


বিষয়ঃ Notice Regarding the Course “Climate Change Policy Program” under the JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Program (KCCP) for Long Term Participants (Master’s and Ph.D. P programs)”- JICA Development Studies Program (JICA-DSP).

সূত্র: Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) এর ৩০ মার্চ ২০২৬ তারিখের JICA-TE-57/2026 সংখ্যক পত্র।

উপর্যুক্ত বিষয় ও সূত্রের পরিপ্রেক্ষিতে Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) হতে প্রাপ্ত পত্র এসাথে প্রেরণ করা হলো। Knowledge Co-Creation Program (KCCP) and JICA Development Studies Program (JICA-DSP) এর আওতায় Climate Change Policy Program (JFY-2027) এর Master’s এবং Ph.D. এর Scholarship এ পরিবেশ অধিদপ্তরের কর্মকর্তাগণের অংশগ্রহণের সুযোগ রয়েছে।

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Agargaon, Dhaka

Subject: Notice Regarding the Course “Climate Change Policy Program” under the JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Program (KCCP) for Long Term Participants (Master’s and Ph.D. programs)”- JICA Development Studies Program (JICA – DSP)

Dear Sir,

We are pleased to announce that JICA offers competitive Master’s and Ph.D. Scholarships on Climate Change policy Program (JFY-2027) under the KCCP and JICA-DSP, which is offered for international scholars accepted as the participants of JICA’s Human Resources Development Project and enrolled in a degree program at a Japanese University. The objective of the course is to develop core human resources in the field of climate change countermeasures, enabling parties of UNFCC to appropriately plan and implement policies in line with the Paris agreement, as well as to establish and maintain mid and long-term amicable relationships between target countries and Japan.

This competitive course offers only 2 seats among 11 target countries, including Bangladesh. Participants will be selected through an evaluation process which doesn’t guarantee any seat for a particular country. This Program will provide special curricula on Japanese Developmental Experience (JICA-DSP) and internships, if necessary, in addition to obtaining a Master’s or Ph.D degree.

Taking the opportunity, we request you to inform the relevant government agencies to consider applying for the study programs in line with the attached General Information and to **send us the nomination by 30th April 2026 through ERD.** Participants are expected to contribute to policy formulation or its implementation to address sustainable developmental issues in respective fields.

For any queries related to this course, please communicate with Mr. Anisuzzaman Chowdhury, Senior Program Manager through the following contact details: email: mdanisuzzaman.bd@jica.go.jp, Mobile; 01713-042176.

Your cooperation in this long-term course is highly appreciated.

Sincerely Yours,

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SHOJI Izumi
Senior Representative
JICA Bangladesh office

For necessary action: (Not according to Seniority)

- Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- Member, General Economics Division, Planning Commission
- Director General, Department of Environment

Attachment:

- General Information on the Program

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Japan International Cooperation Agency

March 12, 2026

JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Program for Long Term Participants (JICA Development Studies Program)

General Information on Climate Change Policy Program JFY2027

長期研修
「気候変動対策中核人材育成プログラム」

This handout provides an overview of the “Climate Change Policy Program”, which is one of Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)’s Knowledge Co-Creation Program (Long-Term). The program will be implemented as part of the Official Development Assistance of the Government of Japan based on bilateral agreement between respective governments.

The objective of the Knowledge Co-Creation Program (Long-Term) is to offer opportunities to people from developing countries to study at higher educational institutions in Japan and to help them build their network of people. This is intended to assist in the human resource development plans of the governments of developing countries and Japan, and eventually to expand and strengthen bilateral ties between the developing countries and Japan.



0. Background

What is JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Program (KCCP)

The Japanese Cabinet revised the Development Cooperation Charter in June 2023, which stated, "In its development cooperation, Japan has maintained the spirit of jointly creating things that suit partner countries while respecting ownership, intentions and intrinsic characteristics of the country concerned based on a field-oriented approach through dialogue and collaboration. It has also maintained the approach of building reciprocal relationships with developing countries in which both sides learn from each other and grow and develop together." JICA believes that this 'Knowledge Co-Creation Program' will serve as a foundation of mutual learning process.

What is JICA Development Studies Program (JICA-DSP)

Japan is the very first country and still is one of the very few countries that has modernized from a non-Western background to establish a free, democratic, prosperous, and peace-loving nation based on the rule of law, without losing much of its tradition and identity. With such belief, JICA invites future leaders from partner countries to Japan under KCCP, and offers them opportunity to learn about Japan's unique modernization and development experiences. This special program is called, JICA Development Studies Program (JICA-DSP).

JICA-DSP is provided to all participants of KCCP during their stay in Japan. JICA will offer participants various opportunities through which they can learn about Japan's modernization and development experiences.

<https://www.jica.go.jp/english/activities/schemes/dsp-chair/index.html>



1. Overview

Until now, JICA has provided training programs as a part of technical cooperation in various fields. In order to strengthen networks between the target countries in respective fields, JICA established a long-term training program to foster young/middle-aged bureaucrats, academicians and leading human resources in various fields of target countries who are capable of influencing policy making processes in their countries or contributing to socioeconomic development in the near future.

The program/course, “Climate Change Policy Program,” was established in JFY 2022 under the framework of JICA Development Studies Program (JICA-DSP) for the purpose of promoting the cooperation of sustainable development in the world.

The Paris Agreement, adopted in 2015, stipulates that all parties, including developing countries, shall develop Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) and gradually increase their NDC targets while implementing climate change measures (Article 4). All parties are also recommended to develop and notify a long-term strategy for low greenhouse gas (GHG) emission development (long-term low emission development strategy/long-term strategy) (Article 4).

On the other hand, in terms of adaptation to the effects of climate change, it stipulates the preparation and implementation of a National Adaptation Plan (NAP) (Article 7), as well as the preparation and updating of a national GHG inventory and the submission of a biennial transparency report describing the implementation and achievement of NDCs (Article 13).

Thus, it is important that the parties to the UNFCCC have sufficient resources, technology, and capacity to properly plan and implement the items stipulated in the Paris Agreement. This training program will focus on human resources development for the formulation and implementation of various policies, institutions, and plans in response to the Paris Agreement.

The program/course will offer participants with special curriculums on Japanese developmental experience (JICA-DSP) and internships, if necessary, in addition to obtaining a Master’s or PhD. degree.

2. Objectives

- (1) To develop core human resources in the field of climate change countermeasures in order for parties to the UNFCCC to appropriately plan and implement policies in line with the Paris Agreement.



- (2) To establish and maintain mid and long-term amicable relationships between target countries and Japan.

3. Course Outline

The course consists of the acceptance of scholars from 7 countries from Southeast Asia, 1 country from South Asia, 2 countries from the Pacific, 1 country from South America.

JFY 2027	Thailand, Malaysia, Philippines, Indonesia, Vietnam, Bangladesh, Cambodia, Laos, Fiji, Palau, Brazil
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This handout provides information related to long-term courses including master's degree courses, Ph.D. courses, and combined master's and Ph.D. courses. Candidate applicants may select the university, to which they wishes to apply, from the universities which have concluded an agreement on accepting JICA participants on the condition that the candidate passes the entrance examination of the selected university.

For reference, the recipient universities for the past applicants in this program include:

- Tsukuba university
- Nagoya university
- Hiroshima university
- Kyushu university

Since the universities that candidate applicants may select are not limited to the four listed above, they are first required to indicate in the application form the Japanese university they wish to attend and the name of the desired course in the application form.

After the submission of the application form, JICA will make screening and conduct a matching process with the candidate's preferred university/course. Depending on the result of the matching process, JICA may propose an alternative option.

Proposed research topics should consist of subjects that contribute to government policies on climate change counter measures (Examples: Administration/public policy, finance, public finance management, international politics/diplomacy, regional research, business, international trade/investment, disaster risk reduction, maritime issues etc.)

In addition to curriculums of the master's and Ph.D. courses, activities such as short-term programs (e.g. Understanding the Japanese Development Experience¹), and/or internship programs will be planned in order to enrichen the participants' academic and personal experience of their courses of studies at the universities.

¹ As part of JICA-DSP, this program is co-organized by GRIPS, IUJ and JICA for JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Program for Long Term Participants. The program offers participants with opportunities to gain a deep understanding of the Japanese development experience, and to draw lessons and gain insights that will support their development work at their home countries and internationally.



4. Duration

In principle, 2 years for master's course and 3 years for Ph.D. course (depending on the program offered by universities)².

5. Number of Participants

Two (2) participants from the target countries in total for JFY2027.

Program participants since the establishment of the course are as follows.

Country Name	Number
Indonesia	4
Vietnam	1
Thailand	1
Philippines	1

6. Language to be used in this Program

English

7. Eligibility

Candidate applicants must satisfy the following requirements:

- (1) Current Duties: young or middle-career government officials, prospective academics, who are expected to contribute to policy formulation or its implementation for tackling sustainable developmental issues in respective fields.
※ In principle, candidates without affiliations are not eligible for acceptance.
- (2) Nationality: citizen of the above countries eligible for Japan's ODA
- (3) Age:
for master's programs, thirty five (35) years of age or under in principle (As of April 1st, 2027).
for Ph.D. programs, forty (40) years of age or under in principle (As of April 1st, 2027).
- (4) Educational Background:
for master's programs, a Bachelor's Degree or Master's Degree holder

² The preparatory period as a research student or credited auditor prior to the regular student up to 6 months may be added.



- for Ph.D. programs, a Master's Degree holder
- (5) Language: adequate English skills both in written and oral communication to complete master's and/or Ph.D. courses with skills equivalent or exceeding the following;
TOEFL iBT: 80
IELTS: 6.5
 - (6) Physical Presence: must physically come to Japan to carry out research activities to complete this program.
 - (7) Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment: JICA seeks more female applicants due to the past records of fewer applications from women. JICA is committed to promoting gender equality and women's empowerment, and provides equal opportunities for all applicants regardless of their sexual orientation or gender identity.
 - (8) Others: must not be receiving nor plan to receive other scholarships from Japanese government, such as Japan Student Service Organization (JASSO), Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS), Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST), The Japan Foundation (JF) during the program during the program.

8. Admissions

Candidates must be selected as JICA's official candidate through JICA's internal selection procedure and must pass the general entrance examination³ of the university they have applied to, including examinations to enter the applicants' desired master's degree or Ph.D. degree course.

9. Application Guidelines

Candidate applicants must apply through the procedures as described below, which are necessary requirements by both applicant's Government and the Government of Japan for the Official Development Assistance.

- (1) Procedures and Required Documents for Application:
Each applicant is required to submit the "Application Documents"⁴ listed in (2) below to JICA overseas office in charge of the applicants' country.
- (2) Application Documents
 - Personal Information
 - Educational Background
 - Present Organization and Nomination
 - Work Experience
 - Declaration (Terms and Conditions needed to be agreed by candidate applicants)
 - Research Plan (Annex 2)

³ The results of JICA's screening procedure and University's general entrance examination will not accept any inquiry.

⁴ Submitted documents will not be returned.



- Career Plan (Annex 2)
- 2) Graduation certificate.
 - * Officially certified copies of the original
 - * Written in English or accompanied with official translation
- 3) Academic transcript
 - * Must contain all the grades earned at the university attended by the applicant
 - * Officially certified copies of the original transcript
 - * Written in English or accompanied with official translation in English
- 4) Photocopy of certificate of English Test
- 5) A copy of Passport or ID with photo (for checking nationality, name, sex, and date of birth).
- 6) 2 ID photos (4cm × 3cm) pasted on application form (Original and copy)
- 7) Health certificate (must be submitted with Medical History in JICA format to JICA office of your country at the applicants' expense, no later than October 31, 2026. The date of Health Certificate should be on or after October 1, 2026. ⁵⁾
 - *If you have any difficulties/disabilities which require assistance, please specify necessary assistances in the Medical History(1-(c)) in order for JICA to prepare better logistics or alternatives.

(3) Procedures in General

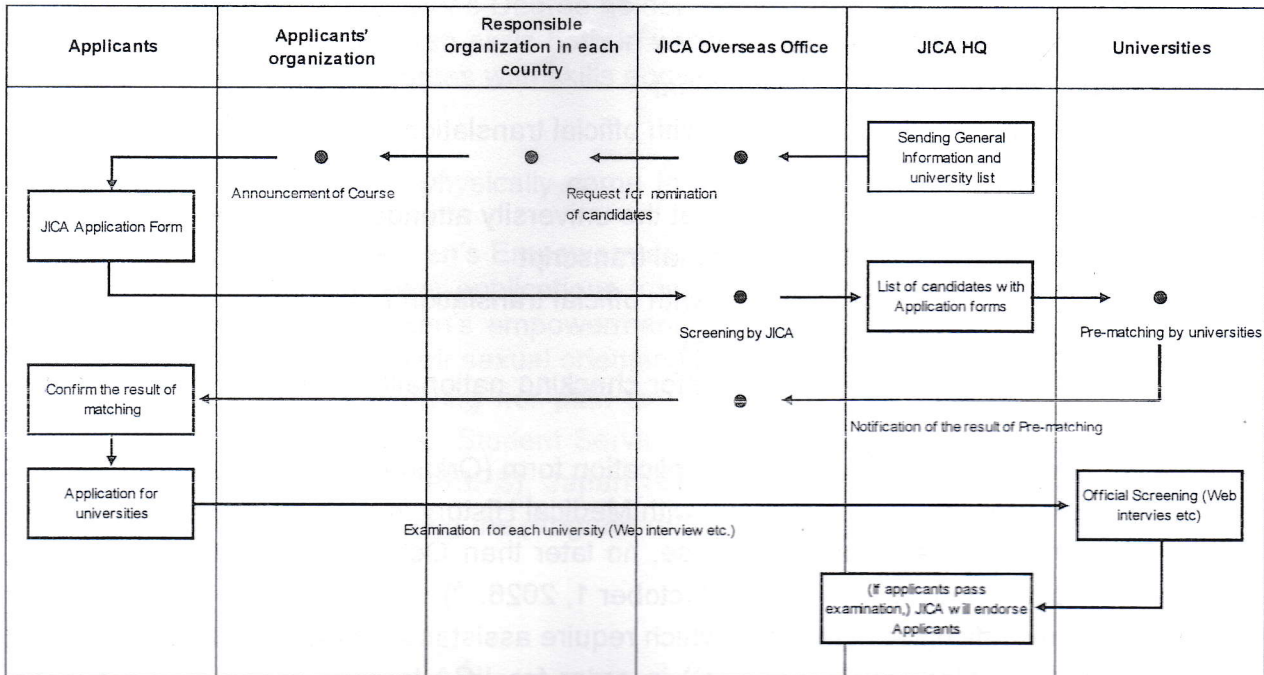
Based on the above documents, candidate applicants are nominated and approved by their country's government, and later approved by JICA.⁶ After this procedure, screening will be conducted at the universities chosen by the applicant.

Please kindly note that universities may reject the applicant's application when the required documents, or the submitted research plan is not accepted by the universities.

Candidate applicants must follow each university's application procedure after the screening. If the applicants withdraw their applications after their official applications to the universities, applicants must inform their withdrawal to the university by letter.

⁵Without the certificate, admission may become rejected.

⁶The Government of Japan will examine applicants who belong to the military or other military-related organizations and/or who are enlisted in the military, taking into consideration of their duties, positions in the organization and other relevant information in a comprehensive manner to be consistent with the Development Cooperation Charter of Japan.



(4) Points to be Noted regarding Procedures

- 1) Fees for English proficiency test can be reimbursed by JICA only once when the general entrance examinations are taken. Details of the reimbursement vary by each area and should be consulted with the nearest JICA overseas office of each candidate.

JICA shall determine whether the candidate is eligible to participate in training in Japan. JICA shall make a decision on acceptance or rejection based on several factors such as entrance examination results, planned number of participants, medical examination results and others. Reason for the decision will not be disclosed.



10. Schedule

By 8th of May, 2026	Nomination of candidate applicants in respective organizations
	Selection of candidate applicants by responsible organization in each country
By 5 th of June 2026	"Application Documents" must be submitted to JICA overseas office in charge of the country of applicants
June 2026	Screening by JICA
July 2026	Pre-matching by universities
November, 2026 -January, 2027	Application to take University's general entrance examination by the applicant
	University's application procedure *General entrance examination schedule is followed by each university
January, 2027 -February, 2027	Arrival of results of general entrance examination from the university
	Determination of JICA KCCP (Long-term) participants
December, 2026 -February, 2027	Preparation for study in Japan if candidate applicant is determined as a KCCP (Long-term) participant
March, 2027	Orientation by JICA overseas office before departure
	Arrival in Japan
	Orientation by JICA Domestic Offices
	Beginning of Spring 2027 Term

*Schedule for the application period for the general entrance examination depends on each university.

*Schedule and program contents might be adjusted appropriately due to unforeseen circumstances.

11. Expenses To Be Borne By JICA

Under the JICA Long-term Trainee Allowance standards, JICA will cover expenses and allowance to participants accepted to the program/course. See the table below for further details. Note that the payments (e.g., for tuition, research support expenses, school support expenses) will not be paid to the accepted participants themselves, but directly to the university or other relevant institutions.

Expense category	Payment amount	Payment frequency
Tuition (examination fees, entrance	Actual costs	According to the request



fees, course fees)		from universities
Living Allowance	JPY 143,000–148,000 per month*	Every month via university
Airfare	Actual costs	Upon arrival in Japan— and upon returning home
Outfit Allowance**	JPY100,000	Once (upon arrival in Japan)
Moving Allowance***	Up to JPY164,000-224,000	Once (during the training period)**
Research Support Expenses****	Actual costs (up to JPY360,000 per year)	
Medical care for participants who become ill after arriving in Japan (the costs related to pre-existing illness, pregnancy, or dental treatment are NOT included).	In accordance with the provisions of the medical insurance	

*Varies according to living area in Japan, type of accommodation, etc.

**Once, after opening bank account in Japan. As it takes several weeks to have the bank account opened, it is strongly recommended to bring cash for personal expenses during the period.

***Depending on the accommodation facility. Consultation with the university is required.

****Research Support Expenses are allowed to be provided via the university and be disbursed with the consultation and approval of the applicant's supervisor.

12. Expenses Not To Be Borne By JICA

JICA will not bear costs other than the allowances described above. JICA is not responsible for the following expenses:

- (1) Passport fees (for re-issuance and extensions, etc.)
- (2) Visa fees of a transit country and transportation expenses to obtain Visa
- (3) Transportation expenses to obtain Japanese Visa
- (4) Domestic travel expenses at the applicant's home country
- (5) Departure tax
- (6) Airport tax/airport facility charges outside of Japan, including third countries
- (7) Customs duty
- (8) Excess baggage charges
- (9) Compensation for lost and/or damaged baggage
- (10) "No show charge" to the transit airport hotel (non-refundable)
- (11) Lost - ticket fee
- (12) Accommodation fee for day-use hotel in return flight



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- (13) Transportation expenses other than official programs
- (14) Telephone bill or mini-bar tab at accommodation
- (15) Medical costs related to pre-existing illness, pregnancy, or dental treatment
- (16) Medical cost related to the same illness over 180days
- (17) National Health Insurance fee

Note: If participant / accepted applicant does not follow the regulation of JICA, the participant may have to bear such other costs of necessary expenses.

13. Conditions for Participation

The applicants/participants of KCCP are required

- (1) to understand that participants must physically come to Japan to participate in this program at the date designated by JICA,
- (2) not to change the air ticket (and flight class and flight schedule arranged by JICA) and lodging by the participants on their own,
- (3) not to change course subjects or extend the course period,
- (4) to understand that inviting participant's family members is not recommended before their stay in Japan has passed more than 6 months,
- (5) to return to their home country on the designated flight by JICA, when they finish the program/course or when it is deemed impossible to finish the program within the program period, or when the participant is not successful on the regular course examination,
- (6) to carry out such instructions and abide by such conditions as may be stipulated by both the nominating Government and the Japanese Government in respect of the course,
- (7) to enroll and complete JICA-DSP online courses, when you receive JICA's instructions to do so.
- (8) to observe the rules and regulations of the program implementing partners to provide the program or establishments, ("Plagiarism" especially is taken severely by enrolling university, regardless of whether it is direct plagiarism or self-plagiarism and participants may be subjected to disciplinary action such as suspension),
- (9) not to engage in political activities, or any form of employment for profit,
- (10) to agree to be discontinued of the program, should the participant (a)violate Japanese laws, JICA's regulations, or University's regulations, (b)commit illegal or any type of immoral conduct including sexual harassment, (c)become critically ill or seriously injured after arrival in Japan.
- (11) to be responsible for paying any cost for treatment of the said health conditions except for the medical care expenses described in the table of "11. Expenses To be borne by JICA,"
- (12) to return the total amount or a part of the expenditure for KCCP depending on the severity of such violation, should the participants violate the laws and ordinances,
- (13) not to drive a car or motorbike in Japan, regardless of an international driving license



possessed,

- (14) to observe the rules and regulations at the place of the participants' accommodation,
- (15) to refund allowances or other benefits paid by JICA in the case of a change in schedule,
- (16) to accept that the Government of Japan will examine applicants who belong to the military or other military-related organizations and/or who are enlisted in the military, taking into consideration of their duties, positions in the organization and other relevant information in a comprehensive manner to be consistent with the Development Cooperation Charter of Japan,
- (17) to submit a Health Certificate with Medical History in JICA format to JICA office of your country at the applicants' expense, no later than October 31 2026. The date of Health Certificate should be on or after October 1, 2026. JICA will NOT reimburse the cost to the applicants.
- (18) to accept to submit a second Health Certificate in JICA format if deemed necessary by JICA. The cost of acquiring the Health Certificate will be borne by JICA unless it is required due to the candidates' fault.
- (19) to promptly resubmit your medical history, If there are changes in your health condition, such as pregnancy or a pre-existing disease,
- (20) to be in good health to participate in the program. In order to reduce the risk of worsening symptoms associated with respiratory tract infection, please be honest when consulting the doctor for your Health Certificate,
- (21) not to be receiving nor plan to receive another scholarships from Japanese government, such as Japan Student Service Organization (JASSO), Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS), Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST), The Japan Foundation (JF) during the program
- (22) to understand not to make other applications for different JICA training courses at the same time,
- (23) to understand that the maximum duration of "Overseas research" and "Temporary Leave (leaving Japan for private purpose)" is 60 days, in principle.
- (24) to accept to take tuberculosis related inspections organized by JICA after arriving in Japan and to submit the results to JICA and university.
- (25) to approve the following conditions on summary of my thesis;
 - ① Summary of the thesis shall be kept at JICA.
 - ② Summary of the thesis can be read by anyone who made a request to JICA .
 - ③ Summary of the thesis can be used for publication by JICA or JICA website.
 - ④ Taking Photocopy of the thesis shall be allowed by anyone with JICA's permission.
- (26) to acknowledge that a leave of absence from school is not permitted in principle,
- (27) to understand that the maximum duration of research student is 6 months for both master's and doctor's courses, and duration of acceptance as a regular student is based on the course years determined by the university,
- (28) To indicate all educational background, including currently enrolled university, if any.
- (29) To understand that the use of Generative AI such as Chat GPT to create Application



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Forms including Research Plans, and your research papers may not be acceptable and may result in rejection of your application or termination of training if discovered, according to each University policy.