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Japan has started a new assistance package to Somalia

Through the Supplementary Budget FY2016-17, adopted by Japanese Diet on January 31st 2017, the Government of Japan decided to contribute 22.159 million US dollars in total to the United Nations agencies for humanitarian and development assistance to Somalia.

The assistance package, which is composed of 11 projects and implemented by 11 agencies, 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 arrangement for the disbursement is scheduled to be completed by the end of March 2017 so that these projects can start promptly.

The new contribution brings Japan's accumulative assistance to Somalia to 432.502 million US dollars since 2007.

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Japan's New Assistance Package for Somalia

Organization	Amount (USD million)	Objective
UNHCR	9.044	for supporting repatriation and reintegration of Somali refugees from Kenya
IOM	3.671	for advancing counter terrorism, community stabilization and humanitarian response in Somalia
WFP	2.932	for providing food and nutrition assistance to vulnerable populations in Somalia
UNICEF	1.272	for protecting and supporting reintegration of vulnerable children in Somalia
UNFPA	1.067	for supporting health system to reduce maternal and neonatal mortalities and related morbidities
UNSOM/UNDP	1.00	for supporting emerging Federal States in Somalia
UNMAS	0.906	for increasing the capacity of the Somali Police Forces to defeat Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) and to respond to Explosive Remnants of War (ERW)
UNOPS	0.670	for supporting the Somalia Police Forces through the procurement of operational equipment and training for capacity development
UNIDO	0.597	for supporting vocational training for returnees, internally displaced persons (IDPs) and host communities in Dhobley and Afmadow
UNDP	0.50	for supporting capacity building of the African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM)
SRSG ToE	0.50	for supporting implementation of national action plan to address conflict-related sexual violence and coordination between formal justice institutions and service providers
Total	22.159	

Acronym:

UNHCR: United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

IOM: International Organization for Migration

WFP: United Nations World Food Programme

UNICEF: United Nations Children's Fund

UNFPA: United Nations Population Fund

UNSOM: United Nations Assistance Mission in Somalia

UNDP: United Nations Development Programme

UNMAS: United Nations Mine Action Service

UNOPS: United Nations Office for Project Services

UNIDO: United Nations Industrial Development Organization

SRSG ToE: Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in conflict Team of Experts