## Signing of Japanese ODA Loan Agreement with Iraq: Improving the water supply quality and coverage through water treatment facilities improvements

On September 15, the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) signed a loan agreement with the Government of the Republic of Iraq in Baghdad to provide a Japanese ODA loan of up to 2.463 billion yen for the Water Supply Improvement Project in Kurdistan Region (II).

The objective of the project is to improve the quantity and quality of the water supply in Sulaymania, Erbil and Duhok Governorates of the Kurdistan Region through improvements to water supply facilities such as water intake facilities, water treatment plants, the transmission and distribution network and other related facilities.

Details for the project is provided below.

## 1. Terms and Amount of Loan



signing ceremony

| Project title   | Amount<br>(million yen) | Annual interest rate (%) |                     | Repayment         | Grace             |                 |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
|   |                         | Project                  | Consulting services | period<br>(years) | period<br>(years) | Procurement     |
| Water Supply Improvement Project in Kurdistan Region (II) | 2,463                   | 1.05                     | 0.01                | 15                | 5                 | General, untied |

## 2. Executing Agency

Ministry of Municipalities and Tourism, Kurdistan Region Address: The City Center, Erbil Governorate, Kurdistan Region, Iraq

- 3. Planned Implementation Schedule
- (1) Completion of project: November 2020 when the facilities are put into service
- (2) Issuing of letters of invitation for consulting services (including construction supervision): Consultants have already been hired
- (3) Tender announcement of initial procurement package for international competitive bidding on project construction:

Procurement package title: Rehabilitation of Distribution Network in Erbil and Supply of Spare Parts for Water Treatment Plant Release date: June 2019