

**Speech by Mr.YONAMINE Moriyasu,
Second Secretary of the Embassy of Japan
At the Hand Over Ceremony of the medical equipment
Pea Raing Referral Hospital in Prey Veng Province
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- H.E. Dr. MaoTanEang, Director of CENAT,
- Dr. Ung Chan Thoeun, Deputy Director of Provincial Health Department, Prey Veng Province,
- Mr.Hi Thork, Pea Raing District Governer, Prey Veng Province,
- Dr. Hout Kalyan,Directorof Pea Raing Operational District,Prey Veng Province,
- Dr.OmSarith, Director of Referral Hospital,
- Dr.OKADA Kosuke, Manager of JATA Cambodia Office,
- Distinguished Guests,
- Ladies and gentlemen,

It is my great pleasure for me to attend this Hand-Over ceremony of the medical equipment :the digital X-ray system and the fluorescence microscope for the Project of Strengthening Capacity for Tuberculosis Diagnosis at Pea Raing Operational District in Prey Veng Province with the high presence of H.E. Dr. Mao Tan Eang, Director of CENAT. First of all, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the Pea Raing Referral Hospital and the local residents who arranged today's ceremony.

The health sector is one of the Japanese priority areas in its assistance to Cambodia and the Japanese Government has been actively supporting the sector by constructing hospital wards and clinics, and by providing training courses.

I have heard that the medical equipment that we hand over today is effective in the early detection of tuberculosis. It is also expected that the project will contribute to the reduction of the rate of tubercular infection in Cambodia, and the project will conduce to good health of the Cambodian people.

I hope that this project will be implemented smoothly and maintained properly in order to enable many local residents to benefit from the project.

Finally, I strongly believe that this project will further strengthen the friendly relationship between the Cambodian and the Japanese people.

Thank you very much indeed.