



## Embassy of Japan in Afghanistan

### Press Release

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#### **Handover Ceremony of Laboratory and X-Ray Equipment for Indira Gandhi Institute for Child Health at Kabul**

**December 28, 2014:** The handover Ceremony of Laboratory and X-Ray Equipment for Indira Gandhi Institute for Child Health in Kabul was held on 28th December. This project has been funded by the Grant Assistance for Grassroots Projects (GAGP) by Japan with total amount of 119,779 USD.

Lab and X-Ray Equipment will play a great roll in fast diagnosis, treatment and to provide basic and advance health services to all referred patients in IPD, OT and OPD departments with achievement of good performance, work quality, standards for the child patients. Without Lab and X-Ray equipment it will be very difficult to keep the patients safe from death.

In general by utilization the modern Lab and X-Ray processing equipment the diagnosis will be fast easy and the treatment will be done in satisfactory and accurate manner. Further it provides satisfaction to both medical staff and patient guardian.

In his message dedicated to the occasion of handover ceremony His Excellency Mr. HIROSHI TAKAHASHI Ambassador of Japan to Afghanistan noted as follows;

*On behalf of the Government and the people of Japan, I would like to congratulate the successful Handover of Lab and X-Ray equipment To Indira Gandhi Institute for Child Health, Kabul Province. It is my great pleasure this equipment has been Provided with funding provided by the Japanese assistance through Grant Assistance for Grass Roots Projects (GAGP) by the Embassy of Japan. This GAGP projects are targeting directly community levels to address urgent needs of the vulnerable people. To date the Embassy of Japan has assisted more than 900 GAGP projects, which include more than 100 Projects in Health Sector all over Afghanistan.*

*This GAGP projects covers the construction of, Schools, Clinics, Vocational Training Centers, Agricultural, Irrigation, Demining and Infrastructure projects with the special attention to rural and remote areas.*

*Since 2010 we have implemented 3 different projects in Indira Gandhi Institute for Child Health. We strongly hope that the equipment and facilities provided by GAGP Project will be utilized for the benefit of the local community. We would also like to request you, staff of the institute, local communities and relevant authorities to pay proper attention to it, provide adequate the maintenance and management to its facilities and equipment. It*

*is our sincere hope that our assistance will serve for many people for long time in the future.*

Japan has been assisting Afghanistan's nation-building efforts in various fields including security, health, culture, humanitarian assistance, agriculture, and infrastructure and capacity development. The cumulative Japanese assistance to Afghanistan since 2001 amounts to around USD 5.4 billion.

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