

Date of meeting: 20 October 2016

Place of meeting: Hanoi, Viet Nam

**Joint Committee of the Joint Crediting Mechanism
between Viet Nam and Japan
Fifth Meeting**

Meeting Report

Agenda item 1. Opening

H.E Vo Tuan Nhan, Vice Minister, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, opened the fifth meeting of the Joint Committee (JC) of the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM) and gave opening remarks.

Mr. Katsuro Nagai, Minister, Embassy of Japan in Viet Nam, gave opening remarks.

Table: Attendance

JC Members from Vietnamese side	
H.E Vo Tuan Nhan (alternate)	Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment
Mr. Pham Van Tan	Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment
Mr. Nguyen Khac Hieu	Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment
Ms. Lai Thi Phuong Nhung (alternate)	Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment
Mr. Tran Anh Duong	Ministry of Transport
Mr. Nguyen Tuan Anh	Ministry of Planning and Investment
Mr. Dang Cong Khoi	Ministry of Finance
Mr. Le Quang Thanh	Ministry of Science and Technology
Mr. Tran Dinh Thai	Ministry of Construction
Mr. Tran Huy Hoan (alternate)	Ministry of Industry and Trade
Ms. Le Hoang Anh (alternate)	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development
JC Members from Japanese side	
Mr. Katsuro NAGAI	Embassy of Japan in Viet Nam
Mr. Yoshito NAKAJIMA	Embassy of Japan in Viet Nam
Mr. Tomoaki ISHIGAKI	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Mr. Toshiaki NAGATA (alternate)	Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry
Mr. Naoki TORII (alternate)	Ministry of the Environment
Mr. Shigeki HATA	Forestry Agency

* The names of members present at the meeting are in bold print above.

Agenda item 2. Overview of work/progress relating to JCM

Agenda item 2.1. Update of information on work done so far and result from the preparatory meeting

The secretariat gave an overview of the progress made in the JCM between Viet Nam and Japan. The JC noted that 4 JCM projects have been registered and 5 JCM methodologies have been approved. The secretariat also explained the result from the preparatory meeting which was held on 19th October and dealt with the technical matters regarding possible revisions on the JCM rules and guidelines.

Agenda item 2.2. Issues proposed for JC members to decide in the meeting (JCM methodologies; revised rules and guidelines)

The secretariat explained the agenda of the meeting and issues to be decided at the meeting in line with the each agenda item.

Agenda item 3. JCM methodologies

Agenda item 3.1 Installation of Solar PV System

The JC considered the proposed methodology VN_PM009 “Installation of Solar PV System”. Based on the consideration, the JC decided to further consider the proposed methodology VN_PM009 especially on the values of reference CO₂ emission factor to be applied for the project solar PV system.

Agenda item 3.2 Introduction of air conditioning system equipped with inverters

The JC considered the proposed methodology VN_PM008 “Introduction of air conditioning system equipped with inverters”. Based on the consideration, the JC approved the proposed methodology VN_PM008, as contained in Annex 7 to this meeting report. The JC took note the importance of activities reducing fluorinated greenhouse gases and its expectation on facilitating possible implementations of projects in this context under the JCM in future.

Agenda item 3.3 Revisions on VN_AM001 “Transportation energy efficiency activities by installing digital tachograph systems”

The JC considered the proposed revisions on VN_AM001 “Transportation energy efficiency activities by installing digital tachograph systems” and a comment provided by a member of the JC by electronic means. Based on the consideration, the JC approved the revisions on VN_AM001 with further modifications taking into consideration the comment received in the meeting, as contained in Annex 8 to this meeting report.

Agenda item 4. Rules and guidelines

Agenda item 4.1 Revisions related to issuance of JCM credits

The JC considered the draft revisions on “Guidance for the Implementation of the JCM”, “JCM Project Cycle Procedure” and “JCM Credits Issuance Request Form”, and adopted them, as contained in the Annexes (Annex 1, 2, and 2.1) to this meeting report.

Agenda item 4.2 Revisions related to editorial matters

The JC considered the draft revisions on “JCM Guidelines for Developing Proposed Methodology”, “JCM Guidelines for Developing Project Design Document and Monitoring Report”, “JCM Guidelines for Designation as a Third-Party Entity”, “JCM Modalities of Communication Statement Form” and “JCM Verification Report Form” and adopted them, as contained in the Annexes (Annex 3, 4, 5, 2.2, and 2.3) to this meeting report.

Agenda item 4.3 Common Specifications of the JCM Registry

The JC considered the draft “Common Specifications of the JCM Registry” and adopted it, as contained in Annex 6 to this meeting report.

Agenda item 5. Other matters

Agenda item 5.1. Implementation progress on registered/existing JCM projects: existing issues/difficulties; matters which require JC’s support in term of policy

The Vietnamese side presented its suggestions for further promoting the implementation of the JCM in Viet Nam, which include needs for reviewing, and reflecting on lessons learned from the experiences in, the implementation of JCM projects to date, and enhanced information sharing between both sides regarding JCM related activities including those in a pre-FS (feasibility studies) phase. The Vietnamese side also shared its expectation on issuance of credits in near future and emphasized needs for capacity building support on establishment and operationalization of its JCM registry and other supports necessary for JCM activities’ effective implementation arrangement of the JCM secretariat from the Vietnamese side. The JC took note of those suggestions from the Vietnamese side.

Agenda item 5.2. JCM procedures in Viet Nam

The JC discussed possible revisions on the JCM related procedures domestically requested in Viet Nam under which project participants are requested to translate all the JCM related documents into Vietnamese. The JC took note that the Vietnamese side will consider possible revisions on the requirements.

The JC discussed a possible extension of the partnership for the JCM and consented that the JCM will continue to be implemented after entry into force of the Paris Agreement. The JC decided to modify the related paragraphs of the bilateral document, “Memorandum of Cooperation on Low Carbon Growth between the Japanese side and the Vietnamese side” by exchanging the letters between both sides to make the partnership be effective until 2020. The JC also decided to revise and make the “Guidance for the Implementation of the JCM” publicly available upon the completion of the modification to the bilateral document.

Agenda item 5.3. 4th JCM Partner Countries’ High-level Meeting during COP22

The Japanese side introduced the draft agenda of the 4th JCM Partner Countries’ High-level Meeting to be held at the Japan Pavilion during COP22.

Agenda item 6. Conclusion of the meeting

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

Annexes to the report

- Annex 1 Guidance for the Implementation of the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM) (version 02.0)
- Annex 2 JCM Project Cycle Procedure (version 03.0)
 - Annex 2.1 JCM Credits Issuance Request Form (version 02.0)
 - Annex 2.2 JCM Modalities of Communication Statement Form (version 02.0)
 - Annex 2.3 JCM Verification Report Form (version 02.0)
- Annex 3 JCM Guidelines for Developing Proposed Methodology (version 02.0)
- Annex 4 JCM Guidelines for Developing Project Design Document and Monitoring Report (version 02.0)
- Annex 5 JCM Guidelines for Designation as a Third-Party Entity (version 03.0)
- Annex 6 Common Specifications of the JCM Registry
- Annex 7 VN_AM006 “Introduction of air conditioning system equipped with inverters”
- Annex 8 VN_AM001 (version 02.0) “Transportation energy efficiency activities by installing digital tachograph systems”