

# Preface

1. The employment of consultants and procurement of goods and services under projects financed by ODA Loans from Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) is carried out in accordance with the general principles and procedures laid down in the Guidelines for the Employment of Consultants under Japanese ODA Loans (hereinafter called Consultant Guidelines) and the Guidelines for Procurement under Japanese ODA Loans (hereinafter called Procurement Guidelines) respectively.
2. Problems concerning the employment of consultants and procurement of goods and services have been one of the most apparent impediments for smooth project implementation under any funding source including Japanese ODA Loans.
3. In this Handbook, each section of the two Guidelines is supplemented by explanatory notes for clarity and user-friendliness. JICA hopes that this Handbook will help the Borrowers of Japanese ODA Loans to become acquainted with the two Guidelines for successful implementation of projects financed by Japanese ODA Loans.
4. JICA also hopes that this Handbook will give other stakeholders of Japanese ODA Loans a better understanding of the general policy of JICA and the procedures required under Japanese ODA Loans in terms of procurement.

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