



【In Japan】 Knowledge Co-Creation Program (Group & Region Focus)

GENERAL INFORMATION ON

Gender and Diversity in Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change (In Japan)

課題別研修「ジェンダーと多様性からの災害リスク削減と気候変動」(本邦研修)
JFY 2023

Course No.: 202208213J001

Course Period in Japan: From October 24 to November 16, 2023

This information pertains to one of the JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Programs (Group & Region Focus) of the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) implemented as part of the Official Development Assistance of the Government of Japan based on bilateral agreement between both Governments.

In the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, please note that there is a possibility that the course period might be changed, shortened, or the course itself might be totally cancelled.

JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Program (KCCP)

The Japanese Cabinet released the Development Cooperation Charter in February 2015, which stated, *“In its development cooperation, Japan has maintained the spirit of jointly creating things that suit partner countries while respecting ownership, intentions and intrinsic characteristics of the country concerned based on a field-oriented approach through dialogue and collaboration. It has also maintained the approach of building reciprocal relationships with developing countries in which both sides learn from each other and grow and develop together.”* JICA believes that this ‘Knowledge Co-Creation Program’ will serve as a foundation of mutual learning process.

I. Concept

Background

The Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction(2015-2030), adopted at the Third United Nations World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction held in Sendai in March 2015, outlines the importance of recognizing the needs of various stakeholders in particular women, in disaster risk reduction(DRR). It also mentions that women should have an equal voice and responsibility in policy development and implementation in DRR. The Government of Japan also announced its plan to organize a training program to promote women's leadership in DRR, as part of the Sendai Cooperation Initiative for Disaster Risk Reduction, which was launched by the government of Japan during the Conference. It is, therefore, important to promote women's active and equal participation in DRR and consider their specific needs and interests when developing DRR policies and managing and implementing DRR programs and projects.

The training course on Gender and Diversity in Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change provides an opportunity to learn from Japan's experience on disaster prevention and climate change adaptation, emergency responses, recovery and reconstruction, with special consideration to vulnerable groups of people, such as women, children, the elderly, the persons with disabilities, foreign residents and LGBTI. It also aims to share the knowledge and the experiences among participating countries and collaboratively learn and generate effective, equal and meaningful approaches to DRR and climate change with a gender and diversity perspective.

For what?

The participants will share ideas and approaches to gender and diversity in DRR and climate change. Through collaborative learning processes, the course aims to co-create new, effective and transformative approaches to promote women's leadership, in particular, and to generate effective, equal and meaningful approaches to DRR and climate change with a gender and diversity perspective.

For whom?

The participants will be tripartite: i) government officers in charge of DRR or climate change adaptation with a gender and diversity perspective, ii) government officers in charge of promoting gender equality and women's empowerment in the context of DRR or climate change adaptation, and iii) representatives of civil society and non-

governmental organizations working for gender equality and women's empowerment in DRR or climate change adaptation.

How?

The training course will be provided by online during quarantine in Tokyo and in Tohoku area. The program covers the experiences of Tokyo and Tohoku area in Japan. Tohoku area was severely damaged by the earthquake and tsunami in March 2011. The participants will have the opportunities to learn from Japan's experience as well as exchange of ideas with local residents in Japan, both national and international experts and participants from other countries.

II. Description

1. Title (Course-No.):

Gender and Diversity in Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change
(202208213J001)

2. Course duration in Japan

Course Period in Japan: October 24 to November 16, 2023

3. Target regions or countries

Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Mexico, Fiji, Papua New Guinea, Sri Lanka, Timor-Leste, Uganda

4. Eligible / target organization

The training course is designed for personnel from:

- a) The central government in charge of DRR with a gender and diversity perspective or climate change adaptation;
- b) The central government in charge of gender equality and women's empowerment or climate change adaptation;
- c) Civil society and non-governmental organizations working for gender equality and women's empowerment in DRR or climate change adaptation

Please see III-2 for the detailed nominee qualifications.

5. Course capacity (upper limit of participants)

16 participants

6. Language to be used in this course:

English

7. Course objective:

The purpose of the course is to mutually understand and exchange information and

good practices on DRR and climate change adaptation from a gender and diversity perspective by participants and relevant organizations in Japan and discuss and co-create effective approaches to promote DRR and climate change adaptation from a gender and diversity perspective and women's leadership in DRR and climate change adaptation.

8. Overall goal

The overall goal of the training course is to place a greater emphasis on gender and diversity approaches to DRR, disaster prevention and climate change adaptation, as well as to promote women's greater participation and leadership in decision making processes for DRR and climate change adaptation policies, programs and projects.

9. Relationship with SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals)

JICA has been committed to promote the achievement of all goals of SDGs by 2030, along with their inclusive approaches for "Leaving no one behind". The SDGs goal 5 is to achieve gender equality and empowerment of all women and girls, which is a stand-alone goal as well as a cross-cutting goal indispensable to achieve all the other 16 goals. The SDGs goal 13 is to take urgent action to combat climate change and its impact, including strengthening resilience and adaptive capacity to climate-related hazards and natural disasters in all countries(13.1). SDGs goal 11 is to make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable, including by 2030, substantially increase the number of cities and human settlements adopting and implementing integrated policies and plans towards inclusion, resource efficiency, mitigation and adaptation to climate change, resilience to disasters, and develop and implement, in line with the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction(2015–2030), holistic disaster risk management at all levels(11.b).

10. Module of training course with expected output:

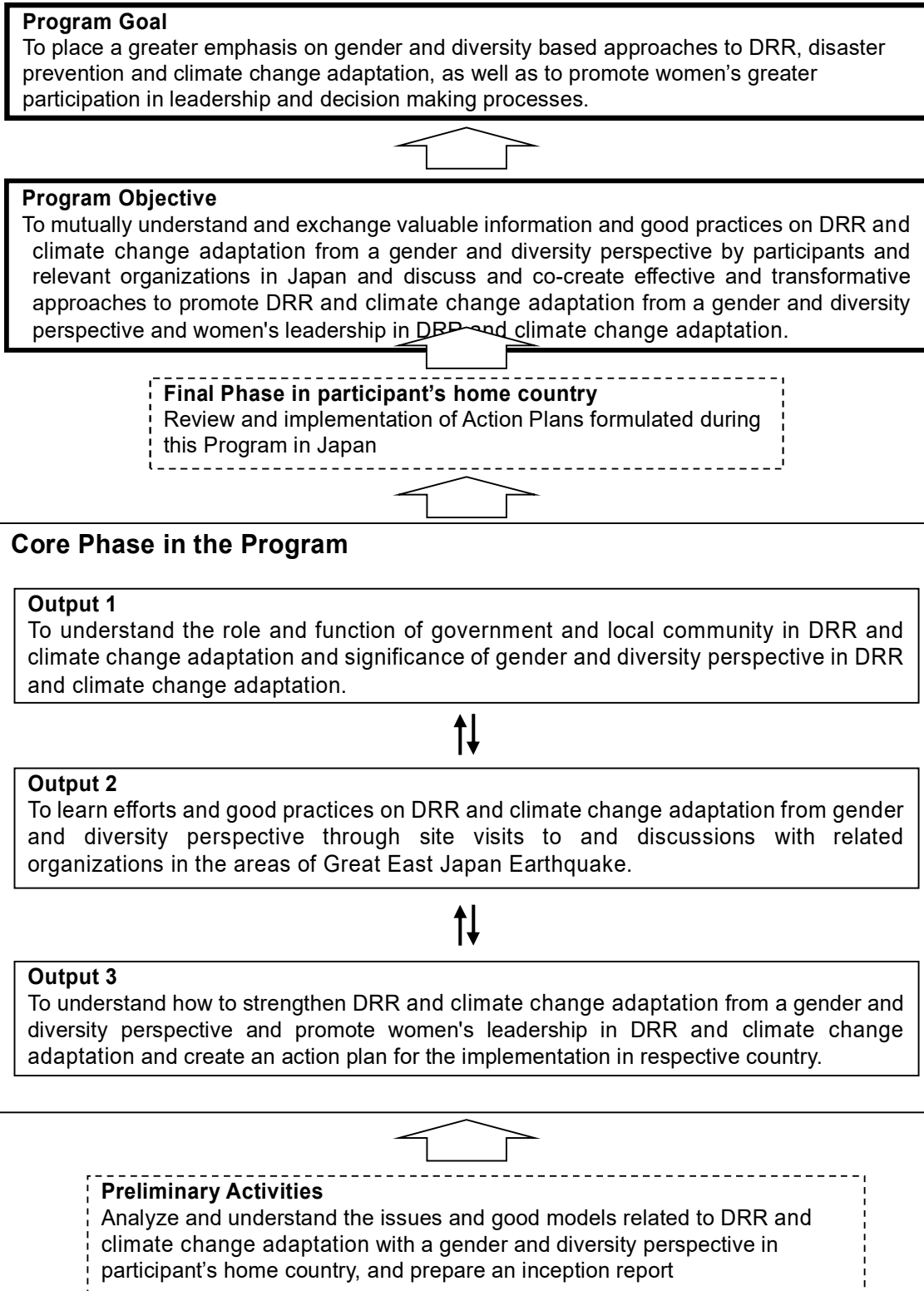
The training course module consists of the following components.

Training course in Japan in 2023 (October 24 to November 16, 2023) Participants to be dispatched by the concerned government and organizations will attend the training course implemented in Japan. Please see Annex I for further information.		
Expected Module Output	Subjects/Agendas	Methodology
1. To understand the role and function of government and local community in DRR and climate change adaptation and	(1) Orientation	Lecture
	(2) [JICA-Net Library] Gender and Diversity in Disaster Risk Reduction(Full ver.)	Lecture

significance of gender and diversity perspective in DRR and climate change adoption.	(3) Global Trends in Gender Diversity and DRR	Lecture
	(4) JICA's Gender Mainstreaming Efforts	Lecture
	(5) JICA's Gender and DRR Case Study: Nepal Earthquake Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Project	Online Lecture Discussion
	(6) Overview of gender/diversity and DRR	Online lecture Discussion
	(7) Gender Diversity and Disaster Risk Reduction: International Initiatives	Online Lecture Discussion
	(8) Japan's Disaster Prevention System and Gender Equality	Online Lecture Discussion
	(9) Disaster Response from a Gender Equality Perspective in Japan	Online Lecture Discussion
	(10) Comprehensive Disaster Prevention in Tokyo, Building a Disaster-Resistant City and Disaster Prevention from a Woman's Perspective	Lecture Discussion
	(11) Climate Change and Gender	Lecture Discussion
	(12) JICA's Climate Change and Gender Initiatives	Online Lecture Discussion
	(13) Introduction of JICA's Climate Change and Gender Projects: Odisha Forestry Sector Development Project	Online Lecture Discussion
	(14) Gender, Diversity and DRR: NGO Initiatives	Lecture Discussion
	(15) Challenges and Possibilities of Disaster Traditions from the Perspective of Gender Equality and Diversity	Lecture Discussion
	(16) Climate Change Response in Minamisanriku Town	Lecture Discussion
	(17) Gender and Diversity Initiatives in Local Disaster Management Plans in Sendai City	Lecture Discussion
(18) Disaster Prevention in Sendai City's Gender Equality Plan	Lecture Discussion	
(19) Disaster Risk Reduction Initiatives at Gender Equality Centers	Lectures Field Visit	
2.To learn efforts and good	(1) Disaster prevention hands-on learning (Sona Area Tokyo)	Field visit

practices on DRR and climate change adaptation from gender and diversity perspective through site visits to and discussions with related organizations in the areas of Great East Japan Earthquake.	(2) Community Disaster Prevention Activities by Women Leaders in Hiratsuka	Field Visit Discussion
	(3) Inception Report Presentation	Presentation
	(4) Women's Economic Independence: Introduction of Entrepreneur's Business	Lecture Discussion
	(5) Visit Iwate TSUNAMI Memorial Museum(Great East Japan Earthquake Tsunami Memorial Museum)	Field Visit
	(6) Efforts to create a town that does not need the word "Normalization"	Lecture Discussion
	(7) Gender and DRR Initiatives of Civil Society Organizations Kirarin kids	Lecture Discussion
	(8) Yamamoto Town (storyteller)Earthquake Remains Nakahama Elementary School	Field visit Discussion
	(9) Gender and Diversity in Climate Change Adaptation: Branding of the Migaki Strawberry	Lecture Filed visit
3.To understand how to strengthen DRR and climate change adaptation from a gender and diversity perspective and promote women's leadership in DRR and climate change adaptation and create an action plan for the implementation in respective country.	(1) Exchange of opinions -Involvement of diverse stakeholders and women's leadership (policy advocacy)	Online Lecture Discussion
	(2) Diverse stakeholder participation and women's leadership (LGBTQ)	Lecture Discussion
	(3) Involvement and leadership of diverse stakeholders (Person with disabilities)	Lecture Discussion
	(4) Women's Disaster Prevention Leader Training Course and Subsequent Activities	Online Lecture Discussion
	(5) Progress of Action Plan of ex-training participants	Lecture Discussion
	(6) Public Event	Presentation
	(7) Progress of Action Plan of ex-participants	Presentation
	(8)Action Plan Presentation (country presentations)	Presentation

<Structure of the Program>



III. Eligibility and Procedures

1. Expectations to the Applying Organizations:

- (1) This Program is designed primarily for organizations that intend to address specific issues or problems related to gender and diversity in DRR and climate change adaptation. The participating organizations are expected to utilize this opportunity to train appropriate personnel in the field.
- (2) The course materials are specially developed, in collaboration with relevant prominent organizations in Japan, to meet the specific needs of participating organizations, so that the organizations can work toward effectively managing the issues and problems related to gender and diversity in DRR and climate change adaptation.

2. Nominee Qualifications:

Applying Organizations are expected to select nominees who meet the following qualifications.

"Please note that nominees would not necessarily be employed by the applying organizations, as long as they are selected officially by the organizations for their specific purposes. However, the nominees must be either person who is engaged in the said field or directly related to program subject."

(1) Essential Qualifications

- 1) Current Duties: The candidate should meet one of the 3 criteria below.
 - a. a manager of a department in charge of DRR or climate change adaptation and planning in the central government, or
 - b. a manager of a department in charge of gender equality in the central government, or
 - c. an executive director of a local non-governmental organization promoting gender and diversity in DRR or climate change adaptation

*Priorities are given to local NGOs over highly recognized international organizations.

- 2) Experience in the relevant field: have more than 5 years of experience in the field of gender equality and/or DRR and/or climate change adaptation

- 3) Educational Background: a graduate of university

- 4) Language: have a competent command of spoken and written English which is equal to TOEFL iBT 100 or more (This training includes active participation in discussions, which require high competence of English ability).

5) Health: must be in good health to participate in the program in Japan. To reduce the risk of worsening symptoms associated with respiratory tract infection, please be honest to declare in the Medical History (QUESTIONNAIRE ON MEDICAL STATUS RESTRICTION of the application form) if you have been a patient of following illnesses; Hypertension / Diabetes / Cardiovascular illness / Heart failure / Chronic respiratory illness.

(2) Recommended Qualifications

- 1) Age: possibly be under the ages of fifty-five (55) years
- 2) Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment: Women are more encouraged to apply for this program. JICA makes a commitment to promote gender equality and women's empowerment, providing equal opportunity for all applicants regardless of sexual orientation and gender identity.

(3) Required IT Environment for Online Program during Quarantine after Arrival in Japan

- 1) Recommended browser:
 - Latest version of Google Chrome
 - Latest version of Firefox
 - Microsoft Edge Chromium
 - Latest version of Apple Safari*IE11 is not recommended.
- 2) Software: Zoom is required to be installed
- 3) Device: a PC with camera and microphone is required

3. Required Documents for Application

(1) Application Form: The Application Form is available at **the JICA overseas office (or the Embassy of Japan)**.

* If you have any difficulties/disabilities which require assistance, please specify necessary assistances in the QUESTIONNAIRE ON MEDICAL STATUS RESTRICTION (1-(c)) of the application form. Information will be reviewed and used for reasonable accommodation.

(2) Photocopy of passport: You should submit it with the application form if you possess your passport which you will carry when entering Japan for this program. If not, you are requested to submit its photocopy as soon as you obtain it.

*The following information should be included in the photocopy:

Name, Date of Birth, Nationality, Passport Number and Expiry Date

(3) Essay: Candidates are required to submitting the Essay with Application Form. Please refer ANNEX II .

Note: The applicant must be submitted all required documents.

You will not be selected if there are any deficiencies in the documents submitted.

4. Procedures for Application and Selection:

(1) Submission of the Application Documents:

Closing date for applications: **Please confirm the local deadline with the JICA overseas office (or the Embassy of Japan).**

(All required material must arrive at JICA Tohoku in Japan by **September 11th, 2023**)

(2) Selection:

Primary screening is conducted at the JICA overseas office (or the embassy of Japan) after receiving official documents from your government. JICA Tohoku Center will consult with concerned organizations in Japan in the process of final selection. Applying organizations with the best intentions to utilize the opportunity will be highly valued.

The Government of Japan will examine applicants who belong to the military or other military-related organizations and/or who are enlisted in the military, taking into consideration of their duties, positions in the organization and other relevant information in a comprehensive manner to be consistent with the Development Cooperation Charter of Japan.

(3) Notice of Acceptance

The JICA overseas office (or the Embassy of Japan) will notify the results **not later than September 25th, 2023.**

5. Additional Document(s) to be Submitted by Accepted Candidates:

Inception Report – to be submitted to JICA Tohoku by **October 10th, 2023:**

Accepted candidates are required to prepare an Inception Report. The format (MS Power Point) will be sent to the participants with Notice of Acceptance. The inception report should be submitted to JICA Tohoku by October 10th, 2023, preferably by e-mail to **thictad@jica.go.jp**

6. Conditions for Participation:

The participants of KCCP are required

(1) to strictly observe the course schedule,

(2) not to change the air ticket (and flight class and flight schedule arranged by JICA) and lodging by the participants themselves,

- (3)** to understand that leaving Japan during the course period (to return to home country, etc.) is not allowed (except for programs longer than one year),
- (4)** not to bring or invite any family members (except for programs longer than one year),
- (5)** to carry out such instructions and abide by such conditions as may be stipulated by both the nominating Government and the Japanese Government in respect of the course,
- (6)** to observe the rules and regulations of the program implementing partners to provide the program or establishments,
- (7)** not to engage in political activities, or any form of employment for profit,
- (8)** to discontinue the program, should the participants violate the Japanese laws or JICA's regulations, or the participants commit illegal or immoral conduct, or get critical illness or serious injury and be considered unable to continue the course. The participants shall be responsible for paying any cost for treatment of the said health conditions except for the medical care stipulated in (3) of "5. Expenses", "IV. Administrative Arrangements",
- (9)** to return the total amount or a part of the expenditure for the KCCP depending on the severity of such violation, should the participants violate the laws and ordinances,
- (10)** not to drive a car or motorbike, regardless of an international driving license possessed,
- (11)** to observe the rules and regulations at the place of the participants' accommodation, and
- (12)** to refund allowances or other benefits paid by JICA in the case of a change in schedule.

IV. Administrative Arrangements

1. Organizer (JICA Center in Japan):

- (1) **Center:** JICA Tohoku Center (JICA TOHOKU)
- (2) **Program Officer:** Ms.YAMATO Teruko (thictad@jica.go.jp)

2. Implementing Partner:

- (1) **Name:** IC Net Limited.
- (2) **URL:** <http://www.icnet.co.jp>

3. Travel to Japan

- (1) **Air Ticket:** In principle, JICA will arrange an economy-class round-trip ticket between an international airport designated by JICA and Japan.
- (2) **Travel Insurance:** Coverage is from time of arrival up to departure in Japan. Thus traveling time outside Japan (include damaged baggage during the arrival flight to Japan) will not be covered.

4. Accommodation in Japan

Basically, JICA will arrange the following accommodation(s) for the participants in Japan:

JICA Tokyo Center (JICA TOKYO)
Address: 2-49-5 Nishihara, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo 151-0066, Japan
TEL: +81-3-3485-7051 FAX: +81-3-3485-7904
(where "81" is the country code for Japan, and "3" is the local area code)
Please refer to facility guide of JICA TOKYO at its URL,
<https://www.jica.go.jp/tokyo/english/office/index.html>

If there is no vacancy at JICA TOKYO, JICA will arrange alternative accommodation(s) for the participants.

5. Expenses

The following expenses in Japan will be provided by JICA:

- (1) Allowances for meals, living expenses, outfits, and shipping and stopover.
- (2) Expenses for study tours (basically in the form of train tickets).
- (3) Medical care for participants who become ill after arriving in Japan (the costs related to pre-existing illness, pregnancy, or dental treatment are not included).
- (4) Expenses for program implementation, including materials.
- (5) For more details, please see "III. ALLOWANCES" of the brochure for participants titled "KENSU-IN GUIDE BOOK," which will be given before departure for Japan.

*Link to JICA HP (English/French/Spanish/Russian):

https://www.jica.go.jp/english/our_work/types_of_assistance/tech/acceptance/training/index.html

6. Pre-departure Orientation

A pre-departure orientation will be held at respective country's JICA office (or the Japanese Embassy), to provide Participants with details on travel to Japan, conditions of the course, and other matters.

*YouTube of "Knowledge Co-Creation Program and Life in Japan" and "Introduction of JICA Center" are viewable from the link below.

Image videos of 'Introduction of JICA Center (YouTube)' show the following information of JICA Centers: Location, Building, Entrance, Reception(Front desk), Lobby, Office, Accommodation(Room), Amenities(Hand dryer), Bathroom(Shower and Toilet), Toiletries, Restaurant, Laundry Room(Washing machine, Iron), ICT Room(Computer for participants), Clinic, Cash dispenser, Gym, Neighborhood

Part I: Knowledge Co-Creation Program and Life in Japan	
English ver.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SLurfKugrEw
Part II: Introduction of JICA Centers in Japan	
JICA Tokyo	https://www.jica.go.jp/tokyo/english/office/index.html



3.11 Tsunami



Tsunami Damage



City of Sendai



JICA Training



JICA participants in Traditional Japanese Costumes

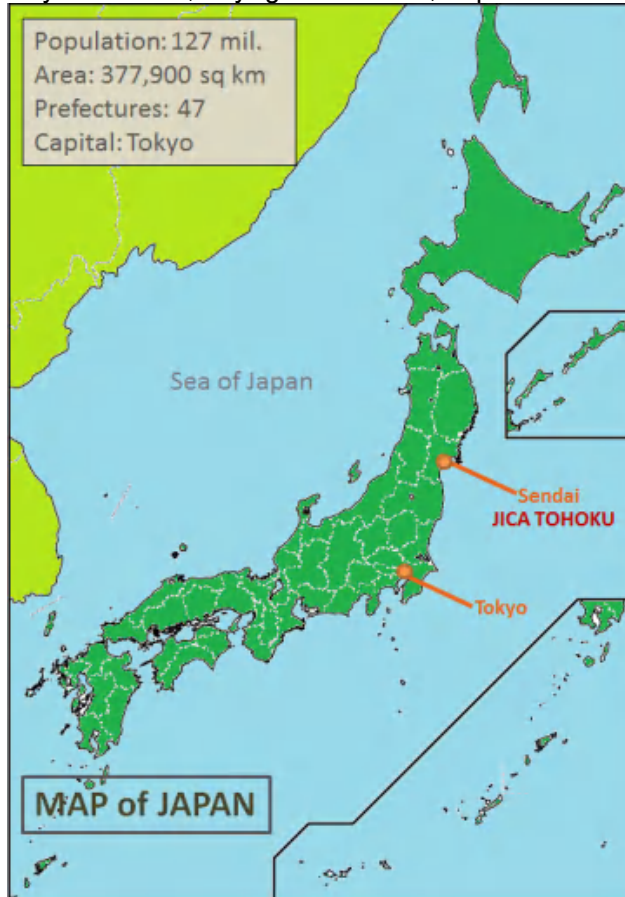


Closing Ceremony in 2019

V. Other Information

1. Location of the training site

City of Sendai, Miyagi Prefecture, Japan



The city of Sendai is located in the northern part of Japan, called the Tohoku region. The distance from Tokyo is about 350km, and it takes about 1.5 hours by shinkansen (bullet train). The population is about one million.

2. Climate

Average temperatures and precipitation in Sendai (2021)

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Average High (° C)	4.8	8.6	13.4	16.6	21.6	24.9	27.8	28.7	24.6	20.0	15.7	8.4
Average (° C)	1.2	3.7	8.6	11.6	17.0	20.6	24.1	24.9	20.8	15.8	11.1	4.7
Average Low (° C)	-2.3	-0.5	4.0	6.9	12.9	17.9	21.7	22.2	17.6	12.0	7.1	1.1
Precipitation (mm)	9.5	74.5	107.5	92.5	74.5	62.0	189.0	182.5	125.5	143.0	65.0	57.5

3. Computers

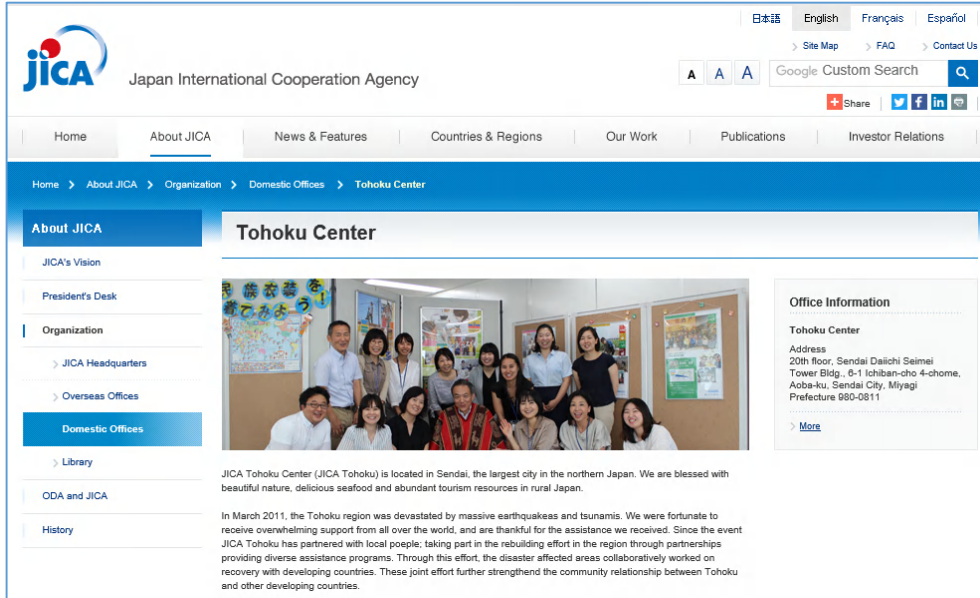
The participants are recommended to bring own laptop/notebook computers

(*1) to prepare for Action Plans and presentation slides, and to check personal e-mail.

(*1) Laptop/notebook computers should have antivirus software installed, and must not have file sharing softwares, such as Winny, WinMX, BitTorrent and Gnutella.

4. About JICA Tohoku Center

Website: <https://www.jica.go.jp/tohoku/index.html>



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JICA Tohoku



JICA Plaza Tohoku

VI. ANNEX-I

1. Tentative Course Schedules and Curriculums of Program in Japan

Date	Day	Content	Type	Attire	Place	Stay
24 th Oct	Tue	Arrival in Japan			JICA Tokyo	Tokyo
25 th Oct	Wed	-Briefing -Program and course orientation -Ice break work -Explanation of Inception report	Lecture Practice	Busine ss casual	JICA Tokyo	Tokyo
26 th Oct	Thu	-Introduction - [JICA-Net Library] Gender and Diversity in Disaster Risk Reduction (Full ver.) -Global Trends in Gender Diversity and DRR - JICA's Gender Mainstreaming Efforts - JICA's Gender and DRR Case Study: Nepal Earthquake -Reflection and Questionnaire	Lecture	Busine ss casual	JICA Tokyo	Tokyo
27 th Oct	Fri	-Introduction -Gender and Diversity in Disaster Risk Reduction: An Overview and Discussion - Gender Diversity and Disaster Risk Reduction: International Initiatives, discussion -Reflection and Questionnaire	Lecture Practice	Busine ss casual	JICA Tokyo	Tokyo
28 th Oct	Sat	Disaster Prevention Learning Experience (Sona Area Tokyo)	Observati on	Busine ss casual	Sona Area Tokyo	Tokyo
29 th Oct	Sun	Holiday				Tokyo
30 th Oct	Mon	-Introduction -Japan's Disaster Prevention System and Gender Equality -Discussion with DRR section of the Cabinet office -Disaster Response from a Gender Equality Perspective in Japan -Discussion with the Gender Equality Bureau -Reflection and Questionnaire	Lecture Practice Discussio n	Busine ss casual	JICA Tokyo	Tokyo

31 th Oct	Tue	-Comprehensive Disaster Prevention in Tokyo, Building a Disaster-Resistant City and Disaster Prevention from a Woman's Perspective Move to Hiratsuka -Examples of Community Disaster Prevention Activities by Women Leaders -Discussion Examples of Community Disaster Prevention Activities by Women Leaders	Lecture discussion	Business casual	JICA Tokyo Hiratsuka	Tokyo
1 st Nov	Wed	-Introduction -Climate Change and Gender -JICA's Climate Change and Gender Initiatives -Introduction of JICA's Climate Change and Gender Projects: Odisha Forestry Sector Development Project -Gender, Diversity and DRR: NGO Initiatives -Reflection and Questionnaire	Lecture	Business casual	JICA Tokyo	Tokyo
2 nd Nov	Thu	-Inception Report Presentation	Presentation	Business casual	JICA Tokyo	
3 rd Nov	Fri	-Introduction -Involvement of diverse stakeholders and women's leadership (policy advocacy) -Evacuation Life of Foreigners at Kumamoto University -Exchange of opinions -Reflection and Questionnaire	Lecture Discussion	Business casual	JICA Tokyo	
4 th Nov	Sat	Move to Sendai				Sendai
5 th Nov	Sun	Holiday				Sendai
6 th Nov	Mon	-Introduction -Challenges and Possibilities of Disaster Traditions from the Perspective of Gender Equality and Diversity Move to Minamisanriku -Climate Change Response in Minamisanriku Town -Women's Economic Independence: Introduction of Entrepreneur's Business -Experience (participation in work or visit to Shizugawa Bay) -Home stay	Lecture Observation	Business casual		Sendai Minamisanriku
7 th Nov	Tue	-Move to Rikuzentakata -Visit Iwate TSUNAMI Memorial Museum(Great East Japan	Lecture Observation	Business casual	Rikuzentakata	Rikuzentakata

		Earthquake Tsunami Memorial Museum) -Efforts to create a town that does not need the word "Normalization" -Gender and DRR Initiatives of Civil Society Organizations -Move to Sendai				
8 th Nov	Wed	- Gender and Diversity Initiatives in Local Disaster Management Plans in Sendai City -Disaster Prevention in Sendai City's Gender Equality Plan -Disaster Risk Reduction Initiatives at Gender Equality Centers -Tour of L-Park Sendai facilities and exchange of opinions	Lecture Discussion	Business casual	Sendai	Sendai
9 th Nov	Thu	-Women's Disaster Prevention Leader Training Course and Subsequent Activities -Exchange of opinions -Diverse stakeholder participation and women's leadership (LGBTQ) - Involvement and leadership of diverse stakeholders (person with disabilities) -Discussion -Reflection and Questionnaire	Lecture Discussion	Business casual	Sendai	Sendai
10 th Nov	Fri	-Move to Yamamoto-Town -Yamamoto Town (storyteller)Earthquake Remains Nakahama Elementary School -Earthquake Disaster Response at an Educational Institution in Yamamoto Town -A Case Study of Climate Change Response through IT Agriculture -Farm Guide Move to Sendai	Lecture Discussion Observation	Business casual	Yamamoto	Sendai
11 th Nov	Sat	- Progress of Action Plan of extra-training participants -Review and survey -Open event description	Lecture Discussion	Business casual	Sendai	Sendai
12 th Nov	Sun	Holiday				Sendai
13 th Nov	Mon	-Public Event Preparation -Meeting with Speakers -Public Event	Discussion	Business casual	Sendai	Sendai
14 th Nov	Tue	-Support for preparation of Country-specific Action Plans	practice	Business casual	Sendai	Sendai
15 th Nov	Wed	- Action Plan Presentation (country presentations) -Copyright license agreement, etc. -Evaluation board -Closing	Presentation Discussion	Business	Sendai	Sendai

16 th Nov	Thu	Departure				
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VI. ANNEX- II

Essay Questions

Note: Your essay should be submitted to JICA Office in your country no later than **September 11th, 2023**. (Maximum of 2 pages, A4 size, 1.0 spacing, Arial 11)

The Training Course: Gender and Diversity in Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change (202208213J001)

Name: _____

Country: _____

Organization: _____

Position: _____

- (1) Describe the problems on DRR and climate change from a gender and diversity perspective in your country.

- (2) Describe how you contribute to solve the problems mentioned above. Write in concrete and detail.

- (3) Describe specific example of your activities related to women's leadership development or community consensus building during planning process for disaster prevention and risk reduction, and climate change adoption

For Your Reference

JICA and Capacity Development

Technical cooperation is people-to-people cooperation that supports partner countries in enhancing their comprehensive capacities to address development challenges by their own efforts. Instead of applying Japanese technology per se to partner countries, JICA's technical cooperation provides solutions that best fit their needs by working with people living there. In the process, consideration is given to factors such as their regional characteristics, historical background, and languages. JICA does not limit its technical cooperation to human resources development; it offers multi-tiered assistance that also involves organizational strengthening, policy formulation, and institution building.

Implementation methods of JICA's technical cooperation can be divided into two approaches. One is overseas cooperation by dispatching experts and volunteers in various development sectors to partner countries; the other is domestic cooperation by inviting participants from developing countries to Japan. The latter method is the Knowledge Co-Creation Program, formerly called Training Program, and it is one of the core programs carried out in Japan. By inviting officials from partner countries and with cooperation from domestic partners, the Knowledge Co-Creation Program provides technical knowledge and practical solutions for development issues in participating countries.

The Knowledge Co-Creation Program (Group & Region Focus) has long occupied an important place in JICA operations. About 400 pre-organized courses cover a wide range of professional fields, ranging from education, health, infrastructure, energy, trade and finance, to agriculture, rural development, gender mainstreaming, and environmental protection. A variety of programs is being customized by the different target organizations to address the specific needs, such as policy-making organizations, service provision organizations, as well as research and academic institutions. Some programs are organized to target a certain group of countries with similar developmental challenges.

Japanese Development Experience

Japan, as the first non-Western nation to become a developed country, built itself into a country that is free, peaceful, prosperous and democratic while preserving its tradition. Japan will serve as one of the best examples for our partner countries to follow in their own development.

From engineering technology to production management methods, most of the know-how that has enabled Japan to become what it is today has emanated from a process of adoption and

adaptation, of course, has been accompanied by countless failures and errors behind the success stories.

Through Japan's progressive adaptation and application of systems, methods and technologies from the West in a way that is suited to its own circumstances, Japan has developed a storehouse of knowledge not found elsewhere from unique systems of organization, administration and personnel management to such social systems as the livelihood improvement approach and governmental organization. It is not easy to apply such experiences to other countries where the circumstances differ, but the experiences can provide ideas and clues useful when devising measures to solve problems.

JICA, therefore, would like to invite as many leaders of partner countries as possible to come and visit us, to mingle with the Japanese people, and witness the advantages as well as the disadvantages of Japanese systems, so that integration of their findings might help them reach their developmental objectives.



CORRESPONDENCE

For enquiries and further information, please contact the JICA office
or the Embassy of Japan. Further, address correspondence to:

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