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# **PRESS RELEASE**

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## **Japan Hands over Two New School Projects in Kadavu**

The Government of Japan provided FJD \$682,133 to Rt. Nacagilevu Memorial Primary School and Namalata Central School for the construction of a new three classroom facility and furniture for each school, under Japan's Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) Programme. Mr. TAZAWA Hiroki, First Secretary and Head of Official Development Assistance at the Embassy of Japan in Fiji, will hand over the new facility to the Minister for Education, Hon. Aseri Radrodro **on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> July 2023** in Kadavu Island.

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](mailto:mele.raturaga@fj.mofa.go.jp) or [eojeconomics@fj.mofa.go.jp](mailto:eojeconomics@fj.mofa.go.jp) and telephone number: 3304633

### **Details for The Project**

#### **1. The Project for Rehabilitation of Ratu Nacagilevu Memorial School**

**Date:** 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2023

**Time:** 11:45am

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

In 2020, TC Harold severely damaged schools on Kadavu Island and this devastation occurred while the recovery and reconstruction from TC Keni was still in progress. Majority of the established school structures were completely damaged and was in need of rehabilitation and upgrading.

For that reason, the Government of Japan funded the construction of a new 3 classroom block facility and its furniture. This facility will aim improve education and provide a better learning environment for the students.

#### **II. Basic Information**

(a) Donor: Government of Japan

(b) Recipient: Ratu Nacagilevu Memorial School

(c) Total funding: FJ\$355,979 (US\$179,244)

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## **2. The Project for Rehabilitation of Namalata Central School**

**Date:** 25<sup>th</sup> July ,2023

**Time:** 9:00am

**Venue:** Namalata Central School

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

In 2020, In 2020, TC Harold severely damaged schools on Kadavu Island and this devastation occurred while the recovery and reconstruction from TC Keni was still underway. In its effort to assist the people and children of Kadavu, the Ministry of Education and the Embassy of Japan worked in collaboration and identified Namalata Central School as one of the worst affected schools in Kadavu. Majority of the buildings especially learning spaces were damaged by the cyclone making learning environment uncondusive for learning.

For that reason, the Government of Japan funded the construction of a new 3 classroom block facility and its furniture. This facility will aim improve education and provide a better learning environment for the students.

### **3. Basic Information**

(d) Donor: Government of Japan

(e) Recipient: Namalata Central School

(f) Total funding: FJ\$326,154 (US\$164,226)

The GGP Programme is part of the overall Japanese ODA implemented by the Embassy of Japan in order to empower the people at the grassroots level. The GGP Programme in Fiji has been widely implemented in areas such as education, water supply, health and transportation since 1990. To date, 423 projects have been funded for under the GGP Programme that amount to an approximate value of USD \$32 million.

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