

Use of Proceeds of “Peacebuilding Bonds”

The bond proceeds will be allocated to JICA's Finance and Investment Account projects in developing countries which are affected by violent conflicts. The projects will assist the targeted countries to build resilient states and societies, and contribute to realizing a peaceful and just society. JICA will manage and track the net proceeds to ensure that they are allocated only to investments in Eligible Projects excluding activities related to coal-fired power generation.

The features of the Peacebuilding Bonds remain the same as previous JICA bonds, being a financial instrument that contributes to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), as described in the “SDGs Implementation Guiding Principles Revised Edition (2019)” set by the Japanese government.

An amount equal to part or all of such net proceeds may be allocated to investments in one or more “Eligible Projects” in developing countries classified by the United Nations and the World Bank.

“Eligible Projects” means projects selected under the Development Cooperation Charter, which was endorsed by the Japanese government in 2015 with the aim to proactively contribute to peace, stability and prosperity in the international community. Through each Eligible Project, JICA strives to promote socio-economic development of developing countries and address challenges to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) adopted at the UN Sustainable Development Summit.

Eligible Projects will be subject to on-site monitoring by JICA's overseas offices. During the monitoring stage of any project, JICA may confer with the recipient country government or recipient company where necessary, with a view to ensuring the smooth and efficient implementation of the project. Disbursements are often made over a period of time depending on the project's schedule. Eligible Projects will be subject to periodic progress reports that must be submitted to JICA by the recipient. JICA supervision of an Eligible Project may extend to both implementation of the project (including construction, engineering, institutional development, etc.) and all aspects of the loan process.

In addition, JICA will, in principle, conduct an ex-post-evaluation procedure within three years of the completion of an Eligible Project. Such evaluations are published on JICA's website and an Evaluation Report is issued annually. JICA has obtained a second party opinion from the Japan Research Institute to confirm the alignment of the bonds with the ICMA Social Bond Principles.