

# Japan International Cooperation Agency





JICA's Activities in Bhutan - 2020





# **JICA Volunteers**

JICA's volunteer program is one of Japan's technical cooperation schemes operated as part of its Official Development Assistance (ODA). The program supports activities by Japanese citizens who wish to cooperate in the economic and social development as well as the reconstruction of developing countries. Through these cooperation activities, participating volunteers can not only contribute to the development of partner countries but also gain valuable experience in terms of international goodwill, mutual understanding and an expansion in their international perspectives.



2018 marked the 30th year of operation of the Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteer (JOCV) Program in Bhutan. The first JOCV, a farm machinery engineer was dispatched on 12 July, 1988 for Agriculture Machinery Centre (AMC) in Paro based on the Exchange of Notes between the government of Bhutan and the government of Japan. The Senior Volunteers (SVs) program started in 2001. Through the period of over 30 years, 459 JOCVs and 151 SVs have been dispatched to Bhutan in various work fields.







### JICA Partnership Program (JPP)

JICA Partnership Program aims to bring direct benefits to the lives of the people in collaboration with Japanese development partners, mainly NGOs/CSOs, local governments and universities, by harnessing their accumulated experience and technologies for development at the grassroots level.

#### [Typical Projects]

- Promoting Sustainable Livelihoods in Shingkhar (Ura, Bumthang) Through Income Generation and Collective Activities
- Supporting Art Education
- Transfer of Appropriate Technology for Solid Waste Management in Thimphu City
- Capacity Building of Poultry Farmers focusing on Effective Microorganisms Farming
- Pilot Project for Eradicating Gastric Cancer



# Public-Private Partnership (PPP)

JICA has been promoting the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) for the further development in Bhutan. [Typical Projects]

- SDGs Business Verification Survey with the Private Sector for Road –Side Slope Disasters Countermeasure Technologies and Methods
- Feasibility Survey for SDGs Business on Quinoa Production and Sales to Improve Income of Small-scale Farmers and Nutritional Balance of Local People



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