



# Press Release

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## **Japanese Ambassador handed over 100 waste collector vehicles to the Prime Minister**

On 15 November, 2010, H.E. Mr. Tamotsu Shinotsuka, Ambassador of Japan to Bangladesh formally handed over 100 waste collection vehicles to H.E. Sheikh Hasina, Honorable Prime Minister of Bangladesh. The ceremony was held at Ganobhaban. JICA Chief Representative Dr. Takao Toda, LGRD Minister Syed Ashraful Islam, LGRD State Minister Advocate Jahangir Kabir Nanok, LGD Secretary Abu Alam Md Shahid Khan, DCC Chief Executive Officer Abul Kalam Azad were also present on the occasion.

In his remark, H.E. Mr. Tamotsu Shinotsuka said, 'the Government of Japan has been extending assistance to Bangladesh in innumerable development projects through providing grant aid and loans. He added that, with Japanese high tech equipments, Bangladesh may prepare herself for natural calamities and any kind of environmental degradation.'

As part of the extensive grant aid program, the Government of Japan has provided 100 environment friendly modern waste collector vehicles to DCC with a two-fold goal of strengthening the solid waste collection and transportation capacity of Dhaka city simultaneously reducing the emission of greenhouse gases.

The vehicles were provided under the environmental grant aid project of JICA. Among the vehicles 20 are arm-roll truck, 45 are container carrier and 35 are modern compactors. The vehicles will be operated in different areas of the city under the cooperation with one of JICA technical cooperation projects called 'Strengthening of Solid Waste Management in Dhaka City'.

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These vehicles will transport about 1,100 tons of wastes per day which is more than a quarter

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of the total expected waste in Dhaka.

In addition, these environment friendly waste collection vehicles exhaust less Carbon dioxide compared to normal waste collection trucks and contributes to prevention of global warming which causes many environmental problems such as heavy rains, floods and droughts. It is estimated to reduce the emission of CO2 more than 2.5 tons per day compared to the existing waste collection vehicles of DCC.

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Photo Caption: H.E. Mr. Tamotsu Shinotsuka, Ambassador of Japan to Bangladesh formally handed over 100 waste collection vehicles to H.E. Sheikh Hasina, Honorable Prime Minister of Bangladesh, at the Ganobhaban.

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