

## **A Japanese grant of US\$41,055 for Improving Capacity of aid storage warehouse of Jordan Hashemite Charity Organization**

The Government of Japan has extended a grant of forty-one thousand and fifty five US dollars (US\$41,055) to the Jordan Hashemite Charity Organization (JHCO) for provision of cargo-handling and storage equipment to its warehouse under the scheme called Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Projects (GGP).

A Grant Contract was signed by Mr. NETSU Shuntaro, Chargés d'Affaires of Japan's Embassy and Dr. Hussein Al-Shebli, Secretary General of JHCO, during the ceremony at Al-Ghabawi warehouse in Zarqa on 23rd October 2022.

This grant assistance aims to enhance the capacity of JHCO's aid storage by provision of cargo-handling and storage equipment. JHCO is a multi-functional relief and humanitarian foundation with the mandate to coordinate and manage humanitarian support from national/ international donors and establish logistical support for transportation of aid supplies. Since 1990, JHCO has provided aid parcels to people suffering from the consequences of conflict, natural disasters, and poverty in 41 countries. "Without established means of transport and delivery of aid supplies, as well as well-organized logistics, even the most honest intentions of those donors could end up just an ink on paper", according to the statement by Chargés d'Affaires NETSU at the signing ceremony. "The new equipment is expected to enable the warehouse to store a larger amount of aid parcels and improve the operational efficiency of loading and unloading supplies", he said.

In his response, Secretary General of JHCO Dr. Hussein Al-Shebli said: "The support we are receiving now is crucial to increase the capacity of our warehouses to facilitate the receipt of donations and organize the work we do, the importance of this kind of support is well recognized and we are glad to share the same mindset and vision. It is our responsibility to highlight the fact that this isn't the first time we receive a grant from the Japanese government, where we have received a similar grant back in 2017 also to increase the capacity and support JHCO's warehouses with forklifts and hand jacks, which were utilized properly and straight forward helpful."

Under Japanese Grant Assistance for Grass-Roots Human Security Projects, Japan has extended more than 10 million US Dollars for 154 projects to non-governmental organizations, schools, hospitals, and local governments in Jordan since 1993.

