# Operationalizing the JCM under Art 6.2

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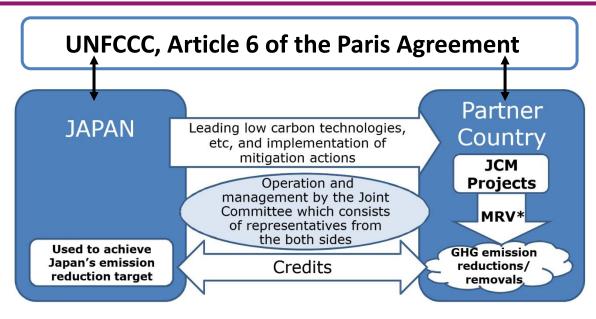
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### JCM introduction

### • Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM):

Diffusion of leading low carbon technologies, products, systems, services, and infrastructure as well as implementation of mitigation actions, and contributes to sustainable development of developing countries.



#### Current status:

17 partner countries and more 177 projects in different sectors
By 2030, the expected GHG emission reduction is 19.7 million tons (as of 12 Jan 2021)

#### Introduced technologies:

Renewable energy power generation technologies (Solar, wind, run-off hydro, biomass, waste-to-energy) Energy efficiency technologies (Air-conditioning system, gas co-generation, transmission system)

## Article 6 of the Paris Agreement (PA)

#### Article 6 of the PA<sup>1</sup>

- 1. Parties recognize that some Parties choose to pursue voluntary cooperation in the implementation of their NDCs to allow for higher ambition in their mitigation and adaptation actions and to promote sustainable development and environmental integrity.
- 2. Parties shall, where engaging on a voluntary basis in cooperative approaches that involve the use of internationally transferred mitigation outcomes towards NDCs, promote sustainable development and ensure environmental integrity and transparency, including in governance, and shall apply robust accounting to ensure, inter alia, the avoidance of double counting, consistent with guidance adopted by the CMA.
- 3. The use of internationally transferred mitigation outcomes to achieve NDCs under this Agreement shall be voluntary and authorized by participating Parties.

1. <a href="https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/english\_paris\_agreement.pdf">https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/english\_paris\_agreement.pdf</a>

## Sustainable Development (SD) under the JCM

### Low Carbon Development Partnership between the Japanese side and the Mongolian side<sup>2</sup>

**Para 1.** The Japanese side and the Mongolian side (hereinafter referred to as "both sides"), in pursuit of the ultimate objective of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (hereinafter referred to as the "Convention") as stated in its Article 2 and of achieving sustainable development, and in order to continue to address climate change in cooperation beyond 2012, promote the Low Carbon Development Partnership as follows

### Rules of Implementation for the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM)<sup>3</sup>

#### A. Purpose of the JCM

**Para 1. (a).** To facilitate diffusion of leading low carbon technologies, products, systems, services, and infrastructure as well as implementation of mitigation actions, and contributing to sustainable development of Mongolia;

https://www.jcm.go.jp/rules and guidelines/mn/file 09/JCM MN bilateral document.pdf
 https://www.jcm.go.jp/rules and guidelines/mn/file 01/JCM MN Rol ver04.0.pdf

## SD under the JCM in Mongolia

### Sustainable Development Contribution Plan (SDCP)<sup>4</sup>

- Project participants set out SDCP of the JCM project during the project registration process
- Prevention of Negative Impacts and Possible Contribution to Sustainable Development (8 items): Policy alignment, Environmental Impact Assessment, Pollution control, Safety and Health, Natural Environment and Biodiversity, Economy, Social Environment and Community Participation, Technology
- 22 Questionnaire to identify potential of negative impacts
- Potential contribution to Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): To check each Goal

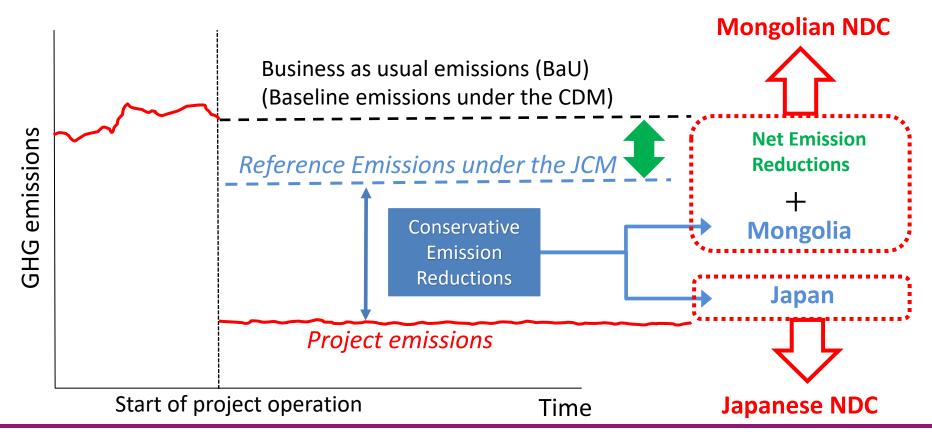
### Sustainable Development Contribution Report (SDCR) 4

- Project participant report SDCR by confirming the achievement of SDCP implementation for a particular monitoring period
- Analyzing the 8 items with 22 Questionnaire checklist by identifying negative impacts or no negative impacts
- If any negative impacts of the project on SD are identified, project participants have to describe the activities to reduce these negative impacts

4. https://www.jcm.go.jp/opt/mn-jp/rules and guidelines/download/JCM MN GL SDCP CR ver01.0.pdf

## **Environmental Integrity**

- JCM conservative emission reduction calculation: Reference emissions below the Business as Usual emissions will ensure a net decrease and/or avoidance of GHG emissions.
- This part of emission reduction will automatically contribute to the achievement of Mongolian National Determined Contribution (NDC).



## **Ensuing Transparency**

### Low Carbon Development Partnership between the Japanese side and the Mongolian side<sup>2</sup>

**Para 6.** Both sides ensure the robust methodologies, transparency and the environmental integrity of the JCM and maintain the JCM simple and practical, to promote concrete actions for global greenhouse gases emissions reductions or removals.

#### **Public participation**

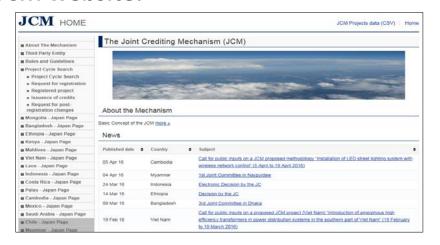
Public inputs and local stakeholder consultations in the process of approval of methodologies (15 calendar days) and project registration (30 calendar days) are being conducted.

#### **Transparency**

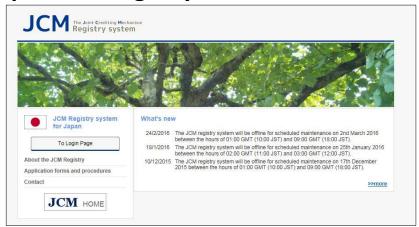
All relevant information on rules and guidelines, methodologies, project registration and issuance of credit and other information on project descriptions have been disclosed on the JCM website (<a href="https://www.jcm.go.jp/mn-jp">https://www.jcm.go.jp/mn-jp</a>)

## **Ensuing Transparency**

#### JCM website:



#### Japan JCM registry website:



#### Mongolian JCM website



http://www.jcm-mongolia.com/

## Governance of the JCM

### Rules of Implementation for the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM) <sup>3</sup>

**Para 3.** Both sides, in order to promote investment and deployment of low carbon technologies, products, systems, services and infrastructure to achieve low carbon development in Mongolia, establish a Joint Crediting Mechanism (hereinafter referred to as the "JCM") and implement it in accordance with the relevant domestic laws and regulations in force in respective countries.

Para 4. Both sides establish the Joint Committee (JC) to operate the JCM.

(1) The Joint Committee consists of representatives from both sides.



## Summary

### The JCM meets all requirements of Article 6 of the Paris Agreement:

- Promotion of Sustainable Development: Sustainable Development Contribution Plan and Report
- Ensuring Environmental Integrity: Net emission reduction secured via methodology
- Ensuring Transparency: Local stakeholder consultation, Public inputs on methodology
- Governance: Authorized by participating Parties: Mongolian side and Japanese side
- Avoidance of double counting: will apply the future decision of Article 6 rule book

## Thank you for your attention

## **Annex: JCM Global Partnership**

- JCM Global Partnership was established as an online platform to promote information sharing (Aug 2020)
- The Partnership includes: International organization (ADB, WB, UNIDO), Local governments (17 Partner countries), Private companies and NGOs
- The three key pillars: JCM & Carbon Neutral Project, JCM & Art 6.2 of PA, JCM & SDGs



**JCM Global Partnership website:** 

https://www.carbon-markets.go.jp/eng/jcmgp/sdgs.html