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# THIS IS WHAT HAPPENED IN MY LITTLE TOWN

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When I was a child many children lived in my town. Each family had four or five children or more.

Near or around my town there were large farms whose owners lived in Madrid. They only went to the town in winter to hunt and in summer to spend a few days with their families in their big mansions.

The men of my town worked from sunrise to sunset on the large farms. The women worked small land inherited from their grand-parents, took care of her parents, the house, the children and of the two pigs.

One year, the large landowners began to buy agricultural machinery. Our parents were unemployed and children grew up. Entire families had to migrate to the cities in search of a better life.

The large owners continue to live in Madrid and there they receive EU aid for the field.

We only return to town on vacation and perhaps when we are retired, and of course, we want to have doctor, school, good roads, etc.

No. We aren't part to the solution, neither the big owners.

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