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Japan formalizes a Project with Buasali Development Committee

The Government of Japan will provide assistance worth up to FJ\$ 219,494 (US\$ 97,984) for the Procurement of Boat with Outboard Engine in Tamusua Village through its Grant Assistance for Grass-Roots Human Security Projects (GGP).

Mr. TANAKA Kenichiro, Chargé d'affaires ad interim of Japan to the Republic of Fiji, and Mr. Nacanieli Nakoronivalu, Chairman of Buasali Development Committee, will sign the grant contract to formalize Japan's assistance at a Grant Contract Signing Ceremony held at the Embassy of Japan, Suva, at 11:00 am on 24th 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 Procurement of Boat with Outboard Engine in Tamusua Village

1. Basis for Implementing the Project

Tamusua Village is located at Yasawa Island, and currently has no proper transportation, especially when delivering fish products to the main market in Lautoka and transporting patients in emergency cases. Towards improving their livelihoods, economy and efforts to better access to the fish market, the people of Tamusua through Buasali Development Committee made the request for assistance towards the procurement of a new boat.

The procurement of a the new 10 meter long boat with two outboard engines, will improve the fish product delivery and aid in transportation. This will boost the socio-economic development by increasing the involvement in commerce. This way, Tamusua Village will have a new transportation method to strengthen its development and strive into a brighter future. This project will have the support of Ministry of Fisheries and Forestry.

2. Basic Information

- (a) Donor: Embassy of Japan in Fiji
- (b) Recipient: Buasali Development Committee
- (c) Total funding: US\$97,984 (FJ\$219,494)

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, 422 projects have been implemented under the GGP Programme which amount to an approximate value exceeding USD 32 million.

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