SUPPORT TO SOUTH-SOUTH COOPERATION IN MALAYSIA

Since 1983 when JICA started the support to South-South Cooperation (SSC) in Malaysia, JICA has expanded its partnership with the Government of Malaysia through SSC. In 1992, a Joint Third Country Training Programme (TCTP) was initiated with the Economic Planning Unit (EPU) under the Malaysian Technical Cooperation Programme (MTCP). In 2002, a TCTP on 50-50 cost sharing basis between MTCP and JICA was implemented. Even after the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Malaysia (MFA) took over the MTCP in 2010, both MFA and JICA has been deepening the SSC.

In 2012, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Japan announced the Country Assistance Policy for Malaysia, which stressed Malaysia to be a model of development cooperation with horizontal partnership and the support to South-South Cooperation was identified as one of the priority areas.

MANAGEMENT MECHANISM

Since 2008, a holistic annual management system has been installed between Malaysian Technical Cooperation Programme (MTCP) and JICA with two dialogues.







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ACTIVITIES

The MTCP-JICA Cooperation embraces a wide range of solutions for sustainable development of Southern partners, most of which are based upon the Cooperation Assets: past or on-going bilateral cooperation between Malaysia and Japan.



POLICY FRAMEWORKS



STRENGTHS



MAJOR INSTRUMENTS





The major part of JICA's support to South-South Cooperation is the Third Country Training Programme (TCTP) scheme, which includes the Group Type of multiple target countries and the Country-Focused Type of a single target country. In the meantime, JICA support the dispatch of Malaysian experts through the Third Country Experts (TCE) scheme as well.

Other than the TCTP and TCE, JICA supports the Study Trip which is a short-term visit to Malaysia for a comparative study of a JICA Technical Cooperation Project, and the Supplementary Training which is to conduct a training in Malaysia on the way to / from a training to Japan.