



Knowledge Co-Creation Program (Group & Region Focus)

GENERAL INFORMATION ON

COUNTERMEASURE FOR COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

課題別研修「感染症対策行政」

JFY 2017

NO. J17-04268 / ID. 1784436

Course Period in Japan: From August 30th, 2017 to September 21st, 2017

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

‘JICA Knowledge Co-Creation (KCC) Program’ as a New Start

In the Development Cooperation Charter which is released from the Japanese Cabinet on February 2015, it is clearly pointed out that *“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.”* We believe that this ‘Knowledge Co-Creation Program’ will serve as a center of mutual learning process.

I. Concept

Background

Despite the fact that efforts for communicable disease control have been made over many years, people in low-income countries die of infectious diseases: lower respiratory infections, HIV/AIDS, diarrhoeal diseases, malaria and tuberculosis. And the communicable diseases account for almost one third of all deaths in these countries. It is, therefore, necessary to improve public health and to build a system for further communicable diseases control.

This Program designed for health administrators who are in charge of communicable diseases control. The purpose of the program is to contribute to the human resources development in the field of planning and administration of communicable diseases control throughout the participating countries. This program will also introduce various experiences, measures for communicable diseases control in Japan, and encourages an active exchange of information of the participants.

For what?

This course is intended to introduce various experiences, measures for communicable diseases control in Japan especially taking the case of Nagasaki Prefecture, and share hints or countermeasures to solve the clarified challenges which participants are facing now in the field of communicable disease control.

For whom?

This program is offered to health administrators who are engaged in communicable diseases control.

How?

Participants shall have following opportunities in Japan to ensure program effectiveness.

1. Lectures
2. Study Visits
3. Job Report Presentation
4. Discussions

Participants will also formulate an action plan describing what the participants will do after they go back to home country putting the knowledge and ideas acquired in Japan among others into their on-going activities.

II. Description

1. **Title (J-No.): Countermeasure for Communicable Diseases (J1704268)**
2. **Course Period in JAPAN**
August 30 to September 21, 2017
3. **Target Regions or Countries:**
Afghanistan, Brazil, Cabo Verde, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ecuador, Egypt, Gabon, Ghana, India, Lesotho, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Serbia, and Zimbabwe
4. **Eligible / Target Organization:**
This program is designed for the department of the central and the local governments in charge of communicable diseases control
5. **Course Capacity (Upper limit of Participants)**
15 participants
6. **Language to be used in this program:** English
7. **Course Objective:**
From the prospective of prevention, risk management and health education in communicable disease, participants are expected to organize current problems, and an Action plan will be formulated.
8. **Overall Goal**
An action plan to improve communicable disease control will be reported to relevant organizations, so that the communicable disease control in participants' countries will be improved.
9. **Expected Module Output and Contents:**
This program consists of the following components. Details on each component are given below:

(1) Preliminary Phase in a participant's home country (July to August 2017) <i>Participating organizations make required preparation for the Program in the respective country.</i>	
Modules	Activities
Job Report formulation	Formulation of the Job Report on participants' current job and the outline of administration on communicable disease control in participant's country in PPT format .

(2) Core Phase in Japan (August 30, 2017 to September 21, 2017) <i>Participants dispatched by the organizations attend the Program implemented in Japan.</i>		
Modules	Subjects/Agendas	Methodology
1. To be able to clarify challenges related to communicable disease control, and share among participants.	Explanation and discussion on Job Report (Situation analysis in participants' duty and/or country/region)	- Participants' presentation - Discussions

<p>2. To understand historical background, policy and measures, administrative system and current situation for communicable disease control in Japan.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Administration on communicable disease control in Japan. - International Cooperation in the field of communicable disease control - Health administration systems and historical background on Japan. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lectures - Participants' presentation - Discussions - Facilities Observation/Visit
<p>3. To clarify the issues of emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases and Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recent trends in communicable diseases - Communicable disease surveillancesystem - Environmental health - Communicable disease clinical management at hospitals - Tuberculosis control program - Malaria and other insect vector borne viral communicable diseases - Control of Neglected Tropical 	
<p>4. To be able to formulate draft Action plan for health service improvement.</p>	<p>Participants will develop an effective and practical Action plan to improve communicable disease control</p>	<p>Lectures Discussions and Facilities Observation/ Visit</p>

<Structure of the program>

Tentative schedule for your reference

*The schedule is under arrangement and subject to change.

Date		Program
Aug.30	Wed	Arrival in Tokyo
Aug.31	Thu	Briefing session, program orientation
Sep.1	Fri	General Orientation, Course Explanation, Job Report Presentation
Sep.2	Sat	off
Sep.3	Sun	off
Sep.4	Mon	-Lectures at Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare (MHFL) on Infectious Disease Control-Surveillance, Immunization and Quarantine. -Lectures at MHLW on Food Sanitation
Sep.5	Tue	-Lectures at National Institute of Public Health on History of Public Health in Japan etc. -Lectures at MHLW on IHR, Health Crisis Management
Sep.6	Wed	-Lectures at National Institute of Infectious Diseases (NIID) on roles of NIID, Surveillance, Field Epidemiology Training Program (FETP) etc.
Sep.7	Thu	-Lectures at Japan Anti-Tuberculosis Association on TB control activities -Visit to National Hansen's Disease Museum
Sep.8	Fri	-Lectures at National Center for Global Health and Medicine (NCGM) on International Cooperation in the Area of Infectious Disease Control) -Lectures at JICA Headquarters on cooperation in infectious diseases control
Sep.9	Sat	off
Sep.10	Sun	Move from Tokyo to Nagasaki
Sep.11	Mon	-Orientation for Nagasaki program and Action Plan Formulation -Lectures on activities of Institute of Tropical Medicine (ITM), Nagasaki University -Visit to ITM Museum
Sep.12	Tue	-Lectures at Nagasaki Prefectural Office on roles of Prefectural Office and Infectious Disease Control Administration. -Lectures at Nagasaki Prefectural Public Health Center on roles of Prefectural PH Center
Sep.13	Wed	-Lectures at Nagasaki Prefectural Institute for Environmental Research and Public Health on surveillance -Lectures at Nagasaki University Hospital on Clinical management
Sep.14	Thu	-Lectures at ITM, Nagasaki University on research activities -Action plan formulation
Sep.15	Fri	-Action plan formulation -Lecture at Nagasaki University on Filariasis Control
Sep.16	Sat	off
Sep.17	Sun	off
Sep.18	Mon	Public holiday (respect for aged day)
Sep.19	Tue	Presentation on Action Plan
Sep.20	Wed	-Evaluation session, Closing Ceremony Move from Nagasaki to Kitakyushu City
Sep.21	Thu	Leave Japan

III. Conditions and Procedures for Application

1. Expectations from the Participating Organizations:

- (1) This program is designed primarily for organizations that intend to address specific issues or problems identified in their operation. Participating organizations are expected to use the project for those specific purposes
- (2) This program is enriched with contents and facilitation schemes specially developed in collaboration with relevant prominent organizations in Japan. These special features enable the project to meet specific requirements of applying organizations and effectively facilitate them toward solutions for the issues and problems.

2. Nominee Qualifications:

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

(1) Essential Qualifications

1) Current Duties:

- Be a governmental official engaged in the planning and operation of communicable diseases control
- Working at national level or at least regional level

2) Experience in the relevant field:

- Have more than three (3) years' experience in the field of public health
- Will continue to work in the field of communicable diseases control at least three (3) years

3) Language: have a competent command of spoken and written English

4) Health: must be in good health, both physically and mentally, to participate in the Program in Japan. Pregnant applicants are not recommended to apply due to the potential risk of health and life issues of mother and fetus.

5) Has not participated in this program in the past

(2) Recommendable Qualifications

- Have a license in medical fields
- Have collaborative working experiences or on-going activities with technical cooperation / ODA Loans / Grand Aid Project of JICA

(3) Note

This course will be conducted in **smoke-free environment** at university campus and health and medical facilities such as hospitals.

3. Required Documents for Application

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

(2) Photocopy of passport: to be submitted 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.

*Photocopy should include the followings:

Name, Date of birth, Nationality, Sex, Passport number and Expire date.

(3) Nominee's English Score Sheet: to be submitted with the application form. If you have any official documentation of English ability. (e.g., TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS)

(4) Job Report: to be submitted with the application form.

4. Procedures for Application and Selection :

(1) Submission of the Application Documents:

Closing date for applications: **Please inquire to the JICA office (or the Embassy of Japan).**

(After receiving applications, the JICA office (or the Embassy of Japan) will send them to the JICA Center in JAPAN by **June 28, 2017**).

(2) Selection:

After receiving the documents through proper channels from your government, the JICA office (or the embassy of Japan) will conduct screenings, and then forward the documents to the JICA Center in Japan. Selection will be made by the JICA Center in consultation with concerned organizations in Japan. *The applying organization with the best intention to utilize the opportunity of this program will be highly valued in the selection. Qualifications of applicants who belong to the military or other military-related organizations and/or who are enlisted in the military will be examined by the Government of Japan on a case-by-case basis, consistent with the Development Cooperation Charter of Japan, taking into consideration their duties, positions in the organization, and other relevant information in a comprehensive manner.*

(3) Notice of Acceptance

Notification of results will be made by the JICA office (or the Embassy of Japan) **not later than July 28, 2017**.

5. Document(s) to be submitted by accepted candidates: None

6. Conditions for Attendance:

(1) to strictly adhere to the program schedule.

(2) not to change the program topics.

(3) not to extend the period of stay in Japan.

(4) not to be accompanied by family members during the program.

(5) to return to home countries at the end of the program in accordance with the travel schedule designated by JICA.

(6) to refrain from engaging in any political activities, or any form of employment for profit or gain.

(7) to observe Japanese laws and ordinances. If there is any violation of said laws and ordinances, participants may be required to return part or all of the training expenditure depending on the severity of said violation.

(8) to observe the rules and regulations of the accommodation and not to change the accommodation designated by JICA.

IV. Administrative Arrangements

1. Organizer:

- (1) **Name:** JICA Kyushu
- (2) **Contact:** kicctp@jica.go.jp

2. Implementing Partner:

- (1) **Name:** Nagasaki University
- (2) **URL:** <http://www.nagasaki-u.ac.jp/en/>
- (3) **Remark:** Nagasaki University is located in Nagasaki Prefecture where visitors can see combination of different cultures partly due to influence the city received since it was the only gateway to overseas countries when Japan adopted closed country policy for over two hundred years until 1859.

In 1857, the lectures by a Dutch army surgeon Pompe van Meerdervoort is the origin of today's School of Medicine as well as Nagasaki University. Since then Nagasaki University has become the leading academic institution among national universities in Japan in the area of tropical diseases, infectious diseases and radiation medical research.

In 2015, School of Tropical Medicine and Global Health, a new school was established in 2015 as an independent school from any faculties in its university to provide students with interdisciplinary curriculum of three courses of Tropical Medicine, International Health Development and Health Innovations. The participants are to exchange views and opinions with students and lectures of the school.

3. Travel to Japan:

- (1) **Air Ticket:** The cost of a round-trip ticket between an international airport designated by JICA and Japan will be borne by JICA.
- (2) **Travel Insurance:** Coverage is from time of arrival up to departure in Japan. Thus traveling time outside Japan will not be covered.

4. Accommodation in Japan:

- (1) JICA will arrange the following accommodations for the participants in Kitakyushu City, Japan:

JICA Kyushu International Center (JICA Kyushu)
Address: 2-2-1 Hirano, Yahatahigashi-ku, Kitakyushu-shi, Fukuoka, 805-8505, Japan
TEL: +81-93-671-6311 FAX: +81-93-663-1350
(where "81" is the country code for Japan, and "93" is the local area code)

If there is no vacancy at [JICA Kyushu](#), JICA will arrange alternative accommodations for the participants. Please refer to facility guide of KIC at its URL,

<https://www.jica.go.jp/kyushu/english/office/c8h0vm0000a0cdx5-att/kyushu01.pdf>

(2) During participants' stay in Tokyo and Nagasaki, hotels are prepared as accommodations.

5. Expenses:

The following expenses will be provided for the participants by JICA:

- (1) Allowances for accommodation, meals, living expenses, outfit, and shipping
- (2) Expenses for study tours (basically in the form of train tickets.)
- (3) Free medical care for participants who become ill after arriving in Japan (costs related to pre-existing illness, pregnancy, or dental treatment are not included)
- (4) Expenses for program implementation, including materials

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.

6. Pre-departure Orientation:

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

V. Other Information

1. Job Report

As written in the Part “3.Required Documents for Application”, each applicant is required to submit his/her own *Job Report*. Participants will have a presentation of his/her *Job Report* at the earlier stage of the training in order to share knowledge and background with other participants as well as instructors. Visual materials such as Power Point and pictures may be helpful for your presentation if you bring them with you.

The data related to infectious diseases of your country and/or region will be helpful to make presentation and discussion.

2. Action Plan

Participants are to make an *Action Plan* at the end of the training to express idea and plan, which you carry out after you return, reflecting the knowledge and method you acquire from the training. Each person is requested to give a presentation

3. Certification

Participants who have successfully completed the course will be awarded a certificate by JICA.

4. Travel

The course starts in Tokyo and stays for ten days, and move to Nagasaki by a domestic flight. Passengers have less baggage allowances in domestic flights than in international flights. Therefore participants are recommended to minimize luggage for the travel to Japan.

(In general, check-in luggage under 20kg is for free, and carry-on luggage under 10kg is allowed.)

5. Remarks

This training is designed for the purpose of acquiring the knowledge and the techniques of Japan, **NOT** for a specific participant’s country. Participants are kindly requested to understand the differences and not to insist on the techniques of their countries.

VI. ANNEX:

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Job Report

Name:
Country:
Name of Organization
E-mail:

Remarks 1: The Report should be **typewritten in English**

Remarks 2: Each participant is requested to give a presentation in 10 minutes based on this Report by using the PowerPoint format at the early stage of the training program in Japan, for the purpose of making the training program more effective and fruitful by comprehending the situations and problems of the participants each other.

Remark 3: Presentation is expected to focus more on number 3 to number 5; your duties, major challenges and possible solutions.

Remarks 4: Hard copies of the job reports from each participant will be distributed for participants' convenience at presentation session.

1. Current situation on major communicable diseases which your country's health authority must tackle.
2. Main duties of your organization
(Please attach a chart of your organization with the names of all the departments in it and mark your post in the chart.)
3. Your present post and duties in your organization
4. Three (3) major challenges on communicable diseases in your duty
 - 1)
 - 2)
 - 3)
5. Possible countermeasures for those challenges
6. Skills and knowledge you expect to gain in this program

For Your Reference

JICA and Capacity Development

The key concept underpinning JICA operations since its establishment in 1974 has been the conviction that “capacity development” is central to the socioeconomic development of any country, regardless of the specific operational scheme one may be undertaking, i.e. expert assignments, development projects, development study projects, training programs, JOCV programs, etc.

Within this wide range of programs, Training Programs have long occupied an important place in JICA operations. Conducted in Japan, they provide partner countries with opportunities to acquire practical knowledge accumulated in Japanese society. Participants dispatched by partner countries might find useful knowledge and re-create their own knowledge for enhancement of their own capacity or that of the organization and society to which they belong.

About 460 pre-organized programs 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 are being customized to address the specific needs of different target organizations, 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 was the first non-Western country to successfully modernize its society and industrialize its economy. At the core of this process, which started more than 140 years ago, was the “*adopt and adapt*” concept by which a wide range of appropriate skills and knowledge have been imported from developed countries; these skills and knowledge have been adapted and/or improved using local skills, knowledge and initiatives. They finally became internalized in Japanese society to suit its local needs and conditions.

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 this “*adoption and adaptation*” process, which, of course, has been accompanied by countless failures and errors behind the success stories. We presume that such experiences, both successful and unsuccessful, will be useful to our partners who are trying to address the challenges currently faced by developing countries.

However, it is rather challenging to share with our partners this whole body of Japan’s developmental experience. This difficulty has to do, in part, with the challenge of explaining a body of “tacit knowledge,” a type of knowledge that cannot fully be expressed in words or numbers. Adding to this difficulty are the social and cultural systems of Japan that vastly differ from those of other Western industrialized countries, and hence still remain unfamiliar to many partner countries. Simply stated, coming to Japan might be one way of overcoming such a cultural gap.

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.



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