

## Press Release <u>The Government of Japan and NGO SHARE Opened the Parturition</u> Training for Doctors and Midwives from Atauro and Metinaro

**Dili, 16 October 2024** – The Government of Japan and SHARE, a Japanese NGO, organized the parturition training for doctors and midwives from Atauro and Metinaro as a part of the "Project for Revitalization of Mother and Child Health Services (HAKBESIK)" funded by the Government of Japan since 2022.

Through this project, the Government of Japan and SHARE aim to improve the quality of mother and child health services in Atauro and Metinaro and to shorten the distance between medical care and the local people which were severely affected by COVID-19 pandemic.

The training has a slogan "Clean and Safe Parturition" and it enables trainees to promote their knowledges about medical care in parturition assistance and sanitation through practices and final examination. This year, 10 doctors and midwives are going to be trained.

In addition to the parturition training, SHARE has provided training for local teachers and health volunteers so that they can provide health education to residents and students of Atauro and Metinaro, and staffs of health centers can enhance their management capabilities.

The Government of Japan and SHARE hope that the project and trainees will contribute to encourage local people to revitalize their community into a place where the people can work together to protect their own health, with the support of public health services.

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