

Strengthening the Global Supply Chain through Nacala Corridor Development (Co-creation for common agenda initiative)

as of August 2025

Development Goals: Improve and strengthen transportation infrastructure and promote industrial development in the Nacala Corridor region (Mozambique, Malawi and Zambia) so as to increase the value of the Nacala Corridor as a transportation route for mineral resources and other goods through the enhancement of connectivity within the region. These efforts will lead to achieve sustainable development in the region through promoting investment and creating employment, and thereby strengthening Japan's global supply chains related to various resources.

Development Scenario: By improving and strengthening transport infrastructure in the Nacala Corridor, reinforce the global supply chain related to the corridor. By promoting industries such as mining and agriculture in the Nacala Corridor region, encourage economic growth and increase the added value of resources in the region. In this process, collaborate with various actors including Japanese companies and international organizations operating in Southern Africa, for maximizing the development impact.

Proposal of Cooperation :

1. Strengthening infrastructure

- Mozambique “Project for Nacala Port development” (Yen loan)
- Mozambique “Project for the Development of Nacala Emergency Power Plant” (Grant Aid)
- Mozambique “Project for improvement of sustainable bridge maintenance and management capacity” (Technical Cooperation)
- Malawi “Project for the Improvement of Main Roads in the City of Lilongwe ”(Grant Aid)
- Zambia “Capacity Building for Bridges Maintenance Project” (Technical Cooperation)
- Southern Africa “Promotion of the use of the Nacala port and the international corridor” (Survey)

2. Industrial Promotion

(1) Mineral Resources Development

- Zambia “Economic and Social Development Programme (Mineral Analysis Equipment)” (Grant Aid)
- Human resource development program in the field of mineral resources called "Kizuna Program” (Regional Long-Term Training)
- Southern Africa “Establishing Sustainable Mineral Development through Strengthening of Monitoring Systems and Human Capacity toward Heavy Metal Pollution (ZAZINAMBO Project)” (Technical Cooperation)
- Southern Africa “Research for formulating a master plan for the critical minerals supply chain, focusing on the Copperbelt region (the Global South Future Oriented Co Creation Project, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry)
- Zambia “Project for Promoting Youth Employment through Construction Equipment Operating Skills Training” (Grant Aid through UNIDO)

(2) Agricultural Development

- Zambia, Malawi “Southern Africa Agricultural Value Chain Enhancement Project” (JICA Private-Sector Investment Finance)
- Mozambique “Support for agricultural development in the Nacala corridor, Nampula province” (Grant Aid through FAO)

Strengthening the Global Supply Chain through Nacala Corridor Development (Co-creation for common agenda initiative)

Schedule and Resource Input Amount (expectation) :

Research

Grant Aid

Technical
Cooperation

Yen Loan

Related Ministries and agencies,
international organizations

2024

2025

TICAD9

2026

2027

2028

2029~

2012-2016 「The Project for Nacala Corridor Economic Development Strategies in the Republic of Mozambique」 (Technical Cooperation)

【Mozambique】 “Project for Nacala Port development” (Yen loan)
Phase (I) signed on Mar 2013 for 7.89 billion yen
Phase (II) signed on May 2015 for 29.24 billion yen

Signing of a cooperation agreement between Mozambique, Malawi, and Zambia for the development of the Nacala Corridor, October 2023)

【Mozambique】 “Project for the Development of Nacala Emergency Power Plant” (Grant Aid) signed on Mar 2024 for 6.95 billion yen

【Malawi】 “Project for the Improvement of Main Roads in the City of Lilongwe” (Grant Aid) signed on Sep 2020 for 3.37 billion yen

【Southern Africa】 “Capacity Building for Bridges Maintenance Project” (Regional Long-Term Training)

【Southern Africa】 Survey “Promotion of the use of the Nacala port and the international corridor”

Elimination of logistics bottlenecks

【Zambia】 “Project for Promoting Youth Employment through Construction Equipment Operating Skills Training” (Grant Aid through UNIDO) signed on Sep 2021 for 417 million yen

【Zambia】 “Economic and Social Development Programme (Mineral Analysis Equipment)” (Grant Aid) signed on Mar 2025 for 182 million yen

【Southern Africa】 “Research for formulating a master plan for the critical minerals supply chain, focusing on the Copperbelt region (the Global South Future Oriented Co Creation Project, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry)

【Southern Africa】 “Establishing Sustainable Mineral Development through Strengthening of Monitoring System and Human Capacity toward Heavy Metal Pollution (ZAZINAMBO Project)” (Technical Cooperation)

Human resource development program in the field of mineral resources called “Kizuna Program” (Technical Cooperation)

Sustainable development of mining sector

【Mozambique】 “Support for agricultural development in the Nacala corridor, Nampula province” (Grant Aid through FAO)” 1 million yen

【Zambia, Malawi】 “Southern Africa Agricultural Value Chain Enhancement Project” (JICA Private-Sector Investment Finance)

Sustainable development of agricultural sector

Strengthening Infrastructure

Mineral Resources Development

Agricultural Development

Nacala Corridor

(Nacala Port (Mozambique)~Lilongwe (Malawi)~
Lusaka (Zambia))

【Southern Africa】“Capacity building for Bridges Maintenance Project” (Technical Cooperation)



【Southern Africa】

“Establishing Sustainable Mineral Development through Strengthening of Monitoring System and Human Capacity toward Heavy Metal Pollution (ZAZINAMBO Project)” (Technical Cooperation)



【Zambia, Malawi】

“Southern Africa Agricultural Value Chain Enhancement Project” (JICA Private-Sector Investment Finance)



【Malawi】

“Project for the Improvement of Main Roads in the City of Lilongwe” (Grant Aid)



【Mozambique】

“Project for Nacala Port development” (Yen Loan)



【Southern Africa】

“Establishing Sustainable Mineral Development through Strengthening of Monitoring System and Human Capacity toward Heavy Metal Pollution (ZAZINAMBO Project)” (Technical Cooperation)



【Zambia】“Economic and Social Development Programme (Mineral Analysis Equipment)” (Grant Aid)



【Southern Africa】

“Research for formulating a master plan for the critical minerals supply chain, focusing on the Copperbelt region” (the Global South Future Oriented Co Creation Project, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry)

Existing railway
Road
Railway in plan
Borderline