





## **Press Release**

Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects FY 2024:

Signing Ceremony for the Project for the Installation of

Landslide Prevention Nets on Dilijan Rural Road

Yerevan: January 17th, 2025

On January 17th, 2025, the Signing Ceremony for the Grant Contract of the Grassroots Human Security Project "The Project for the Installation of Landslide Prevention Nets on Dilijan Rural Road" (grant up to: USD 68,943) was held at the Union of Communities Armenia office in Yerevan. At the ceremony, Mr. AOKI Yutaka, Ambassador of Japan to Armenia, and Mr. Emin Yeritsyan, President of Union of Communities Armenia, signed the grant contract.

This project aims at mitigating landslide risks along the Dilijan Rural Road (M8), a critical transportation route in Armenia. This will be achieved through the implementation of reinforced geogrid installation and pinned net stabilization measures at the most problematic and risky location, targeting an average of landslide-related accidents, including those resulting in deaths and serious injuries. The project will ensure the safety of 26,000 local residents (including 1,000 displaced persons from Nagorno-Karabakh) who use the road regularly, as well as other travelers passing through the Dilijan area.

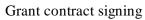
Mr. Yeristyan, the President of the Union, expressed his gratitude, stating, "We are deeply thankful for the support from the Japanese government. While we have received support from Japan for other projects in the past, we would like to proceed with this project diligently to ensure its successful completion while maintaining Japan's high visibility."













Ambassador Aoki and Mr. Yeritsyan exchanging the contracts