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Japan Supports Health and Rehabilitation Projects in rural areas of Bangladesh

The government of Japan has decided to provide grant assistance for seven projects under Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Projects (GGHSP) totaling US\$ 628,390 (approximately Tk 5 Crore) in Bangladesh. Today there was a signing ceremony in Embassy of Japan, representatives of three recipients out of seven namely Trust for Rehabilitation of Paralysed (TRP), Arsenic Mitigation and Research Foundation (AMRF) and Unitarian Service for Development and Peace (USDP), attended the ceremony. H. E. Mr. Shiro Sadoshima and they have signed the contract. Other four recipients will sign the contract on 18th March.

“The Project for Construction of Rehabilitation Center at Rajshahi”

Under GGHSP, Centre for Rehabilitation of the Paralysed (CRP), which is a programme of TRP, will construct 4 storied building with 4 stories foundation. They received US\$102,082 for construction of Rehabilitation Center at Rajshahi. This project will enable the paralyzed people to access the health care and therapeutic services which include - Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech and Language Therapy, Orthotics and Prosthetics. It is expected that this centre will rehabilitate yearly 23,440 persons and yearly 100 persons will receive vocational training. CRP has been established in 1979 played for development of comprehensive rehabilitation services in Bangladesh and in training health service professional.

“The Project for Construction of the Hospital for Women and Children”

Under GGHSP, Arsenic Mitigation and Research Foundation (AMRF) will construct two storied hospital building. They received US\$ 86,208 to construct a hospital for women and children at Munshigonj to provide health care services to mother and child like traditional health care, reproductive health- pregnancy care, child birth and care of complications, water and sanitation etc. It will provide health care services especially for women and children in the project area. It is expected

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that 15,700 patients per year will get medical service from this hospital. AMRF was established in 2003 with the objectives of women and child health care, family based homestead economic initiative, development of community organization of marginalized population, provision of safe drinking water.

“The Project for Construction of Community Hospital for Minority People in Barguna District”

Under GGHSP, Unitarian Service for Development and Peace (USDP) will construct one storied Hospital building. They received US\$97,539 to construct a Community Hospital for Minority People in Barguna District to provide emergency health care service including reproductive and child health care in the project area. It is expected that 136,459 people in Amtali Upazilla will be directly and indirectly benefitted from this hospital. USDP was established in March 2003 with the initiation of a regional ethnic-indigenous and minority group of educated social worker to promote socio-economic status of the rural disadvantaged people, especially for poor, marginalized and excluded segment of the society of Bangladesh.

The Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Projects (GGHSP) began its operation in 1989 and has been contributing to social development at the grassroots level. In Bangladesh, this year seven projects received grant. So the total number of 169 projects have received the grant amounting to US\$ 13,214,385 million (Approximately Taka 90.3 Crore).



His Excellency Mr. Shiro Shadoshima, Ambassador of Japan to Bangladesh is seen with representatives of Centre for Rehabilitation of the Paralysed (CRP), Arsenic Mitigation and Research Foundation (AMRF) and Unitarian Service for Development and Peace (USDP) during the signing ceremony at the Embassy of Japan, Dhaka.

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