

# **Japan's Cooperation in Intellectual Properties Field**

**Assessment of Priority Needs  
to Implement the TRIPS Agreement WTO Workshop  
for Least Developed Countries**

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Response to LDC needs assessment (1)

Capacity Development of  
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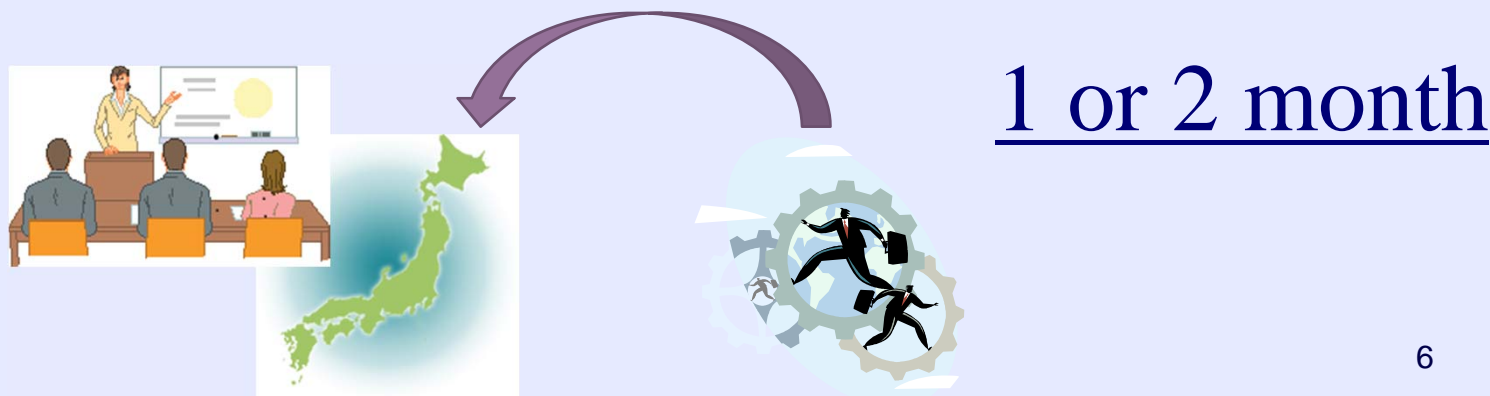


# Japan's Cooperation through JICA

## Training and Dialogue Program in Japan

Transfer of General and basic knowledge

- ◆ Acquisition of Japan's hands on technology
- ◆ Sharing of knowledge among participants



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## Training and Dialogue Program (IP field only) in 2010

Program name	Duration	Target	Contents
Intellectual Property Rights	2 months	IP related government	Overview and practices of IPR law system
Patent Examination Practice for APEC Economics	3 weeks	Patent Examiners	Examination guidelines and practices
Internationally harmonized Plant Variety Protection (PVP) System	2 months	PVP related government	Overview of PVP system
Industry Development and Technology Transfer Protection ... for African Region	1 month	IP related government	Lectures on Various IP law system in different countries
Copyright Systems Development	3 weeks	Copyright related government	Lectures on copyright system

# Japan's Cooperation through JICA

Representative example of Training and Dialogue Program

## “Intellectual Property Rights”

(JFY 2010-2012)

### ◆ Objectives:

Acquiring general knowledge of system, measures and policies for dissemination, application, protection and creation on IPR

### ◆ Target:

IPR related government officials

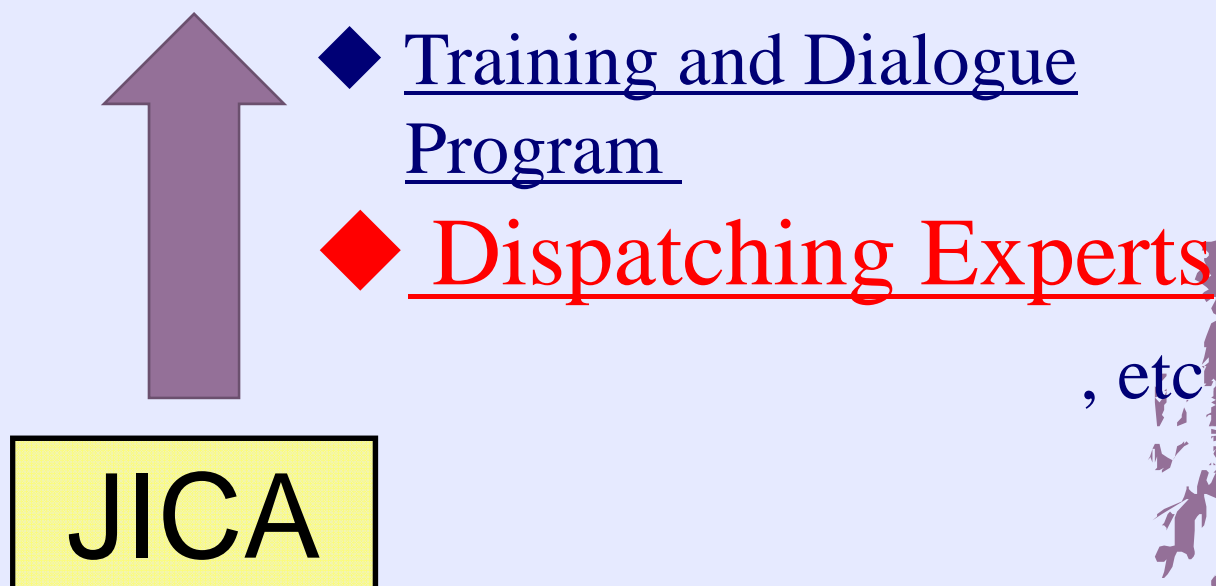
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# Japan's Cooperation through JICA

Response to LDC needs assessment (2)

Capacity Development of  
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# Japan's Cooperation through JICA

## Dispatching Experts to Specific countries

### Capacity Development in Specific needs



### Dispatching Experts in the field of



#### Improving efficiency of Administration

- ◆ Making framework about application, examination procedure

#### Strengthening the ability of Examiners

- ◆ Making guidelines and implementing for examiners

#### Enhancing Enforcement

- ◆ Enhancing capacity of Customs, Courts, Polices, etc on enforcement

# Japan's Cooperation through JICA

Request should be made to EOJ ( or JICA office)  
from your government with high priority in your  
National Development Policy or Strategy.

***Consultation with JICA Office/EOJ in advance is highly recommended!***

# Japan's Cooperation through JICA

## Aid for Trade

- ◆ JICA's cooperation in IPR is one of the main components of Japan's Aid for Trade.
- ◆ JICA is playing a main role in implementing Japan's Aid for Trade in line with a new Japanese Government's strategy called 'the Development Initiative 2009' proposed at the second Global Review Meeting on Aid for Trade held in Geneva in July, 2009.

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# Japan's Cooperation through WIPO

## Japan Funds-in-trust (FIT)

- ① FIT for Asia and the Pacific Region (Industrial Property)
- ② FIT for Africa and the LDCs (Industrial Property)
- ③ FIT in the Field of Copyright and Related Rights

### Objectives

- ◆ Assistance to developing countries in establishing or strengthening their IP laws and institutions
- ◆ Development of human resources in the sectors concerned with the administration and utilization of the IP system

### Main Activities

Regional Seminars

Expert Missions

Workshops

[http://www.wipo.int/about-wipo/en/offices/japan/wipo\\_japan.html](http://www.wipo.int/about-wipo/en/offices/japan/wipo_japan.html)

# Japan's Cooperation through WCO

## Japan's Customs Cooperation Fund

### Customs Cooperation Fund

#### Objectives

- ◆ Implementing effective and efficient Capacity Building of the Customs officers
- ◆ Contributing to technical assistants in Customs matters

#### Main Activities

Regional Seminars

Expert Missions

Workshops

<http://www.wcoomd.org/home.htm>

# Conclusion

**Japan will continuously support  
priority needs of LDCs for :**

- ◆ Implementation of TRIPS Agreement
- ◆ Sustainable development of LDCs



**Thank you!**

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# Detail of Cooperation through WIPO (1)

## Three Japanese Fund in Trust (FIT) to WIPO

- ◆ FIT for Asia and the Pacific Region (Industrial Property): 1.8 million CHF
- ◆ FIT for Africa and the LDCs (Industrial Property): 1.1 million CHF (Implementation of Yokohama Action Plan)
- ◆ FIT in the Field of Copyright and Related Rights: 0.6 million CHF

# Detail of Cooperation through WIPO (2)

## Main Objectives of the FIT Activities for Asia-Pacific/Africa and the LDCs

- ◆ Promotion of the awareness of the importance of the IP system for economic and technological development and of the benefits to be derived from the effective use of the system
- ◆ Assistance to developing countries in establishing or strengthening their IP laws and institutions
- ◆ Development of human resources in the sectors concerned with the administration and utilization of the IP system

# Detail of Cooperation through WIPO

## (3) Examples of Activities in Asia-Pacific/Africa and the LDCs

- ◆ Policy Dialogue on the Role of Intellectual Property for Economic, Social and Cultural Development
  - Policy Forum on partnership between WIPO, Japan Patent Office and the African Regional Economic Communities on Leveraging IP for Economic Development : Zambia
  
- ◆ Support to the Promotion of International Industrial Property Protection Systems
  - Study Program on the Global IP Protection Systems with particular Reference to the PCT System and the Madrid System for the International Registration of Marks: Tokyo

# Detail of Cooperation through WIPO

## (4) Examples of Activities in Asia-Pacific/Africa and the LDCs

### ◆ Promotion of Private/Public Sector Cooperation

- WIPO Regional Training of Trainers Program for SMEs Support Institutions: Colombo

### ◆ Support to Intellectual property offices in the Modernization of Intellectual Property Administration

- Expert Advisory Missions (Cambodia, Malaysia etc.)
- Provision of Equipment (Cambodia and Lao People's Democratic Republic etc.)
- Project for Digitization of IP Documentation (Indonesia)
- WIPO Regional Workshop on Digitization and Dissemination of IP Information and Utilization of Effective Search Tools: Manila
- WIPO ASEAN Sub-Regional Forum on Promotion of Innovation through Effective Cooperation on Patent Examination: Bangkok
- WIPO Regional Seminar for Heads of IP offices in ARIPO Member States on Realizing the Development potential of ICT-Based Business Service: Zimbabwe

# Detail of Cooperation through WIPO (5)

## Examples of Activities in Asia-Pacific/Africa and the LDCs

- ◆ Promotion of Inventive and Innovative Activities
  - WIPO Sub-Regional Workshop On the Effective Use of the IP System for Economic Growth and Business Competitiveness: Nadi
  - Establishment of Technology and Innovation Support Centers (TISCs)
    - Workshop on Intellectual Property and Patent Search Strategies: Casablanca
    - Study Program on Innovation and Transfer of Technology: Casablanca
    - WIPO regional conference on technology and innovation support: Ethiopia

# Detail of Cooperation through WIPO

## (6) Examples of Activities in Asia-Pacific/Africa and the LDCs

### ◆ Public Outreach

- Customization/Translation/Printing of selected WIPO Publications/IP Related Documents (Viet Nam)
- Documentary Production (Sri Lanka and Bangladesh)

### ◆ IP Education, Training and Research

- Providing Successful Cases linking Business and IP by “IP Advantage“)
- WIPO Manga Project on Anti-Counterfeiting
- Study Program on Human Resource Development in the Field of IP: Tokyo (Algeria, Ethiopia, Thailand, Viet Nam, Zimbabwe etc.)
- WIPO-OAPI-University of Yaoundé II Master Program on Intellectual property Law

# Detail of Cooperation through WIPO

## (7) Examples of Activities in the Asia-Pacific region

- ◆ Assistance in Developing Human Resources and Capacity Building
  - Tokyo Training Courses for Government Officials
  - ✓ Enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights
  - ✓ Use of Information technology in Industrial Property Administration
  - ✓ Examination Practices of Industrial Property
  - ✓ Industrial Property Administration and Management of IP offices
  - ✓ Patent examiners on Specified Technology