

About JICA

Japan International Cooperation Agency carries out the Japanese Government's initiative to utilize Official Development Assistance (ODA) to assist Partner Countries by Utilizing Japan's Human and Financial Resources as well as Academic Expertise to alleviate poverty and eliminate other challenges from partner countries.

JICA Thailand at a Glance

JICA established its office in Thailand in 1974 to enhance Thailand's Economic and Social Development while also initiating Regional Development Assistance Initiatives that went along with the countries' needs at the time. Thailand and Japan have been "Partners in Development" for over 137 Years, working rigorously to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals.

1 Technical Cooperation



11,699 JICA Experts and 16,522 Researchers sent to Thailand



1,096 Japanese Volunteers (JOCV) sent to Thailand



32,449 Thai Participants in JICA Training Programs

2 ODA Loans



246 Projects valued at 2.4289 Trillion Yen

3 Grant Aid



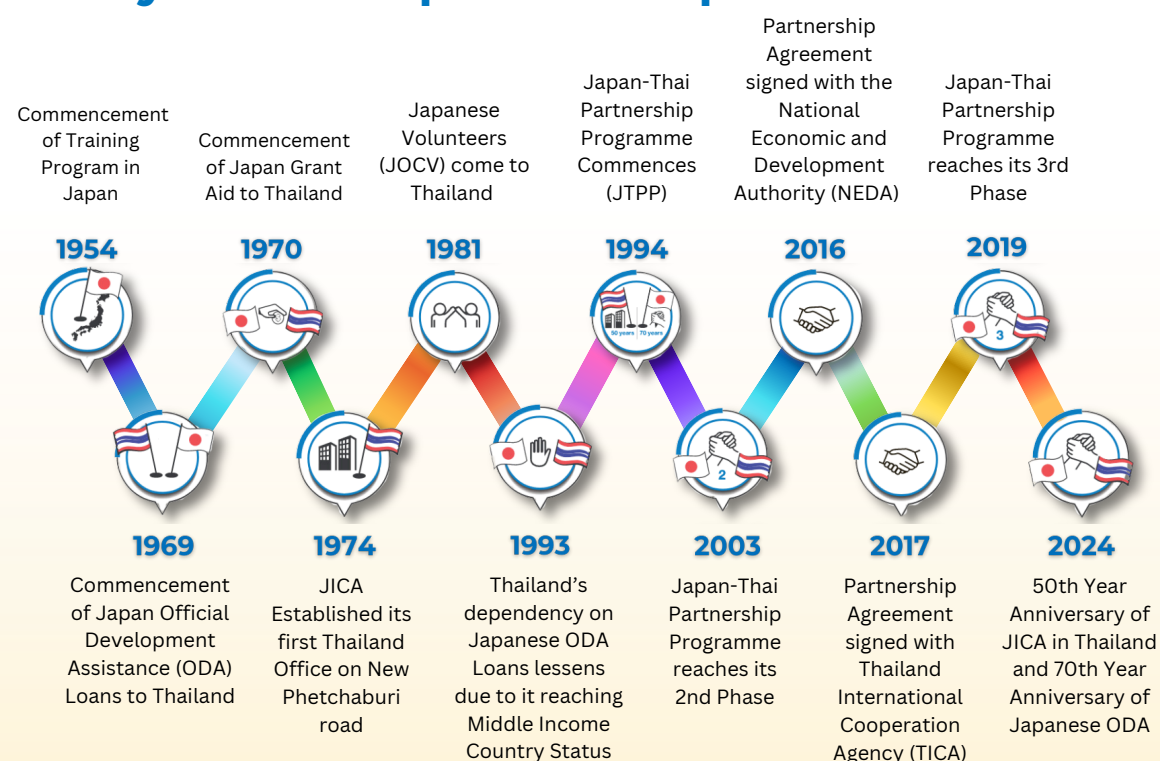
105 Projects including Disaster Prevention and Regeneration valued at 132 billion Yen

4 Public-Private Partnership (PPP)

Engaged in projects to assist Japanese Enterprises that work in relation to SDGs and Assist Enterprises in Japan's Partner Countries through Private Sector Investment Finance (PSIF) through to other development projects.

*As of 2022

History of Development Cooperation in Thailand FOLLOW US



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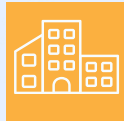
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70 Years of ODA in Thailand



信頼で世界をつなぐ
Leading the world with trust

70 Years of
Laying
Foundations
For Thailand's
Future



Industrial and Economic
Development

Since the 1970s, JICA has supported Thailand's industrial development, **making Thailand a major destination for foreign direct investment (FDI)**, particularly in the automotive, electrical and electronics industries. With the success of the Eastern Seaboard Development in the 1980's and various technical cooperation projects, the Eastern region, or EEC, has become the second largest economic center in the country after Bangkok.



Transportation Infrastructure
Development

Since 1971, JICA has continuously supported the development of Thailand's transportation infrastructure, such as roads, bridges, urban mass transit system, deep seaports, and international airports, to **enhance economic activity and connectivity** while alleviating problems caused by traffic congestion.



Human Resource Development

Since 1960, JICA has continuously cooperated **in engineering education in Thailand and beyond**. Since 2003, JICA has engaged in establishing networks among leading Engineering Universities in ASEAN and Japan through the AUN/SEED-Net program.

Since 2020, JICA has supported the establishment and operation of Thai KOSEN schools, which aim at fostering future innovative engineers who will contribute to both the country's industrial development and its competitiveness.



Public-Private Partnership

Over recent years, private investment has become a significant factor in driving economic and social change in developing countries. JICA has been working with the private sector to drive their participation through the "Private Sector Investment Finance (PSIF)" and the "SME-SDGs Business Supporting Survey" schemes.

We are **working hand in hand with the private sector**, both Thai local companies and Japanese companies, to accelerate and enhance achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).



Agriculture and Rural Development

In 1954, JICA invited 21 Thai agricultural officials to train in Japan, and **it was the very first cooperation between Thai and Japan**.

In 1970, JICA began to implement projects in the areas of land reform, fisheries, livestock, and agricultural extension in Thailand. Now, the collaboration between Thailand and Japan has reached out to other countries including African countries to create food security.



Human and Social Security

JICA focuses on developing **a society for all people**, including vulnerable groups such as the disabled, the elderly, migrants and victims of human trafficking, to realize a society where they have security and safety, and have a better quality of life.

JICA also works with Thailand to build networks with the Mekong countries to transfer lessons learned and work together at the regional level.



SATREPS

Science and Technology Research Partnerships
for Sustainable Development

SATREPS is a program aimed at promoting international joint research between Japan and recipient countries, to find solutions for global issues in the areas of Environment and Energy, Bioresources, Disaster Prevention and Mitigation, and Infectious Diseases Control.

SATREPS has enhanced Thailand's **international academic cooperation**, which has created countless opportunities for knowledge and experience exchange causing Thailand's scientific and technological advancements to be more in line with Sustainable Development.



Health and Medicine

Since 1974, JICA has cooperated closely with Thailand's public health sector in various areas including human resource development, emergency health management, and establishment of health infrastructure and systems research to combat communicable diseases.

As a result, Thailand has successfully established an **internationally recognized public health system** with healthcare accessibility that can now contribute to other developing countries by sharing knowledge and expertise.



Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteer
(JOCV)

Since 1981, **over 1000 Japanese Volunteers** have been dispatched all over Thailand to work with Thai people at the grassroots level, to contribute to the development of Thailand as well as to gain valuable international experience.

Volunteers in Thailand focus on Industrial Human Resource Development, Regional and Rural Development, and assisting the vulnerable and those less fortunate in society, while building a strong bond between the two countries.



Environment and Climate Change

Since the 1970s, JICA has been working with Thailand **to restore the ecosystem and environment**, which have been deteriorating due to rapid economic growth, posing a threat to the quality of life and health.

Currently, with technical and academic cooperation, JICA is focused on **tackling global issues** such as air pollution, marine debris, and climate change, while also providing support for Thailand to achieve its goal of Net-Zero Emissions.