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Japan Hands Over Water Cistern to Tuvalu Maritime Training Institute, Tuvalu

The Government of Japan provided funding worth AU\$ 132,408 to Tuvalu Maritime Training Institute, under its Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) Programme for a new water cistern. Mr. TAZAWA Hiroki, First Secretary, will hand over the water cistern for Tuvalu Maritime Training Institute at 10:30am on 10 March 2023.

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.

Details for The Project for Water Cistern

1. Basis for Implementing the Project

Tuvalu Maritime Training Institute is earnestly required by the government to provide its trainees high-quality maritime training that fully meets international standards, which will create further employment opportunities with high income as domestic or overseas seafarers. However, due to the lack of capacity for water storage, the Institute regularly faces difficulties with its unstable water supply, which affects the proper running of its facility. This adversely affects not only the daily lives but also the educational environment of the trainees.

The One Hundred Thousand (100,000) litre water cistern for the Tuvalu Maritime Training Institute will ensure the improvement of its training environment, and alleviate water vulnerability caused by climate change.

2. Basic Information

- (a) Donor: Embassy of Japan in Tuvalu
- (b) Recipient: Tuvalu Maritime Training Institute
- (c) Total funding: AU\$132,408 (US\$98,767)

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 Tuvalu has been widely implemented in areas such as education, water supply, health, transportation, IT, agriculture and fisheries since 1992. To date, 50 projects have been funded under the GGP Programme which amount to an approximate value exceeding USD 3 million.

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