

Commitments and Pledges

Contribution to the Human Rights Council(HRC)

Japan has actively contributed to the HRC's discussions and to **the adoption of key resolutions**. Japan will continuously engage in the initiatives of the HRC, including the Special Procedures and the Universal Periodic Review and will also play **an active role in strengthening the work of the HRC**.

Respect for International Human Rights Instruments

Japan is committed to **sincere and appropriate implementation of international human rights instruments**, including the submission of periodical reports and dialogue with treaty bodies.

Constructive Bilateral Dialogue

Based upon **the principles of "dialogue" and "cooperation"**, Japan has held regular bilateral dialogues and consultations on human rights with various countries. Japan will continue to hold interactive dialogues on human rights and strive to contribute to each country's efforts to solve human rights issues through the **sharing of best practices**.

Enhancement of Civil Society Engagement

Japan recognizes **the importance of various activities by civil society**. Japan holds meetings with the public and with non-governmental organizations, and listens to their opinions and reflects them in its periodic reports.

Development Cooperation

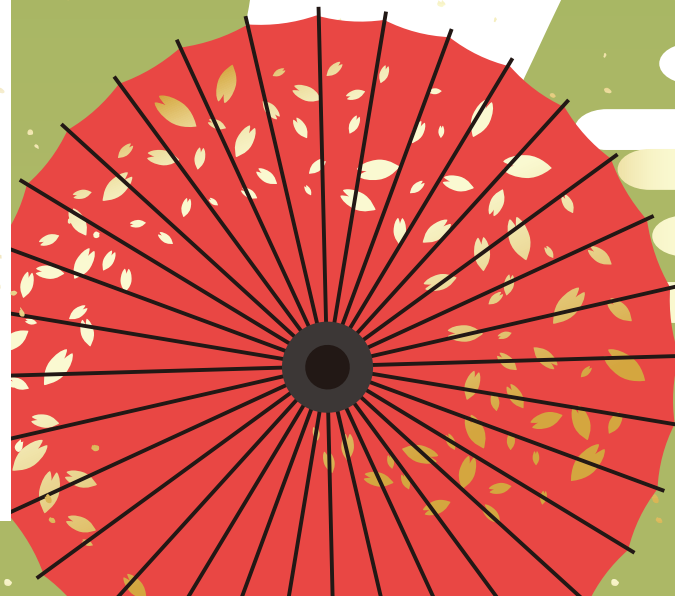
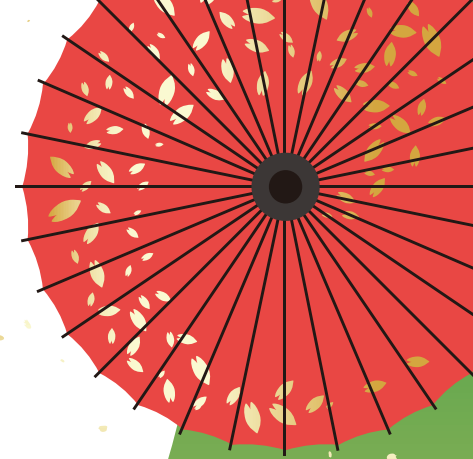
Taking the concept of **human security** as a guiding principle, Japan is committed to promote cooperation by protecting and enhancing the capabilities of each person, focusing in particular on vulnerable people. Based on this principle, Japan continues contributing to efforts to improve human rights situations across the globe.

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Dialogue and Cooperation - Japan's Basic Human Rights Policy

Protecting human rights is a **fundamental responsibility of any nation**.

Based on this belief, while speaking out firmly against serious violations of human rights, Japan takes the basic principles of **"dialogue"** and **"cooperation"** and promotes **voluntary efforts** between countries that are working toward democratization and the protection of human rights.

Japan - Committed to All Human Rights

Women's Empowerment and Gender Equality

Promotion of policy measures to realize gender equality and promote women's empowerment

Discussions on how to create a better society where gender equality is achieved at **the World Assembly for Women: WAW!2022**



Panel discussion in WAW!2022, Tokyo



Rohingya children smile during recreation time at Pahartali Learning Centre, Kutupalong refugee camp, supported by the Government of Japan

Rights of the Child

Board Member and Pathfinding Country of the Global Partnership to End Violence Against Children (GPeVAC) in cooperation with UNICEF and relevant NGOs

Implementation of the **National Action Plan to End Violence Against Children**

COVID-19 Pandemic

Financial assistance in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, based on the principle of **leaving no one's health behind**

Implementation of **"Last One Mile Support"**, including vaccine donations and improvement of equipment necessary for cold chains



Kiribati Hon. Mikarite Temari, Minister for Lines and Phoenix Islands Development and others welcome the arrival of the vaccines



Japanese engineers building a water purification plant in the Democratic Republic of Congo

Water and Sanitation

Announcement of **the Kumamoto Initiative for Water**, which aims to reduce flooding and greenhouse gases through the development of infrastructure

Efforts to realize **quality infrastructure development** worldwide, while sharing the wealth of knowledge and technology

Business and Human Rights

Implementation of the **National Action Plan on Business and Human Rights (NAP)** to promote and protect human rights in the context of business

Promotion of the **Guidelines on Respecting Human Rights in Responsible Supply Chains**