## Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Project (GGP) Grant Contract Signing Ceremony

29th January 2020

## Japan signed a grant contract of US\$197,736 for a project to provide Taraba state with Japanese equipment for sesame seed processing

On 29<sup>th</sup> January 2020, Mr. KIKUTA Yutaka, Ambassador of Japan to the Federal Republic of Nigeria, signed a grant contract of US\$197,736 with Hope Afresh Foundation for a project to construct a facility and to provide Japanese equipment for sesame seed processing in Taraba state, under the Japanese Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP). Since 1998, over 170 projects with a total amount of US\$12 million have been implemented throughout Nigeria under the GGP scheme.

The project, initiated by Hope Afresh Foundation, will be implemented in collaboration with Toyota Tsusho Corporation which will provide agricultural equipment from Satake Corporation.

At the signing ceremony, Mrs. Anna Darius Ishaku, CEO, Hope Afresh Foundation (HAF) signed the contract on behalf of HAF while His Excellency, Architect Darius Dickson Ishaku, Executive Governor of Taraba state and Mrs. Helen Douglas Saba, HAF Project Manager witnessed the Grant Contract signing. Mr. YAMAMOTO Hisao, General Manager, CFAO Nigeria, a Toyota Tsusho group company, was also in attendance at the ceremony.

The Embassy of Japan hopes that this public-private partnership assistance will contribute to enhancing the quality of sesame seed processing in Taraba state, and to strengthening the amicable relationship between Japan and Nigeria.

Project title and implementing partner	The Project for Construction of Sesame Seed processing Facility and Procurement of Processing Equipment in Jalingo LGA, Taraba State-Hope Afresh Foundation
Amount to be granted	US\$ 197,736
Summary of the Project	Construction of Sesame Seed Processing facility and Provision of Sesame
	Seed Processing Equipment.





Grant Contract signing between Ambassador and CEO, Hope Afresh Foundation



Ambassador and representatives at the signing ceremony



Conversation between Ambassador and Executive Governor of Taraba state