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Japan has started a new assistance package to Somalia

Through the Supplementary Budget FY2014-15 which was adopted by Japanese Diet on February 3<sup>rd</sup>,2015, the Government of Japan decided to contribute 48.27 million US dollars in total to the UN and other International Organizations for humanitarian and reconstruction assistance to Somalia.

The assistance package, which is composed of 13 projects and implemented by 12 international organizations, was formulated in close consultation with the Federal Government of Somalia based on the three pillars of Japan's assistance policy to Somalia; namely, reinstating delivery of basic social services, strengthening capacity in public security, and vitalizing the economy.

The Government of Japan completed the disbursement for these projects which have been launched by respective implementing organizations.

The new contribution brings Japan's accumulative assistance to Somalia to 371.37 million US dollars since 2007.

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## Japan's New Assistance Package for Somalia

Organization	Amount	Objective
	(USD million)	
ICRC	4.20	ICRC operation in support of health, water, and
		sanitation sectors
IFRC	0.27	for strengthening community-based health care services
		with emphasis on mother and child health
ILO	1.00	for repatriation, assistance, and promoting sustainable
		livelihood for Somali refugee returnees
IOM	5.50	for improving human security through basic services
		provision and border management
UNDP	6.05	for supporting Somali Federal Police Force, Empowering
		youth to improve security and the reduction of violence
UNFPA	1.00	for strengthening health system's capacity for reduction of
		maternal mortality in Somalia.
UNHCR	7.00	for the protection of refugees, returnees and Internally
		Displaced Persons (IDPs) in Somalia
UNICEF	12.35	in support of health, nutrition, water and sanitation, cash
		transfer and protection.
UNIDO	1.05	for stabilizing community and promoting reconciliation
		through livelihood recovery
UNMAS	3.00	for supporting the FGS in addressing the threat posed by
		explosive hazards
UNOPS	2.65	for boosting economic development by the construction of
		market and capacity development to women trader
WFP	4.20	for feeding programme in Somalia
Total	48.27	

## Abbreviations:

ICRC: International Committee of the Red Cross

IFRC: International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

ILO: International Labour Organization

IOM: International Organization for Migration
UNDP: United Nations Development Programme

UNFPA: United Nations Population Fund

UNHCR: United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

UNICEF: United Nations Children's Fund

UNIDO: United Nations Industrial Development Organization

UNMAS: United Nations Mine Action Service WFP: United Nations World Food Programme