

recurrence of circumstances that require humanitarian aid.

Moreover, international cooperation to prevent disasters is vital to the reduction of damage due to the disasters that occur frequently around the world. Japan will strengthen international cooperation in this area by hosting international conferences and seminars, etc., to

share the lessons that have been learned from the Great East Japan Earthquake with the international community, and further advance efforts to prevent disasters.

Japan will renew its awareness that humanitarian aid is not a one-way street, but is conducted through mutual assistance, and while using Japan's capabilities, engage proactively in emergency humanitarian aid in the future as



JAPAN
Official Development Assistance

ODA Establishes Bonds!

To change from an inward focus to the promotion of substantive diplomacy

For our friends in the international community

There are still many people all over the world who suffer from hunger and poverty. We Japanese will continue to be true friends who lend a hand to others.

For example, Japan provides food to people in Africa who are suffering from hunger.



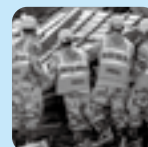
To expand business opportunities

We Japanese rely on foreign countries for many things, including oil and food. In addition, we are able to earn our salaries because Japanese products sell overseas. Japan builds good relationships with each country so that the entire world will do business with us.

For example, when Japanese companies build factories in developing countries, they teach technology to the local people who will work in those factories.

When the Great East Japan Earthquake occurred, Japan received offers of assistance from 163 countries and regions.

Emergency aid teams even rushed to Japan from India. It was the first time that India had dispatched such teams overseas.



To protect Japan and the world

Problems that threaten all mankind such as global warming, terrorism, HIV/AIDS, and avian flu are not someone else's affairs, but are our own problems.

For example, Japan builds wind power stations in developing countries in an effort to reduce CO₂.



Vigor and good cheer to affected areas

For the future of mankind, Japan teaches the wisdom and experience it has gained from the Great East Japan Earthquake and displays its recovery to the people of the world.

For example, Japan invites many people from developing countries to the affected areas to teach the knowledge and experience of disaster prevention and recovery.

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