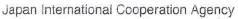


9th June, 2022.

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Colombo 1.

Attention: Additional Director General, TA & Multilateral Division

Dear Sir,



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# Request Nomination for JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Program (Online) Strengthening of Community Health System for Infectious Diseases Control (A) Course No.202107774J001

This is to inform you that Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) will consider completed applications of qualified participants nominated by the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for the above training course to be conducted online in Sri Lanka.

Please note that as a preventive measure against global spread of COVID 19 pandemic program will be conducted using Internet facilities through distance learning modality to selected participants only. Accordingly, nominations should be made in accordance with the General Information (GI) regulations attached herewith, in consideration of below information.

- JICA recommends below "Target Agencies" in line with GI content to facilitate your nomination process. Please refer GI for details on eligibility of applicants.
  - ✓ Ministry of Health
    - International Health Division
    - All Provincial Departments of Health
- Nominating agencies are requested to apply New JICA KCCP online application forms (to be downloaded from ERD website).
- Applicants should be able to fully attend online sessions from 3<sup>rd</sup> October to 11<sup>th</sup> November 2022 and Course Period in Japan from 23<sup>rd</sup> January to 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023. The venue to attend the online training should be determined by the internet environment of the participant (e.g. home or office) and in between selected participant and his/her nominating Agency.

(note: For accepted participants who may not have accessibility to sound internet environment, JICA Sri Lanka office will arrange to lend WiFi broadband on his/her request.)

Nominating agencies will be expected to grant essential leave to accepted participant for successful course participation. In consideration of above procedures, <u>you are kindly requested to arrange to submit duly completed</u> application documents as below to reach JICA Sri Lanka office on or before 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2022, besides requesting line agencies to share advance copies of application documents by 25<sup>th</sup> of July 2021 via email.

- Duly filled prescribed Application Form
- Copy of the Nominee's English Score Sheet, if available (e.g. TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS)
- Copy of the passport or other official ID if do not possess a passport (P.S. – should include Name, Date of Birth, Nationality & Sex)
  - Result of Chest X-ray: Before travelling to Japan, participants are required to be submitted the results of a chest X-ray taken within the past year.
  - Report and Questionnaire: to be made the given format by the applicant him/herself and submitted together with the application form. Please refer to Vi. ANNEX in this document for the detail.

Yours sincerely,

TAKASHIMA Kiyofu Senior Representative

JICA Sri Lanka office

C.c. Secretary, Ministry of Health
International Health Division
All Provincial Departments of Health
Ms. Chiharu Hoshiai, First Secretary, Embassy of Japan



# Knowledge Co-Creation Program (Group & Region Focus)

General information on

Strengthening of Community Health System for Infectious Diseases Control (A) 課題別研修「地域保健システム強化による感染症対策 (A) 」

JFY 2022

Course No. 202107774J001

Online Program Period: From October 3 to November 11, 2022 Course Period in Japan: From January 23 to February 3, 2023

This information pertains to one of the JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Programs (Group & Region Focus) of the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) implemented as part of the Official Development Assistance of the Government of Japan based on bilateral agreement between both Governments.

#### JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Program (KCCP)

The Japanese Cabinet released the Development Cooperation Charter in February 2015, which stated, "In its development cooperation, Japan has maintained the spirit of jointly creating things that suit partner countries while respecting ownership, intentions and intrinsic characteristics of the country concerned based on a field-oriented approach through dialogue and collaboration. It has also maintained the approach of building reciprocal relationships with developing countries in which both sides learn from each other and grow and develop together." JICA believes that this 'Knowledge Co-Creation Program' will serve as a foundation of mutual learning process.

# I. Concept

#### Background

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were adopted by the United Nations in September 2015. Built on the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), which ended in 2015, the SDGs are specific targets to be reached by 2030. Three of the eight goals in MDGs, 'reduction of child mortality', 'improvement of maternal health,' and 'combating HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases' were not achieved despite global efforts. These goals were extended as part of the SDGs. In all, the SGDs include thirteen health associated targets. Goal 3 is to "Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages." To achieve the targets, global efforts are required in both developing countries and developed countries.

Many developing countries still face difficulties providing infectious diseases control services in all regions. There are many reasons for this, including lack of human resources, budget, equipment, and facilities. Regional disparity in infrastructure, patient transportation, and inadequate health administration are particular problems that need to be addressed. Improving health systems in developing countries is essential to achieving global health goals. Using case studies from Okinawa and Japan, this program is designed to assist those responsible for nursing management to propose improvement plans that will impact infectious diseases control.

Okinawa Prefecture, which is the southernmost regional government in Japan, is made up of around 160 islands, many quite remote. This regional government has long focused on addressing infectious diseases issues. Much of this emphasis stems from post-World War II reconstruction when Okinawans suffered in extremely poor health conditions with inadequate medical staff and facilities. By implementing initiatives to improve its health systems, Okinawa succeeded in achieving Universal Health Coverage.

This program aims to leverage the success of the experience in Okinawa Prefecture and provide the knowledge, skill, and structure for participants to solve infectious diseases control issues through public health activities in their home countries.

In Japanese fiscal year 2022, this program is conducted as a hybrid program consisting of "online phase" using on-demand video materials and live sessions, and "face-to-face phase" in Okinawa, Japan.

#### For what?

This program, based on the success in Okinawa Prefecture, aims to provide participants with knowledge, skills, and keys to solve the issues on infectious diseases control in developing countries.

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#### For whom?

This program is designed for those who in a nursing position or its supervising position to be responsible for planning, implementation, evaluation and management of infectious diseases control in public health sections of central or local governments which address to improve public health.

#### How?

Participants shall have opportunities:

- 1) to analyze the obstacles on infectious diseases control in their countries in comparison with those of Okinawa and Japan, and
- 2) to obtain the clues to improve their current situation through learning the experience of measures taken in Okinawa Prefecture, which is one of the local government located southernmost in Japan, on its health administration especially just after the WW II.

# II. Description

Title (Course No.)
 Strengthening of Community Health System for Infectious Diseases Control (A) (202107774J001)

#### 2. Course Duration

Online program: October 3 to November 11, 2022 Program in Japan: January 23 to February 3, 2023

(In the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, please note that there is still a possibility the course will be changed.)

#### 3. Target Regions or Countries

India, Indonesia, Micronesia, Mongolia, Nepal, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Sri Lanka, and Viet Nam

#### 4. Eligible / Target Organization

This program is designed for planning, implementing and managing department/section of central or local governments in infectious diseases control.

#### 5. Capacity (Upper Limit of Participants)

10 participants

#### 6. Language

English

## 7. Objective(s)

New action for infectious diseases control will be introduced by health officials of central or local governments with utilization of acquired knowledge through this program.

#### 8. Overall Goal

Appropriate care for infectious diseases and prevention service will be provided to citizens by efficient functioning of health administration of both national and local levels in respective countries.

#### 9. Output and Contents

This course consists of the following components. Details on each component are given below. The contents may be subject to modify.

1. Preliminary Phase
Participating organizations make required preparation for the Program in the respective country.

Expected Output	Activities		
Job Report	<ul> <li>(1) Analysis on the current issues on infectious diseases control in working organization or in applicant's work responsibility</li> <li>(2) Be sure to use the attached format when making Job Report</li> <li>(3) Be sure to have the personnel in higher rank check before submission</li> </ul>		

#### 2. Core Phase

Participants attend online program (through On-demand video sessions and Online live discussion) and Face-to-Face program in Japan.

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Expected Module Output	Subjects/Agendas	Methodology
1. To sort and report the issues to be addressed on infectious diseases control in participant's country in order to share them with the program partners	Sorting the issues on infectious diseases control in participant's county     Making short and concise presentation	Online live discussion
2. To understand the public health administration in Japan and Okinawa (from post-World War II to present), medical care system, cooperation between medically related organizations, based on the measures of infectious diseases control	<ol> <li>Overview of public health administration in Japan</li> <li>Overview of public health, medical and welfare administration in Okinawa</li> <li>Overview of public health and medical care activities in remote islands of Okinawa and mainland Japan</li> <li>Infectious diseases control care services in medical facilities</li> </ol>	On-demand or face-to-face sessions for lectures, field visit, and and exercise

	3. To acquire the specific idea about the application possibility of infectious diseases control measures through learning the history of public health activities in Japan and Okinawa, practice (methods and techniques), health system, human resources development	<ol> <li>Overview of public health nurse personnel stationing system in communities</li> <li>Overview of nursing administrations and human resources development in Okinawa</li> <li>Theory and practice of public health nursing activities</li> <li>Japanese experiences and global trends in controlling Malaria, TB and HIV/AIDS</li> <li>Public health activities in the days "with COVID-19"</li> </ol>	On-demand or face-to-face sessions for lectures, field visit, and and exercise
4	To make feasible action plan to improve infectious diseases control in home country (The program in Japan will focuses on Output 4.)	<ul><li>(1) Review the contents of the program</li><li>(2) Making and presentation of "Action Plan"</li></ul>	-On-demand or face-to-face sessions for lectures, field visit, and and exercise -Presentation on face-to-face session

## 3. Utilizing Phase

Participating organizations produce final outputs by making use of results brought back by participants. This phase marks the end of the Program.

Expected Output	Activities	
To share the learning from the online program in Japan with colleagues at work	Presenting the outline of this program in a report meeting such as a workshop for the beneficiaries including co-workers, and discussion how the learning from the program can be applied to the home country	

 $<sup>\</sup>mbox{\%}$  The detailed program schedule is provided with the acceptance notice to the program.

<sup>\*\*</sup>The participants will join "Program in Japan" after completing the online program. Upon arrival in Japan, participants will be quarantined for a certain period of time before starting the program in Okinawa, Japan.

# III. Eligibility and Procedures

#### 1. Expectations to the Applying Organizations

- (1) This course is designed primarily for organizations that intend to address specific issues or problems identified in their operation. Applying organizations are expected to use the program for those specific purposes.
- (2) This course is enriched with contents and facilitation schemes specially developed in collaboration with relevant outstanding organizations in Japan. These special features enable the course to meet specific requirements of applying organizations and effectively facilitate them toward solutions for the issues and problems.
- (3) As this program is designed to facilitate participants to come up with the plan to bring a change in their organization. Participating organizations are expected to make due preparation with the participants by carrying out the activities of the Preliminary Phase described in section II-9
- (4) Participating organizations are also expected to make the best use of the results achieved by their participants by carrying out the activities of the Utilizing Phase described in section II-9.
- (5) Participating organizations are requested to allow the participants to participate in this online program for two to three hours a day and attend online live sessions (4-5 times) during the program period without disturbing by daily work.

#### 2. Nominee Qualifications

Applying organizations are expected to select nominees who meet the following qualifications.

#### (1) Essential Qualifications

- Current Duties: be in a nursing position or its supervisor in charge of planning, implementing, evaluating and managing of infectious diseases control in public health at the central or local governments which address to improve public health
- 2) Experience in the Relevant Field: have at least 7 years' working experience in the field of public health
- 3) Educational Background: be a graduate of university or equivalent and licensed in clinical nursing and/or public health professional
- Language Proficiency: have a competent command of spoken and written English to make an oral presentation and write a report
- 5) Availability: be able to participate in both "online" and "in-Japan" programs
- 6) PC with the Internet access and web camera: Possess a PC with the Internet access to YouTube (streaming), Google Classroom (or other learning management system such as Cornerstone), and Zoom. Also with a web camera for the online live sessions. Connection from a smartphone or tablet is inappropriate for this program.

- 7) Time management: Have permission to participate in this online program for two to three hours a day, including several live sessions
- 8) Health: must be in good health to participate in the program. Regarding the program in Japan, to reduce the risk of worsening symptoms associated with respiratory tract infection, please be honest to declare in the Medical History (QUESTIONNAIRE ON MEDICAL STATUS RESTRICTION of the application form) if you have been a patient of following illnesses; Hypertension / Diabetes / Cardiovascular illness / Heart failure / Chronic respiratory illness.

#### (2) Recommended Qualifications

- Expectations for the Participants: Those who have relation with JICA health projects will be preferable.
- Age: between the ages of thirty-five (35) and forty-nine (49) years when the online program starts
- 3) Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment: Women are encouraged to apply for the program. JICA makes a commitment to promote gender equality and women's empowerment, providing equal opportunity for all applicants regardless of sexual orientation and gender identity.
- Other balance: In case there are two or more nominees, please nominate both regional and national level.

#### 3. Required Documents for Application

- (1) Application Form: The Form must include the Written Pledge. The Application Form is available at the JICA overseas office (or the Embassy of Japan)
  \* If you have any difficulties/disabilities which require assistance, please specify necessary assistances in the QUESTIONNAIRE ON MEDICAL STATUS RESTRICTION (1-(c)) of the application form. Information will be reviewed and used for reasonable accommodation.
- (2) Photocopy of Passport: You should submit it with the application form if you possess your passport which you will carry when entering Japan for this program. If not, please submit the photocopy of your official ID, and you need to submit the photocopy of your passport as soon as you obtain it.

  ※The photocopy of your official ID should show the clear description of Name, Date of Birth, Nationality, and Sex.
- (3) English Score Sheet: to be submitted with the application form, if the nominees have any official English examination scores. (e.g., TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS)
- (4) Result of Chest X-ray: Before travelling to Japan, participants are required to be submitted the results of a chest X-ray taken within the past year.
- (5) Report and Questionnaire: to be made with the given format by the applicant him/herself and submitted together with the application form. Please refer to VI. ANNEX in this document for the detail.

# \*Remarks: The Application Form and Report and Questionnaire (ANNEX) must be computer-printed, NOT handwritten.

There are some cases which applicants are rejected since the application form is not readable.

#### 4. Procedures for Application and Selection

#### (1) Submission of the Application Documents

Closing date for applications: Please confirm the local deadline with the JICA overseas office (or the Embassy of Japan).

(All required material must arrive at JICA Center in Japan by August 3, 2022)

#### (2) Selection

Primary screening is conducted at the JICA overseas office (or the embassy of Japan) after receiving official documents from your government. JICA Center will consult with concerned organizations in Japan in the process of final selection. Applying organizations with the best intentions to utilize the opportunity will be highly valued.

The Government of Japan will examine applicants who belong to the military or other military-related organizations and/or who are enlisted in the military, taking into consideration of their duties, positions in the organization and other relevant information in a comprehensive manner to be consistent with the Development Cooperation Charter of Japan.

#### (3) Notice of Acceptance

The JICA overseas office (or the Embassy of Japan) will notify the results **not** later than September 2, 2022.

#### 5. Conditions for Participation

The participants of KCCP are required

- (1) to strictly observe the course schedule,
- (2) not to change the air ticket (and flight class and flight schedule arranged by JICA) and lodging by the participants themselves,
- (3) to understand that leaving Japan during the course period (to return to home country, etc.) is not allowed (except for programs longer than one year),
- (4) not to bring or invite any family members (except for programs longer than one year).
- (5) to carry out such instructions and abide by such conditions as may be stipulated by both the nominating Government and the Japanese Government in respect of the course,
- (6) to observe the rules and regulations of the program implementing partners to

- provide the program or establishments,
- (7) not to engage in political activities, or any form of employment for profit,
- (8) to discontinue the program, should the participants violate the Japanese laws or JICA's regulations, or the participants commit illegal or immoral conduct, or get critical illness or serious injury and be considered unable to continue the course. The participants shall be responsible for paying any cost for treatment of the said health conditions except for the medical care stipulated in (3) of "5. Expenses", "IV. Administrative Arrangements",
- (9) to return the total amount or a part of the expenditure for the KCCP depending on the severity of such violation, should the participants violate the laws and ordinances,
- (10) not to drive a car or motorbike, regardless of an international driving license possessed,
- (11) to observe the rules and regulations at the place of the participants' accommodation, and
- (12) to refund allowances or other benefits paid by JICA in the case of a change in schedule.

# IV. Administrative Arrangements

- 1. Organizer (JICA Center in Japan)
  - (1) Center: JICA Okinawa Center (JICA Okinawa)
  - (2) Program Officer: Ms. NAKAMA Naoko (E-mail: oicttp@jica.go.jp)

#### 2. Implementing Partner

- (1) Name: TA Networking Corp.
- (2) URL: http://www.ta-n.com/eng/index.html
- (3) Remark: The technical advice will be provided by University of the Ryukyus.

#### 3. Travel to Japan

- (1) Air Ticket: In principle, JICA will arrange an economy-class round-trip ticket between an international airport designated by JICA and Japan.
- (2) Travel Insurance: Coverage is from time of arrival up to departure in Japan. Thus traveling time outside Japan (include damaged baggage during the arrival flight to Japan) will not be covered.

#### 4. Accommodation in Japan

Basically, JICA will arrange the following accommodation(s) for the participants in Japan:

#### **JICA Okinawa Center**

Address: 1143-1 Aza-Maeda, Urasoe-Shi, Okinawa 901-2552, Japan

TEL: +81-98-876-6000 FAX: +81-98-876-6014

(Where "81" is the country code for Japan, and "98" is the area code)

If there is no vacancy at JICA Okinawa, JICA will arrange alternative accommodation(s) for the participants.

#### 5. Expenses

The following expenses in Japan will be provided by JICA

- (1) Allowances for meals, living expenses, outfits, and shipping and stopover.
- (2) Expenses for study tours (basically in the form of train tickets).
- (3) Medical care for participants who become ill after arriving in Japan (the costs related to pre-existing illness, pregnancy, or dental treatment are <u>not</u> included).
- (4) Expenses for program implementation, including materials.
- (5) For more details, please see "III. ALLOWANCES" of the brochure for participants titled "KENSHU-IN GUIDE BOOK," which will be given before departure for Japan.

\*Link to JICA HP (English/French/Spanish/Russian):

https://www.jica.go.jp/english/our work/types of assistance/tech/acceptance/training/index.html

#### 6. Pre-departure Orientation

A pre-departure orientation will be held at respective country's JICA office (or the Japanese Embassy), to provide Participants with details on travel to Japan, conditions of the course, and other matters.

\*YouTube of "Knowledge Co-Creation Program and Life in Japan" and "Introduction of JICA Center" are viewable from the link below.

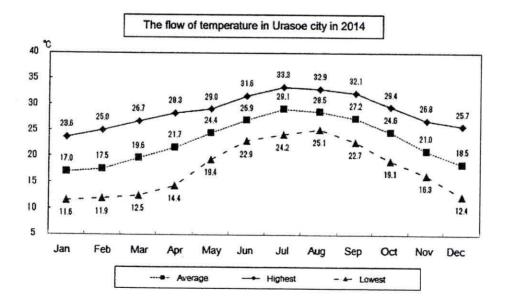
Knowledge Co-Creation Program and Life in Japan <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SLurfKugrEw">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SLurfKugrEw</a>
Introduction of JICA Okinawa Center <a href="https://www.jica.go.jp/okinawa/english/office/index.html">https://www.jica.go.jp/okinawa/english/office/index.html</a>

# V. Other Information

#### 1. Climate of Okinawa

Okinawa is located at sub-tropical zone (southern edge of Japan) but climate varies depending upon seasons. While it is hot and heavily humid in the summer season (June to October), it becomes a bit chilly in the winter season (December to March) due to strong northerly wind. Participants are recommended to bring <u>suitable clothing</u> (details are mentioned in 4 below.)

The following graph is the flow of temperature in Urasoe city where JICA Okinawa Center is located (Data source: homepage of Urasoe City).



#### 2. Main facilities in JICA Okinawa

JICA Okinawa is equipped with a variety of facilities for program and welfare activities such as seminar rooms, library, study room with computers, accommodation rooms

(details are mentioned in below 3.), dining hall, clinic for medical consultation, gym, tennis court, a swimming pool (available from May to October), Japanese-style room for tea ceremony and recreation rooms.

At the dining hall, aka OIC Shokudo, "HALAL" meals for the Muslim and vegetarian meals are available.

The Internet connection available (either by cable or Wi-Fi) at accommodation rooms and other buildings.

#### 3. Accommodation in JICA Okinawa

JICA Okinawa accommodation building has 96 single rooms. Every room is furnished with bed, desk, chair, bookshelf and closet. Also, there are TV (with satellite channel), DVD player, safety box, telephone, LAN cable jack, etc. in each room.

The accommodation building has tea lounge, smoking room and laundry room on each floor. And also washing machines and irons are available for free. Towels and toiletries are provided upon check-in.

Please note that cooking in the accommodation is strictly prohibited.

#### 4. What to bring

#### (1) Clothing

It is recommended to bring appropriate clothing according to the season during Participants stay in Okinawa(\*refer 1. Climate of Okinawa). If your program includes plant visit or outdoor activities, suitable uniform/clothing will be provided by JICA or at visiting site upon arrival. Also, JICA Okinawa accommodation front desk has jackets and coats for rental in case of study tour to mainland Japan during winter time.

#### (2) National Costume

There are a few occasions like opening and closing ceremonies when the participants are kindly requested to wear formal clothing. Nevertheless, casual clothing is acceptable even during the hours of most of the program.

It is strongly recommended to bring your national or traditional costumes for opening & closing ceremony and for other activities that participants may have opportunities to join.

#### (3) Photos and Movies

During your stay in Okinawa, JICA Okinawa and/or the local media (TV, newspapers, etc.) may interview you. Please bring photos and videos of your country, your daily life, your office, etc. Please note that photos and videos must be copyright cleared or taken by yourself.

#### (4) Recommended items to bring

A) A travel bag separate from your suitcase for short trip is recommended as an item to bring because the program includes 3-5 days short trips to remote areas in Okinawa and mainland Japan.

B) Any handicrafts and folk crafts items which could be used to exhibit your culture are welcomed. JICA Okinawa has display corner to introduce world culture to the local visitors.

#### 5. Environmental conservation activities in JICA Okinawa

JICA emphasizes on the environmental conservation activities such as energy saving, rubbish separation and recycling etc. Participants are kindly requested to cooperate to these activities during their stay at JICA Okinawa. Details will be given on arrival to JICA Okinawa.

#### 6. For your Information

Information of Okinawa is available at following URLs.

- (1) Homepage of Urasoe city (where JICA Okinawa is located): http://www.city.urasoe.lg.jp/index\_english.html Basic information of Urasoe city is covered in English.
- (2) HP of Okinawa Prefecture: <a href="https://www.pref.okinawa.jp/site/chijiko/kohokoryu/foreign/english/index.html">https://www.pref.okinawa.jp/site/chijiko/kohokoryu/foreign/english/index.html</a>
  Basic information of Okinawa prefecture is covered (Urasoe city is one of the municipalities of Okinawa prefecture) in English.
- (3) HP of Okinawa Convention & Visitors Bureau: https://www.visitokinawa.jp/
- (4) The YouTube channel of JICA Okinawa: https://www.youtube.com/user/jicaokinawa
- (5) The Facebook page of JICA Okinawa: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/jicaokinawaoic/">https://www.facebook.com/jicaokinawaoic/</a>

#### For Your Reference

#### JICA and Capacity Development

Technical cooperation is people-to-people cooperation that supports partner countries in enhancing their comprehensive capacities to address development challenges by their own efforts. Instead of applying Japanese technology per se to partner countries, JICA's technical cooperation provides solutions that best fit their needs by working with people living there. In the process, consideration is given to factors such as their regional characteristics, historical background, and languages. JICA does not limit its technical cooperation to human resources development; it offers multi-tiered assistance that also involves organizational strengthening, policy formulation, and institution building.

Implementation methods of JICA's technical cooperation can be divided into two approaches. One is overseas cooperation by dispatching experts and volunteers in various development sectors to partner countries; the other is domestic cooperation by inviting participants from developing countries to Japan. The latter method is the Knowledge Co-Creation Program, formerly called Training Program, and it is one of the core programs carried out in Japan. By inviting officials from partner countries and with cooperation from domestic partners, the Knowledge Co-Creation Program provides technical knowledge and practical solutions for development issues in participating countries.

The Knowledge Co-Creation Program (Group & Region Focus) has long occupied an important place in JICA operations. About 400 pre-organized course cover a wide range of professional fields, ranging from education, health, infrastructure, energy, trade and finance, to agriculture, rural development, gender mainstreaming, and environmental protection. A variety of programs is being customized by the different target organizations to address the specific needs, such as policy-making organizations, service provision organizations, as well as research and academic institutions. Some programs are organized to target a certain group of countries with similar developmental challenges.

#### Japanese Development Experience

Japan, as the first non-Western nation to become a developed country, built itself into a country that is free, peaceful, prosperous and democratic while preserving its tradition. Japan will serve as one of the best examples for our partner countries to follow in their own development.

From engineering technology to production management methods, most of the know-how that has enabled Japan to become what it is today has emanated, of course, has been accompanied by countless failures and errors behind the success stories.

Through Japan's progressive adaptation and application of systems, methods and technologies from the West in a way that is suited to its own circumstances, Japan has

developed a storehouse of knowledge not found elsewhere from unique systems of organization, administration and personnel management to such social systems as the livelihood improvement approach and governmental organization. It is not easy to apply such experiences to other countries where the circumstances differ, but the experiences can provide ideas and clues useful when devising measures to solve problems.

JICA, therefore, would like to invite as many leaders of partner countries as possible to come and visit us, to mingle with the Japanese people, and witness the advantages as well as the disadvantages of Japanese systems, so that integration of their findings might help them reach their developmental objectives.



#### Contact Information for Inquiries

For inquiries and further information, please contact the JICA overseas office or the Embassy of Japan. Further, address correspondence to:

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