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Japan Provides Assistance to Four Schools and Two Local Communities

The Government of Japan will provide funding worth FJ\$853,657 to four schools and FJ\$201,563 to Habitat for Humanity Fiji. The assistance is part of the Government of Japan's on-going support towards Fiji's education sector and assistance for access to clean water. The four schools that will be receiving assistance are Adi Cakobau School, Naivacula District School, Sigatoka District School and Tagaqe District School. Vatukarasa and Nakorovou Villages and its surrounding communities will also be assisted through improvements in water supply. The projects will be implemented through Japan's Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) Programme.

H.E. Mr. Masahiro Omura, Ambassador of Japan to the Republic of Fiji, will sign five grant contracts with the respective recipient representatives to formalize Japan's assistance at a signing ceremony that will be hosted by the Embassy, at **Level 2, BSP Life Centre, Suva, at 11:00am on Monday, 09 December 2019.**

You are most welcome to 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 Five Projects

1. Adi Cakobau School

- A) **Recipient:** Adi Cakobau School
- B) **Grant Contract Signatory:** Mrs Arieta Yauvoli, Principal
- C) **Details:** Adi Cakobau School will receive FJ\$303,910 for the construction of a 4 classroom block including a 4 pan ablution block. The school will also receive 160 sets of student desks and chairs, 4 sets of teachers' desks and chairs.

2. Naivacula District School

- A) **Recipient:** Naivacula District School
- B) **Grant Contract Signatory:** Mr Ananaiasa Taburokoroko, School Manager
- C) **Details:** The school will receive FJ\$189,147 for the construction of a 3 classroom block. The school will also receive 75 sets of student desks and chairs and 3 teachers' desk and chairs.

3. Sigatoka District School

- A) **Recipient:** Sigatoka District School
- B) **Grant Contract Signatory:** Mr Sevina Tove, Head Teacher
- C) **Details:** The school will receive FJ\$173,600 for the construction of a 3 classroom block. The school will also receive 120 sets of student desks and chairs and 3 teachers' desk and chairs.

4. Tagaqe District School

- A) **Recipient:** Tagaqe District School
- B) **Grant Contract Signatory:** Mr Wiliame Tabua, Head Teacher
- C) **Details:** The school will receive FJ\$187,000 for the construction of a 3 classroom block. The school will also receive 120 sets of student desks and chairs and 3 teachers' desk and chairs.

5. Vatukarasa and Nakorovou Village

- A) **Receipt:** Habitat for Humanity Fiji
- B) **Grant Contract Signatory:** Mr Masi Latianara, National Director
- C) **Details:** Habitat for Humanity Fiji will receive FJ\$201,563 for the construction of a water system to Vatukarasa and Nakorovou Villages. The assistance will also include a workshop for the respective village water committees.

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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, 372 projects have been implemented under the GGP Programme which amount to an approximate value exceeding USD 25 million.



Adi Cakobau School students studying outside.



Students using a converted dormitory as a classroom.



Naivacula District School students using the veranda as a classroom.



The remains of the classroom block destroyed by TC Winston.



Year 8 students using the library in Sigatoka District School.



Desks set up for students in the staff room.

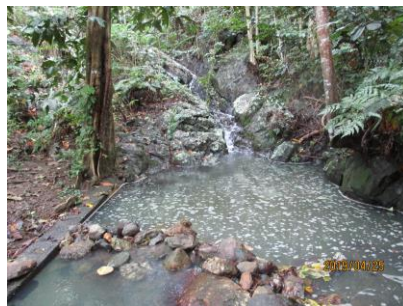
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Year 1 students of Tagaqe District School in a crowded class.



Year 2 students use the staff room as a classroom.



The current dam supplying water to Vatukarasa Village, Nadroga.



The current dam supplying water to Nakorovou Village, Serua.

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