



Africa

Toward Transforming the Economic Structure and Building Resilient Societies in Africa



Director General's Message

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Regional Issues

- As the economic structure depends on primary commodities and natural resources, Africa's growth is vulnerable to global market turbulence and also to climate change.
- Since the mid-2000s, the population of the poor in Africa has been declining, but the pace has been slow. Social systems in Africa still remain vulnerable, as seen in increasing terrorism and the recent Ebola outbreak.

Fiscal 2015 Initiatives

- JICA provided assistance in such sectors as infrastructure, agriculture, industry, health care, education, and the environment based on the three pillars for supporting Africa: Robust and Sustainable Economy, Inclusive and Resilient Society, and Peace and Stability.
- JICA also initiated assistance in universal health coverage (UHC) to strengthen health systems in the region.

Future Cooperation

- Encouraging Africa's ownership, JICA will implement assistance measures that leverage Japan's strengths and experiences, chiefly in the pillars that were identified at the Sixth Tokyo Conference on African Development (TICAD VI) in August 2016: (1) Promoting structural economic transformation through diversification and industrialization, (2) Promoting resilient health systems, and (3) Promoting social stability.

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A look at
programs by
numbers

31,745 people

JICA supports developing human resources for business and industry in such sectors as vocational training, higher education, customs, tourism, industry promotion, investment, trade, mining, and *kaizen*. From 2013 to 2015, JICA provided capacity building opportunities for 31,745 African people in this program, and already achieved the goal of training 30,000 Africans in five years—a commitment Japan had made at TICAD V in 2013.

Kenya: Work to expand the freight-liner terminal has been carried out with ODA Loans at the Mombasa port, the largest international port in East Africa. (Photo: Toyo Construction Co. Ltd.)