



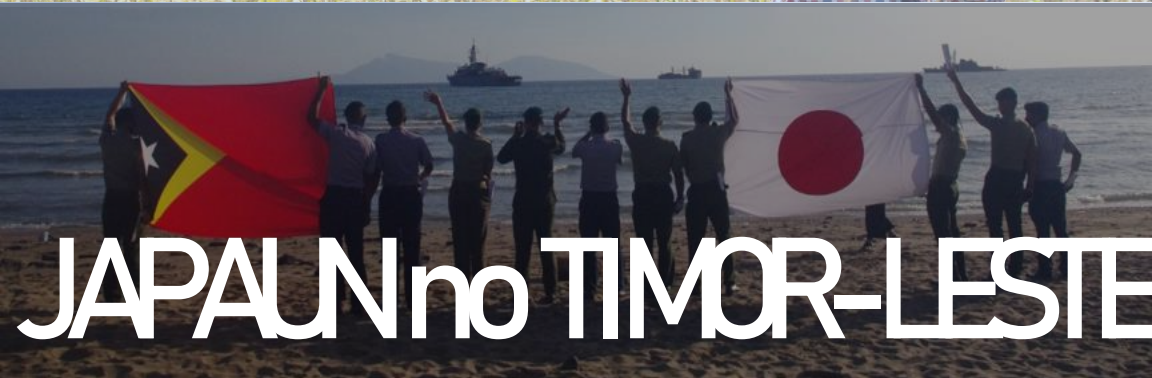
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JAPAU Nno TIMOR-LESTE

A stylized map in orange and white showing the location of Japan and Timor-Leste. Japan is marked with a line and the label 'Japan', and Timor-Leste is marked with a line and the label 'Timor-Leste'.

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— Japan

# TIMOR-LESTE

Timor-Leste

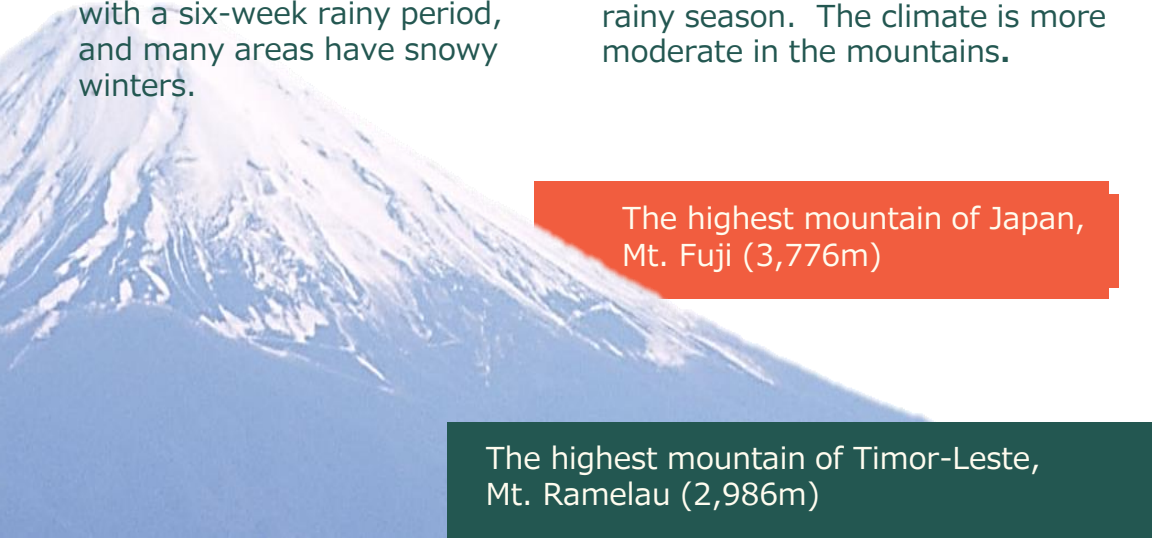
Although Japan and Timor-Leste are 5,178km apart geographically, they have much in common. The names of both countries mean “the country of the rising sun”, and rice is an important part of diet for both Japan and Timor-Leste. Both countries attach importance to culture, tradition and local community. Japan and Timor-Leste celebrated the 20th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations in 2022.

## Japan

- Land area: Approx. 378,000km<sup>2</sup>
- Population: Approx. 123 million
- Prefectures: 47
- Climate: 4 seasons (spring, summer, autumn, winter)  
Temperature changes are mild and gradual, summer starts with a six-week rainy period, and many areas have snowy winters.

## Timor-Leste

- Land area: Approx. 15,007km<sup>2</sup>
- Population: Approx. 1.3 million
- Prefectures: 14
- Climate: 2 seasons (Dry and Rainy)  
Being a tropical state, it is hot and humid almost all year around. Heavy rain is frequent during the rainy season. The climate is more moderate in the mountains.

A photograph of Mount Fuji, a snow-capped mountain peak, partially obscured by a blue sky and a white cloud.

The highest mountain of Japan,  
Mt. Fuji (3,776m)

The highest mountain of Timor-Leste,  
Mt. Ramelau (2,986m)





**Loan Aid** is a cooperation scheme for assisting developing countries in their efforts to develop economic and social infrastructure and stabilize their economies through the provision of low-interest and long term loans.



During Construction

**The National Road No.1 Upgrading Project** aims to improve transportation and physical distribution network by upgrading the road from Dili to Baucau, thereby contributing to the socio-economic development of Timor-Leste. The Government of Japan has provided the Government of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste with a loan amounting to 5.278 billion yen (approximately USD 40 million) to finance the project.

The Government of Japan was the first donor which provided a government loan to Timor-Leste.

## GRANT ASSISTANCE

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### Presidente Nicolau Lobato International Airport

On October 2021, the Government of Japan has signed an exchange of notes with the Government of Timor-Leste on the grant aid to construct a new airport terminal of Presidente Nicolau Lobato International Airport with 44 million USD grant.

**Grant Aid** is a type of financial assistance in which funds are granted to a developing country to support construction works or services such as procuring equipment and materials that are necessary for economic and social development. Grants are financial assistance with no obligation for repayment.



Constructed an ultrasonography room of radiology department at National Hospital in Dili Municipality

Local farmers participate in water supply project, supported by Japanese NGO "Care International Japan."



COVID-Resilient Elections in Timor-Leste (CORE-TL) project with UNDP

## Domestic Rice Production

Since its start in 2016, the project has been supporting farmers at the two project sites, Maliana in Bobonaro and Buluto in Baucau and Manatuto to improve cultivation techniques of rice, strengthen their capabilities of operation and maintenance for irrigation facilities, preparation for systems of rice distribution/sales with 3.7 million USD grant.



**Technical Cooperation** is a form of assistance for developing human resources that will be the actors in the development of the society and economy of developing countries and regions by utilizing the know-how, technology, and experience of Japan.

## The Construction of New Buildings for the Faculty of Engineering, Science and Technology (FEST) of the National University of Timor-Leste (UNTL)



The objective of this project is to contribute to an improvement in the learning environment and industrial human resources development of Timor-Leste. The building was inaugurated in January 2020.

# Basic Policy of Japan's Assistance to Timor-Leste

Assisting the Process for Establishing the Foundation of Sustainable Development of the Country

## Priority Areas

Development and Improvement of Socioeconomic Infrastructure

Promotion of Industry Diversification

Improvement and Expansion of Social Service Delivery

## Japan's ODA Disbursement to Timor-Leste

	Loan Aid	Grant Aid	Technical Assistance
<b>Grand Total</b> (Approximately) US dollars 1 \$ = 133yen (since 2000)	40 million	315 million	128 million



2022 marks the 20th anniversary since the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste restored independence, becoming the first independent state of the 21st century. This year also marks the 20th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Japan and Timor-Leste. Timor-Leste has achieved remarkable development, and the People of Japan have always been at their side.



Tinan 2022 marka aniversáriu restaurasaun independénsia Timor-leste ba dala 20, sai hanesan nasaun ne'ebé hetan independensia dahuluk iha sekulu 21. Tinan ida ne'e mos, marka aniversáriu ba dala 20, estabelesimentu formal relasaun diplomátiku entre Japaun no Timor-Leste. Timor-Leste alkansa ona dezvoltamentu estrordináriu, no ema Japaun sira sempre iha Timor-Leste nia sorin atu ajuda.

Embassy of Japan in Timor-Leste



From  
the People of Japan