

Japan 's support to IAI Attachment Programme



1. Background

- The Attachment Program aims to <u>narrow gaps</u> <u>among ASEAN Member States</u>, and is <u>implemented</u> <u>as part of the Initiative for ASEAN Integration (IAI)</u>.
- ◆ Japan has supported since its inception in 2001 through Japan-ASEAN Integration Fund (JAIF), etc.
- *initially supported through the Japan-ASEAN Integration and Exchange Fund (JAGEF), which was succeeded by JAIF in 2006.



2. Outline

- Young government officials (diplomats and officials from economic and social/cultural ministries) from Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar and Viet Nam (CLMV) are dispatched to the ASEAN Secretariat for one year, with a view to enhancing administrative capacities of the participants.
- ◆ <u>From 2024</u>, government officials <u>from Timor-Leste are expected to participate</u> in the programme.

3. Budget/Number of Participants

- ◆ Recently, USD 800,000–1,000,000 per year to send 12 officials for one year in principle.
- ◆ A total of <u>120 quality graduates</u> have been produced to date.

Beneficiaries Voice

"We can use the knowledge gained to engage with each other to further enhance cooperation between ASEAN and Japan,"

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