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Japan GGP Ground Breaking Ceremony for FWC Fasi mo e Afi Kindergarten

The Government of Japan and the FWC Fasi-moe-Afi Kindergarten celebrated the ground breaking ceremony to commence the construction of their new kindergarten building funded through Japan's Grant Assistance for Grass-Roots human security project on Friday, 7 September 2018.

Hon. Mohefo Tuita Aleamotu'a attended the ceremony as the guest of honour with HE Tetsuya Ishii, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to Tonga and Mrs. Ishii. Present also at the event were Mr. Siaosi Sovaleni, a People's Representative in the Tongan Parliament, Rev Dr. Mele'ana Puloka, President of the FWC Schools, former Teachers, Ex-students, and the Parents and Teachers Association of the kindergarten, and their young pupils.

The Project was formalized in August this year, with a grant amount of USD\$84,745 for the construction of a new kindergarten building at the old building location. The new building will accommodate more than 50 young pupils of the school, with two classrooms and a bathroom facility.

Mr. Tevita Palu, Representative from the FWC Fasi mo e Afi a Tungi thanked the Government of Japan on behalf of the recipient. "Thank you for this wonderful support, supporting the development of young people of Tonga," he said. The school sought Japan's assistance to accommodate the growing number of pupils and prioritising a safer and healthier educational environment for them.

Japan's GGP was introduced in 1990 to respond directly to the basic human needs at the grass-roots level. Over 270 GGP project have been handed over in Tonga throughout its island groups. These assistance epitomized Japan's commitment to support efforts by the people and the Government of Tonga to ensure Human Security and continue to enrich the existing warm and close relations between the people and the Government of Japan and the people of the Kingdom of Tonga.

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Attachment: Project Fact Sheet & Event Photos

Project Fact Sheet
Grant Assistance for Grassroots Project (GGP)

1) Project Title	The Project for Upgrading Fasi-moe-Afi Kindergarten
Recipient	Fasi mo e Afi Kindergarten PTA
Grant Amount	USD\$84,745.00
Project Outline	
- 1 new kindergarten building (2 classrooms /bathroom facility)	

Photos:



The groundbreaking ceremony for FWC Fasi moe Afi Kindergarten by Hon. Moheofo Tuita Aleamotu'a held on Friday, 7 September 2018.



HE Tetsuya Ishii turn the second sod for the ground breaking for the new kindergarten building for FWC Fasi moe Afi Kindergarter funder through Japan's GGP.



HE Tetsuya Ishii received gifts from the young pupil of Fasi moe Afi Kindergarten in appreciation of Japan's assistance for their new school building.



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Hon. Mohefof Tuita Aleamotu'a with HE Tetsuya Ishii, Mrs Ishii along with Rev. Dr. Mele'ana Puloka and Rev. Tevita Latailakepa at the groundbreaking ceremony for FWC Fasi moe Afi Kindergarten



Distinguished guests at the groundbreaking ceremony for Japan's GGP for FWC Fasi moe Afi Kindergarten.



Groundbreaking ceremony for Japan's GGP for FWC Fasi moe Afi Kindergarden on Friday, 7 September 2018.