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### **Handover Ceremony for “The Project for the Deployment of Aman Advanced Life Support Ambulances in the Bin Qasim Town, Karachi, Sindh”**

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On Tuesday, August 26, the Handover Ceremony for “The project for the deployment of Aman Advanced Life Support Ambulances in the Bin Qasim town, Karachi, Sindh”, was held at Aman Foundation Headquarters, with the presence of Mr. Akira Ouchi, the Consul-General of Japan in Karachi, Mr. Ahsan Jamil, the CEO of Aman Foundation, Dr. Junaid Abdul Razzak, the CEO of Aman Health Care Services and Mr. Parvez Ghias, the CEO of Indus Motor Company Limited.

The Government of Japan extended a grant of US\$120,120 (approximately Rs. 13 million) for the provision of two ambulances, fully equipped with basic and advanced life-support devices to be deployed in Bin Qasim town. These ambulances are expected to serve more than 2,300 beneficiaries every year. In addition to the grant of about 13 million Rupees, about 1.2 million Rupees was contributed by Indus Motor Company Limited. This grant is the first case of public-private partnership between the Consulate-General of Japan and Indus Motor Company Limited.

Speaking at the ceremony, Mr. Akira Ouchi, Consul General of Japan expressed his great pleasure in the realization of this project and sincerely hoped that through this project, the medical emergency services in Karachi would be improved and that the lives of more people in Karachi would be saved. Furthermore, Mr. Ouchi mentioned that the ambulances handed over today are the token of friendship from the people of Japan and that he wished that this support would further strengthen the friendly relationship between Japan and Pakistan.

Under the Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Project (GGP) scheme, Japan has funded more than 200 projects in Pakistan since 1989, and this is the tenth projects completed by the Consulate-General of Japan at Karachi since 2009.

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