Reflection

Although this is the second year that I joined Project Mingde, this is the first time for me to join the field trip in China. The 4-day sites visit let me understanding the development pattern in China and consolidate my understanding toward construction project practice in China.

As far as I know, China is under fast economic development. Many Cities like Shenzhen and Beijing are highly developed and as competitive as Hong Kong. Some small towns in Guangdong Province are also well urbanized. However, after I visit to Guangxi, I realized the situation in Guangxi is totally different. Through communicate with the local people, we realized that the local government in Guangxi cannot administrate the national policy effectively and lag behind other provinces. There is still a great need to help local people in term of education and related development construction. Therefore, the trip provide me a better insight into the real situation of China.

In the trip, we have prepared 3 schemes of the local to choice which type of bridge they want to construct. Fortunately, we have come up with on bridge design that best satisfy their need and expectation. I realized that our hard work before are finally turn into real practice and can contribute to the development of Guangxi. For the bridge construction, there are many preliminary work we need to finalize. For example, we need to decide the method of construction, the logistic requirement for importing the construction materials, evaluate the weather condition of Tengchuen and the study the traffic flow in Tengchuen. These can only be done in the real site visit. The above study are all observatory study. This help me to develop better resilience to face future challenge.

The trip is a fruitful experience for civil engineering student to utilize their knowledge into real life practice and to develop a sense of social responsibility.