

Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Projects

GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY FOR THE PROJECT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF KAPACHILA HEALTH CENTRE IN KASUNGU DISTRICT 14th December, 2021



Deputy Ambassador Ikeda, Hon. Madalitso Wirima, Deputy Minister of Education, Member of Parliament for Kasungu North East and His Grace Archbishop Desmond Tambala of the Archdiocese of Lilongwe, laying a brick



Mr. Ikeda (left) and Hon. Madalitso Wirima, Deputy Minister of Education, Member of Parliament for Kasungu North East (right) giving a speech



(Left) His Grace Archbishop Desmond Tambala giving a speech. (Right) Hon. Madalitso Wirima, Deputy Minister of Education, Member of Parliament for Kasungu North East and local residents singing in appreciation of Japan



(Left) Women of the community performing a dance (Right) Group photo

On Tuesday, 14th December 2021, Mr. Hirotugu Ikeda, Deputy Ambassador of Japan, attended the ground breaking ceremony for the project for the Construction of Kapichila Health Center in Kasungu District. The function was graced by Honourable Madalitso Wirima, Deputy Minister of Education and Member of Parliament for Kasungu North East and His Grace Archbishop Desmond Tambala of the Archdiocese of Lilongwe in his capacity as head of Catholic Development Commission (CADECOM) Lilongwe.

This project is being funded under the Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Projects (GGP) with a grant amounting to US\$91,124 (about K74 million). The GGP is a Japanese Government's grant aid scheme. The GGP scheme aims at development of the marginalized communities in order to uplift their lives for the better.

Speaking during the ceremony, the Deputy Ambassador, indicated the GGP is a high impact grant. He said the GGP grant is administered in rural areas where there are dire needs. In 2021 alone, the Embassy constructed classroom blocks, two in Lilongwe District and two in Karonga District, one maternity ward in Ntcheu District, one paediatric ward in Mangochi District and is currently finalizing construction of a new health center in Chikwawa District.

Mr Ikeda continued by requesting the community leaders and community at large to be a part of this project and make the project successful.