

Signing of Japanese ODA Loan Agreement with Vietnam: Supporting improvements to public sanitation through the provision of drainage and wastewater systems

On August 30, the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) signed loan agreement with the Government of Vietnam in Hanoi to provide Japanese ODA loans of up to 24.700 billion yen for Bien Hoa City Drainage and Wastewater Treatment Systems Project, Stage 1.

The objective of the project is to increase the wastewater treatment coverage in Bien Hoa City, Dong Nai Province, by constructing urban wastewater treatment systems, thereby contributing to the improvement of public sanitation and sustainable development of the city and the outlying downstream area .

Dong Nai Province is undergoing remarkable industrialization, which has included the expansion of more than 200 Japanese companies. However, the sewerage has not been developed, and untreated wastewater generated in Bien Hoa City, the provincial capital, is discharged into the Dong Nai River, which is the source of water for Ho Chi Minh City, the largest city in Vietnam. The water quality of the rivers and waterways flowing in Bien Hoa is no better than raw wastewater and the lack of a drainage system means that unsanitary water spills out during flooding, creating public sanitation problems such as bad odors, mosquitos and flies.

Given these circumstances, construction of drainage and wastewater systems is needed in Bien Hoa soon through the project.

1. Terms and Amount of Loan

Project title	Amount (million yen)	Annual interest rate (%)		Repayment period (years)	Grace period (years)	Procurement
		Project	Consulting services			
Bien Hoa City Drainage and Wastewater Treatment Systems Project, Stage 1	24,700	0.3	0.01	40	10	General, untied

2. Executing Agency

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3. Planned Implementation Schedule

(1) Completion of project: November 2023 – when the facilities are put into service

(2) Issuing of letters of invitation for consulting services (including detailed design work): September 2017

(3) Tender announcement of initial procurement package for international competitive bidding on project construction:

Package title: Interceptors and Main Trunk Sewers

Release date: September 2019