

The Handing-over Ceremony of the Project for the Construction of Pokoinu Child Welfare Centre Under Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) in Rarotonga, the Cook Islands

On 25 February 2020, a handing-over ceremony of the Project for the Construction of Pokoinu Child Welfare Centre under Japan's Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Project (GGP) was held in Rarotonga, the Cook Islands. In this ceremony, there were about 100 people including Minister ARIYOSHI Katsuhide, Hon. Rose Brown, Minister of Health, Hon. Mac Mokoroa, Minister of Education, Mrs Tutu Tini, President of the Pokoinu Child Welfare, Mrs Tearea, representative of Pokoinu community, Pokoinu Child Welfare Federation staff, and members of the Pokoinu local community.

Minister Mokoroa said that he was deeply grateful to the Government and people of Japan for constructing a Child Welfare Clinic building for the people of Pokoinu village on the site of the former clinic, which was destroyed by a cyclone fifteen years ago. He added that the site was rebuilt with cooperation of local community along with Japanese assistance, and that local mothers and children were able to have regular medical checkups. In addition, Ms Tearea said that it was a great pleasure to improve local children's health by the completion of the Child Welfare Centre and she would like to make active use of the Centre. She added that she was deeply grateful to the Government and people of Japan.



1. Minister Ariyoshi's speech



2. From left: Minister Brown, Minister Ariyoshi



3. Traditional tepe cutting by using stones



4. Inspection of the Centre



5. Logo of Japanese ODA



6. Gathering people in front of the Centre

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