standards or transfer them to a qualified third party for disposal.

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The Hengling project phase II in Shenzhen was upgraded. The improved process overcame the problem of land shortage, optimized the process design and transformed the fine screen, grit chamber, DN chamber and CN chamber. A settling tank for fine sand was built and the UV disinfection channel was relocated.

with capacity of 150 thousand m<sup>3</sup>/d.

Our main emissions fall into three categories:



Sludge generated during water production is mainly composed of dissolved substances in natural water, and agents added during the purification process.

Waste gas, sludge and treated sewage are generated by water treatment plants. The gas mainly comes from the sulphur dioxide  $(SO_x)$  and nitrogen oxides  $(NO_x)$ generated in the process of biological wastewater treatment. The sludge mainly consists of silt and garbage. The sewage includes pollutants such as COD, ammonia nitrogen and

suspended solids.

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Office waste, kitchen waste, hazardous waste and wastewater are generated by everyday work. Hazardous waste mainly includes ink cartridges and light bulbs and tubes. Wastewater is mainly domestic wastewater used by employees.

A large amount of sludge is produced by regular business operations. To combat it, we develop new technologies and processes, control and reduce sludge at the source, transform and upgrade equipment and facilities, and innovate in sewage treatment. In 2019, BEWG encouraged the project companies to

optimize the process and enhance the efficiency of the advanced treatment.

# **Emission Types and Emissions of BEWG in 2019**

	Emission Type	Unit	Emissions in 2019
	Hazardous solid waste	Tons	89,334.62
	Hazardous solid waste density	Tons/10,000 HKD	0.03
Water Business	Non-hazardous solid waste density	Tons	2,068,192.97
_	Non-hazardous solid waste density	Tons/10,000 HKD	0.73
	Total wastewater discharge	Tons	181,357,614.00
Overseas Business	Non-hazardous solid waste density	Tons	14,049.57
	Non-hazardous solid waste density	kg/10,000 HKD	4.98
-	Total wastewater discharge	Tons	3,685.23
	Non-hazardous solid waste density	Tons	10,212.50
Environment Sanitation	Non-hazardous solid waste density	kg/10,000 HKD	3.62
and Solid Wastes	Sulfur dioxide emission	Tons	30.81
	NOx emission	Tons	171.08
	Soot emission	Tons	9.05
	Hazardous solid waste	Tons	9.22
	Hazardous solid waste density	kg/10,000 HKD	0.0033
Office Buildings —	Non-hazardous solid waste density	Tons	2,035.17
	Non-hazardous solid waste density	kg/10,000 HKD	0.72

# Shenzhen Hengling phase II upgrades the high-efficiency sedimentation of sludge

The project built a new lift stations of backwashing wastewater pump and a treatment system. The treatment system consists of a DN chamber with capacity of 200 thousand m3/d and a high-efficiency sedimentation chamber

(high-efficiency sedimentation tank) met the strict requirements for the four classes of effluent and effectively reduced the production of sludge.

Improved residual sludge treatment for the fine sand sedimentation tank

Comparing with 2018, in 2019,

indoor power consumption of

headquarter building was saved by

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Energy-specific cost was reduced

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BEWG vigorously pushes for green operation, environmentally friendly offices, energy conservation and consumption reduction. We undertake publicity and education regarding environmental protection, and post water-saving and electricity-saving tips and reminders in offices, meeting



• Prioritise the use of energy-saving, efficient and environmentally-friendly equipment and tools recommended by the state and industry.

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Energy-saving

measures

- Improve the management of vehicles, create account for official vehicles and regularly check vehicles for oil leaks.
- by a separate switch.
- and winter improve efficiency.

Type of Pollutants	Unit	Pollutant Reduction in 2019
COD reduction	Tons	1,244,880.29
Ammonia nitrogen reduction	Tons	131,967.74
Total phosphorus reduction	Tons	38,820.15

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In 2019, the Group was subject to neither serious pollution incidents nor complaints or fines due to serious pollution or violations of environmental regulations.



# Managing energy and resources

BEWG seeks reductions in resource consumption, energy conservation and emissions. We strictly abide by the Law of The People's Republic of China on Conserving Energy and other laws, and have developed internal systems such as Control Procedure of Project Operation, Control Procedure of Performance Monitoring and Chemical Agent Management Measures. We strive to improve resource efficiency and reduce our impact on the environment and natural resources through science and energy-saving technological transformation.

For special chemical agents, we have management measures and supply standards, and have incorporated relevant regulations into the evaluating of starred water treatment plants. Dosing and metering must be standardised, complete, accurate and normal. Records and statistics of chemical agent dosage must be regular, complete and

accurate. The storage of chemicals must be standardized and tidy, with complete notices. Easy-to-make agents and dangerous agents must be stored in a dedicated cabinet, with double locks whose keys are kept by two separate people. Project companies must ensure the management of chemical agents meets our standards, tighten any loopholes, and supervise starred self-inspection, business area inspection, regional inspection, group audits and acceptance. In 2019, BEWG reduced consumption at 120 projects in total, greatly improving efficiency. More specifically, those measures helped save carbon source worth over RMB 30 million and dephosphorizing agents worth over RMB 18 million. Alongside this remarkable cost saving, environmental pollution was reduced.

# **Energy and Resources Consumption of Office Buildings in BEWG 2019**

Resources/energy Type	Unit	Consumption in 2019
Power consumption	kWh	36,051,331.53
Consumption of renewable energy	kWh	334,153.00
Gasoline consumption	Tons	976.28
Diesel consumption	Tons	172.84
Natural gas consumption	Cubic meter	61,533.26
Outsourced steam heating	GJ	1,653.24
Freshwater consumption	Tons	647,726.06
Freshwater consumption	Tons	

# **Consumption of Chemical Agents of BEWG in 2019**

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on of lg agents	Tons	21,137.30
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rooms, elevators and washrooms, to improve employee awareness. Thanks to these measures, we saved nearly RMB 290,000 in indoor power consumption of headquarter building in 2019, and our energy-specific cost fell 28 per cent from 2018.

• Power consumption should be measured by designated personnel. The power load shall be controlled

• The person in charge of power consumption shall check whether employees shut down machines and turn off lights as they leave.

• Energy-saving appliances, LED lights, and adjusting a building's heating and cooling in the summer



- Regular checking and maintenance of pipelines reduces waste caused by spillage, dripping, seepage and leakade
- Water meters shall be used to reduce waste of water resources.

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# Lasting love and building a society together

BEWG promises to reassure the government, satisfy the public, earn profits, benefit its employees, and succeed with its partners.



# **People-oriented culture**



Talent development is an important part of our human resource strategy. BEWG practices people-oriented management, secures employees' legal rights, health and safety, trains talent, cares for employees,

BEWG strictly follows the Labour Law of the

People's Republic of China, Labour Contract

Law of the People's Republic of China and the

Provisions on the Prohibition of Using Child

Labour to ensure employees' basic rights

and interests. We advocate equality and are

firmly against any form of discrimination, be

it age, gender, nationality, religion or sexual

orientation. We forbid child labour and forced

labour. In 2019, BEWG revised the Recruitment

Management Mechanism and added the

Internal Recruitment Channel Management

Methods to further standardize the system,

clarify procedures and standards for internal

BEWG observes laws and regulations in

places where it runs businesses, and supports

the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

recruitment, and ensure equality.

and strives to provide a healthy, safe and comfortable work environment.

Equal employment



In 2019

18,424

full-time employees in China

738

employees in overseas companies

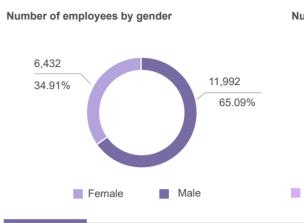


Declaration on the Protection of Human Rights, Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, Convention on Minimum Age for Admission to Employment, Employment Policy Convention, Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention, Convention on Equal Remuneration for Work of Equal Value for Men and Women Workers and other international standards and norms related to human rights. Our BEWG Employee Rights Policy promises to respect employees' basic rights and interests, and details how this is fulfilled. We encourage employees to protect their own rights and interests and support their joining independent work unions and negotiating collectively.

There are no instances of child labor and forced labor in BEWG. At the same time, the Group encourages employees to safeguard their rights and interests and supports employees to join independent labor unions or collective bargaining agreements.

In 2019, BEWG had 18,424 full-time employees within China and 738 employees outside of China. Our overseas project groups are subject to local laws and regulations and promote employment diversification, localization and opportunity equality as per local conditions. In 2019, our Portugal project company had 376 employees, 95 per cent of whom were local citizens.

# Employee demographics in 2019<sup>23</sup>



## Employee turnover in 2019<sup>24</sup>

		Employees leaving	Turnover(%)
Du sender	Female	878	6.65
By gender	Male	421	5.99
	Under 30	353	6.79
By age	30 - 50	783	6.20
	Above 50	163	6.77

<sup>23</sup> Full-time employees in China only <sup>24</sup> Full-time employees in China only

# **Employee** development

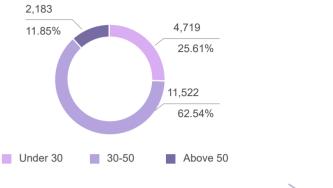
**Promotion system** 

# improve our promotion system, optimize

# performance management systems, to refine our human resources system and motivate employees. Taking varying roles and responsibilities into account, we utilised personal target KPIs, 360-degree evaluation, and ranking among employees at the same level to ensure fair promotion opportunities. In 2019, we renewed the existing talent evaluation tool, adopted different evaluation tools including "2431 talent basket (closed inventory tool)", online 360-degree career development survey, behaviour interview, nine-grid

85

### Number of employees by age



Talent is at the core of our competitiveness. BEWG attaches great importance to employee development. We continually

In 2019, BEWG enhanced its salary and

occupational development channels and provide diverse training to help employees arow.

figure for talent evaluation and case analysis, and established a development evaluation centre to enrich and optimize the employee evaluation dimensions and standardize the evaluation methods and criteria, thus making the evaluation results more objective and accurate. The Group headquarters also formulated the Talent Development Evaluation Work Manual and toolkit based on practice and experiences and got them promoted and implemented in all the regions to help employees grow and develop.

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# BEWG training 2018-2019<sup>25</sup>

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For in-house leaders, BEWG uses the 360-degree evaluation model in leader promotion, position adjustment and annual evaluation. This includes feedback about their performance from employees - from upper levels, the same level and lower levels - and the leader themselves. This feedback plays a key role in human resources decisionmaking.

Self-management, leadership and business management are core factors in the 360-degree model, making the evaluation comprehensive vet focused. It provides employees with scientific evaluation, helps them identify strengths and weakness, and encourages them to continue growing.

BEWG's employee evaluations are based on management by objectives and core value competence. Individual goals are based on our quarterly, biannual or annual performance. The results influence bonuses, promotions, salary adjustments and training, and hence drive the Group's goals.

## By gender

Average training (hours per employee)



<sup>25</sup> Full-time employees in China only

# **BEWG offered China Environment Industry Senior Manager Training Class**

**Training system** 

BEWG attaches great importance to employee training and development. To support our overall development and human resource strategies, we have established the BEWG School. A combined online and offline model provides diverse training to employees at different levels.



During the reporting period,



staff training coverage

We train employees according to their aptitude. In 2019, for the management level, BEWG opened the China Environment Industry Senior Manager class (Batch 9), Senior Operation Manager International class (Batch 1), National Waterworks Director class (Batch 6), Water Supply Enterprise Management Personnel Advanced class

(Batch 2), Human Resources Director

class (Batch 1) and Finance Director

class. These enhance the abilities of

managers and cultivate future leaders. For new employees, we opened the Management Trainee class, 2019 Internal Lecturer Development Camp and 2019 New Employee Growth Capability Enhancement Training Class. These and other camps and classes help new employees fit in with BEWG's culture, improve occupational skills, better undertake projects and realise personal values. In 2019, we had a training coverage ratio of 100% for employees.

The closing ceremony of the ninthbatch China Environment Industry Senior Manager Training Class was held in Tsinghua University's School of Environment on December 26, 2019. In total, 78 trainees - key professionals from our headquarters, regional branches, directly-controlled companies and 11 ecological enterprises completed their study. The class opened on March 25 and lasted 30 days, including five rounds of intensive trainings and 194 hours of classes. It focused on environment industry entrepreneur competency and tracked hot issues in the industry and innovation in practice. These helped trainees broaden their international perspective and enhance their career path.



By employee type

Water Environment Industry Joint Research School was officially launched at Tsinghua University, aiming to facilitate China's environment industry development and economic growth model transformation, and provide strategic guidance, technological innovation and talent cultivation to revitalise China's environment industry. The school focuses on policy research of China's environment industry, high and new technology research and applications, and senior talent cultivation. By December 31, 2019, the school had held nine batches of China Environment Industry Senior Manager Training, with 596 graduates, including 106 from other companies in the environment industry. The school is praised as the best of its kind in the

On June 17, 2011, Tsinghua-BEWG environment industry and regarded as an influential training brand by Tsinghua University and the industry.



# Improving the ability of front-line employees

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The Group organized the 2019 Knowledge and Know-how Examination<sup>26</sup> for frontline employees, which tests employees' understanding of basic knowledge such as corporate culture, safety, equipment and environmental protection supervision. The examination helped employees improve

their basic knowledge and capabilities and promoted the strategic transformation of human resources for the Group. The Group also held the Employee Skills Competition in 2019, which improved the skills of firstline employees and created an atmosphere of competing to learn skills.

# BEWG conducts the first Knowledge and Know-how Examination and focuses on improving the ability of front-line employees

In 2019, BEWG conducted the first Knowledge and Know-how Examination for operation companies, covering nearly 10,000 people. The targets are managers from operation companies and front-line operation employees. The content is mainly about the basic knowledge of corporate culture, safety, sewage, water supply, equipment, testing and environmental protection inspection which operation employees should grasp.

This examination not only comprehensively tested the knowledge of the first-line operation management employees and business employees in the Group, but also improved the employees' learning of operating procedures and safety production specifications, which is conducive to enhancing the ability of front-line employees and promoting the strategic transformation of human resources while encouraging the enthusiasm of employees to learn the knowledge and know-how and building the Group into a learning organization.





∧ On-site Knowledge and Know-how Examination

# Beijing Enterprises Water successfully held the second "Evergreen Cup" **Professional Skills Competition**

From December 10 to December 13. 2019, Beijing Enterprises Water Group's second "Evergreen Cup" Professional Skills Competition was successfully held in Yongzhou, Hunan. 31 players from the five regions of the Group participated in the competition.

This competition set up two competition subjects for water supply network leak detection and sewage water quality test. The leak detection project of the water supply network is an actual competition. The terrain of the stage covers different situations such as residential quarters, main roads, and commercial centers. During the competition, the average walking distance of all participants was more than 20 kilometers, and a total of 44 effective leak points were identified. The sewage water quality test focuses on assessing the operation standardization. skill proficiency and accuracy of results of the phosphate concentration test to test the mastery and level of the relevant professional knowledge, technology and operation specifications of the sewage test players.

The two-day competition not only improved the standardization and accuracy of the sewage water quality test, selected the elite soldiers of all units, but also stimulated the enthusiasm of the employees for learning through the preparation for the competition, and created a strong atmosphere for learning.





Inspection of leakage of water supply network

<sup>26</sup> Knowledge and Know-how Examination is designed for specific positions and employees who should understand, know, master, and apply basic knowledge and skill sets. The Examination is a basic KPI to assess whether or not employees are capable in their roles.

# Professional training

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In addition, the Group attaches great importance to all-line training. In 2019, the Group conducted professional training on different lines such as investment, construction, finance and human resources and educated the



# BEWG launched a full line of training activities in the construction system

The theme of our construction system training was "master required knowledge and skills, empower the frontline". The meeting focused on project management, including basic operations and system norms. All of our members in the construction field were well informed. Multiple regions and projects benefited from the training and tests were organised

for relevant personnel. BEWG's functional centres worked together to complete the joint acceptance check (at completion) and onsite teaching.

National Construction Project Manager training is sponsored by the BEWG School, co-organised by Enterprise University of China Tiesiju Civil Engineering Group Co., Ltd and our human resources centre.

# International talent grooming



basic operations, system regulations and management requirements of the project life cycle, comprehensively improving the professional skills of employees.



The first class involved two rounds of intensive training in September and December. Sixty trainees successfully completed the study. These included construction project managers from regions and business departments, and key professionals from our Construction Management Centre, construction enterprises and supervision companies.

The Group takes the countries which are leading in water treatment and environmental governance around the world as the role model and learns advanced technology and operational experience from them. BEWG took the lead to launch an international operation training class in the industry. The Group sent junior operation managers with great potentials to Japan for studying and researching and let them apply the learning to improve the water treatment operation efficiency of the Group, thereby promoting the development of international operation employees.

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### **BEWG** opens Senior Operation Manager International Training

BEWG's first Senior Operation Manager International Training – a collaboration between our Human Resource Centre, Operation Management Centre, the BEWG School, the Water Agency and the Japan-China Science and Culture Centre – began in August. With a 40 days' preparation, the training offered 40 days of overseas training, research and study

The training included theory and field studies, such as a water quality test



∧ Studying water quality testing in Hanamigawa



∧ Touring the water treatment plant in Toyota, Japan





∧ Group photo of seminar participants

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## BEWG promotes the strategic cooperation between China and Japan on water operation employees

On December 6, BEWG, Water Agency Co., Ltd. and Japan-China Science, Technology and Culture Association executed the Agreement on Talent Training and Strategic Cooperation Framework in Water Treatment Operation Management at the 13th China-Japan Energy Conservation and Environmental Protection Comprehensive Forum. The three parties reached a basic consensus on the cooperation based on that all parties give their full play in human resources and technology.

As progressive and professional water treatment enterprises, BEWG and Water Agency Co., Ltd. hope to deepen mutual understanding and exchange experience and technology

under the common sense of mission, striving to improve the water environment of Japan and China, or even the third parties (countries and regions).



∧ Talent strategy agreement is signed on China-Japan Energy Conservation and Environmental Protection Comprehensive Forum

# Health and safety

BEWG prioritizes employees' health and safety and strictly follows the Safe Production Law of the People's Republic of China, Occupational Disease Prevention and Treatment

# Safe production

BEWG is clear on responsibilities and working procedures, to ensure safety in production. These are documented in BEWG Administrative Measures to Implement the "Three Simultaneous" Precautions for Occupational Diseases, BEWG Responsibility System for Safety in Production, BEWG Regulations on Hazard and Risk Assessment, and **BEWG Regulations on Occupational** Health.

BEWG has established production safety committees at the corporate headquarters and all primary business departments. As the supreme decisionmaking body, the committee at the headquarters studies and checks major production safety matters and supervises implementation of safety measures at the primary departments.



In 2019, The Group has invested



in safety production

During the reporting period, there was no work safety accident above the national level in the whole group, and the number of hours lost due to injury was



In 2019, BEWG invested RMB 19.64 million to guarantee safe production. We continually increase investment in labour protection, security facility maintenance and special equipment Law of the People's Republic of China and other laws and regulations to guarantee employees' occupational health and safety.

The quality security centre at our headquarters formulates annual safe production targets, according to actual conditions. It issues Letters on Commitment on Safe Production Target to all regions and departments under the direct management of headquarters. We collect monthly safety reports from all primary business departments, summarize and follow up on them, and issue a report with our analysis. This provides a scientific basis for BEWG's overall safety management.

BEWG initiates safety inspections. In 2019, over 40 specific inspections were undertaken in the five regions at corporate level. There were also 224,026 routine safety inspections, 5,884 specific inspections, 4,286 comprehensive inspections and 1,931 external inspections in our regions and project companies.

∧ The BEWG northern region conducted safety check inspections during safe production month

testing, to safeguard employees. Within the reporting period, there is no work safety accident above the national level within the Group, and the hour lost due to injury is zero.



At the same time, we enhance employees' safety awareness by training and activities.



Water reclamation project in Singapore

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∧ Chemical safety training in Singapore

"Safe work month for zero incidence - preventing and eliminating risks, safe production" campaign jointly launched by the northern region and the Changping sub-regional centre

A novel safety activity was organised by the northern region and the Changping sub-regional centre at the Shahe Recycled Water Treatment Plant on June 29. It aimed to strengthen the awareness of the employees and put safe production requirements into effect. More than 60 staff took part.

The activity consists of three parts quiz, outdoor safety drill, and building the "6S" road of the water treatment plant. Through the events, we might discover our weaknesses and turn them into strengths to improve the project company's understanding of safe management and performance.

Changping sub-regional centre makes a special outdoor training drill under the requirement of safe production activity, including "bridge making", "the wounded carried by stretcher" and "simulation drill in a confined space".

The northern region gets experience at the first line, learns about business in practice, and lays the foundation for the implementation of future work by the "safe production month" activity. At the same time, Changping sub-regional centre would continuously promote safety management, strengthen hidden-danger removal, make the safe production system more rigorous,

assign responsibility, effectively ensure safe production and achieve zero accidents per year based on the activity.



Safety activity at the Changping Sub-regional Centre





BEWG's first "Ankang Award" competition was held by the Quality and Safety Centre and Labour Union and presented by the eastern region at Shandong Qingdao Jiaonan Water Treatment Plant on November 13, 2019, The competition consisted of three events, including operation and emergency rescue in a confined space, fire drill and CPR, and a safety knowledge quiz. Forty-five competitors from the five regions took part. After fierce competition, the eastern region took first place



safety skills are embodied in the competition. It also helps

and won the superb team award.

Our frontline employees' superb

# **Occupational health**

BEWG has formulated BEWG Occupational Health Management Regulations to clarify our occupational health requirements and the responsibility of each business unit. Taking site-specific hazards and real production conditions into consideration, every unit must undertake occupational health management, and keep occupational health and labour health records. At posts with potential hazards, employees must receive occupational health examinations.

In 2019, the Group updated the BEWG Quality, Environment, Occupational Health Management Manual, to safeguard safe, civilised and harmonious working environments, and eliminate occupational diseases. We also revised the BEWG Regulations on Labour Protection Articles Management, clarifying our requirements regarding labour protection. Project

implement the practical application of BEWG's commitment to safety, strengthens our safety training, heightens employees' awareness and enhances emergency-handling abilities. The competition reflects BEWG's focus on talent construction and the craftsmanship spirit of the

model worker, gives full play to the strengths of our workforce, and supports our mission to create high-quality employees diligently and achieve high-quality development.

∧ First "Ankang Award" competition

companies were guided to distribute labour protection articles to employees in accordance with their operating types and working conditions.

BEWG explicitly demands every business unit to held training about occupational health and labour protection, and carry out first aid drills, to improve employees' awareness. At the end of 2019, facing the outbreak of COVID-19, we put employees' health first, responding promptly and rapidly rearranging work.

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### BEWG quickly responds to COVID-19 and safequards safety

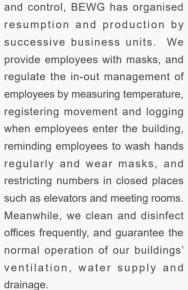
At the beginning of the COVID-19 outbreak, BEWG implemented a daily report system, regularly updated statistics, and analysed employees who had moved between different places during the Spring Festival period. We documented the movements, isolation and physical condition of employees and reported level-by-level, to identify any abnormalities.

Before work resumes, cleaners thoroughly wash and sterilise the air-conditioning systems of our buildings. Registration, temperature measurement and sterilisation of working spaces are implemented, and COVID-19 prevention posters are posted at the entrance of each floor and on electronic boards, reminding employees to protect themselves.

To resume work in an orderly manner and satisfy the PCC and State Council's requirement for effective COVID-19 prevention



Sanitation workers disinfect buildings





Access control registration



A Wearing masks on duty



∧ Measuring temperature regularly

**Employee** care

To ensure the wellbeing of staff, BEWG introduced the Headquarters Employee Welfare System and increased the supplementary commercial medical insurance plan and supplementary pension plan on the basis of paying statutory social insurance for employees. We also offered subsidies for travelling, catering, communication, heating and high temperature. In addition, BEWG organizes employees to have periodic physical examinations to stay informed on the physical condition of employees.

BEWG believes employees are more than working partners. We view them as friends, and are therefore interested in their opinions and thoughts. We have labour unions in our headquarters, branches and subsidiaries, and encourage employees to express themselves and protect their rights and benefits.

BEWG creates comfortable office environments, with diverse plants to raise employees' spirits. In 2019, BEWG refitted and upgraded the tea room by installing a drinkable water dispenser to convenience employees during tea breaks.

## Internal management and consulting cultural roadshows

To improve employee engagement and respond to our units' cultural needs, BEWG held 64 cultural roadshows around the country in 2019. These entertained 4,239 people from the five regions ecoenterprises, and industrial technology research institutes, and featured cultural interviews with more than 130 mid-level managers and above. These interviews gave rise to eight

During the phase of high-quality growth, BEWG uses both cultural roadshows and cultural diagnosis to inspect the cultural health of

management diagnostic reports.



#### **BEWG encourages sharing books** Case

BEWG promotes sharing books to sharing, determine different themes and create a good study and communication encourage employees to communicate atmosphere, and to enrich employees' their reading experiences. In 2019, our leisure time. We set up special zones for two "book floating" sessions covered



 $\wedge$  Books sharing

Our cultural activities aim to balance employees' work and life, and increase their happiness. Those activities

include cultural roadshows, training camps with cultural ambassadors and book sharing.

the Group, and by means of cultural roadshows, promotes cultural blending, builds bridges of communication and trust, improves the cultural dynamics, represent a new way of presenting

our ambitions, and enables the implementation of co-creation of BEWG ecology and culture and innovation strategy

∧ A cultural roadshow in Hangzhou

politics, economics, history, technology and humanity. By the end of December, more than 200 books had been recommended.

#### A BEWG 2019 Sustainability Report

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Sustainability management

Sustainable development as the core Supporting the national strategies

# **Responsible** supply chain



Our long-term partnerships with suppliers are based on mutual trust. We purchase materials and services according to principles of fairness and openness. Clear rules and regulations control the selection,

management and assessment of suppliers. We regularly communicate with, and train, suppliers.

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# The Group selects high-quality suppliers mainly through the following means:

Access

Assessment

Consequences of violations

The Group inspects the qualifications of suppliers who apply for registration and sign the Commitment Letter of Rejecting Corruption. We examine their basic information, performance in the industry, level of quality and service reputation, and prepare a shortlist. Candidates on this list - defined as reserve suppliers - receive site inspections. Subject to those inspections and the consequent reports, we create a list of gualified suppliers.

The Group is objective, fair and transparent. We have diverse evaluation.

standards and methods for different types of suppliers. These include monthly, quarterly or annual "cooperation performance evaluations" and - to cover unexpected or occasional incidents regarding quality, service or safety - irregular "incident performance evaluations".

If a supplier violates the regulations, one-vote negation cancels their qualification. The procedures are as follows:

(1) A supplier found guilty of violations of regulations and rules, or corruption and bribery, by the Auditing Department and the Department of Discipline Supervision and Investigation is blacklisted. They may not participate in any business of the Group for three years.

(2) If a supplier has major safety accidents, they are blacklisted and may not participate in our business until the issue is fully rectified.

(3) If the annual performance (revenue and profit) of a supplier drops by more than 30 per cent, its qualification will be cancelled. It will be renewed only when performance improves and warehouse procedures are approved.

(4) If goods or services provided by a supplier have major defects or cause significant losses (more than RMB 500,000) to the Group, the qualification will be cancelled, and renewed only after the incident is handled and approval is granted. Based on the severity of the problem, the consequence will be either temporary freezing or permanent blacklisting. If the circumstances are especially serious, the supplier will be blacklisted, listed as such on our website, and barred from our List of Qualified Suppliers and from participation in our purchasing business.

# **Supplier** management

Suppliers and service providers are important supporters of our products and services. We have strict supplier access standards. In accordance with internal rules and regulations such as BEWG Purchasing Management System and BEWG Supplier Management System, we clarify the responsibilities of all departments and standardized supplier management and purchasing.

The ethical behaviour of suppliers is important. Corruption is forbidden in interaction with suppliers, in key sectors such as warehouse examination, bid invitation, acceptance and payment. If corruption is discovered, it is publicly

announced in the Integrity and Compliance section of our website. We provide channels to collect information about compliance violations, such as reporting via telephone, mail or site visits. The Department of Discipline Supervision and Investigation supervises an audit of the Group.

In 2019, the Group adopted a new model of group purchasing, which allows the purchase of equipment, alongside operational and administrative materials of 16 categories.





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with suppliers



## **BEWG holds Supplier Technical Exchange Seminar**

From May 8 to May 10, our purchasing management centre held its first training and supplier technology exchange seminar in Qingdao. More than 60 people took part, including purchasing directors from our construction and management centres, and representatives of the business departments of towns and villages, the five regions, Beijing BHZQ Environmental Engineering Technology Co., Ltd., and other units.

suppliers were invited to conduct

special technical exchange training for

managers and front-line employees.

After the seminar, those representatives

said that they had learned a lot about

BEWG's supply chain requirements



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786 domestic suppliers

672 overseas suppliers

701 ISO 9001-certified suppliers

468

ISO 14001-certified suppliers

465

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ISO 9001 and ISO 14001-certified suppliers Management Policy and assessed ESG risks for suppliers at all stages. Only suppliers who meet our ESG standards pass the preliminary assessment. Specific requirements include: manufacturers must have an environmental assessment and provide Quality Management System, Environmental Management System, and Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems certifications; manufacturing must be in accordance with the environmental protection requirements of applicable laws and regulations, use high quality and environmentallyfriendly raw materials, minimise pollution, and involve facilities for environmental protection; applicable labour protection laws must be complied with, to care for the safety and wellbeing of employees and create harmonious corporate relations; neglect of ESG, creating undesirable social or environmental impacts, will be punished according to our supplier management system and to the scale of the impact, and

may result in a warning, downgrading,

termination of cooperation or blacklisting.

In 2019, we updated the BEWG Supplier

In 2019, we enhanced our management of existing suppliers. We evaluated and graded more than 60 major contractors, over 70 supervisors, and over 40 project managers. To ensure that we work only with excellent enterprises, we gradually eliminated unqualified ones. Using a registration system and multidimensional dynamic evaluation for equipment suppliers and business cooperation units, we selected 267 excellent suppliers, compiled a list of high-quality equipment suppliers, and designed grades for a key customer system. We chose grade-A design units and cooperation units with good performance as design suppliers and established a list of qualified suppliers. As a result, we completed the invitation and cooperation of 45 qualified advisory and design suppliers.

In 2019, we had 188 new domestic suppliers and 52 new overseas suppliers. As of the end of 2019, we had 786 domestic suppliers and 672 overseas suppliers. As of the end of 2019, we had 701 ISO 9001-certified suppliers, 468 ISO 14001-certified suppliers, and 465 ISO 9001 and ISO 14001-certified suppliers.

Representatives of key equipment

# Communication



BEWG endeavours to achieve ecological cooperation of all sectors in the entire industry value-chain and makes joint efforts to build an environmentally-friendly water services ecosystem based on benefit sharing and featuring pan-centralization and symbiosis, interdependence and regeneration. We also pay great attention to suppliers who play an important part in the ecosystem. With the importance attached to the communication and cooperation with suppliers, we reduced information barriers and absorbed innovative suggestions through regular exchanges and technology sharing to promote the common development of the Group and suppliers and the coordinated development of the industry.

and thanked the Group for protecting suppliers' rights and interests. They also expressed a desire to align with

BEWG's management philosophy and strategic direction, to provide better services and products on a long-term basis.



∧ Supplier technical exchange



# **Community** philanthropy and service

The Group actively engages in community philanthropy and service and assumes social responsibilities. We use our experience and resources to inform communities about the environment. We

provide community care and assistance to people in need, contributing to community integration and fulfilling corporate social responsibilities.

# **Environmental** education

The Group commits to informing local communities about water and environmental protection. We carry out campaigns on environmental protection, share knowledge about water and environmental protection,

and improve awareness of water conservation and environmental protection, thus contributing to ecocivilization.



# BEWG builds Heshan Water Treatment Education Base and promotes the philosophy of river environment protection

The Shaping River Phase II Comprehensive Improvement Project was completed on November 8, 2019. Coordinated by BEWG, this was the largest livelihood project in the history of Heshan City. It was selected as the first example of the ecological restoration of national territorial space in Guangdong Province. The Heshan environmental education base One Exhibition and One Hall opened on October 10, 2019 to educate the public about river treatment and environmental protection. The Heshan Water Treatment Education Base covers 735 square meters and is divided into the Heshan

River Treatment Exhibition and the Heshan Environmental Education Hall, showcasing water environment improvement, the popularization of environmental protection and an environmental protection bookstore.

BEWG led and participated in the base's planning, design, construction and operation. Our team has received more than 30 visits from enterprises and institutions, and over 10 visits of our own employees and teams, and has mounted five



educational campaigns. The team has

promoted a high-quality, high-standard

🔨 Heshan Water Treatmen Education Base

"Guarding the beautiful international horticultural exhibition and demonstrating the commitment of State-Owned Enterprises" - BCEG Environment Development Co., Ltd. organized an activity to promote environmental protection

Since the opening of the Beijing International Horticultural Exhibition. our subsidiary BCEG Environment Development Co., Ltd. has assigned more than seven guides to work in the BCEG Garden, receive visitors and explain the exhibition. Those guides received more than 30,000 tourists. Our "Protecting water resources and step ahead with children" activity shared our patriotism and environmental

protection knowledge with more than 30 kindergarten teachers and students. This was documented by media outlets including China Education Press, Toutiao and h2o-China.com. In turn, the company was highly praised by the Group and society.



Ltd. guide explains exhibits to visitors



∧ Tourists visit "The Same River We Drink" exhibition



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World Environment Day

In anticipation of World Environment Day (June 5), Taiyuan BEWG Water Purification Co., Ltd., Coshare Environment (Taiyuan), Taiyuan

Mengya Environmental Protection Association, and the eighth branch of the China Democratic League in Taiyuan organised the "same blue sky, same Fenhe river" activity. Twenty families from Taiyuan City participated in the environmental education event. All were members of the Fenhe River Partner Program, encouraging people to guard the River and protect the ecological environment. Coshare Environment (Taiyuan) subsequently launched Fenhe River Partner Program corporate classes for Taiyuan BEWG Water Purification Co., Ltd. These are an



On October 12, 2019, Inner Mongolia Jiufengshan Water Co., Ltd. - a northern region of BEWG -carried out

activities to promote environmental protection in the square of the Luyuan community. With videos, panels and banners, the public were encouraged to participate in environmental protection. Our employees gauged awareness of environmental protection with questionnaires and a quiz that offered prizes. At the end of the activity, the on-site staff read a proposal that encouraged everyone to contribute to the environment in everyday ways, mobilise neighbours to join, and



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# BEWG Taiyuan launches "same blue sky, same Fenhe river" activity for

important part of the development of environmental education in Shanxi Province.



∧ The "Same blue sky, same Fenhe River" event

# Inner Mongolia Jiufengshan Water Co., Ltd. protects the environment at community level

safeguard the environment - and thus contribute to a brighter sky,

clearer waters and a cleaner land

∧ Inner Mongolia Jiufengshan BEWG Water Co., Ltd. protects the environment at community level

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# Community service

As a state-owned, responsible enterprise, BEWG actively responds to the calls of the CPC Central Committee, strongly supports the national strategy of Targeted Poverty Alleviation, and takes serious action in the "Three Tough Battles". We promote the environmental management of towns and villages and the building of beautiful villages. We deliver poverty alleviation through industry development, intelligence development through science

and technology, and self-improvement through culture and education. We have formed "Three Joint Construction" work system: joint construction of the Party, joint construction of government and enterprises, and joint construction of schools and enterprises, to better contribute to poverty alleviation work.

### BEWG creates the "Minning Model" for beautiful villages

BEWG executed an agreement with Minning Town, Ningxia Province, an exemplary region of Targeted Poverty Alleviation, to implement the "Minning Model" through "Three Joint Constructions". The aim was building a new model of pollution control in a rural area that could be widely adopted and promoted.

BEWG and the Minning Municipal Government cooperated in fields such as talent exchange, project construction and poverty alleviation via boosting employment and industry development. Through joint supervision, volunteer service, onsite classes and cultural exchange, "Red Memory" was formed to integrate the Party construction with the administrative management and business operations. We utilised high-quality resources to promote environmental protection

and education - themed "BEWG Water Power" - on campus. Via environmentally-friendly activity, themed "First Class for New Semester", we fostered the concept of protecting clear water and green mountains among teenagers and continually promoted the development of an environmental protection culture





BEWG's youth volunteers host "First Class for New Semester" with pupils from Gengbiao Hongjun Primary School, Minning Town



## As of December 31, 2019, the Group has donated supplies and cash worth

RMB **910,070** 

to fight COVID-19

The Group actively integrates into surrounding communities, and encourages and guides employees to engage in philanthropic events. By strengthening communication, and supporting local people, we hope to achieve development both the Group and our communities.

The COVID-19 pandemic that broke out at the end of 2019 attracted everyone's attention. BEWG, which cares deeply about people on the frontline, mobilized its resources and encouraged units and employees to make donations. After

# CPC members of BEWG Guigang volunteer in the community

To cultivate and implement core socialist values, and realise a duty to serve people in practical ways, the general Party branch of Guangxi Guigang BEWG Water Co., Ltd. organised CPC members to go to Nanping Community, Guicheng Street, Guigang City, to conduct Party Day activity - themed "CPC members of the company volunteer in the community" - on June 8, 2019. Corporate CPC members discussed water use with community representatives to grasp the situation of water use in the community, and learned about and participated in community activities. They contributed supplies to improve office environments, offered financial assistance to people in need, and endeavoured to solve problems and serve the community's people.





learning about the lack of disinfectants in the relevant department of Deging County, Deging Dakuo Water Production Co., Ltd. - a company in the eastern region of BEWG - donated sodium hypochlorite solution to the government on the premise of ensuring routine water production. Supplies and money that BEWG have donated to fight the COVID-19 outbreak have totalled RMB 910,070.

∧ CPC members of Guigang BEWG Water Co., Ltd. in the community



Yongzhou BEWG Xiangjiating Water Purification Co., Ltd. organized public service event themed "Fulfilling Small Dreams"

Responding to the Group's appeal, Yongzhou BEWG Xiangjiating Water Purification Co., Ltd. actively carried out philanthropic events including volunteer service, community assistance, and donations, thus contributing to the promotion of the harmonious development of the community.

#### Yongzhou BEWG Xiangjiating Water Purification Co., Ltd. supports the community

of the new-era civilization practice centre and the activity themed "Families and Relatives Help Each Other to Alleviate Poverty and Build a Moderately Prosperous Society" and give full play to the vanguard and exemplary roles of corporate Our learn-from-Lei Feng volunteers,

To carefully carry out the construction CPC members, the Party branch of Yongzhou BEWG Xiangjiating Water Purification Co., Ltd. and Xiangjiating community of Qilidian office jointly carried out the paring support activity themed "Fulfilling Small Dreams" on May 10, 2019.

accompanied by staff from the community, provided necessities to 10 families in need. The volunteers also distributed leaflets to promote the public's awareness of the law and environmental protection.



∧ Conducting volunteer activity themed "Fulfilling Small Dreams"

#### Yongzhou BEWG Xiangjiating Water Purification Co., Ltd. organises the "Dream of Children" initiative

The "Fulfilling Small Dreams" This cooperation between the school initiative took place on May 31, 2019, before International Children's Day. Employees of Yongzhou BEWG Xiangjiating Water Purification Co., Ltd. went to the Qilidian campus of Xujiajing Primary School in Lingling District and conducted the heartwarming activity, in the spirit of families and relatives helping each other. Our learn-from-Lei Feng volunteers donated supplies and gifts, including schoolbags and books, to 31 impoverished students.

and our company will become a common work in the future. Through the activity, we can build community spirit, enabling children in need to develop in the care of a wider family.



∧ The "Dream of Children" initiative



Responding to the Group's appeal, BEWG's overseas project companies encouraged employees to carry out public service in the local community, to improve the economic situation and livelihood of the community and contribute to the sustainable development of the community.



∧ BEWG Australia project company organizes the tree-planting activity



activities at the Singapore NEWater plant

# BEWG overseas project teams organized community philanthropic events



∧ BEWG Malaysia Pantai II Project distributes soup to the local people

∧ Zhejiang University conducts summer-vacation social





# **Future outlook**

public utility (water) assets.



In 2019, we kept our original aspiration in mind, speeded up the pace toward highquality development, upheld customerorientation and commitment to the industry, leveraged our strength in business thinking and capital concept. We sustained our faith in technology and professionalism, continued to deliver quality service, furthered the creation of a globally shared community of water environment, and devoted ourselves to a world-class operation platform and service brand in

In past year, we have held stick to dualplatform strategy with asset management platform and operation management platform and deepened the shift to asset-light development; we persisted to accelerate technology innovation and intensified security management with professionalism to promote product and management standardization; we continuously concentrated on the environmental industry with endless devotion; we actively optimized water resource management and low-carbon management, vigorously carried out biodiversity protection, and created green

management throughout the project. We also paid attention to employee growth, promoted industry development with joint efforts, enthusiastically gave back to the society and worked together with employees, suppliers, industry partners and neighboring communities to achieve common development. We also developed a dedication to the society and the country as we actively responded to the call of the central government, seriously participate in the three tough battles, and earnestly undertook the social responsibility of state-owned enterprises in the capital.

In the future, we will continue following our mission to "safeguard the source of life and create a green environment", and keep abreast of the country with our commitment to the profession, the industry and the society and the country. We will lead the industry growth, reshape the core advantages, focus on innovation to restart the engine for growth, do more to the construction of ecological civilization, and contribute more to providing a better life.



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BEWG?

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3. Do you think the information in this report is comprehensive?

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