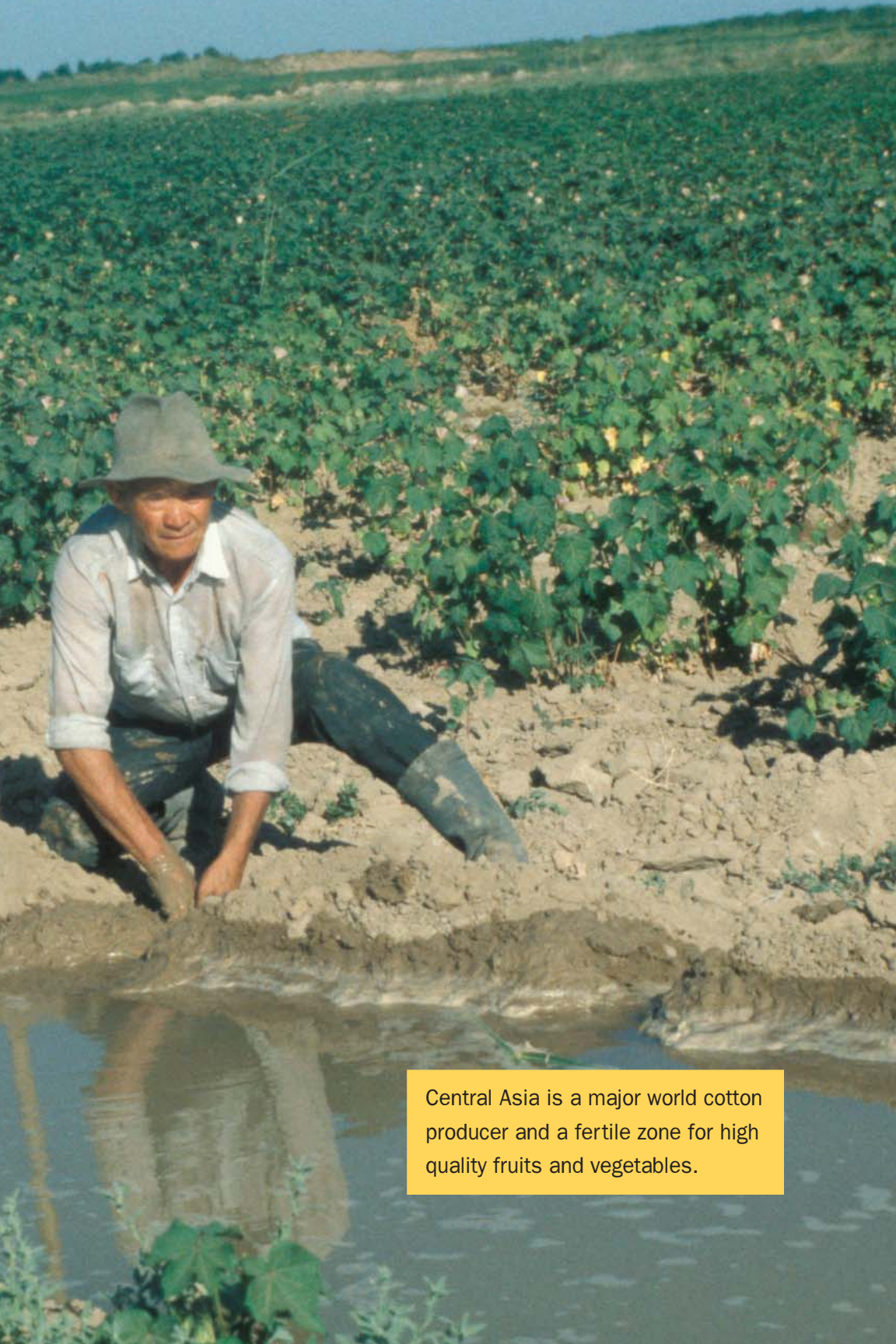


# Abbreviations and Acronyms

ADB	- Asian Development Bank
CACO	- Central Asian Cooperation Organization
CAREC	- Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Program
CARECU	- Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Unit
CARs	- Central Asian Republics
EBRD	- European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
ECO	- Economic Cooperation Organization
EEC	- Eurasian Economic Community
EU	- European Union
EU-IFI	- European Union-International Financial Institution
FDI	- foreign direct investment
GDP	- gross domestic product
GUUAM	- Georgia, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Azerbaijan, Moldova
IMF	- International Monetary Fund
MDGs	- Millennium Development Goals
NGO	- nongovernment organization
OIF	- overall institutional framework
PRC	- People's Republic of China
RCSP	- regional country strategy and program
SCO	- Shanghai Cooperation Organization
SME	- small and medium enterprise
UN	- United Nations
UNDP	- United Nations Development Programme
USAID	- United States Agency for International Development
XUAR	- Xinjian Uygur Autonomous Region



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