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**Launch of the “Oasis” Safe Spaces for Women & Girls in Azraq
Refugee Camp**

In 2017, the Government of Japan extended to UN Women a grant in total of three million (3,000,000) US dollars to finance the project entitled “Women’s Leadership, Empowerment, Access & Protection in Crisis Response (LEAP) in Egypt, Iraq and Jordan” of which one million and one hundred thousand (1,100,00) US dollars was allocated for the project activities in Jordan.

The launching of the “Oasis for Women and Girls” was held in Azraq refugee camp on Tuesday February 13th 2018, with the presence of H.E. Mr. Hidenao Yanagi; Ambassador of Japan, H.E. Mr. Miles Armitage; Ambassador of Australia, H.E. Mr. Matti Lassila; Ambassador of Finland, H.E. Mr. Giovanni Brauzzi; Ambassador of Italy, H.E. Mr. David Bertolotti, Ambassador of France to Jordan and Mr. Ziad Al Sheikh; Country Representative of UNWOMEN.

UNWOMEN has been operating Oasis since 2012 in Zaatari refugee camp with the support of the donors including Japan to offer a variety of skills training programmes, including tailoring and hairdressing, literacy and language, protection and referral services; and the Oasis has been contributing to restore the dignity of women affected by Syrian conflict in Zaatari refugee camp. In 2018, UNWOMEN will introduce the successful experience in assisting vulnerable women in Zaarati refugee camp through Oasis to Azraq refugee camp with the funding support of Japan, Australia, Finland, Iceland, France and Italy.

This year, the Government of Japan decided on 1st of February to extend a new assistance package for the projects of international organizations in Jordan, which amounts to approximately 17.5 million US dollars, from its supplementary budget

of 2017 to implement the projects in the field of the humanitarian assistance for Syrian refugees, the assistance for the host communities affected by the influx of the refugees and the assistance to prevent radicalization and terrorism. Under the new assistance package, 700,000 US dollars is allocated for UNWOMEN for the continuation the past projects. (End)

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony



Nursery



Computer class



Sewing class

