

**Japan's Additional Assistance to Pakistan
Against the Large-Scale Earthquakes
Announced by the Foreign Minister Taro Aso**

➤ **US\$ 20 million for Emergency Humanitarian Assistance(*)**

*US\$ 20 million to be allocated to:

UNDP: US\$ 5 million, WFP: US\$ 2.45 million, UNICEF: US\$ 2 million, UNFPA: US\$ 1.3 million,

UNESCO: US\$ 1.3 million, UN-HABITAT: US\$ 0.15 million, ICRC: US\$ 5 million, IFRC: US\$ 2.8 million

➤ **4 billion yen (approximately US\$ 35 million) of Non-project Grant Assistance to reconstruct hospitals and schools and provide materials**

➤ **Support for Rehabilitation of Bridges of Jhelun Valley Road leading to LOC**

➤ **Emergency Development Study on Rehabilitation and Reconstruction in Muzaffarabad to: 1. draw up Hazard map to identify dangerous areas of landslides; 2. formulate programmes on land utilization; and 3. formulate the plan of priority sectors for rehabilitation and reconstruction**

➤ **Total amount of Japan's assistance (as of January 2006)**

Loan: 11.22 billion yen (Approximately **US\$ 100 million**)

Grant: Approximately **US\$ 90.93 million** (including bilateral assistance, the one through international organizations and NGOs)

Total: Approximately **US\$ 200 million**

1. Dispatch of Japan Disaster Relief Teams

(i) Japan Disaster Relief Rescue Teams (49 members)

The Team, comprising officials from Foreign Ministry, National Police Agency, Fire and Disaster Management Agency, Coast Guard and JICA, launched search and rescue operations in Batgram in North-West Frontier Province from 10 to 14 October 2005.



(ii) Japan Disaster Relief Medical Teams (42 members)

The first Medical Team (21 members), comprising an official from Foreign Ministry, experts from JICA, medical doctors, nurses, pharmacists and paramedics, started to provide medical care to the afflicted in Batgram on 12 October. The Second Team (21 members) had taken over the First Medical Team's duties, and provided medical care to the afflicted people until 30 October. The Teams examined 2,271 patients. The medical activities were taken over by Japanese NGOs.



(iii) Dispatch of Self-Defense Force Units

The Self-Defense Force helicopters started to transport the afflicted people as well as relief supplies between Islamabad and Batgram from 17 October. In Total, 6 helicopters conducted transport operations till the end of November.



2. Supply of Emergency Assistance (25 million yen)

The Government of Japan provided emergency assistance in kind (2,000 blankets, 768 plastic containers, 500 sleeping mats, 30 tents, 20 water purifiers, 20 electric generators, 30 cord reels, 20 plastic sheets, 5 portable water tanks), equivalent to about 25 million yen. The Supplies arrived in Islamabad on 11 October, and on the same day, they were handed over to the Government of Pakistan.



3. Emergency Grant Assistance (US \$20 million)

- (i) On 11 October, the Government of Japan decided to extend grant assistance amounting US\$ 20 million for the affected people.
- (ii) On 14 October, the Government of Japan further decided to extend, as a part of bilateral assistance, US\$ 12 million out of the total amount of US\$20 million to the Government of Pakistan, which is to be spent to procure supplies such as tents (more than 6,500), plastic sheets (more than 6,500), sleeping mats (more than 21,000), blankets (more than 42,000), and plastic containers (more than 13,000), pharmaceutical and heavy machineries. The procurement of supplies was done promptly and those supplies have started to reach the afflicted since late October.

- (iii) On 18 October, the Government of Japan decided to provide the remaining US\$ 8 million for emergency assistance through the following international organizations. The assistance was disbursed promptly.
(→WFP:US\$2.5million/UNICEF:US\$2.5million/UNHCR:US\$1million/WHO:US\$1million/IOM:US\$1million)

4. NGOs' Activities, "Camp Japan" (560 million yen)

- (i) Since the occurrence of the earthquakes, Japan's NGOs under Japan Plat Form (JPF) have been deeply engaged in humanitarian assistance including distribution of materials for medical assistance in the disaster-hit areas, with ODA support (approximately 440 million yen) .
- (ii) Considering the request from the Government of Pakistan, in the middle of December, JPF launched "Camp Japan", wintering camp, with ODA support (approximately 120 million yen, as of December) in the outskirts of Muzaffarabad with more than 300 shelters Japan had earlier provided. "Camp Japan" has the capacity of more than 1,500 afflicted people.



5. Yen Loan Assistance (11.22 billion yen: about US\$100 million)

Senior Vice Foreign Minister Yasuhisa Shiozaki conveyed the decision of the Japanese Government to provide yen loan amounting to 100 million dollars to meet the financial need for emergency reconstruction at the International Donor Conference for Rehabilitation and Reconstruction organized by the Government of Pakistan on November 19 in Islamabad. The Notes were signed and exchanged on 5 January 2006 in Islamabad between the Foreign Minister of Japan, Taro Aso, and his counterpart Foreign Minister of Pakistan, Kasuri.

6. Assistance through Japan Trust Funds (US\$10 million)

Japan decided to respond to appeals from the World Bank and the Asian Development Bank by extending 5 million dollars to each organization, with the total of 10 million dollars, which was announced by Senior Vice Minister Shiozaki at the above International Donor Conference on 19 November.

Map of Northern Pakistan

