This program aims for the participants to propose an Action Plan for strengthening and improving roles and functions of farmers’ organizations in respective countries with making the best use of the knowledge and idea acquired in Japan.

### Objective/Outcome

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Participants' organizations officially discuss and formulate an Action Plan which is proposed by the participant for strengthening/improving roles and functions of farmers' organization in respective countries.

**Outcome**

1. Analyze current situation and challenges of farmers' organizations in the participant’s country.
2. Understand the roles and functions of farmers' organizations in Japan.
3. Understand the support system for farmer's activities and farmers' organizations in Japan.
4. Propose an Action Plan to improve/strengthen the roles and functions of farmers' organizations in the participant’s country

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**Output 1:** Preparation and submission of inception report, Presentation of inception report, Group discussion

**Output 2:** <Lecture> Outline of agricultural cooperatives, Establishment of farmers' organization, JA’s support service for farming management, JA’s financial service, Outline of Land Improvement District (water user’s group), <Site visit> Agricultural cooperative (JA), Land Improvement District

**Output 3:** <Lecture> Agricultural policy in Japan, Agricultural land system, Roles of central and local governments and agricultural cooperatives in agricultural cooperatives in Japan, Agricultural extension service in Hokkaido, Agricultural insurance, <Site visit> Farmer, Wholesale market, Agricultural extension service center, Agricultural experiment station

**Output 4:** Group discussion, Preparation and presentation of “Action Plan”