

Date of meeting: 13 October 2023

Place of meeting: Battaramulla, Sri Lanka and online

**Joint Committee of the Joint Crediting Mechanism
between Sri Lanka and Japan
First Meeting**

Meeting Report

Agenda item 1. Opening

Dr. Anil Jasinghe, Secretary of the Ministry of Environment, opened the first meeting of the Joint Committee (JC) of the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM) and gave opening remarks.

Mr. Katsuki Kotaro, Minister/ Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of Japan in Sri Lanka, gave opening remarks.

Table: Attendance

JC Members from Sri Lankan side	
Dr. Anil Jasinghe	Ministry of Environment
Ms. R.M.C.M. Herath	Ministry of Wildlife and Forest Resources Conservation
Mr. K.D.N. Ranjith Asoka	Ministry of Public Administration and Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government
Mr. K.M.A. Bandara	Forest Department
Mr. Sugath Dharmakeerthi	Ministry of Power and Energy
Mr. J. I.D. Jayasundara	Ministry of Transport and Highways
Mr. K.M. Rizvi	Ministry of Industries
Dr. E.R.S.P. Edirimanna	Ministry of Agriculture
Dr. R.D.S. Jayathunga	Ministry of Environment
Eng. J.M. Athula	Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority
Eng. I.G. Dasun Janaka	Vehicle Emission Trust Fund
Ms. R.K.L. Jagoda	Department of National Planning
Mr. M.A.L.S.N.K. Manthrinayake	Department of External Resources
Ms. K.N.K. Vidyalkara	Ministry of Environment
Observers from Sri Lankan side	
Ms. Chamika Iddagoda	Ministry of Environment

JC Members from Japanese side	
Mr. KATSUKI Kotaro	Embassy of Japan in Sri Lanka
Ms. TANAKA Sachi	Embassy of Japan in Sri Lanka
Dr. MIZUNO Yuji (alternate)	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
<i>Mr. KIMURA Norihiro</i>	Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry
Ms. UGA Maiko (alternate)	Ministry of the Environment
Observers from Japanese side	
Mr. OHASHI Kenji	Embassy of Japan in Sri Lanka
<i>Mr. SATO Tomonobu</i>	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
<i>Mr. KOIZUMI Naoki</i>	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
<i>Mr. MIZUNO Kohei</i>	Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry
<i>Mr. TAKAHASHI Kentaro</i>	Ministry of the Environment
<i>Mr. YANASE Tatsuya</i>	Asian Development Bank
<i>Mr. MURAYAMA Takahiro</i>	Asian Development Bank

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Agenda item 1.1 Brief presentation of JCM

The Japanese side explained the overview of the JCM.

Agenda item 1.2 Rules of Procedures for the Joint Committee

The JC considered the draft “Joint Crediting Mechanism Rules of Procedures for the Joint Committee” including the draft “Conflict of Interest Declaration Form” and adopted them as contained in Annexes 1 and 1.1 to this meeting report.

Agenda item 2. Organizational matters

Agenda item 2.1 Appointment of Co-Chairs

The Sri Lankan side appointed Dr. Anil Jasinghe as the Sri Lankan Co-Chair, and the Japanese side appointed Mr. Katsuki Kotaro as the Japanese Co-Chair. The Co-Chairs jointly serve the JC of the JCM between Sri Lanka and Japan.

Agenda item 2.2 Attendance

The JC consented to the participation of the attendees who were other than governmental officials at this JC meeting based on confirmation of the Conflict of Interest Declaration Forms submitted by the attendees.

Agenda item 2.3 Establishment of the JC secretariat

The JC established the JC secretariat. The Japanese side nominated Mitsubishi UFJ Research and Consulting Co., Ltd. and Global Environment Centre Foundation to serve as the JC secretariat from the Japanese side. The Sri Lankan side nominated Ms. K. N. K. Vidyalkara, Director, Ministry of Environment, and Ms. Chamika Iddagoda, Programme Assistant, Ministry of Environment, to serve as the JC secretariat from the Sri Lankan side.

Agenda item 2.4 Adoption of the agenda

The JC adopted the agenda of the meeting.

Agenda item 3. Rules and guidelines

The JC considered the draft version of the following documents and adopted them as contained in the annexes to this meeting report:

- Rules of Implementation for the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM) ([Annex 2](#));
- Joint Crediting Mechanism Project Cycle Procedure and 15 forms related to the procedure ([Annex 3 and Annexes 3.1 to 3.15](#));
- Joint Crediting Mechanism Guidelines for Developing Proposed Methodology ([Annex 4](#));
- Joint Crediting Mechanism Guidelines for Developing Project Design Document and Monitoring Report ([Annex 5](#));
- Joint Crediting Mechanism Guidelines for Developing Sustainable Development Implementation Plan and Report ([Annex 6](#));
- Joint Crediting Mechanism Guidelines for Designation as a Third-Party Entity ([Annex 7](#));
- Joint Crediting Mechanism Guidelines for Validation and Verification ([Annex 8](#));
- Common Specifications of the JCM Registry ([Annex 9](#));
- Joint Crediting Mechanism Glossary of Terms ([Annex 10](#)).

Agenda item 4. Project Idea Note (PIN) of a planned JCM project

The JC considered the Project Idea Note (PIN) of a planned JCM project, LK_PIN001, “12.8MW Solar Power Project in Kebithigollewa, North Central Province”, which was submitted on 31 July 2023.

Upon completion of the review of the PIN by the Sri Lankan JC members on 27 October 2023, the JC decided that it has no objection to the planned project.

Agenda item 5. Other matters**Agenda item 5.1 Japan’s support for the JCM partner countries**

The Japanese side explained the financing programmes for the JCM (the JCM model projects, Japan Fund for the Joint Crediting Mechanism managed by the Asian Development Bank (ADB), the JCM

F-gas recovery and destruction model projects), the project development and outreach activities. The Japanese side also explained the JCM promotion scheme, the JCM feasibility study, and the JCM demonstration projects.

The JC also discussed the capacity-building support for the JCM implementation.

Agenda item 5.2 Institutional arrangements for Article 6 implementation

The Japanese side explained the institutional arrangements for the Article 6 implementation in Japan.

Agenda item 6. Conclusion of the meeting

The Co-Chairs gave closing remarks and closed the meeting.

Annexes to the report

- Annex 1 Joint Crediting Mechanism Rules of Procedures for the Joint Committee
 - Annex 1.1 Conflict of Interest Declaration Form
- Annex 2 Rules of Implementation for the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM)
- Annex 3 Joint Crediting Mechanism Project Cycle Procedure
 - Annex 3.1 Project Idea Note for JCM Project
 - Annex 3.2 JCM Modalities of Communication Statement Form
 - Annex 3.3 JCM Assessment of Reference Emissions Request Form
 - Annex 3.4 JCM Validation Report Form
 - Annex 3.5 JCM Percentage of Credit Allocation Form
 - Annex 3.6 JCM Project Registration Request Form
 - Annex 3.7 JCM Project Implementation Report Form
 - Annex 3.8 JCM Verification Report Form
 - Annex 3.9 JCM Credits Issuance Request Form
 - Annex 3.10 JCM Renewal of Crediting Period Request Form
 - Annex 3.11 JCM Approved Methodology Revision Request Form
 - Annex 3.12 JCM Post-Registration Changes Request Form
 - Annex 3.13 JCM Project Withdrawal Request Form
 - Annex 3.14 JCM Registration Request Withdrawal Form
 - Annex 3.15 JCM Issuance Request Withdrawal Form
- Annex 4 Joint Crediting Mechanism Guidelines for Developing Proposed Methodology
- Annex 5 Joint Crediting Mechanism Guidelines for Developing Project Design Document and Monitoring Report
- Annex 6 Joint Crediting Mechanism Guidelines for Developing Sustainable Development Implementation Plan and Report
- Annex 7 Joint Crediting Mechanism Guidelines for Designation as a Third-Party Entity
- Annex 8 Joint Crediting Mechanism Guidelines for Validation and Verification
- Annex 9 Common Specifications of the JCM Registry
- Annex 10 Joint Crediting Mechanism Glossary of Terms

Table: Attendees who submitted the Conflict of Interest Declaration Form

Attendees from Japanese side	
<i>Mr. YANASE Tatsuya</i>	Asian Development Bank
<i>Mr. MURAYAMA Takahiro</i>	Asian Development Bank
Mr. HEMMI Tatsushi (Secretariat)	Mitsubishi UFJ Research and Consulting Co., Ltd.
Ms. YAMAGUCHI Kazuko (Secretariat)	Mitsubishi UFJ Research and Consulting Co., Ltd.
Ms. OTSUKA Misako (Secretariat)	Mitsubishi UFJ Research and Consulting Co., Ltd.
Mr. TAKAHASHI Hiroshi (Secretariat)	Global Environment Centre Foundation
Ms. ISHIHARA Masami (Secretariat)	Global Environment Centre Foundation

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