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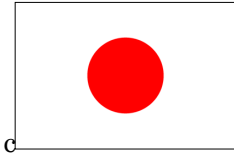
JAPAN PROVIDES JORDAN WITH A GRANT IN THE VALUE OF 3.7 MILLION US DOLLARS

In response to the Government of Jordan's request, the Government of Japan has extended a new grant aid in the value of 400 million Japanese yen, approximately 3.7 million US Dollars using current exchange rate, with a view of contributing to the fight against COVID-19 in Jordan under the framework of Japan's Official Development Assistance for "the Economic and Social Development Programme.

The Exchange of Notes was signed between H.E. Mr. YANAGI Hidenao, Ambassador of Japan to Jordan and H.E. Dr. Wissam Rabadi, Minister of Planning and International Cooperation, in the presence of H.E. Dr. Saad Jaber, Minister of Health on Monday July 27, 2020 at the Ministry of Planning and International Cooperation.

The new grant aid is extended for the provision of medical equipment such as Digital Radiography Systems and CT Scanners for enhancing the capacity of Ministry of Health.

H.E. Ambassador Mr. YANAGI said in his remarks at the ceremony that *"Today, every country is fighting against the spread of COVID-19. Japan commends that Jordan has so far succeeded in preventing the spread of the epidemic. Nevertheless, this combat against the COVID-19 will take long time. For that reason, I would like to reiterate that strengthening the health system in each country is essential. Moreover, Japan has been working towards the realisation of universal health coverage for many years. Therefore, we are very pleased to be able to extend this assistance valued approximately 3.7 million US Dollars. I wish that the new grant will contribute to Jordan's fight against COVID-19 and life-saving efforts"*



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in a telephone conversation between Mr. ABE Shinzo, Prime Minister of Japan and His Majesty King Abdullah II, King of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan held in April, the two leaders agreed that they would work together to prevent the spread of COVID-19, and this grant aid is an embodiment of the cooperation between two countries.

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