



Face-to-Face (in Japan)

Knowledge Co-Creation Program (Group and Region Focus)

Sustainable Housing and Building Policy

Decarbonization Building, Green Housing Finance, Affordable Housing



Course Number: 202515081J001

Course Period: January 13- February 13, 2027



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NOTE: Depending on the circumstances, some or all of the program periods may be changed or cancelled after the application has been accepted.

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How do we achieve sustainable housing and building policy?

Gain insight from the experiences of Japan.
More practical, more interactive, & more
inspirational.

Outline



This program is designed for government organizations responsible for housing policy and providing technical support for private and public buildings, or research institutes and universities engaged in technical development related to housing and buildings.

This program will cover topics related to the promotion of decarbonization building, green housing finance, and affordable housing, as well as housing and building policies necessary for sustainable economic growth in emerging economies.

Please note that this course is intended to provide a wide range of perspectives on Japanese housing and building policy and is not intended to provide specific expertise.

All sessions are carried out in English.

The program period in Japan is from **January 13 to February 13, 2027**.

Course Capacity:

5 participants

The total course capacity is planned to be 8 participants. This includes 3 participants to be accepted from counterpart organizations of ongoing JICA technical cooperation projects in **Egypt and El Salvador**.



JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Program (KCCP)

The Japanese Cabinet released the Development Cooperation Charter in June 2023, stated that “In its development cooperation, Japan has maintained the spirit of jointly creating things that suit partner countries while respecting ownership, intentions and intrinsic characteristics of the country concerned based on a field oriented approach through dialogue and collaboration. It has also maintained the approach of building reciprocal relationships with developing countries in which both sides learn from each other and grow and develop together.” We believe that this ‘Knowledge Co-Creation Program’ will serve as a foundation of mutual learning process.

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For What?

Background

The supply of quality housing is a major policy issue for the rapid growth of urban populations in emerging economies. There is also a growing need to improve the energy efficiency of housing and building to meet the increasing energy consumption.

Furthermore, realizing a large supply of low-cost housing through public-private partnerships is needed.

Objectives

Objective: To enhance capacity in formulating Sustainable housing and building policies will be developed to improve energy efficiency and to supply quality housing through the acquisition of practical knowledge on decarbonization building, green housing finance, affordable housing, etc.

Outcome 1: Understand the outline, achievements and lessons learnt of sustainable housing and building policies (decarbonization building, green housing finance, and affordable housing) in Japan.

Outcome 2: Analyze priority issues

related to the housing and building sector based on the Project Cycle Management (PCM) method.

Outcome 3: Obtain ideas for solving priority issues through lectures and group works.

Outcome 4: Produce policy proposals (action plan) to realize the supply of quality housing.

To Whom?

Job Areas and Organizations

This program is designed for

1. Government organizations in charge of housing policy and provision of support for buildings
2. Research institutes and universities engaged in housing and buildings-related activities.

The applying organization with the best intention to utilize the opportunity of this program will be highly valued in the selection.

Target Countries

Brazil, Cambodia, Indonesia, Mongolia and Ukraine

Participants who have successfully completed the program will be awarded a certificate by JICA

When?

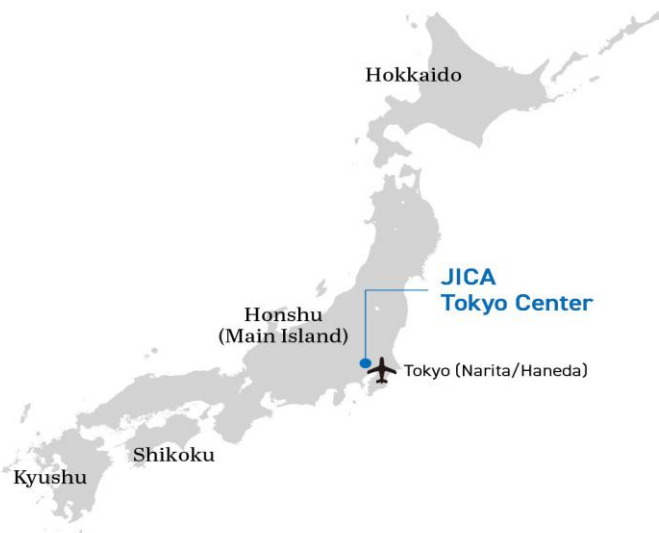
Program Period in Japan



**From January 13
to February 13, 2027**

Where?

This course is organized by JICA Tokyo Center. Programs are primarily conducted in the Tokyo metropolitan area.



How?

How to Learn

- Lectures
- Field Visit
- Workshops
- Discussions
- Presentation



Watch



Listen



Experience



Study



Chat



Discuss



Present

Language

English



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Sustainable Housing and Building Policy Course No. 202515081J001

Commitment to the SDGs



Program Structure

(1) Objective and Outcome

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Outcome 3

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Outcome 4

Produce policy proposals (action plan) to realize the supply of quality housing.

Please note that this course is intended to provide participants with a wide range of knowledge about Japanese housing and building policies from diverse perspectives, including energy conservation and decarbonization, and is not intended to provide them with specific expertise.

(2) Topics

Topics and subtopics	Methodology
1. Housing Supply Policy in Japan	
a. Housing Situation and Housing Policy in Japan b. Historical Overview of Japan's Residential Urban Problems c. Case Study of Housing Research Facility d. Housing supply in response to population inflow to large cities, the role of housing corporations, and planned urban development in response to urban population growth e. Example of large-scale new town development: Tama New Town f. Overview of the Public Housing System g. Examples of public housing h. Public Housing Finance in Japan i. Example of Japan's prefabricated housing technology j. Ensuring Housing Quality	- Lecture - Field visit
2. Improvement of the living environment	
a. Business System for Improvement of Living Environment b. Examples of Densely Populated Housing Urban Development Project c. Participatory Community Development in Minority Areas: Administrative Collaboration and Gentrification d. Response to the Slum Problem in Postwar Japan	- Lecture - Field visit
3. Green Housing/Building and Green Finance	
a. Building Energy Conservation Act (including BELS) b. Energy Consumption Performance of Buildings c. Examples of Large-Scale Wooden Buildings d. Examples of Environmentally Friendly Architecture e. Environmentally Friendly Material Manufacturing f. Examples of Top Runner Standard Housing g. Examples of Environmentally Friendly Housing and Sustainable Housing Development h. Green Housing Finance i. Environmental Performance Evaluation Methods for Buildings j. Evaluation of Environmental Performance on a City Scale	- Lecture - Field visit

4. Housing Supply Policy in other countries	
a. Housing Supply Policies in Each Participant's Country b. Examples of Measures to Improve Housing and Address Housing Issues in Developing Countries	Discussion and workshop
5. Problem Analysis and Presentation	
a. Problem analysis using Project Cycle Management (PCM) method b. Create action plan to solve the problem c. Country report and action plan presentation	Discussion, Workshop, Lecture and Presentation

Please see the **ANNEX 3** for last year's (FY2025) course schedule for your reference. The schedule for this fiscal year is currently being adjusted.

Voice

Past Program Alumni Comments



Mercy Atemi

Kenya

Your perspective about housing will be completely changed. The way you manage things will be challenged. You will become a better leader.

On the flip side, It is very cold in January but you will enjoy the course and forget how bad the weather is.



Atomic Bomb Dome, Hiroshima city



Petro Reznik

Ukraine

This program offers a unique opportunity to understand Japan's approach to housing and policy in depth. Be open to discussion, actively share your experience, and use this chance to learn not only from lectures but also from people and real practice. I wish future participants great success and inspiration.



UR Museum of Urban Development and Lifestyle Museum, Kita city, Tokyo

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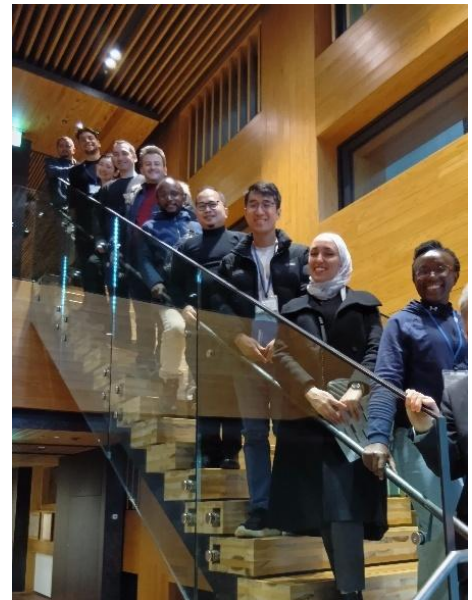
Türkiye

The program allowed me to gain detailed information about sustainable housing policies and practices in Japan. In particular, I learned about new technologies and approaches in the design and construction of energy-efficient buildings. Another benefit of the program was the opportunity to meet and exchange ideas with experts from different countries. My advice to future participants is to cherish every moment of the program, actively communicate with other participants from different countries, share their own experiences, and strive to get to know and understand Japanese culture and other cultures closely.

Noura Abuafifeh

Jordan

Through this course, I gained a deeper understanding of the diverse housing conditions, challenges, and solutions in the countries that participated this year, as well as Japan's extensive expertise in this field. One particularly striking aspect from an architectural perspective was the efficient optimization of housing unit areas and the innovative use of movable partitions to flexibly divide residential spaces.



Port Plus, Obayashi Corporation,
Yokohama city



Closing Ceremony - We Concluded the Program with Smiles



Eligibility and Procedures

1. Expectations to the Applying Organizations

- (1) This course is designed primarily for organizations that intend to address specific issues or problems identified in their operation. Applying organizations are expected to use the program for those specific purposes.
 - (2) This course is enriched with contents and facilitation schemes specially developed in collaboration with relevant prominent organizations in Japan. These special features enable the course to meet specific requirements of applying organizations and effectively facilitate them toward solutions for the issues and problems.
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2. Nominee Qualifications

Applying organizations are expected to select nominees who meet the following qualifications.

【Remarks】

Gender: Each Organizations is requested to strongly encourage female candidates to apply for the course to accelerate the realization of gender equality and women's empowerment.

(1) Essential Qualifications

- 1) Current Duties: those who are expected to be in a leadership position in the target organizations: government organizations in charge of housing policy and provision of support for private and public buildings, or research institutes and universities engaged in housing and buildings -related activities.
- 2) Experience in the Relevant Field: have at least 3 years of experience in the work related to housing and building.
- 3) Educational Background: be a graduate of university
- 4) Language Proficiency: have sufficient command of English proficiency (Please attach an official certificate for English ability such as TOEFL, TOEIC etc, if possible)

5) Health: must be in good health to participate in the program in Japan. Participant's health and safety should be most respected. Pre-existing conditions ¹and pregnancy may lead to health problems that were not present prior to arriving in Japan due to stress from international travel, changes in climate, and a new living environment. In recent years, regrettable cases have occurred, including the exacerbation of symptoms after arrival and, in the case of pregnancy, stillbirth. Some participants have also incurred substantial out-of-pocket medical costs. If any of the conditions below may apply, please take a moment to consider whether to participate, and continue after confirming your agreement to the points below.

① Questionnaire ("QUESTIONNAIRE ON MEDICAL STATUS AND RESTRICTION")

If any of the following apply, you must state them accurately in the questionnaire, even if they do not affect your current work or daily life.

- a. Chronic diseases (e.g., hypertension, diabetes)
- b. Conditions currently under treatment
- c. Past illnesses that have resolved (including serious conditions affecting the heart, liver, or brain; tuberculosis, etc.)
- d. Pregnancy (for female applicants)

② Medical certificate

Please submit a medical certificate issued by a doctor that your condition is stable and that, from a medical standpoint, there is no problem with your participation in KCCP in Japan.

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- a. Chronic diseases (e.g., hypertension, diabetes)
- b. Conditions currently under treatment
- c. Past illnesses that have resolved (including serious conditions affecting the heart, liver, or brain; tuberculosis, etc.)

③ Reporting changes

If pregnancy or any health issues are identified after submitting the form, please report them to JICA promptly.

④ Insurance coverage

¹ Pre-existing conditions :Chronic diseases, Conditions currently under treatment and Past illnesses that have resolved.

Medical and additional living expenses related to pregnancy and pre-existing conditions are NOT covered by insurance arranged by JICA. Such costs must be borne entirely by the participant; JICA assumes no liability.

* Please understand that insurance coverage applies only to sudden illness or injury occurring during your stay in Japan.

* Medical expenses in Japan could be a significant financial burden when not covered by insurance.

(2) Recommended Qualifications

- 1) Expectations for the Participants
 - 2) Age: between the ages of twenty-five (25) and fifty (50) years
 - 3) Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment: JICA seeks more female applicants due to the past records of fewer applications from women. JICA is committed to promoting gender equality and women's empowerment, and provides equal opportunities for all applicants regardless of their sexual orientation or gender identity.
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3. Required Documents for Application

- (1) **Application Form:** The Application Form is available at the JICA overseas office (or the Embassy of Japan)

* If you have any difficulties/disabilities which require assistance, please specify necessary assistances in the QUESTIONNAIRE ON MEDICAL STATUS RESTRICTION (1-(c)) of the application form. Information will be reviewed and used for reasonable accommodation.

- (2) **Photocopy of Passport:** You should submit it with the application form if you possess your passport which you will carry when entering Japan for this program. If not, you are requested to submit its photocopy as soon as you obtain it.

*The following information should be included in the photocopy:

Name, Date of Birth, Nationality, Sex, Passport Number and Expiry Date

*It is recommended that your passport be valid for more than 6 months after the last day of the program.

- (3) **English Score Sheet:** to be submitted with the application form, if the nominees have any official English examination scores. (e.g., TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS)
- (4) **Questionnaire:** to be submitted with the application form. Fill in Annex XX of

this General Information.

4. Procedures for Application and Selection

(1) Submission of the Application Documents

Closing date for applications: **Please confirm the local deadline with the JICA overseas office (or the Embassy of Japan).**

(All required material must arrive at JICA Center in Japan by **October 9, 2026**)

(2) Selection

Primary screening is conducted at the JICA overseas office (or the embassy of Japan) after receiving official documents from your government. JICA Center will consult with concerned organizations in Japan in the process of final selection. Applying organizations with the best intentions to utilize the opportunity will be highly valued.

The Government of Japan will examine applicants who belong to the military or other military-related organizations and/or who are enlisted in the military, taking into consideration of their duties, positions in the organization and other relevant information in a comprehensive manner to be consistent with the Development Cooperation Charter of Japan.

(3) Notice of Acceptance

The JICA overseas office (or the Embassy of Japan) will notify the results **not later than November 6 2026.**

5. Additional Document(s) to Be Submitted by Accepted Candidates

Pre-course assignment -- to be submitted by **7 January, 2027**

Accepted candidates are required to prepare a Pre-course assignment “Country Report” and “Preparation assignment for the workshop “(Please read Annex 1 and ANNEX 2 for detailed information.) before their departure.

6. Conditions for Participation

The participants of KCCP are required

- (1) to strictly observe the course schedule,
- (2) not to change the air ticket (and flight class and flight schedule arranged by JICA) and lodging by the participants themselves,
- (3) to understand that leaving Japan during the course period (to return to home country, etc.) is not allowed (except for programs longer than one year),
- (4) not to bring or invite any family members (except for programs longer than one year),
- (5) to carry out such instructions and abide by such conditions as may be stipulated by both the nominating Government and the Japanese Government in respect of the course,
- (6) to observe the rules and regulations of the program implementing partners to provide the program or establishments,
- (7) not to engage in political activities, or any form of employment for profit,
- (8) to discontinue the program, should the participants violate Japanese laws or JICA's regulations, or the participants commit illegal or any type of immoral conduct including sexual harassment, or get critical illness or serious injury and be considered unable to continue the course. The participants shall be responsible for paying any cost for treatment of the said health conditions except for the medical care stipulated in (3) of "3.Expenses", "Administrative Arrangements",
- (9) to return the total amount or a part of the expenditure for the KCCP depending on the severity of such violation, should the participants violate the laws and ordinances,
- (10) not to drive a car or motorbike, regardless of an international driving license possessed,
- (11) to observe the rules and regulations at the place of the participants' accommodation,
- (12) to refund allowances or other benefits paid by JICA in the case of a change in schedule, and
- (13) to promptly notify JICA in the case that there are any changes in the health status since the time of application (such as changes requiring medical attention due to illness or discovery of pregnancy).

Administrative Arrangements

1. Organizer (JICA Center in Japan)

- (1) Center: JICA Tokyo Center (JICA TOKYO)
<https://www.jica.go.jp/tokyo/english/office/index.html>
- (2) Program Officer: Ms. ISHIYAMA Kieko (ticttee@jica.go.jp)

2. Implementing Partner

- (1) Housing Bureau, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, Japan (MLIT)
- (2) <https://www.mlit.go.jp/en/index.html>

3. Expenses

The following expenses in Japan will be provided by JICA

- (1) Allowances for meals, living expenses, and stopover.
- (2) Expenses for study tours (basically in the form of train tickets).
- (3) Medical care for participants who become ill after arriving in Japan (the costs related to pre-existing illness, pregnancy, or dental treatment **are not included**).
- (4) Expenses for program implementation, including materials.
- (5) For more details, please see “III. ALLOWANCES” of “KENSU-IN GUIDE BOOK,” (English/French/Spanish/Russian).

*Link to the Website:

https://www.jica.go.jp/english/activities/schemes/tech_pro/acceptance_training

[/forparticipants.html](#)

or

<https://jica-van-cms.jica.go.jp/custom/kccp/kccp01.html>



4. Pre-departure Orientation

A pre-departure orientation will be held at respective country's JICA office (or the Japanese Embassy), to provide Participants with details on travel to Japan, conditions of the course, and other matters.

Part I: Knowledge Co-Creation Program and Life in Japan	
English ver.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SLurfKugrEw
French ver.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v2yU9lSYcTY
Spanish ver.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m7l-WlQSDjI
Russian ver.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P7_ujz37AQc
Arabic ver.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1iBQqdpXQb4
Part II: Introduction of JICA Centers in Japan	
JICA Hokkaido (Sapporo)	https://www.jica.go.jp/sapporo/english/office/index.html
JICA Hokkaido (Obihiro)	https://www.jica.go.jp/obihiro/english/office/index.html
JICA Tohoku	https://www.jica.go.jp/tohoku/english/office/index.html
JICA Tsukuba	https://www.jica.go.jp/tsukuba/english/office/index.html
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JICA Shikoku	https://www.jica.go.jp/shikoku/english/office/index.html
JICA Kyushu	https://www.jica.go.jp/kyushu/english/office/index.html
JICA Okinawa	https://www.jica.go.jp/okinawa/english/office/index.html

If the link of these youtube URLs has expired, please access the URL below and search the necessary information from the key word.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/JICAChannel02>

5. Reference

KENSHU-IN GUIDE BOOK

For more detailed terms and conditions

[JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Program\(KCCP\) | 研修事業 \(KCCP\) |](#)

Video: JICA Predeparture Briefing

For more information on life in Japan and KCCP [JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Program\(KCCP\) | 研修事業 \(KCCP\) |](#)

Website: JICA

English/French/Spanish/Russian

https://www.jica.go.jp/english/our_work/types_of_assistance/tech/acceptance/training/index.html

Annex 1

For Accepted candidate Only

Country Report

Deadline: 7 January, 2027

How to Submit: To be informed to the accepted candidate's email address after the Acceptance Notice

You (accepted candidate) will make a “Country Report Presentation” at the beginning of the course. Please follow the instruction as below to prepare your presentation.

1. Format: MS Power Point

Presentation time for each person is for 20 minutes.

Usage of visual material (videos and pictures) is highly recommended.

2. Submission deadline: 7 January, 2027.

3. What should be included:

(1) About yourself

- a Affiliation, Title and Role (Name of organization, your position, your responsibilities, etc.)
- b Overview of your organization (e.g., year of establishment, mandate/mission, location, organizational chart, number of employees)

(2) Outline of housing problems, housing policies and systems in your country.

- a The outline of housing problems and background factors in your country (urban/rural housing)
- b The outline of housing policy and system in your country, including the relevant laws and regulations. (Main characteristics and issues)
- c If your country/city has a master/structure plan for the promotion of housing construction and /or urban development, describe its type or characteristics.

(3) Basic Data on housing situation and its background in your country and capital city/region. (If data cannot be obtained for any of the following items, you may leave blank.)

a GDP per capita (US\$)

b Trends in population, households, housing stock in your country and capital region

	Population		No. of household		Housing stock		Housing stock per household	
	Whole country	Capital region	Whole country	Capital region	Whole country	Capital region	Whole country	Capital region
1980								
1990								
2000								
2010								
Current								

Definition of the Capital Region:

()

c. Current housing price and rent in the Capital Region (US\$)

		Capital City	Suburban region
Housing for sale	Average Annual household income (a)		
	Average formal house price (b)		
	House price to household income ratio (b/a)		
	Average floor area (m2/ housing unit)		
Rental housing	Average monthly household income (c)		
	Average monthly rent (formal housing) (d)		
	Ratio of rent to monthly household income (d/c*100)		
	Average floor area (m2/ housing unit)		

d. Stock of

- (i) public rental housing
- (ii) government corporation rental housing
- (iii) rental housing for government employees (number of units)

e. Actual annual housing supply by

- (i) public
- (ii) private sectors (average number of units over the past 5 years)

f. Slum improvement projects (average household numbers benefited over the past 5 years)

g. Achievement of public/private housing loan program (total amount of loans in

US\$, average over the past 5 years)

(4) Your interest and expectation for this course

- 1) Topics you would particularly like to explore.
 - a Decarbonization Buildings
 - b Green Housing Finance
 - c Affordable Housing
 - d Others ()

- 2) Regarding the topic(s) you picked above,
 - a What are the issues your country/organization currently facing ?
 - b What are the possible solutions for the above issues ?
 - c What are the measures already taken ?

- 3) Your expectation and personal goals for this course

END

Annex 2

For Accepted Candidates Only

Preparation for Professor Fukushima's Workshop on Housing Supply Policies in Participants' Countries

We will request participants to submit a brief preparatory assignment on major housing options and affordable housing policies for low-income urban households.

Deadline: 7 January, 2027

How to Submit: Detailed instructions, including the guidance and questionnaire, will be provided to accepted candidates via email following the Acceptance Notice.

In addition to the country report described above, accepted applicants are requested to prepare for Professor Fukushima's workshop, which is scheduled to take place in late January.

Annex 3

Last year's (FY2025) course schedule

The schedule for this fiscal year is currently being adjusted.

Sustainable Housing and Building Policy

(Decarbonization Building, Green Housing Finance, Affordable Housing)

(January 15th ~ February 13th, 2026)⁷

[Abbreviation]

L:Lecture O:Observation P:Presentation D: Discussion E:Exercise

MLIT: Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism

BCJ: The Building Center of Japan / BRI: Building Research Institute / TIC: JICA Tokyo Center

TMG: Tokyo Metropolitan Government / FASID: Foundation for Studies on International Development

UR: Urban Renaissance

Date		Training Item	Venue
Jan 14 (Wed)		Arrival in Japan	
Jan 16 (Thu)		Briefing	TIC SR408
		Program Orientation, Course Outline	TIC SR406
		Ice Breaking Session	
	L	Briefing on How to Formulate Action Plan	
	L	Historical Review of Housing and Urban Problems in Japan	
Jan 16 (Fri)	P/D	Country Report Presentation / Discussion	TIC SR406
Jan 17 (Sat)		Off	
Jan 18 (Sun)		Off	
Jan 19 (Mon)	L	Learn about Attempts taken in Developing Countries, etc.	TIC SR408
	L	Housing Situation and Policy in Japan	

Jan 20 (Tue)	L	Housing Policy to deal with population influx into urban areas in Japan and the role of Public Housing Sectors; Planned Urban Development in response to increase in urban population	UR Museum of Urban & Lifestyle Design
	L/O	Example of a Housing Research Facility (UR Museum of Urban & Lifestyle Design, Akabane Housing Complex)	
Jan 21 (Wed)	L	Outline of Publicly-operated Housing System	TIC SR404
	L	Example of a large-scale new town development: Tama New Town (watch video)	
	L	(Example of a large-scale new town development: Tama New Town...lecture on the bus)	Tama New Town
	O	Example of Public Housing	
Jan 22 (Thu)	L	Housing Finance Market in Japan	TIC SR404
	L	Green Housing Finance	
Jan 23 (Fri)	L/D	Strategies for Problem-solving and Formulation of Action Plan ①②	TIC SR201
	L/D	Strategies for Problem-solving and Formulation of Action Plan ③	
Jan 24 (Sat)		Off	
Jan 25 (Sun)		Off	
Jan 26 (Mon)	L	Learn about Attempts taken in Developing Countries, etc.	TIC SR409
	O	Examples of Top Runner Standard House (Makuhari Housing Park)	Chiba City
Jan 27 (Tue)	L	Learn about the Housing Policy in Respective Countries	TIC SR409
	L	Learn about the Housing Policy in Respective Countries	
	D	Sharing Time	
		"Report on Action Plan progress (online session)"	

Jan 28 (Wed)	L	Systems for Improvement of Living Environment	TIC SR409
	O	Example of a High-rise Wooden Building (Port Plus)	Yokohama City
Jan 29 (Thu)	L/O	Examples of Environment-conscious House and Sustainable Housing Development	Yokohama City
	L	Quality Assurance for Houses	TIC SR409
	L	Housing Defect Warranty Liability System in Japan	
Jan 30 (Fri)	L/E	Strategies for Problem-solving and Formulation of Action Plan ④	TIC SR402
	L/E	Strategies for Problem-solving and Formulation of Action Plan ⑤	
Jan 31 (Sat)		Off	
Feb 1 (Sun)		Off	
Feb 2 (Mon)	L	Building Energy Conservation Act (including BELS)	TIC SR405
	L	Housing Energy Consumption Performance	
Feb 3 (Tue)	L	Environmental Performance Assessment of Building	TIC SR405
	L	Environmental Performance Assessment of Cities	
Feb 4 (Wed)	O	Example of Public Housing	Kita Ward
	O	Example of Smart Innovation Ecosystem	NOVARE, Shimizu Corporation
Feb 5 (Thu)	L	Participatory Town Building in Minority Areas: Cooperation with Public Administration and Gentrification	TIC SR405
	O	Example of an Environment-conscious Building	Chiyoda Ward
Feb 6 (Fri)	L	Measures against Slum Issues after WWII in Japan	Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park
Feb 7 (Sat)	O	Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park	Hiroshima city
	O	Motomachi area	Hiroshima city
Feb 8 (Sun)		Off	
Feb 9 (Mon)		Move to Osaka by chartered bus	
	O	NEXT 21, Osaka Gas Experimental Housing	"NEXT 21" Osaka City
	O	Observation of Kyoto city (To-ji Temple)	Kyoto City
Feb 10 (Tue)	O	Example of a prefabricated Housing Technology: Shiga Minakuchi Depot / Kansai Factory, Daiwa Lease Co., Ltd.	Koka city, Shiga Prefecture

Feb 11 (Wed)			
Feb 12 (Thu)	O	R&D Activities of a construction company toward an "Environment and Sound Material-Cycle Society"	Kajima Technical Research Institute
	L	International Cooperation by JICA in the area of housing	TIC SR405
Feb 13 (Fri)	P	Strategies for Problem-solving and Formulation of Action Plan ⑥ (Action Plan Presentation and Discussion)	TIC Annex Bldg. 2C-D
	D	Evaluation Meeting	
		Closing Ceremony	Annex Bldg. 1-E
Feb 14 (Sat)		Departure from Japan	

For Your Reference

JICA and Capacity Development

Technical cooperation is people-to-people cooperation that supports partner countries in enhancing their comprehensive capacities to address development challenges by their own efforts. Instead of applying Japanese technology per se to partner countries, JICA's technical cooperation provides solutions that best fit their needs by working with people living there. In the process, consideration is given to factors such as their regional characteristics, historical background, and languages. JICA does not limit its technical cooperation to human resources development; it offers multi-tiered assistance that also involves organizational strengthening, policy formulation, and institution building.

Implementation methods of JICA's technical cooperation can be divided into two approaches. One is overseas cooperation by dispatching experts and volunteers in various development sectors to partner countries; the other is domestic cooperation by inviting participants from developing countries to Japan. The latter method is the Knowledge Co-Creation Program, formerly called Training Program, and it is one of the core programs carried out in Japan. By inviting officials from partner countries and with cooperation from domestic partners, the Knowledge Co-Creation Program provides technical knowledge and practical solutions for development issues in participating countries.

The Knowledge Co-Creation Program (Group & Region Focus) has long occupied an important place in JICA operations. About 400 pre-organized courses cover a wide range of professional fields, ranging from education, health, infrastructure, energy, trade and finance, to agriculture, rural development, gender mainstreaming, and environmental protection. A variety of programs is being customized by the different target organizations to address the specific needs, such as policy-making organizations, service provision organizations, as well as research and academic institutions. Some programs are organized to target a certain group of countries with similar developmental challenges.

Japanese Development Experience

Japan, as the first non-Western nation to become a developed country, built itself into a country that is free, peaceful, prosperous and democratic while preserving its tradition. Japan will serve as one of the best examples for our partner countries to follow in their own development.

From engineering technology to production management methods, most of the know-how that has enabled Japan to become what it is today has emanated from a process of adoption and adaptation, of course, has been accompanied by countless failures and errors behind the success stories.

Through Japan's progressive adaptation and application of systems, methods and technologies from the West in a way that is suited to its own circumstances, Japan has developed a storehouse of knowledge not found elsewhere from unique systems of organization, administration and personnel management to such social systems as the livelihood improvement approach and governmental organization. It is not easy to apply such experiences to other countries where the circumstances differ, but the experiences can provide ideas and clues useful when devising measures to solve problems.

JICA, therefore, would like to invite as many leaders of partner countries as possible to come and visit us, to mingle with the Japanese people, and witness the advantages as well as the disadvantages of Japanese systems, so that integration of their findings might help them reach their developmental objectives.

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