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Japan Provides Classrooms in Katakwi District

The Embassy of Japan will commission newly constructed classroom blocks in Oriau primary School in Katakwi District on Wednesday 28th April 2021. "The Project for the Improvement of Learning Environment at Oriau Primary School in Katakwi District" was signed between the Embassy of Japan and the school on 15th March 2019 with a total grant of 89,271 USD equivalent to over 300 million Ug. Shs. The grant was used for the construction of two classroom blocks, two blocks of pit latrines 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.

<u>Oriau primary school</u> in 2018 when the school applied to GGP grant, had 11 teachers and 836 pupils. Lessons were conducted in 9 dilapidated classroom structures with open walls and without shutters. This exposed pupils to interrupted learning, and at the same time furniture was always vandalized. Because of congestion in the available classrooms, lower classes were streamed and they attended class lessons under trees, 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 267 projects have been funded under the scheme since its initiation in Uganda in 1992.

Commissioning Ceremony of "The Project for the Improvement of Learning Environment at Oriau Primary School in Katakwi District"

Date and time: 28th April 2021, from 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm Place: Oriau Primary School, Katakwi District

Your media house is kindly invited to cover this function.

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