

P R E S S R E L E A S E

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JAPAN EXTENDS GRANT TO HILLSIDE TEACHERS' COLLEGE

The Embassy of Japan has decided today to extend a grant up to seventy-five thousand four hundred and seventy-three dollars (US\$75,473) to “Hillside Teachers’ College” for the implementation of “The Project for the Rehabilitation of Gymnasium at Hillside Teachers’ College in Bulawayo”.

The Grant Contracts to this effect were signed by the Ambassador of Japan to Zimbabwe, H.E. Mr. Yoshi Hiraishi and the Principal, Mr. Edward Gumpo at the College today.

The grant is to be used for the total refurbishment of the gymnasium as well as for the provision of exercise equipment.

The rehabilitated gymnasium will not only to enable the college students to learn more knowledge and skills of sports in an appropriate settings, but also benefit the local community at large in terms of expansion of opportunities for sports activities.

Japanese Government is now placing great emphasis on the assistance in the field of sports known as “Sports for Tomorrow” toward the Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic games.

Speaking at the occasion, H.E. Ambassador Hiraishi noted the importance of the assistance to sports in Zimbabwe and expressed his hope that the project would be successfully implemented.