



**JAPAN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AGENCY
PAKISTAN OFFICE**

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Mr. Talha Arsalan,
Section Officer
Ministry of Economic Affairs
Government of Pakistan Islamabad

Dear Mr. Arsalan,

I have the pleasure to inform you that Singapore Cooperation Programme and the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) will hold In-Person course under Japan-Singapore Partnership Program for the 21st Century (JSPP21) in:

Urban Development Towards a Smart Nation Vision

From: **June 12, 2023 to June 16, 2023**

I request you to advise the Government of Pakistan to nominate **One candidate** for the above Course in accordance with enclosed Requirement for Application as per the following conditions:

1. Please **read** the enclosed terms and Conditions for the applicants **carefully** before applying / nominating. The applicants not fulfilling the mentioned criteria will simply not be processed.
2. All nominees are to submit their applications online at **<https://go.gov.sg/jsppud2023>** by 21 April 2023.

Enclosed: 1) General Information Booklet

Sincerely yours,

Risa Aramaki
Representative

Please forward this course to the following relevant departments:

1. Chairman, National Highway Authority (NHA), Islamabad
2. Secretary, Sindh Mass Transit Authority, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi
3. Secretary, Punjab Mass Transit Authority, Govt. of Punjab, Lahore
4. Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Highway Authority, Govt. of KP, Peshawar

URBAN DEVELOPMENT TOWARDS A SMART NATION VISION

12 TO 16 JUNE 2023

IN-PERSON FORMAT

Sponsored by the

SINGAPORE COOPERATION PROGRAMME

and the

JAPAN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AGENCY

to be conducted by the

CENTRE FOR LIVEABLE CITIES

Singapore Cooperation Programme

Singapore has provided technical assistance to other developing countries since the 1960s. As a country whose only resource is its people, Singapore believes that human resource development is vital for economic and social progress. Singapore itself has benefited from training provided by other countries and international organisations.

In 1992, the Singapore Cooperation Programme (SCP) was established to bring together under one framework the various technical assistance programmes offered by Singapore. Through the SCP, the range and number of training programmes were increased to share Singapore's development experience with other developing countries.

To date, close to 150,000 officials from more than 180 countries and territories have participated in our courses and study visits. The SCP is managed by the Technical Cooperation Directorate of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore.

Japan International Cooperation Agency

The Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), one of Japan's Official Development Assistance (ODA) implementing bodies, has been extending technical cooperation in human resource development to facilitate the autonomous, sustainable development of developing countries since its establishment in 1974. From 2008, JICA was further strengthened to incorporate all activities of Japan's Official Development including concessional ODA loans and grant aid in an effective and efficient manner.

JICA will enhance the impact of assistance through (a) A More Strategic Framework to achieve medium-to-long term development goals of developing countries (b) More Predictable Aid as operational "rolling" plans will be utilised in policy dialogue with developing countries (c) Speedier Project Formulation through "Preparatory Survey" to ensure flexibility and speed at the project preparation stage (d) Assistance Tailored to Real Needs: Synergy of Aid Schemes to offer assistance that most effectively addresses the needs of developing countries.

Japan - Singapore Partnership Programme for the 21st Century (JSPP21)

As countries whose prime resources are their people, Singapore and Japan believe that human resource development is important for economic and social progress. With this mutual understanding, Singapore and Japan signed a Memorandum of Understanding in January 1994 to train participants from developing countries by sharing each country's expertise and experience from their economic development under the Japan - Singapore Partnership Programme (JSPP).

The Japan - Singapore Partnership Programme for the 21st Century (JSPP21) was established through a Memorandum of Discussion (MOD) signed in May 1997, to signify a widening of the scope of technical cooperation between Singapore and Japan. Since then, the MOD has been renewed three times, most recently in December 2018.

With a view to enhancing ASEAN integration and sharing the two countries' experience in their areas of expertise, both governments recognised, as areas of priority, training and capacity building for third countries in the fields of (a) security and peace, (b) addressing vulnerability, (c) private sector development, (d) connectivity, and (e) smart initiatives.

Since 1994, Singapore and Japan have implemented close to 400 training courses for more than 7,000 participants in diverse fields such as public governance, trade promotion, climate change and environment, community policing, disaster management, maritime navigation, tourism, and urban planning.

Centre for Liveable Cities

Set up in 2008 by the Ministry of National Development and the Ministry of Environment and Water Resources, the Centre for Liveable Cities (CLC) has as its mission "to distil, create and share knowledge on liveable and sustainable cities".

CLC's work spans four main areas – Research, Capability Development, Knowledge Platforms, and Advisory. Through these activities, CLC hopes to provide urban leaders and practitioners with the knowledge and support needed to make our cities better.

Course Objectives

This course is conducted under the auspices of the Japan-Singapore Partnership Programme for the 21st Century (JSPP21). The course will allow participants to better understand the driving forces, challenges and opportunities for resilient and sustainable urban development and management as well as smart nation development in both Japan and Singapore. By the end of the course, participants will be equipped with knowledge and skills in understanding and planning resilient urban development based on good practices in Singapore and Japan.

Synopsis

Topics to be covered include:

- Overview of Urban Development in Singapore/Japan;
- Housing;
- Transportation;
- Environment; and
- Disaster Risk Reduction.

Course Duration and Venue

The course will be conducted daily from **12 to 16 June 2023** in-person in Singapore.

Methodology

This course will be delivered for up to **25 participants**.

Application Information

Applicants should be:

- Mid- to senior-level government officials who are involved in urban development projects;
- Nominated by their respective Governments;
- Proficient in written and spoken English; and
- In good health.

In addition, as stipulated by the Government of Japan:

If your organisation and/or your status is related to the Military, you are required to send an email to 1td2@jica.go.jp with your name, country, organisation, the course name, and choose one

option from below that best describes your relationship with the Military:

- the Military, an active military personnel or military personnel listed in the muster roll/military register;
- an organisation affiliated with the Military, or a personnel who does not belong to the military at present but is listed in the muster roll/military register;
- the Department or the Ministry of Defense, and organisation affiliated with the Ministry of Defense, or staff of the Ministry of Defense;
- a civilian organisation but with military personnel or a military division within the organization; or
- an organisation which will be affiliated with or under the control of the Military in times of emergency as specified clearly in its organic law/law of establishment.

Qualifications of applicants who belong to the military or other military-related organizations and/or who are enlisted in the military will be examined by the Government of Japan on a case-by-case basis, consistent with the Development Cooperation Charter of Japan, taking into consideration their duties, positions in the organisation, and other relevant information in a comprehensive manner.

Application Procedure

(Closing date for nomination: **21 April 2023**)

The Government of Singapore is pleased to invite the respective National Focal Point for Technical Assistance (NFP) to nominate **two (2)** suitable applicants. Selection of candidates will be based on merit. Should there be more applicants than training places, the Government of Singapore seeks the understanding of the respective NFP in the event that its nominee(s) is not selected.

All nominees are to submit their applications online at <https://go.gov.sg/jsppud2023> by Friday, 21 April 2023. NFPs are also required to endorse nominees via email links. Instructions and FAQs for Applicants and NFPs can be found at the links below:

- Applicants: <https://go.gov.sg/start-guide>
- NFPs: <https://go.gov.sg/start-nfp>

Note:

- Participants who complete all course assignments and attend at least 80% of learning sessions, will receive a JSPP21 certificate of completion.
- Applicants should refrain from making telephone and email inquiries on the status of their applications while they are being processed.
- The **Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore** will inform all applicants of the outcome of their applications. The NFP will also be informed directly.

Terms of Award

The course is sponsored by the Governments of Japan and Singapore under the JSPP21.

Under this programme arrangement, the Governments of Japan and Singapore will bear the following expenses for successful applicants, thereafter known as "participants", during their training in Singapore.

These expenses include:

- Course fees;
- An Economy Class round-trip air ticket between the respective international airports designated by JICA for ODA-eligible countries;
- A daily training allowance of One Hundred and Twenty Singapore Dollars (120 SGD) from the first day to the last day of the course. A proportionate reduction in the daily training allowance will be made if the participant is unable to attend the full duration of the course;
- Accommodation for the duration of the course. Complimentary breakfast is provided in the hotel from the first day to one day after the course;
- Transportation between hotel, training venue and site visits (if any);
- Basic insurance coverage (Group Hospitalisation and Surgical; Group Personal Accident) for participants during their stay in Singapore, in accordance with the policy of a local insurance company. This does not cover any pre-existing conditions/illnesses and/or any outpatient medical/dental treatment. Participants are personally liable for all medical expenses beyond what is covered by the insurance policy.

Note:

- Participants are to bear their personal expenses that might be incurred prior to receiving the allowance; and
- As the basic insurance coverage is limited, participants are strongly advised to purchase comprehensive travel insurance which includes medical evacuation in case they encounter any unexpected emergencies.

Regulations

Participants are required to comply with the following:

- Strictly observe course schedules and not miss training sessions; and
- Carry out instructions and abide by conditions as may be stipulated by the nominating Authority or Government and the Governments of Japan and Singapore and their appointed trainers, with respect to the course.

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