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Japan Provides Agricultural Facilities in Bhutanese Camps and Neighboring Communities

The Ambassador of Japan to Nepal, Mr. Masamichi Saigo, signed a grant contract today with Dr. Prabin Manandhar, Country Director of the Lutheran World Federation (LWF) Nepal to provide agricultural facilities in Beldangi Bhutanese Camp and Sanischare Bhutanese Camp, as well as their respective neighboring community.

The Project for the Installation for Agricultural Facilities in Bhutanese Camps and Neighboring Communities is funded under the Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) of the Government of Japan. The grant assistance amounts to USD 70,245 (approximately NPR 8.1 million). This GGP project provides opportunities for income generation for Bhutanese refugees and the neighboring community.

LWF Nepal was established in 1984 to meet humanitarian and development needs of the poor, oppressed and vulnerable people living in poverty and vulnerable conditions. LWF Nepal has been working for the Bhutanese refugees since 1991 through funding support from international organization such as UNHCR.

The Embassy of Japan hopes that this project will contribute towards enhancing the self-reliance of the Bhutanese camps and neighboring communities, and also strengthen the bilateral relationship between Japan and Nepal.

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