

Rolling Plan for the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

Basic Policy of Assistance	Enhancement of Regional Stability and Development of Industrial Infrastructure for Economic Growth
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Priority Area 1	Support for Self-reliant and Sustainable Economic Growth
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[Background and current situation]	[Strategy]
<p>Jordan has a limited number of matured industries, and the country has a strong tendency to depend on remittances from migrant workers abroad and support from donor countries. Jordan has a high unemployment rate of 24.1% (as of late 2021), and securing employment for young people under the age of 29 who account for nearly 60% of the population, is a major challenge. Therefore, in the "Economic Modernization Vision" announced by King Abdullah II in June 2022, reducing the unemployment rate by creating jobs particularly for the youth and women is listed as an issue to be addressed in the next ten years. The Government of Jordan has high expectations towards the tourism industry, which contributes to generating foreign currency and creating a number of employment opportunities.</p> <p>Additionally, the Jordanian government has a significant fiscal deficit as a result of slow revenue growth brought on by the lack of mature industries and an increase in government spending as a result of the influx of Syrian refugees. The public debt has increased recently as the government has been forced to borrow money from the market and donors to make up the shortfall. Furthermore, the Covid-19 has severely damaged a number of industries, including the tourism industry, so Jordan also needs to revive its economy.</p>	<p>Japan will support the development of high-quality human resources to meet the needs of industries, employment promotion of these human resources, as well as the enhancement of jobs matching function in the labor market. In addition, Japan will focus on developing high potential industries that could bring higher job creation impact such as tourism. Japan will also work to eliminate the budget deficit by supporting self-reliant, sustainable economic growth and facilitating appropriate public debt management.</p>

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Development Issue 1-1 Strengthening Infrastructure for Economic Growth Promotion of Self-reliant and Sustainable Industrial Development, and Increase of Employment Opportunities	The program aims to develop human resources to meet the needs of industries, enhance employment and mechanism for matching labor with jobs. In addition, the program supports the tourism industry where impact on employment absorption and foreign currency revenue are expected.	Project for Capacity Development of Vocational Corporation in the field of Occupational Safety and Health	TCP	■■■■■	■■■■■					4.00	8		
		Industry and Trade Promotion Advisor	EXP		■■■■■	■■■■■							
		Capacity Development of Trainers for Maintenance Engineer of Hybrid and Electric car	CTR	■■■■■						0.30	4,8		
		Training of Trainers for Improving Technical Education in HV/EV	ITR		■■■■■	■■■■■							
		Industrial Human Resources Development and Employment Expansion	JOCV	■■■■■	■■■■■								
		The Project for Formulating Tourism Development Master Plan in Petra Region	TCP	■■■■■	■■■■■					4.90	8		
		Issue based training related to tourism sector	TR		■■■■■								
		Sustainable Tourism Development (JFY2021-2023)	TR	■■■■■	■■■■■								
		Data Collection Survey on Strategy Development of Wellness Cluster Promotion in Jordan	BIS		■■■■■								
		The Project for Promotion of Artificial Intelligence Ecosystem	TCP		■■■■■	■■■■■							
		Data Collection Survey on Artificial Intelligence Readiness of the Government Entities in Jordan	BIS	■■■■■	■■■■■								
		Promoting Digital Transformation for Solving Social Issues -The Japanese Challenges toward Society 5.0-	CTR	■■■■■	■■■■■								
The Project for Updating ASEZ Master Plan	TCP		■■■■■	■■■■■									

Priority Area 2	Reduction of Poverty and Minimizing Social Disparities																																																																																																								
Development Issue 2-1 Empowerment of the Socially Vulnerable	<p>[Background and current situation] Domestic economic disparities are growing, and empowerment of socially vulnerable people such as Palestinian refugees, persons with disabilities (PWDs) and women is not progressing. Furthermore the Covid-19 pandemic had socio-economic impacts on vulnerable people, widening social disparities. Located in the unstable region, Jordan has been able to maintain its social stability and order while accommodating various nationalities inside the country, however not addressing aforementioned disparities may lead to the risks of destabilization and the rise of extremists inside Jordan. Since Jordan's stability is crucial for the stabilization of the region, this program aims to minimize various social disparities in Jordan.</p>					<p>[Strategy] In order to support socially vulnerable people such as Palestinian refugees, persons with disabilities (PWDs) and women, Japan will contribute to minimizing social disparities and stabilizing the social order in Jordan through providing support for establishment and enhancement of social welfare, livelihood improvement, and women empowerment. Also, Japan plans to develop its method of cooperation based on its assets and good practices sharing with other regions.</p>																																																																																																			
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Reduction of Poverty and Minimizing Social Disparities	The program aims to assist in reducing poverty and minimizing social disparities by supporting		Support of Palestinian refugee, Education and Person with Disabilities	JOCV																																																																																																					
	(1) Employment, economic activity and livelihood improvement of refugees in the Palestinian refugee camps		Issue-based Training in Support for Person with Disabilities and Education	TR																																																																																																					
	(2) Self-reliant and social participation of PWDs		Issue-based Training in Health and Local Government Administration	TR																																																																																																					
	(3) Gender conscious improvement of the health care sector		Agriculture Studies Networks for Food Security (Agri-Net) (FY2021-2023)	CTR																																																																																																					
			The Project for Promoting Positive Learning Environment for All Children	TCP																																																																																																					
			Grant Aid for Grassroots Human Security Projects for Provision of Medical Equipment	GGP																																																																																																					
			The Project for Supporting Implementation of Correctional Services Focused on Psychological Care at the Detention Centre in Russeifa	GANP																																																																																																					
			The Project for Strengthening the Support System for Primary and Secondary Education Enrollment and Learning for Vulnerable Groups in Irbid	GANP																																																																																																					
Priority Area 3	Stabilization of the region																																																																																																								
Development Issue 3-1 Enhancement of Regional Stability	<p>[Background and current situation] Situating in the Middle East, a volatile region in terms of politics and security, Jordan occupies important position in Japan's Middle East policy from a geopolitical point of view, as one of the countries to play a constructive role towards the Middle East peace process with its channel of negotiations with the United States, European countries, Israel as well as Arab countries. Jordan is a relatively stable country in the Middle East and can play an important role in the stabilization of the region by consistently hosting refugees from neighboring countries. Therefore, it is hoped to further contribute to the stabilization of the region by maintaining stability of Jordan with sound development and by enforcing its relationships with neighboring countries. Additionally, Jordan has one of the highest levels of technology and education in the Middle East, and to top it all off, it has gained cumulative knowledge and experience from Japan's successful technical cooperation. By utilizing Jordan's abundant human resources, it is hoped that these assets will spread to the neighboring nations in support of latter's development.</p>					<p>[Strategy] As part of the concept of "the Corridor for Peace and Prosperity", Japan will support, through Jordan, the promotion of the economic independence of Palestine. Based on "the Japan-Jordan Partnership Program" signed in 2004, Japan will assist the implementation of training programs in Jordan in order to develop human resources in Palestine, Iraq, Yemen, etc., alongside the promotion of confidence-building with neighboring countries. Additionally, Japan will support Jordan's efforts to stabilize its political and security situation. It also supports Syrian refugees as well as host communities that accommodate Syrian refugees.</p>																																																																																																			

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Development Issue 3-1 Enhancement of Regional Stability	Concept of "Corridor for Peace and Prosperity"	The program aims to provide support for the realization of the concept of "the Corridor for Peace and Prosperity".	3rd Phase of Introduction of Advanced Agricultural Technology for Dryland Area in Jordan under Trilateral Cooperation, Jordan-Japan-Israel	TCP	█	-	-	-	-	-	-			
			Third Country Training Program for Capacity Development of Quarantine and Food Safety for Enhancing Agricultural Products Trade in Palestine	TTR	█	-	-	-	-	-	-			
	Enhancement of Regional Stability	Based on the "Japan-Jordan Partnership Program", the program aims to implement training programs in Jordan in order to develop human resources of neighboring countries with a view to promoting trust-building through those training programs and stabilizing political and security situation of Jordan.	Capacity Building and Technical Skills Improvement on Electricity for Palestine Phase 4	TTR	█	█	█							
			Capacity Building and Technical Skills Improvement on Electricity for Yemen	TTR	█	█	█	█						
			Third Country Training Program for Modern Irrigation Systems in Yemen Phase 2	TTR	█	█								
			Capacity Building and Technical Skills Improvement for Public Security in Iraq Phase 3	TTR	█	█	█							
			Capacity Building and Technical Skills Improvement on Electricity for Iraq Phase 2	TTR	█	█	█							
			Issue-based Training in Security	TR		█								
			The Project for the Enhancement of Customs Security at Aqaba	GA	█	█	█					17.03	11	
			Economic and Social Development Programme	GA	█	█	█					10.00	11	Strengthening security system
			Economic and Social Development Programme	GA	█	█	█	█				5.00	11	Strengthening security system
			Support of Syrian Refugees and Host Community		Youth Development in Syrian Refugees Camps	JOCV		█	█					
	Japanese Initiative for the future of Syrian Refugees (JISR)	TR			█	█	█							
	The Programme for Urgent Improvement of Water Sector for the Host Communities of Syrian Refugees in Northern Governorates	GA			█	█	█	█				24.12	6	
	The Project for the Improvement of Waste Management Equipment in Northern Region Hosting Syrian Refugees	GA			█	█						16.37	11	
	Enhancing Community Level Intervention in Mental Health and Psychosocial Support for Children and Adolescent including Refugees	EXP			█	█	█							
	Humanitarian and Social Stabilization Support in Jordan	ML				█	█					0.93 Million USD	3	UNHCR
	Emergency Aids for Humanitarian Crisis	ML				█						7.70 Million USD	1,2,3,5,8,13,17	UNHCR,WFP,UNRWA
	Economic and Social Development Programme	GA			█	█						5.00	11	Fire and emergency system
Economic and Social Development Programme	GA	█	█	█					4.00	3	Strengthening health and medical systems			

Legend: [PS] = Preparatory Survey, [DD] = Detailed Design, [TCP] = Technical Cooperation Project, [TCDP] = Technical Cooperation for Development Planning, [EXP] = Expert, [EQ] = Equipment, [CTR] = Country-focused Training, [TR] = Issue-based Training / Training Program for Young Leaders, [JOCV] = Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers, [TEXP] = Third-country Expert, [TTR] = Third-country Training, [ICT] = In-Country Training, [STC] = Science and Technology Cooperation on Global Issues, [JPP] = JICA Partnership Program, [xx-TA] = Technical Assistance implemented by organizations other than MOFA and JICA, [PCP-TC] = Private Companies Proposed-Technical Cooperation, [GA] = Grant Aid, [GAF]=Grant Aid for Fishery, [FA]=Food Aid, [CGA]=Cultural Grant Assistance, [GCGP]=Grant Assistance for Cultural Grassroots Projects, [EGA]=Emergency Grant Aid, [GANP]=Grant Aid for Japanese NGOs Projects, [GGP]=Grant Aid for Grassroots Human Security Projects, [LA] = Loan Aid (ODA Loan), [BIS] = Basic Information Survey, [ML] = Multilateral Cooperation, [SME PPS]=Small and Medium-Sized Enterprise (SME) Partnership Promotion Survey, [SDGs BMFS]=SDGs Business Model Formulation Survey with the Private Sector, [SDGs BVS]=SDGs Business Verification Survey with the Private Sector, Solid Line [—] = Schedule, Dash Line [- - -] = Tentative Schedule