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Connectivity and regional integration: Japan’s experience

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Outline of the Presentation

1. Comments on “Outlook 2017”
2. Japan’s Experience of Connectivity-Oriented Development
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Comments on “Outlook 2017”
From the viewpoint of connectivity

• “Outlook 2017” presents a balanced analysis of the prospects and risks of the comprehensive and sustainable growth of Asian region.

• It exhibits important suggestions regarding the vital role of infrastructure and the necessity to enhance the connectivity for facilitating the diversification of trade and investment in the region.
Japan’s experience of “Pacific Belt Zone” Initiative
Connecting 4 industrial zones to accelerate industrial accumulation

Source: Okamura (2016)
“Pacific Belt Zone” Initiative

World Bank loans for Infrastructure along/for the Belt

“Pacific Belt Zone” Initiative

Balanced Growth: Balanced Industrial Development

Comprehensive National Development Plan (1962)

New Industrial City Construction Promotion Act (1964)

Source: Okamura (2016)

Source: https://kotobank.jp/image/dictionary/nipponica/media/81306024014555.jpg
“Pacific Belt Zone” Initiative

Balanced Growth: Equitable Development

Gross National Expenditure per capita

Infant Mortality Rate

(Death per thousand births)

Source: Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

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Source: Okamura (2016)
"Pacific Belt Zone" Initiative

Negative Legacy: Pollutions

1st Priority Relief Area

2nd Priority Relief Area

Niigata (Minamata disease)

Toyama (Itai-Itai disease)

Shimane (Arsenicalism)

Kurashiki, Tamano

Bizen

Omuta

Kitakyushu

Amagasaki

Kobe

Miyazaki (Arsenicalism)

Kumamoto, Kagoshima (Minamata disease)

Chiba

Tokyo

Yokohama, Kawasaki

Fuji

Nagoya, Tokai

Yokkaichi, Kusucho

Osaka, Toyonaka, Suita, Sakai, Moriguchi, Higashi Osaka, Yao

Source: https://www.erca.go.jp/fukakin/seido/1_2syu.html

Source: Okamura (2016)
“Pacific Belt Zone” Initiative

Three takeaways from Japan's experience on the Pacific Belt Zone

1. ‘Belt’ has accelerated industry accumulation

2. Care for Non-belt Areas necessary for balanced growth

3. Negative side-effects also need to be managed

Source: Okamura (2016)
Role of Japanese Experts in China’s Development Policies

In early 1980’s, then-President of National Institute for Research Advancement (NIRA), Dr. Atsushi Shimokobe, the mastermind of Japan’s Comprehensive National Development Plans, made a field trip to Shanghai and neighboring provinces, and presented the concept of Shanghai Economic Zone to China’s national and local leaders such as the then-Shanghai Mayor, Mr. Wang Daohan.

NDRC JICA Joint Study on China’s Urbanization Policy

SDPC JICA Study (2001)

The Regional Plan for the Yangtze River Delta (2010)

Source: SDPC and JICA (2001) Urbanization: Theme of China’s Modernization
http://zfxxgk.ndrc.gov.cn/PublicItemView.aspx?ItemID=%7B41562019-3e9f-4658-bbaf-091ef4f041ee%7D
Infrastructure development catalyzed private investment in Eastern Seaboard, Thailand

Source: Eastern Seaboard Development Plan Impact Evaluation, JICA (former JBIC, 1999)
Inclusive approach and human resource development

Rural development and human resource development (Thailand)

Small scale irrigation programs  Vocational education projects
Dawei Special Economic Zone (DSEZ) Project in Myanmar
Japan's cooperation on ASEAN Connectivity

Support for enhancing connectivity in the ASEAN region

<Vital Arteries of the Land Corridors> (EWEC & SEC)
Hard infrastructure development in the Mekong region connecting the South China Sea and the Indian Ocean. Support rehabilitation of the "South Corridor" connecting Ho Chi Minh, Phnom Penh, Bangkok and Dawei & "East-West Corridor" extending from Da Nang to Mawlamyaing. Develop both corridors to enable overland access across the Indochina Peninsula and significantly ease the transportation and distribution of goods.

Sample Projects
1. Missing Link Rehabilitation (e.g. Neak Loeng Bridge in Cambodia, South-North & Vietnam, central highway)
2. Port Development (e.g. Cai Mep–Thi Vai International Port in Vietnam, Sihanoukville Port Multipurpose Terminal in Cambodia, etc.)

<Maritime ASEAN Economic Corridor>
Consolidate connectivity by developing the ports, port-associated industries as well as energy and ICT network targeting cities in Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia, Brunei and the Philippines.

Sample Projects
1. Development of the Roll-on/Roll-off (RoRo) Network and short-sea shipping (Philippines, Indonesia, etc.)
2. Development of the vessel traffic service systems (Indonesia, etc.)
3. Expansion work on Port Tanjung Priok (Indonesia)
4. Interconnecting electric power cables from Java to Sumatra, etc. (Indonesia, etc.)

Source; Mission of Japan to ASEAN (2016)
JICA’s Approach for the Enhancement of ASEAN Connectivity

Physical Connectivity

- West and Southern Economic
- Maritime ASEAN Economic Corridor

Institutional Connectivity

- Asia Cargo Highway
- ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance (AHA) on disaster management.

People to People Connectivity

- AUN/SEED-NET
- Asia-Pacific Development Center on Disability
- Japan Centers
Physical connectivity: Formation of the Vital Artery for East-West and Southern Economic Corridors

Quality Infrastructure: Construction of Neak Loeung (Tsubasa) Bridge
Institutional Connectivity:
JICA’s cooperation on customs & trade facilitation

Asia Cargo Highway
• Single Window
• Authorized Economic Operator System
• Customs modernization

Introduction of Nippon Automated Cargo and Port Consolidated System (NACCS) in Vietnam
People to People Connectivity:
Network of 40 engineering universities in ASEAN and Japan

ASEAN University Network / Southeast Asia Engineering Education Development Network (AUN/SEED-Net)
People to People Connectivity: 

Exploring the way to further operationalize the idea of human security by identifying good practices in ASEAN +3 countries

**Phase 1: (Nov. 2013 – Mar. 2015)**
Inquiring into various stakeholders’ understanding of the concept of human security as well as their perceptions of threats to human security in each country and the region

**Phase 2: (Apr. 2015 – )**
Case studies to address 3 questions: (1) how to deal with national sovereignty when pressing needs arise, (2) how to provide comprehensive support, (3) how to promote bottom-up empowerment in addition to top-down protection
JICA’s practice for Renewable Energy Geothermal Power Development

Ring of Fire: Indonesia, Philippines, Peru, Bolivia, Nicaragua, Costa Rica
Great Lift Valley: Kenya, Ethiopia
Case in Small Island Developing States Micro-Grid System in Tongatapu Island

- Renewable Energy
- Grid Stabilizer
- Efficient Diesel
- Demand