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Press Release

Japan Supports the IRFAN hospital in Chouf

The Embassy of Japan procured an endoscopy unit for IRFAN hospital in Chouf, in order to enhance the quality of medical services in the area.

On the occasion of the project completion, on February 15 2018, H.E. Mr. Matahiro Yamaguchi, Ambassador of Japan to Lebanon, participated in the inauguration ceremony organized by IRFAN Establishment. Mr. Helmi Harmoush, Mayor of Semkanieh municipality, also attended the ceremony.

During the ceremony, Ambassador Yamaguchi praised IRFAN's distinguished efforts in supporting local communities and refugees, and emphasized Japan's continuous support towards Lebanon. In the meantime, Mr. Ali Zeineddine, the president of IRFAN, expressed his sincere gratitude to the Japanese assistance over the years.

With the new endoscopy unit provided to the hospital through the Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Program (GGP), around 1,200 residents in the area will have access to improved medical services.

IRFAN Establishment is a local NGO that provides a variety of social and health services for Syrian refugees and vulnerable Lebanese. This is the fourth time that the Japanese Government supported the organization since 1998.