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Press Release

Japan Constructs Improved Education Facility for the Children in Lautem

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On January 17th, 2024, a signing ceremony for a grant contract for The Project for the Construction of Coro Asu Junior High School Building in Lore1 Village, Lautem Municipality was held at the Embassy of Japan in Timor-Leste. The assistance is provided through Japan's development assistance scheme "Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP)."

The contract was signed between H.E. Mr. KIMURA Tetsuya, Ambassador of Japan to Timor-Leste, and the representatives of local NGO, FUNDAMOR, the implementor of the project. Mr. Melio de Jesus, President of the Municipal Authority of Lautem, Mr. Apolinário Serpa Rosa, Director General of Ministry of Education and the community leaders attended the ceremony.

FUNDAMOR will construct a school building of Coro Asu Junior High School in Lore1 Village, Lautem Municipality with a funding amount of USD 95,659 from the Government of Japan.

Ambassador Kimura said "Japan recognizes that the importance of eliminating educational imbalances and delivering quality education to all, including in the rural areas. Basic education is essential for the development of the nation as children and young people of Timor-Leste are the ones responsible for economic and social development of this country in the future. we will sign a new GGP contract, namely the Project for Construction of Coro Asu Junior High School Building in Lore1 Village with FUNDAMOR. I very much look forward to seeing all of you again and the people of the project site at the handover ceremony to celebrate the completion of the project."

The Government of Japan has been actively implementing a wide range of projects in Timor-Leste, from large-scale infrastructure development and industrial support to smallerscale projects that directly benefit local communities.

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