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World Bank loan for pry schools

WASHINGTON, June 30 (AP) The World Bank on Thursday announced a 40-year, interest-free loan to help Bangladesh rebuild 11,000 primary schools and rehabilitate roads, bridges, canals and telecommunications damaged in 1987-88 floods.

International Development Association, the World Bank affiliate lending to the poorest countries, has approved a 133.6 million dollar credit, and Bangladesh government will provide additional financing for the 157.8 million dollar project, the announcement said.

Plans call for rebuilding structures resistant to the floods that plague Bangladesh, World Bank headquarters said. The 1987-88 cloudburst rains affected 45 million of the Asian country's 110 million people and severely damaged crops and public works.