

# **THE PROJECT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF NAIROBI WESTERN RING ROADS**

(GRANT AID PROJECT FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN)

## **1. BACKGROUND**

The road infrastructure in Nairobi is functioning to facilitate urban transport and playing a key role for regional transport along the Northern Corridor. Rapid increase of population and vehicles is causing serious traffic congestion as well as increase of road maintenance cost, traffic accidents and environmental burden. People are obliged to pay high fares of public transport under the threat of unsafe transport.

No immediate and appropriate remedial measures will worsen the current situation and jeopardize economic development in the future as it is forecasted that population in Nairobi increase from the present 3 million to 4.3 million in 2025.

The Government of Japan through Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) assisted formulation of "Master Plan for Urban Transport in the Nairobi Metropolitan Area". This Master Plan identified some projects to be developed urgently and examined their feasibility.

The captioned project is derived from the Master Plan as a priority. Connecting of 3 missing link roads is going to network the area which is currently separated by rivers and to alleviate the congestion and contribute to smooth and safe transport of people and goods between Westlands and Kilimani areas.

## **2. OBJECTIVES**

- (1) Improvement of accessibility in the region
- (2) Saving time of Non-Motorized Transport and decrease of traffic accidents

## **3. OUTLINE OF THE PROJECT**

Project Period            June,2011 – November,2013

Grant Amount            JPY 2.54 Billion

Target Road Section    Total Length 8.36km

    Missing Link No.3:Kileleshwa Police Station~Westlands Roundabout(1.76km)

    Missing Link No.6:Oloitokitok Road~Kileleshwa Police Station(2.85km)

    Missing Link No.7:James Gichuru Road~Ngong Road(3.75km)

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