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## Japan Hands over Food Cold Storage Facility Equipment

## to Jordanian Food Bank (JFB)

The handover ceremony of cold storage facility was held at the warehouses of Jordanian Food Bank (JFB) in Amman, on Thursday September 27th 2018, in the presence of H.E. Mr. Hidenao Yanagi, Ambassador of Japan to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and H.E. Eng. Ahmad Malkawi, Deputy City Manager for Public Works at the Greater Amman Municipality and Eng. Kawther Qatarneh, CEO of Jordanian Food Bank.

In 2016, the Government of Japan extended to JFB a grant in total of eighty thousand and one hundred seventeen US dollars (US\$ 80,117) for the implementation of the project titled "The Project for the Improvement of Food Cold Storage Facility in Amman" through the Japanese Grant Assistance for Grass-Roots Human Security Projects, so called GGP aiming to improve basic human needs at the grass-roots level through NGOs and local governments.

The overall objective of the project is to enhance JFB food distribution process and increase storage capacity in order to serve more vulnerable people including Syrian refugees; through the provision of cooling truck and installation of food cooling storage and freezing room in their warehouses.

In the speech delivered during the handover ceremony Ambassador Yanagi emphasized the importance of the project and stated: "Japan emphasizes "Human Security" and actively pursues it through its official Development Assistance to enhance peoples' lives so they can live in security and free from poverty. In this connection, the Government of Japan greatly appreciates the very important role of JFB; accordingly provided 80,117 US dollars to JFB to increase the volume of aid provided and reach more people in order to attain the better life."

Under Japanese Grant Assistance for Grass-Roots Human Security Projects, Japan has extended around ten million US Dollars for 143 projects to non-governmental organizations, schools, hospitals, and local governments in Jordan since 1993.



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