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Japan supports 3 grassroots projects in CES, EES, and WBG

The Government of Japan has approved to extend grant assistance of up to 357,355USD in total, to three NGOs which are devotedly implementing community-based social welfare projects in Central Equatoria State, Eastern Equatoria State, and Western Bahr el Ghazal State, under Grant Assistance for Grassroots and Human Security Projects (GGP)*.

The Grant Contracts were signed on 19 November 2013, between H.E. Ambassador Takeshi Akamatsu for the Embassy of Japan and the respective representatives of the three organizations, namely, Community Action Water Program Organization (CAWP), MAGNA Children at Risk (MAGNA), and Women Training and Promotion Association (WOTAP), for the following projects;

- a) "The Project for Improving Hygiene, Water and Sanitation for Primary School and Community of Moli Boma, Pageri Payam, Eastern Equatoria State" (114,752USD)

 CAWP will construct 7 boreholes within Moli Boma and latrines at Moli primary school, and provide sanitation education to the local communities for the improved access to clean water and sanitation of the area.
- b) "The Project for Strengthening Maternal and Child Health Care System at Rijiong Primary Health Care Center, Terekeka County, Central Equatoria State" (121,806USD)

 MAGNA aims at reducing maternal mortality and child mortality in Terekeca County by constructing a new maternal ward fitted with medical equipment and providing capacity building to the health workers at the PHCC as well as the community for the improved obstetric care service delivery.
- c) "The Project for Construction of Khor-Ghana Jadeed Center for Women Development and Pre-education, Wau, Western Bahr el Ghazal State" (110,797USD)
 WOTAP will construct Khor-Ghana Jadeed Center to provide a number of economically undermined vulnerable women and children with access to income generation skills as well as, adult literacy and pre-education. The project is expected to empower a number of poor and

vulnerable women in Khor-Ghana Jadeed community where majority of the residents are returnees/IDPs (internally displaced persons).

*About GGP

Japan's **Grant Assistance for Grassroots and Human Security Projects (GGP)** is designed particularly to support the community-level socio-economic development projects addressing Basic Human Needs (BHN) such as access to health, water and sanitation, education, income generation skills, and other means to maximize opportunities for individuals. GGP's approach reflects the Government of Japan's strong commitment in upholding the notion of **'Human Security'** as basic human rights for all. All individuals, in particular vulnerable people, are entitled to freedom from fear and freedom from want, with an equal opportunity to enjoy all their rights and fully develop their human potential. By directly supporting the projects implemented by grassroots organizations, GGP encourages bottom-up efforts by the local communities, and realizes their empowerment.

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