

Contributions to the Development of People

It is important for the progress of a country that progress be supported by the growth of its people. Technical support using people such as from Japanese experts to their counterparts can be used as an example of "face to face aid". Recently, "Intellectual Support" comprised of intangibles such as organization and planning, together with financial planning have begun to be included.

Support of Self-help

In order that developing countries can achieve sustainable progress, the country itself, as the subject of the development, must make efforts, and, in the case of aid, it is important to have a situation whereby the country understands that it is fully involved JICA, also proceeds with support while emphasizing the concept of "Self-help" to the country, keeping "capacity building" of the agency itself in mind.

Direction of JICA's cooperation in Botswana

At present, JICA/JOCV Botswana office mainly carries out two programs that are "Sending Volunteers" and "Acceptance of Trainees".

Among the higher priority issues in National Development Plan of Botswana, JICA is considering to focus on the following fields

1. Promotion of development in needy areas

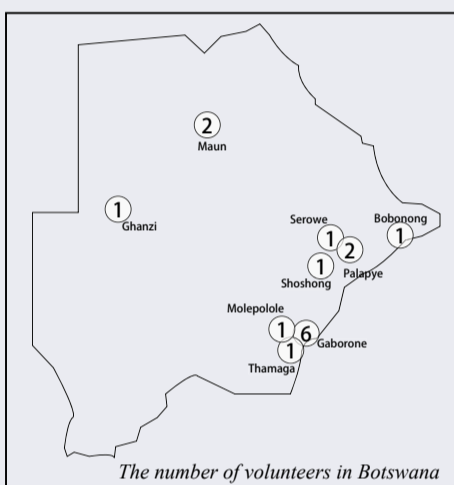
- Capacity building for human resource in the provision of fighting HIV/AIDS
- Agricultural and rural community development for correcting regional gap

2. Capacity building for human resources and organ's structure for state development

- Improving education/vocational training
- Vitalization of small/medium sized enterprises

Sending Volunteer

Volunteers have been assigned different workplaces in Botswana such as central/local government bureaus, institutes, laboratories, Educational Colleges, Technical Colleges, Brigades, Secondary Schools, Hospitals and NGOs depending on the request from respective host organizations. Because of its grass-roots cooperation policy, volunteers live with the locals and work together with his/her counterpart for 2 years.



African trainees to Japan

JICA invites engineers, technicians, administrative officials from Botswana to Japan and provides them with training in the skills and technology needed in their country. In this training program, there are various courses such as "Group Training Course", "Region-Focused Training Course", "The third country training" and "Youth invitation Program".

Voice of Present Volunteer's Counterparts



Ms. Kanako Yamada

HIV/AIDS controller/ Humana People to People(NGOs)

Voice from Ms. Lere Basupang: Project Leader of "Hope Greater Gaborone"

Showing her passion for working in the community she shares her experiences for the benefit of the community. As Project Leaders we also help her to meet her expectations and give her support.

Hope Greater Gaborone as a project of "Humana People to People Botswana" appreciates the help of the JICA volunteers as they help in the development of the communities. At this time the project is working with Kanako who is helping most in the monitoring and evaluation of Outreach Officers. She also goes in the field. She helps them to mobilize and impart the mobilizing skills as well as helping the Outreach Officer to be confident and feel the support of the management. She is also capturing statistics from the fields which helps the project to measure its impact.

Mr. Satoshi Takakusu

ICT lecturer/ MTC(Maun Technical College)

Voice from Mr. Onnalena Mbiko: ICT lecturer & Network administrator

JICA & JOCV is a world class organization which provides assistance to government departments and non-governmental organizations through its program of attaching volunteers. Working hand in hand with Japanese volunteers is a wonderful experience as they are quick to learn and prove solutions to any problems. They are professional in their respective areas of occupation.



Ms. Tomomi Akabane

Instructor of textile/Bobonong Brigade Dev Trust

Voice from Mr. Tembo :Dressmaking Instructor

The contribution of the volunteer is recognized as very important and it greatly appreciated. Tomomi Akabane is very creative and has been useful in terms of idea generation in our unit. I for one, strongly feels JICA should extend terms of service in order for the volunteer to effectively contribute and transfer the needed skills and knowledge in our organization

Voice of Accepted Trainees to Japan

Sustainable Water Resources Development In Agricultural & Rural Areas

Roy Rantaleng Mangope – Principal Water Engineering

I attended a training course on "Sustainable Water Resources Development In Agricultural and Rural Areas" at JICA Tsukuba Centre. The objective of the training course was to acquaint participants with procedures for implementing Agricultural and Rural Development projects, with emphasis on participatory approach. Collation of information in Japan included attending lectures, presentations, discussions, project cycle management works and study tours. I sincerely believe that this course has greatly contributed towards our experience and capacity building in the Ministry of Agriculture in Botswana. I greatly appreciate the interaction with JICA, Japan Green Resources Agency (J Green), Japan International Centre (JICE) and the Japanese people in general for their warm reception and great hospitality.

Pharmaceutical Affairs Experts Training Programme

Dr Sinah Matlodi Selelo – Principal Pharmacist

The course program I attended for JICA was on medicines regulation from developing countries, the objective was to give participants insight into medicines regulation in Japan, and for participants to share the experiences from their countries. The course was relevant as the Botswana health action plan focuses on development of guidelines and procedures for sampling and testing of pharmaceuticals on the market. Which will form part of a system for post market surveillance, which will include pharmacovigilance.

We experienced a bit of Japanese culture by participating in tea ceremony, flower arranging as well as a visit to some tourist place. This was a good training program that I hope we can continue to participate in future.

Corporate Crime and the Criminal Liability of Corporate Entities

Tsaone Chris Mokone-Senior Superintendent - Botswana Police Service

I attended a course on 'Corporate Crime and the Criminal Liability of Corporate Entities' at UNAFEI in Tokyo, Japan. The sophistication and growing international nature of corporate crime requires a concerted effort by the international community, therefore this course was held to enable the participants from the respective countries to share their knowledge and experience, and come up with effective counter measures.

I really enjoyed observation visits to the Supreme Court of Japan, the Tokyo District Court, Tokyo District Public Prosecutors Office and a group study tour to Kyoto Prefectural Police Headquarters, Hiroshima Prison, and the Hiroshima Memorial War Museum and this was a very touching experience indeed, we should learn from history.

Something NEWS in 2008

The fight against HIV/AIDS;

New project will soon be launched in Botswana!

The project aims strengthening HIV/AIDS control activities within the district level in order to contribute to fulfill MDGs in Botswana. JICA has been carrying out similar program successfully all over the world.



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Strategic Plan of JICA Volunteer Programme in Botswana

National Development Plan 9	Objective Field	Subject	Programme
To prevent HIV transmission and mitigate impacts of HIV/AIDS	Promotion of Development in Needy Areas	Development of Livelihood	Capacity Building for Human Resources in Health Sector
To develop sustainability and diversification of rural community		Community Enhancement	Agriculture and Community Development
To produce a competent, innovative and internationally competitive National Human Resources with ability to contribute to the socio-economic and technological advancement of the country	Capacity Building of Human Resources and Organisations	Improvement of Public Service	Capacity Building for Human Resources in Public Sector
		Improvement of the Quality of Tertiary Education and Vocational Education	Capacity Building for Human Resources in Tertiary Education and Vocational Education

For more information

If you would like to get further detailed information on the program of JICA's cooperation, please contact our office in Gaborone as follows.

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We as a bridge between the people of Japan and developing countries, will advance international cooperation through the experience and will work to build a more peaceful and prosperous world.



in Botswana 2008



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