

Environmental Action
Minam challenges

Minam prepares the national environmental action plan that will guide environmental management in the country from 2010 to 2021. It should be ready in April

Currently there are 150 municipalities that develop ecoefficient solid waste recycling programs impelled by the Minam



CONTRIBUTION. NIPPONESE COOPERATION COMMITS US\$ 120 MILLION FOR THIS TASK

JAPAN WILL SUPPORT ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

- ◆ JICA representative stated Peru is the major ally in America
- ◆ To economic resources they will add programs of training and advice.

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Japan became a strategic ally of Peru in diverse socioeconomic sectors, which now joins the environmental field, to which will destine 120 million dollars for the conservation of forests and management of solid waste, and in addition to technical advice and training courses in the country of the rising sun for our professionals.

"Peru is one of the most important countries for Japan in Latin America and at this moment the total amount of cooperation for the social development, within the framework of assistance, is the highest of the region", said yesterday the representative of the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) in Peru, Makoto Nakao.

The specialist visited the headquarters of the Ministry of the Environment to meet the ten Peruvian scholarship holders who will go to Japan to train in solid waste management. Nakao indicated that the environment is now "one of the main subjects of cooperation with Peru, especially after the creation of the ministry".

He explained that within the framework of the Systems Development Program for Solid Wasted Management in Prioritized Zones, Japan will grant



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Development. JICA representatives after agree a cooperation that privilege the protection of the environment.

to Peru a loan near 90 million dollars, whereas in the matter of conservation of forests will be for 30 million dollars.

Solid waste

The first group of ten officials, who meet yesterday with the Minister of the Environment, Antonio Brack; the ambassador of Japan in Peru, Suichiro Megata; and the representative of JICA in our country, will receive a theoretical-practical course in management of solid waste, which cost 30 thousand dollars by person approximately, which is not refundable.

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Ana Maria Gonzales Del Valle, Vice Minister of the Environmental Management



Full support

There are many entities that cooperate with the country in the matter of environment. We have the support of the BID, USAID, the Swiss cooperation, the CAF, but in magnitude JICA is notable in its technical and financial cooperation.

Those are two subjects that we worked with JICA. On one hand, the projects of public investment that JICA will finance,

with indebtedness of the local governments, by 180 million dollars; and on the other, non-reimbursable technical cooperation in courses and the elaboration of profiles of the projects submitted.

The subject of waste is not exclusive of the Ministry of the Environment, but it is an important sanitary component, so it is joining the people of the regions

One aspect to emphasize of this cooperation

is that it will not be confined solely to the money delivery, but it will be complemented with technical training.



With this scheme, 55 municipal officials of

22 cities of the country will travel to Japan in a period of four years and will remain there 45 days.

"This same course of solid waste also exists for other countries, the difference is that the language of the classes will be the Spanish", emphasized Nakao.

For the design of the program, a Japanese mission traveled last year to various cities of the country, like Trujillo, Arequipa and Lima.

It is important to indicate that to their return, the scholarship holders - who come from Piura, Puno, Huánuco, Tumbes, Nuevo Chimbote, Huarera and Huacho - will implement in their cities, and within six months, infrastructure development systems for the solid waste management. This issue will have the assistance of the Ministry of the Environment.