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## **State Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism**

### **Minorikawa's Visit to Kenya and Ethiopia**

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Ethiopia-Japan High-Quality Infrastructure Conference**

State Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Minorikawa visited the Republic of Kenya and the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia for the promotion of “Quality Infrastructure Investment” on January 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

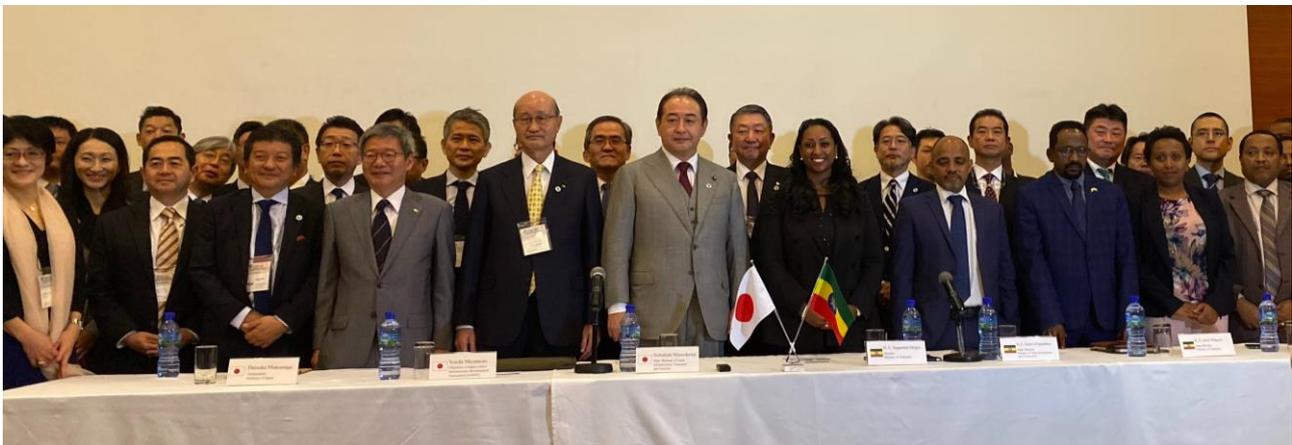
#### **Republic of Kenya** (see [Attachment 1](#) for the meeting details)

In the Republic of Kenya, our contribution for the promotion of “Quality Infrastructure Investment” including PPP was expressed through the meetings with the Chief Administrative Secretary, Ministry of Transport, Infrastructure, Housing & Urban Development Obure, the acting Finance Minister Yatani and other cabinet members of Kenya.

#### **Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia** (see [Attachment 2](#) for the meeting details)

State Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Minorikawa attended the “2<sup>nd</sup> Ethiopia-Japan High-Quality Infrastructure Conference” and signed the “Memorandum of Cooperation for Promoting Quality Infrastructure Investment”. Ethiopia and Japan agreed to strengthen the comprehensive cooperation including PPP in the field of infrastructure through the meetings with Minister of Transport Dagmawit, and two State Ministers of Transport as well as State Minister of Urban Development and Construction Tazer and other cabinet members.

#### 2nd Ethiopia-Japan High-Quality Infrastructure Conference



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Attachment 1

**1. Bilateral Meeting with the Dignitaries of Kenya (January 8<sup>th</sup>)**

State Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Minorikawa had meetings with the Chief Administrative Secretary, Ministry of Transport, Infrastructure, Housing & Urban Development Obure, the acting Finance Minister Yatani and other cabinet members and expressed to contribute to the promotion of “Quality Infrastructure Investment” including PPP.

He extended Japan’s appreciation for the Ministry of Transport, Infrastructure, Housing & Urban Development’s participation in TICAD7 and requested their cooperation to move forward with the Japanese company’s “Mombasa Port Area Road Development Project” package 2.

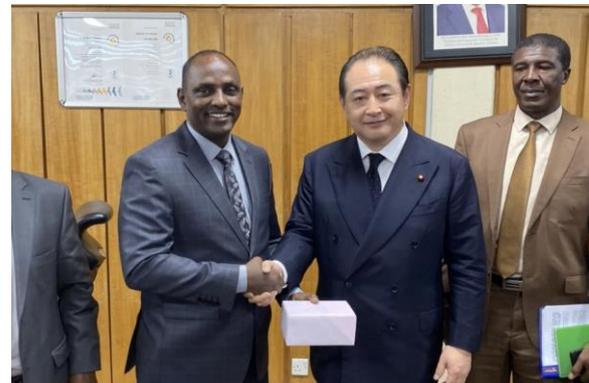
Chief Administrative Secretary Obure expressed his appreciation for Japan’s continuous technical support and the infrastructure development in Mombasa.

We briefed the activities of Japan-Africa Infrastructure Development Association (JAIDA) in the Ministry of Finance. Acting Finance Minister Yatani expressed his expectation in Japanese companies to participate in PPP projects and provide technical support in Kenya.

Mr. Miyamoto, Chairman of the Board, Shimizu Corporation (JAIDA President), Mr. Okumura, President of Fujita Corporation (JAIDA Representative) and other JAIDA member companies also attended in these meetings and introduced their business activities.



Bilateral Meeting with Chief Administrative Secretary, Ministry of Transport, Infrastructure, Housing & Urban Development Obure



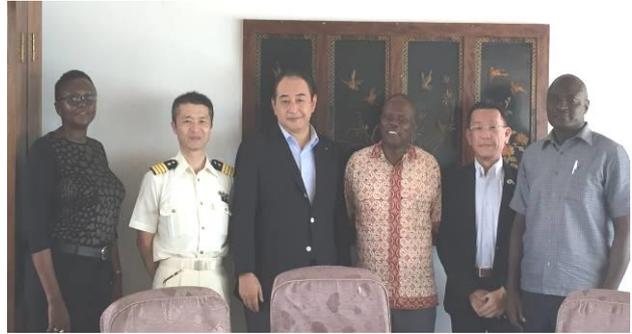
Bilateral Meeting with Acting Finance Minister Yatani

## 2. Site Visit to Mombasa (January 9<sup>th</sup>)

State Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Minorikawa visited ongoing ODA project sites in Nairobi, Mombasa Port and its surrounding infrastructure related facilities where Japan's cooperation projects are underway with JAIDA member companies. He also had a meeting with Director General of Kenya Coast Guard Service Naisho.



Port Control Tower to Overlook the Panoramic View of Mombasa Area



Meeting with Director General of Kenya Coast Guard Service Naisho



Site Visit to the Future Site of Mombasa Special Economic Zone with JAIDA Member Companies

## 1. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ethiopia-Japan High-Quality Infrastructure Conference (January 10<sup>th</sup>)

- (1) Date: Friday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020
- (2) Location: Hilton Addis Ababa, Addis Ababa, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia
- (3) Host: (Japan) Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism  
(Ethiopia) Ministry of Transport  
Ministry of Urban Development and Construction
- (4) Participants: Approximately 160 people from public and private sectors  
(Main participants from Japan)  
Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (State Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Minorikawa)  
Embassy of Japan in Ethiopia (Ambassador Matsunaga)  
Japanese companies including Mr. Miyamoto, Chairman of the Board, Shimizu Corporation (JAIDA President), Mr. Okumura, President of Fujita Corporation (JAIDA Representative) (24 JAIDA member companies including construction companies, consulting companies, trading companies and manufacturers, etc.) and others

(Main participants from Ethiopia)

- H. E. Ms. Dagmawit Moges, Minister of Transport
- H. E. Mr. Awol Wegriss, State Minister of Transport
- H. E. Ms. Hiwot Mosisa, State Minister of Transport
- H. E. Mr. Tazer G/Egziabher, State Minister of Urban Development and Construction

### (5) Summary:

#### I. Opening remarks from the hosts

On behalf of the two countries, State Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Minorikawa, JAIDA President Miyamoto and Minister of Transport Dagmawit Moges made opening remarks

<Summary of the Remarks by State Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Minorikawa>

“I’d like to express my sincerest gratitude toward the cooperation of the Ethiopian government for holding the second High-Quality Infrastructure Conference. It is my great pleasure to sign a Memorandum of Understanding that signifies Japan’s continuing promise to assist with the development of high-quality infrastructure in Ethiopia.

In 2016, JAIDA was established for the promotion of infrastructure development



State Minister Minorikawa’s remarks  
in the Conference

in Africa with the cooperation of public and private sectors. It is my understanding that in order to respond to further economic development and urbanization, Ethiopia has a strong demand for infrastructure. We expect that there will be increasing business chances created through the economic policies including privatization of state-owned businesses and the growing demand for transportation infrastructure by normalization of diplomatic relations between Ethiopia and Eritrea.

The strength of Japanese infrastructure lies in the fact that based on the philosophy of “Made with Japan” we proposed in TICAD7, the infrastructure will be developed in cooperation with the people of Africa while the technology transfer will also be promoted. We would like work with you under the philosophy for the development of infrastructure in Ethiopia.

PPP is also the main theme of this conference. I expect that today’s conference will be a significant step forward toward bringing the public and private sectors of both countries together and developing PPP infrastructure projects in Ethiopia. I would like to express my sincere hopes that our two countries continue to develop—or as we say in Japanese, KAIZEN, to continually work to improve—the relations between our two countries and that we can come together to develop successful projects.”

## II. Signing Ceremony of Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC)

State Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Minorikawa signed the Memorandum of Cooperation for Promoting Quality Infrastructure Investment in Ethiopia with Ministry of Transport and Ministry of Urban Development and Construction.



## III. Keynote Speech

Mr. Murakawa, Director of International Planning for Construction Industry, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, made a presentation on “Japanese Contribution to Realizing High Quality Infrastructure Investment for Africa” in keynote speech.

## IV. Workshop and Business Matching

Public and private sectors including the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism of Japan, the Ministry of Transport, the Ministry of Urban Development and Construction, the Ministry of Finance of Ethiopia, JICA discussed “infrastructure development for sustainable development” and “PPP” as the main themes. In business matching, Japanese companies and Ethiopian companies as possible business partners exchanged information to build cooperative relationships.

## 2. Bilateral Meeting with the Dignitaries of Ethiopia (January 10<sup>th</sup>)

State Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Minorikawa had a meeting with Minister of Transport Dagmawit, two State Ministers of Transport, State Minister of Urban Development and Construction Tazer and other cabinet members and agreed to strengthen comprehensive cooperation including PPP in the field of infrastructure.

JAIDA President Miyamoto, Representative Okumura and the representatives of each participating Japanese company also attended the meeting and introduced their business activities.



Bilateral Meeting with the Dignitaries of the Ethiopian Government

## 3. Other Event (January 10<sup>th</sup>)

State Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Minorikawa visited the Alemegena Machine Based Technology Road Construction and Maintenance Training Center where Japan provided technical cooperation from 2002 to 2006 in Ethiopia. State Minister of Transport Hiwat accompanied his visit and guided the facility. We saw that technical cooperation from Japan is still there in local operations, and that it is exactly the site that embodies the “Made with Japan.”



State Minister of Transport Hiwat Welcomes State Minister Minorikawa



Site Visit to Alemegena Machine Based Technology Road Construction and Maintenance Training Center