**Japan-Nigeria Relations**

**Timeline:**
- **1955:** Japan's trade and investment promotion office (JETRO) established in Nigeria.
- **1966:** Japan's embassy in Nigeria opened.
- **1967:** The first Japanese loan to Nigeria, followed by grants (1975), and technical cooperation (1972).
- **1977:** JICA Nigeria Office opened.
- **1978:** JICA Alumni Association of Nigeria established.

**Trade Surplus with Japan**
- About $521 million
- Nigeria's Trade Volume to Japan:
  - About $839 million
  - Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG), Sesame seeds
- Japan's Trade Volume to Nigeria:
  - About $318 million
  - Iron, Steel, Gas, Machinery

**Investment & Trade**
- Automobiles: Photo: Honda Motor Co., Ltd.
- Sesame: Photo: Nadjim Sesame Mills Inc.
- Mackerel: Photo: Kawasaki Foods Corporation

**Agricultural & Fisheries Trade**
- Source: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan

**Japanese Technology**
- Over 50% of Nigerian wigs are made by Japanese companies.
- Mosquito repellent paint produced by Kansai Plascon.
- 900 solar lanterns distributed to the North-East by Panasonic.

**Job Creation and "Kaizen" Initiative**
- (Kaizen is a production improvement method)
- Saves 20 minutes parts collecting at YAMAHA Assembly Plant in Lagos.
- 30 min → 10 min
- 300,000 Nigerians trained in 3 Pillars of Development Cooperation:
  - Economic Growth
  - Health System
  - Peace and Stability in the North-East

**Made in Nigeria by Japanese Companies**
- Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD) 7: $30 billion investment for the future of Africa combined with the private sector.
- $10 billion infrastructure investment.
- $500 million vocational training for 50,000 African people.

**Training & Scholarships**
- JICA's Agriculture Policy Program in Japan
- Government Scholarship

**Cultural Exchange**
- Japan Culture Club (JCC)
- Animated Film Festival, November 2017, Abuja

**The Number of Japanese Restaurants Increased by 70%**

**Team Japan**
- JETRO (Japan External Trade Organization, since 1955)
- Embassy of Japan (since 1969)
- JICA (Japan International Cooperation Agency, since 1977)
- JICA Nigeria Alumni Association (since 2018)