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**Comments from Japan on Approval by Mail: Bangladesh - Climate Resilient  
Infrastructure Improvement in Coastal Zone Project**

Dear Patricia

Please find attached JICA's comment regarding above project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kind regards,  
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JICA

- 1) JICA understands that the Climate Resilient Infrastructure Improvement in Coastal Zone Project is significant and helpful for the people in coastal area to mitigate natural disaster and promote the climate resilient infrastructure improvement.
- 2) JICA has been contributing to a) development of technical standard for disaster resilient road design of LGED under the RDCE2 (Technical cooperation project on Enhancement of Rural Development Engineering Center Project Phase 2), and b) improvement of rural infrastructure (Upazila and Union road, Growth Center, Markets and so on.) with comprehensive approach in 14 districts of the south-western part of Bangladesh under the SWBRDP (South-Western Bangladesh Rural Development Loan Project).
- 3) In addition, JICA expert is currently dispatched to BWDB to assist construction and maintenance of water resources related infrastructure as well as climate change issues. JICA is also formulating a new technical cooperation project to further enhance BWDB's capacity to implement infrastructure projects.
- 4) JICA hopes that the new project under PPCR will enable collaboration with the above and future JICA assistance on climate change related projects. JICA would like to request ADB to share the project progress information for further mutual cooperation in the field of climate change assistance of Bangladesh.
- 5) Finally, we would like to share our climate finance impact tool that we use to evaluate climate vulnerability and formulate adaptation projects (please see the website below for details). We are eager to coordinate with the PPCR towards an improved and harmonized framework for climate vulnerability assessment and adaptation. In this context, please share with us the proposed methodologies of the PPCR applied to this project and provide us with opportunities to join future missions to the extent possible.

[http://www.jica.go.jp/english/operations/climate\\_change/adaptation.html](http://www.jica.go.jp/english/operations/climate_change/adaptation.html)