

New nuclear power plant to be built in Fujian

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China is set to build a new nuclear power plant in Huian City, in East China's Fujian Province, to resolve the province's power shortage, Thursday's Beijing-based Economic Information Daily reported.

The China Huadian Corporation signed an agreement with the China National Nuclear Corporation (CNNC) on Wednesday to launch the project officially, the newspaper reported.

Located on the north bank of the Quanzhou bay in the southeast of Fujian Province, the power generating capacity of the plant will reach about one million kilowatts.

The nuclear power plant, the first of its kind in the province, will ease the power supply tension in Fujian, one of China's flourishing coastal provinces.

According to the agreement, the CNNC is the first big share-holder, responsible for the construction and operation of the project. The Huadian Corporation is the second share-holder, assisting CNNC's work.

China now has nine nuclear generation units in operation including five in the Qinshan Nuclear Power Plant in East China's Zhejiang Province and four in the Daya Bay and Ling Ao Nuclear Power plants in South China's Guangdong Province.