
CHINA TURNS ON WORLD'S SECOND-BIGGEST HYDROPOWER DAM

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The first two generating units of the worlds second-biggest hydroelectric dam were officially turned on Monday in southwestern China, the government announced.

The Baihetan Dam on the Jinsha River, a tributary of the Yangtze, is part of Chinese efforts to curb surging fossil fuel demand by building more hydropower capacity at a time when dams have fallen out of favor in other countries due to environmental complaints.

The announcement comes ahead of the ruling Communist Partys celebration this week of the official 100th anniversary of its 1921 founding.

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