Dark side of China's food and drug industry

1 Jun 2007, Jiangsu Province: Toothpaste exported to Latin America found to contain diethylene glycol chemical used in anti-freeze

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7 Mar 2011. Henan: Hundreds of people hospitalized after pig farmers feed animals with steroid clenbuterol to speed up muscle growth and produce leaner pork



8 Apr, Liaoning: Forty tonnes of bean sprouts found to be treated with carcinogenic chemicals sodium nitrite, urea, and plant hormone benzyladenine

9 Apr, Guangdong: Officials seize 16 tonnes of pork tainted with sodium borate. Illegal additive is used to make pork look like beef, which sells at higher price

10-12 Apr-Sep 2011, Chongging, Shanghai, Zhejiang: Officials seize so-called gutter oil filtered waste dredged from restaurant drains. Prosecutors indict pharmaceutical company for using 16,200 tonnes of gutter oil in process to make antibiotics

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3-6 Feb 2011, Hebei, Shanxi, Shandong, Zhejiang: Milk producers switch from using melamine to adding chemical waste from tanning industry. Waste includes leather proteins, chromium. sodium and potassium dichromate

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13-14 Mar 2013, Shanghai, Zheijang: More than 11.000 dead pigs found in Shanghai's Huangpu river, thousands more found in neighbouring Zhejiang province

Apr: Analysis of U.S. imports of rice from China reveals levels of lead exceed safe intake by factor of up to 120. China produces nearly a third of world's rice

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