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Japan's GGP Handover of the Upgraded Water Supply for Tokomololo Village

The Embassy of Japan and the village of Tokomololo celebrated the completion of their upgraded water supply system, funded through Japan's Grant Assistance for Grass Roots Human Security Project (GGP) on Friday, 14 November 2025.

Hon. Siosaia Ma'afu, son of the Estate Holder unveiled the Project together with Mr. DAISHOJI Toshiyuki, Acting Ambassador of Japan to the Kingdom of Tonga during a handover ceremony. The event was also attended by Mrs. Kilisitina Tuamei'api, CEO for the Ministry of Finance, the Town Officer, Water Committee Members of Tokomololo and the new settlement of Hangai Tokelau community who will benefit from the Project.

In his keynote address, Mr. DAISHOJI emphasized that "A stable supply of clean water is a basic human need."

"In recognition of the hardships suffered by the village due to the inadequate supply of water to households, this GGP project ensures that there will be a reliable and steady supply of water not only for the existing areas but also to the new settlement of Hangai Tokelau." He also highlighted that accessing clean water is essential for a healthy life and good hygiene with hope that the upgraded water supply system will aid in preventing spread of infectious diseases and that the community will utilize the new upgraded facility.

Mrs. Kilisitina Tuamei'api acknowledged Japan's GGP highlighting that "This project is significantly contributing to one of the primary outcome objectives of Tonga Strategic Development Framework which is to maintain and develop infrastructure that gears towards the improvement of the everyday lives of the people of Tonga, and more importantly to encourage healthy living within the community and Tonga as a whole."

Hon. Siosaia Ma'afu together with his people of Hangai Tokelau, expressed sincere appreciation for the assistance from the people and Government of Japan. The new settlement can now have access to a safer and more reliable water supply.

Through Japan's GGP provision of the Project include a new electric water pump, a new 10,000-litre water tank, a new tank stand and the installation of main water pumps in the new settlement.

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Attached: Factsheet & Photos

1) Project Title	The Project for Improvement of Water Supply System in Tokomololo Village
Recipient	Tokomololo 2 Village Water Committee
Grant Amount	USD 72,8245.00
Project Outline: - 1x electric water pump - Water tank (10,000L) - Tank Stand - Main water pipes (1.2km) - External Audit	

Photos:



Hon. Siosaia Ma'afu with Mr. DAISHOJI Toshiyuki at the handover of Japan's GGP Project for the Upgraded Water Supply for Tokomololo village, on Friday 14 November 2025.

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Unveiling the upgraded water supply Project for the new settlement at Tokomololo village.



Commissioning of the upgraded water supply.

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GGP Project handover for the people of Tokomololo village and Hangai Tokelau.



Water supply system for Tokomololo upgraded by Japan's GGP.