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PRESS RELEASE

**Japanese Government Funds Three Grass-roots Human Security Projects (GGP) in the Co-Operative Republic of Guyana**

The signing ceremony for two Grant Assistance for the Grass-roots Human Security Project (GGP) recipients took place at 11:00 a.m. on November 12, 2015, at the St. Ignatius Village Benab, Lethem, Region 9, Guyana. The recipients of the grant assistance were, St. Ignatius Secondary School and Lethem Special Needs Group. Both organizations received grant aid for the cumulative value of US\$177,178 from the Government of Japan to assist in their infrastructure development for persons with disabilities and installation of solar panel systems at the St. Ignatius Secondary School.

The ceremony was attended by, Ms. Miyuki Shinoe, Second Secretary, Embassy of Japan and Mr. Bryan Allicock, Regional Chairman, Region 9, Guyana. Grant recipients, Mr. Alfred Ramsaran, Chairman, St. Ignatius Secondary School and Ms. Yusa Xavier, Group Director, Lethem Special Needs Group were also in attendance along with invited guests and media.

In her speech, Ms. Shinoe highlighted that the installation of solar panel systems at the St. Ignatius Secondary School will now provide the opportunity for a more consistent supply of water and electricity to hundreds of students, allowing for a more comfortable learning environment. Ms. Shinoe also mentioned that the multi-purpose centre for the Lethem Special Needs Group will be the first of its kind within the Lethem district, providing a designated learning environment for children with autism and other disabilities.

The Government of Japan welcomes further opportunities to work with the Government and the people of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana, all with a view to strengthening the bonds of friendship and mutual understanding which exist between the two countries.

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