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## **Electronic Supplementary Information**

## Well-ordered Cs-Ru/@SBA-15 nanocomposite materials for low pressure

ammonia synthesis

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**Figure S5.** Effects of Cs/Ru molar ratio on (a) the ammonia synthesis activity and corresponding temperature, and (b) specific BET area and surface Cs concentration of prepared 13Cs-4Ru/@SBA-15 catalyst. In Fig. S5(a), the G1 grade standard gases of H<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub> (H<sub>2</sub>/N<sub>2</sub> = 3) with a total flow rate of 30 mL min<sup>-1</sup> were used, corresponding to an SV value of 3740 h<sup>-1</sup>. The reaction pressure was kept at 0.1 MPa (atmospheric pressure).



**Figure S6.** Effect of reduction temperature on the ammonia synthesis activity of prepared 13Cs-4Ru/@SBA-15 catalyst under atmospheric pressure (0.1 MPa). The G1 grade standard gases of H<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub> (H<sub>2</sub>/N<sub>2</sub> = 3) with a total flow rate of 30 mL min<sup>-1</sup> were used, corresponding to an SV value of 3740 h<sup>-1</sup>.