



Cooperation with Initiative for ASEAN Integration (IAI)

JICA-ASEAN Regional Cooperation Meeting (JARCOM)

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What is JARCOM?



- Needs-oriented project formulation support mechanism to promote South-South Cooperation among ASEAN members
- An annual process of participatory project identification, formulation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation
- Annual Meetings are organized to review the annual process and to facilitate direct needs-resource matching and negotiation

JARCOM members



Cambodia



Philippines



Indonesia



Singapore



Lao PDR



Thailand



Malaysia



Vietnam



Myanmar



Timor-Leste
(observer)

***Brunei Darussalam** has not yet participated in JARCOM

JARCOM's Mission



Our mission is

To rectify socio-economic development gaps among ASEAN countries through JICA's technical cooperation schemes

Our original focus thus is

To support capacity building of less developed countries/areas in ASEAN (mainly CLMV countries) by mobilizing resources within the region (intra-regional cooperation)

JARCOM Main Activities



- Support identification of priority needs of member countries and facilitate a match with best recourses available in ASEAN region
- Provide resource information (on going courses, training institutions, experts and lecturers) through website and other media
- Provide technical and financial support to project formulation activities (studies and workshops)
- Monitor and review regional activities
- Cooperate with other regional initiatives

Project Identification Approaches



■ Needs-oriented approach

This is the principal JARCOM approach. JARCOM assists identification of member countries' priority development needs in order to address ASEAN intra-regional gaps

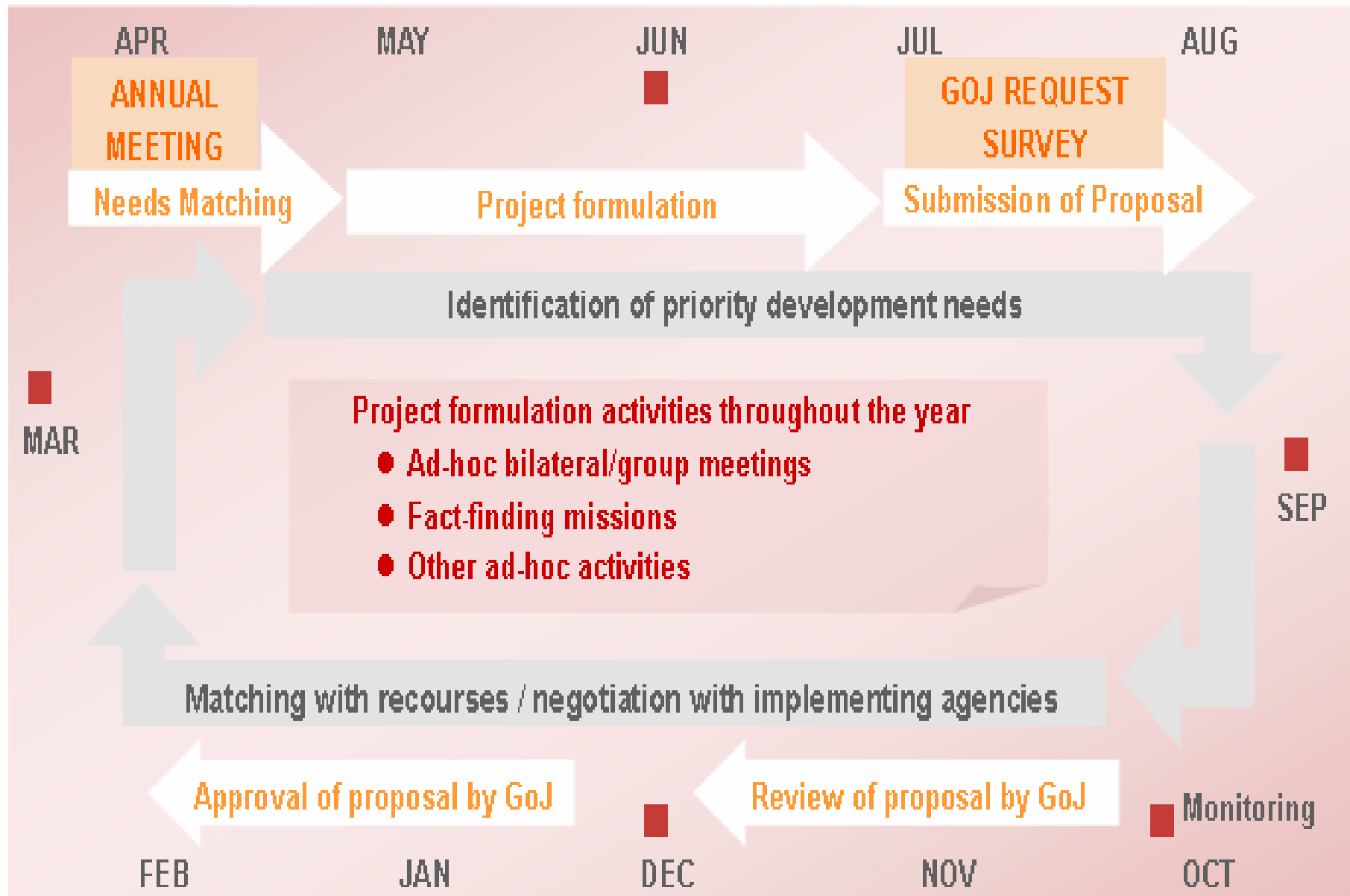
■ Offer-based approach (partnership approach)

JARCOM also supports resource countries' initiatives to propose projects in line with their cooperation policies and comparative advantages. Such projects are often implemented in partnership between JICA and resource countries

■ Regional approach

JARCOM seeks the ways to tackle priority regional issues that would benefit entire region and expedite ASEAN integration. Project in this category should address transboundary issues which are best tackled with regional cooperation and collaborative efforts.

JARCOM Annual Procedures



Cooperation Modalities

JICA's South-South Cooperation



- **Third Country Training Programme (TCTP)** is a training programme implemented in collaboration between resource countries in ASEAN and JICA.
- **Third Country Expert (TCE)** is a JICA's programme to field experts from a resource country other than Japan to a beneficiary country
- **Technical Cooperation Projects (TCP):** Any combination of TCTP and TCE inputs can be included under Technical Cooperation Project (TCP) as a form of South-South Cooperation

Training Courses for CLMV (in Japanese Fiscal Year 2004)

- **54** courses were implemented for CLMV (**546** participants)
- Implementing countries are Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam under cost-sharing with JICA
- Wide range of subjects covered including energy & transport, ICT, economic integration and various sectoral training contributing public sector capacity building (human resources development)

Why cooperation with IAI?

Initiative for ASEAN Integration (IAI) is

- A policy framework addressing development divide and accelerating the economic integration of CLMV countries **(sharing the objectives)**
- IAI Work Plan supports capacity building of CLMV countries with “soft” projects (studies and training) **(similarity of cooperation schemes)**



narrow the gaps JARCOM

Two Entry Points for JARCOM-IAI Cooperation

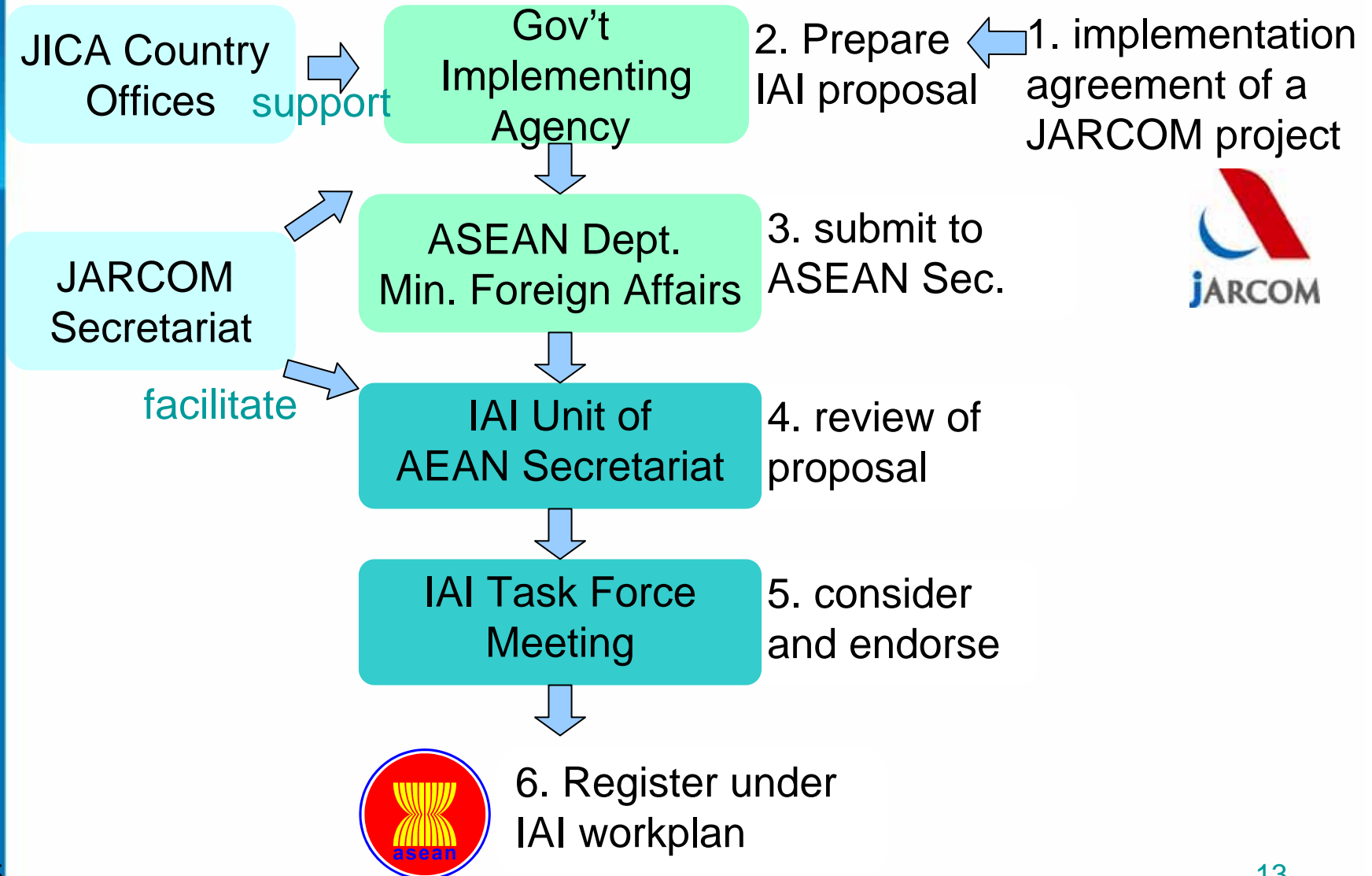
1. Down-stream entry point (post formulation stage)

Endorsement of JARCOM Project under IAI Workplan

2. Up-stream entry point (project identification stage)

Proposal of unfunded or new IAI Workplan Projects for consideration under JARCOM framework

Downstream entry point IAI Endorsement Procedures



Cooperation with IAI- downstream entry point

5 JARCOM Projects registered under IAI Work Plan

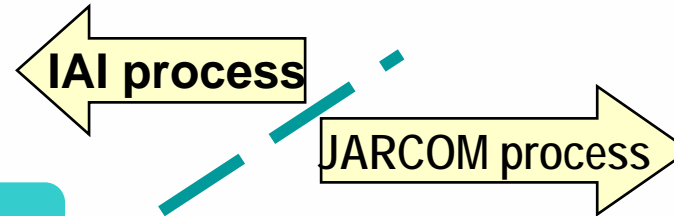


Projects	Component	Donors
Role of government and markets in transition economies moving towards market economy	Regional economic integration	Singapore and JICA
Traffic management	Infrastructure (transport)	Singapore and JICA
Promotion of rural electrification	Infrastructure (energy)	Lao PDR and JICA
Digital Telecommunication Network Operation & Maintenance Technology	ICT	Vietnam and JICA
Environmental Protection for CLMV Countries	Human resource development	Malaysia and JICA
Irrigation System Management Training Programme for CLMV Countries	Human resource development	Malaysia and JICA

Possibility of upstream entry points Joint project identification/formulation



IAI Project proposals



Gov't IAI focal point

IAI Unit of
AEAN Secretariat

Screening of IAI proposals
which fit to JARCOM criteria



Needs/resource
matching &
negotiation under
JARCOM
framework

Line ministries
agencies

JARCOM
Secretariat

Confirmation of needs or
resource availability

JICA Country
Office

Gov't JARCOM
focal point

What can we do more together?



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