

FY 2013 Priority Policy for International Cooperation

Provisional
Translation

- Amid the changing situation surrounding Japan, ODA is increasing its importance as one of Japan's key diplomatic tools.
- ODA is to be utilized strategically and effectively under the three major objectives: (1) to realize a prosperous and stable international community with freedom; (2) to support the growth of the emerging and developing economies together with the growth of the Japanese economy; and (3) to promote human security and strengthen trust in Japan.
- ODA is also to improve its quality through expanding partnerships to the players outside the government and JICA, which include NGOs, SMEs and other private companies, local governments and universities, by involving their advanced technologies and know-how in overall ODA activities.

ODA to realize a prosperous and stable international community with freedom

ODA is one of the key tools to conduct strategic diplomacies towards the formation of an international order based on universal values such as freedom and democracy.

[Specific Efforts]

- Assistance to countries which share universal values and strategic interests with Japan
- Contribution to international counter-terrorism efforts
- Support for efforts towards democratization and national reconciliation around the world
- Support for development of legal institutions and regulatory frameworks
- Assistance based on the Comprehensive Partnership with Middle East and North Africa for stability and prosperity of the region

ODA to support emerging/developing economies to grow together with Japan

In coordination with overseas development of infrastructures, products and technologies, projects mutually beneficial to growth of emerging/developing economies and Japan are to be promoted by ODA. Japan will also assist development of legal and regulatory institutions and standards in developing countries through human resource development and technical transfer by ODA. Projects that facilitate development of natural resources and energy are also to be promoted.

[Specific Efforts]

- Overseas development of infrastructure systems designed by Japan
- Contribution to overseas business development of SMEs
- Contribution to overseas development of Japan's local governments
- Promotion of public-private partnership

ODA to promote human security and strengthen trust in Japan

Based upon the principle of human security, ODA will contribute to enhancing trust in Japan and its presence through expansion of its unique assistance such as technical cooperation for human resource development.

[Specific Efforts]

- Strengthening cooperation with NGOs
- Tackling environmental and climate change issues / disaster risk management
- Contribution to achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and post 2015 development agenda
- Assistance based on Japan's Strategy on Global Health Diplomacy
- Promotion of human security in Africa and other poverty regions
- Gender mainstreaming
- Assistance to the island countries and regions