

# Japan International Cooperation Agency in Sudan



# Pilot Survey for Disseminating Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs) Technologies for Mobile Car Clinic



### **Project Theme:**

Basic Human Needs (Health)/ Private Sector Enhancement

# **Counterparts**:

State Ministries of Health in Khartoum & Gezira

#### **Duration:**

Sep. 2013 to Mar. 2016

#### **Target Area**:

Khartoum State/ Gezira State

# **Project Summary:**

In recent years, 70% of the flow of funds flow from developed countries to developing countries has come from private funds. Private sector activities are vitally important in order to achieve economic growth and sustainable social development. JICA aims to enhance the quality of its ODA by the participation of the private sector and their advanced technologies and know-how. Thus, JICA started new pilot survey to find out the possibility to utilize Japanese Small and medium-sized enterprises(SMEs) product to developing countries. Through this collaboration, JICA deals with solving development issues and enhancing business opportunities.

JICA has started this survey in Sudan for solving some big challenges, which are; 1) lack of health facilities/medical services, 2) chronic shortage of human resources for health, 3) high medical costs due to the lack of medical records leading to unnecessary medication, and 4) lack of maintenance system for medical equipment. JICA and Axiohelix, which is a Japanese private company, planned to utilize Japanese mobile clinic car (Dr. Car) to solve some health issues in Sudan. In each mobile car there is an ultrasound imaging system, electrocardiograph, blood pressure gauge, and remote communication tool.

JICA supported these mobile clinic cars to explore usage feasibility for providing basic health services in rural areas, school and eye clinic, as well as for training in universities.

## **Expected Impact**:

It is expected that around 10,000 patients received health services with these activities.



#### **Comment:**

"Dr. Car project is keen to empower the Sudanese school health staff in Khartoum State and improve the services for children and adolescent in need in suburban area of Khartoum. In addition, we understood many variety of possibility and we are sure to utilize these cars with the reference of this pilot survey."

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