

Knowledge Co-Creation Program (Group & Region Focus)

General information on INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION

課題別研修「国際捜査」

JFY 2026

Course No.: 202514924J001

Course Period in Japan: **From January 20, 2027, to February 11, 2027**

This information pertains to one of the JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Programs (Group & Region Focus) of the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) implemented as part of the Official Development Assistance of the Government of Japan based on bilateral agreement between both Governments.

JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Program (KCCP)

The Japanese Cabinet released the Development Cooperation Charter in June 2023, which stated, *“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.”* JICA believes that this ‘Knowledge Co-Creation Program’ will serve as a foundation of mutual learning process.

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I. Concept

Background

International and trans-border crimes have been increasing and it is internationally recognized that for preventing crimes and keeping security in each country, it is becoming more important to form common understanding on concerned ordinances for international criminal investigation and to strengthen the ties of mutual international police cooperation. This program is designed to contribute to make this common understanding and strengthen international police cooperation and has been conducted for several decades.

For what?

This program primarily aims to provide an opportunity to identify the problems/challenges that the police organizations of the participating countries are facing in the field of international criminal investigation especially those focusing on organized fraud and to observe how Japanese police have worked in this field through case studies. This opportunity enables participants to consider how to improve their police activities for international criminal investigation and crime prevention, and to strengthen the ties of mutual international cooperation.

For whom?

This program is offered to the central police agencies of the participating countries and to middle-ranking officials responsible for international criminal investigation for mutual legal assistance in criminal matters. (see III-2 Nominee Qualifications)

How?

Participants will have the opportunity to learn about the Japanese police force, including its organization, criminal investigative proceedings, and activities in international criminal investigation. Participants will also have a site-visit to observe activities of a prefectural police. Additionally, participants will have time to discuss their common challenges with other participants through the program. This enables them to identify challenges that their countries are facing in the field of international criminal investigation, especially those focusing on organized fraud, and to consider actions to address those challenges. At the end of the seminar, participants will make an action plan for solving the challenges and issues they are facing in international criminal investigation and incorporating the lessons they have learned in Japan.

II. Description

1. Title (Course No.) :

International Criminal Investigation (202514924J001)

2. Course Duration in Japan

January 20, 2027, to February 11, 2027

3. Target Regions or Countries

Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam, Mongolia, Sri Lanka, Belize, Brazil, Guyana, Lebanon, Nigeria, Tanzania

Note: There may be additional participation from the unlisted countries.

4. Eligible / Target Organization

This program is designed for the central police agency of participating countries.

5. Capacity

11 participants

Note: There may be additional participation from the unlisted countries.

6. Language

English

7. Objective:

Participants identify the issues and points to be improved for better operation of international criminal investigation, especially those focusing on organized fraud, and for improving investigative methods in their country, by acquiring knowledge of the Japanese police system and organization and of international criminal investigative activities.

8. Expected Module Output and Contents:

This program consists of the following components.

(1) Preliminary Phase in a participant's home country (December 2026 to January 2027) <i>Participating organizations make required preparation for the Program in the respective countries.</i>	
Expected Module Output	Activities
0. Participants come to realize the current situation and issues in their respective police organization prior to the training in Japan.	To formulate a Country Report and submit it to JICA. To read thoroughly "POLICE OF JAPAN" before the start of the seminar at Research and Training Center for International Criminal Investigation and Police cooperation, National Police Academy (CICP). ※"POLICE OF JAPAN" is posted to the following [URL] 001.pdf (npa.go.jp) <u>In order to better understand the content of the lectures and site visits in Japan, you are required to read "POLICE OF JAPAN" in advance.</u> You are also encouraged to recognize the basic differences of the police system and background between Japan and your home country, so that you might have constructive discussions during the course program in Japan.

(2) Core Phase in Japan

(January 20, 2027, to February 11, 2027)

Participants dispatched by the organizations attend the Program implemented in Japan.

Expected Module Output	Subjects/Agendas	Methodology
1. To understand and explain the systems recognized as effectively functioning in the area of international criminal investigation, especially those focusing on organized fraud in Japan.	(1) Outline of Japanese Police	Lecture
	(2) Criminal Investigation in Japan - Criminal Procedures in Japan - International Mutual Legal Assistance in criminal matters - ICPO - Case study- Community Police - Organized Fraud Investigation etc.	Lecture Case study Q&A Observation
2. To specifically describe the challenges and issues that participants' police organizations are facing in international criminal investigation, especially those focusing on organized fraud, and also crime prevention measures.	(1) Presentation of the problems and challenges that the police organizations of the participating countries are facing in the field of transnational criminal investigation, especially those concerning organized fraud.	Presentation of participants' Country Report Group Discussion
	(2) Discussion on the above mentioned presentation and each lecture	Discussion
3. To formulate an Action Plan for solving the challenges and issues that participants' respective organizations are facing in international criminal investigation, especially those focusing on organized fraud.	(1) Formulation of Action Plan	Work
	(2) Presentation of Action Plan	Presentation

Note: The above contents are subject to change.

III. *Conditions and Procedures for Application*

1. **Expectations for the Participating Organizations:**

- (1) This program is designed primarily for organizations that intend to address specific issues or problems identified in their operations. Applying organizations are expected to use the program for those specific purposes.
- (2) In this connection, applying organizations are expected to nominate the most qualified candidates to address the said issues or problems, carefully referring to the qualifications described in section III-2 below.
- (3) Applying organizations are also expected to be prepared to make use of knowledge acquired by the nominees for the said purpose.
- (4) 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.

2. **Nominee Qualifications**

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

【 Remarks 】 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.

Disabilities: Persons with disabilities who meet the required qualifications also have an opportunity to apply. Reasonable accommodations will be considered for participants with disabilities. However, some programs of the course might have difficulty for persons with disabilities to participate due to environmental and other conditions. "Reasonable accommodation" means necessary and appropriate modification and adjustments not imposing a disproportionate or undue burden, where needed in a particular case.

(1) Current Duties:

be an individual in charge of international criminal investigation (**preferably those involved in investigation of organized fraud**) or of international mutual legal assistance in criminal matters in the central police organization (excluding the counterterrorism section),

(2) Rank:

In principle, be Chief Inspector (be equivalent to Captain of the Army) or in a higher position,

(3) Age:

be aged between 35 to 45 in principle,

(4) Experience in the relevant field:

have a 3-year or more career in the field of international criminal investigation
(preferably in organized fraud) or in international mutual legal assistance
in criminal matters,

(5) Nomination:

be nominated by their government in accordance with the procedure mentioned
in III-3 below,

Not have participated in the same kind of seminar/course hosted by either
National Police Agency of Japan or JICA in the past,

(6) Language:

have English proficiency sufficient for discussions

(7) Health:

must be in good health to participate in the program in Japan. Participant's health and safety should be most respected. Pre-existing conditions¹ and 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)

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

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

Medical and additional living expenses related to pregnancy, 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.

3. Required Documents for Application

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

(2) Photocopy of Passport: to be submitted with the application form, if you process 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) ANNEX: Attach ANNEX which specifies **your police rank (if not, military rank) and position (including bureau, department and section in your organization)**. Both should be typewritten and the latter should be attached to the former on application. Please be noted that this ANNEX is subject to consideration for the selection of participants. (Note: Applicant's position / responsibility must be clearly described for selection purposes.)

(4) Chart of the Organization and the Police rank system: Attach the chart of the

organization which you belong to, and describe the rank system in your organization, both of which are also subject to selection.

[Note] Please mark the applicant's position on the chart.

4. Procedure 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).**

*After receiving applications, the JICA office (or the Embassy of Japan) will send them to **the JICA Center in JAPAN** by **October 6, 2026**

(2) Selection:

After receiving the documents through proper channels from your government, the JICA office (or the Embassy of Japan) will conduct screenings, and then forward the documents to JICA TOKYO in Japan. Selection will be made by JICA TOKYO in consultation with the National Police Agency of Japan. The applying organization with the best intention to utilize the opportunity of this program will be highly valued in the selection.

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

(3) Notice of Acceptance:

Notification of results will be made by the JICA office (or the Embassy of Japan) **not later than November 3, 2026**

5. Document(s) to be submitted by accepted candidates:

Country Report -- to be submitted by **January 7, 2027**

Accepted participants are required to prepare "Country Report" based on latest information on the police organization, its systems and especially the problems/challenges which the police of participating countries confront. A format for "Country Report" and an instruction about the report formulation will be sent to the accepted candidates at the same time with the acceptance letter.

6. Conditions for Attendance:

- (1)** to strictly adhere to the program 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 the 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 "5. Expenses", "IV. 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, and
- (12)** to refund allowances or other benefits paid by JICA in the case of a change in schedule.
- (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)

IV. Administrative Arrangements

1. Organizer:

(1) Name: JICA Tokyo Center (JICA TOKYO)

(2) Contact: Ms. Shion IWASAKI (tictipdoc@jica.go.jp)

※Please include the course number “202514924J001” in the subject line of your e-mail

2. Implementing Partner:

(1) Research and Training Center for International Criminal Investigation and Police cooperation, National Police Academy (CICP)

Address : 3-12-1 Asahi-cho, Fuchu, Tokyo, 183-8558

TEL : 81-42-354-3550 (ex.3313) FAX : 81-42-330-1307

(81 : country code for Japan, 42 : area code)

National Police Academy, which is attached to National Police Agency, is responsible for education and training for senior police administrators. CICP, which is affiliated with National Police Academy, is responsible for the study and investigation about the international activities of police.

(2) Policy Planning Division, Commissioner General's Secretariat, National Police Agency (NPA)

Address : 1-2 Kasumigaseki 2-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, 100-8974

TEL : 81-3-3581-0141 (ex.2932) FAX : 81-3-3580-5092

(81 : country code for Japan, 3 : area code)

National Police Agency (NPA) is the competent authorities to supervise and coordinate Prefectural Police activities. In Japan, each prefecture has its own police force and takes charge of maintaining its public peace and order, such as prevention, suppression, and investigation of crimes.

3. Travel to Japan:

(1) Air Ticket: The cost of a round-trip ticket between an international airport designated by JICA and Japan will be borne by JICA.

(2) Travel Insurance: Coverage is from time of arrival up to departure in Japan. Thus traveling time outside Japan will not be covered.

4. Accommodation in Japan:

JICA will arrange the following accommodations for the participants in Japan:

JICA Tokyo Center (JICA TOKYO)

Address: 2-49-5 Nishihara, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo 151-0066, Japan

TEL: 81-3-3485-7051

(where “81” is the country code for Japan, and “3” is the local area code)

<http://www.jica.go.jp/english/about/organization/domestic/index.html>

If there is no vacancy at JICA TOKYO, JICA will arrange alternative accommodation(s) for the participants.

5. 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 “KENSHU-IN GUIDEBOOK,” (English/French/Spanish/Russian)

*Link to the Website:

https://www.jica.go.jp/english/our_work/types_of_assistance/tech/acceptance/training/index.html or
<https://jica-van-cms.jica.go.jp/custom/kccp/kccp01.html>

6. 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.

*YouTube of “Knowledge Co-Creation Program and Life in Japan” and “Introduction of JICA Center” are viewable from the link below.

Image videos of 'Introduction of JICA Center (YouTube)' show the following information of JICA Centers: Location, Building, Entrance, Reception (Front desk), Lobby, Office, Accommodation (Room), Amenities (Hand dryer), Bathroom (Shower and Toilet), Toiletries, Restaurant, Laundry Room (Washing machine, Iron), ICT Room (Computer for participants), Clinic, Cash dispenser, Gym, Neighborhood

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
Part II: Introduction of JICA Centers in Japan	
JICA Tokyo	https://www.jica.go.jp/tokyo/english/office/index.html

V. Other Information

1. The participants are requested to read thoroughly the brochure entitled "POLICE OF JAPAN" as the pre-departure assignment before you depart your home country.
The Police of Japan gives a general overview of the policing activities in Japan. For obtaining the Police of Japan in electronic form, the participants are requested to access the following URL (Police of Japan 2021 [Full TEXT]) :
[001.pdf \(npa.go.jp\)](https://npa.go.jp/001.pdf)
※Police of Japan in paper form will be handed out to the participants upon arrival in Japan.
2. The participants who have successfully completed the seminar will be awarded certificates by JICA and National Police Agency (NPA).
3. The participants are requested to bring a copy of each country's newest domestic laws related to the following matters:
 - International investigative assistance;
 - Criminal Procedure
4. Dress code policy: The participants are requested to wear a suit and tie or other formal wear at the seminar. (No jeans or T-shirts will be allowed.) Unless there is any restriction within their police organizations, the participants are encouraged to bring their police uniforms (forage cap acceptable) to Japan for such functions as the opening ceremony, courtesy call to Police Chiefs and receptions.
5. The participants are encouraged to bring their own PCs to prepare the presentation on the challenges in participating countries and to write an Action Plan.
6. For the (long-distance) study tour in Japan, the participants should bring a separate small travel bag so they can leave behind a big suitcase at the accommodation in Tokyo.
7. Textbooks (including PowerPoints and handouts) containing "classified information" may not be distributed to participants in any form.

VI. Annex

International Criminal Investigation (JFY 2026)

Country:

NAME	RANK	TITLE OF HIS/HER JOB	NAME OF ORGANIZATION THE APPLICANT BELONGS TO (IN DETAIL)
(example) Mr. John Smith	SUPERINTENDENT	Director	Metropolitan Police Department Criminal Investigation Bureau International Criminal Investigation Division

A related organization chart and a rank system chart:

*Please attach both **a related organization chart and a rank system chart**. Also please specify your position (e.g., bureau, department, division) as in detail as possible. **And please mark applicant's position on the chart.**

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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