

## **Cement consumption increment may reach average of 500m tons per annum**

With the gradual promotion of “One Belt, One Road” strategy, the preliminary transportation infrastructure will lead to the interconnection of international railways and highways between Central and Western China and other Asian countries. This will bring new demand to national cement industry.

Over the next 10 years, the infrastructure investment demand of Asia-Pacific Region will be estimated to reach RMB50 trillion, which will bring an average cement consumption of 500m tons per annum, accounting for almost 20% of the cement output of China in last year. It will play a significant role in promoting China's cement export and speeding up domestic cement enterprises to set up new plants overseas.

Last year, our Government established the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank and Silk Road Fund to promote the interconnection of the China infrastructures with that of the areas along “One Belt, One Road”. In the deployment of financial work in 2015, The Ministry of Finance also highlighted that our Government will boost the infrastructure projects this year to implement the interconnection works. Experts said the “One Belt, One Road” strategy will accelerate the going-out pace of China's cement industry.

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