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Japan hands over Medical Equipment for Maternal and Child Health to The Jordanian Association for Family Planning and Protection

The handover ceremony of medical equipment was held on Monday 23rd of January, in the presence of Mr. OKUYAMA Jiro, Ambassador of Japan to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and Dr. Abed Mansi, President of Board of Director for the Jordanian Association for Family Planning and Protection.

In October 2022, the Government of Japan extended a grant of twenty-three thousand eight hundred and seventy US dollars (US\$ 23,870) to the Jordanian Association for Family Planning and Protection (JAFPP) for the medical equipment under the scheme called Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Projects (GGP).

This grant assistance aims to contribute to the improvement of reproductive health, maternal and child health services for vulnerable women, including refugees, by providing one Ultrasound Diagnostic Equipment and one Autoclave to the JAFPP. The JAFPP operates a total of 19 maternal and child health clinics in 10 locations in Jordan and provides reproductive health services, family planning awareness and counselling, and contraceptive guidance at low medical costs to women and families in low-income households.

In the speech delivered during the handover ceremony, Ambassador OKUYAMA expressed his gratitude to JAFPP for its important contribution to society and stated: "Jordan has a high fertility rate, especially among Syrian refugees, but access to maternal health care services for vulnerable women is limited. We hope this project will help strengthen your initiative to empower more women at the grass-roots level."

Under Japanese Grant Assistance for Grass-Roots Human Security Projects, Japan has extended more than 10 million US Dollars for 156 projects to non-governmental organizations, schools, hospitals, and local governments in Jordan since 1993.

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