Pillar 3: Multi-layered Connectivity

Case (36): Support for Promoting Data Free Flow with Trust (DFFT) in Developing Countries through Legal Systems and Infrastructure Development

1. Basic concept

- Japan proposed the concept of the Data Free Flow with Trust (DFFT) in the World Economic Forum (Davos) in January 2019 secure free and open data flow with data safety and security.
- Prime Minister KISHIDA expressed his commitment, in his speech in December 2021, to build a free and fair economic order through international rule-making towards the realization of "DFFT", which is essential for the security and prosperity of Japan, and support global economic recovery and new growth.
- While there are international rules such as TPP and discussion about international rulemaking at WTO, these have not yet widely known in developing countries and related legislation has not been developed as well.
- Some developing countries are showing a willingness to actively utilize data for economic growth and to address development issues, and there are growing needs for support for the development of related legistration and infrastructure.
- ⇒ For promotion of DFFT, Japan needs to <u>support the development of related</u> <u>legistration systems and infrastructure in developing countries</u>

2. Items of cooperation

- Human resource development for promoting DFFT (Examples) Implementation of the DFFT related trainings in Japan
- Establishment of legal systems and infrastructures for data flow and utilization in developing countries
 - (Examples) Dispatch of experts; development of legal systems through Development Policy Loans, etc.; Support for data infrastructure development in the health sector
- Industrial development through DFFT
 - (Examples) Support for promoting digital service exports from developing countries; and digital industry development in developing countries
- Capacity building of cybersecurity (Cybersecurity For All)
 (Examples) Technical cooperation project on cybersecurity with ASEAN

Promoting the solution to the development issues through data utilization Development Accelerated By DFFT



Free and open data flow

Safety and security of data

- Cross border data transfer
- Prohibition on -data localization requirements
- Prohibition on requests for disclosure of source code or algorithms
- Personal information protection
- Prohibition on requests for disclosure of ciphers

Support for legislation and other development in developing countries through JICA, etc.





- ▲ Above: Bhutan's "Project to strengthen the government's capacity for digital technology and data use"
- ◀ Left: Rwanda "ICT Innovation Ecosystem Enhancement Project"