

**FY2015 Grant Assistance for Grass-Roots Human Security Projects (“GGP”)**  
**Hand-over Ceremony**

**‘The Project for Construction of Guidance & Counselling Block at Radisele Junior Secondary School’**

Embassy of Japan in Botswana

21th June 2017

The hand-over ceremony for ‘The Project for Construction of Guidance & Counselling Block at Radisele Junior Secondary School’ was held at Radisele Junior Secondary School on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

This project was for the construction of guidance & counselling block (66 m2 floor area) in Radisele, Central District, approximately two and half hours’ drive from the centre of capital city, Gaborone. US\$41,391 was granted by the Government of Japan to Radisele Junior Secondary School, the recipient, for the construction of guidance & counselling block. Although approximately 600 students are leaning and half of them are living in a dormitory at Radisele Junior Secondary School, there was no such facility before the construction of the guidance & counselling block. Through this assistance, such students will be able to receive counselling and first-aid at this new facility. It is expected to contribute to the improvement of academic results of the students, and also to the reduction of various social & health problems, such as HIV/AIDS or early pregnancy.

During the hand-over ceremony, the Ambassador of Japan to Botswana, H.E. Mr. Masahiro Onishi stated that the year 2016 marked 50th year of diplomatic relations between Japan and Botswana, and thus, this new Guidance & Counselling block would be great proof of the friendly ties between our two countries. The project was highly appreciated by the Chairperson, the Palapye Administrative Authority, Hon. Mr. Lesedi Phuthego, as well as, the various guests, people and students in the area. The ceremony was featured by the news on Botswana Television, Daily News and Botswana Guardian.



(Photo) H.E. Mr. Onishi cut the tape at the official handover of Guidance & Counselling Block



(Photo) H.E. Mr. Onishi with attendees at the ceremony