The INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (IDA), an affiliate of the WORLD BANK, has made a supplemental credit of $10 million to the Republic of Afghanistan for the Khanabad irrigation project.

Among those present at the signing of the credit documents on January 19, 1976, were, seated from left to right: Mr. Yahia Khelif, Executive Director of WORLD BANK for Afghanistan; His Excellency Abdullah Malikyar, Ambassador of Afghanistan to the United States; and Mr. Willi A. Wapenhaus, Vice President, EMEA Region, WORLD BANK.

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On June 11, 1971, the International Development Association (IDA) made a credit of $5 million to help modernize the existing irrigation system in the Khanabad valley in northeastern Afghanistan. The credit will finance the construction of permanent structures including a diversion weir on the Kahanabad river, a main canal and link canals with water control structures, cross drainage, bridges and culverts.

Among those present at the signing of the credit documents were, from left to right: Mr. Mohammed Younos Rafik, Alternate Executive Director of IDA for Afghanistan; His Excellency Abdullah Malikyar, Ambassador of Afghanistan to the United States; and Mr. J. Burke Knapp, Vice President of IDA.

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D-245-AF-1 Two Afghan farmers constructing their basin-type irrigation system in the traditional manner.

To continue its support for the development of agriculture in Afghanistan, the International Development Association (IDA), a member of the World Bank Group, has made available to the Government of Afghanistan a credit equivalent to $3 million. This credit will be used to modernize the irrigation systems in the fertile Khenabad Valley, and will assist the first phase of a project designed to bring reliable irrigation facilities to 74,000 acres of land. It is an important element in the Government of Afghanistan's strategy to achieve self-sufficiency in foodgrains and the expansion in exports of agricultural products. A key to this strategy is modernisation of the traditional irrigation systems in the fertile river valleys of the country.

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