



# Press Release

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## **Japan Supports Community Radio Broadcasting in Chapai Nawabganj**

By the funding of **Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Projects (GGHSP)**, Community Radio Broadcasting in Chapai Nawabganj by local NGO Proyas was inaugurated on 14th January 2012.

Proyas received the grant amounting to Tk 59 lakh (USD 82868) for this project, in which Proyas procured necessary equipments for community radio. Through this Community Radio about 10 lac people will be directly benefited. In case of natural disasters like cyclone, flood etc this community radio will provide warning services to save people's lives. This radio will also serve the backward community or socially vulnerable group to get agricultural information, micro credit related information, health care information, market price and market analysis etc. It will also provide programme for community to enhance human rights, gender equality and women empowerment etc. It is expected that it will greatly contribute through these services to improve socio-economic condition of the communities in the area through supporting sustainable social practice of self-help development.

The inauguration ceremony was attended by Mr. Masayuki Taga, Counsellor of Embassy of Japan; Assistant Commissioner (Land) Ms. Israt Farzana, CEO of BNNRC Mr. Bazlur Rahman, Professor of Chapai Nawabganj Govt. College Ms. Sultana Razia, District Police Super Sazzadur Rahman, President of Proyas Mr. Khondokar Abul Kalam Azad, Executive Director of Proyas Mr. Md. Hasib Hossain.

While expressing his heartfelt congratulations to Proyas, Mr. Masayuki Taga hoped that this project would greatly contribute towards the betterment of the life of the people in rural areas of Chapai Nawabganj and therefore would accelerate

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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 162 projects have already received the grant amounting to US\$ 12 million (Approximately Taka 87.6 Crore).



In the Photo, Mr. Masayuki Taga, Counsellor, Embassy of Japan in Bangladesh, attended the opening ceremony of the “The project for Installation of Equipments for Community Radio Broadcasting in Chapai Nawabganj”.

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