

Press Release

The Government of Japan Celebrated the Inauguration of 2 Grass-roots Projects in Liquiça and Bobonaro Districts

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On 29 and 30 January, 2014, the Government of Japan, Aplimentec Foundation and Organization Haburas Moris, national NGOs respectively held 2 inauguration ceremonies of “*The Project for Installation of Water Supply System in Dato-Foho Village, Liquiça Sub-district, Liquiça District*” and “*The Project for Construction of Irrigation Channel in Meligo Village, Cailaco Sub-district, Bobonaro District*”. The inauguration ceremonies were attended by Counselor Toshihide Kawasaki of the Embassy of Japan in Timor-Leste, the local government authorities and the people of the community attended the ceremonies.

The Government of Japan provided US\$115,395 for the water supply project in Dato-Foho Village under the Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Projects (GGP) Scheme. This project marked the 17th water supply GGP project to contribute the people of Timor-Leste. The water supply system will provide safe and clean water for 1,528 villagers in Dato-Foho.

As for the project in Bobonaro, it is the first time that the Government of Japan cooperated with the national NGO in Bobonaro District, and Organization Haburas Moris installed 1.2 km of irrigation channel in Meligo Village under the GGP project. The 210 agricultural cooperative group members will directly improve their productivity of the rice, and 2,620 Meligo villagers will improve their livelihoods for sending their crops to the market.

On those 2 occasions, Counselor Kawasaki expressed his heartfelt thanks to Aplimentec Foundation and Organization Haburas Moris, the local government authorities and all the people in the community for their concerted efforts in implementing projects.



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