

## Closing Ceremony of the Third Country Training Program for Afghanistan on “Tuberculosis Control”

The Closing Ceremony of the Third Country Training Program for Afghanistan on “Tuberculosis Control” was held at Masih Daneshvari Hospital in Tehran on September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

This Third Country Training Program is a joint Iran and Japan training program conducted in Iran for third country’s trainees (e.g. Afghanistan). 17 Afghan trainees, who were invited to Iran, participated in this about two-week training program.

It is more effective to carry out such courses in Iran rather than in Japan or any other countries, since Iran and Afghanistan enjoy almost similar language and culture.

Mr. Akira NOROTA, Second Secretary of the Embassy of Japan, and Mr. Isao KOTANI, Project Formulation Adviser of JICA Iran Office, took part in the closing ceremony and delivered speeches together with Dr. Jamaati, Deputy Head of National Research Institute for Tuberculosis and Lung Disease, Dr. Bakhshayesh Karam, Head of Radiology Ward of Masih Daneshvari Hospital, Dr. Rahmani, Program Coordinator of JICA Afghanistan Office.

After closing ceremony, Afghan trainees expressed their appreciation to the Japanese assistance and their willingness to transfer the knowledge they learned from this training program to their own country.



Mr. NOROTA, delivering speech



All trainees and participants