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The completion of The Lower Sesan 2, part of China's belt and Road initiative, incurs so many problems which negatively affected the local communities. Since the disturbance of water ecosystem, a whole species of fish which is the Cambodian's diet and income source have died. Absolutely, fishery yields the lower amount of fish, normally from 40 kilograms to 2 kilograms nowadays.

The artificial reservoir makes fishery ground was flooded and villages were submerged by the dam as well. Furthermore, not only the fishery was affected by the BRI project, but also the farmer who gathering mushroom and herbal for their livelihood.

There were so many people disagreed with the project because it was a big deal which caused a big impact. For example, they were forced to resettled that was far away from their income sources. Thus, they opposed the dam building that cooperated by China and Cambodian government. Nevertheless, the people who rejected to resettle were threatened.

All of this problems came from the China's BRI project that encouraged by Cambodian government. They ignored the warning and the effect after the completion and branded the local communities who opposed as troublemakers. Cutting off two rivers which are the majors tributaries to the Mekong in Cambodia for creating a huge artificial reservoir is the ecosystem and communities devastating.

In my opinion, BRI project suits for trade and transportation but there will be large effect to the economy and previous well-being in many countries. In case of the economy of Cambodia, for example, the local communities have lower income and also lower purchasing power.

