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Japan-Vietnam Agricultural Cooperation Dialogue has been held three times since 2014 with the aim to establish food value chains, etc., under a public-private partnership in Vietnam.

[The 1st High-Level Meeting on Japan-Vietnam Agricultural Cooperation Dialogue (June 2014)]
Formulation of a Medium- to Long-Term Vision for establishing food value chains in Vietnam was confirmed.

[The 2nd High-Level Meeting on Japan-Vietnam Agricultural Cooperation Dialogue (August 2015)]
The Medium- to Long-Term Vision for Japan-Vietnam Agricultural Cooperation for establishing food value chains in Vietnam was approved. A public-private partnership for steady implementation of activities in the Vision was confirmed. In the presence of Prime Minister Abe, the Record of Discussion of the Dialogue was signed in September 2015.

[The 3rd Japan-Vietnam Agricultural Cooperation Dialogue (September 2016)]
Progress of the activities listed in the action plans of the Medium- to Long-Term Vision for Japan-Vietnam Agricultural Cooperation was confirmed and continuous cooperation between both countries towards further promotion of the activities was also agreed.
In the meetings, the Vietnam side explained about its preferential measures for various investments while JETRO, JICA, and Japanese and Vietnamese businesses presented their activities in Vietnam.
The Vietnam side also explained about establishing a working group in the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development for smooth investment and developing the systems in which the Department of International Cooperation provides a consulting service to Japanese businesses.

[Participating private companies and agencies]
The number of participating companies has increased annually: 11 companies in the first meeting, 25 companies in the second, and 51 companies in the third. The Agricultural Cooperation Dialogue will be held every year continuously as a promotion system of the Medium- to Long-Term Vision for Japan-Vietnam Agricultural Cooperation.
In the Medium- to Long-Term Vision for Japan-Vietnam Agricultural Cooperation, action plans to be implemented in model regions in five years (2015 – 2019) are provided with the aims to address medium- and long-term issues in the agricultural sector in Vietnam. It was approved by the Ministers of Agriculture of Japan and Vietnam at the second High-Level Meeting on Japan-Vietnam Agricultural Cooperation Dialogue held in August 2015.

Both ministers agreed to hold the Japan-Vietnam Agricultural Cooperation Dialogue every year as a follow-up system of the Medium- to Long-Term Vision.

The third Japan-Vietnam Agricultural Cooperation Dialogue was held on September 27, 2016 where the progress of various initiatives in line with the action plans of the Vision was confirmed.

Main achievements of the Action Plan (until September 2016)

1. Enhancing productivity and added value
   - Model region (Nghe An Province)
     - In the North Nghe An Irrigation System Upgrading Project, in January 2016, reform work commenced on deteriorating irrigation facilities.

2. Food processing and product development
   - Model region (Lam Dong Province)
     - Promoting high-value-added activities by sorting harvested vegetables.

3. Developing distribution and cold chain
   - Model region (suburbs of Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh, etc.)
     - Through initiatives of the private sector, construction of refrigerated warehouses and investment for establishing cold distribution systems are promoted.

4. Cross-sectoral activities
   - Development of advanced human resources (Can Tho University, etc.)
     - In August 2016, a chair course was opened in Vietnam National University of Agriculture where a 10-day intensive course is provided by 11 Japanese businesses, etc.
The 1st High-Level Meeting on Japan-Myanmar Cooperation Dialogue for the Development of Myanmar’s Agriculture, Forestry, Fisheries and Foods was held in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar, on 23 September 2014. The Representatives of 14 Japanese private companies, JICA, JETRO and the Embassy of Japan in Myanmar attended the meeting.

Both sides confirmed that they would collaborate and explore concrete actions to establish food value chains in Myanmar.

### 2. Participants

**Japan:** Mr. Nishikawa, Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (co-chair), Japanese Ambassador to Myanmar, JICA, JETRO, Japanese private companies and organizations*


**Myanmar:** Mr. U Myint Hlaing, Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation (co-chair), Mr. U Win Myint, Union Minister for Commerce, Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Myanmar Rice Federation and other participants.
The Senior Officials Meeting on the Japan-Myanmar Cooperation Dialogue for the Development of Myanmar’s Agriculture, Forestry, Fisheries and Foods was held in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar, on 7 July 2015. 11 Japanese private companies related to the agriculture and food sector, JICA, JETRO and the Embassy of Japan in Myanmar attended the meeting.

They discussed Japanese Cooperation in the Agriculture, Forestry, Fisheries and Foods Sector in Myanmar. Moreover both sides agreed that they would formulate the Road Map for food value chain development referring to the Myanmar Industrial Development Vision (Mr. Abe, Prime Minister delivered this vision to H.E. U Thein Sein, President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar on 3 July 2015.)

2 Participants

Japan: Mr. Tanoi, Deputy Director General of Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Embassy of Japan in Myanmar, JICA, JETRO, Japanese companies related to agriculture and food sector ※


Myanmar: H.E. U Myint Hlaing, Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation, Dr. Tin Htut, Director General for Department of Planning, Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation, Ministry of Livestock, Fisheries and Rural Development, Ministry of Commerce, Ministry of Environmental Conservation and Forestry
The 1st Bilateral Forum on Agriculture Cooperation was held in Jakarta on June 30, 2015. Representatives of Ministry of Agriculture, Indonesia, BKPM (Indonesia Investment Coordination Board), 14 Indonesian companies, 17 Japanese companies related to agriculture and food sector, JICA, JETRO, the Embassy of Japan in Indonesia attended the forum.

- They discussed activities for establishing food value chain under public private partnership, investment regulations and the like.
- Both sides agreed to continue this forum that would be alternately held every year.

### 2 Participants

**Japan:** Mr. Tanoi, Deputy Director General of Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Ms. Kijima, Minister of Embassy of Japan in Indonesia, JICA, JETRO, JBIC, representatives from Japanese companies which are related to agriculture and food sector ※


**Indonesia:** Mr. Hari Priyono, Secretary General of Ministry of Agriculture of Republic of Indonesia, Mr. Mesah, Director for International Cooperation Center, BKPM, Representatives of 14 Indonesian Companies
1. Overview

- The first meeting of the Japan-Thailand Agricultural High-Level Cooperation Dialogue was held in Bangkok on October 13, 2016 in which the Embassy of Japan in Thailand, JICA, JETRO, and representatives of Japanese companies and agencies in Thailand participated.
- The meeting provided an opportunity for disseminating policies for promoting private investment in the sectors of agriculture, forestry, fisheries and food industry, sharing information and exchanging views on projects and interests of participating companies.
- It was intended to hold the Japan-Thailand Agricultural High-Level Cooperation Dialogue in Thailand and Japan alternatively once every year or two.

2. Participants

**Japan:** Mr. Matsushima, Vice-Minister for International Affairs of MAFF, the Embassy of Japan in Thailand, JICA, JETRO, representatives of 17 Japanese agricultural and food businesses located in Thailand, and private companies and agencies (*) considering business expansion in Thailand, etc.

* Kyoei Food, Remote Sensing Technology Center of Japan, SUPER SORGHUM ASIA HOLDINGS, THAI SUPER SORGHUM, Sumitomo Corporation, IC Net Asia, Inoue Calcium Corporation, Sompo Japan Nipponkoa, Toyo Seikan, MAYEKAWA Thailand, CP-Mejii, Ohira Chikusan Kogyo, GINZA FARM, Mitsubishi Corporation, Saraya International (Thailand), Thai Otsuka Pharmaceutical, AEON (THAILAND)

**Thailand:** Mr. Teerapat, Permanent-Secretary of the Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives, related ministries, such as the Ministry of Commerce, the Ministry of Industry and the Ministry of Public Health, and representatives of 14 companies and agencies, etc.
The 1st Cambodia-Japan Food Value Chain Bilateral Dialogue was held in Phnom Penh on December 8, 2015. The representatives of both countries private companies, relevant ministries and agencies attended the meeting.

The Japanese side explained the investment of Japanese companies along food value chain in Cambodia and requested Cambodia Government to take measures for the critical issues concerning food safety and to expedite procedures of custom clearance. The Japanese companies introduced their business activities in Cambodia.

The Cambodia side welcomed the investment of Japanese companies and showed strong interests to their activities. They made a commitment to take measures to solve problems for inviting further investment in near future. They requested future cooperation for quality management not only from production but also to downstream (processing, marketing, etc.) and human resource development of government staff.

They agreed to monitor and manage public and private FVC related projects/programs and to hold this dialogue once a year.

2 Participants

Japan: Mr. Tanoi, Deputy Director General of MAFF-Japan, Embassy of Japan in Cambodia, JICA, JETRO, FAMIC (Food and Agricultural Materials Inspection Center), 13 Japanese Companies related agriculture and food sector ※
※ Sompo Japan Nipponkoa, SPEC, MAYEKAWA MFG.CO., Ltd., MAYEKAWA Thailand, Japan Farm Products, Konoike Transport, HAYASHIDA INK., Kurata Pepper, SOL ASIA HOLDINGS, MITSUI & CO., TOKYO SARAYA, AEON, YANMAR (including local corporations)

Cambodia: H.E. San Vanty Undersecretary of MAFF-Cambodia, CDC, Ministry of Water Resource and Meteorology, Ministry of Commerce, 12 Cambodia private companies
1 Overview

○ The 1st Japan-Philippines Agricultural Cooperation Dialogue was held in Manila, on 8 March 2016 based on the agreement between both leaders in Japan-Philippines summit meeting on 4 June 2015. Private companies of Japan and the Philippines as well as both governments attended the dialogue.

○ Both sides reached the common understanding on the following current situation and challenges of Philippine agriculture through investigation and analysis of Philippine agriculture.
  • Necessary modernization of distribution system for farmer’s income improvement.
  • Importance of proper management of irrigation systems for agricultural productivity improvement.

○ Both sides agreed to identify necessary actions to be taken by the two countries in the future based on above mentioned common understanding after analyzing of challenges for establishment of food value chains.

2 Participants

Japan: Mr. Hashiramoto, Director, Regional Affairs Division of Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Mr. Iyori, Minister of Embassy of Japan in the Philippines, JICA, JETRO, JBIC, representatives of Japanese companies which are related to agriculture and food sector ※


The Philippines: Ms. Bernadette San Juan Director, Agribusiness and Marketing Assistance Service of Department of Agriculture, Mr. Herman Z. Ongkiko, Undersecretary of Department of Agrarian Reform, Ms. Lydia Esguerra, Manager, Engineer Department of National Irrigation Administration, Representatives of Philippine Companies
1 The Japan-India Agricultural Cooperation Dialogue

- The Japan-India Agricultural Cooperation Dialogue was held on 28 September 2015. JICA and Japanese embassy attended the dialogue. It was based on the Tokyo Declaration signed on the occasion of the Japan-India Summit Meeting in September 2014.
- The both sides decided to formulate the Memorandum of Cooperation for a framework of Japan-India agricultural cooperation including the area of Food Value Chains, set up the Joint Working Group with the participation of Andhra Pradesh State and dispatch a Public-Private Mission to Delhi and Andhra Pradesh State from Japan this Autumn.

Participants
- Japan: Mr. Ikefuchi, Deputy Director General, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Embassy of Japan in India, JICA
- India: Mr. Singh, Director, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer’s Welfare, Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Agricultural and Processed food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA)

2 The Meeting with Andhra Pradesh State

- The Meeting was held on 29 September 2015 in Hyderabad in order to discuss the direction of future cooperation. It was based on the Memorandum of Cooperation for Industrial Development on September 2014 signed by the Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry of Japan and Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh State.
- Both sides confirmed that Andhra Pradesh would become a member of the Joint Working Group which would be set up by the Memorandum between Japan and Federal Government and Japan would dispatch a Public-Private Mission to Andhra Pradesh State.

Participants
- Japan: Mr. Ikefuchi, Deputy Director General, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Embassy of Japan in India
- Andhra Pradesh State: Mr. Tucker, Mission Head for Primary Sector and Special Chief Secretary, Planning Department, Secretary, Mines and Food Processing, Commissioner of Horticulture, Commissioner of Fisheries, Chief Executive officer, Andhra Pradesh Food Processing Society
1 The Networking meeting with the Government and Company of Andhra Pradesh State

- The Networking meeting with the Government and Company of Andhra Pradesh was held on 2nd December 2015 in Vijayawada. Japanese and Indian companies introduced their business outline (Products or Services), and had “One on One meeting” for the exchange of information.
- Visited Sites: Srini Mega Food Park, Rice mill, Factory of rice bran oil.

Participants

**Japan**: Mr. Ikefuchi, Deputy Director General, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Embassy of Japan in India, JICA, Fujitsu India, Mitsui, Innovation Thru Energy, JGC CORPORATION, Kubota Agricultural Machinery India, Marubeni India, MAYEKAWA MFG, Mitsubishi Corporation India, Mizuho Bank, Nippon Koei, SHIBUYA SEIKI, Taiseioncho India, Yanmar, Yokogawa Solution Service

**Andhra Pradesh State**: Mr. Naidu, Chief Minister, Mr. Tucker, Mission Head for Primary Sector and Special Chief Secretary, Planning Department, Secretary, Mines and Food Processing, Commissioner of Horticulture, Commissioner of Fisheries, AP-IIC, CII-AP, Chief Executive officer, Andhra Pradesh Food Processing Society, 91 India private companies.

2 The Forum on Intercultural Exchange with Indian Company and related organizations

- The Forum on Intercultural Exchange of Indian Company and related organizations was held on 30th November 2015 in New Delhi. Japanese and Indian companies introduced their business outline (Products or Services), and discussed Indian food regulation such as product approval.

Participants

**Japan**: Mr. Ikefuchi, Deputy Director General, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Embassy of Japan in India, JETRO, JICA, Dream Incubator, Fujitsu India, Hirohama India, Indo Nissin Foods, Mitsui, Innovation Thru Energy, JGC CORPORATION, Kubota Agricultural Machinery India, Marubeni India, MAYEKAWA MFG, Mitsubishi Corporation India, Mizuho Bank, Nippon Koei, OG CORPORATION INDIA, SHIBUYA SEIKI, Taiseioncho India, Yanmar, Yokogawa Solution Service, Yakult Danone India, Chadha & Co.

**India**: ASSOCHAM, National Centre for Cold-Chain Development, All India Food Processors’ Association, 9 India private companies.
1. Overview

The Japan Australia High Level Meeting was held on March 2015 and both sides agreed that they would utilize the framework of the Global Food Value Chain for the development of Northern Australia. Based on the agreement and the concept that Japan and Australia work together to produce agricultural and processed products and export them to the ASEAN market, The ASEAN, Australia task force meeting was started up under The Public–Private Council for Promoting the Global Food Value Chain and the study of investment environment in Northern Australia was conducted.

When Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull visited Japan in December 2015 a statement was issued which affirms further strengthening of the bilateral relationship through food value chains. Subsequently the Japan–Australia Joint Public–Private mission was sent to Thailand on 18–20 January 2016. The mission is the first joint event in the history of the relationship of both countries.

The mission had meetings with Supermarkets, Logistics Operators and the Halal Standard Institute; and created networks with Australian Government through the Japan–Australia Joint mission.

2. Participants

Japan: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, JA Biei, Biei Senka KK, Yusen Logistics, Mayekawa Australia, Excel Agri, Cool Japan Fund, Nomura Research Institute
Australia: Northern Territory Government, Queensland Government, CISRO, Humpty Doo Barramundi

3. Future Plan

- The Public-Private mission will be sent to Northern Australia from 29th February to 4th March 2016. The mission will be the first event in the history of relationship in the food and agricultural area of the two countries.
- The mission will have meetings with state governments in Australia for collecting latest information and finding issues in the Northern Australian agriculture and trying to demonstrate feasibility of Japanese style agriculture in Northern Australia.
(8) Australia  Public-Private Mission to Northern Australia

1 Overview

○ Based on the agreement at the Japan Australia High Level Meeting and the concept that Japan and Australia work together to produce agricultural and processed products by utilizing Japanese leading technology in Northern Australia and export them to ASEAN markets, The Japan–Australia Joint Public–Private mission went to Thailand for market needs research.

○ On the other hand, most of area in the vast Northern Australia region has yet to be developed and information and knowledge related to agriculture are limited and fragmented. The Public–Private mission was sent to Northern Australia from Japan to look at the potential for development in the area (29 February – 4 March 2016)

○ The mission visited the facilities which have potential for agriculture and fish cultivation and transportation routes; and had meetings with the Northern Territory Government and the Queensland Government to discuss the importance of basic infrastructure and ways to invite investment from Japanese companies and the introduction of the technology of production, freshness–maintenance and transportation.

○ Visited Sites
  - Production related facility: Research Farm, freshwater fish farms
  - Processor: Rice mill, Food processor, Fruits Processor
  - Shipping related facility: Darwin port, Townsville port, Fruit fly laboratory in Queensland
  - Information source: Northern Territory Government, Queensland Government, law firm in Australia

2 Participants


Australia: Department of Agriculture and Water Resources Australian Government, Queensland Government Tokyo office

3 Future Plans

○ Promoting the realization of a long term perspective on development of basic infrastructure like supply chains and developing a master plan for inviting investment from Japanese companies.

○ Simultaneously maintaining projects which include research of agricultural investment, providing information to Japanese companies and test farming of barramundi, soybean or asparagus and so on from short term perspective

○ Holding a seminar for potential Japanese investors in Tokyo by public-private delegation from the states in Northern Australia by the end of fiscal year of 2016.
When Mr. Abe, Prime Minister, visited Brazil in August 2014, it was decided to commence a public-private dialogue to deepen bilateral relations in the agriculture and food sector. Based on this decision, the 1st Japan-Brazil Dialogue on Agriculture and Food was held in São Paulo on December 8, 2014. The representatives of the relevant Ministries in both countries, 26 Japanese companies operating in Brazil which were related to the agriculture and food sector, JICA, JBIC, JETRO, and the Embassy of Japan in Brazil attended the Dialogue and discussed i) development of the agriculture and food industry in Brazil, ii) facilitation of bilateral trade, and iii) improvement of distribution.

Mr. Harihara, Vice-Minister and Mr. Geller, Minister of Agriculture, signed a memorandum that describes the agreement, such as holding the Dialogue annually in principle as a venue for continuous dialogues between the both governments and the private sector toward establishing food value chains in Brazil.

### 2. Participants

**Japan:** Mr. Harihara, Vice-Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Japanese Ambassador to Brazil, JICA (Japan International Cooperation Agency), JBIC (Japan Bank for International Cooperation), JETRO (Japan External Trade Organization), representatives from Japanese companies operating in Brazil which are related to the agriculture and food sector*


**Brazil:** Mr. Geller, Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Junqueira, Vice-Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Rodrigues, Ex-Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Turra, Ex-Minister of Agriculture, other government officials and representatives from private companies.
The importance of Brazil’s grain transportation infrastructure improvement was confirmed at the summit meeting when Mr. Shinzo Abe, Prime Minister of Japan, visited Brazil on August 2014. As a follow-up of that, improvement of infrastructure was discussed by Public-Private sector of both countries, on October 7, 2015 in Saint Louis city, Brazil.

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◆ Subjects
  • Business activities of agriculture-food related private companies in northern Cerrado area
  • Approaches to improve grain transportation infrastructure
  • Conditions, prospects, and problems on agricultural development in northern Cerrado area

◆ A site visit to grain transportation infrastructure at Itaqui Port, Saint Luis

◆ Result of this seminar will be reported at the 2nd Japan-Brazil Dialogue on Agriculture and Food that will be held at Brazil within this fiscal year

3 Participants

Japan : Mr.Kajishima, Deputy Director-General, Department of International Affairs, Minister’s Secretariat, MAFF, Japanese Ambassador to Brazil, JICA(Japan, International Cooperation Agency), JBIC(Japan Bank for International Cooperation), Japanese Companies related to the agriculture and food sector in Brazil*

* Ajinomoto Brazil, Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ Brazil, FRUTA FRUTA INC., ITOCHU Brazil, Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Brazil, MHI Sul Americana (MSA), Nippon Koei, Nippon Koei LAC, NH Foods Brazil, Sojitz Brazil, Yanmar South America

Brazil : Ministry of Agriculture and Food Supplies, Ministry of Transport, The National Waterway Transportation Agency, Maranhão State, CAMPO Ltd, EMAP, TEGRAM, VLI
1 Overview

(1) Date: Monday, February 29 and Tuesday, March 1, 2016
Venue: City of Palmas, State of Tocantins※, Brazil
※MATOPIBA (Maranhão, Tocantins, Piauí and Bahia) is a region with a high potential of the agricultural development.

(2) Main Subjects
① Bilateral cooperation on the agricultural development in MATOPIBA and the improvement of transportation infrastructure in Brazil.
   [Signed on to the “Memorandum of Cooperation in the Field of Agriculture and Food”.]
② Improvement of investment environment for Japanese enterprises.

(3) Japanese Cuisine Reception
① WAGYU, a ban on imports of which was just lifted, was also served.
② Advertisements of Japanese companies were displayed.

(4) Site Visit (Farmland, processing plants, distribution facilities, etc.)

2 Participants

Japan: 24 representatives ※ from Japanese agriculture/food-related companies operating in Brazil, Japanese Ambassador to Brazil, MAFF (Mr. Matsushima, Vice-Minister for International Affairs, etc.), MITI, JICA and other governmental organisations
※ Banco de Tokyo-Mitsubishi, Agrex, Ajinomoto Brazil, Banco Mizuho Brazil, CAMPO Consultoria Agronegocios Ltda., Fruta Fruta INC., Inabata Brazil Imp. e Exp.Ltda, Japan Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Brazil, KANEMATU, KIKKOMAN, Marubeni Brazil, Mitsubishi Corporation Brazil, MITSUI & CO., Mitsui Alimentos, NEC, NH Foods Brazil, NIKKEI, Nippon Koei Lac Brasil, Nova Agri, Toyota Tsusho Brazil, SOJITZ BRASIL., Sumitomo Corporation Brazil, YANMAR, Chuo Kaihatsu Corporation
Brazil: Minister Abreu of MAPA, government officials of Federal Ministries, governors, mayors and state councilors in the states of MATOPIBA, etc.
1 Overview

- Based on the Memorandum with regard to the establishment on the Japan-Russia dialogue signed by both Agricultural Ministers on May 31, 2012, in order to develop the mutual understandings and strengthen the cooperative relationship, the 2nd dialogue was held in Moscow on May 28, 2015 after the 1st dialogue dated May 15, 2014. Representatives of both governments, Japanese agriculture and food related firms and the Embassy of Japan in Moscow attended the dialogue.

- In the 2nd dialogue, (a) policies and assistance measures towards the agriculture and the related industry, (b) the direction of the cooperation in the industry, (c) the situation and forecast of projects Japanese firms participated and (d) the field of the plant and animal quarantine surveillance were mainly discussed.

- Based on the outcome, the both sides confirmed that the 3rd meeting in 2016 should be held in Japan.

2 Participants

Japan: Deputy Director-General of MAFF, Minister of the Embassy of Japan, Private firms (Marubeni Co., Ajinomoto Co., Inc., DyDo Drinco, Inc.)

Russia: Deputy Director, Department of International Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture
   Deputy Director, Department of Animal Husbandry and Breeding, Ministry of Agriculture
   Deputy Director, Department of Plant Cultivation, Chemical Usage and Plant Protection, Ministry of Agriculture
   Federal Service for Veterinary and Phytosanitary Surveillance etc
Agricultural cooperation and development of the Russian Far East were mutually agreed at the summit meeting when Mr. Shinzo Abe, Prime Minister of Japan, visited Russia on April 2013. Development of Russian Far East is the most important issue for Putin Government. Therefore a bill on new special economic zones in Russian Far East was passed last December. On the other hand, the lack of infrastructure and the necessity of an investment environment improvement have been pointed out. In this context, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan (MAFF) carried out researches below subjects and dispatched a Public–Private mission on 9–16 September, 2015 to the Russian Far East.

1. Overview

2. Contents

◆ Subjects
  • Present situation and prospect of agriculture and food sector
  • Policies and specific preferential treatments in the special economic zones
  • Situations and prospects of establishment of Food Value Chain through Japanese companies’ investment
  • Measures to apply the experience of Cerrado Agricultural Development in Brazil to Russian Far East

◆ Visited sites
  • Khabarovsk Krai: Butkov farm (green house), Khabarovsk Krai Government
  • Amur Oblast: Amur Oblast Government, Baikal (grain producer), All-Russian Research Institute of Soy, Tepchny (green house), Amur–Agro–holding (grain producer)
  • Primorsky Krai: Ministry for Development of Russian Far East, Primorsky Krai Government, Vladivostok Fishing Port, Agrotek (grain producer)

3. Participants

Government of Japan: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Embassy of Japan
Private company: JBIC (Japan Bank for International Cooperation), JGC Corporation, MARUBENI Corporation, MAYEKAWA MFG. CO. LTD, SOJITZ Corporation, SUMITOMO Corporation
Brazil: CAMPO Ltd

4. Future Plans

➢ Result of the research will be reported to Russian Ministry of Agriculture.
➢ Possibility to apply the experience of Cerrado Agricultural Development will be reported at Japan–Brazil Dialogue on Agriculture and Food that will be held in Brazil within this fiscal year.
Joint Working Group (JWG) between Uzbekistan and Japan (The 1st meeting)

1 Overview

- When the Prime Minister of Japan visited the Republic of Uzbekistan on October 2015, MAFF signed the Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) with the Ministry of Agriculture and Water Resources of Uzbekistan (MAWR). Based on the MOC, the 1st JWG was held in Tashkent on March 15, 2016. Representatives of both governments, governmental organizations, private firms and the Embassy of Japan attended the JWG.

- In the 1st JWG, MAWR explained (a) the Current situation and potential of agriculture, (b) Priority of agricultural cooperation and (c) Cooperation of human development and also Uzbekistan private firms explained the possibilities of cooperation with Japanese private firms. Also Japan’s delegation gave an account of the importance of improving investments environments as well as possibilities of contribution applied for advanced technologies owned by Japanese firms.

- Based on the outcome, both sides acknowledged that they should explore prospects for realizing concrete outcomes and also should coordinate the details of the next JWG through both diplomatic channels.

2 Participants

- **Japan**: Ambassador in Uzbekistan, Deputy Director-General of MAFF, JIRCAS, JICA, JETRO, Private firms (※)

- **Uzbekistan**: Deputy Minister of MAWR, Deputy Head of MAWR, Private firms
1. Overview

◆ The 1st Japan-Republic of South Africa (R.S.A.) Agricultural Policy Dialogue was held in Pretoria on May 19, 2015. The Representatives of the relevant Ministries of both countries, 10 Japanese companies operating in R.S.A. which were related to the agriculture and food sector, JICA, JETRO, and the Embassy of Japan in R.S.A. attended the Dialogue.

◆ In the Dialogue, i) policies to develop food value chains through Public-Private Partnerships, ii) initiatives to increase rural jobs and rural incomes in R.S.A., especially for small holders, were discussed.

◆ A continuous, dialogue between both governments towards establishing food value chains in R.S.A. was agreed upon.

2. Participants

**Japan**: Mr. Tanoi, Deputy Director-General (International Affairs), the Embassy of Japan in R.S.A., JICA (Japan International Cooperation Agency), JETRO (Japan External Trade Organization), and Japanese companies operating in R.S.A. related to the agriculture and food sector*

* Sakata Seed Southern Africa (Pty) Ltd, MAYEKAWA SOUTH AFRICA (PTY) LTD, Marubeni Corporation Johannesburg Branch, TOYOTA TSUSHO AFRICA (PTY) LTD, Sumitomo Corporation Africa (Pty) Ltd, MITSUI & CO. EUROPE PLC JOHANNESBURG BRANCH, Mitsubishi Corporation Johannesburg Branch, HANWA Johannesburg Branch, Gavilon South Africa (Pty) Ltd, ITOCHU Corporation Johannesburg Branch

**R.S.A.**: Ms. Alexander, Deputy Director-General for Economic Development, Trade and Marketing, Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Ms. Speirs, Director of Agro-processing, Department of Trade and Industry, and other government officials
1. Overview

- The first meeting of the Kenya–Japan Agricultural Cooperation Dialogue was held in Nairobi, Kenya on 11 February 2016. The public and private sectors both attended the meeting.

- The Government of Kenya mentioned that they wish to strengthen the cooperation with Japan in the area of food value chain development through public–private–partnership, fisheries, livestock and others.

- The Government of Kenya will prepare a proposal for cooperation with Japan. Based on the proposal, both parties will consider concrete scheme for cooperation, including partnership with concerned organizations and private companies.

- In principle, both parties agreed to hold this dialogue annually in Kenya.

   ※In conjunction with the dialogue, the public–private joint mission was conducted in Kenya (see attachment).

2 Participants

**Japan:** Mr. Ikefuchi Deputy Director General, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, The Embassy of Japan in Kenya, JICA, JETRO, Japanese companies related to agriculture and food sectors.


**Kenya:** Ms. Onyango, Director-General, State Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries.
Kenya has recently attracted a lot of attention due to its position as the hub of the East African Economy. Moreover, Kenya is the host country for TICAD VI, the first TICAD held in Africa. Taking these into consideration, MAFF dispatched Public-Private Joint Mission to Kenya to explore investment opportunities in Kenya from 8 through 12 Feb. 2016 (participants: 22 companies, 34 persons).

1. Overview

2. Contents

- Workshop on Promotion of Market-Oriented Agriculture and Food industry
  Experience, lessons learned from projects and technology in relation to food value chains were shared with more than 100 attendees.

- Visit to Japanese enterprise
  Food service, Trade enterprise

- Visit to Local enterprise
  Retail enterprise, Plant Protection Station, Daily processing enterprise, Meat processing agency, Cutting flower enterprise, Vegetable processing enterprise, Rice miller

- Visit to JICA Project Site
  Rice-based and Market-oriented Agriculture Promotion Project (RiceMAPP in Mwea)

3. Participants (incl. visited)

Japan:
Mr. Ikefuchi, Deputy Director-General, Department of International Affairs, Minister’s Secretariat, MAFF, Japanese Ambassador to Kenya

Enterprise:
ALPHAJIRI LIMITED, Bioversity, E-square, IMG, JAICAF, JETRO, JEVIC, JICA, KAI LIMITED, Kenya Fruits Solutions, Kikkoman, Mayekawa MFG., Marubeni Corporation, MITSUI, Nippon KOEI, Nisshin, Knot Global Holdings, Organic Solution, Suntory Beverage & Food, Sumitomo Chemical, Toyota Tsusho, Wago, Yamato Capital Partners

Kenya:
Prof. Mr. Micheni Ntiba, Principal Secretary, the State Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries, Mr Julius Korir, Principal Secretary, the State Department of Industry & Enterprise Development, Ministry of Industry, Investment and Trade, Dr. Chirs Kiptoo, Principal Secretary, the State Department of International Trade, Ministry of Industry, Investment and Trade
The Public-Private Council for promoting Global Food Value Chain

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(1) Human Resource Development in Food-related Areas through Partnership with ASEAN Universities

- Establish partnership programs on food-related areas at major ASEAN universities by contribution from Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan (MAFF) to the ASEAN Secretariat
- Introduce Japanese practice in formulating “Food Value Chain” by experts from Japanese food-related companies

**Universities in ASEAN Region**

- **Partnership Programs on “Food Value Chain (FVC)”**
  - High Quality Seed Production
  - Food Processing & Distribution
  - Food Service Management etc.
- **Ad hoc Seminars on FVC**

**Expected outcomes**

- Human resource development with practical knowledge/skills
- Strengthen linkage along food value chain and reduce food losses
- Enhance food security and alleviate poverty in rural area in ASEAN region
**1. First TICAD held in Africa**

- The Sixth Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD VI) was held on August 27 and 28, 2016, for the first time in Africa (Nairobi, Kenya). Over 11,000 participants attended including the representatives from 53 African countries (including 35 heads of state) as well as the representatives of international and regional organizations, the private sector and civil society (including participants in side events). Mr. Yakura, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries attended the conference.

**2. Discussions in TICAD VI**

- Given new challenges emerged after TICAD V (in 2013), policies were discussed for realizing (1) Economic Diversification and Industrialization, (2) Promoting Resilient Health Systems, and (3) Promoting Social Stability and the Nairobi Declaration and Nairobi Implementation Plan were adopted as outcome documents.
- It was agreed to promote food value chain development, improvement of nutritional status, food security and climate change countermeasures in the areas of food and agriculture.
- Prime Minister Abe announced that Japan would invest in human resource development to 10 million people, developing quality infrastructure and promoting resilient health systems, amounting to approx. USD 30 billion under public-private partnership for a period of three years from 2016 to 2018 by making use of the strength of Japan, high quality.

**3. Private sector involvement in TICAD VI**

- A business mission consisting of representatives of 77 private companies and agencies (8 private companies and agencies from food and agricultural sectors) accompanied Prime Minister Abe.
- 22 Japanese companies and agencies signed a total of 73 Memorandums of Understanding with 26 African countries, international organizations, etc.
- During the main session, initiatives for encouraging Japanese companies to establish businesses in Africa were discussed, with private sectors. Prime Minister Abe announced that Japan would set up the Japan-Africa Public-Private Economic Forum to promote dialogue with public and private sectors for expanding businesses in Africa.
- As TICAD VI side event, the Japan Fair (the exhibition event by Japanese private companies and agencies) was held. The Food Value Chain zone was established and a booth on the theme of nutritional improvement was set up.
(3) Initiatives of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries in TICAD VI

**3 priority areas in TICAD VI**

- **Economic Diversification and Industrialization**
  - Promoting activities for developing FVC by taking measures such as collecting and analyzing local situations, formulating vision, human resource development and strengthening public-private partnerships.

- **Promoting Resilient Health Systems**
  - Establishing Nutrition Japan Public-Private Platform in September 2016 to implement awareness-raising activities such as seminars.

- **Promoting Social Stability**
  - Supporting rice agriculture, irrigation development, etc., through dispatching experts and cooperation with international organizations.

**Relevant events held during TICAD VI**

- **Symposium “Healthier and Nutritious Food for Consumers Learning from Japanese and African Food Cultures” (Aug. 26)**
  - With the participation of Japanese food companies and experts from international organizations, discussions were held on how Japanese food culture can contribute to improving the nutritional status in Africa. (Participating companies: Ajinomoto, Ieda Seika, Kikkoman, and Japan Food Industry Center)

- **Offering Japanese Food and Dissemination of Japanese Food Culture**
  - At the reception hosted by the Government of Japan on August 27, Japanese cuisine using Japanese rice and fishery products was served and promoted to high level officials of African countries.

- **Exhibition on Food Value Chain Establishment and Nutritional Improvement in the Japan Fair**
  - 10 Japanese food and agricultural companies set up exhibitions to introduce Japan’s advanced technologies and products in relation to production, distribution, and processing.
  (Exhibited by: Ajinomoto, Africa Scan, Sakata Seed, Satake Europe Limited, Suntory Beverage & Food, Nissin Foods Holdings, MAYEKAWA MFG, Mizuho Information & Research Institute, Morinaga, and Wago)
  - The MAFF set up the Nutrition Improvement Booth where Japanese companies introduced their activities and products for nutritional improvement.
  (Exhibited by: Ajinomoto, Kikkoman, Sakata Seed, Nissin Foods Holdings, Fuji Oil, and Ieda Seika)

- **Seminar for Development of Food Value Chain (August 29)**
  - Seminar on capacity building for Food Value Chain development in Africa was held.
  (Lectured by: MAYEKAWA MFG, Kikkoman, Rheon Automatic Machinery, SAKA NO TOCHU, Bioversity International)
(4) Nutrition Japan Public Private Platform and Framework of public-private partnership

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**Headquarters for Healthcare and Medical Strategy Promotion / Task Force on International Expansion of Medical Businesses**

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**Framework for promoting nutrition improvement project under public-private partnership: Nutrition Japan**

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**Working Group on Nutrition Improvement**

(Concerned ministries)
- Cabinet Secretariat
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology
- Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare
- Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
- Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, etc.

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**Nutrition Japan Public Private Platform**

- Private companies
- NGOs
- Academic institutes, scholars and experts
- Consulting services
- Governmental organizations

**Steering Committee Co-Chairs:**
- JICA
- Japan Food Industry Association

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- Support to Activities, Participation in Steering Committee
- Activities’ Report, request and proposal to Government
- Concerted action
- Information dissemination (seminars, etc.), consultation, formulation and promotion of concrete projects

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**Governmental actions, Nutrition Japan Scheme Improvement**