

# JAPAN

## PART II: NATIONAL SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES

Please indicate the stages of NSDS (see Annex II for the list of key characteristics) development/implementation in your country, by responding to the questions below:

1. Is your country implementing an approved NSDS or its equivalent?  
| Yes ☐ No

If **No**, go directly to question #2

**If Yes:**

- a) How was the NSDS or its equivalent developed?  
☐ Multi-stakeholder consultations undertaken;  
☐ Training or workshops undertaken;  
| On the basis of inter-ministerial consultations;  
☐ By one ministry responsible.
- b) Do you have a national body designated to implement and/or monitor your country's NSDS (or its equivalent)?  
| Yes ☐ No

Please give the year it started: 1994 (The first plan was made in 1994.)

Please also give the name and composition of such a body:

(Please refer to attachment A about the details.)

Ministry of the Environment and The Central Environment Council  
(This council is composed of environmental experts)

- c) How is your NSDS (or its equivalent) being implemented? Please give specific actions/activities undertaken for this purpose:

Japan's NSDS was decided by the Cabinet. All ministries, agencies and other stakeholders have been making efforts to achieve this purpose.

- d) Is the implementation of NSDS (or its equivalent) being monitored?  
| Monitored on a regular basis ☐ Not monitored on a regular basis

Has the implementation of NSDS (or its equivalent) been evaluated?

| Has been evaluated ☐ Has not yet been evaluated

2. Does your country have a national or federal NSDS or its equivalent approved by the government but not yet implemented?  
☐ Yes | No

If **yes**, please give the name of NSDS or its equivalent and the year of approval:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Year of approval: \_\_\_\_\_

Countries which are already implementing NSDS: please skip questions # 3-5

3. Has your country already developed an NSDS, but not yet formally approved it?
- ☐ Yes, a NSDS has been developed, waiting for a formal approval;
  - ☐ NSDS is under development.
- If your country is in the process of developing an NSDS, have there been:
- ☐ Multi-stakeholder consultations;
  - ☐ Training or workshops undertaken;
  - ☐ National coordination body established or designated?
- ☐ No, NSDS has not yet been developed but is under consideration.
4. If your country does not have an NSDS process (or its equivalent) in place, do you have any of the following components that could contribute to an NSDS (please check all that apply):
- ☐ Poverty Reduction Strategy (PRS)
  - ☐ National Development Plan
  - ☐ National Environmental Action Plan
  - ☐ Other – please specify: \_\_\_\_\_
5. ☐ Click here if no action has been taken regarding NSDS or its equivalent
6. If your country has developed a PRS but not NSDS,
- Does the PRS incorporate and integrate environmental, economic and social aspects of development?
- ☐ Yes ☐ No
7. If your country has developed both an NSDS and a PRS, is the PRS linked to the NSDS?
- ☐ Yes ☐ No
8. Does your PRS or NSDS target the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)?
- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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