

**Handover ceremony of Japanese-Funded project “The Project for Improvement of X-Ray Equipment of Chikombedzi Mission Hospital in Chiredzi District”**

Chikombedzi Mission Hospital in Chiredzi District now has greatly improved patient treatment thanks to a new digital X-ray machine funded by Japan. On 29 November, 2019, Ambassador Iwado attended the handover ceremony of this new machine. It was provided through a project implemented by a Swiss NGO, SolidarMed.

Previously, the hospital was not able to provide X-rays since their old X-ray machine had broken down seven years earlier. This meant that patients needed to travel long distances in order to obtain an X-ray, causing a heavy burden both financially and physically.

Speaking at the handover ceremony, Ambassador Iwado said he hoped that this reliable and high-quality equipment from Japan, allowing accurate and timely diagnosis, would contribute to improving the health of the local people for many years to come. In this regard, he requested the hospital and community to take good care of the machine.



At the ceremony



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Ambassador's speech



In the X-Ray Room



Hospital tour



Local students



X-Ray Machine



Peripheral devices