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## **JAPAN CONTRIBUTES 12.3 MILLION US DOLLARS THROUGH UNDP, UNHCR, UNICEF, WFP and UNWOMEN IN CAMEROON**

**CAMEROON** – The Government of Japan mobilizes more than 12.3 million US dollars through the funding of projects of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the United Nations Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF), the World Food Programme (WFP) and UN Women in order to provide assistance to the Government of Cameroon and its people. This contribution is primarily for the vulnerable people affected by Boko Haram attack and the CAR crisis with needs in life-saving intervention, early recovery, economic and social integration, food and nutrition.

These projects aim to support Cameroon in the management of emergency responses to the people affected by the crisis, strengthening security, resilience and conflict prevention. More specifically:

- UNDP: 2.1 million USD for "Preventing radicalization and strengthening the early recovery efforts of women and youth in the response to the deteriorating human security situation in the Far North of Cameroon"
- UNHCR: 3.7 million USD for "Protection and mixed solutions for the CAR refugees and Emergency response for IDPs and Nigerian refugees in Cameroon"

- UNICEF: 2.5 million USD for "Supporting lifesaving interventions in host communities and refugee camps for IDPs and refugees affected by conflict in Nigeria and Central African Republic (CAR)"
  
- WFP: 3 million USD for "Life-Saving Support to Households in Northern Cameroon Affected by Boko Haram Conflict"
  
- UN Women: 1 million USD for "Mainstreaming Gender into Humanitarian Response and Protection of Women and Girls Affected by Boko Haram Terrorism in the Far North"

According to the Ambassador of Japan, H.E Kunio OKAMURA, "This contribution expresses the solidarity of the Japanese people towards the Cameroonian people." The Republic of Cameroon is a country that contributes to regional stability by hosting many refugees from CAR and Nigeria and has seen many internally displaced persons moving to safer villages and fleeing the extreme violence of Boko Haram. For this reason, Japan has decided to express its solidarity to the Government of the Republic of Cameroon and his people regarding the difficulties they face in managing the internally displaced and refugees' crisis.

According to the Humanitarian Coordinator, Najat Rochdi « Japan and its people have always supported the United Nations and its partners in providing humanitarian assistance, supporting early recovery programs for the most vulnerable people. Japan has expressed it again in Cameroon and on behalf of United Nations system in Cameroon, I would like to express our gratitude for for their support. »

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