

# **PRESS RELEASE**

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## **Japan formalized The Project for Procurement of Crane Truck to the Nauru Fisheries and Marine Resources Authority**

The Government of Japan will provide assistance worth AU\$208,844 (US\$144,089), to the Nauru Fisheries and Marine Resources Authority for the provision of a Crane Truck, through its Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP).

H.E. Mr. KAWAKAMI Fumihiko, Ambassador of Japan to Nauru, and H.E. Mr. Wawani Dowiyogo, the Minister for Fisheries, have signed the grant contract to formalize Japan's assistance.

"I am very pleased to assist Nauru Fisheries and Marine Resources Authority. By implementing this project, their daily operation's safety and efficiency will be meaningfully enhanced." H.E. Ambassador Mr. KAWAKAMI said. "Apart from Fishery sector, our embassy has been providing heavy machinery for higher ground initiative and aiwo port expansion and medical equipment to RON hospital, approximately worth 14 million AUD in total. When I met Honorable president Kun in Fiji in February, I have committed continuous support for Nauru and we have reaffirmed the friendship between the Governments and peoples of Japan and Nauru. I am confident that this support will further strengthen the friendship between both countries." He also said.

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### **Details for The Project for Procurement of Crane Truck to the Nauru Fisheries and Marine Resources Authority**

#### **1. Basic Information**

- (a) Donor: Embassy of Japan in Fiji
- (b) Recipient: Nauru Fisheries and Marine Resources Authority
- (c) Total funding: US\$144,089 (AU\$208,844)

#### **2. Basis for Implementing the Project**

The recipient manages and operates the Anibare and Aiwo Harbor the main fishing port in Nauru. The existing crane truck was installed 6 years ago by the Overseas Fisheries Cooperation Foundation of Japan for the purpose of cargo handling and supporting the local fisherman. However, the existing crane truck is deterioration over time and is not safe to use. Recognizing this difficulty, Japan decided to assist them. The project will contribute to ensure the recipient safe and efficient operation which will be benefit to all local fisherman.

The GGP Programme is one of Japan's communities ODA schemes implemented by the Embassy of Japan in order to empower the grassroots level. The GGP Programme in Nauru has been implemented in areas such as education, water supply, Environment and fishery since 2006. To date, 21 projects have been implemented under the GGP Programme which amount to an approximate value of USD 1.9 million.

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