

Fact Sheet on Japan-Moldova relations  
(Japanese assistance to Moldova )

December 2010

*The total amount of Japanese assistance to the Republic of Moldova from the date of establishment of diplomatic relations between two countries is:*

- *Grant aid: 72.7 million US dollars*
- *Loan aid: 48.2 million US dollars*

**I. Framework Document**

- Introduction of the Grant Aid for Grassroots Human Security Projects “Kusanone” (small grant aid program for NGOs and local communities). Document was signed in January 2006
- Signing of the Agreement on Technical Cooperation between Japan and the Republic of Moldova in May 2008

**II. Projects in last five years**

**1. Grant aid**

(1) General Grant Aid

- The Improvement of the Equipment for the Republican Hospital of Mother and Child for the total amount of 505 million Yen (5.7 mln USD). E/N signed in March 1999. Completed in May 2000
- The Improvement of Maternal and Child Health Care Systems in the Second Level Hospitals of the second level for the total amount of 715 million Yen (8 mln USD). E/N signed in March 2001. Completed in April 2002
- The Improvement of Equipment of the National Training Center for Agricultural Mechanization (530 million Yen (4.7 mln USD). E/N signed in November 2007. Completed in March 2009.

(2) Assistance for Increase of Food Production (2KR: Second Kennedy Round)

- 300 million Yen (2.7 mln USD). E/N signed in September 2002. Completed in June 2003. 32 Sampo combine harvesters
- 260 million Yen (2.4 mln USD). E/N signed in March 2004. Completed in November 2004. 82 Kubota tractors
- 220 million Yen (1.9 mln USD). E/N signed in March 2006. Completed in August 2006. 100 Belarus tractors
- 230 million Yen (2.07 mln USD). E/N signed in January 2007. Completed in June 2007. 51 Belarus tractors and 7 Deutz combine harvesters
- 200 million Yen (1.95 mln USD). E/N signed in March 2008. Completed in August 2008. 71 Belarus tractors

- 160 million Yen (1.78 mln USD). E/N signed in October 2009. Completed in April 2010. 73 Belarus tractors

(3) Non-Project Grant Aid (Promotion of Small and Medium Enterprises Sector Program)

- 300 million Yen (2.7 mln USD). E/N signed in March 2005
- 400 million Yen (3.5 mln USD). E/N signed in March 2006
- 300 million Yen (2.5 mln USD). E/N signed in March 2007
- 300 million Yen (2.9 mln USD). E/N signed in March 2008

(4) Grant Aid for Grassroots Human Security Projects (Kusanone)

- 2008: Grant aid under the two projects (The Project for Improvement of Rehabilitation Equipment in the Institute of Neurology and Neurosurgery of Moldova and the Project for Implementation of Biomass Heating System for the Kindergarten and School in Hirtopul Mare Village) for the total amount of 176,452 USD.
- 2009: Grant aid under the four projects (Project for Improvement of Educational Environment at Hulboaca Village School No. 93, Project for Improvement of Medical Equipment in National Center of Emergency Medicine, Project for Improvement of Medical Equipment in Anenii Noi Regional Hospital) for the total amount of 294,623 USD.
- 2010: Grant aid under the three projects (Project for Improvement of Medical Equipment in Medical Institution Public Orhei District Hospital, Project for Improvement of Maternal and Child Health Care in the Republic of Moldova, Project for Improvement of Medical Environment in Rezina Region – Adjacent Area to Transnistria) for the total amount of 226,315 USD.

Total amount: 697,390 USD

(5) Grant Aid for Cultural Grassroots Projects

- 2009: Grant aid under one project (Project for Improvement of Equipment for Exhibition and Restoration of National Museum Archaeology and History of Moldova) for the amount of 81,652 USD.

(6) Cultural Grant Aid

- The Supply of Audio Equipment to the National Theatre named after Mihai Eminescu for the total amount of 46.7 million Yen (523,000 USD). E/N signed in February 2001. Completed in April 2002
- The Supply of Audio Equipment to the Moldovan National Palace for the total amount of 41.4 million Yen (376,000 USD). E/N signed in October 2002. Completed in March 2004.
- The Improvement of Audio-Visual and Exhibition Equipment of the National Art Museum of Moldova for the total amount of 16.3 million Yen (140,000 USD). E/N signed in January 2006. Completed in June 2007.

## 2. Technical cooperation

(1) Dispatch of Japanese experts to Moldova

- Training and Consulting on Productivity Improvement (2 experts; 2001-2003, 2003-2005)
- Hospital Management (1 expert; September – December 2004)

(2) Training courses in Japan for Moldovan experts

- From 2003 to November 2009 a total of 184 Moldovan experts participated in the training courses in Japan.
  - During the activity of the Japanese expert in Moldova, three country-focused training courses on Productivity Improvement were organized for Moldovan consultants and entrepreneurs. In each time 8-10 experts participated in the course.
  - Besides the country-oriented course, Moldovan officials were invited to the group training courses in various spheres such as market economy, health and medicine, environmental protection, etc.

(3) Development Master Plan Formulation Project “Project for Creation of Database for Base Map for Development of National Spatial Data Infrastructure in the Republic of Moldova”.(From December 2010 to December 2012)

- Creating the digital topographic maps covering the whole Moldova except for Transnistria at the scale of 1:50,000.
- Implementation of the necessary technology transfer to the Moldovan side.

**3. Assistance to Moldova through international organizations**

(1) UNDP ICT for Development Thematic Trust Fund

- Implementation of e-Governance Component of the National Strategy on Information Society Technologies for Development (70,000 US dollars will be extended during three years starting from May 2005).

(2) Japan Social Development Fund (World Bank)

- 2003: Pilot Community Driven Development Project (979,500 US dollars)
- 2004: Rural Investment & Services Project (1,727,140 US dollars)

(3) Japan Policy and Human Resource Development Fund (World Bank)

- 2003: Health Investment Fund Project (495,900 US dollars).
- 2004: Community Forest Development Project (919,900 US dollars).
- 2005: Rural Investment and Services Project (RISP) II (660,000 US dollars), Capacity Building for Development and Implementation of Carbon Finance Projects (Kyoto Protocol) (386,750 US dollars), Competitiveness Enhancement Project (4,500,000 US dollars), Primary Health Care Project (386,000 US dollars), Quality Education in the Rural Areas (500,000 US dollars)
- 2006: Social Protection Project (571,500 US dollars), Avian Influenza Control and Human Pandemic Preparedness and Response Project (500,000 US dollars)
- 2007: Second Poverty Reduction Support Credit (880,000 US dollars) and Road Sector Program Support Project (725,000 US dollars)

(4) United Nations Trust Fund for Human Security

- 2008: Project on Protection and Empowerment of Victims of Human Trafficking and Domestic Violence in Moldova (3,451,763 US dollars)

(5) Project of the Council of Europe

- 2006: The ENTO initiative for supporting democracy and local community development in Moldova. Training Programme for local elected representatives, local civil servants and representatives of associations of local authorities for Moldova

#### **4. Election Related Assistance (Dispatch of Election Observers)**

- (1) Parliamentary Election in March 2005: 2 Observers as part of OSCE/ODIHR Mission
- (2) Local Elections in June 2007: 1 Observer
- (3) Parliamentary Election in April 2009: 2 Observers as part of OSCE/ODIHR Mission
- (4) Parliamentary Re-election in July 2009: 1 Observers as part of OSCE/ODIHR Mission
- (5) Parliamentary Election in November 2010: 2 Observers as part of OSCE/ODIHR Mission