

Pillar 2 : Addressing Challenges in an Indo-Pacific Way

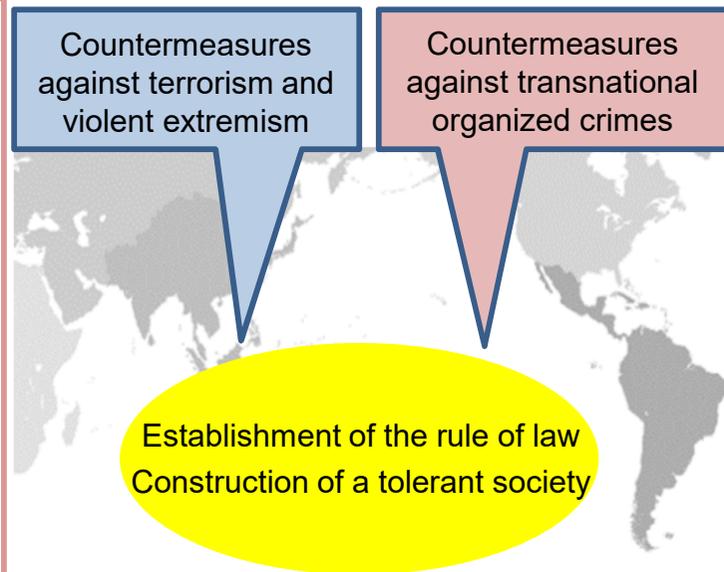
Case (26): Countermeasures against terrorism and violent extremism as well as transnational organized crimes which could be a source of financing of terrorism

1. Basic concept

- The spreading risk of terrorism and violent extremism, and the expansion of transnational organized crimes such as money laundering, illegal drugs and human trafficking, which could be a source of the financing of terrorism, are among the threats to security in the Indo-Pacific region.
 - With growing concern about cybercrimes, online spread of radical ideologies, and exploitation of new and emerging technologies in recent years, it is necessary to provide capacity building support to relevant agencies, particularly for law enforcement officials, as well as to promote initiatives such as preventing the spread of radical ideologies by building a tolerant and moderate society in which diversity is respected.
- ⇒ **Contribution to building and protecting international order based on the rule of law in the Indo-Pacific region through countermeasures against terrorism and violent extremism as well as transnational organized crimes**

2. Items of cooperation

- Strengthening and promoting bilateral and multilateral cooperation, and cooperation with UN agencies
(Example) Quad Counter-Terrorism Tabletop Exercise by Australia-India-Japan-United States, Cybercrime Dialogues, Australia-Japan-United States Consultations on Counterterrorism, Japan-UNODC Strategic Policy Dialogue, etc.
- Capacity building support on law enforcement and cultivation of social tolerance to prevent the spread of radical ideologies
(Example) Capacity building for maritime law enforcement, border control, penal institutions and recidivism prevention (countermeasures against extremism), countermeasures against the manufacturing of and trafficking in illegal drugs, human trafficking and cybercrimes, support for making resilient communities, and promotion of tolerance and moderation through dialogues between different cultures and religions (Cooperation with international organizations such as UNODC, ICPO, IOM, GCERF, UNESCO, UNDP, and UNOCT)
- Prevention of the exploitation of new and emerging technologies including through the Internet (cooperation with the international community and promotion of domestic discussions)
(Example) Participation in international discussions about the management of terrorist contents (Christchurch Call and membership on the GIFCT Advisory Committee) holding of public-private study meetings, visit to Japan planned by GIFCT officers in 2023
- Countermeasures against money laundering and financing of terrorism
(Example) Strategic support for Asia-Pacific countries through the Asia/Pacific Group on Money Laundering (APG) (on improvement of legal systems and compliance with them)



Support for enhancing maritime law enforcement capacity



Dialogues between different cultures and religions



Increasing the resilience of communities through gender mainstreaming



Quad Counter-Terrorism Tabletop Exercise