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Japanese Assistance for the Project for the Construction of a Care Home for Mentally Disabled Children in Kavrepalanchok District

The Government of Japan has decided to extend financial assistance of US Dollars 83,270, equivalent to approximately Nepalese Rupees 8,879,000, to Samaj Sewa Samuha under the Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) scheme of the Government of Japan in Japan's Fiscal Year 2016. Samaj Sewa Samuha, a Nepali NGO in Kavrepalanchok district, will implement the Project for the Construction of a Care Home for Mentally Disabled Children in Kavrepalanchok District.



A Grant Contract relating to this project was signed and exchanged at the Embassy of Japan to Nepal on 16th March, 2017, between Mr. Shinya Machida, Charge d'Affaires a. i. of Japan to Nepal, and Dr. Bharat Bista, President of Samaj Sewa Samuha.

This grant assistance will be used to implement the project in Kharelthok VDC in Kavrepalanchok district and aim to assist mentally challenged children who need special care at a Care Home.

Nepali society still views disability as a penance to the sins committed in previous births. According to the national census, about two percent of the total population in Nepal are people with disabilities of one form or another and they live in very challenging conditions due to limited access to social and economic activities.

Parents and supporters of mentally challenged children initiated and built a rehabilitation center in Kharelthok VDC in 2006 in order to provide a healthy and educational environment to those children. Currently, there are twenty mentally disabled children. However, the space is limited and its building is vulnerable to any disasters which may occur in the future.

Samaj Sewa Samuha (SSS), registered in Kavrepalanchok District, carries out various social development projects. SSS has been providing the economic and technical support to the rehabilitation center, including the support for the connection, linkage and collaboration with other supporting individual donors and organizations.

With this project, a care home for mentally disabled children will be built on more spacious land which was prepared by the rehabilitation center. In addition, more children who need care and education could join the care home.

The Embassy of Japan in Nepal expects that the success of this project will benefit the mentally challenged children in vulnerable situations in Nepal and its surrounding area and will also enhance the cordial friendship between the people of Japan and Nepal.

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