

# Industrial Development and Public Policy

For Decent Work, Clean Energy, Democratic Governance, and People's Dignity and Happiness

# **Director General's Message**

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### **Sectoral Issues**

- To increase decent work by supporting the growth of the private sector and the development of industrial human resources (Goals 8 and 9 of the Sustainable Development Goals [SDGs], or SDG8 and SDG9 for short)
- To deliver affordable, safe and low-carbon energy to all (SDG7, SDG12)
- To support the creation of a democratic society based on the rule of law (SDG16)

### **Fiscal 2015 Initiatives**

- The Thilawa Special Economic Zone (SEZ) in Myanmar, to which JICA provided assistance in management and development aspects, opened in September.
- ➡ JICA forged ahead with the Hybrid Islands Initiative, which is designed to bolster electric power supply in island regions. This initiative was incorporated into the aid package that Japan pledged at the Seventh Pacific Islands Leaders Meeting.
- JICA provided media assistance, support for strengthening the parliament office, and anticorruption training to Ukraine.

## **Future Cooperation**

- JICA will contribute to "quality growth" and job creation by strengthening partnerships with private sector activities. This will involve promoting human resources development (HRD) for the business sector at Japan Centers for Human Resources Development.
- JICA will address growing energy demand in Africa and elsewhere by focusing on the development of geothermal power.
- > JICA will support building democratic governance by sharing the experience of Japan's legal profession in HRD with developing countries, while taking advantage of Japan's experience to provide assistance in legal and judicial development, including improvement of the business environment.



This figure represents the total installed capacity of all the geothermal power generation plants that JICA has built in the developing world. It is roughly twice as large as that of Japan. Geothermal power is one of the sectors where Japan's technology and experience are particularly useful.

Sierra Leone: An expert from JICA provides technical guidance to staff members at a power generation plant in the Project for Capacity Development for Maintaining Power Supply Facilities.