OVERVIEW OF THE JAPAN-ASEAN INTEGRATION FUND

The Japan-ASEAN Integration Fund (JAIFF) was officially established in March 2006, based on the pledge from then Japanese Prime Minister H.E. Mr. Junichiro Koizumi at the Ninth ASEAN-Japan Summit held in December 2005 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

JAIFF aims at supporting integration efforts to create the ASEAN Community by facilitating the implementation of the ASEAN 2025: Forging Ahead Together, which consists of the blueprints for the ASEAN Political Security Community (APSC), ASEAN Economic Community (AEC), and ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC), as well as the Initiative for ASEAN Integration (IAI) Work Plan II and the Master Plan on ASEAN Connectivity (MPAC) 2025. JAIFF also aims at promoting greater cooperation between ASEAN and Japan.

Since its first financial contribution, several additional funding supports have been pledged to the original JAIFF, and as of 31 May 2019, the total contribution amounts to more than USD 680,000,000. JAIFF has contributed not only to advancing ASEAN integration but also to strengthening ASEAN-Japan relations by implementing various projects in the areas of disaster management, counter terrorism, maritime cooperation, economic integration, small and medium-sized enterprises development, youth exchanges, Japanese language training, and others.

PURPOSES OF JAIFF

1. To support the efforts of the ASEAN Member States (AMSSs) to pursue the comprehensive integration of ASEAN towards the realisation of an open, dynamic and resilient ASEAN Community as envisaged in the Declaration of ASEAN Concord II, by facilitating effective implementation of the ASEAN 2025: Forging Ahead Together, and strengthening the functioning of the ASEAN National Secretariats of the new AMSSs and the ASEC;

2. To support the implementation of the ASEAN 2025 Blueprints of the ASEAN Political Security Community (APSC), ASEAN Economic Community (AEC), and ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC), with particular emphasis on the narrowing the development gaps among AMSSs, as well as emerging regional challenges;

3. To promote cooperation between Japan and ASEAN (as well as between Japan and the individual AMSS), including transfer of technology and inflow of investment from Japan to AMSSs, trade and exchange of personnel, awareness and understanding of ASEAN among Japanese people, and ASEAN regional studies and research, as well as in other areas of cooperation as mentioned in the Vision Statement on ASEAN-Japan Friendship and Cooperation and its Implementation Plan which was revised in August 2017;

4. To support operations of the regional or sub-regional organisations; and

5. To support other activities considered appropriate by the Government of Japan (GOJ) and ASEAN (including its Member States).
## COMPONENTS OF JAIF
Support various areas under the three ASEAN Pillars

### COMPONENT NAME | YEAR | AMOUNT (approximate) | AREAS OF SUPPORT
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ORIGINAL JAIF | 2006 | USD 70,000,000 | Wide-ranging
JENESYS | 2009 | USD 196,000,000 | Youth Exchange
AJCEP | 2007 | USD 52,000,000 | Economic
DISASTER MANAGEMENT | 2009 | USD 13,000,000 | Disaster Management
EEA | 2009 | USD 62,000,000 | Wide-ranging
EPA | 2009 | USD 14,000,000 | Japanese Language Training
| 2012 | USD 5,500,000 | |
KIZUNA | 2012 | USD 30,000,000 | Youth Exchange
JENESYS 2.0 | 2013 | USD 73,000,000 | Youth Exchange
JAIF 2.0 | 2013 | USD 100,000,000 | Wide-ranging
| 2019 | USD 8,900,000 | |
JENESYS2015 | 2015 | USD 9,000,000 | Youth Exchange
JENESYS2016-ECONOMICS | 2016 | USD 11,000,000 | Youth Exchange
JENESYS2016 | 2016 | USD 10,800,000 | Youth Exchange
JENESYS2017 | 2017 | USD 9,700,000 | Youth Exchange
JENESYS2018 | 2018 | USD 9,200,000 | Youth Exchange
JENESYS2019 | 2019 | USD 6,500,000 | Youth Exchange
MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE OF JAIF

In order to manage and operate the JAIF, the JAIF Management Committee was established in 2006, whose role was later subsumed by the ASEAN-Japan Joint Cooperation Committee Working Group (AJJCC-WG) in 2010. The AJJCC-WG reviews the operation of the JAIF and the implementation of JAIF-supported activities, and reports to the ASEAN-Japan Joint Cooperation Committee (AJJCC) which is attended by the Permanent Representatives to ASEAN and the Ambassador of Japan to ASEAN.

JAIF MANAGEMENT TEAM

ASEAN and the Government of Japan agreed to set up the JAIF Management Team (JMT) within the ASEAN Secretariat in Jakarta to enhance the effective utilisation of the fund in supporting ASEAN Community-building and integration efforts. One of the main roles of JMT is to assist proponents in formulating and reviewing project proposals, including inputs on financial and procedural matters, in close coordination with the Government of Japan and desk officers of the ASEAN Secretariat.

The JMT commenced operations with three members on 1 February 2011 and has expanded since then due to increased requests for assistance from both ASEAN and Japan. At present, the JMT is composed of staffs from both the ASEAN region and Japan. The JMT office is located on the mezzanine floor of the ASEAN Secretariat.

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