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### **JAPAN PROVIDES RS. 13 MILLION FOR THE PROJECT FOR THE DEPLOYMENT OF AMAN ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT AMBULANCES IN KARACHI, SINDH**

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The Government of Japan extended **a grant of US\$120,120 (approximately Rs. 13 million)** to Aman Health Care Services (AHCS) for '*The Project for the Deployment of Aman Advanced Life Support Ambulances in Bin Qasim Town, Karachi, Sindh*' under its Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) scheme.

The grant contract was signed at the Japan Information and Culture Center of the Consulate-General of Japan in Karachi, between Mr. Akira Ouchi, Consul-General of Japan, and Dr. Junaid Abdul Razzak, Executive Director of AHCS. Mr. Parvez Ghias, CEO of Indus Motor Company Limited was also present at the occasion.

Two ambulances fully equipped with basic and advanced life-support equipments will be purchased under the grant in order to achieve the objective of providing timely access to emergency services and save the lives of the people. 13 million Rupees are granted by the Consulate-General of Japan and 1.2 million Rupees are contributed by the Indus Motor Company Limited. This grant is the first case of public-private partnership between the Consulate-General of Japan and Indus Motors Company Limited.

At the signing ceremony, Mr. Akira Ouchi sincerely hoped that this project would help save the lives of more people in Karachi. It is expected that the implementation of this project will improve the medical emergency services in Karachi, as every year more than 2,300 people will benefit from these ambulances. Mr. Ouchi also wished that this support from the people of Japan would further strengthen friendly relationship between Japan and Pakistan.

Under the GGP scheme, Japan has funded more than 200 projects in Pakistan since 1989, and this is the tenth GGP project implemented by the Consulate-General of Japan at Karachi since 2009.

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