

PRESS RELEASE

Handover Ceremony for “The Project for the Provision of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Facilities for 25 Primary Schools in Hyderabad”

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On Wednesday, January 13, the Handover Ceremony for “The Project for the Provision of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Facilities for 25 Primary Schools” was held in Hyderabad, with the presence of Mr. Akira Ouchi, the Consul-General of Japan in Karachi and Mr. Ghaffar Malik, Executive Director of Sindh Development Society.

The government of Japan extended a grant of US\$51,215 (approximately Rs.5.1million) to Sindh Development Society for the installation of 50 latrines, 25 water pumps etc. for 25 Primary Schools in Hyderabad under its Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) scheme, for which the grant contract was signed in February 2015. The schools currently have a total of about 2,000 students but none of the schools had any water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) facilities. This poor sanitary situation has prevented some children from attending school. With the implementation of this project it is expected to greatly improve the sanitary situation in the 25 primary schools.

At the Handover ceremony, Mr. Ouchi sincerely hoped that the implementation of this project would improve the educational environment for children in rural areas of Hyderabad, and the number of students would greatly increase in the future. 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 340 projects in Pakistan since 1989, and this is the 14th GGP project to be implemented by the Consulate-General of Japan in Karachi since 2009.

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