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Japan Hands Over Foot Bridge to Visama Village, Tailevu

The Government of Japan provided assistance worth FJ\$175,870 to Visama village for the construction of a foot bridge through its Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) Programme. H.E. Mr. Masahiro Omura, Ambassador of Japan to the Republic of Fiji, will hand over the new foot bridge to the village at **10.00am on Thursday 27 June 2019 at Visama Village.**

You are most welcome to join the ceremony. For further queries, please contact Mr. Peni Saurara on email address: peni.saurara@fj.mofa.go.jp or eojeconomics@fj.mofa.go.jp and phone number: 3304633.

Details for "The Project for Construction of Foot Bridge for Visama Village"

1. The Project for Construction of Foot Bridge for Visama Village
 - (a) Recipient: Visama Village Development Committee
 - (b) Grant Contract Signatory: Mr. Timoci Bai, Chairman Visama Village Development Committee
 - (c) Details: Visama Village Development Committee will receive US\$87,602 (FJ\$175,870) for the construction of a foot bridge in Visama Village which is located on the outskirts of Nausori Town with a population of about 300 villagers. The villagers and nearby community residents have been using coconut trunks as a foot crossing for several years where students, the elderly and those needing medical attention such as pregnant ladies use this impromptu bridge on a daily basis. This poses a huge health and safety risk. The project provided funding to Visama Village Development Committee to construct a foot bridge which will ensure those using the bridge will be able to enjoy safe and reliable access to education, health services and farm land.

The GGP Programme is part of the overall Japanese ODA implemented by the Embassy of Japan in order to empower the people from the grassroots level. The GGP Programme in Fiji has been widely implemented in areas such as education, water supply, health, transportation, IT, agriculture and fisheries since 1990. To date, 374 projects have been implemented under the GGP Programme with an approximate value exceeding USD 25 million.



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