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Japan hands over Medical Equipment to the Jemzo Charity Association

The handover ceremony of medical equipment was held on Wednesday 26th of June, in the presence of Mr. OKUYAMA Jiro, Ambassador of Japan to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, and Mr. Sameer Abd-Aljawad, Chairman of the Jemzo Charity Association.

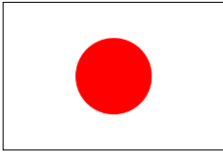
In September 2023, the Government of Japan extended a grant of seventy-two thousand two hundred and forty-five US dollars (US\$ 72,245) to the Jemzo Charity Association for medical equipment under the scheme called Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Projects (GGP).

This grant assistance aims to enhance the quality of medical services provided at the medical center in Zarqa, through the provision of a new Ultrasound, Panoramic Dental X-ray, and Intraoral Digital Imaging Sensor. Jemzo Charity Association, which provides medical, educational, and financial support to underprivileged Jordanians and refugees, opened a medical center in Zarqa in 2011. Since then, they have been providing medical services to vulnerable people at an affordable price or free of charge.

In the speech delivered during the handover ceremony, Ambassador OKUYAMA expressed his gratitude to the Jemzo Charity Association for its important contribution to society and stated: *“In Jordan, affordable medical centers play a crucial role for the vulnerable people due to the high unemployment and poverty rates. In particular, the poverty rate in Zarqa is estimated to be over 30%, higher than the national average, and many of the most vulnerable members of society are unable to access medical care because they are not covered by public health insurance. Therefore, the existence of medical centers like Jemzo is indispensable for vulnerable populations to receive proper medical services.”*

Under Japanese Grant Assistance for Grass-Roots Human Security Projects, Japan has extended more than 10 million US Dollars for 159 projects to non-governmental organizations, schools, hospitals, and local governments in Jordan since 1993.

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