

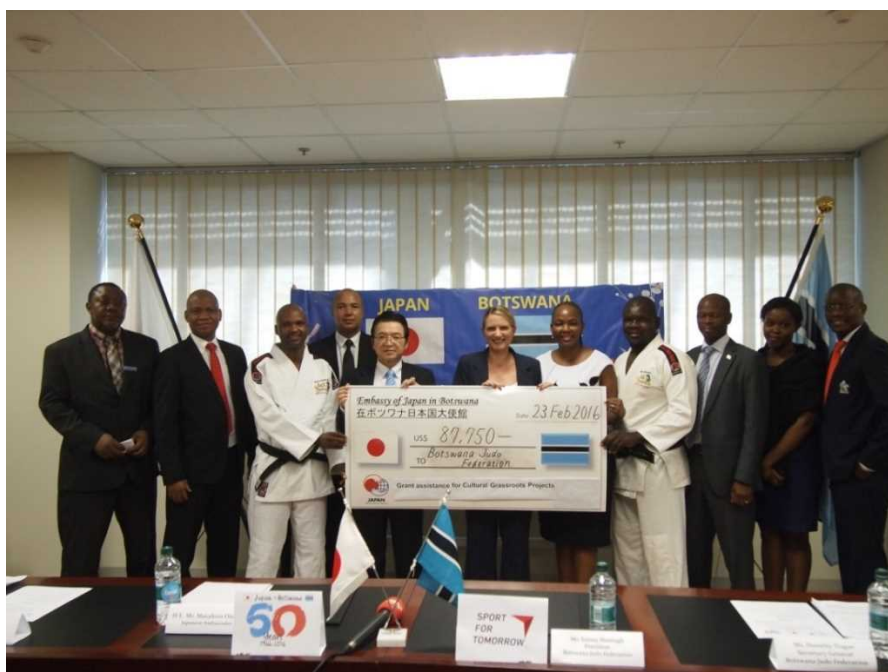
**FY 2015 Grant Assistant for Grant Assistance for Cultural Grassroots Projects**  
**Grant Contract Signing Ceremony**

**'The Project for judo dojo construction' in Gaborone**

Embassy of Japan in Botswana  
15th March 2016

On 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2016, Embassy of Japan in Botswana has extended a grant of US\$87,750 under the Japan's Grant Assistance for Cultural Grassroots Projects, to Botswana Judo Federation for the implementation of "The Project for judo dojo (training hall) construction" in Gaborone. The Ambassador of Japan to Botswana, H.E. Mr. Masahiro Onishi and the representative from the recipient organization, Ms. Estony Hattingh, President, signed the grant contract at the ceremony.

The grant will be used to construct the first judo dojo in Gaborone. Ambassador Mr. Onishi stated that 'this grant is a part of the 'Sport for Tomorrow' initiative which aims to spread value of sport and the movement to 2020 Olympic in Tokyo'. This was the 3<sup>rd</sup> project for the Government of Japan to extend its support in Botswana through this grant scheme. (Past projects are: (1) Karate training hall and (2) Judo tatami and uniforms)



Ambassador Mr. Onishi and guests from Ministry of Youth, Sport, and Culture,  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation,  
Botswana National Sports Commission (BNSC) and Botswana Judo Federation (BJF)