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# Plan Japan and BOP Business

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#### What is Plan?

Plan is an international humanitarian, child-centered development organisation without religious, political or governmental affiliation.

"Children are at the heart of everything we do" Belgium Denmark **Finland** Bangladesh China France India Germany Indonesia Ireland \_Philippines Netherlands Thailand Norway Sweden Timor-Le Canad Switzerla Japan South Korea Spain USA Dominica Republic UK Hong Kong El Salvador Guatemala **50 Program** Benin South Sudan Haiti Burkina Faso **Countries** londuras Sudan Cameroon **N**icaragua Tanzania Col 20 Donor Ghana Mali Brazil Uganda Guinea Niger Bolivia Zambia **Countries** Guinea-Bissaira Leone Colombia Zimbabwe Liberia Senegal Ethiopia Australi Togo Kenya Malawi Mozambique Rwanda

#### 8 Program Areas of Plan

---with particular focus on marginalized/excluded children

**Education** 

Health



**Child Participation** 

**Economic Security** 

**Protection** 

**Water and Sanitation** 

Sexual Health, including HIV

**Emergencies** 





#### **Plan Ghana Program**





### Plan Ghana at a glance

- Program started in 1992.
- Has 144 staff members
- 4 regional program units
- 4 main program areas:
  - Quality education for children
  - Improved health of children, including nutrition
  - Improved food security for children
  - Promoting children's rights



#### **Plan and Ajinomoto**

- Discussion with Ajinomoto started in 2010.
- Plan Japan/Ghana is currently conducting 'Efficacy Study' on the product mainly in Plan program area, covering 1,200 children and mothers.
- The study will examine the effect of the nutritional supplement on the growth and health status of children.
- Motive of Plan to join the project: the shared objective of improved nutrition of children

#### Plan and Corporate Partnership(1)

- Corporations are one of the essential partners of Plan; a number of successful collaborations with CSR activities.
- Corporate donations in Plan income is not large (about 10% of Plan Japan income. Majority come from individual donors).
- Main areas of partnership: Education and Health
- Partnership in BOP business is a new challenge for Plan.

#### Plan and Corporate Partnership(2)

- Equal Partnership : Shared value, different expertise
- Needs in the fields come first: Plan program work is based on 'Country Strategic Plan'.



#### Role of NGO in BOP business

NGO/Corporate partnership in BOP business has a potential to bring in enhanced thrust to development such as poverty reduction. Namely,

- 1. Network and local knowledge of NGOs can facilitate BOP business to access untapped markets.
- 2. NGOs can act as informed advisor to BOP business for community friendly project.
- 3. NGOs can watch BOP business to prevent possible negative effects on environment and community.

# Conclusion: toward a win-win collaboration in BOP business

- 1. Regular dialogue among partners
- 2. Agreed, clear roles of each partner
- 3. Involving communities with due care
- 4. Involving governments (local/central)



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