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Japan supports a Health Clinic cum Training Centre in Kushtia

On July 20, 2010, Mr. Harumitsu Hida, the Minister-Counsellor and the Deputy Chief of Embassy of Japan in Bangladesh, attended the opening ceremony of 'Health Clinic cum Training Centre in Tantibond Village', constructed by the local NGO 'Mukti Nari-O-Shishu Unnayan Sangstha' at Mirpur upozila in Kushtia. The centre is built under Japan's Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Projects (GGHSP).

The NGO Mukti, received the grant, amounting to Tk 58 lac, for the project 'Health Clinic cum Training Centre in Tantibond Village' in Japanese Fiscal Year 2008. The project aims to provide better health facilities to the poor people, especially the women and children. The underprivileged women of that locality are likely to receive training on reproductive health, nutrition, family planning as well as health education at this training centre. It is expected that every year 3,000 people will turn out with training on health service. With 80-100 women and children receiving health service facilities regularly, the total number of beneficiaries is expected to be 2,200, in a month.

While expressing his heartiest congratulations to Mukti Nari-O-Shishu Unnayan Sangstha, Mr. Harumitsu Hida hoped that this project would greatly contribute towards the betterment of the health service of women and children and therefore accelerate the overall socio-economic development 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, a total number of 155 projects have already received the grant amounting to US\$ 11.3 million (Approximately Taka 77 Crore).

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