

## **Press Release**

## Japan Provides Medical Equipment to a Medical Center in Saida

The Government of Japan provided laboratory equipment, an ultrasound machine, and a dental chair for Secours Populaire Libanais' Medical Center in Saida, to enhance the quality of medical services in the area for both the local and refugee communities.

On the occasion of the project completion, on December 12 2018, H.E. Mr. Matahiro Yamaguchi, Ambassador of Japan to Lebanon, attended the ceremony in the medical center organized by Secours Populaire Libanais (SPL). The ceremony was also attended by Mr. Osama Saad, a Member of Parliament, and Eng. Ramzi Awad, the President of SPL. With a grant of USD 71,224, and through the Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Program (GGP), around 8,000 patients annually, including local residents, Palestinian, and Syrian refugees will gain access to improved primary healthcare services, offered by the medical center at a subsidized cost.

During the ceremony, H.E. Ambassador Yamaguchi praised SPL's efforts in implementing the project and its role in supporting the residents and the refugees in Saida. Meanwhile, Mr. Awad expressed his deep appreciation for the Japanese support to the Lebanese people through various contributions.