

**Speech by H.E. Mr. HORINOUCHI Hidehisa,
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan
To the Kingdom of Cambodia
At the Grant Contract Signing Ceremony for Grassroots Human Security Projects
November 25, 2016**

- Mr. Ung Pola, Executive Director, Cambodian Organization for Children and Development
- Mr. Ngy Set, Director, Battambang Provincial Department of Education, Youth and Sport
- Mr. Him Sophal, Director, Prey Veng Provincial Department of Education, Youth and Sport
- Dr. Hok Kry, Director, Phnom Srouch Operational District in Kampong Speu Province
- Distinguished Guests, Ladies and gentlemen,

It is a great pleasure for me to hold a signing ceremony today for four grant contracts of the Grassroots Human Security Projects.

The first grant project which amounts to \$58,800, is “The Project for Constructing School Building at Chheu Teal Chrum Primary School in Veal Veng District, Pursat Province.” The school construction marks the 12th school built by KUSANONE Programme in Pursat Province and is expected to improve education environment for over 220 students.

The second grant project, which amounts to \$81,818, is “The Project for Constructing School Building at Boeung Snuol Primary School in Bavel District, Battambang Province.” This will be the 9th school built by KUSANONE Programme in Battambang Province and is expected to improve education environment for over 230 students.

The third grant project, which amounts to \$82,355, is “The Project for Constructing School Building at Khlaing Primary School in Ba Phnum District, Prey Veng Province.” The school construction marks the 10th school built by KUSANONE Programme in Prey Veng Province and is expected to improve education environment for over 610 students.

The fourth grant project, which amounts to \$82,341, is “The Project for Constructing Gynecology and Obstetrics Ward at Trapang Kraloeng Referral Hospital in Kampong Speu Province.” This is 6th health sector project in Kampong Speu Province which is assisted by the grassroots grant. The new ward will improve maternal and child health care at the hospital and benefit 7,200 women and their children.

Lastly, I strongly hope that the facilities and equipment provided in these projects will be properly maintained so that they can be used for many years and benefit as many students, teachers and patients as possible. I also hope that these projects will help strengthening the friendly relations between Japanese and Cambodian people.

Thank you.