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Japan to Improve Water Supply and Sanitation Systems in Tando Muhammad Khan, Sindh

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The Government of Japan extended a grant of 99,935 US Dollar (approximately Rs 9.4 million) to the Sindh Community Foundation (SCF) for “The Project for Improving Water Supply and Sanitation Systems of 27 Flood-Affected Villages in the District Tando Muhammad Khan, Sindh” under its Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) scheme.

The grant contract was signed on 14 February 2013 at the Japan Information and Culture Center between Mr Akira Ouchi, Consul-General of Japan and Mr Javed Hussain, Executive Director SCF.

The grant will be utilized by SCF for the installation of 216 hand water pumps, 5 water supply systems and 200 public toilets altogether in 27 villages in the District Tando Muhammad Khan, in the remote interior Sindh. The project will provide the people of the targeted area with a better access to clean drinking water and improved sanitation with privacy.

At the signing ceremony, Mr Akira Ouchi, Consul-General of Japan said that this project has been materialised on the fast-track basis within 8 months in order to recover the water supply and sanitation systems which were destroyed largely by the 2011 flood, and to contribute to the betterment of the living conditions of more than 23,000 flood-affected people, especially women. Mr Ouchi, furthermore, suggested that this project could also be a model case for other communities in Pakistan in the future, and wished this project will promote friendly relationship between Japan and Pakistan.

Under the GGP scheme, Japan has provided more than 200 grant assistance in Pakistan since 1989, and this project will be the eighth GGP project by the Consulate General of Japan in Karachi since 2009.

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