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## **Japan Hands Over New Facilities to Waidra Muslim Primary School**

The Government of Japan provided assistance worth FJ\$167,349 (US\$86,355) to Waidra Muslim Primary School for the construction of four furnished classrooms, sick bay and two administrative rooms through its Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) Programme. Mr. Tsuguyoshi Hada, Counsellor and Deputy Head of Mission will hand over the new facilities to the school at **10:00am on Thursday 12 September 2019, at Waidra Muslim School.**

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

### **Details for "Project for Upgrading of Waidra Muslim Primary School"**

#### **(a) Basis for Implementing the Project**

- (1) Waidra Muslim Primary School is currently experiencing an increase in student enrolment due to growth of settlements in Waidra. Due to lack of classrooms the school management has arranged for a shared use of classrooms. Year 5 and Year 6 students has shared a classroom and usage of facilities such as the library, computer room, prayer room and language classrooms has been limited due to their dual use. Additionally, the school also does not have a sick bay and science lab. Moreover, limited administrative office has hindered the function of the school management.
- (2) The four new furnished classrooms constructed under this assistance will be used to conduct separate classes for all Years. All four classrooms will be equipped with furniture to allow the school to better cater and facilitate the classes, providing students with a proper learning environment. The remaining three rooms will be used for head teacher's office, a staff room and a sick bay for students. The construction of new rooms also frees up space in earlier occupied rooms enabling the usage of specialized facilities for their original purposes and science lab practical's to be held in a separate room. This project will ensure the delivery of quality education and provide conducive learning environment for the students.

#### **(b) Basic Information**

- (a) Donor: Government of Japan
- (b) Recipient: Waidra Muslim Primary School
- (c) Total funding: FJ\$167,349 (US\$86,355)

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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