

The Core Development Policy to Namibia

“Support for Realizing Sustainable, Inclusive Economic and Social Development”

the two main priorities are:

1) Strengthening of Industrial Base

JICA will support strengthening the industrial base, mainly through technical cooperation, in areas such as the improvement of infrastructure and the business environment.

2) Contribution to Poverty Reduction and Livelihood Improvement

JICA will aim at improving livelihood, through agricultural development in the northern regions, where many low-income people live.

Method of Cooperation

- Technical Cooperation Project (inc. JICA Expert, Donation of Equipment)
- Knowledge Co-Creation Program (KCCP)
- Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers (JOCV)
- Yen Loan
- Private Sector Investment Finance (PSIF)

Overview

After diplomatic relations were established between Namibia and Japan in March 1990, JICA started development operations in Namibia from training programs and various development studies, which preceded opening the office in 2006 when dispatch of Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers commenced. JICA currently implements the development activities under the Country Development Cooperation Policy for the Republic of Namibia, formulated by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan. The core development policy to Namibia is composed of “support for realizing sustainable and inclusive economic and social development”. Under this core policy, two priority areas have been set up, namely, 1) Strengthening of the Industrial Base to Support Economic Growth, and 2) Livelihood Improvement in Rural Area. Programs and projects are arranged under these priority areas.



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Our Mission

JICA, in accordance with the Development Cooperation Charter, will work on human security and quality growth.

Vision

“Leading the world with trust”

JICA, with its partners, will take the lead in forging bonds of trust across the world, aspiring for a free, peaceful and prosperous world where people can hope for a better future and explore their diverse potentials.

Technical Cooperation

❖ Northern Namibia Small-Scale Farmers' Livelihood Enhancement Project (N-SHEP)

Northern Namibia Small-Scale Farmers' Livelihood Enhancement Project (N-SHEP) focuses primarily on livestock and secondarily on horticulture, empowering small-scale farmers to engage in market-oriented agriculture for various commodities. The N-SHEP Project enhances farmers' capacity for sustainable business farming by equipping them with essential marketing and production skills. To successfully practice "farming as business," it is crucial to foster win-win relationships between sellers and buyers and to establish motivational frameworks, particularly among farmers.



❖ Employability Improvement Project (EIP)

The EIP is designed to improve the quality of workplace-based learning for the Work Integrated Learning (WIL) component embedded in all the NUST undergraduate programmes in order to contribute to enhance employability skills of the students in the University. It is also expected that EIP develop employable Graduates for the labor market and equip them with the necessary soft skills required for the workplace.



❖ Project for Implementation of International Logistics Hub Master Plan for SADC countries (Phase2)

The Project dealt with the increase of the cargo throughput of the Port of Walvis Bay through efficient operations in line with the International Logistics Hub Master Plan and covers (1) capturing inland transit demand through strategic marketing, (2) attracting international logistics companies by developing a logistics hub centre, (3) strengthening transportation networks, (4) integrated border management.



Knowledge Co-Creation Program (KCCP)

❖ Group and Region Focused / Young Leaders (Short-term training in Japan)

JICA's Knowledge Co-Creation Program (KCCP) is a form of technical cooperation that JICA carries out in Japan. Participants are sent from Namibia to Japan for training and JICA has sent approximately 600 trainees. It involves the transfer of knowledge and technology required by respective countries through the short- and long-term training courses to key administrators, technicians, and researchers in developing countries.



❖ Long-term training in Japan (ABE Initiative / SDGs Global Leaders / Agri-Net / The KIZUNA Program)

These programs are Japanese government fully funded scholarship program to assist ongoing sound dynamic development in Namibia, by inviting prominent young Namibians who have a strong motivation to contribute to development in various sectors of Namibia through studying in master's / doctor's programs in Japanese Universities.

Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers (JOCV)

JICA's volunteer program is one of Japan's citizen participation schemes operated as part of its Official Development Assistance (ODA). The Program dispatches eager Japanese citizens who wish to participate in assisting developing countries and answer the call for assistance from their government. JOCV Program up to date have dispatched 165 volunteers stationed at various regions in Namibia. In the field of Education mainly focus on mathematics (Primary, Secondary, and Vocational Training), Tourism, Electrical and Electronic Instructor in Vocational Training Centers, Civil Engineers, Water & Sewerage Engineer, Rural Development Officer, Architect, Surveyor and Electrical Engineer for Municipalities and Town Councils, Fashion design and Art Instructor, and Youth Development Officers.

