

The Announcement of the “Mekong SDGs Investment Partnership” utilizing JICA’s overseas loan and investment

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- During the Mekong-Japan Summit in November 2019, Japan launched “The Mekong-Japan Initiative for SDGs toward 2030” which consisted of three pillars; 1) Environmental and urban issues, 2) Sustainable natural resource management and utilization, 3) Inclusive growth, and aimed to achieve the SDGs in Mekong countries through various measures including the utilization of latest technology, knowledge and finance of the private sector.
- Due to the economic impact of COVID-19 on Mekong countries, private banks are facing difficulty in extending loans and investment for development projects led by the private sector which is an important actor of the Initiative.
- It is significant to utilize JICA’s overseas loan and investment to proactively provide loans and investment for development projects implemented by private companies. This will facilitate the implementation of development projects and support Mekong countries’ efforts to achieve SDGs under the Initiative.
- On the occasion of the Mekong-Japan Summit in November 2020, Japan will announce the “Mekong SDGs Investment Partnership” to further accelerate the formulation of JICA’s overseas loan and investment projects in Mekong countries.



Achieving SDGs in Mekong countries

<priority areas>

- 1) Environmental and urban issues
- 2) Sustainable natural resource management and utilization
- 3) Inclusive growth



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