



Triangular Cooperation:

Supporting Innovation and
Capacity Development

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Japan Approach

Actively utilizing Triangular Cooperation to aggressively encourage South-South Cooperation opportunities.



Advantages

- Mutual learning leads to innovation.
- Innovations are disseminated to other countries.
- Context-specific: Local knowledge and resources, combined with technology and financial aid.



Multiplying Effect

- Transfer of beneficiary practices to new countries.
- Dissemination of achievements from past cooperation.
- Capacity development allows Country A to become a new donor.



How It Works

Triangular Training Programs
Partnership Programs
Region-wide Programs
Other Structured Programs



Triangular Training Programs

- Japan works with recipient Country A to build capacity and co-create innovative solutions.
- Japan helps Country A share innovations with Country B.
- Country A and Country B establish South-South Cooperation.



Partnership Programs

- Advanced Triangular Cooperation.
- Periodic consultation and joint planning.
- Institutionalizes the process of conducting triangular cooperation.
- JICA has Partnership Programs in 12 countries, including Asia, Africa and South America.



Partnership Programs



Case Study

The Cerrado Miracle and Pro-Savana



Improving the Cerrado

- Cerrado, Tropical Savannah of Brazil, was barren land , with sterile soil, which has now been converted into one of the most productive agricultural regions in the world.
- Developed innovative agriculture techniques



Technology for the tropical savannah was not available in the North

- Brazil, with its strong ownership, established EMBRAPA (Brazilian Agricultural Research Corporation)
- “EMBRAPA Cerrado” started its research in 1974
- JICA supported “EMBRAPA Cerrado” from the beginning: Soil improvement and development of varieties of grains adapted to tropical climate



Cerrado Before



Cerrado After

(Source : Yutaka Hongo, Senior Consultant of JICA)



ProSavana in Mozambique

- Agricultural development of Mozambique's savannah, based on Cerrado.
- Triangular Cooperation with Brazil and Japan for location-specific innovative solutions.

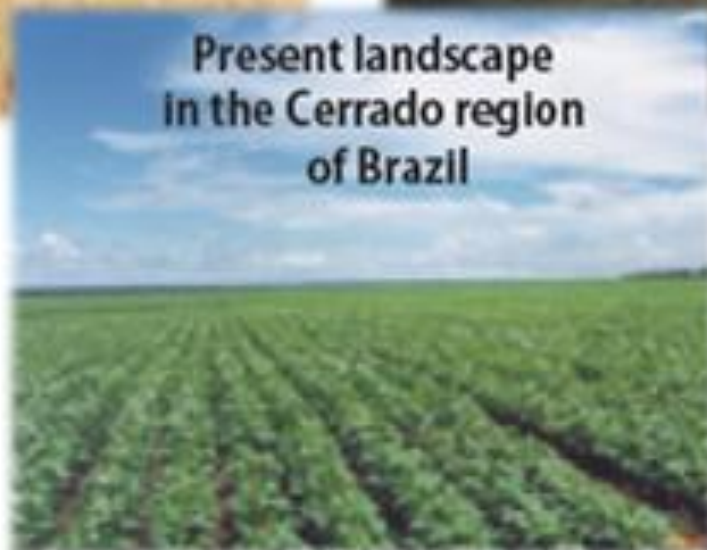
**Previous landscape
in the Cerrado region
(savannah) of Brazil**



**Present landscape
in the Tropical Savanna
of Mozambique**



**Present landscape
in the Cerrado region
of Brazil**





Triangular Cooperation Lessons Learned

- Sharp focus on impact and sustainability.
- Process must be demand-driven (not donor-mandated).
- Country ownership is critical.



Triangular Cooperation Lessons Learned

- Involve a diverse set of actors, including the private sector and civil society.
- Systematically strengthen innovation; share lessons and best practices.



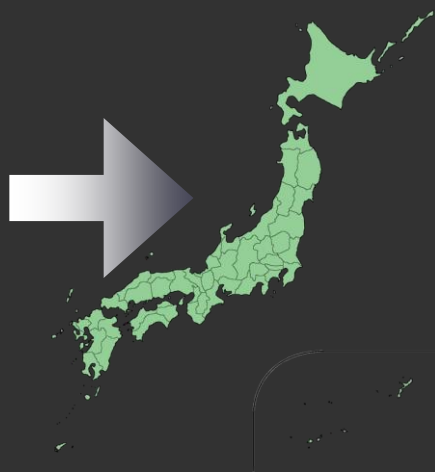
Japan Approach

How Triangular Cooperation and South-South Cooperation fit into Japan's overall approach to development.



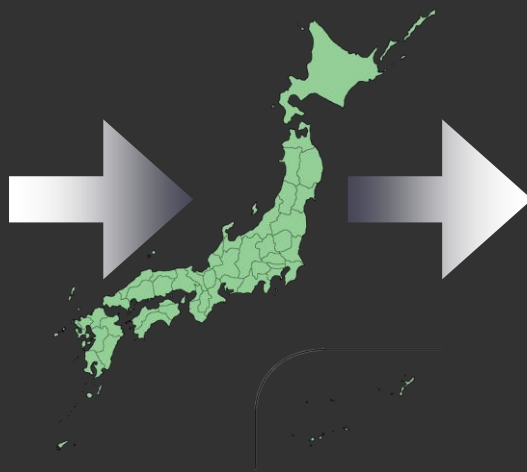
Japanese Experience

Aid Recipient



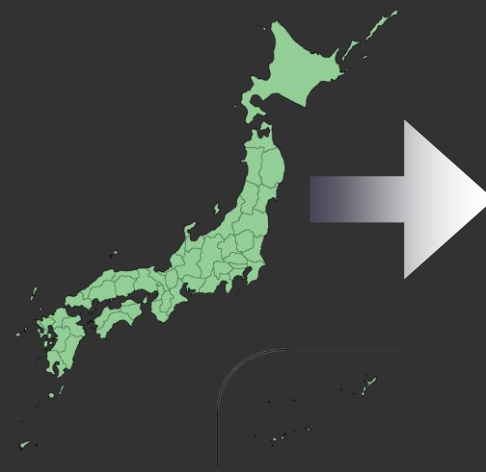
Post War

Aid Recipient
& Donor



1950s-1960s

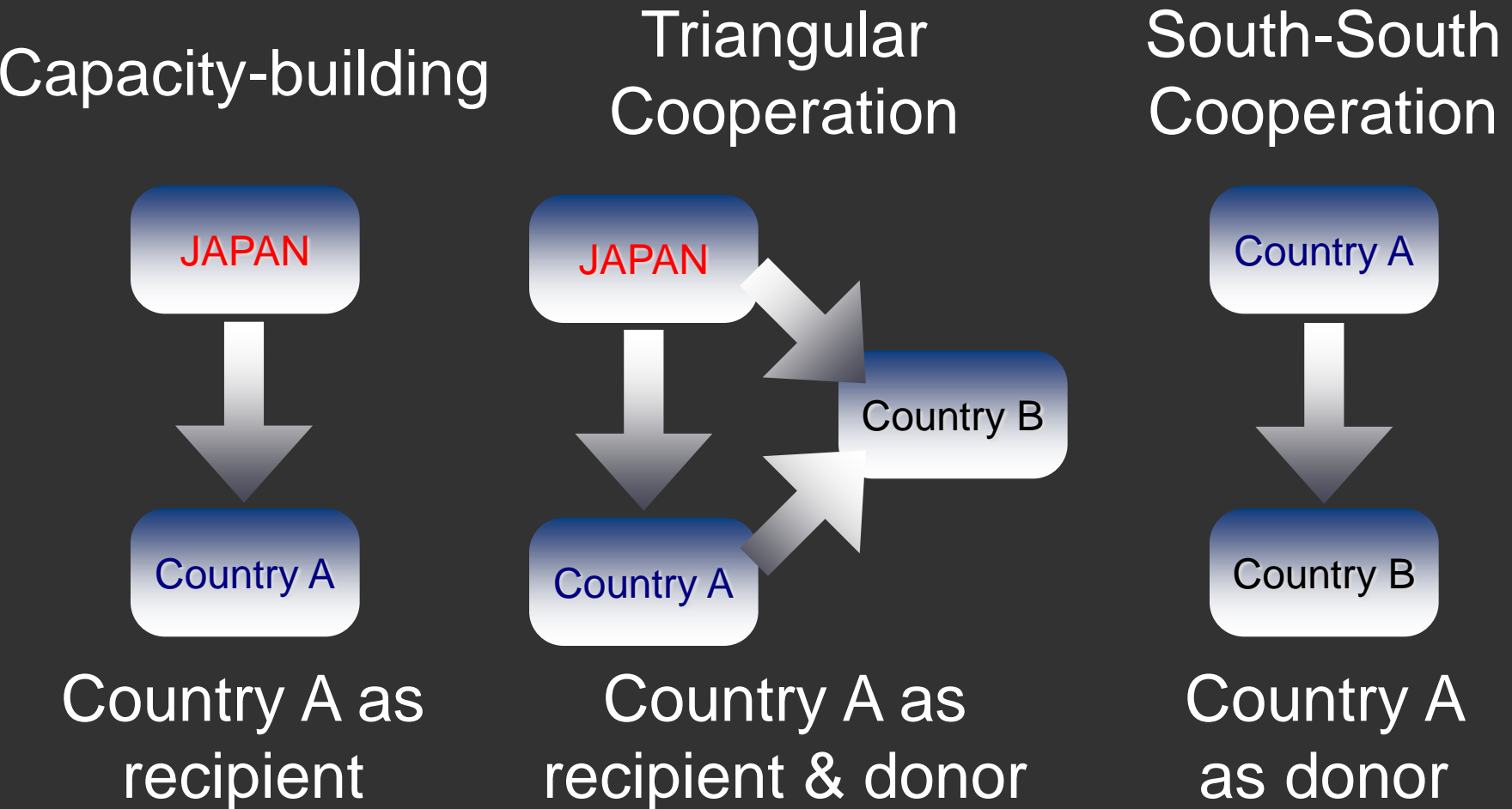
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1970s and since



Extending the Japanese Experience





Thank you.

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