



## Embassy of Japan in Jordan

### Press Release



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### **A Japanese Grant of US\$ 87,319 for the Project for Equipping Hearing and Visual Clinic in Azraq Syrian Refugee Camp**

The Government of Japan has decided to extend a grant of eighty-seven thousand three hundred and nineteen US dollars (US\$ 87,319) to an NGO named International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC) for the provision of medical equipment under the scheme called Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Projects (GGP).

A Grant Contract was signed on February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 by H.E. Mr. Hidenao Yanagi, Ambassador of Japan to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and Mrs. Loren Hyatt, the Country Representative of IOCC, Jordan.

This grant assistance aims to improve the quality of medical services provided at IOCC's hearing and visual clinic in Azraq refugee camp, through the provision of medical equipment to conduct hearing and eyesight test. In addition, a van to transport patients inside the camp will also be provided with the grant. IOCC started its operation in Jordan in 2005 and has implemented long-term development and resilience activities for vulnerable Jordanians, as well as humanitarian programs in response to influxes of Syrian refugees. Since 2017, IOCC has been supporting Syrian refugees with disabilities in Azraq camp by providing needed hearing and visual diagnosis services. With the new medical equipment provided by Japan, more accurate and immediate diagnosis and the required treatment afterwards will be available in the camp.

At the signing ceremony, Ambassador Yanagi expressed his gratitude to IOCC's great contribution to the society and stated: *"Japan regards Universal Health Coverage as one of the important goals for Japanese Development Assistance. From that point of view, Health sector is one of the priorities for Japanese Assistance to Jordan. In this connection, we highly appreciate the activities of IOCC."*

Under Japanese Grant Assistance for Grass-Roots Human Security Projects, Japan has extended around ten million US Dollars for 146 projects to non-governmental organizations, schools, hospitals, and local governments in Jordan since 1993.

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Speech by the Ambassador



Project Briefing from IOCC



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