

Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Project (GGP)

【Commissioning and Handover of the Sesame Processing Facility in Jalingo, Taraba State】

On November 18 2025, Ambassador SUZUKI Hideo participated virtually in the official commissioning and handover ceremony of “The Project for Construction of Sesame Processing Facility and Procurement of Processing Equipment in Jalingo Local Government Area, Taraba State. ” The ceremony was participated in by Mrs. Agyin Agbu Kefas, First Lady of Taraba State; Mr. Haruna Manu, former Deputy Governor; HRH Augustine Njemang; Mrs. Anna Mbasughun Ishaku, the Chief Executive Officer of Hope Afresh Foundation Taraba; Mrs. Helen Douglas Saba, Project Manager of Hope Afresh Foundation Taraba; local farmers, community members, and the press.

The project aims to promote the sesame value chain, increase the income of the local sesame farmers, and improve processing quality to meet international standards, while positioning Taraba as a leading global exporter of premium sesame. One of the most unique aspects of this project is that the sesame processing equipment was procured from Satake Corporation, a world-leading manufacturer of grain machinery and a Japanese company, which provided training on its use and maintenance.

Japan hopes this project will contribute to Nigeria's economic diversification and promote its economic growth.

Project Title	The Project for the Construction of Sesame Processing Facility and Procurement of Processing Equipment in Jalingo Local Government Area in Taraba State
Amount Granted	US\$197,736
Implementing Partner	Hope Afresh Foundation
Summary of the Project	Project for the construction of the sesame processing facility and procurement of processing equipment for local sesame seed farmers.

