

Development of Capacity Building

Capacity building programs

Capacity building programs aim to improve the capabilities of recipient countries, and to help their military forces broaden the roles they can play in order to further contribute to international peace and regional stability.

Specific activities: ♦ Seminars and field training ♦ Opinion exchanges and provision of technical guidance ♦ Observation of education and training programs

Development and achievements to date

The JMOD/JSDF began to provide capacity building for military forces in the Indo-Pacific region in 2012. Since then, more than 700 JSDF personnel have deployed as trainers, and about 5,400 foreign personnel have received capacity building training.

Japan is also cooperating with partner countries, such as the U.S. and Australia — that possess diverse capabilities — to effectively implement capacity building programs.

Scope continues to grow

	FY 2012	Deepened and expanded →	FY 2021
Recipients	5 countries		15 countries + 1 organization
Projects	6		47



Capacity building activities

Humanitarian Assistance/ Disaster Relief (HA/DR)

HA/DR program with ASEAN member states (since 2018)



Promotes multinational cooperation in response to large-scale disasters through seminars, table top exercises, and observation of HA/DR drills.

Cyber Security

Cyber security project with Vietnam (2017, 2019, 2020)



Promotes the cyber security capability of Vietnam to effectively respond to cyber incidents through seminars and practical exercises.

Peacekeeping Operations

PKO (civil engineering) training project with Mongolia (2014-2019, 2021)



Enhances the Mongolian military's capacity in the field of road construction, an essential skill for future deployments to PKO missions

Maritime Security

Air rescue project with Sri Lanka (2019, 2020 and 2021)



Enhances the Sri Lankan Air Force's overwater air rescue capacity by providing technical advice and jointly drafting a search and rescue manual

Cooperation with Pacific Island Countries

Military band training project with Papua New Guinea (2015-2019, 2021)



Contributes to the success of the PNG Defence Force Military Band through technical guidance in the areas of musical performance and production

Joint activity with U.S., Australia in Timor-Leste

HA/DR (civil engineering) training project with Timor-Leste (since 2012)



Enhances Timorese forces' capacity by providing engineering training at the Australia-led *Hari'i Hamutuk*, while building ties with other partners (U.S., New Zealand)