

# Chinese farmer successfully carries out microlight flight test



Li Bing, a farmer in Daqing, Heilongjiang Province, creates a microlight aircraft successfully. [File Photo]

Li Bing, a farmer in Daqing, Heilongjiang Province, attracted huge attention on the internet on Sunday.

The 35-year-old successfully carried out the trial flight of a microlight aircraft designed and created by himself.

The broadcast of the flight live on internet video blog attracted thousands of viewers.

Li's passion is planes and most of his postings on the blog are about making aircraft.

In the past nine months, he spent about 50,000 yuan on the microlight aircraft.

"In the beginning, neither my family nor my friends supported me," said Li.

“They told me I should pay more attention on farm work and the technical things were none of my business.”

However, Li persisted.

He searched for information online and travelled across the country to learn more.

Finally, he created a microlight aircraft successfully.

The wings are made by aircraft-grade aluminum and canvas and the body is made by iron tubes and an engine of the motorboat. A fuel tank is set behind the seat.

On Saturday, he carried out the first trail flight but failed because of the strong wind.

“When I tried the second time, people ran after me as they were worried whether I would come back safely.”

However, the trial run was successful and the landing was perfect.