

# Japan's International Cooperation for ASEAN: Past and Future

This year, 2023, marks the 50th anniversary of Japan-ASEAN Friendship and Cooperation. The 50th anniversary catchphrase is “Golden Friendship, Golden Opportunities.” In this month’s issue of *Highlighting Japan*, we feature the 50-year history and introduce some leading examples of the many international cooperation projects that have been or are being implemented by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), and have built the foundation for today’s friendly Japan-ASEAN relationship, along with a look at prospects for the future.



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