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Japan Hands Over New Water Supply System to Navunivesi and Malabi

The Government of Japan has provided assistance worth up to FJ\$154,510 (US\$77,799) to Water Authority of Fiji for Improvement of Water Supply in Navunivesi Settlement and Malabi Village through its Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP).

Mr. Ryota Terai, First Secretary will officially hand over a new water supply system to the settlement and the village at 11:00 am on 3 October 2025, at Navunivesi Settlement and Malabi Village, Tailevu.

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.qo.jp and phone number: 3304633.

Details for the Project for Water Supply to Navunivesi and Malabi Village

Date: 3 October 2025 **Time:** 11:00 am

Venue: Navunivesi Settlement and Malabi Village, Tailevu

1.Project Background

Prior to implementation, Navunivesi and Malabi experienced significant challenges due to inadequate water infrastructure, affecting health and sanitation. To address this, the Government of Japan funded a new water supply system and organaized capacitybuilding workshops for local management.

2. Project Overview

- Donor: Embassy of Japan in Fiji
- (b) Recipient: Water Authority of Fiji
- Total funding: US\$77,799 (FJ\$154,510) (c)
- Project Components:
- 1. Construction of a new intake dam at a newly identified water source
- 2.Installation of one 91,000-liter cement water tank
- 3.Installation of 500 meters of **water pipe** from the intake dam to the cement tank 4.Installation of 2 kilometers of **water pipe** from the cement tank to the existing tank
- 5.Installation of **four shared water taps** in Navunivesi and related piping 6.Installation of one **EPS filtration system** for drinking water and three shared taps
- 7. Support for Establishment of a water management committee
- 8. Workshops on maintenance and operation of the water supply system

3. About the GGP Programme

Japan's Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) supports community-based development through its Official Development Assistance (ODA). In Fiji, over 423 projects have been implemented since 1990 in sectors such as education, water, health, and agriculture, totaling more than US\$32 million.