## Closing Ceremony of the "Training Program on Agricultural Irrigation" for Afghanistan

The Closing Ceremony of the "Training Program on Agricultural Irrigation" for Afghanistan was held at Agricultural Education and Research Institute in Karaj on September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

This seminar was a joint Iran and Japan training program conducted in Iran for third country's trainees from Afghanistan. Fifteen Afghan governmental officers, who were invited to Iran, participated in this twelve-day Agricultural Irrigation Management Program.

It is more effective to carry out such courses in Iran rather than in any other countries, since Iran and Afghanistan enjoy almost similar culture and the lecturers can directly communicate trainees in Farsi.

Dr. Mozafari, Director General of International and Scientific Cooperation Bureau of the Agricultural Research, Extension and Educational Organization (AREEO), Dr. Abbasi, Head of Agricultural Education and Research Institute (AERI), Mr. Nakayama, Counsellor of the Embassy of Japan and Mr. Sato, Chief Representative of JICA Iran Office, took part in the closing ceremony and delivered speeches.

At the end, the Afghan trainees expressed their appreciation for holding this training course, as well as for the Japanese Government's assistance on the reconstruction of Afghanistan.



Dr. Mozafari, of AREEO, delivering speech



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All trainees and participants