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With rapid development of China's economy in the past decades, there arises a great demand for a comprehensive report concerning the state of logistics development in China. Yet to date, only brief, fragmented writings in English exist. "Contemporary Logistics in China: An Introduction" is the first systematic, objective and authoritative publication based on the work of experienced researchers from the Logistics Research Center at Nankai University. This book contains both a panoramic overview of logistics developments in China to afford a broad understanding, as well as specific, in-depth an