

**Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects FY2018:
Completion Ceremony of
“The Project for Provision of School Equipment for Schools in Vayots Dzor”**

On September 4th, 2020, the Completion Ceremony of the Grant Contract for “The Project for Provision of School Equipment for Schools in Vayots Dzor” in the amount of USD 67,694 within the frameworks of Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) of Japan was held at Azatek Secondary School in Vayots Dzor region. The Ceremony was attended by Mr. Jun Yamada, Ambassador of Japan to Armenia, Mr. Ararat Grigoryan, Governor of Vayots Dzor region, Archbishop Abraham Mkrtchyan, the Primate of the Diocese of Vayots Dzor, Mrs. Nane Asatryan, Deputy Governor of Vayots Dzor, Mr. Arpiar Ghazaryan, Head of Education, Culture and Sport Department of Vayots Dzor, Mr. Kolya Mikaelyan, Head of Vayots Dzor RD of the RA NSS, Mrs. Gayane Gevorgyan, President of “Development and Welfare” NGO and others, including the staff and students of the school.

The project aimed to provide the new educational equipment such as desks and chairs in the selected 19 primary and secondary schools in Vayots Dzor that are in huge need of assistance and have been rarely assisted by the development partners in the past. As a result, 2300 students and 570 teachers will benefit from the newly installed school equipment within the framework of this Project.

Warmly welcoming all the guests, Mrs. Gevorgyan expressed her gratitude to the Japanese Government, as well as the Embassy of Japan in Armenia for their contribution and trust, as a result of which “Development and Welfare” NGO has already successfully accomplished the installation of the educational equipment in Aragatsotn, Tavush, Armavir and Ararat provinces by the financial assistance of the Government of Japan in the past.

Ambassador Yamada, in his turn, stressed that this assistance is one of the steps of Japan’s continuous efforts for creating and maintaining healthy learning environment at grassroots level.

For their part, the Governor of Vayots region, Mr. Grigoryan congratulated all the parties involved in the Project and expressed his hope and willingness to continue implementing such projects in most needy schools of Vayots Dzor region.

At the end of the Ceremony, the headmaster of the Azatek Secondary School, Mr. Ghazaryan delivered a gratitude speech thanking again Ambassador Yamada and the Japanese Government for the exceptional opportunity on behalf of the school staff, all the students and their parents.



Congratulatory Address by
Ambassador Yamada



Congratulatory Address by
Mr. Grigoryan, Governor of
Vayots Dzor region



Welcoming Speech by Mrs. Gevorgyan, the
President of "Development and Welfare" NGO



One of the New Fully Equipped
Classrooms



The New Desks and Chairs for the Schoolchildren of
Azatek Secondary School



Schoolchildren Welcoming Ambassador Yamada with Bread and Salt



Courtesy Visit to the Governor of Vayots Dzor, Mr. Grigoryan



Ambassador Yamada and the Governor of Vayots Dzor, Mr. Grigoryan at the Vayots Dzor Regional Administration