

Launching ceremony for the Grassroots Human Security Projects in Sidama Region and Tigray Region

On 11 April 2025, the Embassy of Japan held a launching ceremony for the “The Project for the Construction of a Shelter for Protection and Self-support for Victims of Gender-Based Violence in Mekelle City, Tigray Region” and “The Project for the Improvement of Yekatit 25 Primary School in Yirgalem Town, Sidama Region” that are supported by the Japanese Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP). Ambassador Shibata Hironori of Japan, together with Ms. Abeba Haileselassie, Executive Director of Women's Association of Tigray (WAT) and Mr. Younsu Kim, Country Director of Good Neighbours Ethiopia (GNE) have attended the ceremony.

Japan has granted up to 90,690 USD for “The Project for the Construction of a Shelter for Protection and Self-support for Victims of Gender-Based Violence in Mekelle City, Tigray Region” The project is implemented by WAT and will support the construction of a shelter for victims of gender-based violence. The shelter will provide more stable protection and support for 150 survivors.

“The Project for the Improvement of Yekatit 25 Primary School in Yirgalem Town, Sidama Region” implemented by GNE, will deploy one furnished school building with four classrooms as well as school equipment. The total amount of the project is up to 54,600 USD and it will enable not only 200 students who will mainly use the new compound but also all of the school’s approximately 1,800 students to study in a safer learning environment.

At the ceremony, Ambassador Shibata addressed that the government of Japan will continue to contribute to the support with basic human needs through enhancement of the bilateral collaborations in federal level as well as in grassroot level, so that more Ethiopian people can enjoy a better living environment.



Ambassador Shibata



From right: Ms Abeba, the Ambassador, and
Mr Kim)