

## Press Release

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### Japan provides RS9 Million for the ‘‘The Project for Provision of Medical Equipment for Paediatric Intensive Care Unit to a Hospital’’ in Karachi.

The government of Japan extended a grant of US\$86,460 (approximately Rs.9 million) to the Indus Hospital for ‘‘The Project for Provision of Medical Equipment for Paediatric Intensive Care Unit’’ under its Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) scheme.

The grant contract was signed on February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at the Japan Information and Culture Center of the Consulate-General of Japan in Karachi, between Mr. Akira Ouchi, Consul General of Japan in Karachi and Dr. Abdul Bari Khan, CEO of the Indus Hospital.

The grant covers the cost of medical equipment such as ventilators, cardiac monitors, infusion pumps, syringe pumps, etc. The Indus Hospital has been providing health care services to the people living in Sindh since 2007 and it has recently set up a new Paediatric Unit to provide better child health services and these equipment will be installed in this unit.

At the signing ceremony, Mr. Ouchi sincerely hoped that the equipment provided under the grant would greatly improve child health care services in Sindh. 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 about 350 projects in Pakistan since 1989, and this is the 16th GGP project to be implemented by the Consulate-General of Japan in Karachi since 2009.

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