

**Launching Ceremony for
“The Project for the Expansion of Semera Secondary School in Semera Sub-City,
Semera Logia City” and “The Project for the Expansion of Hintala Primary School
in Sodo City, Wolaita Zone, South Ethiopia Region”**

On 21 January 2025, the Embassy of Japan held a launching ceremony for the “the Project for the Expansion of Semera Secondary School in Semera Sub-City, Semera Logia City” and “the Project for the Expansion of Hintala Primary School in Sodo City, Wolaita Zone, South Ethiopia 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. Beletew Mengesha, Executive Director of Voice of Wilderness Developmental Organization (VWDO) and Ms. Aynalem Abebe, General Manager of Future Generation Hope for Vulnerable Children Organization (FGHVCO).

“The Project for the Expansion of Semera Secondary School in Semera Sub-City, Semera Logia City”, implemented by VDWO, will support the construction of one furnished school building with three classrooms and school equipment. The total amount of the project is up to approximately 57,000 USD and it will enable more than 1,000 students to study in a more comfortable learning environment.

“The Project for the Expansion of Hintala Primary School in Sodo City, Wolaita Zone, South Ethiopia Region”, implemented by FGHVCO, will support the construction of one furnished school building with four classrooms and two latrine buildings. The total amount of the project is up to approximately 56,500 USD and it will enable about 1,200 students to study in a less crowded and more sanitary 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. Ambassador also stated that the government of Japan would like to continue to enhance the bilateral collaborations in federal level as well as in grassroot level, so that more children can enjoy a better educational environment.



(From left to right) Mr. Beletew Mengesha, Ambassador and Ms. Aynalem Abebe



Ambassador's Speech



Group Photo