

## On the high-quality development of the Gansu section of the Yellow River in water shortage

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**Abstract:** The Yellow River is known as the “Mother River” in China, which gave birth to the ancient and great Chinese civilization. The protection of the Yellow River is related to the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation. Since ancient times, the Yellow River basin has been an important homeland for the Chinese ancestors. Harnessing the Yellow River has always been the long-cherished wish of the people along the river. The Gansu section of the Yellow River basin is characterized with typicality, particularity and complexity in the governance and protection of the Yellow River. From the perspective of ecology, as the important water conservation and construction areas of the northern sand prevention belts, it is an important eco-security shield in China; from the perspective of economy, Gansu is a pilot zone for high-quality development in the upper reaches of the Yellow River, and an important hub of the Belt and Road Initiative; from the perspective of culture, Gansu is a pacesetter of the Yellow River culture, and the forefront of the culture foundation of the high-quality development of the Yellow River. The protection, governance and development of the Gansu section of the Yellow River basin plays an important role in promoting the ecological protection and high-quality development of the Yellow River basin.

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