

**MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION**  
**BETWEEN**  
**THE MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT OF JAPAN**  
**AND**  
**THE ENVIRONMENT AUTHORITY OF THE SULTANATE OF OMAN**  
**ON**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL COOPERATION**

The Ministry of the Environment of Japan and the Environment Authority of the Sultanate of Oman (hereinafter referred to as the “both Sides”);

RECOGNIZING the distinguished relations between Japan and the Sultanate of Oman;

DESIRING to promote and develop cooperation in the field of environment;

CONSIDERING common interest in promoting cooperation for sustainable development; and

REAFFIRMING the importance of the action towards the swift and successful implementation of multilateral environmental agreements including the Paris Agreement, and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs);

HAVE reached the following recognition:

**PARAGRAPH I**  
**OBJECTIVE**

The purpose of this Memorandum of Cooperation (hereinafter referred to as “MOC”) is to establish a framework of cooperation and to facilitate collaboration between both Sides on the basis of equality, reciprocity, and mutual benefit.

**PARAGRAPH II**  
**AREAS OF COOPERATION**

Both Sides may cooperate in the following areas:

- A. Climate change mitigation and adaptation
- B. Waste management
- C. Biodiversity conservation as Nature-based Solutions
- D. Environmental Monitoring

Other areas of cooperation may be carried out as decided by both Sides.

PARAGRAPH III  
FORMS OF COOPERATION

Cooperation may take in the forms of training courses, expert visits, scientific research, collaborative projects, and information exchange in the areas of cooperation referred to Paragraph II of this MOC.

An interactive discussion may be organized either in person or online to review the cooperation, and to discuss future activities.

An implementation program may be developed for each area of cooperation, and may be reviewed and discussed every two years by the focal points designated in paragraph V.

PARAGRAPH IV  
COSTS

Costs associated with the implementation of this MOC may be arranged separately.

PARAGRAPH V  
FOCAL POINT

To assure effective operation of activities under this MOC, both Sides designate the following Focal Point for all matters concerning the implementation of the MOC:

- a. For the Ministry of the Environment of Japan, the Focal Point will be the Office of Director for International Cooperation for Transition to Decarbonization and Sustainable Infrastructure, Global Environment Bureau.
- b. For the Environment Authority of the Sultanate of Oman, the focal point will be the International Cooperation Department.

PARAGRAPH VI  
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

Any intellectual property rights resulting from the operation of activities under this MOC will be exercised in line with the laws and regulations of their respective country and will be further elaborated in separate arrangements if necessary.

PARAGRAPH VII  
CONFIDENTIALITY

1. Each Side will observe the confidentiality and secrecy of documents, information and other data received from or supplied by the other Side during the period of the implementation of this MOC or any other arrangements made in line with this MOC.
2. This paragraph will not prejudice the prevailing laws and regulations of both Sides.
3. Neither Side will disclose confidential information received from the other Side under this MOC, without the prior written notice of the other Side.

PARAGRAPH VIII  
SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTE

Any disputes arising from or related to the implementation or interpretation of this MOC will be amicably settled by both Sides through consultation.

PARAGRAPH IX  
COMMENCEMENT, DURATION, MODIFICATION AND DISCONTINUATION

- This Memorandum will commence from the date of its signature by both Sides for a period of 5 years.
- It will be automatically extended for successive periods of five (5) years, unless either Side notifies the other Side in writing of its intention to discontinue this MOC at least three (3) months prior to the date of discontinuation.
- This MOC may be modified upon mutual consent in writing by both Sides.
- The discontinuation of the MOC will not affect any on-going activity and/or work program implemented under this MOC unless mutually determined by both Sides.

This MOC was signed in Muscat, Sultanate of Oman on May 13, 2025, in two originals in Japanese, Arabic and English languages, all text having equal value. In case of any discrepancy in interpretation of the text, the English text will prevail.

**For the Ministry of the  
Environment of Japan**

**For the Environment Authority  
Sultanate of Oman**

.....

MATSUZAWA Yutaka  
Vice-Minister for Global  
Environmental Affairs  
Ministry of the Environment of Japan

.....

Abdullah Bin Ali Al Amri  
Chairman  
Environment Authority  
Sultanate of Oman