City-to-City Collaboration Programme for Low-Carbon Society 2017

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The accelerated growth of population and urbanization in Asia is causing problems of road traffic, solid waste management and air and water pollution. Torrential rains, flooding, landslides and droughts are intensifying and all of them are considered as a result of climate change. Cities are the source of more than 70% of global CO₂ emissions, and furthermore, Asia is expected to be responsible for the half of global CO₂ emissions by 2050. Many Asian cities are also vulnerable to climate change. Therefore, the development of sustainable and low-carbon Asian cities is a crucial and urgent global challenge.

Under the above circumstances, the Ministry of the Environment, Japan (MOEJ) launched the “City-to-City Collaboration Programme for Low Carbon Society” in 2013. The programme supports the low-carbon city development in developing countries by transferring the knowledge and experiences of Japanese cities through city-to-city collaboration and identifying leading low-carbon technologies that can be introduced to the counterpart city with MOEJ’s financing programme (see page 9) for the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM). The programme also offers the opportunities of capacity building for city government officials through the partnership building, project development and workshops/seminars.

Since cities are home to various types of infrastructure, technology, products and systems, low-carbon city development can bring benefits not only for climate change mitigation but also the improvement of living quality by ameliorating urban environments and services.

**Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM)**

Joint Crediting Mechanism, JCM, is a means to facilitate the diffusion of leading low-carbon technologies, products, systems, services and infrastructure as well as the implementation of mitigation actions in developing countries of the JCM partners. The GHG emission reductions or removals produced by the JCM project is evaluated in a quantitative manner and used to achieve emission reduction targets towards the ultimate objective of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

**List of City-to-City Collaboration Programme for Low Carbon Society in FY2017**

**Fukushima – Ayeyarwady, Myanmar**

**01** Study on Feasibility of Solar Power Generation System and Solar Powered Low-carbon Water Treatment System, and Promotion of Activities in Ayeyarwady Region

Implementation Body: Mitsubishi Research Institute, Inc.

**Fukushima – Ayeyarwady and Sagaing, Myanmar**

**02** Study on Feasibility of a Low-carbon Waste Treatment System and Micro-grid System and Promotion of Activities under Inter-regional Collaboration in Ayeyarwady Region and Sagaing Region.

Implementation Body: Mitsubishi Research Institute, Inc.

**Kanagawa – Phnom Penh, Cambodia**

**03** Methane Fermentation and Power Generation Project of Organic Waste Discharged from Markets

Implementation Body: Kojimagumi Co., Ltd.
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Under the "Partnership for Low-Carbon Initiative in Ayeyarwady" with Fukushima City, the applicability of solar power generation system and solar powered decentralized water treatment system to new industrial parks is studied. The study also suggests to support local efforts on creating regional water treatment system through capacity building and planning support for the project implementation.

Project Outline
- Local needs survey
- Information sharing on Japanese experiences, know-how and technologies for utilization
- Feasibility study of rice husk power generation project
- Estimation of GHG emission reduction potential
- Consideration of project and policy proposal
- Policy dialogue and workshop

02 Study on Feasibility of a Low-carbon Waste Treatment System and Micro-grid System and Promotion of Activities under Inter-regional Collaboration in Ayeyarwady Region and Sagaing Region.

Under the inter-regional collaboration between Ayeyarwady region and Sagaing region and the collaboration with Fukushima City, the feasibility studies on a low-carbon waste treatment system (e.g. power plant projects using fuels such as rice husks) and a micro grid system are conducted. The study also facilitates local efforts on creating regional waste treatment system and local distributed self-reliance power system through capacity building and planning support for the project implementation.

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03 Methane Fermentation and Power Generation Project of Organic Waste Discharged from Markets

Most landfill waste in Phnom Penh are composed of organic wastes such as trash papers and agricultural residues. The feasibility study on co-generation business through dry methane (CH4) fermentation is conducted to optimize the waste treatment system in Phnom Penh. Generated renewable energy is used for electricity sales and heat supply for surrounding facilities. The project aims to reduce GHG emissions significantly from disposal site.

Project Outline
- Improvement of air and water quality by reducing the amount of organic-waste to be landfilled
- Reduction of CH4 emission by recycling organic waste
- Generation of clean energy
04 Project for Low Carbonization of Waste Management

Yagon signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Kawasaki in March 2016 to promote the city-to-city collaboration and create low carbon society. In this project, the optimization of garbage collection route is considered by measuring the amount of garbage in garbage bins and containers with the real-time sensors. The collected garbage is efficiently transformed into fuels for energy generation at a recycle facility.

Project Outline
- Transformation of garbage into feeds, fertilizer, fuel, etc., through fermentation and drying process with indigenous microbes
- Optimization of garbage collection route in Yangon with Internet of Things (IoT) technologies

05 Project for Introduction of High-efficiency Pumps into Existing Pumping Station

Yagon signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Kawasaki in March 2016 to promote the city-to-city collaboration and create low carbon society. As a pilot project of the low carbon action plan, high-efficiency pumps are planned to be installed into the existing pumping stations. This project contributes to GHG emission reduction and efficient management of supply in Yangon.

Project Outline
- To install new high efficiency pumps as replacement of existing aged pumps
- To save electricity consumption (more than 20%) compared to existing condition
- To contribute to stable water supply in Yangon city

06 Waste to Energy Plant Project for Yangon City in Myanmar

Yagon signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Kawasaki in March 2016 to promote the city-to-city collaboration and create low carbon society. This project aims to realize sustainable society by introducing a large-scale waste-to-energy power plant developed in Japan. This technology contributes not only to reduce GHG emissions but also to overcome the electric power shortage in Yangon.

Project Outline
- Research for social and economic situations
- Research for legal systems
- Planning of large scale of waste-to-energy power plant
- Feasibility evaluation
- Planning of business scheme

First Waste to Energy Plant in Myanmar constructed by JFE Engineering Corporation
07 Promotion on Green Innovation through City-to-City Collaboration

The project formulation study is conducted to examine the possibility of installing energy efficiency technologies in office buildings / factories in Jakarta. The study aims not only to diffuse advanced low-carbon technologies but also to develop mid- and long-term city-to-city collaboration relationship between Jakarta and Kawasaki through sharing knowledge and know-how between them.

Kawasaki City

Special Capital Region of Jakarta (DKI-Jakarta)

Kawasaki City

Support Center

city-to-city collaboration

Establishment of Kawasaki Green Innovation Cluster

Solar power generation system on port facility

LED lighting

Kawasaki City

LED lights

Solar power generation system on port facility

08 Feasibility Study for Assisting Ports in Thailand to Reduce CO2 Emission and to Become “Smart Ports”

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Yokohama Port Corporation

Solar power generation system on port facility

LED Lighting

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10 Project toward Compact City Transportation System in Semarang, Indonesia

This study aims to formulate a project to build a low-carbon transportation system in Semarang by applying knowledge and experiences of Toyama City on the “Compact City Public Transportation System”. The study also supports the revision of Semarang’s Regional Transportation Plan toward the future vision to introduce the Light Rail Transit (LRT) based on the knowledge and experiences of Toyama City.

Project Outline
- Improvement of operation efficiency of existing Bus Rapid Transit (BRT).
  - Promoting modal shift from private vehicles and motorcycles.
  - [Operation Improvement plan]
    - Introduction of IC cards
    - Separation and remodeling of doors for entrance and exit
    - Bus location system
    - Introduction of information provision service

- Conversion of existing diesel BRT to compressed natural gas (CNG) bus
  - Remodeling existing BRT (diesel fuel) to CNG bus to reduce GHG emissions by fuel conversion.
  - [Accompanied plan]
    - Construction of CNG stations

11 Project toward Resilient City by Solution-oriented Low Carbon Technologies Regarding Disaster Reduction, Environment and Energy Saving in Semarang, Indonesia

The study aims to formulate a project to introduce a combined renewable energy system consisting of micro hydro power (MHP)/biomass/solar power generation to the Depongoro University together with the human resource development to overcome urban vulnerability. The knowledge of Toyama City, as the Environmental Future City, is shared with Semarang under the City-to-City Collaboration and as members of 100 Resilient Cities. The project team also conducts the feasibility study of energy-saving solutions in the industrial sector.

Project Outline
- Installation of MHP generator with the water flow management technologies with PV power generators
- Installation of biomass power generator with waste management
- Feasibility study for energy efficiency in the industrial sector

12 Support for Low Carbon Promoting Projects through City-to-City Collaboration between Osaka and Ho Chi Minh (Promoting Energy Saving Technologies)

Support for the implementation of Ho Chi Minh’s Climate Change Action Plan is being provided through the City-to-City Collaboration between Osaka and Ho Chi Minh. As part of the action plan, feasibility studies are being conducted for the introduction of low-carbon technology such as heat exchangers and once-through boilers.

Project Outline
- Factory energy auditing
- Introduction of heat exchanger and boiler
- Realization of low-carbon society
13 Support for Low Carbon Promoting Projects through City-to-City Collaboration between Osaka City and Quezon City

Through the City-to-City Collaboration between Osaka and Quezon, a feasibility study on solar power generation and energy saving in factories is being conducted and a JCM manual for facilitating future projects is being developed.

Project Outline
- Introduction of solar power generation
- Factory energy auditing
- Introduction of heat exchanger and boiler

14 Project to Realize Low Carbonization in Phnom Penh Capital City, through Introduction of Saving Energy Technologies and Renewable Energies

Under the framework of the sister city agreement between Kitakyushu and Phnom Penh, this project aims to low-carbonize Phnom Penh through making a proposal that meets the demand of a company for cutting energy-cost and creating an ESCO type business model, which combines financial service and reduces the cost burden of customers.

Project Outline
- Customized proposal for large enterprises which have needs for energy cost reduction
- Proposal of Energy Service Company (ESCO) type business model packaged with financial services

15 Project to Realize Low Carbonization in Mandalay Region, through Introduction of Saving Energy Technologies and Renewable Energies

Under the cooperative relationship between Mandalay and Kitakyushu, the feasibility studies (FS) are conducted for 1) the introduction of biomass power generation using agricultural waste, livestock excreta, etc. and 2) the introduction of energy saving (ES) and renewable energy (RE) technologies such as PV to large-scale hotels, commercial facilities, etc. Significant GHG emissions reduction is expected though promoting the introduction of ES and RE technologies in Mandalay.

Project Outline
- FS for biomass power generation utilizing agricultural waste
- FS for biogas power generation utilizing livestock excreta
- FS for ES and RE technologies at large-scale facilities
- FS for distributed energy system using RE
- Research of local needs related to low carbonization and environmental conservation other than energy sector

This study is implemented with the purpose of improving the waste management system in Chiang Mai province through (1) the promotion of 3Rs activities and (2) appropriate waste processing and disposal by accelerating proper infrastructure development. City of Kitakyushu introduces their experience and know-how in waste management to local authorities in the province, and conducts the feasibility study on the projects of Waste to Energy plant (WTE) and Biogas Digester with Japanese companies.

**Project Outline**

- Promotion of WTE and biogas collection and utilization unit to be introduced in the province
- WTE plant for waste management centres in large scale, such as a plant with capacity of 500 tons/day combustion + BMW power generation for the landfill located in the southern part of the province
- Biogas plant for waste management centre in small size

![Image of High Efficiency Chiller Installation](Image 25x39 to 234x136)

**Project Outline**

- Survey (direct consultation, technical study, economic evaluation, evaluation of the CO2 emission reduction, etc.)
- Coordinate with related organizations aim to the project realization
- Prepare for application of the equipment subsidy, if necessary
- Set, prepare, participate in, manage conferences

**City of Kitakyushu**

- Manage the entire project based on the inter-city cooperation
- Coordinate, discuss and approach with Government organizations

**Chiang Mai Province**

- City of Kitakyushu
- NTT Data Institute of Management Consulting, Inc.

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17 Project to Realize and Expand Low Carbonization Model Projects in Ecological Industrial Town by Using JCM in Chiang Mai Province (Kitakyushu- Chiang Mai Cooperation Project)

Under the cooperation among Kitakyushu, Chiang Mai Province, the Department of Industrial Work (DIW) and the Industrial Estate Authority of Thailand (IEAT), this project aims to reduce large amount of GHG emissions from industrial parks and commercial facilities in Chiang Mai Province through promoting energy saving and the introduction of renewable energy.

**Project Outline**

- Lateral development of waste heat recovery power generation project
- Discovering opportunities for applying low-carbon technologies by equipment renewal or introduction of new facilities

**City of Kitakyushu**

- Chiller manufacturer
- Engineering company

**Chiang Mai Province**

- IEAT
- DIW

**NTT Data Institute of Management Consulting, Inc.**

- Cooperation (technical, as needed)

18 Project to Accelerate Low Carbonization in Hai Phong City (Kitakyushu-Hai Phong Cooperation Project)

Under the cooperative relationship between Hai Phong and Kitakyushu, the feasibility studies are conducted for the following projects: 1) Waste power generation business with the mixed combustion of municipal waste and industrial waste, 2) Project for large CO2 emission reduction such as waste heat recovery power generation at a cement factory, and 3) Low carbonization project combined with funding mechanism in a remote island.

**Project Outline**

- Waste power generation business with mixed waste of municipal waste and industrial waste discharged from industrial zones
- Project for large CO2 emission reduction such as waste heat recovery power generation at a cement factory
- Low carbonization project combined with funding mechanism in a remote island
A JCM Model Project formulated in the framework of City-to-City Collaboration Programme

What is “JCM Model Projects”?
The “JCM Model Projects” is a financing programme to financially support the implementation of projects which reduce CO₂ emissions by introducing leading low-carbon technologies and evaluate Japan’s contribution to the emission reductions or removals with appropriate MRV methodologies. This acquired JCM credits are used for achieving Japan’s GHG emissions reduction target. The approved projects can receive financial support for installing low-carbon facilities, equipment and services.

Result of the City-to-City Collaboration Programme
Based on the MOU for the technical cooperation between Yokohama and Da Nang, the followings were implemented with the support from Department of Planning and Investment (DPI): inspection of the current operation status of existing pumps in DAWACO; identification of high efficiency pumps based on the system requirement and its estimated CO₂ emission reductions; and clarification of the processes including tender for procuring new equipment.

Outline of GHG Mitigation Activity
This project aims to achieve energy efficiency and GHG emission reductions by renovating the existing water pumps in Ca Do Water Treatment Plant with highly efficient ones.

Expected GHG Emission Reductions: 1,145 tCO₂/year
The above figure is calculated conservatively with consideration of power consumption differences between existing and new pumps.

Project Implementer
Japan: Yokohama Water Co., Ltd
Viet Nam: Danang Water Supply Company (DAWACO)

Knowledge Exchange and Dissemination of the Programme
MOEJ provides learning opportunities for cities and other stakeholders participating in the City-to-City Collaboration Programme through workshops and seminars held in Japan. Those were held in Kitakyushu (October 2016) and Tokyo (January 2017) and participants from 18 cities of 8 countries learned the whole picture of the JCM, progress made by other participating cities and Japanese low-carbon technology by making site visits. Participants from Asian cities also visited their Japanese partner cities to strengthen the linkages between them by having meetings with local stakeholders. The progress and outcomes of the Programme are shared with a wider audience on such occasions as side-events at the UNFCCC-COP and seminars in Japan.
Results of the City-to-City Collaboration Programme

Phnom Penh City Climate Change Strategic Action Plan (PPCCSAP)

Project Overview
Cambodia has been identified as a country which will be strongly affected by climate change. The Cambodian government launched the Cambodia Climate Change Strategic Plan 2014-2023 and action plans of each department (2015-2018). However, specific measures were not implemented and specific projects for the reduction of GHG were needed. Therefore, on the basis of the sister city agreement concluded in March 2016 between the City of Kitakyushu and Phnom Penh City, the project team supported the development of PPCCSAP for 6 sectors of waste, energy, transportation, waterworks/sewage, environmental conservation and green production.

Results of the Project
Holding individual meetings and workshops with related administrative bodies, private sectors and universities, stakeholders could understand the current status, challenges, visions and directions of policies of the 6 sectors. The project team proposed specific action plans and pilot projects (PP) in each sector, and currently, the project team works for the implementation of PP. The projects included in the PPCCSAP are expected to be implemented by many of doners in and out of Cambodia.

Guidebook “Creating Sustainable Low-Carbon Cities through City-to-City Collaboration”
MOEJ published the guidebook entitled “Creating Sustainable Low-Carbon Cities through City-to-City Collaboration” to promote the City-to-City Collaboration programme to city officials and private companies interested in the programme.

Relevant Website
The Joint Crediting Mechanism
https://www.jcm.go.jp/
This official platform provides essential information and updates for the JCM to the public.

Web Portal for Low Carbon Development in Asia
This portal provides consolidated information regarding international negotiations and related policy trends, policies, and support systems for those who are interested in achieving low-carbon development in Asia.

Carbon Markets Express
https://www.carbon-markets.go.jp/eng/
This website will introduce JCM and carbon markets in the world, based on the information released by the government of Japan.
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