

Press Release

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Handover Ceremony of Japanese Fire Trucks to Karachi Fire Brigade

The handover ceremony for two fire trucks to Karachi city from the Government of Japan was held on Thursday, October 27th, 2016 at the KMC head office in Karachi, between Mr. Yasuharu Shinto, Acting Consul General of Japan in Karachi and Mr. Tahseen Ahmed Siddiqui, Chief Fire Officer of Karachi Fire Department. The two trucks were donated by a Japanese non-profit organization, the society for Promotion of Japanese Diplomacy.

The grant contract was signed in March this year and the government of Japan extended a grant of US\$113,868 (approximately Rs.12 million) to the Karachi Fire Department for “The Project for the Enhancement of Karachi Fire Brigade” under its Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) scheme.

At the handover ceremony, Mr. Shinto sincerely hoped that the Fire Trucks provided under the grant would greatly improve rescue services in Karachi and save many people from fire-related incidents. He also wished that this support from the people of Japan would further strengthen the cordial relationship existing between Japan and Pakistan.

Under the GGP scheme, Japan has funded about 360 projects in Pakistan since 1989, and this is the 17th GGP project to be implemented by the Consulate-General of Japan in Karachi since 2009.

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