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### CHINA: POPULATION REPORT 2007

#### VIDEO

CONSTRUCTION SCENES /  
STREET SCENES /  
FACTORY WORKERS IN STREET

COUPLE OUTSIDE SHOP /  
MACHINE SHOP WORKERS /  
SHOP OWNER AT HOME

LUO CHANGKUN ON CAMERA

SHUNDE DISTRICT

CONSTRUCTION WORKERS /

#### AUDIO

##### NARRATION

Cities are growing everywhere, but nowhere faster than in China. The population of Shunde has doubled in just four years, swelled by migrants hoping for a piece of Guangdong's economic boom. (11")

Luo Changkun and her husband came from Jiangxi province after working for others; they saved enough to start a small company. (7.5")

LUO CHANGKUN: (Chinese) **F**

*" Compared to the people in the countryside we are lucky. We work hard, but not as hard as those farmers. And we're not so poor." (8")*

##### NARRATION

This year for the first time, half the world's people- 3.3 billion of us- live in cities. The urban population is likely to reach 5 billion by 2030.(9.5")

MIGRANT REGISTERS AT  
SERVICE CENTRE

A new report by UNFPA, the United Nations Population Fund, states that governments cannot stop this trend. But with good planning they can make urbanization work to alleviate poverty and protect the environment. “ (12”)

FARMER SURROUNDED BY  
CONSTRUCTION.

Forty per cent of Shunde’s two million people are not official residents. The government is now doing more to help migrants find housing, healthcare, education and jobs. Planners must also think about farmers displaced by urban expansion. (14”)

GOOSE VENDORS AT MEAT  
MARKET

After leaving their farm, Aijin and his wife were able to start a new life with a little help. Now they are making good money. (7”)

AIJIN ON CAMERA

AIJIN: (Chinese) **M**

*“ We had a farm over there. Now we own a house with four stories.” (3.5”)*

NARRATION

Thoraya Ahmed Obaid is UNFPA’s Executive Director. (3.5”)

THORAYA AHMED OBAID ON  
CAMERA

THORAYA AHMED OBAID: (English) **F**

*“Policy makers and officials need to insure that there is good urban landscape planning, so that there is good housing that does not turn into slums and that there are also the necessary social services that will allow people to have a decent life.” (15”)*

WAITRESS AT WORK /  
YOUNG WOMAN AND PARENTS

NARRATION

With good planning, urbanization can offer a brighter future. Hope shines in the eyes of Zhao Zhihua, an 18-year –old waitress whose family left Hunan province in 2005. (10”)

ZHAO ZHIHUA ON CAMERA

ZHAO ZHIHUA: (Chinese) **F**

*" The first time I came here I was so shocked by the city. It was so beautiful and had so many high buildings."* (8”)

CITY SCENES

NARRATION

The prosperity here is apparent. But as *The State of World population* report stresses, developing counties including China need to make sure the benefits of urbanization are widely shared. (12”)

UN LOGO

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