

Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects FY 2021:

Signing Ceremony of

**“The Project for Enhancing Waste Management Capacity and Promoting Recycling in Armavir City”
and “The Project for Improving Sanitary Conditions at Public School in Mets Parni village”**

On December 2, 2021, the Signing Ceremony of the Grant Contracts for “The Project for Enhancing Waste Management Capacity and Promoting Recycling in Armavir City” up to USD 82,603 and “The Project for Improving Sanitary Conditions at Public School in Mets Parni village” up to USD 68,059 within the framework of Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects was held at the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Infrastructure of the Republic of Armenia.

The Grant Contract for “The Project for Enhancing Waste Management Capacity and Promoting Recycling in Armavir City” was signed between Mr. FUKUSHIMA Masanori, Ambassador of Japan to Armenia and Mr. Mkhitar Avetisyan, President of "Innovative Solutions for Sustainable Development of Communities (ISSD)" NGO. The Grant Contract for “The Project for Improving Sanitary Conditions at Public School in Mets Parni village” was signed between Mr. Fukushima and Ms. Arevik Hovsepyan, President of “Country Water Partnership Scientific Ecological (CWP)” NGO. The Ceremony was further attended by Mr. Vache Terteryan, Deputy Minister of Territorial Administration and Infrastructure.

“The Project for Enhancing Waste Management Capacity and Promoting Recycling in Armavir City” aims to improve solid waste management system in Armavir region and near villages by installing 220 waste sorting bins in the city of Armavir/villages and recycling the collected waste. The collected waste will be transformed into useful stationary, part of which will be provided to the first graders free of charge. As a result, more than 35,000 people will benefit from the Project. “The Project for Improving Sanitary Conditions at Public School in Mets Parni village” aims to increase the level of school hygiene by restoring three toilets at Mets Parni school as well as constructing a water supply system and wastewater treatment plant. As a result, around 240 people will benefit from the Project.

During the ceremony, warmly welcoming all the guests, Deputy Minister Mr. Terteryan expressed his gratitude to the Government of Japan for the long-term relationship and cooperation. He also highlighted the importance of projects regarding irrigation and water management in Armenia.

Ambassador Fukushima, in turn, showed his great pleasure and honor to attend the ceremony and his hope that the projects will be an embodiment of a deep friendship as well as a strong relationship between Armenia and Japan.

Mr. Avetisyan in his speech stated his appreciation to the Government of Japan and his hope that Japanese knowledge could be utilized in the field of waste management in Armavir region and later other regions by his own experience of learning about it in Japan as a JICA trainee. Ms. Hovsepyan also added her gratitude to the Government of Japan. She further stressed her hope that the project will be successful and be an opportunity to implement projects in other regions where need the improvement of sanitary and hygienic conditions in Armenia.



Speech by Mr. Terteryan



Speech by Ambassador Fukushima



Signing of the Grant Contract between Ambassador Fukushima and Mr. Avetisyan



Exchange of the Grant Contract between Ambassador Fukushima and Ms. Hovsepyan