

# Japan – Lesotho Fact Sheet 2014

Embassy of Japan in South Africa

## 1. Pillars of Japan's Cooperation to Lesotho

Japan has cooperated with Lesotho for the improvement of basic human needs through grant assistance and technical cooperation as well as through NGOs and multilateral organizations.

## 2. Grant Assistance

### Education

2004: "Project for the construction of 17 Primary Schools"

[1,006 mill yen: approx. \$5.7 mill]

2007: "Project for the construction of 7 Secondary Schools"

[715 mill yen: approx. \$10.6 mill]

2011: "Project for the construction of New Secondary Schools and Upgrading of Facilities in Existing Secondary Schools"

[1,069 mill yen: approx. \$13 mill]



Secondary School built by Japan

### Agriculture and Food Assistance

Food Assistance through WFP (KR)

Until 2007: [820 mill yen: approx. \$13.2 mill]

2008: [210 mill yen: approx. \$2.1 mill]

2009: [200 mill yen: approx. \$2 mill]

2010: [190 mill yen: approx. \$1.9 mill]

2011: [180 mill yen: approx. \$2.2 mill]

2012: [190 mill yen: approx. \$2.4 mill]

2013: [190 mill yen: approx. \$1.9 mill]

Assistance to Farmers (2KR) and Non-project grant

1986; from 1994 to 1997; from 1999 to 2001

Provision of tractors, irrigation pumps, fertilizers

[Total of 1900 mill yen: approx. \$19 mill]

2005: Non-project grant (fertilizers) [200 mill yen: ~\$2 mill]

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Handing Over Ceremony of schools



Food Assistance provided by Japan to Lesotho

### Climate Change

2010: "Programme for the improvement of capabilities to cope with natural disasters caused by climate change"

[500 mill yen: approx. \$5.7 mill]

2011: "Project for the introduction of clean energy by solar Electricity generation system"

[297 mill yen: approx. \$3.6 mill]



Signing Ceremony of the Environment Grant Aid

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## 3. Technical Cooperation

Japan works closely with Lesotho in Human Resource Development. The Government of Japan has trained more than 500 Basotho in the different training courses in Japan. In March of 2012, a Japanese senior volunteer was sent to Lesotho for the first time.

### 2009 & 2013 (On-going)

Strengthening M&E Capacity Building of HIV/AIDS

### Training and Dialogue Programs

|       | no. trained | missions dispatched |
|-------|-------------|---------------------|
| 2006  | 21 people   | 5 people            |
| 2007  | 16 people   | 10 people           |
| 2008  | 34 people   | -                   |
| 2009  | 119 people  | 12 people           |
| 2010  | 73 people   | 18 people           |
| 2011  | 26 people   | 2 people            |
| 2012  | 28 people   | -                   |
| 2013  | 29 people   | 2 people            |
| Total | 575 people  | 49 people           |



Establishment of Alumni of Basotho trained in Japan

## 4. Grassroots Grant Programme

Japan has been providing grants for grassroots projects to local communities, NGO, etc. to promote human security and human dignity. Each year, about 2 projects are selected.

### 2008

Construction of Four Classrooms for Tiny-Tots Primary School in Maseru

Construction of Four Classrooms for Hleoheng Primary School in Maputsoe

### 2009

Construction of a Clinic for Lesotho Planned Parenthood Association in Mafeteng

Construction of Three Classrooms for Mohale High School in Mohale

Provision of Solar Panel and Aqueduct in Mafeteng

### 2010

Construction of a Teacher Training Resource Centre in Qacha's Nek

### 2011

Construction of Three Classrooms for Maputsoe Community Primary in Maputsoe

### 2012

Construction of Five Classrooms for Tiny-Tots Primary School in Maseru

Construction of Three Classrooms for Maphotong Primary School in Manonyane



Classrooms built by Japan in Maseru

## 5. Assistance through NGOs & Multilateral Organisations

### UNDP

"Africa Adaptation Programme" (May 2008; ongoing project)

### UNICEF

"HIV/AIDS Prevention and Empowerment Project" (March 2008)

### World Bank (Policy and Human Resources Development Fund)

"Education Sector Development Programme" (2003)

"Private Sector Competitiveness Project" (2005)

### NGO (Care Japan – Lesotho)

"Health, Economic and Agriculture Livelihood Training Project" (2009)



Handing Over Ceremony of UNICEF project