Developments Surrounding Japan's Development Cooperation (January - December 2019)

Year/ Month	Major Developments in Japan's Development Cooperation	Year/ Month	Important Conferences and Other Events in Japan and Abroad Related to Japan's Development Cooperation
2019.1	 Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Rwanda for the Project for Strengthening Nzove-Ntora Principal Water Transmission Pipeline in Kigali City (total grant amount of up to ¥3.191 billion), in the presence of Prime Minister Abe and President Kagame (in Tokyo) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Côte d'Ivoire for the Project for Improvement of the Japan-Ivorian Friendship Intersection (Phase 2) (grant amount of up to ¥5.027 billion) (in Abidjan) Decision to provide Emergency Grant Aid through the World Food Programme (WFP) in response to the deteriorating hunger crisis in Yemen 	2019.1	• Third Japan-Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) Annual Strategic Consultation (in Rome)
2	 Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of ODA loan to the Philippines for the Road Network Development Project in Conflict Affected Areas in Mindanao (loan amount of up to \$202.04 million) (in Davao) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Palestine for the Project for the Improvement of Collection and Transport System for Solid Waste Management (grant amount of up to ¥1.785 billion) (in Ramallah) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Pakistan for three projects, the Project for Nutrition Support for Malnourished Children and Pregnant and Lactating Women in the Hosting Districts of Afghan Refugees in Khyber Pakhtunkwa, the Project for Stabilization through Inclusive Livelihoods in the Tribal Districts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, and the Project for Strengthening Preparedness for Tsunami and Earthquakes in Coastal Areas in Pakistan (total grant amount of up to ¥1.21 billion) (in Islamabad) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Cambodia for the Project for the Development of Port Electric Data Interchange (EDI) System for Port Modernization (grant amount of up to ¥1.34 billion) (in Phnom Penh) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Cambodia for the West Tonle Sap Irrigation and Drainage Rehabilitation and Improvement Project (2) (loan amount of up to ¥3.599 billion) (in Phnom Penh) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to the Philippines for three projects, the Programme (Provision of Equipment for Improving Access to Safe Drinking Water), and the Economic and Social Development Programme (Provision of Equipment for Improving Access to Safe Drinking Water), and the Economic and Social Development Programme (Provision of Grant Aid to Myanmar for five projects including three projects under the Project for Responding to the Humanitarian Situation in Rakhine State, Kachin State	2	 The First Japan-Three Micronesian Countries' Meeting (in Koror, Palau) Seventh Meeting of the Japan-Philippines Joint Committee on Infrastructure Development and Economic Cooperation (in Osaka) The Seventh Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD7), second Public-Private Roundtable Meeting (in Tokyo) High-Level Pledging Event for the Humanitarian Crisis in Yemen (in Geneva) High-Level Event "Human Security at 25" (in New York) Jordan support conference "Jordan: Growth and Opportunity - the London Initiative 2019" (in London)

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2	 Announcement of Japan's assistance totaling approximately \$52.8 million for the humanitarian crisis in Yemen (in Geneva) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Mauritania for the Project for the Construction of the Inspection and Analysis Laboratories of the National Office of Sanitary Inspection of Fishery and Aquaculture Products in Nouadhibou (grant amount of up to ¥1.425 billion) (in Nouakchott) 	2	
3	 Decision to extend Emergency Grant Aid for the humanitarian crisis in Syria and Lebanon Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of ODA loan to Sri Lanka for the Project for Establishment of Light Rail Transit System in Colombo (loan amount of up to ¥30.04 billion) (in Colombo) Decision to provide emergency humanitarian and reconstruction assistance to Ethiopia, Gabon, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Liberia, South Sudan, Palestine, and Syria, in cooperation with the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the change of the amount of Grant Aid to South Sudan for the Project for Construction of Nile River Bridge (signed in January 2013) (from ¥8.134 billion to ¥11.229 billion) (in Juba) Decision to provide emergency relief goods in response to the damages caused by the flood in Malawi Decision to provide emergency relief goods in response to the damages caused by the flood in Afghanistan Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Cuba for two projects, the Project for the Improvement of Power Supply in the Isle of Youth and the Economic and Social Development Programme (total grant amount of up to ¥3.442 billion) (in Havana) Decision to provide emergency relief goods in response to the damages caused by the cyclone in Mozambique 	3	 Kick-Off Ceremony in Relation to the Provision of Emergency Humanitarian and Reconstruction Assistance in cooperation with the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) (in Vienna) First Cooperation Conference on TICAD7 between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Japan Citizen's Network for TICAD (in Tokyo) The Seventh Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD7), third Public-Private Roundtable Meeting (in Tokyo) 5th World Assembly for Women (WAW!) / Women 20 (W20) (in Tokyo) 9th Joint Committee Meeting of the Mumbai-Ahmedabad High Speed Rail Project (in Tokyo)
4	 Decision to provide emergency relief goods in response to the damages caused by cyclone in Zimbabwe Decision to dispatch the Japan Disaster Relief (JDR) Medical Team (second batch) in response to the cyclone in Mozambique Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Nigeria for the Project for Strengthening the Diagnostic Capacity of Nigeria Centre for Disease Control (grant amount of up to ¥1.58 billion) (in Abuja) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Myanmar for two projects, the Project for the Improvement of Aircraft Surveillance System and the Project for the Provision of Agricultural Machinery and Construction Equipment in Rural Areas (total grant amount of up to ¥3.272 billion) (in Naypyitaw) Decision to provide emergency relief goods in response to the damages caused by the flood in Iran Decision to provide Emergency Grant Aid to three countries in Southern Africa (Mozambique, Malawi, and Zimbabwe) affected by Cyclone Idai Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Pakistan for two projects, the Project for the Extension of Intensive Care at Maternal and Child Health Care Centre and Children's Hospital in Pakistan Institute of Medical Sciences and the Economic and Social Development Programme (total grant amount of up to ¥5.52 billion) (in Tokyo) 	4	 G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting (in Dinard, France) Ministerial Strategic Dialogue on the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) (in Stockholm) United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) Forum on Financing for Development Side-Event "Innovative Finance for Sustainable Development: Scale and Impact" (in New York)

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5	 Signing the partnership agreement between JICA and the JA Group (in Tokyo) Signing the technical cooperation agreement between the Government of Japan and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (Japan-ASEAN Technical Cooperation Agreement) (in Tokyo) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Tajikistan for two projects (grant amount of up to ¥1.771 billion) (in Dushanbe) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of ODA loan to Indonesia for the Jakarta Sewerage Development Project (Zone 6) (Phase 1) (loan amount of up to ¥30.98 billion) (in Jakarta) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Sulawesi in central Indonesia, for disaster prevention and reconstruction from damage caused by earthquakes and tsunami (total grant amount of up to ¥5.089 billion) (in Jakarta) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of ODA loans for four projects in Bangladesh, Matarbari Port Development Project (Line 1) (I), Foreign Direct Investment Promotion Project (II), and Energy Efficiency and Conservation Promotion Financing Project (Phase 2) (total loan amount of up to ¥132.659 billion), in the presence of Prime Minister Abe and Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina (in Tokyo) 	5	 G20 Niigata Agriculture Ministers' Meeting (in Niigata) Fourth Annual Multi-stakeholder Forum on Science, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals (STI Forum) (in New York) Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction (in Geneva) Seventh Foreign Ministers' Meeting of the "Central Asia plus Japan" Dialogue (in Dushanbe) Second Cooperation Conference on TICAD7 between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Japan Citizen's Network for TICAD (in Tokyo) Seventh Meeting of the SDGs Promotion Roundtable Meeting (in Tokyo) Japan-China International Development Cooperation Policy Consultation (in Beijing) 75th Session of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) (in Bangkok) 11th Meeting of the Japan-Viet Nam Cooperation Committee (in Tokyo)
6	 At the Japan-Iran Summit Meeting, Prime Minister Abe announces the extension of Emergency Grant Aid to Iran in response to damage caused by floods in Iran (in Tehran) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of ODA loan to Iraq for the Basrah Refinery Upgrading Project (2) (total loan amount of up to ¥110 billion) (in Baghdad) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the change of the amount of Grant Aid to Egypt for the Project for Construction of Outpatient Facility at Cairo University Specialized Pediatric Hospital (signed in December 2015) (from ¥1.56 billion to ¥1.983 billion) (in Cairo) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Myanmar for the Project for the Development of Japan-Myanmar Aung San Vocational Training Institute (grant amount of up to ¥2.726 billion) (in Naypyitaw) 	6	 34th ASEAN-Japan Forum (in Hanoi) First conference of the Japan Business Council for Africa (in Tokyo) G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors Meeting (in Fukuoka) G20 Ministerial Meeting on Trade and Digital Economy (in Tsukuba) G20 Ministerial Meeting on Energy Transitions and Global Environment for Sustainable Growth (in Karuizawa) 8th Meeting of the Japan-Philippines Joint Committee on Infrastructure Development and Economic Cooperation (in Clark, the Philippines) The seventh meeting of the SDGs Promotion Headquarters (in Tokyo) G20 Osaka Summit (in Osaka)
7	 Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Bangladesh for two projects, the Project for Human Resource Development Scholarship and the Project for the Densification of Global Navigation Satellite System Continuously Operating Reference Station Network and the Modernization of Tidal Stations in Bangladesh (total grant amount of up to ¥1.687 billion), and ODA Ioan for the Matarbari Ultra Super Critical Coal-Fired Power Project (V) (Ioan amount of up to ¥143.127 billion) (in Dhaka) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Guinea for the Project for Reconstruction of the Soumba bridge on the National Road No.3 (grant amount of up to ¥1.414 billion) (in Conakry) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Kyrgyzstan for two projects, the Project for Human Resource Development Scholarship and the Project for Reconstruction of Urmaral River Bridge on Talas-Taraz Road (total grant amount of up to ¥2.087 billion) (in Bishkek) 	7	 Third Cooperation Conference on TICAD7 between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Japan Citizen's Network for TICAD (in Tokyo) Seventh Aid for Trade Global Review Meeting (in Geneva) G7 Development Ministers' Meeting and Joint G7 Development and Education Ministers' Meeting (in Paris) 17th East Asia Forum (in Odawara) First meeting of the Experts Council to Review New Funding for the Achievement of the SDGs (in Tokyo) Tenth Joint Committee Meeting of the Mumbai-Ahmedabad High Speed Rail Project (in Delhi) SDGs Action Forum Organized by UNDP (in Tokyo)

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7	 Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to the Philippines for the Project for the Septage Management of Metro Cebu Water District (grant amount of up to ¥2.052 billion) (in Manila) Decision to provide emergency relief goods in response to the Ebola virus disease outbreak in the eastern part of Democratic Republic of the Congo Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Jordan for the Project for the Enhancement of Customs Security at Aqaba (grant amount of up to ¥1.703 billion) (in Amman) 	7	
8	 Signing of Exchange of Notes for the provision of Grant Aid to Uganda for the Project for the Improvement of Traffic Flow in Kampala City (grant amount of up to ¥2.548 billion) (in Kampala) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of ODA loan to Rwanda for the Sector Policy Loan for Nutrition Improvement through Agriculture Transformation (total loan amount of up to ¥10 billion) (in Kigali) Decision to dispatch the Japan Disaster Relief (JDR) Infectious Diseases Response Team in response to the Ebola virus disease outbreak in the eastern part of Democratic Republic of the Congo Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Tajikistan for the Project for the Rehabilitation of Kizilkala-Bokhtar Section of Dushanbe-Bokhtar Road (Detailed Design) and the permanent works for the same project (grant amount of up to ¥3.349 billion) (in Dushanbe) Decision to extend Emergency Grant Aid in response to the Ebola virus disease outbreak in the eastern part of Democratic Republic of the Congo Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of ODA loan to Mozambique for the Maputo Gas Fired Combined Cycle Power Plant Development Project (loan amount of up to ¥4.788 billion) (in Maputo) Signing an Agreement between the Government of Japan and the Government of the Republic of Sierra Leone concerning technical cooperation and Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteer (JOCV) programs (Japan-Sierra Leone Technical Cooperation Agreement) (in Freetown) Signing the memorandum of understanding for renewing the Japan-United States Strategic Energy Partnership in Sub-Saharan Africa (in Yokohama) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Madagascar for the Project for the Improvement of Mangoro Bridge and Antsapazana Bridge in the National Road No.2 (Antananarivo Toamasina) (grant amount of up to ¥2.596 billion) (in Yokohama) 	8	 ASEAN-related Foreign Ministers' Meetings (in Bangkok) 12th Mekong-Japan Ministerial Meeting (in Bangkok) G7 Biarritz Summit (in Biarritz, France) The Seventh Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD7) (in Yokohama) Launch meeting of Gavi's third replenishment (in Yokohama)
9	 Decision to provide emergency relief goods in response to the damage caused by Hurricane Dorian in the Bahamas Decision to provide emergency relief goods in response to the Amazon forest fires in Bolivia Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid for counter-terrorism and security measures in Sri Lanka (grant amount of up to ¥1 billion) (in Colombo) Decision to provide emergency relief goods in response to the Amazon forest fires in Brazil 	9	 G20 Labour and Employment Ministers' Meeting (in Matsuyama) Stakeholders' Conference toward the Revision of Japan's SDGs Implementation Guidelines (in Tokyo) Eighth Meeting of the SDGs Promotion Roundtable Meeting (in Tokyo) High School Students Summit on "World Tsunami Awareness Day" 2019 in Hokkaido (in Sapporo)

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9	 Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of ODA loans to Kenya for two projects, Mombasa Special Economic Zone Development Project (I) and Mombasa Gate Bridge Construction Project (I) (total loan amount of up to ¥84.89 billion), and Grant Aid for the Project for Infrastructure Development in Mombasa Special Economic Zone at Dongo Kundu Area (grant amount of up to ¥6 billion) (in Nairobi) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Côte d'Ivoire for the Project for the Development of the University Hospital Center of Cocody for the Improvement of Maternal and Child Health Care Services in Greater Abidjan (grant amount of up to ¥4.163 billion) (in Abidjan) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Djibouti for the Project for the Reinforcement of Maritime Transport Capacity at the Gulf of Tadjourah (grant amount of up to ¥4.081 billion) (in Djibouti) 	9	 UN High-Level Meeting on Universal Health Coverage (UHC) (in New York) Second Meeting of the High-Level Panel for a Sustainable Ocean Economy (in New York) Climate Action Summit hosted by the UN Secretary- General (in New York) General Debate of the 74th Session of the United Nations General Assembly (in New York) SDG Summit 2019 (in New York) Global Festa Japan 2019 (in Tokyo) Meeting of the Leading Group on Innovative Financing for Development (in New York)
10	 Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Samoa for the Economic and Social Development Programme (grant amount of up to ¥2.5 billion) (in Tokyo) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Cambodia for the Project for Sewerage System Development in Phnom Penh (grant amount of up to ¥2.777 billion) (in Phnom Penh) Signing an Agreement between the Government of Japan and the Government of the Republic of Angola concerning technical cooperation and Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteer (JOCV) programs (Japan-Angola Technical Cooperation Agreement) (in Luanda) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Niger for the Project for Strengthening the Capacity of the National Office of Hydroponic Agriculture Development for the Promotion of Irrigated Rice Cultivation (grant amount of up to ¥1.194 billion) (in Niamey) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Laos for the Project for the Expansion of Water Supply System in Luang Prabang City (grant amount of up to ¥1.922 billion) (in Vientiane) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Dominica for the Project for the Rehabilitation of Fishery Buildings and Equipment in Roseau and Marigot (grant amount of up to ¥1.072 billion) (in Roseau) 	10	 G20 Resource Efficiency Dialogue 2019 and Follow up of the G20 Implementation Framework for Actions on Marine Plastic Litter (in Tokyo) The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (The Global Fund) Sixth Replenishment Conference (in Lyon) G20 Health Ministers' Meeting (in Okayama) G20 Tourism Ministers' Meeting (in Kutchan, Hokkaido)
11	 Signing the Japan-Thailand Partnership Programme (JTPP) (Phase 3) (in Bangkok) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of ODA loan to Ethiopia for the Ethiopia Integrated Transport Program Phase 1: Jimma-Chida and Sodo-Sawla Road Upgrading Project (Jimma-Chida Section) (Ioan amount of up to ¥9.655 billion) (in Addis Ababa) Decision to provide emergency relief goods and dispatch the Japan Disaster Relief (JDR) Self-Defense Force Unit in response to the damages caused by heavy rains and flooding in Djibouti Decision to provide emergency relief goods in response to the damages caused by the earthquake in Albania Decision to dispatch the Japan Disaster Relief (JDR) Infectious Diseases Response Team in response to the measles outbreak in Samoa 	11	 SUN (Scaling-Up Nutrition) Movement Global Gathering (in Kathmandu) Japan-ASEAN Summit Meeting (in Bangkok) The 11th Mekong-Japan Summit Meeting (in Bangkok) Fourth Cooperation Conference on TICAD7 between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Japan Citizen's Network for TICAD (in Tokyo) G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting (in Nagoya) OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC) Peer Reviews of Development Cooperation-Field visit to Japan (in Tokyo) Fourth Review Conference of the State Parties to the Anti- Personnel Mine Ban Convention (in Oslo) High-level Conference between Afghanistan and Pakistan on Facilitating Trade (in Tokyo)

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12	 Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Cambodia for the Project for the Expansion of Water Supply Systems in Pursat (grant amount of up to ¥2.405 billion) (in Phnom Penh) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the change of the amount of Grant Aid to South Sudan for the Project for the Improvement of Water Supply System of Juba in South Sudan (signed in June 2012) (from grant amount of up to ¥4.402 billion to ¥5.872 billion) (in Juba) Decision to extend Emergency Grant Aid in response to the humanitarian crisis in North-eastern Syria Decision to dispatch the Japan Disaster Relief (JDR) Infectious Diseases Response Team (second batch) in response to the measles outbreak in Samoa Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Ethiopia for the Project for the Improvement of Equipment for Road Maintenance in Addis Ababa) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Mozambique for the Project for the Construction of Secondary Schools in Zambezia Province (grant amount of up to ¥2.283 billion) (in Maputo) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Vanuatu for disaster reconstruction (grant amount of up to ¥1.286 billion) (in Maputo) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of ODA loans to Uzbekistan for three project, Navoi Thermal Power Plant Modernization Project (Phase 2), Electric Power Sector Capacity Development Project (Phase 2), and Horticulture Value-Chain Promotion Project (total loan amount of up to ¥1.87.89 billion), in the presence of Prime Minister Abe and President Mirziyoyev of the Republic of Uzbekistan (in Tokyo) Signing of Exchange of Notes concerning the provision of Grant Aid to Palestine through the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA), for two projects, the Project for the Construction of a School and the Improve	12	 Ninth Meeting of the SDGs Promotion Roundtable Meeting (in Tokyo) 9th Meeting of the Japan-Philippines Joint Committee on Infrastructure Development and Economic Cooperation (in Odawara) The 25th session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP 25) (in Madrid) Inaugural Global Refugee Forum (in Geneva) The eighth meeting of the SDGs Promotion Headquarters and Conferment Ceremony for the 3rd Japan SDGs Award (in Tokyo)

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