

## Remarks by

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#### At Side Event of the UN High-Level Political Forum 2017

His Excellency, Mr. Don Pramudwinai, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Royal Thai Government,

His Excellency, Mr. Achim Steiner, Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme,

Ladies and Gentleman,

I am Fumio Kishida, Foreign Minister of Japan. I am honored to hold this side event together with India, Malaysia, Thailand and UNDP.

After the adoption of 2030 Agenda in 2015, the world has been moving forward to achieve SDGs. We must build robust partnership to tackle our common issues in collaboration with all stakeholders across countries.

As I have mentioned at the Japan's Voluntary National Review, Japan cherishes the slogan of "PPAP" which stands for "*Public Private Action for Partnership*," in implementing SDGs. In this event, two private companies from Japan are participating and will be presenting their actions and contributions to SDGs.

The first company is Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Insurance. Their actions advance independence and improve the life of small-size farmers by developing and selling insurance products that reduces the risk of loss and damage of agricultural regions due to irregular weather. The second company is Japan Food Ecology Center. They utilize food waste to make livestock feed, which is used for producing brand meat. This model establishes a recycle loop based on the Food Recycling Law in Japan, and indeed, contributes to achieving the SDG 12: “Responsible Consumption and Production.” We are convinced that presentations of these examples will illustrate good practices of Japan’s PPAP.

Excellences, Ladies and Gentlemen,

In order to achieve the SDGs, partnership across countries plays a critical role. This side event, held with the cooperation of other Asian countries and UNDP, is intended to further share good practices in Asia with all member states, and push it to a further global context.

Today, there are speakers from India, Malaysia, and Thailand. The different ways of implementation in Asian countries with various economic development and regional decentralization backgrounds will tow the holistic global society by being a model for other regions.

Moreover, UNDP, a co-organizer of this event, has established a platform to boost businesses that contribute to SDGs. This innovative collaboration between an UN organization and the businesses sector will play a key role in supporting PPAP.

We hope from deep within our heart that the sharing of such experiences in Asia will accelerate the actions of the holistic global community. Let's intensify Asia and the worldwide partnership and our cooperation in order to fulfill the goal of leaving no one behind.

Thank you for attention.

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