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Plastic pipes to serve irrigation

A NEW advanced experimental irrigation project to use underground plastic pipes instead of canals and untiled drainage, will soon be implemented in Menoufia governorate. While laying the foundation-stones for the project, the Minister of Irrigation, Mr Esam Radi said that the project which will cover 2,070 feddans is expected to cost a total of LE 1 million.

The main target of the new project is to reduce the amount of wasted irrigation water, by using pipes, said the Minister. It is also inten-

ded to transform canal space into new agricultural areas, he said.

The project will also help save money new spent on the dredging and maintenance of canals. It will also protect irrigation water against pollution and guarantee its reaching its destination in sufficient amounts, said Mr Radi.

He pointed out that 16 electric pumping stations to serve from 85 to 165 feddans each are included in the project, which is expected to be completed during next July, he added. — GSS.

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FRG aid for water condenser plant

WEST GERMANY will export to Egypt the equipment required for a new factory to produce water condensers needed for thermal power station, potable water purification stations and oil refineries.

An agreement to this effect has been signed by Egypt and the FRG according to the Chairman of the Boilers and Pressure Vessels Company Mr Hussein Fathi

Baioumi, who added, that the new factory will have a capacity of 3,000 condensers annually. It will also be producing special apparatus to treat sewerage water, to be used by houseboats thus preventing Nile pollution, he added.

The German side extended a loan of 5 million dollars to contribute to the purchase of such equipment.

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DAKAHLIA

THE comprehensive potable water plan prepared by the Housing Department in Dakahlia governorate was endorsed by the Governor Mr. Saad el-Sherbini. The total cost of the plan is estimated at LE 3,555,000. The plan includes implementing new projects besides completing the projects already under way so as to provide all the villages of the governorate with potable water. The plan also includes completing Belqas pumping station and its network, and the installation of Bosat Karim el-De Eddin station so as to provide housing expansion projects and deprived areas with potable water. Moreover, the governorate's bodies are doing their best to overcome the problem of electric current failures and a sum of LE 740,000 has been allocated for this purpose.

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Giant crocodile captured in H. Dam Lake

A GIANT crocodile has recently been captured alive by a group of fishermen at the High Dam Lake, 200 kilometres south of the dam. The crocodile, which weighs four tons and which is six metres long, was transported to the High Dam port in order to be moved later, to a zoo.

The Security Director of Aswan, Major-General Farouk Nour Eddin, said that the recent appearance of large crocodiles in the lake follows the rise in the level of water. "There are a number of sites in the lake where crocodiles have been before, but not of this huge size", Mr Nour Eddin pointed out.

He further indicated that there are several areas on the banks of the lake where ostriches, deer and rabbits live in large numbers. "Such areas can be exploited to attract tourists who like to practise hunting", he added. — GSS.

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Cairo water supply to double in Jan.

THE Governor of Cairo, Mr. Yousef Sabri Abu Taleb, said that 8,850 new flats have been established this year and 9,000 are under way. He pointed out that 60 per cent of the underground metro project was carried out according to schedule and 214 streets were repaved.

Speaking during the annual celebration held on Thursday by Cairo governorate at Cairo stadium to evaluate outstanding activities and projects, Mr. Abu Taleb said that seven new carparks will be set up in Cairo, before the end of the year.

The pumping capacity of potable water was increased to 200,000 cubic metres daily and will further rise to

400,000 following the inauguration of Rod el-Farag station early in January, said Mr. Abu Taleb. He also said that 87 sewerage stations were renovated and six new ones were set up.

Mr. Abu Taleb pointed out that 350,000 new telephone lines to be increased to 529,000 were installed this year. Much attention was given to repairing the old exchanges and 10 new ones were established, he added.

At the end of the celebration, prizes were distributed to honour 28 social societies for families involved in hand made products, 10 schools which carried out outstanding activities in education and cleanliness. — MSS