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Graduation Ceremony of Homestead Agricultural Production Training under the Project Funded by the Government of Japan

The Government of Japan has extended to UN Women and FAO a grant in total of one million and two hundred sixty thousand (1,260,000) US dollars to finance the project entitled "Supporting rural women's food security in Jordan".

The graduation ceremony of homestead agricultural production training was held in Irbid governorate on Monday May 8th 2017 to celebrate the trainees who have successfully completed the training program, with the presence of Mr. Norimasa Yoshida, First Secretary at the embassy of Japan, H.E. Khaled Hneifat, Minister of Agriculture, H.E. Fawzi Sheyyab, General director of NCARE, and Mr. Tony Gikuhi, Acting FAO representative in Jordan.

The overall objective of the project is to support rural women's food security and their rights in the society. The project has trained 555 rural women for the homestead agricultural production, and agricultural tools and seeds were distributed to the beneficiaries.

In a speech delivered during the ceremony Mr. Yoshida stated:

"Women are still facing unequal status in the society, and research studies have shown that a lot of women, especially in the rural areas, face food-insecure condition... Therefore, last year, the Government of Japan provided approximately 1.3 million USD to UN Women and FAO to implement the project which aims at supporting rural women's food security."

Last year, the Government of Japan has extended approximately 59 million US dollars to the international organizations operating in Jordan, of which 1,260,000 US dollars is allocated for this project.

This year, the Government of Japan has extend approximately 29 million US dollars to the international organizations operating in Jordan to provide the humanitarian assistance for Syrian refugees, the assistance for the host communities affected by the influx of refugees and the assistance to prevent radicalization and terrorism. (End)

Speech by Mr. Yoshida



Participants of the ceremony



Tribute from the Minister of Agriculture



