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Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam

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river Nile Ethiopia is building one of the largest dams in the world, the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam (GERD), on the near the Sudan border.

Key Points

- **biggest dam project longest river- Nile.** It is Africa's and will have lasting impacts on its
- **hydroelectric dam Nile (north-flowing river in Africa),** The is being built on the in the lowlands of Ethiopia.
- **Concerns: severe pollution, climate change and Egypt's growing population.**
 - **one of the driest countries** Egypt is on earth, with 95% of its people living along the Nile (or its overflowing Delta).
 - **water supply** It relies almost totally on the Nile for its and the construction of this dam will further cut down Egypt's water supply by 12-25%.

The Nile is under serious threat of



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