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This trip, compared to the last trip I participated, is much rewarding as I have more insight and understanding towards the Daping Project after the last visit and the work I have done over the past few months.

For my thoughts and rewards from the trip, I would divide them into 2 aspects, engineering and understanding towards China.

For the part of engineering, I learnt different knowledge in the aspect of civil engineering as well as how an engineering bargain between the client and the contractor. As a student studying in mechanical engineering, I just have little knowledge towards civil aspect prior to the trip and participation into the MingDe Project. However, after immersed into the project, I have learnt a lot from building structure to the electrical and water system of a building. I am so glad that I could really follow and understand what is happening in Daping and to work like a consultant on the progress of the building. Although the experience didn't change my mind towards being an mechanical engineer, it did open a new aspect of engineering to me.

For the understanding towards China, frankly speaking, having the opportunity to stay in China for almost one year in total prior to this trip, I don't expect myself to discover a lot on the understanding towards China. But turnsout, I am wrong, the trip let me learn more about rural China and the way how people in china deal with things. And I really have a lot to learn and China is really an interesting place. Lots to learn and lots not to learn.