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Japan formalizes Provision of Excavator and Tip Trucks for the Northern Divisional Office of Ministry of Agriculture

The Government of Japan will provide assistance worth up to FJ\$372,860 (US\$188,780) to Ministry of Agriculture for Provision of Excavator and Tip Trucks for the Northern Divisional Office through its Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP).

H.E. Mr. KAWAKAMI Fumihiro, Ambassador of Japan to the Republic of Fiji, and Hon. Mahendra REDDY, Minister for Agriculture will sign the grant contract to formalize Japan's assistance at a Grant Contract Signing Ceremony to be held at 9am, 19th March, 2021 at Ministry of Agriculture, at Hugh Robinson Complex, Grantham Road, Raiwaqa, Suva.

1. Basic information

- (1) Project title: The Project for Provision of Excavator and Tip Trucks for the Northern Divisional Office of Ministry of Agriculture
- (2) Donor: Embassy of Japan in Fiji
- (3) Recipient: Ministry of Agriculture
- (4) Grant amount: US\$188,780

2. Project outline

Modern agriculture requires efficient connectivity through farm access. Ministry of agriculture has plans to improve accessibility by providing farm roads to farmers in the Northern Division. However, there are not enough heavy machines in Northern Division to carry out the plans of the Ministry. The items of this project will be effectively utilized for land preparation, construction and improvement of farm roads. Through this project, the Government and the People of Japan hopes to assist farmers out of subsistence level farming to commercial agriculture and to support the improvement of the livelihood of farmers.

Since 1990, the Embassy of Japan in Fiji has widely implemented GGP Projects in areas such as education, water supply, health and transportation. To date, the Embassy has formalized 398 GGP projects, which amount to an approximate value of US\$29 million.

We welcome your attendance at the ceremony, and for further queries please contact Ms. Mele Raturaga on email address: mele.raturaga@fj.mofa.go.jp or eojeconomics@fj.mofa.go.jp and telephone number: (+679) 3304633.

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