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Japan formalises Upgrading of Nasau Youth Training Centre

The Government of Japan will provide assistance worth up to FJ\$222,204 (US\$115,125) to Ministry of Youth and Sports for Upgrading of Nasau Youth Training Centre through its Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Projects (GGP).

H.E. Mr. KAWAKAMI Fumihiro, Ambassador of Japan to the Republic of Fiji, and Hon. Parveen Kumar Bala, Minister for Youth and Sports will sign the grant contract to formalise Japan's assistance at a Grant Contract Signing Ceremony to be held at 4:00pm, 10th March 2022 at Civic House, Victoria Parade, Suva.

You are most welcome to attend the ceremony for further queries, please contact Ms. Mele Raturaga on email address: mele.raturaga@fj.mofa.go.jp or eojeconomics@fj.mofa.go.jp and phone number: 3304633.

1. Basic information

- (1) Project title: The Project for upgrading of Nasau Youth Training Centre
- (2) Donor: Embassy of Japan in Fiji
- (3) Recipient: Ministry of Youth and Sports
- (4) Grant amount: US\$115,125

2. Project outline

The Embassy of Japan will provide an additional learning space to the current facilities for the new 'Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation – Certificate 1' program. Climate change is a global problem and its impact has reached small island states like Fiji. The program intends to create an understanding of climate change strategies to ensure practical solution are realized and implemented in the grass root communities. The centre was established in 1979 and the Ministry of Youth and Sports offers accredited 10 months training programs in Organic Agriculture and Carpentry for age 15-35. Majority of the trainees are school leavers from the mainstream education system or Juveniles who have a difficulties in attaining job opportunities. The Ministry offers them a second chance at continuing their education and attaining a qualification certificate as well as accommodation in the facility for the duration of their course.

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 formalised 411 GGP projects, which amount to an approximate value of US\$30.8 million.

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