18th ODA Evaluation Workshop

JICA [Online] Knowledge Co-Creation Program (Group & Region Focus)

Capacity Building for Improved "Project Evaluation" Design, Implementation and System Institutionalization (2020-2022)

SAKUMA Miho Evaluation Department International Development Center of Japan Inc. 1. What are JICA's Knowledge Co-Creation Programs (KCCP)?

- A foundation of mutual learning process
- Training in Japan as technical cooperation
- Sharing the knowledge that Japanese society has accumulated, including its background in areas such as organizational know-how and social systems
- Nearly 10,000 participants each year

2. Outline of the course: Capacity Building for Improved "Project Evaluation" Design, Implementation and System Institutionalization (2020-2022)

For what?

This program aims to enhance the participants' knowledge on the project evaluation methodologies and their evaluation capacity.

For whom?

This program is designed for middle management executives in policy making or evaluation operation departments from central ministries, agencies and governmental organizations.

How?

- Through mainly online self-study, participants will have opportunities to understand the present situations and challenges of project evaluation system in their own countries, Japan and the rest of the world.
- Participants will also gain knowledge and methodologies for evaluation design and project evaluation system which will be useful for project management.
- In this training course, participants are expected to make and propose a concrete plan for improvement of project evaluation system in their countries based on what they gain from the training course.

3. Course Objective and Module Outputs

Objective	Module Output	Subjects/Agendas
Course Objective: To enhance the participants' knowledge and their capacity on project evaluation by learning its design, implementation methodologies and system. Overall Goal: To propose concrete plans to improve the project evaluation system in participants' countries based on what they learn from the program.	 To grasp the present situations and challenges of project evaluation system of each participant's country and entity. 	- Making an Inception Report on diagnosing and analyzing evaluation system of each participant's entity.
	2. To understand present situations and challenges of project evaluation system in Japan and the world aligning with SDGs.	 Understanding evaluation system and methodologies of JICA and other donors. Introducing evaluation cases of ODA projects and others. Introducing cooperation cases for SDGs related projects
	3. To acquire knowledge and methodologies for evaluation design and project evaluation system which can provide useful information for project management.	- Examining evaluation system, evaluation methodologies of ODA projects and others.
	4. To propose a concrete plan for improvement of project evaluation system in each country based on learnings from the course	 Considering feasible activities at each country based on current situation and challenges and knowledge acquired through this program Drafting and proposing a plan

4. Participants in 3 years

39 participants (+ 16 observers)

Indonesia, Thailand, Vietnam, Fiji, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, India, Ukraine, Egypt, Ghana, Nigeria, Moldova, Mexico, Gambia, Zimbabwe, Botswana

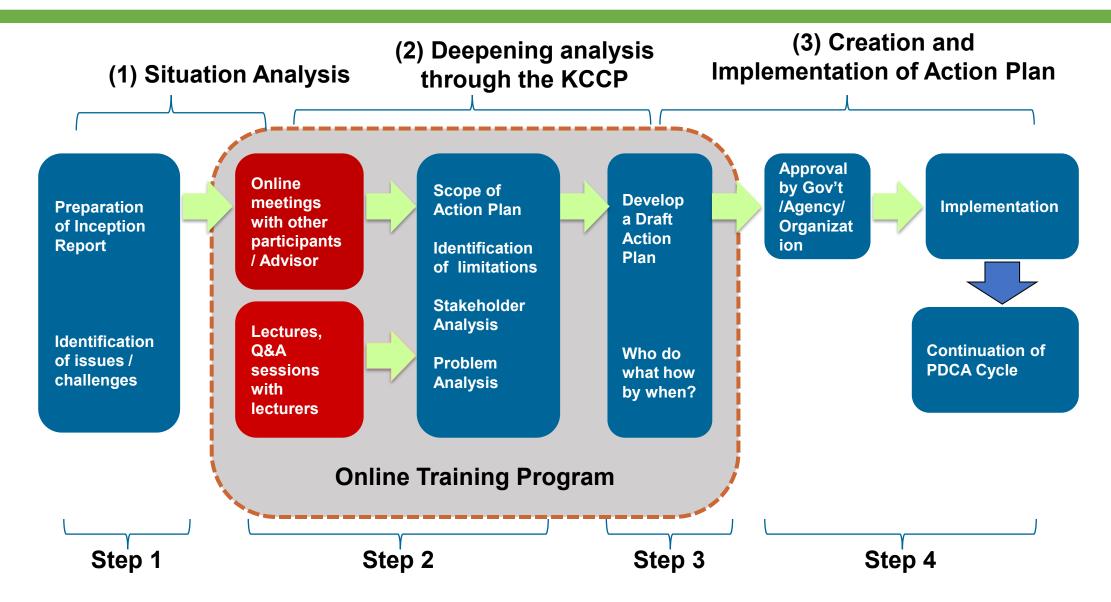
5. Lectures and Lecturers

Lecture Title	Lecturer	
What is evaluation?	Directors, Japan Evaluation Society	
Evaluation Process 1 Introductory		
Evaluation Process 2	Sharing the Experience of Japan	
 SDGs and evaluation 	Historical Background of the Evaluation	
 Evaluation System in the Japanese Government 		
 Policy evaluation of Japanese government Case study of public works- 	Minister's Secretariat, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism	
 Revision of OECD-DAC evaluation policy 	Former Vice Chair, OECD/DAC Evaluation Network	
\cdot Current trend of ODA in the international society	ODA Evaluation Division Minister's Secretariat Ministry of Foreign Affaires of Japan	
 Current trend of ODA evaluation in Japan 		
 Efforts on ODA evaluation in Japan 		

5. Lectures and Lecturers

Lecture Title	Lecturer	
 Efforts of JICA to achieving SDGs 	JICA	
	Sharing the Experience of	
 Efforts of JICA after the revision of OECD-DAC evaluation policy 	JICA	
Impact evaluation by JICA	Advanced	
Introduction of new evaluation method by JICA		
JICA's project evaluation 1	Consultant	
JICA's project evaluation 2 Exercises with case studies		

6. Online Training Program and Action Plan Preparation

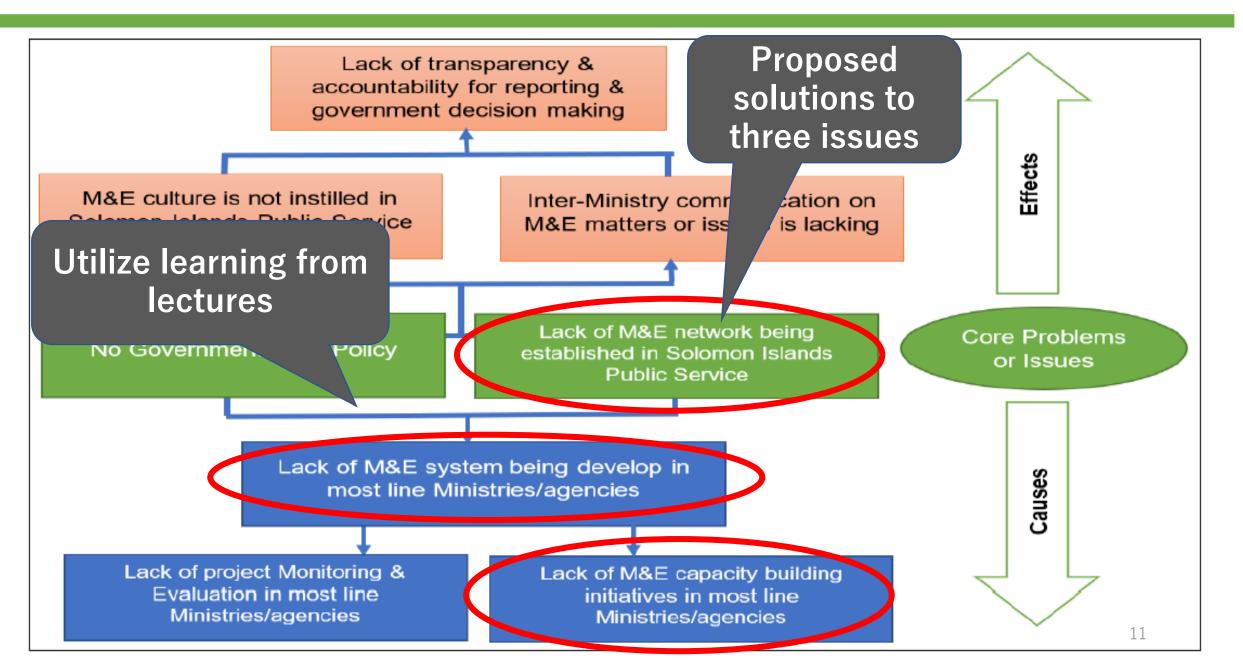


7. Outcomes of the course

 All 39 participants proposed concrete plans to improve the project evaluation system in participants' countries based on what they learn from the program.



7. Examples of action plans of three participants from Solomon Islands



7. An example of the action plan of a participant from Country A

Inception Report clarifies actual M&E issues that training participants are facing in their work.

Problem

Most data received from an implementing agency is incomplete and is not up-to-date. Many times, the implementing agencies cannot provide the right aspects of information to us since they did not compile such kind of these data during the implementing period. Especially, in case the project has a construction period of more than 5 years or it is delayed or extended so on, there tend to have changes of the officials who responsible for the evaluation as well as the data compiling that may be discontinuous and unable to collect all kinds of data in relating to the key success indicators.

Lectures, exercises, discussions, and case studies from other countries help participants come up with solutions.

Activities	Purpose	Stakeholders	Resources	Timeframe			
1. Revising the evaluation guidelines to stipulate the submission of the progress report or mid-term evaluation report from the implementing agencies							
- Drafting the amendment guidelines - Arranging the Stakeholders sounding meeting - Seeking for approval from DG	- To enforce the implementing Propose high activities con various con	nsidering	USD Oct 2022 - (Expenditure Jun 2023	Jun 2023 (12 Months) dget and			
-Announcing the effective date of the amendment	per requested - To revise evaluation criteria	base					

8. Interactive learning through KCCP

Sharing the knowledge that Japanese society has accumulated



Learn from Japan's experience and cases and use them in a way that is consistent with the needs and circumstances in each participating country

- Understand that other countries are facing similar M&E challenges and collaborate on measures to address them
- Better understanding of the background and status of M&E systems in each country

Thank you very much for your attention!

