

FY 2017 Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Projects
Grant Contract Signing Ceremony

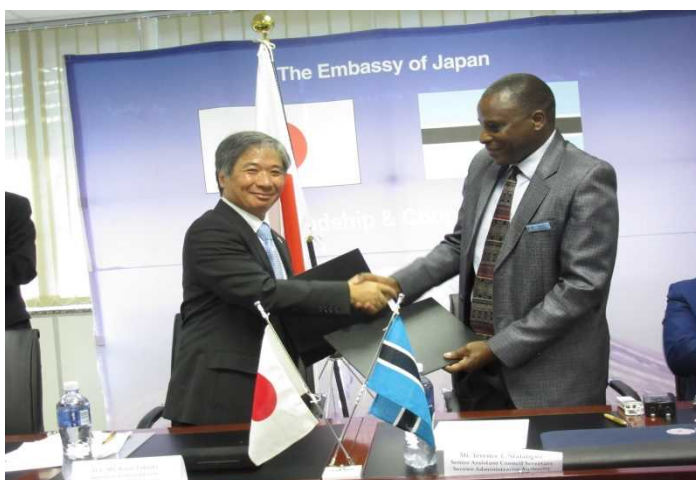
'The Project for the Construction of Malatswae Pre-school in Central District'

Embassy of Japan in Botswana

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On 9th February 2018, Embassy of Japan in Botswana has extended a grant of US\$82,720, under the 'Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Projects' ("GGP"), to Serowe Administrative Authority for the implementation of 'the Project for the Construction of Malatswae Pre-school in Central District'. The Ambassador of Japan to Botswana, H.E. Mr. Kozo Takeda and the representative of the recipient organization, Mr. Terence T. Ntalabgwe, Senior Assistant Council Secretary of Serowe Administrative Authority, signed the grant contract at the ceremony held at the Embassy of Japan.

The project site is at the primary school in Malatswae in Central District, some 460km Northeast of the capital city Gaborone. With this new pre-school building, approximately 40 children in the village (on an annual basis) will be able to receive early childhood education. The Botswana Government has initiated the operation of public pre-primary schools since 2013, and the project is to supplement such government's policy and contribute to the betterment of education system in Botswana. This is the 8th pre-school construction project that the Embassy of Japan in Botswana has assisted through this grant scheme. The ceremony was reported by the DailyNews.



H.E. Mr. Takeda and Mr. Ntalabgwe at the Signing Ceremony



The standard 1 pupils at Malatswae Primary School