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**'AFGHANISTAN STARTS GAS EXTRACTION AFTER 4 DECADES'**

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Official says 150,000 cubic meters being extracted from new field discovered in northern province

In a landmark development, Afghanistan has started extracting gas from a newly discovered field in northern Jawzjan province, officials confirmed on Thursday.

This is the first time in four decades that natural gas is being extracted in Afghanistan, acting Minister for Mines and Petroleum Enayatullah Momand told state broadcaster RTA Pashto.

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