

Grant Assistance for Grass-Roots Human Security Project
Handing Over Ceremony for
The Project for the Improvement of Rainwater Harvesting System
at Iris Gelly Primary School

The handing over ceremony was held at Iris Gelly Primary School, in Kingston on Thursday, October 3, 2019. Through our Grant Assistance for Grass-Roots Human Security Project, the new water harvesting system was officially handed over to the Iris Gelly Primary School.

Counsellor Habukawa noted that under our Grassroots Human Security Projects scheme programme, sufficient access to safe and adequate water was made available for all students and teachers at Iris Gelly primary school. He expressed that this project will have a lasting impact for future generation of students and likewise the community will have an improved school environment with better water catchment resources and infrastructure. He emphasized that water is the vital resources for our lives and the core vision that Japan has for its own Japanese citizens as well as Jamaicans.

At the Iris Gelly Primary School, Kingston, the Improvement of Water Harvesting System was a critical need as due to the lack of necessary amount of water, it affected the teaching and learning environment. As a result of the completion of this project, the school can provide a better education environment and improve the healthier life style for children.

In her opening remarks, the Principal of Iris Gelly Primary School, Ms. Veronica Gaynor expressed her appreciation and highlighted that the Government of Japan solved the problem of inadequate water supply that the school has been having a challenge for many years. Member of Parliament, St. Andrew Southern, Senator Mark Golding emphasized that this project is sustainable and is a critical initiative which is quite timely. He extended his appreciation to the Government of Japan for enhancing the life and environment in Jamaica through the Grassroots Human Security Projects.



Counsellor Habukawa delivering his remarks



Greetings from Senator Mark Golding, Member of Parliament, St. Andrew Southern



Opening remarks from Ms. Veronica Gaynor, Principal, Iris Gelly Primary School



Expression of appreciation through the song from the children, Iris Gelly Primary School



Officials, Stakeholders, Teachers and students in the front of unveiled new water harvesting system



Children and teachers from Iris Gelly Primary School and community residents in attendance at the ceremony