

(3) Lach Huyen Port Infrastructure Construction Project (III)

Background and Necessity

Many Japanese and foreign companies have branch offices and factories in the northern coastal area of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam that extends from Hai Phong City and Ha Long City to Hanoi, the capital of Viet Nam, contributing to the economic development in the area. Hai Phong Port and Cai Lan Port, which have been improved and expanded through JICA's ODA loans, have supported activities by foreign companies operating in Viet Nam. With a combined container handling capacity of 40 million tons, the two ports are considering increasing their capacity. In terms of demand, the cargo throughput of containerized cargo in the northern region of Viet Nam reached 40 million tons in 2014, and will further increase with economic growth. In addition, since the international freight shipping market has seen an increasing trend towards large container vessels in recent years, developing ports that are deep enough to handle large container ships is imperative to ensure that the northern area of Viet Nam functions properly as an international distribution base.

Objective and Summary

By building an international deep-water mega-port in Lach Huyen located on the east of Hai Phong City and developing the infrastructure in and around the said area, this project aims to: 1) address the increasing demand for containers in Viet Nam and address the increase in the maximum size of container ships in shipping markets in recent years, and 2) contribute to the economic development and reinforce the international competitiveness of the northern region as well as Viet Nam overall.

JICA has provided ODA loans for the phase I (signed in November 2011 for 20,995 million yen) and phase II (signed in March 2013 for 37,958 million yen) of the project for ports, roads and bridges. This ODA loan is for phase III of the project.

The ODA loan is used for engineering works, material and equipment procurement and consulting services required for the development of the port and the surrounding basic infrastructure (including access roads and bridges).

The Special Terms for Economic Partnership (STEP) will be applied to this project in an attempt to shorten the construction period and enhance safety through the use of Japanese technology.

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Planned Implementation Schedule *Ports, Roads and Bridges

- (i) Completion date: May 2018 – when the facilities are put to use.)
- (ii) Consulting services: Already employed
- (iii) Construction: Already signed.

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