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## *Japan signed grant aid agreement for Improvement of the Capacity of Public Food storage.*

On January 24, 2012, an exchange of note was signed by H.E. Mr. Joe Nakano, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan, and Dr. Jiban Ranjan Majumder, Charge d' affaires a.i. Embassy of Bangladesh in Japan, regarding the implementation of the Improvement of the Capacity of Public Food Storage (Detailed Design). The Government of Japan has provided forty two million yen (approx. 547 thousand USD, approx. 4.6 Crore BDT) as a grant to Bangladesh. The agreement was signed in Tokyo, Japan in the presence of the Hon'ble Minister for Food and Disaster Management, H.E Dr.Mohammad Abdur Razzaque.

This public food storage facility will be built in Santahar Union, Adamdighi Upazila, Bogura District under Rajshahi Division. The public food facility will have approximately 25740 Mt of food storage capacity. By improving the capacity of public food storage, it will be possible to ensure longer and safer storage with minimal risk; to increase efficiency of food management through reducing storage and handling losses; to use the multistoried warehouse predominantly for storing national buffer stock as a measure of food security; to maintain high unloading and dispatching capacity for emergencies; to maintain the high quality of grain and cost effectiveness in maintenance and operation.

In the meeting which followed the signing ceremony, Mr. Joe Nakano expressed his heartiest congratulations to the Government of Bangladesh and hoped these projects would be implemented smoothly and effectively. He also hoped that the people of Bangladesh would get maximum benefits from the projects while ensuring food security.

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**Photo Caption:** H.E. Joe Nakano, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan, and Dr. Jiban Ranjan Majumder, Charge d' affaires a.i. Embassy of Bangladesh in Japan sign the Exchange of Notes on behalf of their respective governments in the presence of the Hon'ble Minister for Food and Disaster Management Dr. Mohammad Abdur Razzaque .