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## JAPAN HANDS OVER FIRST BATCH OF MACHINERY FOR SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

On Tuesday, April 3, 2018, the Government of Japan handed over the first batch of the equipment and machinery to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs that has been purchased within Japan's grant aid to Jordan, in presence of H.E. Mr. Hidenao Yanagi, Ambassador of Japan to Jordan and H.E. Eng. Waleed Al Utoum, Secretary General of Municipal Affairs.

This Japanese grant aid to Jordan was extended in 2016 at the amount of USD 17 million, of which around USD 10 million was allocated for solid waste management sector.

Within this grant, 11 bulldozers, 16 wheel loaders, 6 excavators, 22 dump trucks, 13 water tankers and other equipment and machinery will be given to host communities in need. Today 11 bulldozers, 16 wheel loaders and 6 excavators were distributed to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

H.E. Ambassador Mr. Hidenao Yanagi said in his remarks at the ceremony "Japan was one of the first countries to recognize the necessity of supporting the host communities, and has been providing its support to the host communities."

The Government of Japan has been supporting the solid waste management sector, and extended USD 10 million to purchase equipment and machinery needed to alleviate the pressure shouldered by municipalities in 2013.

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