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Based on JICA's missions as the implementing agency of Japan's ODA ((1) addressing the global agenda, (2) reducing poverty through equitable growth, (3) improving governance, and (4) achieving human security), JICA will implement programs and formulate projects which address the priority issues identified below, while ensuring consistency with the policies of the Japanese government (e.g., "ODA Review Final Report," Priority Policy Issues for International Cooperation).

ODA is a means for pursuing the shared interests of the world. Bearing this in mind, JICA will promote further inclusiveness in its operations, particularly for the Middle East region which continues to face unrest. Furthermore, confronted with the soaring prices of natural resources and energy as well as food, JICA will provide support to the poor who are most impacted by the rising prices and ensure access to a stable supply of these resources. In addition, domestically, JICA will implement measures to promote Japan's recovery from the Great East Japan Earthquake as much as possible.

Priority Issues

1 Promote Assistance for Sustainable Development in line with the New Growth Strategy

- Upon reviewing the results and outcomes of past cooperation while keeping in mind the Japanese government's New Growth Strategy (to achieve mutual prosperity and growth for Japan and Asian countries), JICA will provide support in the areas of: urban development and regional infrastructure development; soft infrastructure development; climate change measures; and human resources development and exchanges. JICA will effectively utilize its assets in development assistance and strengthen its collaboration with Asian countries that are achieving dramatic growth to promote initiatives for addressing global issues.
- JICA will actively support private sector activities which contribute to development. As part of this effort, JICA will carry out preparatory surveys for supporting Public-Private Partnerships and promote projects through the introduction of support systems for Base of the Pyramid (BOP) businesses.

2 Achievement of MDGs with Focus on Assistance to Africa

- In accordance with the three pillars of the Fourth Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD IV) ((1) boosting economic growth, (2) ensuring human security,

and (3) addressing environmental and climate change issues), in order to contribute to the doubling of Japan's ODA to Africa by 2012, JICA will form and intensively allocate financial resources to programs/projects.

- JICA will contribute to the achievement of health-related MDGs, which are making slow progress towards achievement, by providing assistance primarily to Africa.

3 Support Peacebuilding in Afghanistan and Other Countries

- JICA will prioritize allocations for Technical Cooperation and Grant Aid projects for Afghanistan in order to provide up to US\$5 billion in ODA to the country by 2014.
- For countries other than Afghanistan, JICA will provide support which meets the individual needs of post-conflict countries while taking into account the Japanese government's commitments.

4 Initiatives toward Environmental and Climate Change Measures

- In order to achieve relevant commitments made by the Japanese government, JICA will implement and formulate necessary programs/projects through Technical Cooperation and financial assistance (Grant Aid and Loan Aid) by making full use of Japan's experience and skills, including those of the private sector's. In addition, JICA will steadily implement programs which contribute to the Japanese government's support program for promoting Japan's technologies related to the environmental field overseas, which is based on the New Growth Strategy and approved under the fiscal 2010 supplementary budget.
- JICA will steadily follow up the outcome of the 16th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 16) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the 10th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP10) to the Convention on Biological Diversity and take appropriate responses in view of the next meetings.