

## Japan Social Development Fund Grant Proposal

<b>I. Basic Data</b>	
<b>Name of Proposed Activity</b>	<b>Creating Future Potential Micro Entrepreneurs: Targeting Youth</b>
<b>Country/Program</b>	Afghanistan
<b>Grant Amount Requested</b>	US\$ 2.98 million
<b>Grant Type</b> (Select one)	Project <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Capacity building <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>I. Grant Development Objective(s) and Expected Key Performance Indicators</b>	
<b>Grant Development Objective(s)</b>	
<p>To improve and promote the social and economic status of youth in Afghanistan in order to prepare them for a lifelong career and to enable them to <i>generate or earn income on a sustained basis</i>. The grant will target those vulnerable groups of young people who could not have a normal life due to 25 years of continuous war and destruction; those who lost their livelihood and missed the chance of using their youth and energy to become an active and empowered member of society. The program aims at mobilizing young boys and girls (age group of about 12-28) for self-development. There are currently very few programs aimed at the development of Afghanistan's youth and very little experience with these programs. So far, donor assistance has been primarily focused on emergency relief programs (food, health, water, etc.).</p> <p>The proposed project will pioneer the focus on Afghanistan's youth and will develop the NGOs' expertise in youth development programs. The proposed grant will pilot this initiative in 3 to 4 areas that have been severely affected by the war. As there are over 5 million youth in Afghanistan, many of them severely disadvantaged, once the pilot proved to be successful, this program will be expanded to cover other areas with the support from a follow up JSDF grant, other donors, and Afghanistan business and professional communities. The project will use a few NGOs to implement the program at the initial stage. To facilitate project implementation and to continue the program beyond this project, few Youth Development Centers (YDCs) will be established for orientation, guidance, social gatherings, information exchange, and skills training.</p>	
<b>Expected Key Performance Indicators: (maximum 5 indicators)</b>	
Approximately four Youth Development Centers (YDC) to be established and operating successfully.	
Number of youth joining the program and placed in proper businesses and productive activities.	
Number of areas identified by youth as potential for further development.	
Number of youth successfully graduate from the program and start a new and productive life	
Number of micro businesses established and operate successfully.	

### III. Grant Categories of Expenditure and Amounts

Category	Amount of Grant Allocated in US\$
Services	564,200
Training	310,000
Civil works	388,000
Goods	1,575,600
Other (Bank incremental costs, 5% of the total costs)	141,890
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,979,690</b>

Eligible expenditures include consultant services (including audits), local training & workshops, small civil works, goods, sub-grants and Bank incremental costs.