

SHANGHAI NOW

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City meets annual target for greenways

People walk on the greenway of the Xuhui Riverside in Shanghai. — CFP

Hu Min

SHANGHAI has added new greenways, totaling 231.26 kilometers this year, accomplishing the annual target of 200 kilometers, the city's greenery authorities announced this week.

The additional strips bring the total length of the city's greenways to 1,769km, the Shanghai Greenery and Public

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Greenways in the city are paths for leisure and exercise amidst trees, flowers, water

and other natural resources. They include paths in gardens and forests, as well as along rivers and roads.

They link diversified natural and cultural landscapes and serve various needs like fitness, ecological protection and tourism, according to the bureau.

These "green arteries" string not only the city's

green and ecological spaces, but also residents' expectations for a beautiful life, officials said.

The greenways are lined with diverse plants such as cherry blossoms, maples, soapberries, and hydrangea, presenting an enchanting scenery in different seasons and adding a splash of color to the cityscape.

Didi apologizes for disruption in services

Ding Yining

CHINESE ride-hailing firm Didi apologized again on Wednesday morning for system glitches that caused service disruptions in major cities and drew floods of complaints.

It said the breakdown, starting Monday night, had been fully repaired, and clarified that the service disruption was due to system software malfunction, not cyber attacks as some online posts rumored.

The company added it was still sorting through the aftermath of the system glitches and most of the abnormal payments and orders would be gradually corrected, as many users complained they had received unusually high charges for car-hailing trips.

Many people said they had been unable to use Didi App and its WeChat payment mini-program since Monday night, and thus might miss the "full attendance" reward. Other problems included ongoing orders that couldn't be canceled or communicated with the drivers, or unreasonably high fees charged.

Didi's public bike rental service also experienced malfunctions since Monday night with some riders reporting they could not lock or unlock the bikes.

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