Strengthening State Assets Management through JICA's Technical Cooperation:

Implementation of the 3rd Seminar on “State Assets Management”

The Directorate General of State Assets Management (DGSAM) – the Ministry of Finance Republic of Indonesia and Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) will hold the 3rd Seminar on “State Assets Management” on July 28, 2010 (Wednesday), at the Hotel Borobudur, Jakarta. The main speakers will include four (4) experts from the Japan’s Ministry of Finance: Mr. Yoshikazu NEMOTO (Special Officer for Research on Public Accounting - Legal Division, Budget Bureau), Mr. Kazumasa NAKASHIMA (Deputy Director - Accounts Division, Minister’s Secretariat), Mr. Toru SUZUKI (Director of Planning Section - Training Division, Policy Research Institute), and Mr. Keisuke TAKAHASHI (Section Chief of the Legal 4 - Legal Division, Budget Bureau).

This seminar is held as part of a Technical Cooperation Project (TCP) named “Project for Strengthening Institutional Capacity for the State Asset Management,” which has been implemented since September 2009 through the cooperation between DGSAM and JICA as a support towards the Government of Indonesia (GOI)’s efforts to strengthen its state asset management system. This Seminar is a continuation of the 1st and 2nd Seminars, which were held on April 21 and May 26, 2010 respectively at the same venue; with the main speakers of a total of seven (7) experts from Japan’s Ministry of Finance, including Mr. Yoshiji HARUYAMA (Director, Fiscal Investment and Loan Management Division) and Mr. Akira YAMAGISHI (Director, National Property Examination and Appraisal Office – Finance Bureau).

Unlike the 1st and 2nd Seminars, in which the experts were governmental officers directly engaged in state assets management, this Seminar will feature active Japanese government officials in charge of state accounting system, commodity management, and training. It is hoped that the participants will be able to learn (i) Japan’s “Accounting Act,” which regulates (among others) the state’s contract procedures and is also applied for the disposal of state assets. Moreover, both the system and practical aspects of (ii) Japan’s “Commodities Management Act” in relations with the movable properties the country possesses will be presented as well. And lastly, as one of the pillars of the above-mentioned project is the capacity development of the related GOI personnel, there will be explanation on (iii) the training system of Japan’s Ministry of Finance.

Apart from human resource development, the project also focuses on the development of the laws and regulations and development of database through the sharing of Japan's experience in its own
state assets management. JICA has also dispatched one active Japanese government official, Mr. Yoshihide YAMAMOTO, to the Ministry of Finance – Republic of Indonesia to support the Project as a Chief Advisor. The project also implemented counterpart training in Japan for the officials of DGSAM, including the Director General, Mr. Hadiyanto, in June 2010.

Meanwhile, there will be a forum for small group discussion on the day after the Seminar in which related government personnel could conduct consultation and individually ask questions to the experts just as in the 1st and 2nd Seminars.

Finally, through the Project, JICA – through the cooperation of Japan’s Ministry of Finance – hopes to support the GOI in reviewing its state assets system ahead.

END

<Contact Person>

Project Coordinator, Ms. NAKAMURA (021) 384-7872

JICA Indonesia Office, Ms. Juni (021) 5795-2112