Launching Ceremony for "Project for Expansion of Belela Secondary School in Sidama Region"

On 19 March 2024, the Embassy of Japan held a launching ceremony for the "Project for the Expansion of Belela Secondary School in Bilate Zuira Woreda, Sidama Region" under the Japanese Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) in the presence of H.E Mr. Shibata Hironori, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to Ethiopia, together with Mr. Biniyam Belachew, Executive Director of Resurrection and Life Development Organization, and guests from Family Mart Co., Ltd. and Itochu Cooperation, will support the Belela secondary school, joined online from Japan.

The total amount of the project is up to approximately USD 100,000, and this project will support the construction of one furnished school building with four classrooms and one latrine building for girls in Sidama Region. The project will enable about 3,000 students especially girls to study in a better learning environment.

At the ceremony, Ambassador Shibata addressed that education sector, which is the foundation of a nation, is one of areas that the government of Japan has been focusing on the most, and that the government of Japan would like to continue to cooperate with the people in rural areas and NGOs working in those areas. He also expressed his gratitude for the cooperation with Family Mart, and expressed his hope that students will be able to receive education in a better environment.

