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Serving people is our job



TANAKA Osamu

Nowruz Mobarak!

Last December, I assumed Chief Representative of JICA Iran Office and am honored to serve people in Iran.

JICA, as a bilateral development cooperation agency, has been steadily extending its cooperation focusing particularly on disaster risk reduction, health, environment, water resource management, economy, agriculture and combating global warming that are closely related to the people. So far, we have provided a total of 55 billion JPY for financial cooperation and spent 30 billion JPY for technical transfer, and more than 3,800 Iranian technocrats have been invited to Japan to receive training. During 2021, even though the COVID-19 pandemic badly hit the world and travelling was not possible, we offered training opportunities online to over 1,200 Iranians.

Moreover, I am sure that our work also contributes to an even deeper and open relationship between Iran and Japan, which I believe will make the world to be a better place to live.

We always try to be the most loyal to our commitments.



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Khoy Earthquake Response



JICA provided emergency relief items (blankets, QTY: 5,500) to those affected by the M5.8 earthquake which hit the northwestern part of Iran on January 28, 2023. Around 260,000 people are affected and more than 9,000 houses have been totally or partially destroyed. The blankets are handed over to Iranian Red Crescents Society (IRCS) on February 17 to be distributed among affected peo-

ple in the region and a monitoring mission will be following.

At the handover ceremony, Mr. TANAKA Osamu, the Chief Representative of JICA Iran Office, stated, "JICA continues to support Iran with the concept of human security at the center, we put even greater emphasis on disaster risk reduction as one of the most important focal areas."



Your Health Comes First!

Iran – Tehran

Medical Equipment Supply to Arash Women and Imam Hossein Hospitals

Medical Equipment Supply to Arash Women and Imam Hossein Hospitals in Tehran City

Within the framework of JICA Grant Aid Project for the Improvement of Medical Equipment in Tehran City with the ceiling amount of JPY 1,534,000,000, a Japanese supplier company was awarded as the winner of the bid to supply medical equipment to hospitals in Tehran. The contract was concluded between the supplier company and the I.R of Iran Ministry of Health and Medical

Education (MHME) on January 31st, 2023.

Considering the rising demands on diagnostic and treatment services for cancer and cardiovascular diseases in Iran, by providing additional and new medical equipment to both Arash Women and Imam Hossein hospitals in Tehran city, JICA contributes to reducing threats to the lives of Iranian people and hopes the physical burdens of patients receiving treatments will be reduced, the length of hospital



stays will be shortened and patients will rehabilitate more quickly.

Karoon Project

Ecosystem-based Disaster Risk Reduction Work



Since 2018, JICA has been implementing the Technical Cooperation Project on “Capacity Development for Participatory Forest and Rangeland Management in Upper Karoon Basin” with Natural Resources and Watershed Management Organization (NRWMO) and affiliated Offices (NRWGOs).

Within the framework of the Project, the demonstration work for the “Hillside Revegetation Works” which utilizing Japanese experiences has been undergoing with local people’s initiatives.

In this method, a vegetation mats which contains the seeds and fertilizers are fixed onto the devas-

tated slope for seeding and planting the face of slope of a hillside to promote the revegetation.

If the demonstration will be succeed, it helps not only for the revegetation but also helps for preventing natural disasters such as erosion, landslide, and so on, as one of the good practices of Eco-DRR (Ecosystem-based Disaster Risk Reduction).

We hope this kind of technology transfer will disseminated throughout the country and contribute to the development of the forest and watershed management as well as DRR.