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### Press Release



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### **Japan Handover Kitchen Equipment to Support Income Generation for Women to the Circassian Charity Association Woman's Branch (CCA)**

The handover ceremony of Kitchen Equipment was held at Samawer Restaurant and Kitchen operated by the Circassian Charity Association Woman's Branch (CCA) in Amman on Thursday March 4<sup>th</sup> 2021, in the presence of H.E. Mr. SHIMAZAKI Kaoru, Ambassador of Japan to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and Dr. Ibrahim Varouqa, President of the association.

In 2019, the Government of Japan extended to CAA a grant in total of sixty thousand seven hundred and seventy-nine US dollars (US\$ 60,779) for the implementation of the project entitled "Renewal of Kitchen Equipment to Support Income Generation for Women from Low Income Families" through the Japanese Grant Assistance for Grass-Roots Human Security Projects called GGP which aims to improve basic human needs at the grass-roots level through NGOs and local governments.

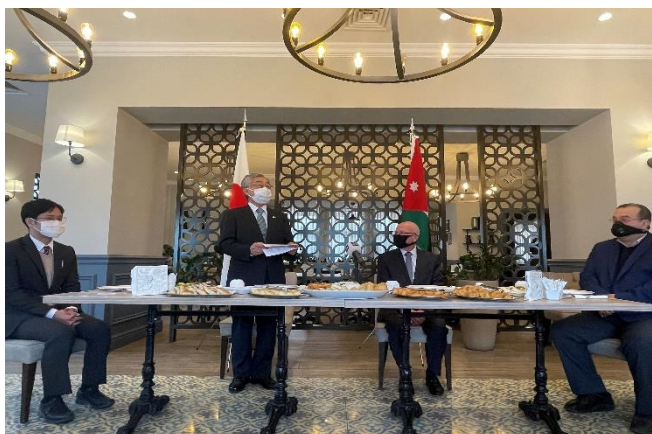
This grant assistance aims to provide more job training and working opportunities mainly for the women from low income families through the renewal of kitchen equipment at "Samawer" kitchen. Since its establishment in 1971, CCA has worked towards empowering Jordanian women by providing them with access to employment opportunities. Through the development of CCA's activities, "Samawer" kitchen was established in 1998 and initially offered employment to 4 low income women by providing only catering services. It has substantially grown through the support of the Embassy of Japan and now provides well-organized restaurant services for citizens in Amman. With the new kitchen equipment provided by this project funded by Japan, more job training and working opportunities will be provided in the kitchen.

In the speech delivered during the handover ceremony H.E. the Ambassador SHIMAZAKI emphasized the importance of the project and stated: *"The pandemic of COVID-19 has caused a wide range of impacts on all aspects of Jordan's society, but I definitely believe that women in low-income families are one of the most heavily affected groups by the pandemic and they are in great need of help now. We do hope that the equipment provided through this project will be effectively and continuously utilized by CCA and the "Samawer" kitchen continues to play an active role in this tough time, in order to support the people in need."*

Under Japanese Grant Assistance for Grass-Roots Human Security Projects, Japan has extended more than 10 million US dollars for 149 projects to NGOs, schools, hospitals, and local governments in Jordan since 1993.

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Speech by the Ambassador  
(Ambassador- Shimazaki(center left), President of CCA-  
Dr.Varoqa(center right))



Handover of Kitchen Equipment



Kitchen Tour



Refrigerators  
Provided by Japanese Grant

