

# Japan's Assistance to Iraq (Fact Sheet)

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The Government of Japan

## 1. Overview

- (1) At the International Donors' Conference on the Reconstruction of Iraq held in Madrid on 24 October 2003, Japan announced its financial assistance package totaling up to \$5 billion. The package comprises \$1.5 billion of grant aid for immediate assistance for recovery of living standard of Iraqi people including power generation, education, water and sanitation, health and employment, as well as improvement of security and up to \$3.5 billion, mainly in the form of Japanese ODA loans, in order to meet medium-term reconstruction demands. In addition, Japan has agreed to cancel 80% of its official debt in November 2005.
- (2) \$1.7 billion of grant aid has been extended and has already been disbursed. Regarding Japanese ODA loans, the Exchange of Notes (E/N) for 12 Japanese ODA loan projects (up to \$2.43 billion) have been signed in the fields of energy, transportation, industrial plant, irrigation and so on. Moreover, based on the agreement of the Paris Club, the Government of Japan and the Government of Iraq signed the agreement upon the debt relief on November 24, 2005 in Tokyo. The debts have been cancelled by 80 % in total in three stages, which amounts to a reduction of approximately \$6.7 billion.
- (3) In February 2007, Japan decided to extend new emergency grant aid totaling approximately \$100 million to assist the new government of Iraq, which has been making efforts in nation-building including the formulation of the International Compact with Iraq under the difficult conditions of intensified religious and ethnic conflicts. In November 2007, Japan decided to extend new emergency grant aid totaling approximately \$5.18 million. In February 2008, Japan decided to extend, through UNDP, a grant aid for conflict prevention and peace building of about 16.35 million US dollar to the Project for Establishment of a Maternity and Children's Hospital in Fallujah.

## 2. Grant aid and technical cooperation (approximately \$1.7 billion)

- (1) Direct assistance for Iraq (approximately \$ 934 million including technical cooperation for 3,287 personnel in total)
- (2) Assistance through International Organizations (approximately \$ 233 million)
- (3) Assistance through the International Reconstruction Fund Facility for Iraq (\$ 490 million: \$ 360 million for UNDG ITF, \$ 130 million for World Bank ITF.
- (4) Assistance through International Finance Corporation (IFC) (\$ 10 million)
- (5) Assistance through Japanese NGOs (approximately \$ 30 million)

## 3. Japanese ODA loan (up to \$3.5 billion)

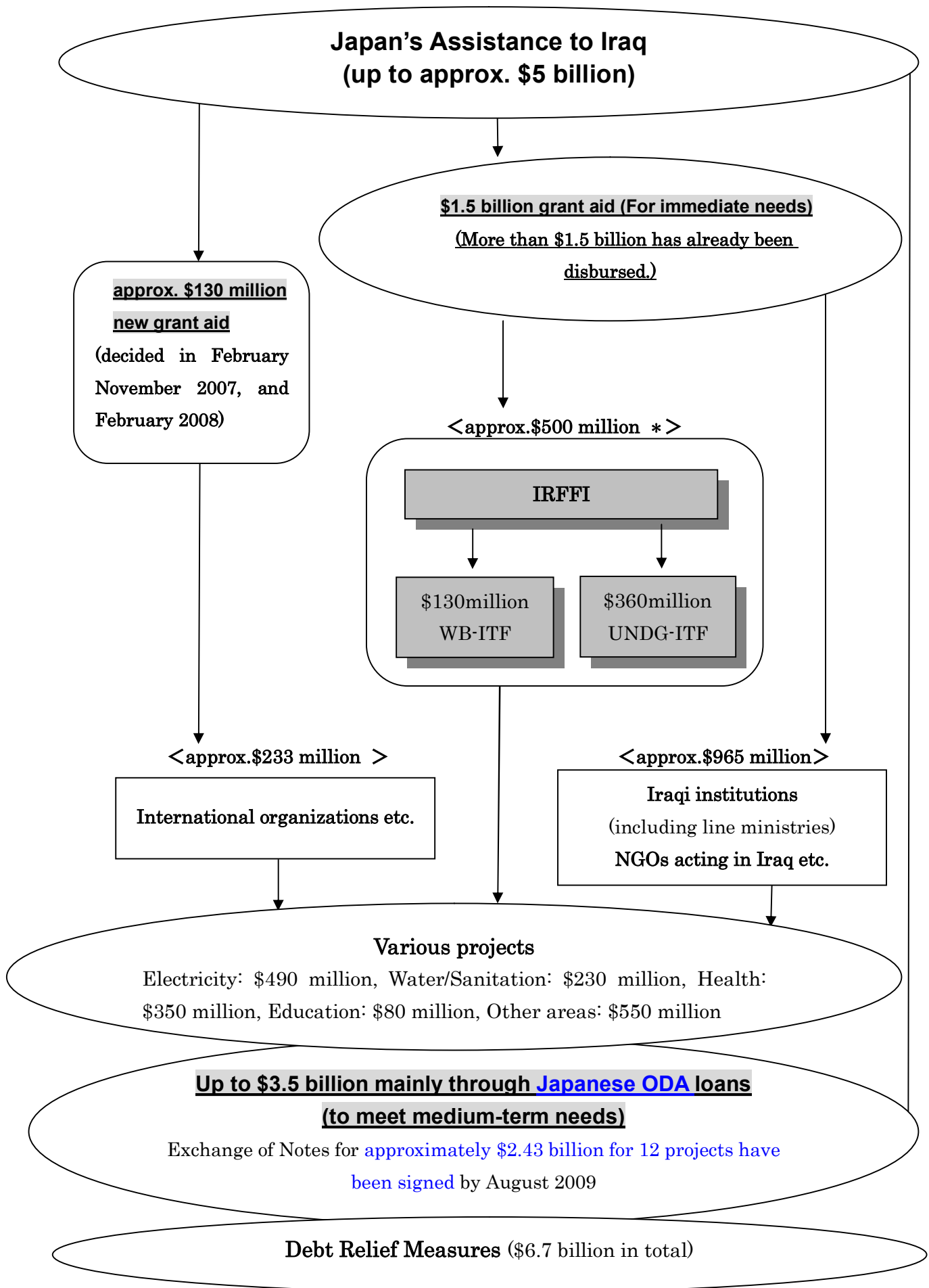
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- Khor Al-Zubair Fertilizer Plant Rehabilitation Project (approx.\$160 million)
- Crude Oil Export Facility Reconstruction Project (approx.\$430 million)
- Electricity Sector Reconstruction Project (approx.\$280 million)

- Basrah Water Supply Improvement Project (approx. \$370 million)
- Electricity Sector Reconstruction Project in Kurdistan Region (approx. \$130 million)
- Water Supply Improvement Project in Kurdistan Region (approx. \$300 million)
- Engineering Services for Baghdad Sewage Facilities Improvement Project (approx. \$20 million)

#### **4. Debt Relief Measures for the Republic of Iraq**

- In November 2005, the Government of Japan signed the agreement upon the debt relief. The debts have been cancelled by 80% of approx. 889,000 million yen in total in three stages; \$2.42 billion in November 2005, \$2.4 billion in December 2005, and \$1.9 billion in December 2008. This amounts to a reduction of approximately \$6.7 billion.



\* including \$10 million disbursed into IFC small business finance facility

※IRFFI : International Reconstruction Fund Facility for Iraq

# **Project list of Japan's grant aid and ODA loan**

## **1. Direct Assistance (\$934 million)**

### **(1) Emergency grant aid and grant aid for conflict prevention and peace-building**

#### **(a) Electricity**

- Provision of 23 mobile substations throughout Iraq (\$ 70 million)
- Rehabilitation of Taji Gas Turbine Power Station (Unit No. 2,3 & 5) (\$ 66 million)
- Rehabilitation of Mosul Gas Turbine Power Station (Unit No. 1 & 3) (\$42 million)
- Rehabilitation of Mosul Hydroelectric Power Station (\$ 52 million)
- Construction of a diesel power station (60 MW) in Al-Samawah (\$ 118 million)

#### **(b) Health / Medical care**

- Rehabilitation of and provision of equipment to 4 general hospitals in the South (Nasiriyah, Najaf, Diwaniyah, and Samawah) (\$51million)
- Rehabilitation of and provision of equipment to 4 general hospitals in the North (Kirkuk, Arbil, Mosul, Dahuk) (\$68 million)
- Rehabilitation of and provision of equipment to 3 general hospitals in the Central Region (Baghdad, Amarah and Kut) (\$46 million)
- Provision of 700 ambulances nationwide (\$53 million)
- Provision of medical equipment to 32 primary health centers in Al-Muthanna Governorate (\$8 million)

#### **(c) Water / Sanitation**

- Provision of compact units to the city of Baghdad (\$55 million)
- Provision of special vehicles for garbage disposal and sewage cleaning throughout Iraq (\$57 million)
- Provision of equipment for solid waste management such as garbage collection vehicles and containers to the city of Samawah (\$6 million)

#### **(d) Employment / Infrastructure**

- Improvement of trunk communications network (\$65 million)
- Improvement of transit switches for telecommunication (\$33 million)

#### **(e) Security (approximately \$ 100 million)**

- Provision of police vehicles (\$25 million)
- Provision of 20 armored vehicles to Baghdad and Al-Muthanna Governorate (\$5 million)
- Provision of 150 police buses and 500 police motorcycles (\$24 million)
- Provision of fire-trucks to Baghdad, Al-Basra and Al-Muthanna Governorate (\$20 million)
- Program for the police training in Al-Muthanna Governorate (\$4 million)

### **(2) Assistance at the grass-roots level**

#### **(a) Baghdad**

##### **(Education)**

- Maintenance of 8 elementary schools and 1 technical school in Baghdad

- Improving Hibatoallah Institute for Down syndrome in Baghdad

**(Education)**

- Improvement of Specialized Institute for Engineering Industries of the Ministry of Industry and Mineral Resources
- The project for improvement of Amal Coeducation Elementary School in Al-Karradah Area in Bagdad

**(Others)**

- Provision of office machinery to autonomies in Baghdad
- Provision of furniture and playground equipment to a disabled children centre in Baghdad
- Equipment supply for Rashid District in Baghdad
- Supply of transportation cost for used football equipment to the Iraqi Football Association
- Supply of the Japanese TV programs “OSHIN”, “PROJECT X” and “PUPPET THEATER”
- Provision of Judo equipment to the Iraqi Judo Federation
- Supply of transportation cost for used judo equipment to Iraqi Judo Federation
- Supply of 2 trucks for reinforcement of the transportation of the Iraqi Red Crescent Society

**(b) Al-Muthanna Governorate including Al-Samawah**

**(Electricity)**

- Provision of 9 small generators (6 MW at total) to Al-Samawah
- Procurement of three electricity generators (1MW) and three electricity transformers to Al-Samawah (as part of Samawah Promenade Development Plan)

**(Health / Medical care)**

- Provision of 32 ambulances in Al-Muthanna Governorate
- Provision of emergency medical supplies and equipment to Samawah General Hospital
- Provision of medical equipment to the Al-Rumaytha and Al-Khidhur Hospitals
- Improvement of the Chest Diseases and Anti-Tuberculosis Center in Samawah
- Improvement of the Allergy and Asthma Center in Samawah
- Improvement of the Special Center for Dental Care in Samawah
- Improvement of the Medical Instruments for Central Health Laboratory in Samawah

**(Water / Sanitation)**

- Establishment of 4 wells in Al-Busayyah, Al-Muthanna Governorate
- Provision of 38 water tankers, 6 water purification units and 311 water tanks to Al-Muthanna Governorate

**(Education)**

- Provision of 24,000 juvenile books for all primary schools in Al-Muthanna Governorate (through Japan Foundation)

**(Employment / Infrastructure)**

- Rehabilitation of roads in Al-Muthanna Governorate (Khider-Daraji, Mahdi-Sawa, Al Kwashi Road, Albu Khdeir Road, in the North and South of Al-Samawah, Ar-Rumaitha and Al-Majid, and Mutawag Al-Chibashi Road; about 90 km at total)

- Provision of equipment for repair and maintenance of roads and bridges in Al-Muthanna Governorate
- Provision of equipment for repair and maintenance of roads and Asphalt pavement in Samawah
- Samawah Promenade Project (7 projects, including procurement of three electricity generators (1MW) and three electricity transformers )

**(Security)**

- Provision of equipment for police check points in Al-Samawah
- Provision of equipment for six police stations in Al-Muthanna Governorate
- Provision of equipment for Al-Muthanna border police station

**(Others)**

- Provision of football equipment to Al-Muthanna Governorate
- Provision of broadcasting equipment to Al-Muthanna TV Station
- Rehabilitation of the Olympic Stadium in Al-Muthanna Governorate (2 projects)
- Supply of sports equipment to the Education Department of Al-Muthanna Governorate
- Provision of equipment to the Orphanage in Al-Samawah

**(c) Northern Iraq**

**(Health / Medical care)**

- Provision of 10 ambulances in Nineveh Governorate

**(d) Southern Iraq**

**(Others)**

- Rehabilitation of the productive families society in Kerbala

**(3) Technical cooperation (3287 personnel in total)**

**(a) Training in Japan**

**(Electricity) (91 personnel in total)**

- Training of technicians (FY2004, FY2005, FY2006, FY2007, and FY2008)

**(Health / Medical care) (144 personnel in total)**

- Invitation to Japan of the Health Administration (FY2004)
- Invitation to Japan of the Director-General of Health and Directors of the 4 hospitals in Al-Muthanna Governorate (FY2004)
- Training of medical staff of the southern region (FY2004)
- Training of nurses of Al-Muthanna Governorate ( FY2004)
- Training of doctors of Al-Muthanna Governorate (infectious disease control) ( FY2004)
- Training of medical staff in Japan (medical equipment maintenance) (FY2004, FY2005, FY2006, and FY2007)
- Training of medical staff (diagnostic imaging technique) (FY2005)
- Training of medical staff (management system of emergency medical service) (FY2006)
- Training of medical staff from Sulaimaniyah (FY2006, FY2007, and FY2008)

**(Water resource management / Environment) (86 personnel in total)**

- Training (water resources and environmental management in arid region) (FY2006, FY2007, and FY2008)

- Training (water management in irrigated farms) (2007, and 2008)
- Training of officials for environment protection of the Marshland (FY2005, FY2006, FY2007, and FY2008)

**(Water / Sanitation) (18 personnel in total)**

**(Agriculture) (32 personnel in total)**

**(Governance) (318 personnel in total)**

- Training of police officers (FY2004, FY2005, FY2007, and FY2008)
- Training of police officers of Al-Muthanna Governorate (FY2005)
- Training of officials of the Independent Electoral Commission of Iraq (FY2004 and FY2005)
- Seminar on National Reconciliation (FY2006, FY2007 and FY2008)
- Seminar on drafting of Iraqi Constitution (FY2005)
- Training of Iraqi diplomats (FY2004, FY2005, FY2006, FY2007, and FY2008)
- Training of representatives from Al Muthanna Governorate for local governance (FY2005)
- ODA seminar (FY2004, FY2005, FY2006, FY2007, and FY2008)
- Training of officials for civil society and community development (FY2005 and FY2006)

**(Infrastructure) (79 personnel in total)**

- Training of Al-Muthanna TV staff (FY2004)
- Training of personnel for television engineering (FY2005)
- Training of personnel for port development and planning (FY2007, and FY2008)

**(b) Training in the third countries**

**(Electricity) (527 personnel in total)**

- Egypt (FY2005, FY2006 and FY2007)
- Jordan (FY2004, FY2005, FY2006, FY2007, and FY2008)

**(Health / Medical care) (505 personnel in total)**

- Egypt (FY2004, FY2005, FY2006, and FY2007)
- Jordan (FY2005)

**(Water resource management) (45 personnel in total)**

- Jordan (FY2004 and FY2005)

**(Water / Sanitation) (512 personnel in total)**

- Jordan (FY2004, FY2005, FY2006, FY2007 and FY2008)
- Tunisia (FY2007 and FY2008)

**(Agriculture) (539 personnel in total)**

- Syria (FY2005, FY2006, FY2007, and FY2008)
- Egypt (FY2006, FY2007, and FY 2008)

- Jordan (FY2006, FY2007, and FY2008)

**(Governance) (141 personnel in total)**

- Jordan (FY2004 and FY2005)
- Malaysia (FY 2005)
- Singapore (FY2005 and FY2007)
- Jordan (FY2006, FY2007, and FY2008)

**(Infrastructure) (8 personnel in total)**

- Egypt (FY2005)
- Turkey (FY2006 and FY2007)

**(Culture and Education) (134 personnel in total)**

- Jordan (FY2004, FY2005, FY2006, FY2007, and FY2008)

**2. Assistance through International Organizations (\$233 million)**

**(1) October, 2003 -**

**(a) Electricity**

- Rehabilitation of the National Dispatch Centre (\$6 million, UNDP)
- Emergency Rehabilitation of the Hartha Power Station (\$8 million, UNDP)
- Electricity Reinforcement Program in Al-Muthanna Governorate (\$6 million, UNDP)

**(b) Health / Medical care**

- Emergency Rehabilitation of Al-Kadhimiya Teaching Hospital (\$4 million, UNDP)

**(c) Education**

- Reactivation of Primary Education in Iraq (“Back to Schools”) (\$10 million, UNICEF)
- School Rehabilitation Project (\$6 million, UN-HABITAT)

**(d) Employment / Infrastructure**

- Iraq Reconstruction and Employment Program (IREP) in Baghdad (\$6 million, UNDP)
- IREP II in North and South of Iraq (\$15 million, UNDP)
- IREP III in Al-Muthanna (\$8 million, UNDP)
- Umm Qasr Port Dredging Project (\$3 million, UNDP)
- Community Rehabilitation Project (\$2.7 million, UN-HABITAT)

**(e) Others**

- Emergency Humanitarian Assistance (\$30 million, UNHCR, UNICEF, WFP, ICRC)
- Workshop to strengthen mine action capacity of NMAA in Jordan (mine action support to Iraq) and support to build Information Management System for Mine Action (\$ 0.6 million, UNMAS / UNDP)
- Cultural heritage preservation (cooperation with the Iraq National Museum) (\$2 million, UNESCO)
- Assistance through JSDF (the Japan Social Development Fund), etc (\$10 million, the World Bank)

**(2) February, 2007 (\$105 million)**

**(a) Basic Human Needs**

- Rehabilitation of Ramadi and Tikreet Hospitals (\$38 million, UNDP)
- Conflict Victim Assistance in the Northern Region of Iraq (\$12.1 million, UNDP)
- Strengthening Basic Health Services for Children and Women in three Northern Governorates of Iraq (\$7 million, UNICEF)
- Emergency assistance to Internally Displaced Persons (IDP) in Iraq (\$5 million, UNHCR)
- Community Stabilization for IDPs and Host Communities in Iraq (\$4 million, IOM)
- Emergency Assistance to Iraqi Refugees in Syria and Jordan (\$4.5 million, UNHCR)
- Food Assistance to Vulnerable Groups in Iraq (\$3 million, WFP)

**(b) Security**

- Capacity Building of Law Enforcement in Basrah (\$6 million, UNDP)
- Capacity Building in Integrated Border Management at the Southern Borders of Iraq (\$7 million, IOM)
- Program for Human Security and Stabilization in Iraq (\$10 million, IOM)

**(c) Capacity Building**

- Improving Access to Quality Health Care in Al-Muthanna Governorate through Capacity Building (\$3.9 million, WHO)
- Al-Muthanna Governorate Capacity Building and Institution Reinforcement Programme (\$4 million, UNDP)

**(3) November, 2007 (\$5.2 million)**

- Emergency assistance to Internally Displaced Persons (IDP) in Iraq (\$1.2 million, ICRC)
- Emergency Assistance to Iraqi Refugees in Syria and Jordan (\$4 million, UNHCR)

**(4) February 2008 (\$16.35 million)**

- A grant aid for conflict prevention and peace building to the Project for Establishment of a Maternity and Children's Hospital in Fallujah (\$16.35 million UNDP).

**3. Assistance through International Reconstruction Fund Facility for Iraq (IRFFI) (\$500million)**

- Japan disbursed \$490 million to the International Reconstruction Fund Facility for Iraq (IRFFI) – United Nations administered portion \$360 million, World Bank administered portion \$130 million.
- Japan served as an IRFFI donor committee chair (one-year term) at Abu Dhabi Meeting (February 2004). The third meeting was held in Tokyo in October 2004.
- Japan disbursed \$10 million to International Finance Corporation (IFC) small-scale business financing fund.

**4. Assistance in cooperation with NGOs**

(Japanese NGO) (\$30 million)

- Assistance for activities of NGOs under the Japan Platform (JPF) in the fields of Medical care and Education, etc.

<Phase 1 (January - May 2003) \$3.31 million >  
 <Phase 2 (June - October 2003) \$2.51 million >  
 <Phase 3 (December 2003 - June 2004) \$2.47 million >  
 <Phase 4 (July 2004 - February 2005) \$6.97 million >  
 <Phase 5 (March 2005 - February 2006) \$2.77 million >  
 <Phase 6 (December 2005 – December 2006) \$4.09 million >  
 <Phase 7 (September 2006 – March 2007) \$0.86 million >  
 <Phase 8 (March 2007 – September 2007) \$0.80 million >  
 <Phase 9 (September 2007 – March 2008) \$0.97 million >  
 <Phase 10 (May 2007 –) \$1.50 million >

- Provision of medical equipment to Al-Samawah Maternity and Children Hospital (the Japan-Iraq Medical Association)
- Distribution of blankets to the citizens of Al-Samawah (the Tokyo Foundation)
- Provision of teaching materials and equipment for Samawah Nursing High-School (International Nursing Foundation of Japan)
- Rehabilitation of Primary and Secondary Schools in Baghdad (Japan Emergency NGOs, JEN)

(International NGO)

- Provision of medicines through the Hashemite Charity Organization (Jordanian NGO)
- Provision of medical equipment through CARE International (International NGO)
- Improvement of access to safe drinking water in rural areas of Muthanna governorate through ACTED (French NGO)

## **5. Japanese ODA loan**

(1) Port Sector Rehabilitation Project (approx. \$270 million)

Outline: Reconstructing of the Port of Umm-Qasr and surrounding areas by dredging the shipping lanes, removing wrecked ships, and rehabilitating the port facilities, as well as providing equipment and materials such as dredgers and other related items.

(2) Irrigation Sector Loan Program (approx. \$90 million)

Outline: Provision of irrigation drainage pumps, and equipment and materials for maintaining the operation of irrigation channels in the areas where agriculture is important including the Governorate of Al- Muthanna.

(3) Al-Mussaib Thermal Power Plant Rehabilitation Project (approx.\$330 million)

Outline: Rehabilitation of the existing unit 1 and unit 3 Al-Mussaib thermal power plants, located in the suburbs of Baghdad.

(4) Samawah Bridges and Roads Construction Project (approx. \$30 million)

Outline: Construction and rebuilding of bridges to cross over the Euphrates River and construction of their connecting roads in Al-Samawah and its vicinity.

(5) Engineering Services for Basrah Refinery Upgrading Project (approx. \$20 million)

Outline: Construction of a new plant which will contribute to increasing the productivity for refining gasoline and other oil products in the existing refinery, located in Basrah Governorate in Southern Iraq.

(6) Khor Al-Zubair Fertilizer Plant Rehabilitation Project (approx. \$160 million)

Outline: Supply of urgent needed machinery for Kohr Al-Zubair Fertilizer Plant, located in

Basrah Governorate in Southern Iraq.

(7) Crude Oil Export Facility Reconstruction Project (approx. \$430 million)

Outline: Construction of an on-shore/off-shore pipeline to export oil and installation of off-shore loading facilities in Al-Fao, Basra in the Southern Iraq.

(8) Electricity Sector Reconstruction Project (approx. \$280 million)

Outline: Supply of the machinery and materials for the transformation in the power supply and distribution section to stabilize the power supply mainly targeting the areas with high priority.

(9) Basrah Water Supply Improvement Project (approx. \$370 million)

Outline: Improvement of the water supply facilities in Basrah City and its vicinity, located in Basrah Governorate in Southern Iraq.

(10) Electricity Sector Reconstruction Project in Kurdistan Region (approx. \$130 million)

Outline: Supply of the machinery and materials for the power transformation and distribution system in Kurdistan Region (Governorates of Dohuk, Erbil and Sulaimaniya).

(11) Water Supply Improvement Project in Kurdistan Region (approx. \$300 million)

Outline: Improvement of the water supply facilities in Kurdistan Region.

(12) Engineering Services for Baghdad Sewage Facilities Improvement Project (approx. \$20 million)

Outline: Provide engineering services to improvement of the sewage facilities in Baghdad.

※ Exchange of Notes for approximately \$2.43 billion for 12 projects were already signed by July 2009.

#### **6. Debt Relief Measures for the Republic of Iraq**

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