

Signing of Japanese ODA Loan Agreement with Côte d'Ivoire: Contributing to the alleviation of traffic congestion through improvements at three intersections in Abidjan

On January 11, the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) signed a loan agreement with the Government of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire in Abidjan to provide a Japanese ODA loan of up to 16.137 billion yen for the Project for the Construction of Three Intersections in Abidjan.

With the objectives of alleviating traffic congestion and improving the convenience and flow of transportation, the project will construct three flyovers at intersections along Boulevard François Mitterrand, which passes through Abidjan, the economic center of the country.

The Special Terms for Economic Partnership (STEP)* will apply to the Japanese ODA loan for this project, and Japanese technology, including rapid construction and steel corrosion protection, will be utilized in the construction of the project flyovers.

* STEP refers to special assistance terms for promoting the visibility of Japanese aid through a transfer of outstanding Japanese technology and expertise to developing nations. The main contract is Japan tied and subcontracting is general untied. Although the main contract allows a joint venture with the borrowing country in addition to the Japanese company and its subsidiary with an overseas presence, the Japanese company must be the leading partner in such an arrangement.

Details for the project are provided below.

1. Terms and Amount of Loan

Project title	Amount (million yen)	Annual interest rate (%)		Repayment period (years)	Grace period (years)	Procurement
		Project	Consulting services			
Project for the Construction of Three Intersections in Abidjan	16,137	0.1	0.01	40	12	Japan tied

2. Executing Agency

Road Management Agency

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3. Planned Implementation Schedule

(1) Completion of project: May 2022 – when the facilities are put into service

(2) Issuing of letters of invitation for consulting services (including construction supervision): January 2019

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

Procurement package title: Civil Works Package

Release date: January 2019

4. JICA Contact Information

For further information about the procurement schedule, please contact the party listed below.

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