

Grant Assistance for Grass-Roots Human Security Projects Embassy of Japan in Mozambique Information 2016



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Overview

The government of Japan recognizes the importance of grass-roots development projects that can directly benefit local populations. In this light, the government of Japan has established the grant assistance for grass-roots human security projects (GGP), aside from assistance for national and international governmental organizations. The GGP is intended to respond various development needs in a prompt and proper manner in order to directly support community-based organizations such as nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), schools and local governments and therefore the local population of developing countries.

Eligibility

Eligible recipients to the GGP are community-based nonprofit organizations that implement development projects at grass-roots level. Examples include international and local NGOs, local public authorities such as provincial and district governments, educational institutions such as primary and secondary schools, and medical institutions such as hospitals and health posts. Except for extraordinary circumstances (such as post-disaster or -conflict relief), national and international governmental organizations are not eligible for the GGP. Neither individuals nor for-profit organizations are eligible for the GGP.

Grant Amount

The maximum grant amount per project is **10 million JPY** (approximately **85,000 USD - 100,000 USD**, depending on the JPY-USD exchange rate). Any project with budget more than 3 million JPY (approximately 30,000 USD) needs to be audited by an external auditor and such cost must be included in the total budget. If the success of a project requires soft components (e.g. a construction project that needs to train people for maintenance capacity), the grant amount more than 10 million JPY may be allowed. Moreover, projects that greatly contribute to the improvement of human security are exceptionally allowed to receive the grant up to 100 million JPY (approximately 1.0 million USD).*

*Examples include those projects that address cross-border issues including infectious disease and environmental problems or projects that protect people from threats and enhance individual and/or communal capacity to overcome problems of refugees and internally-displaced people in regional conflicts.

Application Period

December 21st, 2015 – February 15th, 2016

Priority Areas in Mozambique

For 2016, the GGP mainly targets the areas that aim to improve Basic Human Needs (BHN) such as **Education**, **Health** and **Water and Sanitation**. However, projects in other areas will also be considered. Examples of the past projects include:

➤ **Education**

- Construction of classrooms, school latrines, water cisterns, and acquisition of desks and chairs (with official request letter from DPE), teaching and learning materials
- Installation of electricity in a school

➤ **Health, Water and Sanitation**

- Procurement of materials for health centres
- Construction of health facilities
- Construction of boreholes, with training on maintenance

➤ **Others**

- Gender issues
- Construction of small scale irrigation system
- Social welfare, supporting orphanages
- Waste management etc...

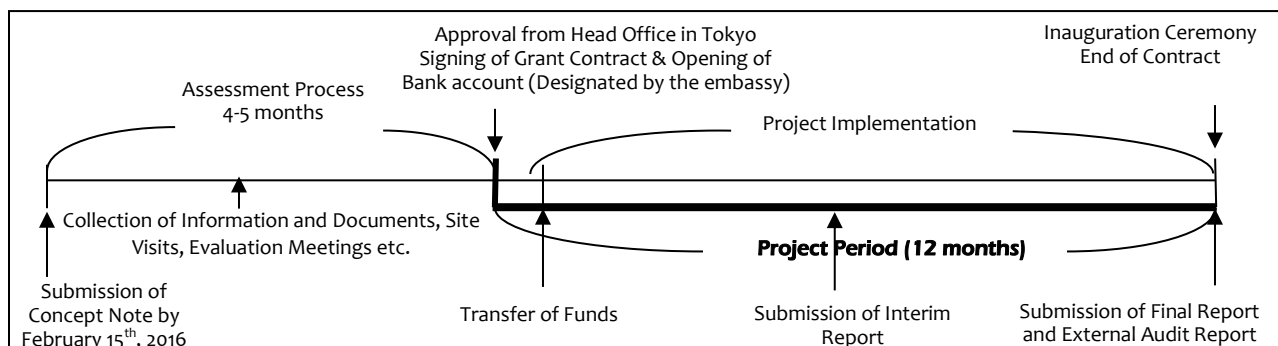
※Refer to “Plano de desenvolvimento de actividades para a República de Moçambique” on our Web-site (http://www.mz.emb-japan.go.jp/relacoes_p.htm) to see our assistance more in detail in Mozambique.

Application Process

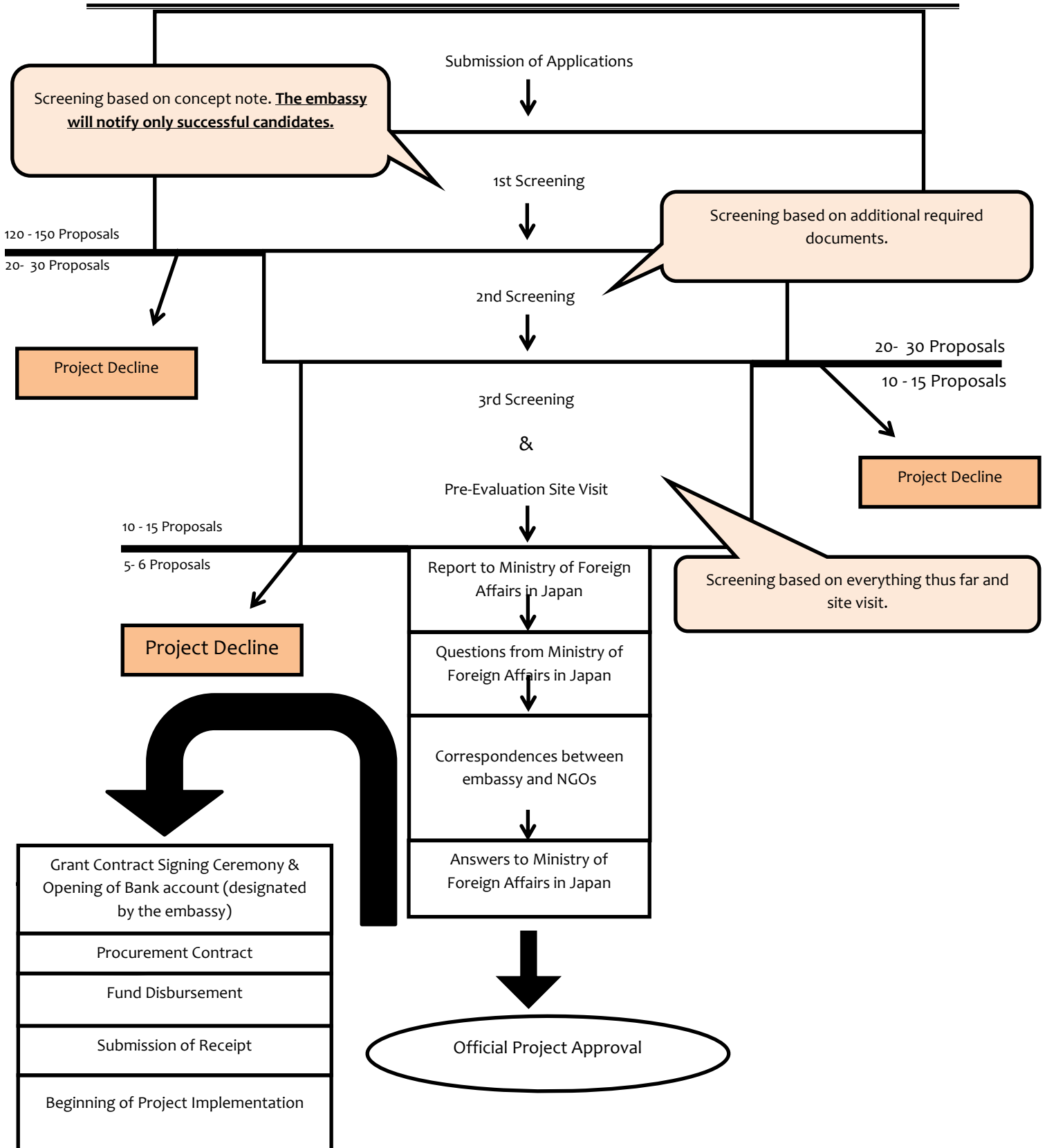
To apply, please fill out the attached “Concept Note” and send it to the Embassy **no later than February 15th, 2016 17:00**. The concept note can be submitted by post, email, fax or hand delivery. **No late application will be accepted** and the **Embassy will only contact applicants selected for the 2nd round**. The Embassy will not respond to any individual inquiry regarding the selection process or outcome. Those who moved on to the 2nd round will submit supporting documents. The project assessment process typically takes 4-5 months, which includes a site visit by the Embassy.

Time Frame

The project has to be completed **within 1 year(Maximum)** from the grant contract signing date. The implementing organizations will be required to submit monthly progress reports, an interim report and a final report. An external audit report is also required upon the completion of the project.



Flow Chart



Criteria

During the assessment, two main criteria will be considered: **organizational capacity** and **project contents**. Please refer to the following table for more detailed criteria for each category.

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|--------------------------------|---|
| Organizational Capacity | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ At least 5 years of experiences in Mozambique✓ Past experiences in similar project and sector✓ Sufficient human resources✓ Stable and sustainable financial resources✓ Financial capacity that covers organization's running/administrative costs, and any unforeseen costs and Added Value Tax(VAT) |
| Project Contents | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Sound project designs that properly meet local needs✓ Expected results that directly benefit local population✓ Proper monitoring and evaluation systems✓ Project sustainability and maintenance✓ Local government's involvement |

Even if your organization does not meet all the above-mentioned criteria, that does not disqualify your eligibility; thus, we still encourage you to apply for the funding.

We will also consider regional and sectorial balance among other projects; therefore, some projects may not be approved even though they meet the funding criteria.

Other Conditions

The Embassy **DOES NOT** assist the following items although a proposal may meet the GGP criteria:

- Running/administrative costs (salaries and compensations, rent, telephone/electricity bills, transport, project supervising etc.)
- **Value Added Tax (VAT)**
- Other taxes such as import duties
- Bank commission
- Office equipment (computers, printers, telephones, photocopiers, cabinets, etc.)
- Stationary such as papers, pens, printer cartridge etc.
- Foods
- Travel and conference allowances
- Land acquisition cost
- Vehicles (except for ambulances, mobile clinics and other special purposes)
- Audio visual equipment
- Scholarships
- Domestic animals such as cows, pigs, chickens, and goats
- Agricultural inputs such as seeds and pesticides
- Books for a library (except under certain conditions)

The Embassy **DOES NOT** fund the following projects.

- Pilot projects
- Computer training (except under certain conditions)
- Cultural and sports events or projects
- Micro-credit projects
- Tertiary education (except community outreach projects)
- Church construction and other religious activities

- Research projects
- Legal advice
- Private business oriented projects (e.g. pig and poultry farms, bakery, micro-enterprises)
- Seminars (without hard component e.g. construction of buildings)
- The production of luxury goods that possibly have a harmful influence on the human body, such as liquor and cigarette

List of Recently Implemented Projects

| Province | Sector | Project | Grant Amount | Project Details |
|--------------|----------------------|--|--------------|--|
| Maputo | Social Welfare | Construction of elderly people's house | USD 119,117 | Construction of 8 houses, construction of 8 toilets, 8 water system, construction of 8 kitchen, external audit |
| Gaza | Health | Construction of Health Post | USD 50,267 | Health post, medical equipment, external audit |
| Inhambane | Education | Expansion of Vocational School | USD 92,495 | 5 classrooms, school furniture, quality inspection fee, external audit |
| Manica | Education | Expansion of Primary School | USD 50,411 | 3 teachers' residences and 7 latrines and external audit |
| Zambezia | Health | Construction of Health Post | USD 50,533 | Health post, 1 cistern, quality inspection fee, external audit |
| Nampula | Water and Sanitation | Construction of boreholes | USD 97,932 | 8 Drilling of mechanical boreholes, 8 Construction materials for boreholes, 8 Afridev hand pumps, external audit |
| Cabo Delgado | Education | Construction of Primary School | USD 85,205 | 4 classrooms, 1 admin office, 3 latrines, 1 cistern, school furniture, external audit |

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