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Japan Provides Assistance to Three Recipients

The Government of Japan will provide funding worth USD \$278,191(FJD \$552,491) to Habitat for Humanity Fiji, Medical Services Pacific, and Spinal Injury Association, as part of the Government of Japan's on-going support towards Fiji's Development Plan under inclusive socio-economic development. The projects will be implemented through Japan's Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) Programme.

H.E. Mr. KAWAKAMI Fumihiro, Ambassador of Japan to the Republic of Fiji, will sign three Grant Contracts with the respective recipient representatives to formalize Japan's assistance at a signing ceremony that will be hosted at **11:00 am, 11th March at the Ambassador's official residence in Tamavua, Suva.**

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.

Details for the three Projects

1. Basic information

- (1) **Project title:** The Project for Water Supply to Vuaki Village and Somolevu Catholic School
- (2) **Recipient:** Habitat for Humanity Fiji
- (3) **Grant amount:** FJ \$242, 732 (US \$122,221)
- (4) **Purpose:** Construction of the water supply system for Vuaki Village and Somolevu Catholic School with 20 toilet facilities and common standpipes for Vuaki Village, as well as 2 common standpipes for Somolevu Catholic School.

Project outline

Vuaki Village and Somolevu Catholic School have, for years, lacked basic proper water supply and had a poor sanitary system. The implementation of this project, will allow the residents and school to access constant clean water as well as have more hygienic toilet facilities for the villagers.

2. Basic information

- (1) **Project title:** The Project for Provision of Vehicles to Medical Services Pacific
- (2) **Recipient:** Medical Services Pacific
- (3) **Grant amount:** FJ \$189,773 (US \$95,555)
- (4) **Purpose:** Provision of 2 Vehicles and 2 trailers

Project outline

The recipient lacked the mobility aid to carry out its work in the rural and remote areas of Fiji. The procurement of the vehicles and trailers through this project will meaningfully support the recipient in carrying out free cancer screening, family planning services as well as counselling and social welfare services, for the girls and women in the rural and remote areas of Fiji.

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3. Basic information

- (1) **Project title:** The Project for Provision of Wheelchair Accessible Van to Spinal Injury Association
- (2) **Recipient:** Spinal Injury Association
- (3) **Grant amount:** FJ \$119,986 (US \$60,415)
- (4) **Purpose:** Provision of Wheelchair Accessible Van.

Project outline

The provision of an accessible van to Spinal Injury Association will enable the association to provide transportation services for people with mobility disabilities, as well as deliver devices/equipment such as wheelchairs, and medical consumables to interior areas.

Since 1990, the Embassy of Japan in Fiji has widely implemented GGP projects in areas such as education, water supply, health, transportation, IT, agriculture and fisheries. To date, the Embassy has formalized 414 projects, which amount to an approximate value of USD \$31 million.

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