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Title : 3. Interim Report and Action Plan towards TICAD VII

(5) Action Plan towards TICAD VII by the Japanese government

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Summary

The presenter firstly expressed deep appreciation to the Moroccan Government for hosting this ACCP meeting and explained the action plan towards TICAD VII by the Japanese Government. The contents of the presentation include; 1) Current outcome of ACCP, 2) Emergency response to waste slide accidents in dumping sites in Maputo, Mozambique, 3) Japanese Government's support on Fukuoka method in Ethiopia, 4) Importance of human resource development, 5) Mutual learning in region, 6) Training Program in Japan, and 7) Mainstreaming of waste management in the region.

The outcomes of ACCP includes training program in Yokohama, development of ACCP website, and contribution to monitoring SDGs indicators on waste. Unfortunately, meanwhile the waste collapses in Addis Ababa and in Maputo have occurred in 2017 and 2018 respectively. Currently, the Japanese Government supports in improvement of landfill site using Fukuoka method for Addis Ababa and Bahar Dar cities in Ethiopia.

The presenter emphasized the importance of developing human resource to improve waste management in Africa based on the Japanese experience through "Terakoya" system, the ancient community-based, self-learning Japanese private educational system. The spirit of Terakoya system was taken over by "Abe Initiative" to give African people learning opportunities in Japan. This approach can be applied to the waste management issues. Mutual learning among regions is also important to establish and expand proper waste management. Japan had a lot of experience and knowledge in solid waste management, which would be of great help to those African countries in the future.

Lastly, the presenter also emphasized the importance of mainstreaming solid waste management in Africa especially in the policy framework so that solid waste management would become higher priority for the country.