

Progress during the Year

Kaohsiung Science Park in the Rise

Kaohsiung Science Park generated an annual turnover of US\$13.7 million (32.19NT\$=1US\$; applied to the whole report) in 2005, an increase of 120% from 2004. Moreover, the employees in Kaohsiung Science Park totaled 1,620, an increase of 305% from 2004. It is expected that the annual turnover and the number of employees will double in 2006.

The optoelectronics industry cluster has seen the recruitment of CMO, Allied Material Technology Corp., Radiant Opto-Electronics Corp., ThinTech Materials Technology Co., Ltd., and Tong-Tai Machine & Tool Co., Ltd.. The Telecommunications Technology Center was established in October 2003 and was ISO certified by the Taiwan Accreditation Foundation (TAF) ISO. Approximately 34.6 acres of land were designated as the Medical Device Special Zone of Kaohsiung Science Park and in 2005, the Metal Industries Research & Development Centre was entrusted to take over the work of recruiting new firms and building biotechnology and medical device industry clusters.

The construction of the connecting road from Kaohsiung Science Park to the National Sun Yat-sen Freeway was commenced in May 2005 with an estimated completion date of November 2007. The connection will save approximately 10 to 15 of commuting time. The building of the Phase I standard factory and pre-phased court were completed. Three banks were admitted to Kaohsiung Science Park in October 2005 and the Phase I Dormitory is estimated to be completed in June 2006. Initial operation, amenities, and infrastructure have been built gradually.



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Kaohsiung Biotechnology Park in Planning

To speed up the building of the biotechnology cluster and balance the development of the biotechnology industry in two metropolitan areas in the Southern and Northern Taiwan, the Executive Yuan approved the Kaohsiung Biotechnology Park Development Plan, in principle, on January 20, 2005. The detailed contents were sent for the approval of National Science Council and Executive Yuan on December 30, 2005. The area of Kaohsiung Biotechnology Park that specializes in the research and development of new high value added and patent medicine is about 21 acres. Besides the R&D Management Center, cGMP factory, Biotechnology and Medical R&D Center, and relevant public construction are also included in the Development Plan. In the future, after successful R&D and testing production, enterprises within Kaohsiung Biotechnology Park will be able to conduct mass production in both Tainan Science Park and the Medical Device Special Zone of Kaohsiung Science Park with the resource provision of Pintung Agricultural Biotechnology Park to form a complete vertical integration in the southern Taiwan for the biotechnology industry cluster.