

Japan's Supplementary Budget for FY2023

Ceremony Held for the UNDP "Peace Support Programme in Northern Ethiopia"

On Wednesday, April 2, 2025, Ambassador SHIBATA Hironori of Japan participated in a handover ceremony with Dr. Samuel Doe, Resident Representative of the UNDP Ethiopia, in Addis Ababa. At the ceremony, 12 motorcycles procured through the "Peace Support Programme in Northern Ethiopia," implemented by the UNDP supported by Japan's supplementary budget for the fiscal year 2023 were handed over to the regional government officials of Tigray, Amhara and Afar regions.

In this project, the Government of Japan provided approximately 1.9 million USD to the UNDP to support local administration and communities in regions affected by the conflict in their recovery and reconstruction efforts. With technical trainings and financial supports from the UNDP, local officials, including those from the police and judiciary, will restore local governance functions and resume administrative services, restart economic activities for residents and facilitate the reintegration of internally displaced persons and returnees into their communities. This will allow the local government officials to take charge of planning and implementing reconstruction projects themselves, addressing the needs of residents and prioritizing woredas severely affected by the conflict, thereby enabling swift commencement of projects and early recovery and reconstruction.

At the ceremony, Ambassador SHIBATA remarked, "Japan is providing this support in recognition of the importance of this project, wishing for the early recovery of the communities. We express our respect for the strong initiative shown by the regional government officials, who are making efforts to restore people's lives to their pre-conflict state with the support of the UNDP." Representatives from UNDP and the regional governments expressed their gratitude for Japan's support, which aligns with the needs of the regional governments.



Ambassador SHIBATA remarks to stakeholders.



Provision of motorcycles to the Afar Regional State



Group photo with stakeholders



Representative of the Amhara Regional State expressing gratitude