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## **Japan Hands Over Two Classroom Block to Coloi Naivakacere Primary School**

The Government of Japan provided FJ\$144,846 to Coloi Naivakacere Primary School for the construction of a fully furnished two classroom block under Japan's Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) Programme. The First Secretary and Head of Administration of at the Embassy of Japan Mr. Takumi Sawa will hand over the new facilities **at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, 17 January 2020 at Colo-i-Naivakacere Primary School, Tailevu.**

You are most welcome to the 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 the Project for Upgrading Coloi Naivakacere Primary School

#### **1. Basis for Implementing the Project**

Coloi-Naivakacere primary school serves the villages of Vatukarasa, Tonia and Natavea as well as the settlements of Coloi, Nabaitavo. The school has served these communities well since its establishment in 2001. However, the school had encountered congestion issues due to inadequate classroom space as enrolments increased throughout the years.

The school requested for assistance to construct a new fully furnished two-classroom block after demolishing the deteriorated kindergarten and library building, which is no longer able to serve its original purposes. The two new classrooms will offer greater space and accommodate more enrolments in the coming years. In recognition of the school's need to alleviate the difficulties faced by the school, the Embassy of Japan committed to fund the new facilities that will ensure the delivery of quality education and at the same time provide conducive learning environment.

#### **2. Basic Information**

- (a) Donor: Government of Japan
- (b) Recipient: Coloi Naivakacere Primary School
- (c) Total funding: FJ\$144,846 (US\$72,148)

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 and transportation since 1990. To date, 382 projects have been implemented under the GGP Programme which amount to an approximate value of USD 26 million.

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