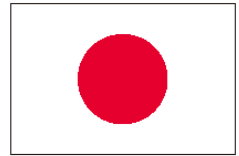


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Japan Provides Classrooms in Butambala District

The Embassy of Japan will commission a newly constructed classroom block in Kayenje primary School in Butambala District on Tuesday 1st December 2020. “The Project for the Improvement of Learning Environment at Kayenje Primary School in Butambala District” was signed between the Embassy of Japan and the school on 15th March 2019 with a total grant of 66,148 USD equivalent to 241 million Ug. Shs. The grant was used for the construction of a classroom block and provision of furniture.

The Ambassador of Japan to Uganda, H.E. FUKUZAWA Hidemoto will officiate in the commissioning of the project to the beneficiaries.

Kayenje primary school in Butambala District was established by the Catholic Church and became a government school in 1983. By 2018, the school had 17 teachers and 749 pupils (396 boys, 353 girls). From Primary 2 to 7, each class had averagely 92 pupils which was beyond the government average pupil number of 54 per classroom. Primary 5 had the highest population of 107 pupils in one classroom with five children squeezing themselves on one three-seater desk.

The lack of enough classrooms and furniture affected the normal lessons and pupils’ concentration during the lessons leading to poor performance.

This project focused on improving their teaching and learning environment by constructing new classrooms and latrines as well as providing school furniture.

The support is part of the Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP), a scheme administered by the Embassy of Japan to support community development projects to uplift the life of people at the grassroots. So far, a total of 265 projects have been funded under the scheme since its initiation in Uganda in 1992.

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