

Pillar 2 : Addressing Challenges in an Indo-Pacific Way

Case (18): Global Health

1. Basic concept

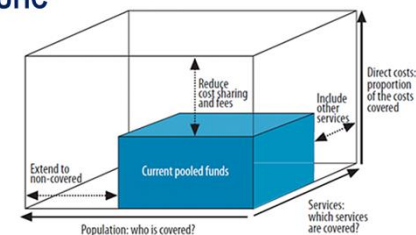
- The worldwide pandemic of COVID-19 revealed that the global health is a critical issue with a great risk in economy, society and security.
- International cooperation in the health and medical fields, including collaborative research and people-to-people exchange, is an important initiative to ensure people's health, as well as to strengthen the health security and realize a "resilient and sustainable society" by generating the mobility of human resources, the exchange of "knowledge," and the creation of innovation.

⇒ We will aim to ensure the health security through collaboration and cooperation in health and medical fields, and realize "a resilient and sustainable society" in the Indo-Pacific.

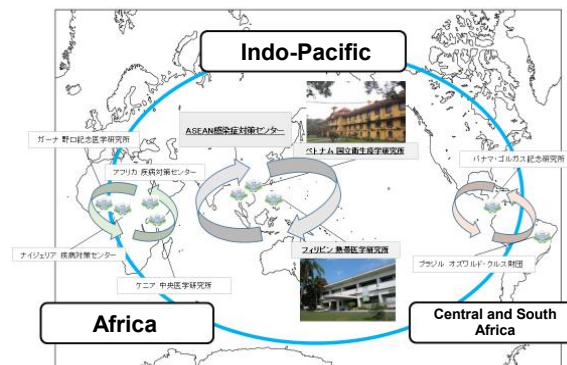
2. Items of cooperation

- Continuing to promote collaboration and specific cooperation in the regional health security to achieve universal health coverage (UHC).
- Strengthening the comprehensive health system through improving each country's public health financing, governance, human resources, provision of services, and the access to information systems, pharmaceuticals, etc.
(e.g.) Support for the full-fledged operation of the Pandemic Fund hosted by the World Bank, and the ASEAN Center for Public Health Emergencies and Emerging Diseases (ACPHEED)
- Financing to strengthen infectious disease surveillance, clinical research and drug discovery research base, and pharmaceutical production bases, etc.
- Supporting equitable access to Medical Countermeasures (MCMs) such as vaccines, diagnostics and therapeutics including research and development, manufacturing, and delivery.
(e.g.) Support towards the full operationalization of ACPHEED, and support through WHO, Gavi, CEPI, the Global Fund, Unitaaid, and other organizations
- Promoting international collaborative research in health and medical fields
(e.g.) Strategic International Collaborative Research Program (SICORP), Science and Technology Research Partnership for Sustainable Development (SATREPS), Japan Program for Infectious Diseases Research and Infrastructure
- Enhancing the ability to gather and analyze international intelligence in collaboration with the existing frameworks such as international collaborative research and technological cooperation
- Advancing exploration of collaborative scheme for MCM R&D and procurement
- Promoting overseas medical and healthcare development including the Asia and Africa Health and Wellbeing Initiative

UHC Cube: 3 dimensions to consider when moving towards UHC



Enhancement and networking of the infectious disease and medical research bases



Gathering of public health intelligence (Example)

