

# Joint Evaluations: Supporting the Government of the Philippines' (GPH) Continuing Evaluation Agenda

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#### **Outline of Presentation**

- I. Joint Evaluation on Japan's Official Development Assistance (ODA) to the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (DRRM) Sector in the Philippines
- II. GPH's Impressions to the Joint Evaluation
- III. GPH's Continuing Evaluation Agenda



#### Preparatory Activities

- Participants
  - · Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA), Japan;
  - Embassy of Japan (EOJ) in the Philippines; and
  - National Economic and Economic and Development Authority (NEDA)
- Joint Activities
  - Determine sector and projects to be evaluated
  - Draw-up and finalize evaluation contract and proposal (including evaluation framework)
  - Firm-up implementation arrangement (including search for qualified consultant)

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## I. Joint Evaluation on Japan's ODA to the DRRM Sector in the Philippines

#### Objective/s

 Obtain lessons learned and formulate recommendations for Japan's future assistance to the DRRM sector of the Republic of the Philippines

#### Scope

 Four ODA projects supporting the DRRM sector and complementary assistance (e.g., grant aid and technical cooperation, Japanese Overseas Cooperation Volunteers, etc.)



Project Title/ Implementing Agency	Loan/ Grant Amount (JPY M)	Location (Province)	Year Closed
Iloilo Flood Control Project Phase II/     DPWH	6,790	llo-ilo	2010
2. Post Ondoy and Pepeng Short-term Infrastructure Rehabilitation Project (POPSTIRP)/ DPWH	9,912	Batangas	2013
3. The Project for Improvement of the Meteorological Radar System/ DOST – PAG-ASA	3,065	Cagayan, Catanduanes, and Eastern Samar	2014
4. Project for Evacuation Shelter Construction in Disaster Vulnerable Areas in the Province of Albay/ LGU Albay	739	Albay	2013

Note: DPWH = Department of Public Works and Highways; DOST-PAG-ASA = Department of Science and Technology - Philippinge Atmospheric, Geophysical, and Astronomical Services Administration; LGU Albay = Local Government Unit of Albay

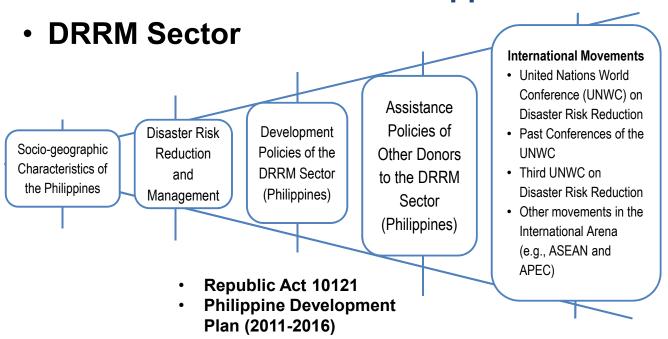


- Evaluation Framework (Criteria and Methods)
- Perspectives (MOFA ODA Evaluation Guidelines, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition)
  - · Relevance of policies
  - · Effectiveness of results
  - Appropriateness of processes
- Data Gathering Methods
  - Secondary data collection and desk review
  - Key Informant Interviews
  - Project Site Visits



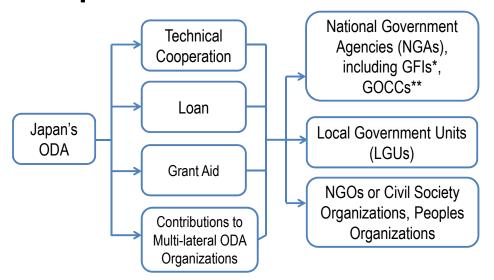
Evaluation Team Composition	Responsibilities
Embassy of Japan in the Philippines/ NEDA - Monitoring and Evaluation Staff	<ul> <li>Assist in interviews with relevant agencies</li> <li>Assist in the conduct of project site visits</li> <li>Provide comments/ inputs to the Evaluation Report</li> </ul>
Consultant	<ul> <li>Gather relevant information (i.e., from interviews, desk reviews, and project site visits)</li> <li>Draft Evaluation Report</li> </ul>







Japanese ODA



**2003 – 2015**No of Projects: 60 *Ongoing: 21 Closed: 39* 

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\* Government Financing Institutions



Perspective/s	Indicators	Main Findings
Relevance of	Consistency with	Consistent. Aligned with the Japan's ODA
Policies	Japan's ODA policy	Charter, particularly on one of its four pillars,
	and strategy	i.e., "addressing global issues", which
(DRR Assistance		include disasters
Policy of Japan's	Consistency with the	Consistent. Aligned with Republic Act
ODA to the	policy of Philippine	10121 and Philippine Development Plan
Philippines)	DRRM	2011-2016
	Consistency with	Consistent. Aligned with other
	international agenda	development partner's assistance policies
	in DRRM	and priorities (in line with Hyogo
		Framework of Action and Sendai
		Framework of Action)

<sup>\*\*</sup>Government-Owned and Controlled Corporations



Perspective/s	Indicators	Main Findings
<b>Effectiveness</b>	Extent in which expected	Tremendous outcomes and impacts
of Results	outputs and outcomes at different levels have been achieved  Impacts on DRRM in the Philippines	from the use of outputs of Japan's ODA projects
	Level of inputs from different stakeholders	Japan's ODA inputs <b>sufficient</b> to produce expected outputs and to sustain positive results
	Level of sustainability of projects and program	Follow-through technical cooperation projects sustained the use of ODA outputs after economic infrastructure facilities and equipment are established



Perspective/s	Indicators	Main Findings
Appropriateness	<ul> <li>Appropriateness of</li> </ul>	Proper domestic and overseas
of Processes	consultation and	consultation and coordination
	coordination	processes in designing, planning,
	Degree of coordination	implementing and monitoring
	between JICA with other	Japan's ODA DRRM
	donors	
	Degree of coordination with	Proper consultation and
	Philippine partners	coordination processes with
	Appropriateness of planning,	DRRM actors in the GPH and other
	implementation, monitoring and	providers of development co-
	evaluation process among	operation
	Philippine stakeholders	



#### Selected Recommendations

- Strengthen complementation of technical cooperation-related projects and loan/ grant aid projects
- Pursue collaborative projects with other providers of development co-operation
- Encourage active participation of oversight agencies in designing, financing, and M&E of Japan's ODA



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#### Selected Lessons Learned

- M&E of projects both by oversight GPH agencies and development partners is necessary to avoid implementation delays
- Participatory approach in the formulation of results indicators is important to put focus on project results
- Sustainability measures must be identified and assigned during implementation and prior to completion
- Documentation of lessons learned and knowledge sharing must be pursued

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#### II. Impressions to the Joint Evaluation

- Complemented ongoing initiatives to meet the GPH need for purposive conduct of evaluation
- Provided opportunity for organizational and individual learning
- "Joint process" allowed GPH not only to input on the evaluation findings but also to participate on the evaluation process (i.e., activities to undertake, implementation arrangements, etc.)



#### II. Impressions to the Joint Evaluation

- Recommendations to Future Joint Evaluations
  - Extend duration of the Study to cover more projects and to allow more in-depth analyses
  - Define rating metrics per criteria in the evaluation framework
  - Define clearer delineation of responsibilities among members of the evaluation team



### III. GPH's Continuing Evaluation Agenda

#### National Evaluation Policy Framework (NEPF)

- Instrument: NEDA and Department of Budget and Management (DBM) Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) No. 2015-01
- Purpose: (i) support for evidence-based decision; (ii) ensure program improvement; and (iii) ensure accountability
- Scope: Projects/ programs implemented by all agencies of the GPH

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### III. GPH's Continuing Evaluation Agenda

#### Challenges and Opportunities

- Operationalization of the NEPF
  - Creation of the NEPF Secretariat to assist the NEPF Task Force
  - Formulation of "evaluability" criteria for programs and projects
- Strengthen GPH's capacity for evaluation (M&E Fund)
- Promotion of evaluation practices and use of evaluation findings (M&E Network Forum)

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#### Conclusion

- Joint Evaluations promote learning and accountability for partner Governments
- The Joint Evaluation conducted with the GPH is a timely endeavor in response to the introduction of a major policy of the GPH, i.e., NEPF
- Refinements on the process (to include improvements in the evaluation framework) of Joint Evaluations may be further pursued

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