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**PRESS RELEASE**

***Grant Signing Ceremony for GGP Project in Palestine  
Funded by Japan***

Grant Contract for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) was signed today by Mr. Takeshi Okubo, Ambassador for the Palestinian Affairs and Representative of Japan to Palestine, and Aizariya Municipality at the Representative Office of Japan to Palestine in Ramallah for a total amount of US\$ 88,937.

Aizariya Municipality in Jerusalem Governorate will use a fund for rehabilitation of the main water network in Aizariya town to improve tap water supply and to enhance the water quantity and quality for 250 households as direct beneficiaries and mostly for all of the household in the town, through replacing of 680 meters of 8 inches water pipelines, 75 meter of 3 inches, and 260 meter 2 inches water pipelines.

Mr. Okubo congratulated Aizariya Municipality, and wished them success in their project. He emphasized Japan's firm commitment of supporting Palestinian people from human security perspective as well as the importance of implementing social and economic development projects needed for Palestinian communities.

Since 1993 the Government of Japan has extended its official development assistance amounting to approximately \$1.86 billion, to the Palestinians. GGP projects have been formulated in collaboration with the Palestinian Authority through Ministry of Finance and Planning since 2010. (END)