

Signing Ceremony for “Project for the Construction of a Shelter for Victims of Gender-based Violence in Addis Ababa”

On 18 September 2023, a grant contract signing ceremony for the “Project for the Construction of a Shelter for Victims of Gender-based Violence in Addis Ababa” under the Japanese Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) was held between H.E Ms. ITO Takako, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to Ethiopia, and Ms. Maria Munir, Executive Directress of Association for Women's Sanctuary And Development (AWSAD).

Japan will donate up to approximately USD 145,000, equivalent to ETB 7.9 million, for this project. This project will support the construction of one dormitory building and one kitchen building for the residents of the shelter operated by AWSAD. The project will enable 100 women and children to stay in a proper environment and encourage their social independence.

At the signing ceremony, Ambassador Ito spoke about her visits to the shelter, where 100 women and children are forced to spend in a limited space and yet with the help of AWSAD they are able to find new lives, and she was convinced that we had to do something for the women. She also expressed her hope that this project will help empower them to improve their livelihoods both economically and psychologically, thus regaining their human dignity and their hope in the future.



Signing of Grant Contract



Ambassador’s Speech



Group Photo