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### **Japanese Assistance for Water and Sanitation Facilities Construction and Hygiene Education Intervention Project for Primary and Secondary Schools in Mugu District, Nepal**

(Kathmandu: 9<sup>th</sup> March): The Government of Japan has extended US dollars 865,034 (about NRs. 101.13 million), to Good Neighbors Japan under the Grant Assistance for Japanese NGO Projects Schemes. Good Neighbors Japan will work with Good Neighbors Nepal, Shree Karnali Poverty Abetment & Development Forum, and Village Development Committees in Mugu District, and aims at improving the water hygiene environment at public elementary and junior high schools in Mugu District.

A grant contract for this project was signed and exchanged on 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 by Mr. YOSHIOKA Yuzo, Charge d'Affaires ad Interim of Japan to Nepal and Ms. SATO Makiko, Good Neighbors Japan.

This project aims to provide water and sanitation facilities and hygiene education which promotes proper hygiene practice to 31 primary and secondary schools in Mugu District. The main activities of this project are to construct and repair drinking water supply facilities, construct gender-friendly toilets, establish and strengthen school WASH management committees, and provide menstrual hygiene management education. Combining all these activities, this project improves access to safe water and gender equality in education.

The Embassy of Japan in Nepal expects that this project will contribute to achieve access to safe water and to increase the number of girl students' educational attainment in Mugu. It is also confident that the project will strengthen the cordial friendship between the peoples of Japan and Nepal.

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