

Egypt says archaeologists found more artifacts at Cairo dig

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This undated photo released by the Egyptian Ministry of Antiquities, shows archeologists working at a dig in eastern Cairo's Matariya neighborhood, Egypt. The Antiquities Ministry said on Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2018, that archeologists working at the dig have found several fragments of stone slabs with inscriptions dating back up to 4,000 years. Some of the fragments date back to the 12th and the 20th Dynasties and the Third Intermediate Period while others are more recent. (Egyptian Ministry of Antiquities via AP)

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Egyptologist Dietrich Raue, the head of the mission, says one inscription points to Atum, an important and frequently mentioned god, as being responsible for the flooding of the Nile River in the Late Period, from 664-332 B.C.

Egypt frequently announces archaeological discoveries, hoping this will spur interest in its ancient treasures and revive tourism, which was hit hard by political turmoil following the 2011 uprising.



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