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## **Vice Foreign Minister of Japan visits Don Bosco with Minister of Labour and Community Reinsertion**

**Mr. Kiyohiko Toyama, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs of Japan, visited the Don Bosco IDP centre together with Mr. Arsénio Paixão Bano, Minister of Labour and Community Reinsertion, Mr. Kenji Shimizu, Ambassador of Japan in Timor-Leste and Mr. Finn Reske-Nielsen, UN Humanitarian Coordinator on Tuesday 20 June 2006.**

During this visit Mr. Toyama informed Mr. Bano that the government of Japan has donated \$5,000,000US through the UN's Flash Appeal. The money will go towards funding projects in food distribution, water and sanitation, child protection and job creation. The Don Bosco IDP centre is one of the largest in Dili with a total of 13,000 IDPs. We are grateful for all the assistance that has been given to the IDPs and we would like to thank the management of the centre, led by the priests and Catholic Salesians who have helped the IDPs over the past two months.


The Ministry has received 10 tons of food items from the government of the Philippines through its embassy in Timor-Leste. The Ministry of Labour and Community Reinsertion would like to thank the governments of Japan and the Philippines for their contributions to the humanitarian assistance in Timor-Leste. "No matter whether the donation is large or small, Timor-Leste is grateful for the friendship that is extended from our international friends" said Mr. Bano.

The health sector working group, led by the Ministry of Health, is currently working to provide measles vaccinations, Vitamin A and deworming tablets to all children in IDP camps. The Cuban doctors have been working around the clock providing 24 hour medical services.

The food group sent 402 tons of food to Atauro today. The group also distributed 736 sacks (36.79 tons) of rice from MTRC and 19.36 tons of CSB, oil and sugar (total 37 tons) from WFP, with logistical support from IOM and World Vision, to Ermera today. The group plans to distribute 438 sacks of rice (11.53 tons) from MTRC and 62 tons of food from WFP to Manatuto on Thursday.

Work by the Inter-Agency Humanitarian Coordination Group is ongoing in the areas of assessment and monitoring, food and non-food distribution, health, water and sanitation, protection, shelter and camp management and the districts.

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