

## Japan-Mongolia Environment Policy Dialogue

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The Ministry of the Environment will hold a "Japan-Mongolia Environment Policy Dialogue" on January 30 (Tuesday) to exchange information concerning the environment in Japan and Mongolia and to examine a direction for environmental cooperation between the two countries.

### 1. Background

In March 2006, Prime Minister Enkhbold of Mongolia visited Japan and had a summit meeting with then Prime Minister Koizumi. In the joint press statement that followed, the launch of the policy dialogue between the two countries was stated as an issue to be examined. In August the same year, then Prime Minister Koizumi visited Mongolia and made an announcement during the summit meeting with Prime Minister Enkhbold that he wanted to strengthen environmental cooperation with Mongolia.

Furthermore, on August 22, 2006, Vice-Minister for Global Environmental Affairs Kojima visited Mongolia and had a meeting with Minister of Nature and Environment Erdenebaatar. They agreed to hold Director-level Policy Dialogues on the Environment on a continual basis. As a result of this agreement, the MOE came to hold the " Japan-Mongolia Environment Policy Dialogue " at this time.

### 2. Overview of the Policy Dialogue

DATE: January 30 (Tuesday), 2007 AM9:30 ~ PM4:00

Venue: Room No. 1, Mita Conference Hall, Tokyo, Japan

Main Participants;

(Japan) Mr. Minamikawa, General Director of the Global Environment Bureau

Mr. Kometani, Director of the Environment Cooperation Office

(Mongolia) Mr. Enkhbat, Director of Sustainable Development and Strategic

Planning Department

Mr. Batsaikhan, Deputy Director of Environment and Nature Resources Department

Mr. Jigjid, Ambassador in Japan

Agenda ;

1. Environmental Policy and Problems in Japan and Mongolia.
2. Present Condition and Future Action of Environmental Cooperation between Japan and Mongolia.
3. Ripple Effects of Cooperation between Japan and Mongolia on Mongolian Environmental Policy
4. Others