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## CHINA SURPASSES 5 MILLION VALID INVENTION PATENTS

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*China has become the first country in the world to surpass 5 million valid invention patents, as reported by the nations top intellectual property authority on April 23.*

Mr Rui Wenbiao, deputy commissioner of the China National Intellectual Property Administration, announced at a news conference that China continues to lead in IP development, securing numerous pivotal patents in emerging industries such as quantum technology, biomanufacturing, brain-computer interfaces, and 6G communications.

He cited data revealing that in 2025, China authorised 972,000 invention patents, registered over 4.2 million trademarks, and acknowledged 10.67 million copyrights.

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