

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

1. Technical Assistance

A. Promoting International Cooperation

The Japanese police system along with its self-developed methods and techniques are of great interest to nations around the world. We frequently receive requests for technical cooperation, primarily from developing countries.

The main purpose of the Japanese police's international cooperation is to support improvement of its partner countries' capacities to fight against crime and terrorism.

Japanese police will continue to actively promote further international cooperation.

B. Training Programs on Police Activities

Japanese police promote technical cooperation by providing various training opportunities for police officers from developing countries. The training programs including Organization Management for Senior Police Officers and Community Policing are implemented in coordination with the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), or independently by the Japanese police.

JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Programs (Group & Region Focus)

Program	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020	
	No. of participants	No. of countries	No. of participants	No. of countries	No. of participants	No. of countries	No. of participants	No. of countries	No. of participants	No. of countries
Organization Management for Senior Police Officers	11	11	13	13	11	11	14	14		
Community Policing	9	8	14	14	14	14	15	15		
Control of Drug Offenses	19	12	22	17	25	25	22	20		
Counter International Terrorism	24	18	22	20	20	18	21	19		
Traffic Police Administration	11	11			10	10				
Countermeasures against Cybercrime	15	14	13	10	17	15	23	20	13	13
International Crime Investigation	9	9	10	10	10	10	9	9	10	8
Criminal Identification					10	8	10	8		

C. Dispatch of Experts



In 2020, a total of 2 long-term experts and 1 short-term expert from the Japanese police were sent to Indonesia to support improvement of the Indonesian police's capacities to fight against crime by sharing techniques and know-how, and by introducing the Koban system.

The Japanese police experts were also sent to Timor-Leste in 2011 and from 2013 to 2016 to provide advice and guidance on community policing.

From 2011 to 2014, judo instructors from the Japanese police were sent to Turkey to train the Afghan police officers in a program hosted by the Turkish police. In 2015, short-term experts from the Japanese police were sent to Turkey to support training for young Afghanistan female police officers.



Assistance in reform of the Indonesian National Police

The Indonesian police were separated from the country's military in 2000. In response to a request from the Indonesian government for assistance to promote democratization of the Indonesian National Police (INP), the Japanese police have worked in collaboration with JICA to provide technical assistance, such as dispatch of Japanese experts to Indonesia and acceptance of Indonesian trainees to Japan.

Consequent to the assistance activities of the Japanese police, the INP has developed the capacity to conduct community policing training independently in some regions. Furthermore, the Japanese police have assisted the INP in establishing a nationwide self-sustaining system to implement community policing.



D. Contributions of the Japan Disaster Relief Team (JDR)

The Japanese police send out its officials to foreign countries in times of large-scale disasters as members of the JDR team. Since 1987, Japanese police officials have joined the JDR team on 16 occasions for rescue operations, and three times as members of the search support experts team or forensic experts team. Most recently in February 2018, the Japanese police sent out 2 officials to an earthquake-struck area of Taiwan.

International Disaster Relief Activities by the Japanese Police			
Month & Year	Country/Region	Disaster	Dispatched
June 1990	Iran	Earthquake	6 persons
July 1990	Philippines	Earthquake	11 persons
December 1993	Malaysia	Building collapse	11persons
October 1996	Egypt	Building collapse	9 persons
January 1999	Colombia	Earthquake	15 persons
September 1999	Taiwan	Earthquake	45 persons
May 2003	Algeria	Earthquake	19 persons
February 2004	Morocco	Earthquake	7 persons
December 2004	Thailand	Tsunami	20 persons
October 2005	Pakistan	Earthquake	15 persons
May 2008	China	Earthquake	20 persons
October 2009	Indonesia	Earthquake	21 persons
February 2011	New Zealand	Earthquake	43 persons
April 2015	Nepal	Earthquake	23 persons
September 2017	Mexico	Earthquake	23 persons
February 2018	Taiwan	Earthquake	2 persons