

**Grant Assistance for Grass-Roots Human Security Project**  
**Grant Contract Signing Ceremony for**  
**The Project for Rehabilitation of the Training Centre**  
**at Western Hospitality Institute**

The Grant Fund for rehabilitation of the training centre for the Western Hospitality Institute was granted by the Government of Japan. At the ceremony on Wednesday, February 13, 2019, the Grant Contract under the Government of Japan's Grant Assistance for Grass-Roots Human Security Project was signed by Ambassador Hiromasa Yamazaki and Mr. Jahraski Young, Principal, Western Hospitality Institute for USD 85,094 at the Terra Nova All Suite Hotel to rehabilitate the training centre.

Ambassador Yamazaki noted that the Western Hospitality Institute is truly playing a very important role for many of Jamaica's most vulnerable citizens to get the well needed opportunity to receive academic as well as hands-on training. He has strong confidence that this new project will be extremely beneficial to the young people especially in western part of Jamaica. He also indicated the idea of Human Security that an every human being is entitled to live a healthy, dignified, fulfilling life and should be allowed to develop his or her ability to the maximum extent possible and his wish that all hospitality and tourism trainee students can pursue their goals of a brighter future with high hope.

At Negril, Westmoreland, the Western Hospitality Institute is the only vocational school offers the technical training in hospitality and tourism industry. There was the critical need to rehabilitate the training centre to improve the education environment. As a result of this new project, all the students will be able to get a better educational environment which will lead to enhancing the job opportunity and better life in the community.

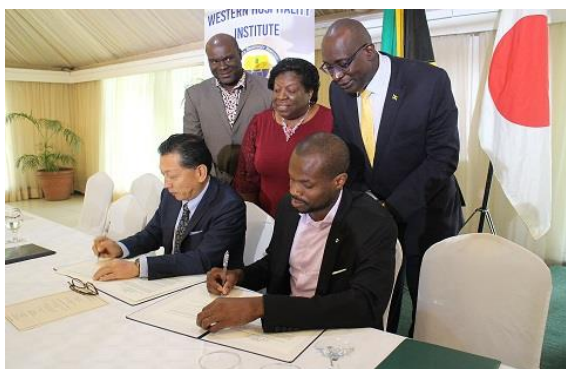
The Minister of the Ministry of Education, Youth and Information, Honourable Ruel Reid indicated the importance of technical training in hospitality and tourism industry to invest the world class human resources in Jamaica, and this excellent support from the people and Government of Japan is truly aligned with the vision. He also expressed that everyone must enjoy quality life in safe environment, which is the essential factor for the development of Jamaica. "No man is an island, no man stands alone, each man is my brother, each man is my friend" were poignant words expressed by the Honourable Minister in thanking the Government of Japan for the indelible contributions made.



Keynote address by Ambassador Yamazaki



Remarks by Minister The Honourable Ruel Reid



Ambassador and Mr. Young, Principal, Western Hospitality Institute signed Grant Contract.



From left : Minister, Ambassador, Dr. Cornwall, Mrs. Clarke, Mr. Young



Showing Appreciation by song from the students, Western Hospitality Institute



Vote of Thanks by Mr. Simpson, Campus Manager, Western Hospitality Institute