

WDR 2023 "Migrants, Refugees, and Societies" and JICA's Work on Migration and Development

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Three Main Pillars of JICA's Work on Migration and Development

1. Promotion of respect for human rights of migrant workers

2. Capacity
development to
enhance migration's
contribution to
economic
development

3. Creation of an inclusive society for foreigners living in Japan









"Demographic changes have sparked an intensifying global competition for workers and talent."(P2)



JICA's Study on "Diversity and Social Inclusion of Migrant Workers in Japanese Society —Our World in 2030/40"

Simulation on the future acceptance of migrant workers

1 Estimated demand for migrant workers

② Estimation of Migrant Labor Supply Potential

Migrant labor requirements necessary to achieve the target GDP (1.24% annual average)

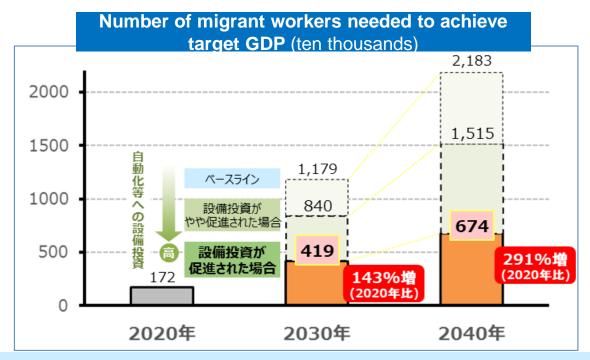
2030: 4.19 million people (same as 143% increase in 2020)

2040: 6.74 million people (same as 291% increase)

Foreign labor supply potential under the current scenario (when the duration of migrant workers' stay is the same as the current one)

■ 2030: 3.56 million (630,000 short of demand)

■ 2040: 6.32 million (420,000 short of demand)





6.74 million migrant workers needed to achieve GDP target (420,000 short of demand)

"Migration makes substantial contributions to economic development and poverty reduction..." (Foreword)



"When migrants bring skills and attributes in demand in the destination country, the benefits typically outweigh the costs, regardless of motives, skill levels, or legal status. These migrants fill gaps in the destination labor market, with benefits for the destination economy, as well as for themselves and their origin country"



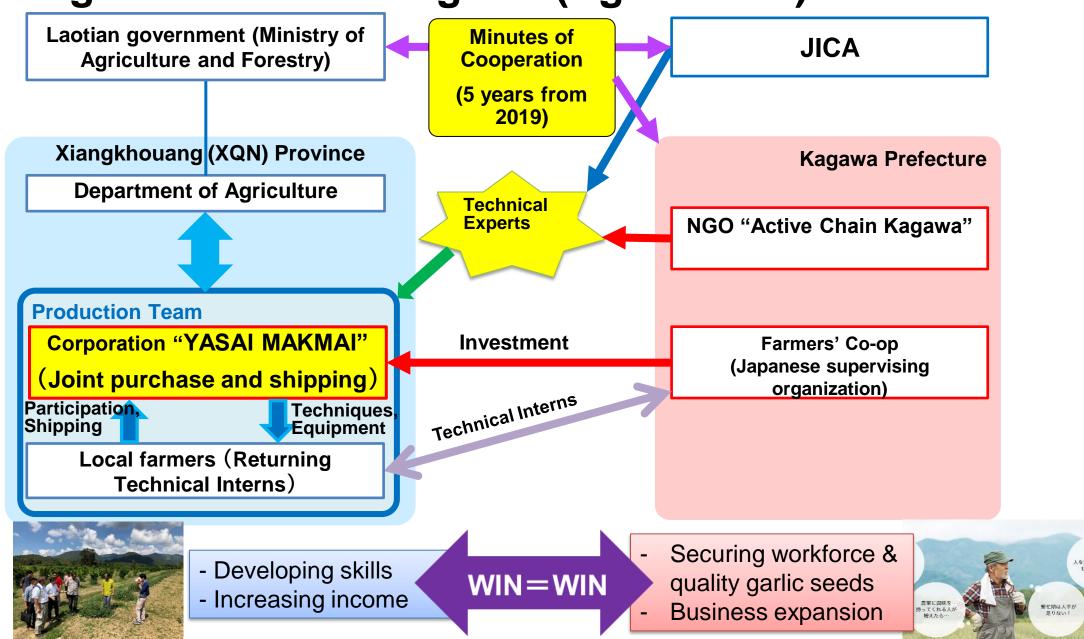
WDR 2023 "When the match is strong, the gains are large"(P7)

<Benefits for the Origin Country>

- Monetary Remittance
- "Social Remittance" institutional quality, demand for accountability, and gender norms, etc.
- Integration into global networks (migrants as catalysts for increasing international trade)
- Development of industries through knowledge-transfer and innovation



"Strong match" - Lao-Kagawa (Agriculture)





"Destination countries can reduce some of these negative impacts by ensuring that migrants have access to fair recruitment and decent work in line with international standards." (P108)



Protecting Human Rights of Migrant Workers – Access to Fair Recruitment

Supporting to Connect Job Information for Vietnamese Workers to Work Abroad Under Contract (5-year-project expected to start from August 2023)

Purpose

Through the activities of establishing the new web system and strengthening enforcement effort on sending organizations and related parties to comply with relevant laws and regulations.

Implementation Agency

Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs (MOLISA), Department of Overseas Labour (DOLAB)

Providing Job Department of **Registering Job** Information thru Web site Overseas Labour Information (DOLAB) **Direct Access** Recruiting Job Seeker Agencies Recruit Request of **Broker Expensive** rebate **Collecting Candidate**

Output

- 1. The current problems of Vietnamese Overseas Workers recruitment are analyzed, and effective measures enabling them to obtain appropriate and sufficient recruitment information are identified.
- 2. DOLAB's New System is developed for providing transparent environment for the Vietnamese Overseas Workers that enables them to select sending organizations without middlemen with sufficient recruitment information.
- 3. DOLAB receives feedback from Vietnamese Overseas Workers on sending organizations, supervising organizations, and establish legal mechanism for system operation. Policy measures and action plans are developed to enhance supporting service for returned workers for their career.

Fair and Ethical Recruitment Initiative (VJ-FERI) (As part of the DOLAB/JICA Project)

Under Negotiation

ILO

★Voluntary Mechanism for Quick Action

Commitment to VJ-FERI Complying with law and CoC Sending of VAMAS **Organization Excluding broker in recruit** process Commitment to VJ-FERI Supervising No kickbacks and No extra **Organization** services from Sending **Organization Commitment to VJ-FERI Japanese** Improving working conditions Company (Employer) Paying "Service fee" related

to recruit

DOLAB

Job information
Supervision of SOs
Training for SOs

Registration of participating SOs

Monitoring and Recommendations
Handing Complaints

collaborate

Registration of participating

Japanese
NPO
Organization

Monitoring thru mobile application and interview

Consultation desk and Grievance mechanism

Reporting to the authorities

JICA Others

Collaborative Framework



Proposal made by JICA in "Vietnam-Japan Human Resources Development Forum in Hanoi 2023 Improvement of Recruitment Process – Complying with Global Standards –" (5th April 2023)

(JP-MIRAI)

"Destination countries should not let social and cultural controversies overshadow the economic gains of migration." (P7)



Social Support Programs and Social Inclusion



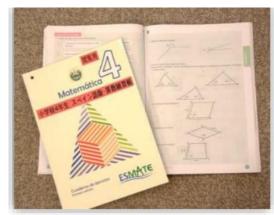
Coordinator for international cooperation raising citizens' awareness



"Nikkei supporter" supporting children with foreign roots



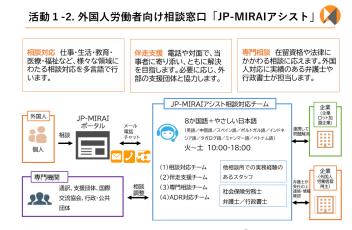
Training on community disaster prevention for foreign residents



Utilizing textbooks in foreign languages developed through technical cooperation projects



Multi-cultural understanding program for university students



"JP-MIRAI Assist" - Grievance mechanism for migrant workers