

PRESS RELEASE

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<u>Japan Hands Over Emission Testing Equipment to the Land Transport</u> Authority

The Government of Japan provided funding worth \$89,354 USD to the Land Transport Authority, under its Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) Programme for Emission Testing Equipment. Counsellor -Mr. TANAKA Kenichiro, will hand over the equipment to Board Chair Mr. James Sowane, <u>at 10:00</u> a.m. on 2nd September 2022.

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.

<u>Details for the Project For Provision Of Emission Testing Equipment to the Land</u> Transport Authority

1. Basis for Implementing the Project

The Fijian Government has committed to significantly reducing GHG (Greenhouse Gas) emissions and helping stabilize greenhouse gases in the atmosphere. The procurement of the emission testing equipment through this project will meaningfully support the Land Transport Authority in monitoring the motor vehicle emissions in Fiji through more regular motor vehicle tests. The data gathered from these tests, will be used to establish standards for petrol vehicles and review emission standards for diesel vehicles in Fiji. This project will help the Labasa, Valelevu, Lami, Sigatoka, Nadi, Lautoka, Ba, and Rakiraki LTA inspection centres, in its bid to monitor motor vehicle emissions around Fiji.

2. Basic Information

(1) **Donor:** Government of Japan

(2) Recipient: Land Transport Authority(3) Grant amount: FJ\$176,199 (US\$89,354)

(4) **Purpose:** Provision of Emission Testing Equipment

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, 415 projects have been implemented under the GGP Programme which amount to an approximate value exceeding USD 31 million.

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