

# COOPERATION OF JAPAN IN ZIMBABWE

People to People Support for Generations





# INTRODUCTION

## Message from Ambassador Yamanaka

For over 40 years, since Zimbabwe's Independence, Japan has been cooperating with Zimbabwe in a broad range of areas including humanitarian assistance, infrastructure, agriculture, health, education, and landmine clearance in many different parts of the country. We have also helped to develop human resources through our volunteers, training courses and scholarships in Japan.



The basic philosophy of Japan's development aid programmes is to "support the country's own efforts". I think this is an important idea, because only through Zimbabwe's own efforts can there be sustainable development. So, our economic cooperation is carried out to complement the government's efforts in terms of social and economic development, in line with NDS1 and Vision 2030.

Japan will remain committed to working closely with Zimbabwe and further strengthening friendly relations between our two countries. I hope this pamphlet is helpful for you to gain a deeper understanding of our cooperation with Zimbabwe. Please do not hesitate to contact us for any further information.

## COUNTRY DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION POLICY FOR ZIMBABWE (2020)

### 1. Facilitation of Integration into the Southern African Regional Economy

- Improve Zimbabwe's connectivity and support its efforts towards regional economic integration, facilitate connection logistics with neighbouring countries and develop infrastructure of transport corridors.

### 2. Effective Utilisation of Abundant Resources

- Promote agriculture, rural development and tourism in order to spur economic development through the appropriate and effective use of Zimbabwe's abundant resources.

### 3. Support to Ensure Human Security for Vulnerable People

- Increase food assistance to deal with serious food shortages.
- Support the improvement of access to safe water and sanitation.
- Strengthen health services and systems in the medium- to long-term through the development of human resources and provision of equipment.
- Support the improvement of access to adequate education and gender equality through the promotion of human resources and construction of facilities.
- Continue to support the removal of landmines, which pose a major threat to the livelihoods of local residents living in areas near the border with Mozambique.

## TYPES OF COOPERATION

### Grant Aid

- (1) Bilateral Projects 
- (2) Multilateral Projects through International Organisations
- (3) Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP)
- (4) Grant Assistance for Japanese NGO Projects
- (5) Emergency Disaster Relief

### Technical Cooperation

- (1) Technical Cooperation Projects 
- (2) Training Programmes in Japan 
- (3) Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers (JOCVs) 



= projects implemented by the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

## Summary of Japan's Assistance to Zimbabwe (1980 – 2023)

<b>Loan Aid</b>	Around USD <b>346 million</b>
<b>Grant Aid</b>	Around USD <b>641 million</b>
<b>Technical Cooperation Assistance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zimbabwean experts receiving training in Japan: Approximately <b>1,500 people</b></li> <li>• Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers (JOCVs) providing expertise in Zimbabwe: <b>567 people</b></li> <li>• Japanese experts and missions dispatched to Zimbabwe: Approximately <b>1,030 people</b></li> <li>• Zimbabwean students receiving scholarships for study in Japan including the ABE Initiative: <b>37 people</b></li> </ul>	Around USD <b>182 million</b>

## History and Main Projects of Japan's Grant Aid to Zimbabwe (1980–2024)\*



\*up to March 2024



## North-South Corridor (Makuti – Chirundu Section) Improvement of Steep Section (Phase 1)



Improvement of a steep 6.5 km section of road descending the Zambezi escarpment between Marongora and Hell's Gate.  
*2019-2021, USD 21 million, Grant Aid*

## Improvement of Steep Section (Phase 2)

Improvement of a further 7.8 km section between Makuti and Marongora, including widening of curves and improvement of the vertical and horizontal alignment.  
*2022-2026, USD 17.8 million, Grant Aid*



▲ Before (between Makuti and Marongora)

## Capacity Development of OSBPs

Capacity Development on Smooth Operation of the One Stop Border Posts at Chirundu and Beitbridge.  
*2021-2025, Technical Cooperation Project*



## New Chirundu Bridge



Construction of the New Chirundu Bridge  
*1998-2002, USD 13.7 million, Grant Aid*





## Promotion of NERICA “New Rice for Africa”



NERICA (New Rice for Africa), developed with the assistance of Japan, is a kind of rice made through crossing African rice, which is resistant to disease and drought, with Asian rice, which has a high yield. Dispatch of a rice advisor to Zimbabwe for three years. *2023-2026, Technical Assistance*

## Nyakomba Irrigation Scheme



Construction and rehabilitation of irrigation facilities in Nyanga District, to provide a stable supply of irrigation water thereby improving the agricultural production of 560 small-scale farmers.

*2015-2019, USD 16 million, Grant Aid*

## Zimbabwe Smallholder Horticulture Empowerment and Promotion (ZIM-SHEP)

Developing the capacity of farmers to practice market-oriented horticultural farming, or “grow to sell”. It is being carried out in 32 districts in 8 provinces, with over 2,860 farmers at 33 irrigation schemes.

*2019-2025, Technical Assistance*



▲ Training for seeding at Chitora Irrigation Scheme, Mutoko District, Mashonaland East Province



▲ Training for market survey in Karoi Town by Magunje Irrigation Scheme farmers, Hurungwe District, Mashonaland West Province



# EDUCATION

## Comprehensive Education Project in Gokwe North and Nyaminyami



Improving the educational environment at three primary schools in Gokwe North District, and three primary schools in Nyaminyami Rural District.

*2019-2022, USD 2.3 million*

*2022-2024, USD 2.4 million*

*Grant Assistance for Japanese NGO Projects (implemented by ADRA Japan)*

## Improvement of Secondary Education Environment in Epworth and Kwekwe

New school facilities at two secondary schools in Kwekwe District, and a new secondary school constructed in Epworth Township.

*2019-2022, USD 2.0 million, Grant Assistance for Japanese NGO Projects (Implemented by PLAN International)*



## Construction of Classroom Blocks in Chirumhanzu (GGP)



◀ Two furnished classroom blocks, two toilet blocks and a borehole provided at Tokwe 4 Secondary School.

*2022, USD 90,750, GGP (Implemented by LID Agency)*



## Construction of a Multi-Purpose Skill Training Centre in Harare (GGP)



Vocational training Centre for orphans and vulnerable youth in Dzivarasekwa, equipped with new sewing machines. ▶

*2021, USD 90,909, GGP (Implemented by Dzikwa Trust Fund)*



# HEALTH

## Improvement of Emergency Medical Services in Manicaland Province



Three new ambulances and a PCR machine provided for hospitals in Chipinge, Mutasa and Nyanga Districts. *2022-2023, USD 322,259, Multilateral Project (implemented by UNOPS)*

## Improvement of Medical Services in Vungu Rural District (GGP)



New clinic, nurse's house, solar-powered borehole, toilet block and hospital beds. *2022, USD 145,230, GGP (implemented by Jointed Hands Welfare Organisation)*

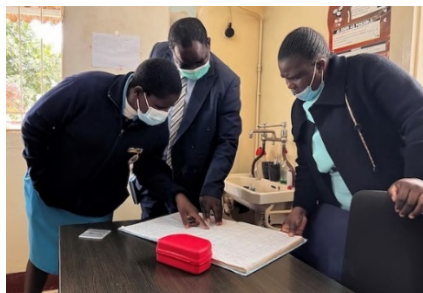
## Provision of a Chemistry Analyser in Zaka District (GGP)

To allow patients of Musiso Mission Hospital to receive chemistry diagnostic services.

*2022, USD 27,876, GGP (implemented by SolidarMed Zimbabwe)*



## Quality Improvement of Health Services through 5S-Kaizen-TQM Approach



Improving the working environment, reducing the patient waiting time, increasing patient satisfaction, improving waste segregation.

*2021-2026, Technical Assistance*

◀ Baseline survey at Gweru Provincial Hospital and Chinhoyi Provincial Hospital

## Provision of Medical Equipment for Sally Mugabe Children's Hospital, as well as 4 Central and 8 Provincial Hospitals

Digital X-ray systems, bedside monitors, defibrillators, electrocardiograms, blood gas analysers, etc. (to be installed gradually from early-2024 onwards).

*2020, USD 2.7 million, 2021, USD 3.8 million, Grant Aid*





# EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

## Food Assistance for People Affected by Drought, etc.



Food assistance and creation of community assets such as nutrition gardens and dams for vulnerable people affected by drought. *2023, USD 1.4million; 2022, USD 500,000; 2021, USD 1.2 million; 2020, USD 4.5million; 2019, USD 14.8 million; Multilateral Projects (implemented by WFP)*

## Improvement of Maternal Health Care and Cold Chain for COVID-19



Eight new ambulances and medical equipment to improve maternal health care; refrigerators and vaccine carriers to strengthen vaccination programme. *2021, USD 2.0 million, Multilateral Projects (implemented by UNFPA and UNICEF)*

## Emergency Assistance in Response to Cyclone Idai



Provision of food and Non-Food Items, capacity building on prevention of sexual exploitation. *2019, USD 600,000, Emergency Assistance (implemented by UNICEF, WFP & IOM)*

# MINE CLEARANCE

## Project for Mine Clearance in Mashonaland Central and East Provinces (GGP)



Japan-funded projects have cleared 1.5 million square metres of land and removed over 30,000 landmines. *2013-2023, USD 5.5 million, GGP (implemented by The HALO Trust)*



# SCHOLARSHIP / TRAINING IN JAPAN



## • ABE (African Business Education) Initiative Scholarship



• **Kizuna Scholarship** for Mining Technology

• **AgriNet Scholarship** for Agriculture Technology

◀ The 2023 beneficiaries of the JICA fully sponsored Masters' Degree and PhD scholarships (ABE, AgriNet and Kizuna Scholarships)

Adrian Binala, a JICA Kizuna scholarship recipient, studying for a Master of Science degree in Earth Resource Engineering at Akita University (2022-2025) ▼



▲ Agnes Aron, a JICA AgriNet scholarship recipient, studying for a Master of Science degree in Global Dryland Science at Tottori University (2020-2022)

## • Knowledge Co-Creation Programme (KCCP)



Courses provided in Japan aimed at human resource development and resolving issues in developing countries.

◀ 10 health officials from the Ministry of Health and Child Care participating in KCCP courses



◀ Charity Chipako, participating in the JICA KCCP course on "Market Oriented Agriculture Promotion for Extension Officers" course



Since 1989, over 560 JOCVs have shared their expertise at different institutions



▲ JOCV Ryosuke Kasai, 2023-2025, bringing baseball to the townships of Bulawayo



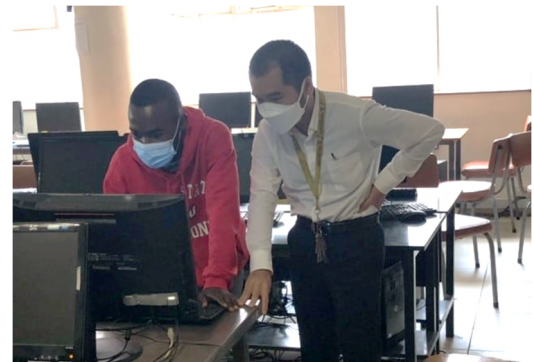
▲ JOCV Daiki Shigetani, 2021-2023, teaching tourism at the School of Tourism and Hospitality, Bulawayo



▲ JOCV Ami Nakashita, 2021-2023, teaching physical education at Morgan Zintech Teachers' College in Harare



▲ JOCV Yuya Yamaguchi, 2021-2023, teaching baseball at Sport and Recreation Commission in Mutare



▲ JOCV Koichiro Hara, 2021-2023, teaching ICT at Morgan Zintech Teachers' College in Harare



▲ JOCV Ikuko Seki, 2022-2024, teaching physical education at Mkoba Teachers College in Gweru



▲ JOCV Risa Tomita 2021-2023, teaching ICT at Mkoba Teachers College in Gweru



▲ JOCV Miyu Suzuki 2023-2025, teaching ICT at Madziwa Teachers College in Shamva



## TICAD (since 1993)

The Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD) was launched in 1993 by the Government of Japan to promote Africa's development, peace and security. Over the course of the 31 years since TICAD I in 1993, it has been conducted under the principles of African ownership and international partnership. TICAD8 was held in Tunisia in 2022

## TICAD 8 Tunis Declaration (overview)

August, 2022  
African Affairs Department, MOFA of Japan

### 1 Summary

- The potential of Africa is a driving force of global growth. **“Investment in people”** is urgent and important.
- Recognizing importance of multilateralism. Commitment to working together based on international law including the UN Charter, and **respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity** of all countries. Emphasizing that all countries must seek **peaceful resolution of disputes** in accordance with international law.
- Taking good note of the initiative of a **Free and Open Indo-Pacific (FOIP)**.

### 2 Outline

#### (1) Economy: Realizing structural transformation for sustainable economic growth and social development

- Private sector investment, technology transfer, industrial human resources development are crucial. Emphasizing the roles of start-ups to resolve social challenges.
- Promoting Green economies. Commitment to supporting just transition. Promoting of Japan's **“Green Growth Initiative with Africa (GGA)”**.
- Support the strengthening food security and nutrition. Support sustainable agriculture, food systems and value chains.
- Strengthening a free, open and fair international economic system. Importance of **sound development finance adhering to international rules and standards**.
- Quality infrastructure investment, connectivity and the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA), the blue economy.

#### (2) Society: Realizing a resilient and sustainable society

- The necessity of building a resilient and sustainable society to achieve human security and the SDGs.
- Promoting efforts in the health sector to **achieve UHC**. Africa's appreciation for Japan's contribution through COVAX and the Global Fund.

#### (3) Peace and Stability: Realizing Sustainable Peace and Stability

- Democracy, good governance, the rule of law are crucial. The necessity of maintaining a rules-based maritime order in accordance with the principles of international law .
- Reaffirming our **commitment to realizing a world without nuclear weapons**. Being committed to maintain and strengthen the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) .
- **Ukraine** (Expressing serious concern about the situation in Ukraine, importance of the preservation of peace through dialogue, supporting African countries to overcome the increasing food and energy prices, etc.)
- **Reform of the United Nations Security Council** (Reaffirming support for the African Common Position, and with this in mind, being determined to cooperate to accelerate the reform of the Council.)

#### (4) Future TICAD Process

**TICAD 9 will be held** in Japan **in 2025**. A TICAD ministerial meeting will be held **in 2024**.





**Photos**

- Front Cover**
- Road Improvement of North-South Corridor
  - Food Assistance (WFP)
  - Chemondoro Secondary School in Shamva (GGP)
- Back Cover (top to bottom, left to right)**
- Education Project in Gokwe North (ADRA Japan)
  - Counselling and Education Centre to Solve the Problem of Violence against Women and Girls (GGP)
  - Mushumbi Primary School (GGP)
  - Nyakomba Irrigation Scheme Development
  - Maternity Waiting Homes Nutrition Programme (WFP)
  - JOCV – Teaching Soccer
  - Chishayabvudzi Secondary School (GGP)
  - Paediatric facilities of Mpilo Central Hospital
  - Emergency Call and Children’s Drop-In Centres (GGP)
  - Technical cooperation for Community-Based Tourism
  - Supporting Fair and Transparent Elections (UNDP)
  - Medical equipment support at Harare Central Hospital
  - Landmine Clearance in Mashonaland Central (GGP)
  - X-ray Equipment of Chidamoyo Christian Hospital (GGP)
  - Vocational Training Centre in Harare (GGP)
  - JOCV – Teaching Physical Education
  - JOCV – Teaching Athletics
  - Recycled Ambulances for Harare, Bulawayo and Mutare (GGP)
  - Productive Asset Creation Programme (WFP)
  - Anti-Poaching Operations Centre
  - Counselling and Care Centre for Survivors of Gender-Based Violence (GGP)
  - Eye-Care Facility in Mashonaland West (GGP)
  - Govera Primary School (GGP)
  - Classroom Block for Deaf Students (GGP)
  - JOCV – Teaching Design

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