Republic of Korea

Objectives and Overview Operations in Myanmar

Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA), founded in 1991, opened its Myanmar office in 2001. KOICA provides its grant assistance and technical support in the areas where the needs of the Government of Myanmar can meet. KOICA conducts various projects and programs in collaboration with the Government of Myanmar, as well as other donor countries, international agencies, NGOs and private sector in order to help Myanmar achieve the smooth reform process and development results that can positively benefit the people of Myanmar.

Focus areas

1) Project aid program

In Myanmar, KOICA specifically focuses on:

- Agriculture and Rural Development
- Industrial development
- Economic Governance
- Administrative Governance
- Human Resources Development

The table below explains KOICA's ongoing and new projects for the year of 2013.

Sector	Program/Project	Year
Health	Project for the Establishment of Laboratory for Research on	2011-
	Communicable Diseases	2014
Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries	Project for the Strengthening the National Capacity for Foot	2011-
	and Mouth Disease(FMD) Control Program	2013
	Project for the Post-harvest Technology Assistance Program	2011-
	for Myanmar Agriculture Products	2013
	Land Reform Project for Transformation into Mechanized	2013-
	Farming	2015
Environment	Project for the Greening of the Dry Zone of Central	2013-
	Myanmar IV	2014
Industry & Energy	Master Plan for Arterial Road Network Development	2013-
		2015
Public Administratio n	Strengthening National Statistical System	2013-
		2014
	Strengthening of Capability of Convention Management	2013-
		2014

2) World Friends Korea

World Friends Korea is a program through which KOICA provides volunteers and advisers/experts to partner countries. Until now, KOICA has provided more than 130 volunteers (including advisers) in Myanmar. Currently, there are 19 volunteers and 3 advisers and it is expected to dispatch more volunteers and advisers within this year. KOICA provides volunteers and advisers in the fields requested from the Government of Myanmar, such as computer education, special and early childhood education, physical education, irrigation-related technology, rural development, electricity, etc.

3) Fellowship Program

Since 1991, KOICA has provided educational opportunities to the Myanmar government officials in the field of health, environment, public administration, agriculture, etc. This fellowship program consists of short-term training courses and Master's degree programs, and aims at strengthening the government officials' capacity. More than 1,500 officials have participated in the program.

4) Public Private Partnership

KOICA provides financial support to NGOs and Korea universities to help them implement projects aiming at poverty eradication and promotion of wellbeing for the local people. In 2013, KOICA supports 10 projects, mostly focusing on community and capacity development.

Operational Size

(USD : millions)						
Financial Year	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	
Total	1.60	6.13	3.49	4.10	4.98	

Implementing Partners

• Government of Myanmar

- Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation
- Ministry of Health
- Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries
- Ministry of Industry
- Ministry of Environmental Conservation and Forestry
- Ministry of Communications, Posts and Telegraphs
- Ministry of Science and Technology
- UN agencies
- NGOs

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