

# Co-creation for common agenda initiative

## 1. Aims

- The co-creation for common agenda initiative was launched in the new Development Cooperation Charter approved by the Cabinet in June 2023. Japan will proactively propose appealing cooperation menus that leverage its strengths in development cooperation, in the areas that are strategically important based on its foreign policy perspective. This initiative aims to achieve development goals by the "co-creation" of social value through dialogue and collaboration with the partner countries, while mobilizing other official flows (OOF) and private finance in combination with ODA.
- **The aim is to support partner countries resolve their development challenges and achieve economic growth** as well as to incorporate these efforts to **resolving Japan's own challenges and promoting our economic growth.**

## 2. Featured approaches

- **Dialogue and Co-creation:** Japan, based on the Strategy document (targeted areas and goals, etc.), will jointly formulate (i) development goals, (ii) development scenarios, as well as (iii) cooperation menu (combination of ODA and other resource inputs) through dialogue and collaboration and aim to achieve its realization through co-creation with the partner countries.
- **Collaborating with various stakeholders:** Strengthening involvement of OOF such as JBIC, in addition to ODA. Enhance predictability **to encourage mobilization of private finance** and **create synergies between public and private finance. Aiming to maximize the impact of development by involving various actors** including local government(municipalities), universities and CSOs in the development platform.

### 3. Strategic areas

Published the Strategy Document in September 2023, detailing on strategically important areas to focus resources and human capitals in line with Japan's foreign policy, and revised it in August 2025, considering constantly changing international affairs and foreign policy issues.

- **Climate Change Response, Green Transformation (GX) and DRR (Disaster Risk Reduction)** : Support decarbonization and energy transition through realization of the Asian Zero Emissions Community (AZEC) concept, etc. and promoting disaster risk reduction and investments taking into account the “Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030”. Japan's technologies are also utilized in co-creation with developing countries.
- **Economic Resilience**: Ensure a virtuous cycle that leads to stability and growth of the global economy and the Japanese economy through support for international supply chain of important resources and industrial diversification, etc.
- **Promotion of Digitization and Digital Transformation (DX)** : Build a highly secure digital network that balances economic development and resolution of social issues. Through cooperation, it also contributes to strengthening Japan's knowledge and technologies.
- **Health** : Promote strategic investments by both the public and private sectors in prevention, preparedness and response (PPR) for health security. Japan will promote collaboration between bilateral and multilateral approaches to enhance the sustainability of health finances and human resources development for health, expand and consolidate cooperation that leverages Japan's expertise, and work with developing countries to promote universal health coverage (UHC).

#### Climate change, GX and DRR:

Decarbonization and energy transition support through realization of the AZEC initiative; disaster risk reduction and investment promotion



**Economic Resilience:** Supporting the establishment of supply chains through industrial diversification



**DX:** Supporting establishment of secure digital networks



**Health:** Prevention, preparedness and response for health security; achievement of UHC through health financing and human resource development

