

Rolling Plan for the Republic of Albania

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Basic Policy of Assistance	Assistance for Equitable Growth and Sustainable Economic Development												
Priority Area 1	Environment												
Development Issue 1-1 Environment	[Background and current situation] Albania aims for competitive and sustainable economic development. Nevertheless, the rapid urbanization coupled with industrial activation caused the negative impacts on natural environment and people's livelihoods. As an EU candidate which aspires to the accession, the Government of Albania is obliged to comply with the EU environmental standards and rules.					[Strategy] The path towards establishing policies and legislations aligned with EU acquis has been supported by the EU and other European partners. Japan will provide its cooperation particularly, where it has the comparative advantages such as improving sewage system, waste management, and national park management in the environmental sector by utilizing its lending and technical cooperation schemes.							
	Japan's Assistance Program	Program Summary	Project	Scheme	Schedule						Assistance Amount (100 Million Yen)	Note	
					Before JFY 2017	JFY 2018	JFY 2019	JFY 2020	JFY 2021	JFY 2022			
	Environmental Development Program	Taking advantage of its own advanced technology and knowledge, Japan is committed to support the environmental infrastructure development and strengthening human capacity that are essential for Albania's sustainable economic development.	Greater Tirana Sewerage System Improvement Project	LA	█							111.21	
			Project for Conservation and Sustainable Use of Divjake-Karavasta National Park with Participation of Local Governments and Stakeholders	TCP	█							2.00	R/D is not concluded
Project for the Support of Waste Minimization and 3R Promotion			TCP	█							2.43		
Environmental Development in Grand Park of Tirana			GHGA		█						0.09		

Priority Area 2	The equitable growth											
Development Issue 2-1 The Equitable Growth	[Background and current situation] While the national poverty rate has been halved, the agriculture sector which accounts for the majority of rural labor force, is struggled with the low level of productivity. Social service delivery and infrastructure development are yet to be adequate. The poverty rate in rural area remains higher than in urban areas. The country is challenged with a rapid urbanization and rural-urban migration which require to secure employment opportunities and to address the infrastructure constraints. The equitable growth by filling the gap between rural and urban areas is essentially needed.					[Strategy] Japan will support the Government's efforts in achieving equitable growth through technical cooperation in strengthening human and institutional capacity. The focused areas remain in improving the agricultural cooperative management, and local industry and tourism development. Further, Japan will support the establishment and rehabilitation of education facilities in rural areas.						
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	The Equitable Growth Program	Taking advantage of Japan's past cooperation and accumulated knowledge, Japan aims to support the inclusive development in rural areas through enhancing human and institutional capacity. In addition, the private sector development in the tourism sector will also be assisted. Further, Japan will contribute to the equitable growth between rural and urban areas by establishing and rehabilitating education facilities in rural areas.	Smallholder Families' Financial Inclusion Project in Albania	TCP	—————						5.04	
			Project on Geospatial Information for Sustainable Land Development in Tirana-Durres Area	TCP	—————						3.97	
Tourism Promotion Advisor			TR	—————								
Local industry development in agricultural regions by strengthening capacity of management and marketing			F/U	—————								

Legend: [PS] = Preparatory Survey, [DD] = Detailed Design, [TCP] = Technical Cooperation Project, [TCDP] = Technical Cooperation for Development Planning, [EXP] = Expert, [EQ] = Equipment, [CTR] = Country-focused Training, [TR] = Issue-based Training / Training Program for Young Leaders, [JOCV] = Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers, [SV] = Senior Volunteers, [TEXP] = Third-country Expert, [TTR] = Third-country Training, [STC] = Science and Technology Cooperation on Global Issues, [JPP] = JICA Partnership Program, [xx-TA] = Technical Assistance implemented by organizations other than MOFA and JICA, [GA] = Grant Aid (other than specific grant aid schemes listed below), [NPGA] = Non-Project Grant Aid, [GHGA] = Grassroots Human Security Grant Aid, [JNGA] = Grant Aid for Japanese NGO's Projects, [CGA] = Cultural Grant Aid, [GCGA] = Grassroots Cultural Grant Aid, [LA] = Loan Aid (ODA Loan), [ML] = Multilateral Cooperation, Solid Line [-----] = Schedule, Dash Line [- - - -] = Tentative Schedule, [F/U] = Follow-up