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JAPAN DONATES USD. 3.5 MILLION TO SOMALIA FOR FOOD

On December 4, the Government of Japan extended grant aid to Somalia of approximately 3.5 million dollars (280 million Yen) for food assistance through the World Food Programme (WFP). This assistance is in the form of 2,300 MT of corn soya blend (CSB). This will benefit 320,000 people for approximately 4.3 months and will be provided in exchange for labour which can contribute to community's resilience against drought through creation of assets, such as water catchment, and vocational trainings, such as literacy trainings, especially for the urban poor.

Since 2008, the Government of Japan, through WFP has extended food aid to Somalia amounting to 32 million dollars. 2.3 million people are still facing a serious food crisis after the famine last year.

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