# Activity Report on the Legal and Judicial Project for Vietnam

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# **1** Characteristics of the Project



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	Period	Project Title	Counterpart(s)
1	Dec.1996~Nov.1999	Cooperation in the Legal and Judicial Field	MOJ
2	Dec.1999~Nov.2002	Cooperation in the Legal and Judicial Field (Phase 2)	MOJ、SPC、SPP
3	Jul.2003~Mar.2007	Cooperation in the Legal and Judicial Field (Phase 3)	MOJ、SPC、SPP、 VNU
4	Apr.2007~Mar.2011	Technical Assistance for the Legal and Judicial System Reform	MOJ、SPC、SPP、 VBF
5	Apr.2011~Mar.2015	Technical Assistance for the Legal and Judicial System Reform (Phase 2)	MOJ、SPC、SPP、 VBF
6	Apr.2015~Dec.2020	The Project for Harmonized, Practical Legislation and Uniform Application of Law Targeting Year 2020	MOJ、OOG、 SPC、SPP、VBF
7	Jan.2021~Dec.2025	Enhancing the Quality and Efficiency of Developing and Implementing Laws in Viet Nam	MOJ、CIAC、 OOG、SPC、SPP、 VBF

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# Characteristics of the Project (1) Cooperation over the years

- History : more than 25 years
- 4 Projects (total 7 phases)
- Long-term experts : 40 persons
- Training courses in Japan : 65 times

### (2) Multiple Counterparts

- Increasing number of CPs
- Each CP has a lot of departments e.g. MOJ has 22 departments and relevant organizations

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 Participation of Communist Party's organization (CIAC)

# (3) Shift and diversification of demands

- Drafting basic laws e.g. Civil Code
- Improving implementation of laws (incl. uniformity of legal normative documents)
- Strengthening national competitive capacity, Digitalization, etc.

cf. Resolution of the 13<sup>th</sup> National Party Congress

### (4) Advisory Group (AG)

Advice of professors and practitioners

AG members					
Mr. MORISHIMA Akio	Attorney at Law, Professor Emeritus of Nagoya University				
Mr. NIIMI Ikufumi	Attorney at Law, Professor Emeritus of Meiji University				
Mr. MATSUURA Yoshiharu	Professor Emeritus of Nagoya University				
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Mr. MORINAGA Taro	Director of UNAFEI				
Mr. NAITO Shintaro	Director of MOJJ-ICD				

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## (5) Other frameworks of cooperation

- Japan-Vietnam Joint Initiative
- Educational institutions (e.g. CJLV)
- SPP program and UNAFEI activities
- Friendship between JFBA and VBF
- MOC between MOJJ and MOJV

# **2 Progress of the project activity**





# 2 Progress of the project activity (1) Two-stage scheme / WG activities

#### Stage 1

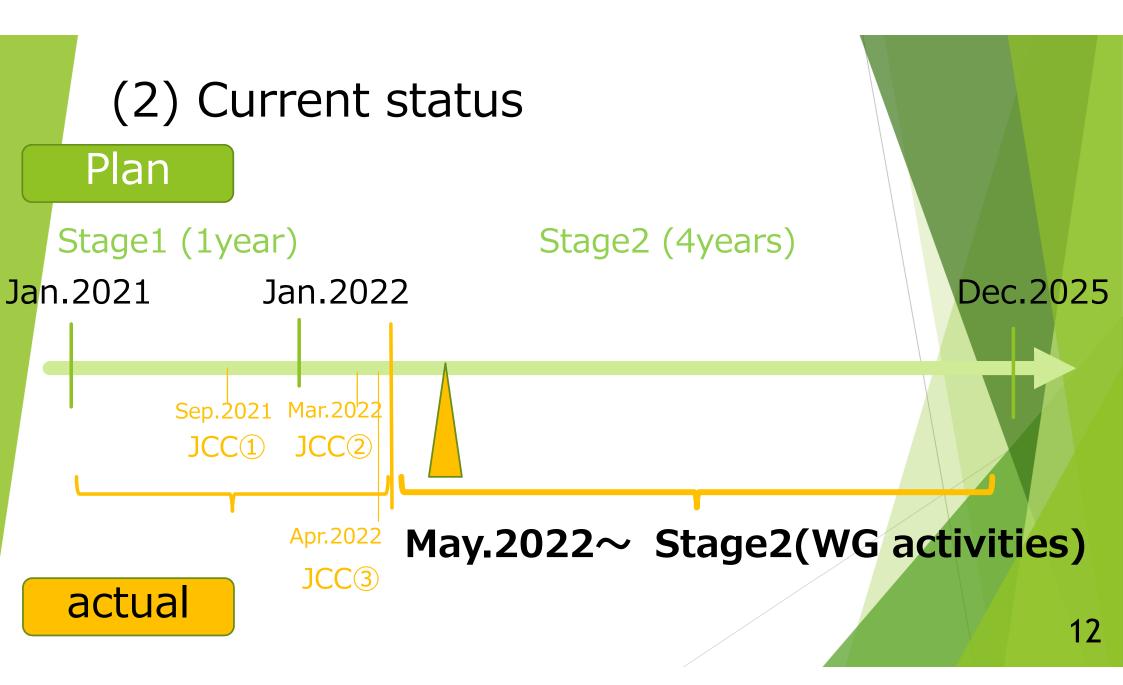
Each Counterpart(CP) selects the Highest-Priority Theme(HPT) and establishes Working Group(WG) to study and propose solutions regarding HPT.

[PDM:Output1, Activities1-1-1-5]

Stage 2

Each WG formulates a detailed activity plan, studies and discusses HPT based on its plan, then proposes solutions. [PDM:Output2, Activities2-1-2-5]

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#### (3) Implementation of Stage1

- The 1<sup>st</sup> JCC approved draft of ORG(※)
   ※Operational Regulations and Guidelines [Activities1-1]
- Identify and select the Highest-Priority Theme(s)
  - [Activities1-2, 1-3, 1-4]
- The 3<sup>rd</sup> JCC approved establishment of WGs and detailed activity plans [Activities1-5, 2-1]

#### The 1st Session of JCC



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#### The 3rd Session of JCC



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### (4) HPTs and Activity Plan for 2022

СР	Highest-Priority Theme(s)	WG activities(2022)
MOJ	<ol> <li>①Enhancement of quality and skill in legal system, ensuring uniformity, consistency and feasibility</li> <li>②Enhancement of efficiency and skill of laws implementation under the state management</li> </ol>	<wg1>WG meeting, etc. <wg2>WG meeting, etc.</wg2></wg1>
CIAC	Making and perfecting laws on the prevention of corruption and negativity	<wg>WG meeting, etc.</wg>
OOG	Enhancement of quality and skill in verification of the draft of legal normative documents	<wg>WG meeting, etc.</wg>
SPC	<ol> <li>Development of case laws</li> <li>Enhancement of effectiveness and efficiency of the Law on Mediation and Dialogue at Court</li> </ol>	<wg1>WG meeting, etc. <wg2>WG meeting, etc.</wg2></wg1>
SPP	<ol> <li>Research on PP in the Socialist Rule of Law State of Vietnam of 2021-2030, with a vision to 2045</li> <li>Improving capacity of PP staff and prosecutors</li> </ol>	<wg1>WG meeting, etc. <wg2>WG meeting, etc.</wg2></wg1>
VBF	<ol> <li>Strengthening media agency communication</li> <li>Developing profession with digital transformation</li> </ol>	<wg1>WG meeting, etc. <wg2>WG meeting, etc.</wg2></wg1>

# **3 Future prospect**

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- Implementation of WG activities
- "New Orientations" on legal and judicial reforms of the Communist Party
- Formulating draft of Activity plan 2023
- Preparation for the 4<sup>th</sup> JCC

### (2) Challenges and Lessons

- How to conduct Two-stage scheme
- Pros and cons of many CPs
- Legal assistance in the future
- Judicial diplomacy and JICA project





# Xin cảm ơn!

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