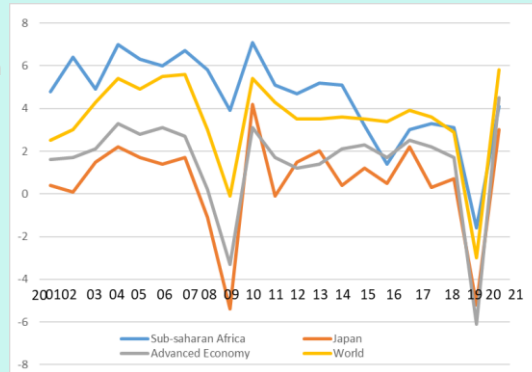


1. The Importance of Africa for Japan

- The largest regional group in the UN
 - Of the 193 UN member states, **54** are in Africa
- A continent with enormous potential
 - **Annual average economic growth rate of approx. 5%** in the Sub-Saharan Region from 2001 to 2021 (Graph on the right; source: IMF)
 - **By 2050, predicted to become a market of more than 2.5 billion people—a quarter of the world's population**
 - **A wealth of minerals and energy resources** are being extracted as **new technology develops**
- Partnership toward achieving a “free and open Indo-Pacific”
 - strengthening connectivity through investment in quality infrastructure, ensuring maritime security
- Realizing human security
 - By dealing with development and humanitarian issues such as conflicts and terrorism, food security, infectious diseases and climate change.



2. Japan's Action: Centered on the Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD)

- Japan established the Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD) in 1993 as a multilateral international conference to address development issues in Africa.
- At TICAD7 (August 2019, Yokohama),
 - Private companies were recognized as official partners for the first time, and the Public-Private Business Dialogue between Japan and Africa was held in the plenary session. The Government of Japan supports Japanese companies' projects in Africa by making the most use of ODA.
 - Japan announced "**TICAD7: Japan's contributions for Africa,**" which included measures to provide support using ODA.



TICAD7: Japan's contributions for Africa

Economy



"ABE Initiative"

In order to develop human resources for modern industry that will contribute to promoting business in Africa, Japan provides opportunities for African youth to pursue Master's degrees in Japan and do internships with Japanese companies. At TICAD7, Japan announced "ABE Initiative 3.0" that aims to develop 3,000 industrial human resources over the course of six years.

Society



Promoting universal health coverage (UHC)

Japan helps African countries in improving access to primary health care and hygiene and expanding insurance 3 million people. Japan will train 26,000 health personnel through measures such as dispatching experts and conducting training in Japan.

Peace and Stability



Constructing systems and strengthening governance

Under the New Approach for Peace and Stability in Africa (NAPSA), Japan is addressing the root causes of conflicts and terrorism, while respecting African-led efforts toward conflict resolution, by providing support toward building institutions and strengthening governance.



Promoting the blue economy

Japan's assistance includes developing human resources, supporting port constructions and operations and providing ship equipment in order to help achieving sustainable use of fishery resources, strengthening connectivity, and ensuring maritime security.



Providing quality education

Japan is helping to provide quality education to 3 million children through measures such as science and mathematics education and improvement of learning environments.



Collaboration between humanitarian and development efforts

Japan intends to link supports for refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs) with development cooperation for the host communities.

Examples of contributions to regional peace and stability

- ✓ Sahel region: Providing security equipment to improve the capacity of the police and airport security.
- ✓ South Sudan: Through JICA and international organizations, Japan has been continuously supporting state building in South Sudan since its independence in 2011.



Supporting the consolidation of peace in South Sudan through sports competitions