# The Strategy, Activities and Opportunities of Japan International Cooperation Agency

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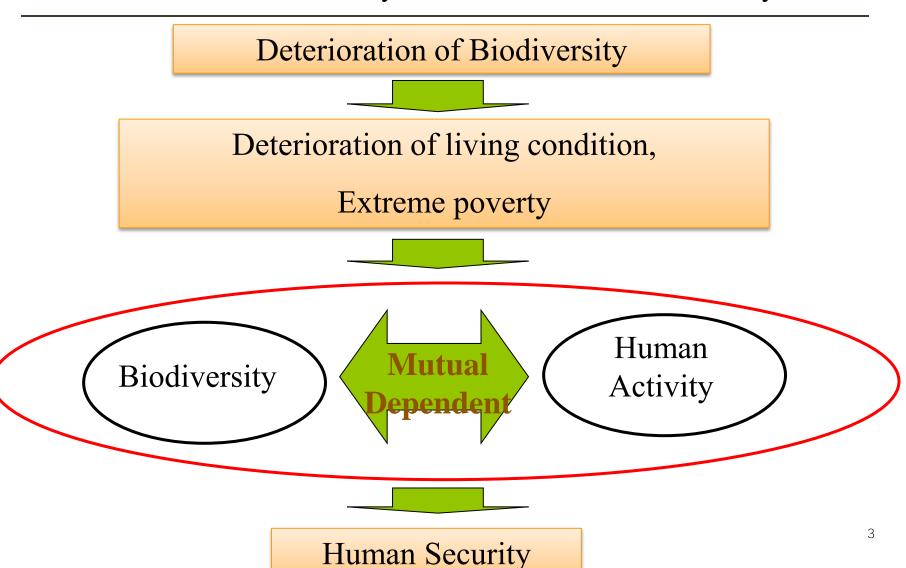
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# Biodiversity Conservation as a part of inclusive development for human security

- □ Target:
  - Achieving poverty alleviation
- □ Scopes:
  - Promotion of biodiversity conservation and the sustainable use of its components
  - Generation of co-benefits for biodiversity conservation and climate change
  - Consideration of biodiversity into SEA, EIA

#### Biodiversity for Human Security



# Capacity Development for Biodiversity Conservation

- Capacity Development is a principal approach for development assistance
- Range of CD in BC
  - Government Policy formulation
  - Administration Rule and enforcement, statistics,
  - Communities Norms, ITK, livelihoods
  - Private Company CSR, BOP promotion
  - School Environmental education

#### CD for PA

- □ Issues of CD on PA Management
  - Law enforcement
  - Tenure system / Rights of resource use
  - Community participation
  - Awareness raising
  - Skill, knowledge, attitude of park rangers
  - Baseline information / Monitoring system
  - Financial mechanism

### Initiating tools for PA Management

## **State policy initiated**



Biodiversity loss leads to economic downturn to the state. Put priority on the Biodiversity Conservation

## International mechanism initiated



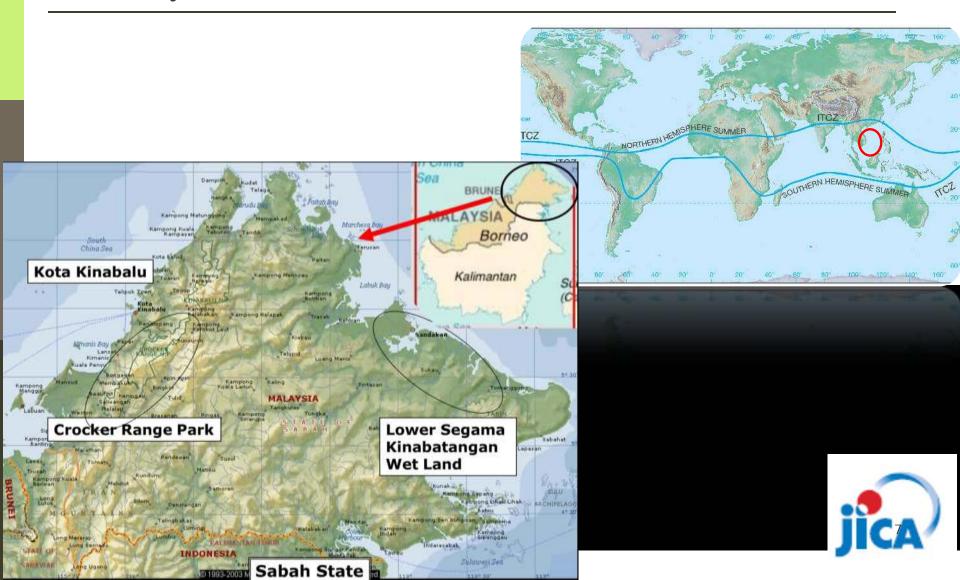
Forest degradation has been serious matter in Lao and the international mechanism (REDD+) is a promised framework.

## **Endangered species initiated**



Crested Ibis is an endangered species and need to reintroduce to the wild, manage habitat of them

## Malaysia



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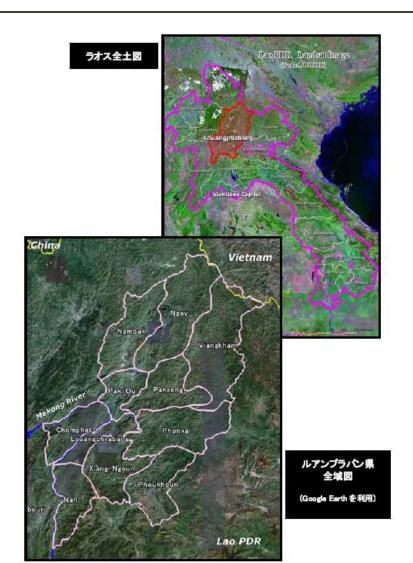


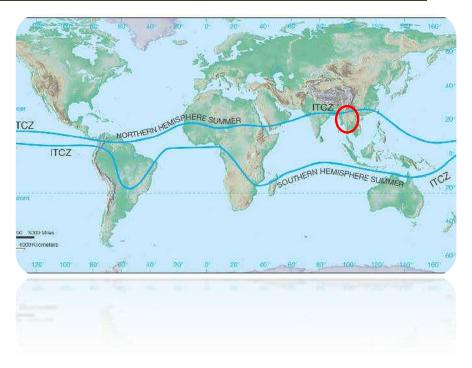
- Rapid forest degradation until late 1990s.
- Biodiversity loss leads to economic opportunities, ex. tourism, disaster prevention.

#### Capacity Development

- Establishment of Sabah Biodiversity Centre
- Application of international framework such as Ramsar Convention, Man and Biosphere program, Satoyama Initiatives
- Bridging research and education; National park management and public awareness.

### Lao PDR







#### Lao PDR





#### Background

- Forest coverage decrease from 70% to 40%.
- Forest Strategy 2020 of LAO PDR aiming at forest coverage recovery.
- REDD+ as a promising tool to mitigate deforestation.
- Capacity Development
  - Policy level support.
  - Forest information management, especially for REDD+ implementation, ex. MRV.
  - Alternative livelihoods development for local communities relying on shifting cultivation farming system.

### China

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河南省羅山県









#### Background

China

- Crested Ibis is an endangered species. They were inhabited in China, Korea, Russia and Japan.
- Balance habitat area conservation and rapid domestic development.

#### Capacity Development

- Technical support for Crested Ibis monitoring.
- Local livelihood improvement; Introduction of alternative livelihood, ex. Organic tea planting.
- Awareness raising through environmental education and ecotourism.

#### Opportunities

- CD carried by Technical Cooperation
- □ Implementation of PA management supported by Financial Assistance

#### In addition

- □ Volunteer Program:
  - To work closely with local counterparts and communities
  - To promote various environmental activities, such as environmental education, forestry, botany and zoology.



Present: 74 countries, 2,406 persons under operation

#### Environmental Education

- Environmental education as an emerging field of Volunteer Program
- □ Increasing the number of qualified candidates
  - High intension to environment and nature
  - 3R movement (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle)

Various learning opportunities by NGOs, civil societies and

private companies

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### Your Proposals Invited

- Environment Education for PA
  - Gain an understanding of PA
  - Change the value of society
  - Promote mutual learning between us
- Possible Position
  - Local Government
  - School
  - National Park
  - 88 volunteers now working on Environmental Education