

Assistance by the United Nations Trust Fund for Human Security to the project  
“Enhancing Human Security in the Chernobyl Affected Area of Belarus”

3. The Government of Japan and the United Nations (UN) decided to extend assistance totalling 1,506,230.83 US dollars (approximately 174.72 million yen), through the Trust Fund for Human Security to a project entitled “Enhancing Human Security in the Chernobyl Affected Area of Belarus” that will be implemented by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) and United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) in the Republic of Belarus.

4. After the nuclear accident in Chernobyl in 1986, residents in the affected area in Belarus suffer from poor health and poverty. This project aims to address these challenges by activities, including empowering smallholders on food production and providing medical services. Under this project the following activities will be implemented:

- Improving the income of smallholders by technical assistance on production of radiation-free produce, improvement of productivity and access to market;
- Raising awareness of and promoting information to women, including pregnant, and their families on healthy lifestyles through organizing meeting and other activities;
- Preventing and early diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer through activities, including performing mammograms and training local health workers;
- Improving radiation safety knowledge and skills among children and young people through activities, including establishment of school centres for radiological advice and training, implementing workshop and training program for teachers; and
- Reducing consumption of radioactively contaminated food through activities, including radiological testing and information and awareness raising activities aimed at local communities.

4. This project is expected to improve the living conditions of the residents in the areas suffered from Chernobyl in Belarus and to contribute to comprehensively realise Human Security.

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