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Project Introduction

Since 2015, JAICAF has been implementing a project aimed at developing beekeeping in Mongolia (JICA, Grant Assistance for Grassroots Projects, Technical Cooperation Project). In the first phase of the project (Project on Beekeeping Development to Improve Rural Livelihood in Mongolia), implemented until March 2018, it aimed to support beekeepers in Selenge Province, or to increase the volume of the honey from a beehive, introduce drug use management, and increase beekeepers' income. As a result, the volume of the honey per beehive and the income of beekeepers have doubled, and more than half of the overall honey has been monitored for drug use. The technology manual has also been developed and used in training by other international organizations and non-governmental organizations.

The BeeDep-MONGOL 2 project is in its second phase starting in March 2019. Based on the model activities implemented in Darkhan-Uul aimag, the project aims to create an integrated manual to support the development of beekeeping.

Due to COVID-19, we had to work remotely from March 2020, and the following activities have been implemented:

- First meeting of the project consultation team (May 2019)
- Beekeeping training and practice for each season (Darkhan-Uul, Khentii, Khuvsgul and Dornod Provinces)
- A series of online seminars (posted on the project's Facebook page)
- Honey quality and marketing management
- Developed a handbook on beekeeping, product quality and beekeeping business management (preliminary edition)
- Training in Japan (In December 2019, six specialists from the institutions collaborating with beekeepers)

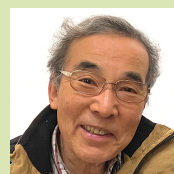
Online seminar will continue in the future, depending on the circumstances of COVID-19, but local training and practices are planned.

PROJECT TEAM ①



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It is a good start that beekeepers and veterinarians are working together to take care of beehives. It is impossible not to notice the tiny bees that multiply natural flowers of Mongolia.



Beekeeping technology expert

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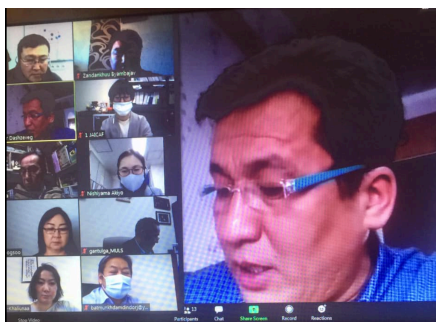
In Mongolia and Japan, there are differences in climate and species of honey plants, but the basics of beekeeping technology are the same. That's why I teach basic beekeeping techniques. We want that the Mongolian beekeeping technology is developed based on this.

The second meeting of the advisory group was held

On January 18, 2021, the second meeting of the project consultation team was held online.

The advisory group includes the co-implementing Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Light Industry and relevant governmental and non-governmental organizations.

In this meeting, the report of the project activities that implemented in 2020 was discussed. They also discussed the next work plan and changes to some parts of the Project Design Matrix (PDM).



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Online seminars are available.