

MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION
BETWEEN
THE MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT OF JAPAN
AND
THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE OF
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH
ON ENVIRONMENT

The Ministry of the Environment of Japan and the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change of The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh (hereinafter referred to individually as "Side" and collectively as "both Sides"),

DESIRING to strengthen the existing friendly relations between both Sides;

CONSIDERING their common interest in promoting cooperation for sustainable development;

NOTING the importance of conservation and improvement of the environment for present and future generations;

RECOGNIZING that the effective protection of the environment requires global cooperation, coordination and effort, and that those activities to protect the environment should be carried out at the regional, national and local levels;

PURSUANT to the laws and regulations in their respective countries;

HAVE reached the following recognitions:

PARAGRAPH I
OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this Memorandum of Cooperation (hereinafter referred to as "this MOC") is strengthening, facilitating and developing mutual cooperation in the field of environment, with reaffirming the importance of the actions towards the swift and successful implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

PARAGRAPH II
AREAS OF COOPERATION

Cooperative activity may be decided in mutually confirmed areas pertaining to environmental protection as listed below:

- Mitigation and adaptation to climate change;
- Pollution prevention and quality control;
- Waste management;
- Conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity; and
- Other areas related to environmental protection as mutually decided upon.

PARAGRAPH III

IMPLEMENTATION AND FORMS OF COOPERATION

Both sides will be encouraged and facilitate cooperation through appropriate forms, to the extent of resources prepared by both sides, including:

- Exchange of technical information and expertise through appropriate forms of meeting such as dialogue, training and capacity building;
- Collaborative activities such as research and feasibility studies; and
- Other forms of cooperation including seminars, workshops and meetings to be mutually decided upon.

PARAGRAPH IV

FOCAL POINT

To assure effective operation of activities under this MOC, both Sides will appoint Focal Point, which will act as a representative of each Side in all matters concerning this MOC. 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. For the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, the Focal Point will be the Additional Secretary (Environment).

PARAGRAPH V

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 documents if necessary.

PARAGRAPH VI

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 documents 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 VII
MODIFICATION**

This MOC may be reviewed or modified at any time through mutual written consent by both Sides.

**PARAGRAPH VIII
SETTLEMENT OF DIFFERENCE**

Any problem arising from the operation of activities under this MOC will be resolved amicably through consultation or negotiation between both Sides.

**PARAGRAPH IX
COMMENCEMENT, DURATION AND DISCONTINUATION**

1. The cooperation under this MOC will commence on the date of its signature.
2. The cooperation under this MOC will continue for a period of 6 (six) years and may be extended by mutual written consent of both Sides or discontinued at any time by either Side by giving written notification at least 6 (six) months prior to the date of the intended discontinuation.
3. The discontinuation of the cooperation under this MOC will not affect the duration of any on-going project or activity until the completion of such project or activity, unless both Sides decide otherwise. The foregoing represents the recognition reached between both Sides on the matter referred to in this MOC.

This MOC was signed in two originals in English at Tokyo on 6 February, 2026 as a non-legally binding document.

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