Visit of Mr. Daichi Suzuki, The Commissioner of the Japan Sports Agency

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On May 17th and 18th, Mr. Daichi Suzuki, the Commissioner of the Japan Sports Agency, visited the Republic of Botswana to attend the 7th IWG World Conference on Women and Sports which was held in Gaborone.

Mr. Suzuki gave a keynote address at the conference and also visited the Botswana's National Stadium and the National Softball Stadium. He met Mr. Thamane, the President of the Botswana Softball Association, and handed over a set of softball equipment donated by the Japan Softball Association. He also encouraged JICA's volunteer, Ms. Aiko Nakamura, who has been coaching Botswana's softball national team and expressed a wish for a success of the team in the Women's Softball World Championships to be held in next August in Chiba Prefecture, Japan.

The commissioner's visit to Botswana is expected to deepen the friendly relationship between Japan and Botswana through exchanges of sports.



Mr. Suzuki with Botswana Women's Softball National Team



Keynote Address at the $7^{\rm th}$ IWG World Conference

Panelists at the Conference



Mr. Suzuki and Ms. Nakamura, JICA's volunteer

Handing over softball equipment to Botswana Softball Association



Demonstration by Mr. Suzuki



Visit to the National Stadium