

Asia is also the focus of Japan's massive ODA program. Japan has made a commitment to disburse US \$75 billion in ODA through the 5-year period 1993-1998, making it the largest aid donor in the world. Japan's recently-announced FY94 budget calls for a 4% increase in development assistance expenditures over 1993. Canada and Japan have a longstanding program of consultation on ODA matters, and have recently agreed to begin joint third-country projects in Asia.