

Contribution to the Development of Rwanda

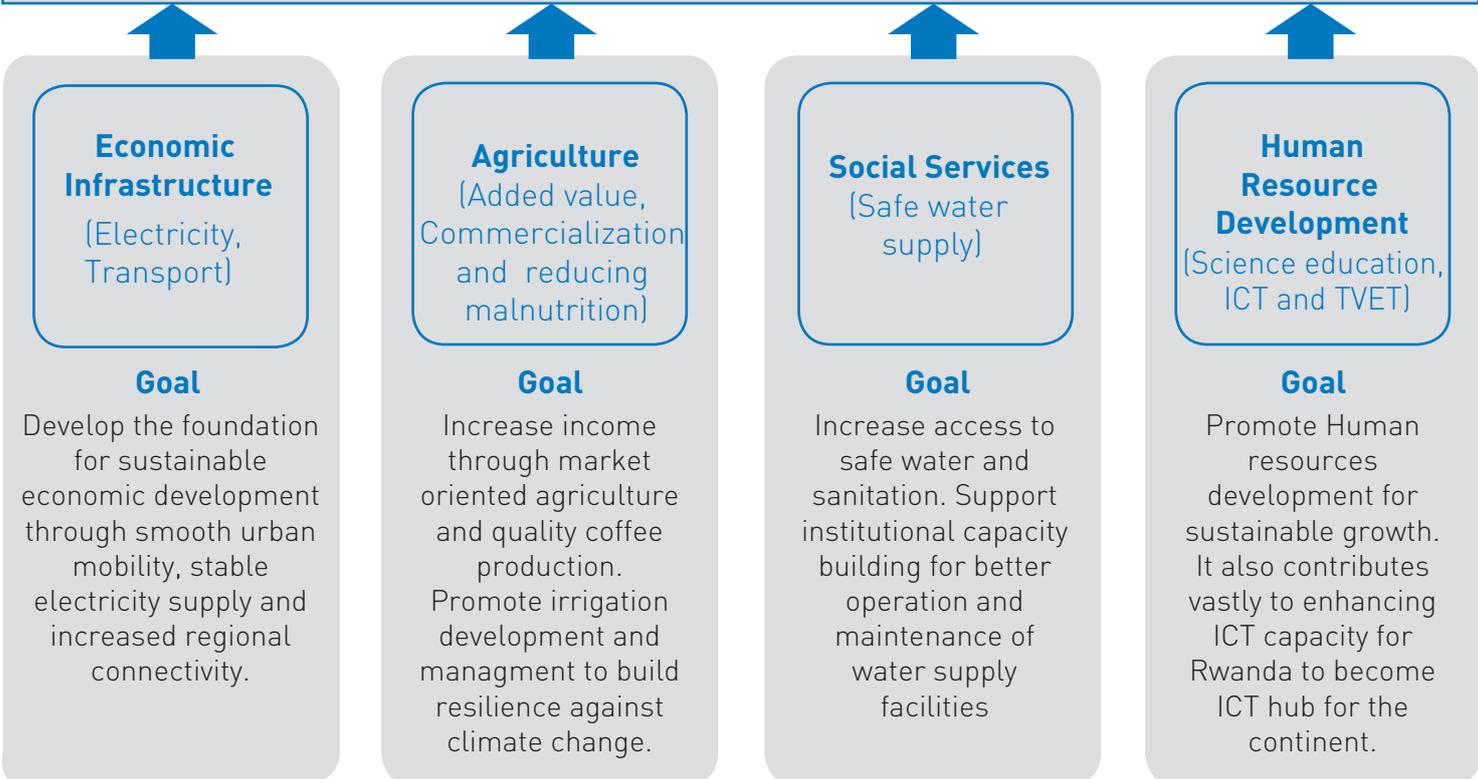


The Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) as the implementing agency of the Japanese Official Development Assistance (ODA) endeavours to use Japan's experience to help developing nations make progress in line with their own culture. This philosophy can be significant in Rwanda, where the Government envisions modern but distinctly Rwandan way of development.

JICA concentrates its support on the sectors where Rwanda has expressed a need that can be met by Japanese expertise. JICA not only builds infrastructure, but also builds capacity of Rwandans through Japanese experts and volunteers to work hand in hand with Rwandans and giving Rwandans the opportunity to be trained in Rwanda, Japan and other countries.

JICA aims to combine grassroots work with policy-level activity by bringing lessons learnt from its on-the-ground activities to the institution building and policy debates. It is helping the Government of Rwanda improve its management systems, from top to the bottom, to ensure the effort put into Rwanda's development can be sustained into the future. In Rwanda, JICA provides technical and financial cooperation in four major sectors namely Economic Infrastructure, Agriculture, Water and Sanitation and Human Resource Development including ICT.

Sustainable Growth to become a Middle Income Country



Japanese Cooperation to Rwanda: Facts at a Glance



Japanese Cooperation from 2008 to 2019 in Million USD

Year	Grant Aid	Technical Cooperation	Loan	TOTAL
2008	10.26	7.49	-	17.75
2009	12.70	8.64	-	21.34
2010	11.01	11.81	-	22.82
2011	11.84	12.54	-	24.38
2012	15.75	17.04	-	32.79
2013	38.56	11.30	-	49.86
2014	27.45	10.03	-	37.48
2015	6.65	9.65	-	16.3
2016	14.02	13.26	-	27.28
2017	20.43	15.18	7.80	43.32
2018	13.19	12.76	11.79	37.74
2019	13.52	9.91	55.26	78.69

Source: OECD/DAC report

A brief History of JICA in Rwanda

2004: - First advisors were dispatched (including ex-combatants advisor).

2005: - Re-opening of JICA Rwanda Office.
- First Grant aid project in Transport sector (618 million JPY).
- First technical cooperation project "Skills Training for the Reintegration of Demobilized Soldiers with Disabilities" which trained 2,462 ex-combatants and other people with disabilities.

2006: - First visit of JICA President Dr. OGATA Sadako.
- First project in water & sanitation to build water facilities.
- First project in agriculture to provide fertilizers to farmers.

2007: - Opening of Tumba College of Technology (TCT).

2008: - JICA President Dr. OGATA Sadako's visit to inauguration of TCT.

2009: - First graduates from TCT.

2010: - Opening of the Embassy of Japan in Rwanda.
- First project in energy sector for improvement of substations and distribution network.

2011: - Grant aid project for construction of Rusumo International Bridge and OSBP.

2012: - The Establishment of kLab in 2012, a unique innovation hub in Kigali where students, fresh graduates, entrepreneurs and innovators convert their ideas or projects into viable business models.

2013: - First coffee seminar as the opening of JICA's support in Coffee industry in Rwanda.

2014: - 200th volunteer arrive in Rwanda.
- First batch of ABE Initiative (10 people selected).

2015: - JICA President Dr. TANAKA Akihiko visit for inauguration of Rusumo bridge and OSBP.
- Japanese Yen Loan restarted with Kayonza-Rusumo road

2016: - First project on public private partnership launched for mitigating risk of lightning strikes.

2017: - Partnership established with Sustainable Development Goals Center for Africa (SDGC/A).

2018: - 24 Japanese companies/organizations showcased in Japan Pavilion at Kigali Transform Africa Summit.

2019: - His Excellency President Paul KAGAME's visit to Japan and held bilateral meeting with JICA President Dr. KITAOKA Shinichi.
- JICA President Dr. KITAOKA visited Rwanda following bilateral meetings with President Paul KAGAME.

2020: - JICA provides quality vegetable seeds worth US \$ 950,000 To Farmers affected by COVID-19 pandemic.

2021: - Launch of JICA Chair Program in the University of Rwanda, a unique, effective and efficient development experience, which preserved the tradition, and thus represents the exceptional Japanese model of development.

2022: - Celebrating 60years of bilateral relations between Rwanda and Japan.



JICA and ODA

JICA was established in 1974 and is the development agency of the Japanese Government. After merging with the ODA loan part of former Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC) in 2008, JICA is in charge of administering most of Official Development Assistance(ODA) from Japan such as technical cooperation, ODA loans and grant aid in an integrated manner, except for contributions to international organizations. JICA, the world's largest bilateral aid agency, works in over 152 countries and regions and has some 100 overseas offices. Since joining the Colombo Plan in 1954, Japan has been providing financial and technical cooperation to developing countries through ODA, aiming to contribute to the peace and development of the international community.

JICA, an incorporated administrative agency in charge of administering Japan's ODA, is one of the world's largest bilateral aid agencies supporting socio economic development in developing countries in different regions of the world. Under its new vision set out in July 2017, JICA supports the resolution of issues in developing countries through a flexible combination of various types of assistance methods as illustrated below.

A. 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.

B. Mission

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

