The Project for the Construction of an Infectious Disease Ward and the Installation of an Ambulance in Lira District

Organization	Pentecostal Assemblies of God (PAG) Health Unit Lira
Amount of funding	US\$ 104,812
Signatory	Rev. Benjamin Okwir Kicaoroma, Administrator
Name of the project	The Project for the Construction of an Infectious Disease Ward and the Installation of an Ambulance in Lira District
Location of the project	Lira District
Items funded through this project	Construction of an infectious disease ward and procurement of an ambulance
Date of Grant Signing	2 December 2014

1. Project Detail

After the 20 years of armed conflict in northern Uganda which ended in 2006, social and economic infrastructure in many parts of Lira District has still been under construction. PAG Health Unit Lira, established in 1994 in Lira District, has been struggling to treat tuberculosis (TB) patients. The absence of a proper infectious disease ward to admit TB patients has resulted in other patients being treated together with the TB patients in the same wards. This exposes the other patients to a high possibility of also being infected with TB. In addition, there are a limited number of vehicles at the health unit, which cannot provide pregnant women with swift and safe transport in emergencies. Therefore, this project will construct an infectious disease ward to provide better medical services, especially for approximately 60 TB patients every year and to provide proper medical services to more TB outpatients. This will also result in preventing other 2,000 patients who have been treated together with TB patients from being infected with TB. This project will also provide an ambulance at the health unit to provide safer and faster transport services to about 500 pregnant women every year and to other emergency patients.

2. Grant Contract Ceremony

The Ambassador of Japan to Uganda, H. E. Junzo Fujita, has signed the grant contract with Rev. Benjamin Okwir Kicaoroma, Administrator of PAG Health Unit Lira, on 2 December 2014 at the Embassy of Japan.