



Japan International Cooperation Agency South Sudan Office

SUPPORT FOR PEACE AND UNITY THROUGH SPORTS

Background Information

Period: Information Collection Survey
June 2015 – March 2017

Area: Nation-wide

Partners: National Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports (MoCYS), State MoCYS, National Olympic Committee and Sports Associations

SDGs: Goal 16 (Peaceful & inclusive society)



Delegation to the Rio Olympic

JICA is conducting an information collection survey for “Peace Promotion through Sports”, analyzing the current situation of the Sports sector in South Sudan as well as the prospective cooperation in the sector, with the aim of utilizing Sports to promote social cohesion and unity among the nation. In this context, JICA, in cooperation with the Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports (MoCYS), organized the National Sports Event, called the National Unity Day, in January 2016 and 2017 to promote peace and unity. 500 youth athletes from across the country participated in the event, and competed in athletics, football and peace-building games. Moreover, JICA, in collaboration with MoCYS, National Olympic and Athletic Association, supported the first South Sudanese delegation to the Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in August 2016. Olympics became an opportunity which gave pride, courage and sense of unity for the people of South Sudan regardless of their ethnicities and origins.



Soccer players commending each other



Audience of Juba Citizens



Inter – State Peace building Games

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