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Completion of a Project for Renovation of Boys School Building in Al Jib village, Funded by Japan

Today, March 21st, 2016, Mr. Takeshi Okubo, Ambassador for the Palestinian Affairs and Representative of Japan to the PA, visited Al Jib village in Jerusalem Governorate to celebrate the completion of a project funded by the Government of Japan through Japan's **Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP).**

A grant of US$ 103,085 was extended to Al Jib Village Council to renovate the building of Ibn Khaldoun Boys School in Al Jib in order to enable the students to study in a better educational environment and improve the overall learning environment. The direct beneficiaries shall be about 250 students with the school staffs in the School.

In his speech, Mr. Okubo emphasized on Japan's firm commitment to enhancing the human security of Palestinians as well as on implementing the socioeconomic developmental projects that will lead to the empowerment of the Palestinian communities.

Since 1993 the Government of Japan has extended its official development assistance to approximately $1.7 billion, to the Palestinians. GGP projects have been formulated in collaboration with the Palestinian Authority through Ministry of Finance and Planning since 2010. (END)

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