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Press Release



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Closing Ceremony of Psychosocial Support Training

The Government of Japan has extended to UNFPA a grant in approximate total of 1.6 million US dollars to finance the project titled “Essential Sexually and Reproductive health and Sexual and Gender Based Violence Intervention for Syrian Refugees in Azraq Camp”.

The closing ceremony of the psychosocial support and development skills training for 50 Syrian refugees were held at Azraq Refugee Camp on Thursday March, 2nd 2017, in the presence of H.E. Shuichi Sakurai; Ambassador of Japan, Col. Khalil Qatarneh; Camp Manager of Syrian Refugee Affairs Directorate, Ms. Laila Baker; UNFPA Representative in Jordan and Mr. Dirk Lackovich; International Medical Corps Jordan Country Director.

The overall objective of the project is to ensure lifesaving quality sexual and reproductive health services and gender-based violence protection services among the refugee population living in Azraq Camp, who are struggling with severe situations.

In a speech delivered during the closing ceremony H.E. the Ambassador stated: *“Assessments conducted by the UN agencies have revealed that there is minor knowledge and priority on the importance of sexual and reproductive health amongst the Syrian refugee population, and also that sexual violence has been a persistent feature of the Syrian crisis. Therefore, last year, the government of Japan provided approximately 1.6 million USD to UNFPA to implement the project”*

Within last year, the government of Japan has extended approximately 59 million US dollars to the international organizations operating in Jordan, of which approximately 1.6 million US dollars is allocated for this project.

This year, the Government of Japan will extend approximately 29 million US dollars for the international organizations and NGOs operating in Jordan, and approximately 662 thousand US dollars will be allocated for UNFPA to implement the project which aims to enhance reproductive health services for the Syrian refugees and the host communities.

Speech by the ambassador



Handover of the certificate



Inside of the venue where the event was held



Clinic supported by the project



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