

**50th Year of  
ASEAN-Japan**  
Friendship and Cooperation

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**GOLDEN  
FRIENDSHIP,**

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OPPORTUNITIES**

輝ける友情 輝ける機会

The 50 years of friendship and opportunities shared by ASEAN and Japan are encapsulated in this catchphrase. In 2023, we celebrate these ties that have been nurtured and strengthened throughout the decades. We remember the milestones of our relationship while looking ahead to our future as neighbours in a peaceful and prosperous region of inclusion and opportunities for all.





## ASEAN-JAPAN RELATIONS STARTED



ASEAN-Japan Centre established

**1981**

**1973**

ASEAN-Japan dialogue on synthetic rubber

**1977**

Formal relations started at the 1st ASEAN-Japan Summit, Fukuda Doctrine



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**1988**

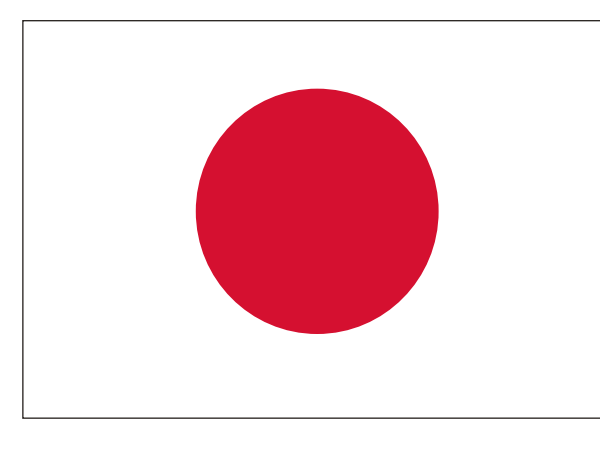
Japan-ASEAN Exchange Projects Fund (JAEP)



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# 50-YEAR JOURNEY OF ASEAN-JAPAN

Japan-ASEAN Integration Fund (JAIF) established



**2006**

**1999**

Japan-ASEAN Solidarity Fund

**2000**

Japan-ASEAN General Exchange Fund (JAGEF)



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**2007**

**JENESYS**

Japan-East Asia Network of Exchange for Students and Youths (JENESYS)



**2011**

Establishment of Mission of Japan to ASEAN

**2019**

Adoption of the ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific (AOIP) at the 34th ASEAN Summit

**2020**

ASEAN and Japan issued the "Joint Statement of the 23rd ASEAN-Japan Summit on Cooperation on ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific"



**2023**



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# ASEAN OUTLOOK ON THE INDO-PACIFIC (AOIP)

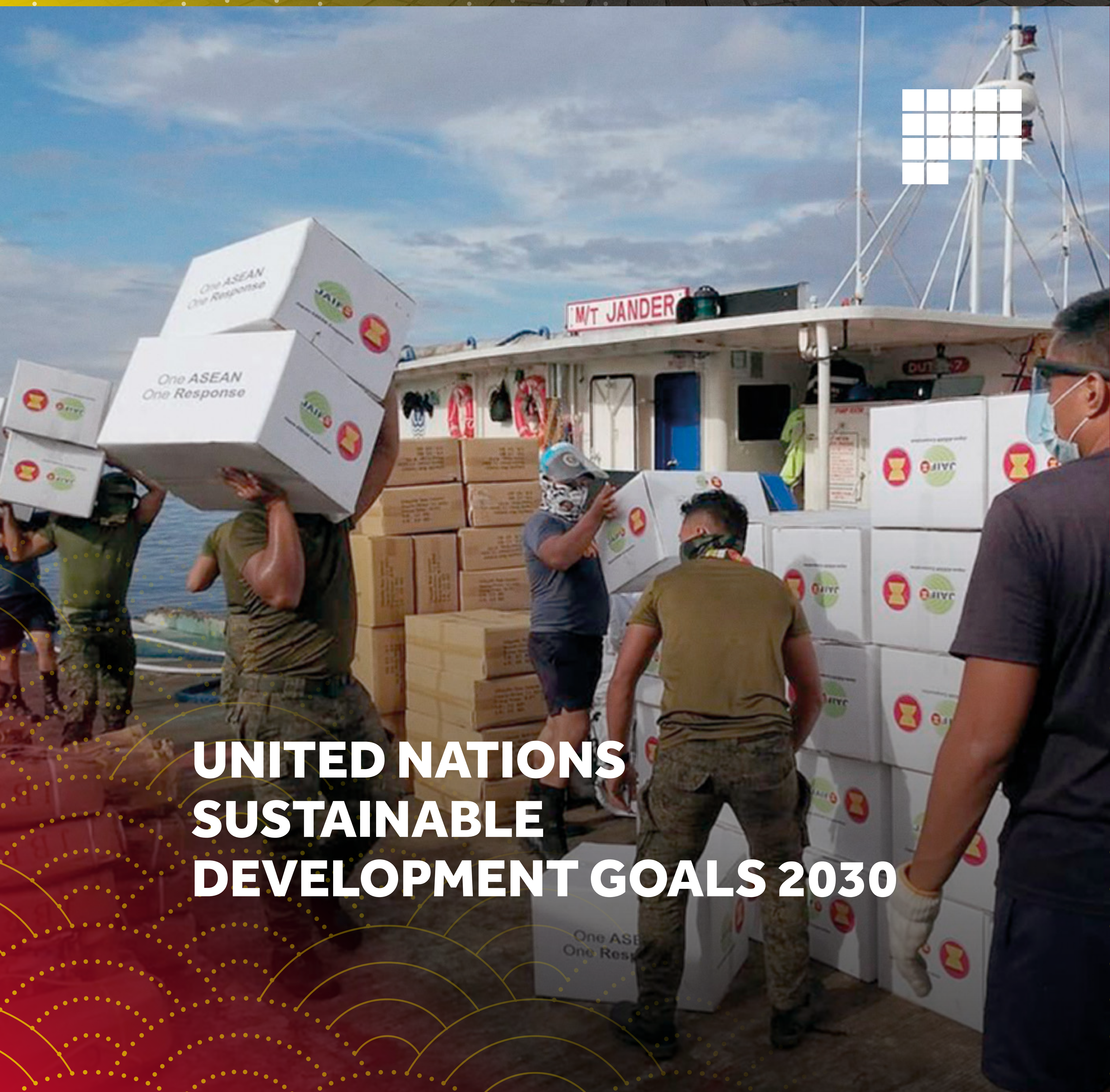
In 2020, ASEAN and Japan released the “Joint Statement of the 23rd ASEAN-Japan Summit on Cooperation on ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific” along with a list of 49 concrete projects on the AOIP. As many as 89 projects were included in the AOIP Progress Report 2022.



## MARITIME COOPERATION



## CONNECTIVITY



## UNITED NATIONS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS 2030



## ECONOMIC & OTHER POSSIBLE AREAS OF COOPERATION

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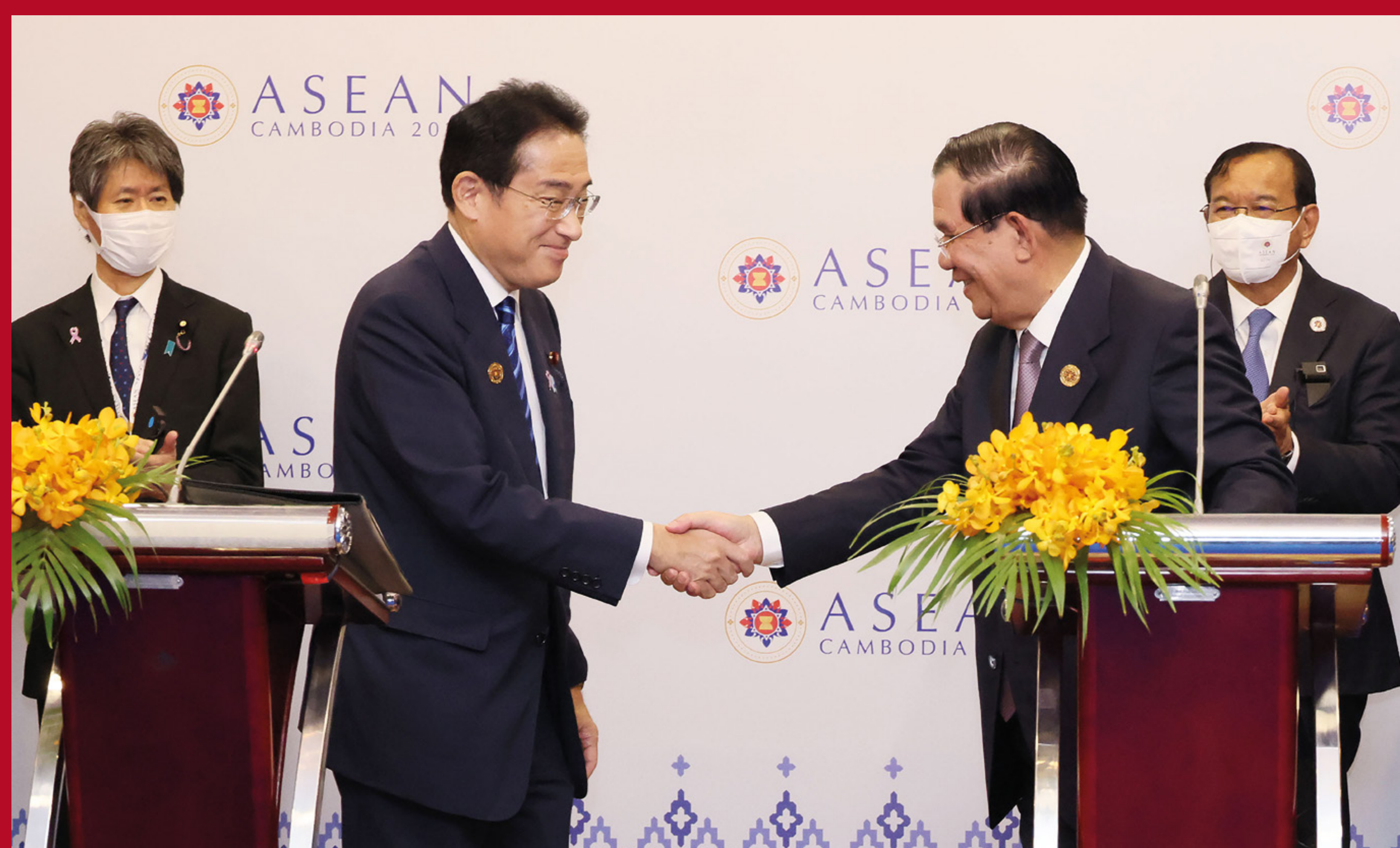
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# GOING INTO 2023

On 12 November 2022, the 25th ASEAN-Japan Summit (Chair Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo HUN SEN, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia) was held in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. Mr. KISHIDA Fumio, Prime Minister of Japan, attended the meeting.

In his opening remarks, Mr. Kishida stated that he would like to hold a Commemorative Summit in Tokyo around December 2023 as the next year marks the 50th Year of ASEAN-Japan Friendship and Cooperation. He also said that he would like to listen to the views and interests of each country in preparation for the 50th Year.



PICTURED ABOVE: P.M. Kishida (second from left) and P.M. Hun Sen (second from right) at the 25th ASEAN-Japan Summit.  
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PICTURED BELOW: The 2nd ASEAN Global Dialogue.  
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PICTURED: ASEAN Leaders with P.M. Kishida. © ASEAN Secretariat

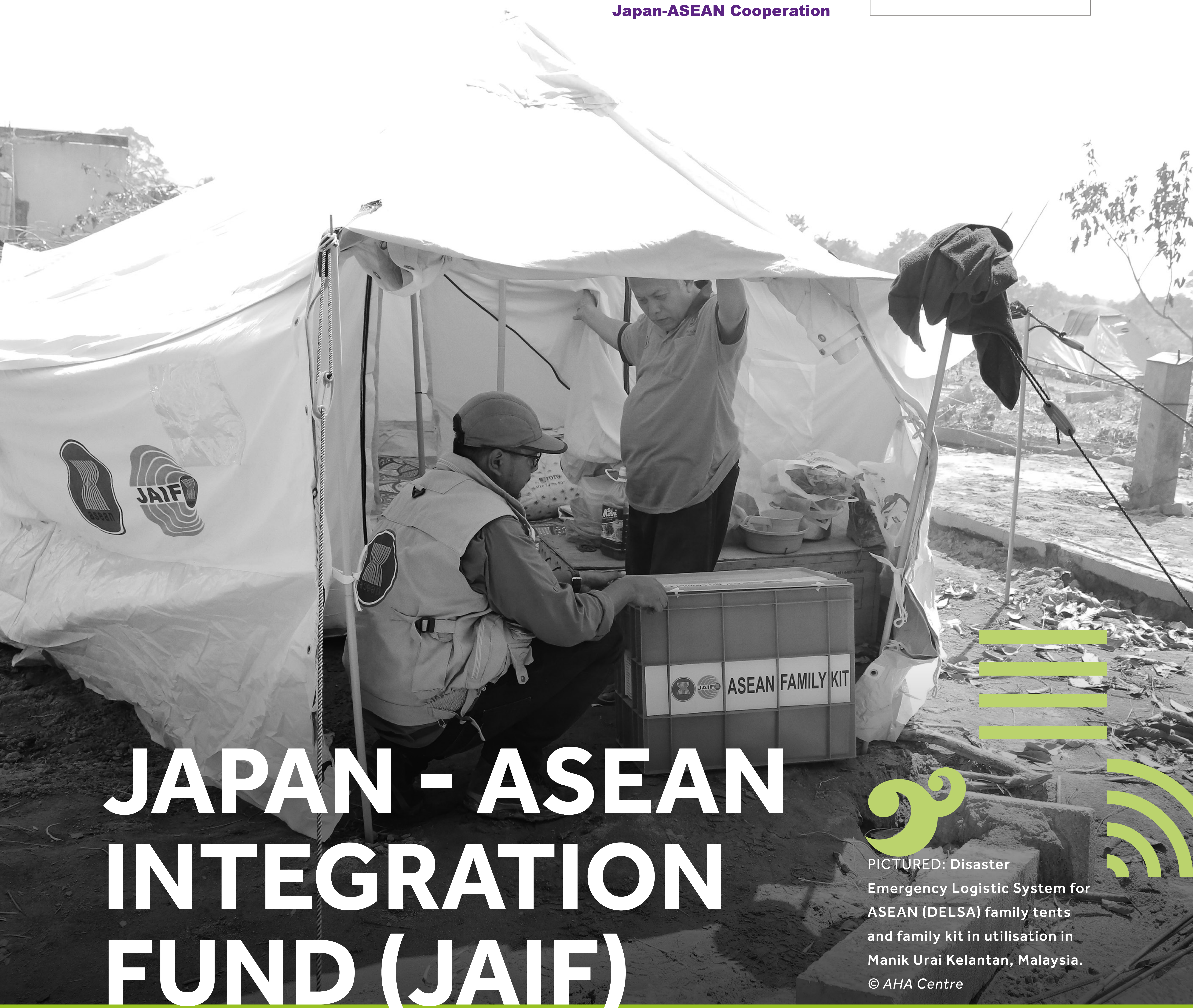
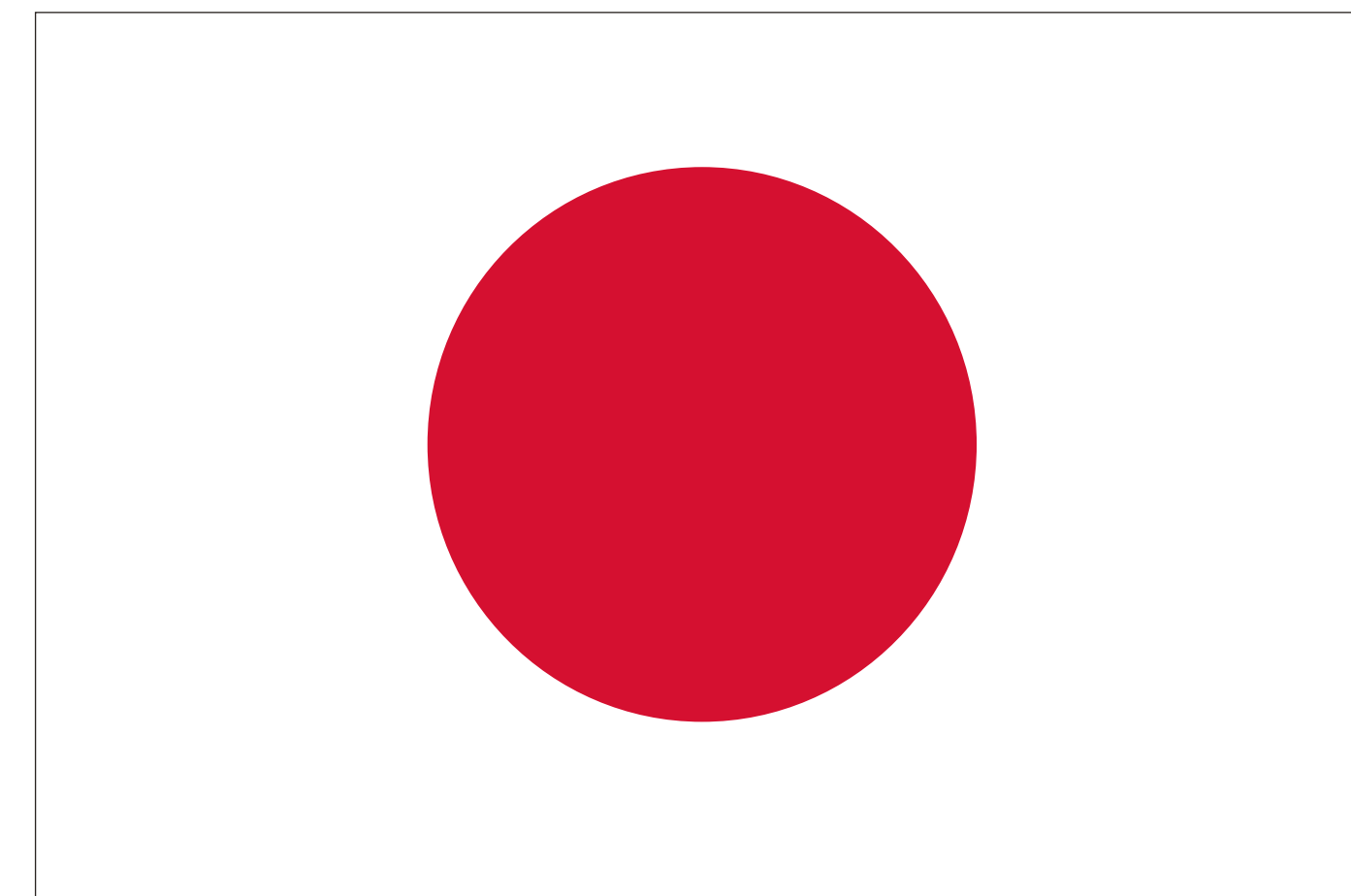
In response, many countries expressed their support in their remarks. As the Chair, Prime Minister Hun Sen expressed appreciation to the ASEAN Leaders for accepting Japan's proposal and confirmed that the Commemorative Summit would be held following a regular annual ASEAN-Japan Summit in 2023.







Japan-ASEAN Cooperation

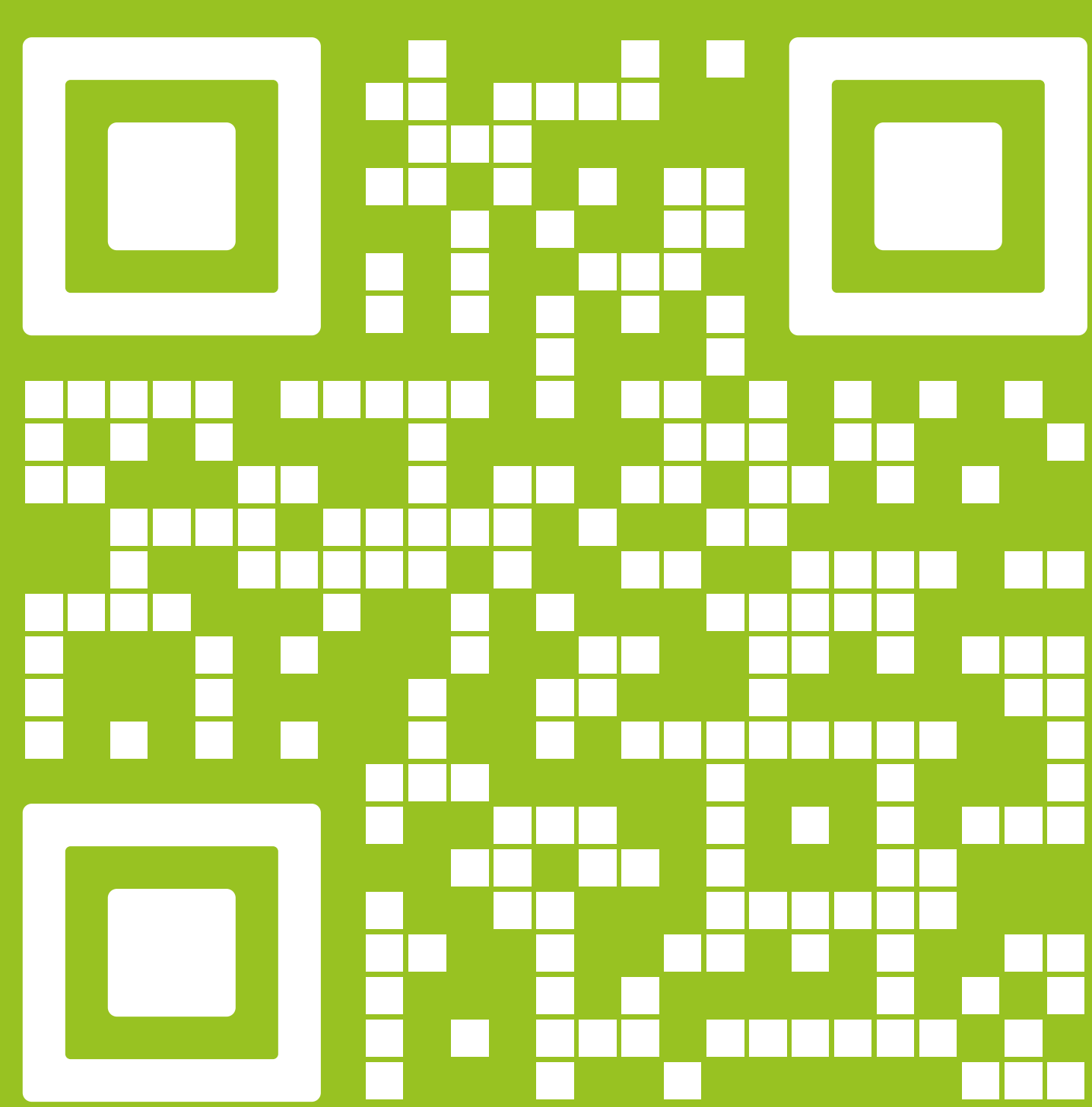


# JAPAN - ASEAN INTEGRATION FUND (JAIF)



PICTURED: Disaster  
Emergency Logistic System for  
ASEAN (DELSA) family tents  
and family kit in utilisation in  
Manik Urai Kelantan, Malaysia.  
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The Japan-ASEAN Integration Fund (JAIF) was officially established in March 2006, based on the pledge by then Japanese Prime Minister H. E. Mr. KOIZUMI Junichiro at the 9th ASEAN-Japan Summit held in December 2005 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

JAIF aims at supporting integration efforts to create an 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 IV and the Master Plan on ASEAN Connectivity (MPAC) 2025. JAIF also aims at promoting greater cooperation between ASEAN and Japan in line with the ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific (AOIP).

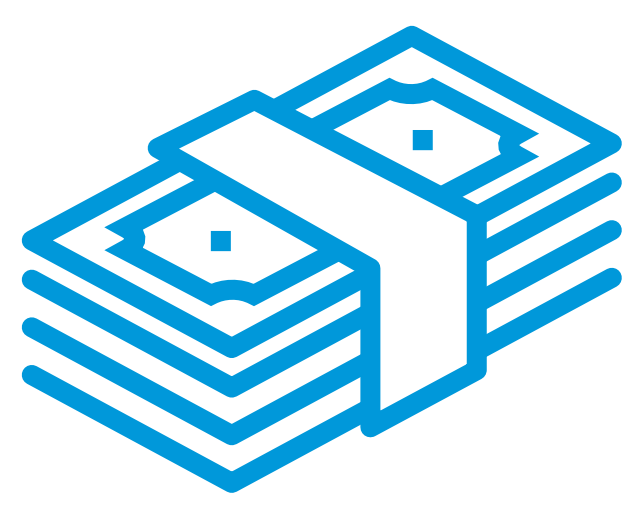


PICTURED ABOVE: Graduation Ceremony of the Attachment Programmes for CLMV Officials. © ASEAN Secretariat





# JOINT HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY OF THE STRAITS OF MALACCA & SINGAPORE



AMOUNT CONTRIBUTED

**USD 9,679,688**

A variety of projects have been designed to address maritime issues such as navigation safety and marine pollution. One of them is the Joint Hydrographic Survey of the Straits of Malacca and Singapore. It is aimed to enhance the safety of navigation and smooth uninterrupted passage, as well as to improve the protection of the marine environment in the Straits of Malacca and Singapore.

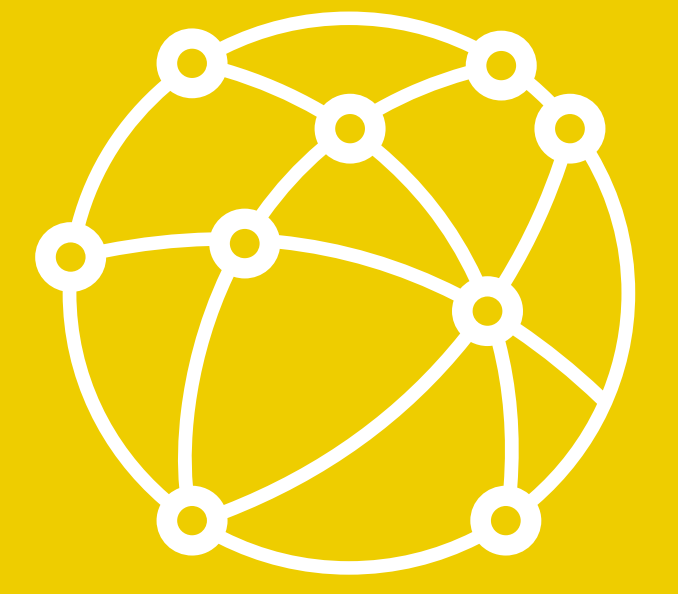


PICTURED ABOVE: Left: Surveying ship. Right: Mother ship  
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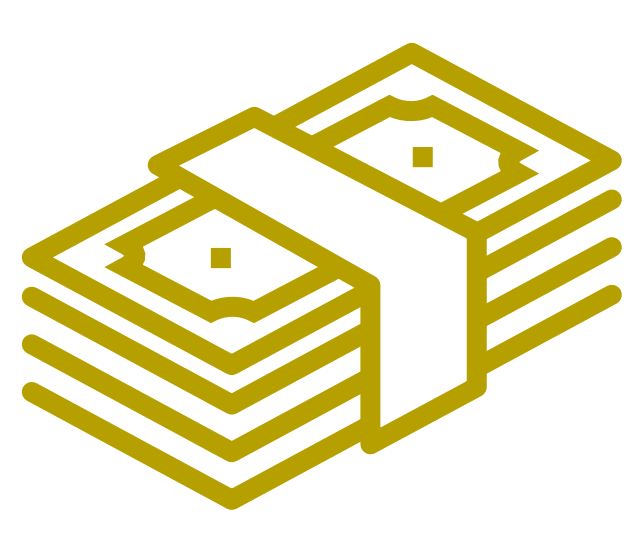
PICTURED BELOW: Departure ceremony at Marina Pier Singapore. © Malacca Strait Council (MSC)







# GNSS IMPLEMENTATION PLAN TRAINING IN ASEAN (GIPTA)



AMOUNT CONTRIBUTED

## USD 545,300

Japan seeks to promote ASEAN integration and narrow development gaps through greater connectivity.

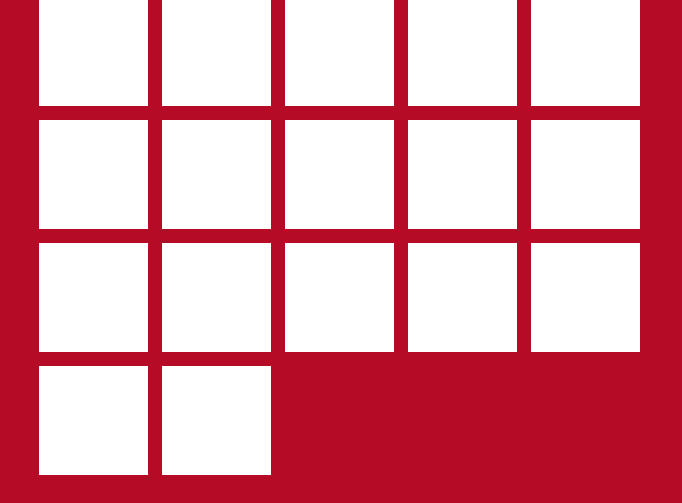
One of the activities of Connectivity is the Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) Implementation Plan Training in ASEAN (GIPTA). To fulfill this, in September and November 2022, the Japan Radio

Air Navigation Systems Association (JRANSA) and the Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines (CAAP) cohosted the Symposium and Training on GNSS Implementation for ASEAN. GIPTA aims for relevant ASEAN civil aviation personnel to obtain knowledge and skills to introduce GNSS in ASEAN Member States.

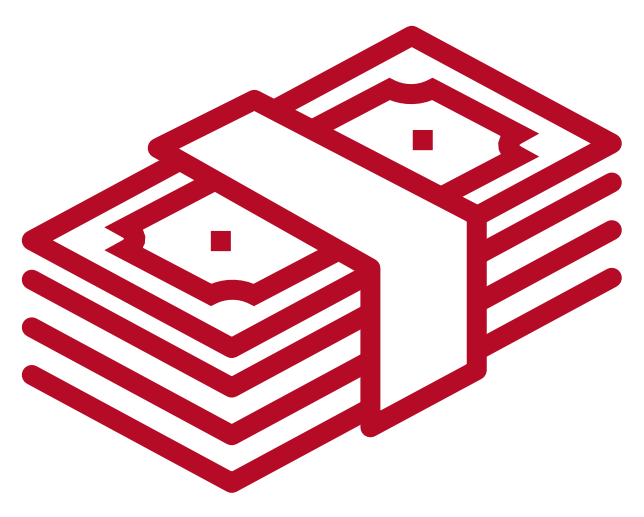
PICTURED BELOW: GNSS Implementation Plan Training in ASEAN. © *Kabar Media*







# ASEAN CENTRE FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCIES AND EMERGING DISEASES (ACPHEED)



AMOUNT CONTRIBUTED

**USD 1,238,516**



PICTURED ABOVE: Healthcare workers doing mass vaccination.  
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Japanese projects that underpin the Sustainable Development Goals seek to realise the pledge to “leave no one behind” in eradicating poverty and creating a more sustainable world.

The ASEAN Centre for Public Health Emergencies and Emerging Diseases (ACPHEED) is aimed to serve as a centre of excellence and a regional hub to strengthen ASEAN’s regional capabilities to prevent, detect, and respond to public health emergencies and emerging diseases.

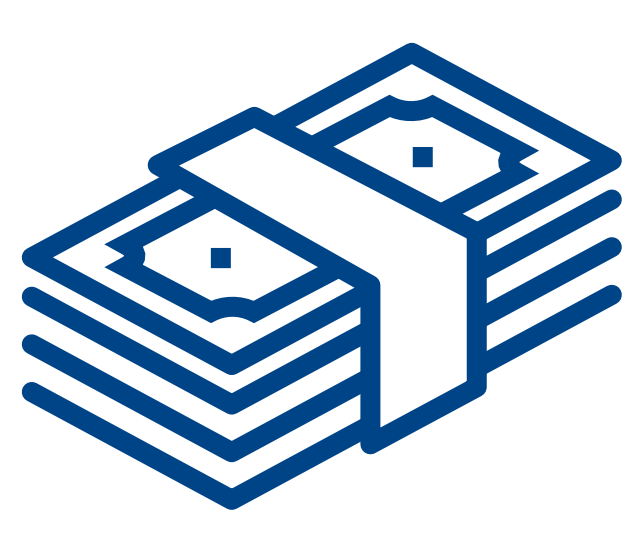
PICTURED BELOW: A man is getting injection from a healthcare worker. © Storyblocks







# ASEAN-JAPAN CYBERSECURITY CAPACITY BUILDING CENTRE (AJCCBC)



AMOUNT CONTRIBUTED

**USD 4,340,134**

Japan also assists ASEAN Member States (AMS) in other essential economic measures. Since cyberspace has a global reach beyond national borders, cooperation with countries is essential for establishing cybersecurity. In the ASEAN region, the ASEAN-Japan Cybersecurity Capacity Building Centre (AJCCBC) has been conducting cybersecurity training programmes for government agencies and critical infrastructure providers, and organising a competition for young engineers and students selected from ASEAN countries to compete in cyber attack response skills, which will help improve cybersecurity capabilities in the ASEAN region.



PICTURED ABOVE: AJCCBC training.

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PICTURED BELOW: AJCCBC technical training participants and trainers. © ASEAN-Japan Cybersecurity Capacity Building Centre (AJCCBC)







JENESYS (Japan-East Asia Network of Exchange for Students and Youths) is a series of succeeding programmes starting from 2007. It is an initiative by the Government of Japan to continuously promote people-to-people exchange between Japan and ASEAN Member States, and between Japan and other countries in the regions of the Asia-Pacific.

SINCE ITS INCEPTION,  
JENESYS HAS BENEFITTED

MORE THAN



36,000

YOUTHS

ACROSS THE ASEAN  
REGION & JAPAN

PICTURED ON THE RIGHT: The 2nd batch of high school students from Indonesia at Saitama Prefectural Ohmiya Senior High School. © JICE



PICTURED BELOW: JENESYS2019 participants from Cambodia. © JTB Corp.





# ATTACHMENT OFFICER PROGRAMME

Attachment Programmes bring officers from ASEAN countries to gain experience working in the ASEAN Secretariat.

As an enduring initiative since 1999, the Attachment Programme aims to support the vision of the Initiative for ASEAN Integration (IAI) to assist the CLMV countries to meet ASEAN-wide targets and commitments towards realising the goals of the ASEAN Community and thereby contributing to narrowing development gaps.



The programme helps the government officials to understand more about ASEAN affairs, especially the themes under their work purview and to link regional initiatives with national activities

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JEIF is one of the most important funds for ASEAN-Japan cooperation, particularly to the four CLMV countries

H.E. Ekkaphab Phanthavong  
Deputy Secretary-General of ASEAN for ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC)

