

**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
March 24, 2017**

- Mr. Than Tharin, Director, Kampong Speu Provincial Department of Education, Youth and Sport
- Ms. Chan Khamkhour, Director, Ratanakiri Provincial Department of Education, Youth and Sport
- Mr. Ung Tola, Director, Kandal Provincial Department of Education, Youth and Sport
- Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen,

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

The first grant project which amounts to \$75,415, is “The Project for Constructing School Building at Slab Leng Secondary School in Basedth District, Kampong Speu Province.” This project marks the 39th school built by the KUSANONE Programme in Kampong Speu Province and is expected to improve education environment for 1,139 students.

The second and third grant projects, which amounts to \$83,000 and \$80,750 respectively, are “The Project for Constructing School Building at Samdech Euv Samdech Mae Secondary School in Banlung City, Ratanakiri Province” and “The Project for Constructing School Building at Ya Dav Pre-School and Primary School in Ou Ya Dav District, Ratanakiri Province.” They will be the first two

schools built by the KUSANONE Programme in Ratanakiri Province and are expected to improve education environment for 1,831 and 677 students, respectively.

The fourth grant project, which amounts to \$80,244, is “The Project for Constructing School Building at Korki Primary School in Kien Svay District, Kandal Province.” This project marks the 26th school built by the KUSANONE Programme in Kandal Province and is expected to improve education environment for 1,356 students.

Lastly, I strongly hope that these projects will be implemented smoothly and the facilities and equipment to be provided in the projects will be properly maintained so that they can be used for many years and benefit as many local people as possible. I also hope that these projects will help further strengthen the friendships between Japanese and Cambodian people.

Thank you.