

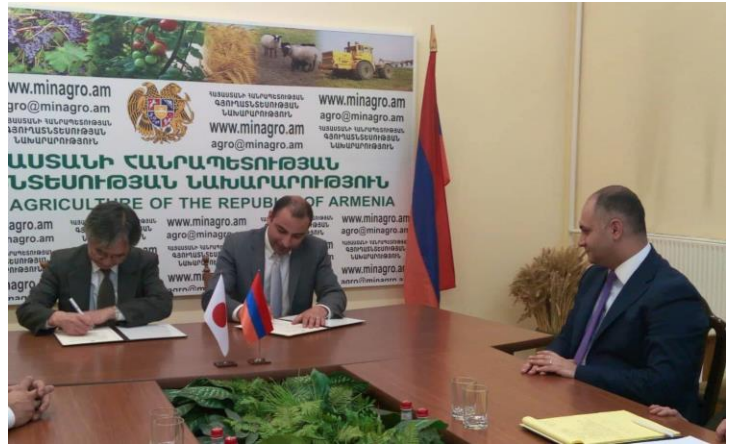
**Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects FY2018:
Signing Ceremony of “The Project for Reconstruction of a Greenhouse for Training
High-skilled Agronomists in Armenian National Agrarian University”**

On March 26st, 2019, a Signing Ceremony of “The Project for Reconstruction of a Greenhouse for Training High-skilled Agronomists in Armenian National Agrarian University” in the amount of USD 67,212 (JPY 7,527,744) within the frameworks of Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects was held at the Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Armenia. The Grant Contract was signed by Mr. Jun Yamada, Ambassador of Japan to Armenia and Mr. Arthur Grigoryan, Director of the International Center for Agribusiness Research and Education (ICARE). The ceremony took place in the presence of Mr. Gegham Gevorkyan, Minister of Agriculture and Mr. Vardan Urutyan, Rector of the Armenian National Agrarian University (ANAU).

In Armenia, approximately 34 % of the population are engaged in the agriculture sector, while the ratio of the agriculture out of the whole DGP occupies less than 20 % mainly because of the low productivity. Therefore, the project aims to replace the long-used and exhausted greenhouse at the Armenian National Agrarian University (ANAU) with the one of the state-of-the-art. As a result, it is expected to promote the productivity of the agriculture and approximately 70 students inside and outside the ANAU, 10 specialists and 30 farmers will be directly benefitted from the project.



Welcoming speech by Mr. Gevorkyan,
Minister of Agriculture



Grant Contracts were being signed by Ambassador
Yamada and Mr. Grigoryan, Director of ICARE



Photo session with the Minister of Agriculture, Director
of the ICARE and Rector of the ANAU