

## **Urgent Statement**

### **Shame on you Japan! Coal is not compatible with 1.5C JBIC disbursed loan to massive coal project in Indonesia**

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COP23, Bonn-

We, undersigned organizations from all over the world, strongly condemn Japan Bank of International Cooperation (JBIC) who has just disbursed the loan for 1000 MW Cirebon Coal-fired Power Plant expansion plan, known as Cirebon 2, in West Java, Indonesia, and also condemn Japanese Government for continuously supporting and financing fossil fuel projects, especially coal, which are incompatible with Paris Agreement 1.5C goal.

On November 14, JBIC disbursed the first loan for the controversial Cirebon 2 project, which Japanese big companies, Marubeni and JERA, have invested in, even though the validity of the new environment permit is still in question. The new permit has been recently issued in lieu of the previous permit that was declared illegal by the district court, and the local groups are ready to file a lawsuit in a week to demand the cancellation of the new permit. JBIC previously concluded the loan agreement one day before the decision of the district court last April 2017. We express our strong objection against JBIC's continuous neglect of the illegality as well as the local community's voice and rights.

The local residents are heavily suffering from the loss of livelihoods due to Cirebon 1 (660 MW) which JBIC also financed. Thus, the local residents have pleaded with JBIC not to disburse the loan for Cirebon 2, to prevent further damages to their life.

JBIC's loan disbursement for Cirebon 2 project and Japan's continuous support for coal projects undermines global efforts to fight climate change here at COP23 in Bonn, as well as on the ground all over the world.

JBIC has recently financed Batang, Tanjung Jati B expansion, and Lontar coal power plants, too. In addition to that, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) is currently considering financing Indramayu coal power plant. Those projects are all located in Java Island and a total capacity is 6455MW if all these projects are carried out.

JBIC, moreover, is expected to finance at least 8 new coal fired plants projects all over the world, including projects in Vietnam, Myanmar, and Botswana as well as Indonesia. Most of the projects involve controversial land acquisition process, or land grabbing, lack of transparency, human rights violation and environmental degradation.

We demand that Japanese government stop funding dirty energy projects and support universal energy access for people and communities with democratic, de-centralized and sustainable solutions.

### **LIST OF SIGNATORIES**

This letter is signed by 296 organizations, including those working at international and regional levels plus organizations working nationally in 22 countries.

### **REGIONAL AND/ OR INTERNATIONAL LEVEL ORGANISATIONS**

BankTrack

Friends of the Earth Internatinal

Greenpeace Southeast Asia

NGO Forum on ADB

Asian People's Movement on Debt and Development (APMDD)

Asian Regional Exchange for New Alternatives (ARENA)

LDC Watch

Migrant Forum in Asia

SEAFISH for Justice

South Asian Alliance for Poverly Eradication (SAAPE)

South Asia Food Sovereignty Network

### **NATIONAL-LEVEL ORGANISATIONS**

#### **Australia**

Australian Marine Conservation Society

Market Forces

The Sunrise Project

#### **Bangladesh**

Bangladesh Krishok Federation

Bangladesh Jatiyo Sramik Jote

Community Development Library

EquityBD

National Federation of Hawkers

SUPRO

Unnayan Onneshan

VOICE Bangladesh

#### **Bosnia and Herzegovina**

Center for Environment / Friends of the Earth Bosnia and Herzegovina

#### **Denmark**

NOAH / Friends of the Earth Denmark

#### **France**

Les Amis de la Terre France / Friends of the Earth France

**Germany**

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**Ghana**

Friends of the Earth Ghana

**India**

Adivasi Mulvasi Astitva Raksha manch  
Himalaya Niti Abhiyan  
Indian Social Action Forum  
Kerala Independent Fishworkers Federation  
Mines, minerals and People Inddia  
Nadi Gati Morcha  
National Federation of Hawkers  
National Federation of Women Hawkers  
River Basin Friends

**Indonesia**

350.org Indonesia  
AKAR Network  
Jaringan Advokasi Tambang (JATAM)  
Wahana Lingkungan Hidup Indonesia (WALHI – FoE Indonesia)  
WALHI West Java  
AKSI  
Debt Watch  
Koalisi Anti Utang  
KRUHA - Peoples Right to Water Coaliton  
Solidaritas Perempuan (Women)  
Sawit Watch

**Japan**

Friends of the Earth Japan  
Japan Center for a Sustainable Environment and Society (JACSES)  
Kiko Network  
Mekong Watch

**Malaysia**

Monitoring Sustainability of Globalisation

**Myanmar**

1. Youth Circle
2. Summer Shelter Library ( Shan State )
- 3 .MPA Myanmar People Alliance ( Shan State )
4. Myanmar Energy and Ecology Network (MEE Net)
- 5.Myanmar Alliance for Transparency and Accountability (MATA )
- 6.Kan Chay Arr Mann rural fishery development Network (KCAM)
7. Coal Coalition Group (Hpa-an) - KESAN,RISE,YLC,MATA(Karen),Baedar

8. Swe Tha Har Organization
9. Thuriya Sandra Environmental Watch Group ( Mingin , Sagaing )
- 10 .BadeiDha Moe Civil Society Organisation ( Yangon )
- 11.Beautiful Beach Development Network (BBDN) (Ayeyawady )
- 12.Saytana Shaesaung Youth Organization (Ayeyawady)
13. Young Ni Oo Social Development Organization ( Ayeyawady)
14. Young Ni Oo Women Group( Ayeyawady)
15. Muditar Organization ( Ayeyawady )
16. Paungsee Myittar Organization ( Ayeyawady)
17. Pone Yate Sit Regional Myittar Organization ( Ayeyawady)
18. Pan Tain Shin Rural Myittar Organization ( Ayeyawady)
19. Future Star Youth Organization (Ayeyawady)
20. Lin lake Kyal Social Development Organization ( Ayeyawady)
21. Dhama Alin Yinkyay Lane Mar Association ( Ayeyawady)
22. Pyapone Child care and protection network ( Ayeyawady)
23. Pyoe Oo Yin Education support organization ( Ayeyawady)
24. SarPhyu Famar Network ( Ayeyawady )
25. Democratic Education Corner – DEC
26. Andin Community ( Mon State )
27. Capacity Building for Youth ( Mon, Karen, Dawei)
- 28.Saneine Melta ( Pyar Taung region Social Development organization ) Mon State
29. Sein Yaung So Activities (Mandalay )
30. Natural Green Alliance ( Mandalay )
31. NgweSaung Youth Network ( Ayeyawady)
32. Ayeyarwady Youth Network ( Ayeyawady)
33. Lattputtar Farmer Union( Ayeyawady)
- 34.Land in Our Hand (LIOH) Doe Myay Kun Yet
35. Action Group for Farmer Affair(AGFA) (Mandalay)
36. Action Group for Farmer Affair(AGFA) (Bago)
37. Action Group for Farmer Affair(AGFA) (Ayeyarwady)
38. Action Group for Farmer Affair(AGFA) (Magway)
39. Action Group for Farmer Affair(AGFA) (Sagaing)
40. Tigit Area monitoring group
41. Research Institute for Society and Ecology-RISE (Kayin State)
42. Karen Students' Center-KSC (Kayin State)
43. Bedar Social Development Group
44. Ayeyarwady west Development Organization.AWDO (Magway , 9th township)
45. Pwinphyu Development Organization. PDO)
46. Saytodetayar Development Organization. SDO)
47. Ayeyarwady west Development Organization.AWDO(Naphe)
48. Thae Gone Youth Association ( Bago region )
49. Pauk Khaung Forest Conservation ( Bago region )
50. Alin Say Ta Man knowledge Zone ( Bago region )
51. PACE-G ( Bago region )
52. Public Network ( Bago region )
53. POPP Pace of Pleuralism and Peace ) Bago
54. Myat Wonn This Knowledge Society , Bago

55. Myit Makha Watch group ( Bago region )
56. Alinthitan SDO ( Bago region )
57. Yoma Chit Thu Environmental Association ( Bago region )
58. Hinthar Takhun CSO Network ( Tharyarwady )
59. Letpadan Youth Network ( Bago region )
60. Bago Youth Network ( Bago region )
61. Sitkwin Youth Network ( Bago region )
62. Pioneer Angel Women Empowerment Organization ( Bago region )
63. Yay Kyi San Social development organization
64. Kawlia Yoma Environmental Association ( Bago region )
65. Shwe Kyin Chitt Thu social development organization ( Bago region )
66. Kyaukyi Development Watch. ( Bago region )
67. Sittaung Thanzin network ( Bago region )
68. WON (Taunggnu )
69. Center for Environment and Resources Development in Arakan (CERDA)
70. Wan Lark Development Foundation(Arakan)
71. Peace Working Committee(Arakan)
72. Social Program Aid for Civic Education(SPAC)
73. Mandalay Regional Youth Association (MRYA)
74. Chinland Natural Resource Working Group (CNRWG)
75. Green Bike (Yangon)
76. Paung Ku
77. COMREG
78. Tarkapaw Youth ( Taninthary )
79. Uakthon local social development organization ( Kachin State )
80. Kanpetlet land development organization ( Chin State )
81. Open development foundation ( Chin State )
82. Mong Pan Youth Association (Southern Shan State)
83. Dawei ProBono Lawyer Network (DPLN) Tanintharyi Region
84. Golden heart organization ( Mandalay region )
85. Chin women development organization ( Chin state)
86. Visual Advocate (Dawei)
87. Our Lovely World (Taunggyi)
88. Southern Youth (Tanintharyi Region)
89. Our Future Initiative (OFI) Tanintharyi Region
90. Peasant and Land Labor Union ( Myeik )
91. 88 Generation (Myeik)
92. Green Network (Mergui Archipelago) Tanintharyi
93. Thanbyuzayat Mon Youth
94. Mon Area Community Development Organization (MACDO)
95. Myeik Lawyer Network
96. Mon Youth Progressive Organization ( MYPO)
97. Dawei Development Association(DDA) Tanintharyi Region
98. Dawei Watch Foundation(DWF) Tanintharyi Region
99. Asiochin Independence force ( Magway Region )
100. Yomachin (Say Tote Taya - Magway region )
101. Htee Gyaint Network (Sgaing Region)

102. Karen Environmental and social Action network (KESAN)
103. Karen Rivers Watch
104. SYNERGY (social harmony organization)
105. Mandalay Regional Youth Association
106. Karulatt Myar (Meilthila)
107. Mandalay Affair
108. Shan Youth Yangon
109. Hsaipen Institute
110. Keng Tung Youth Network
111. Green Rights Organization ( Shan State)
112. DEI Democratic Education Institute
113. Salween Alliances Group (Shan)Taunggyi
114. alinsaetamarn library and resource center
- 115 . Peace World Gender Organization (Taunggyi)
116. Kaman Ethnic Social Network
117. Renaissance Research Library
- 118 Mon State CSOs' Network, 119.Mon MATA,
120. Mon State CSOs' Peace Support Group
121. Hue Hpo Kapaw, ( Karen State)
- 122 . MATA(Karen State),
123. Pa Don Gu Thar Tha Na Par La Won Thar Nu Rakhi Ta.(16) Villages' Youth Group ,Karen State
- 124 . Nature Lover (Mandalay)
125. LAIN Technical Support Group ( Karenni State )
126. Kalyana Mitta Parahita Foundation (Dawei)
- 127 . Tai Youth Organization (TYO) Shan State
128. Green Trust Pyin Oo Lwin
129. Mi Ka Yin Youth ( Hpa an - Karen State )
130. Hpa-an Youth Network ( Karen State )
131. Thazin Thwee Thit organization
132. Shwe Chan Myae
133. Karen Women Organization ( Karen State )
134. Karen Peace Support Network ( Karen State )
135. MATA (Rakhine State)
136. People for People ( Rakhine State )
137. KunGyanGone NETWORK. Yangon Region
138. Rakhine Youth New Generation (RYNG) Rakhine State
139. Helping Hand Organization (Chin State)
140. Shwe Bo Buddhist Youth
141. Dawei Research Association
142. 88 Rakhine Generation Social
143. 88 Generation Nyein/Pwint (Shan/East)
144. 88 Generation Nyein/Pwint (Shan/North)
145. 88 Peace and Open Society(Shan South)
146. Action Based Community Development (ABCD)
147. AD 2030 Vision (STW)
148. AD2030 Vision (RTD)

149. Ah Linn Tagar Library (STW)
150. Arakan National Network (ANN)
151. Arakan Ray Central Organization (A.R.O)
152. Aung Thu Kha Foundation(Kyauk Phyu)
153. DEMO
154. Development Organization
155. Environment Conservation and Regional Development
156. Environment Conservation Committee
157. Environmental protection Group (KTW)
158. Environmental Protection Group (MU)
159. Environmental protection Group (PNG)
160. Farmer Association
161. Farmer Network (Pyin Oo Lwin)
162. Farmers and Land Association
163. Green For All
164. Green Justice
165. Htar Wara Garu Na Shin Group
166. Inn Sein Myay Environment Sein Lan So Pyay Yay (Naung Cho)
167. Integrated Development Executive Association
168. Justice Watch Group
169. Ko Yan Taung Gawpaga Group (RB)
170. Kutkhaing Environmental Protection
171. Kwut Khine Ta Ang Youth
172. Kyauk Phyu Social Network
173. MCPWC (Myanmar China Pipeline Watch Group)
174. Megawady Social Network (MA)
175. Mu De Tar
176. Mya Sein Yaung
177. New Generation (Shan State)
178. Northern Shan Youth Group/Shan Literature and Culture Association
179. Paoh Youth Organization
180. People Resource Group
181. Popa Lovers Association
182. Rakhine Coastal Association (GWA)
183. Rakhine Social Network(PTW)
184. Rakhine Women Association (Taung Goat)
185. Rakhine Women Network (STW)
186. Regional Development (Maung Taw)
187. Rural Development (KPU)
188. Sein Lan (Pyin Oo Lwin)
189. Sein Yaung Soe ( Kyaut Mae )
190. Shan Literacy and Cultural Association (Loilen)
191. Shan Literacy and Cultural Association (Panlong)
192. Shan Literacy and Cultural Association (Pone Inn)
193. Shan North Development Association (Nan Ma Tu)
194. Shan State Youth (TGI)
195. Shining Star

196. Shwe Leinmaw Social Network
197. SKY Youth (KPU)
198. Social Program Aid for Civil Education
199. Ta Ang (Pa Laung )Sa/Ya Committee
200. Ta Ang Student Youth Union (TSYU)
201. Ta Ang Student Youth Union (TSYU)
202. Ta'ang Women's Organization (TWO)
203. Ta'ung Youth Union
204. Taung Goat Social Network (TG)
205. Than Dvae Beach Social Network (TDW)
206. Thazin Legal Aid
207. Theinni Environmental Protection Group
208. Upper Lawyer Network
209. Yaung Chi Thit Group (MB)
210. Kayah EarthRights Action Network
211. Environmental Conservation And Farmers Development Organization (Shan)
212. Farmers And Landworkers Union (Myanmar)
213. Kalyana Mitta Development Foundation (KMF)

### **Netherlands**

Both ENDS

### **Nepal**

All Nepal Peasant's Federation  
 Campaign for Climate Justice Nepal  
 Rural Reconstruction  
 GEFONT  
 Jagaran  
 National Women Peasants Association  
 Nepal Youth Peasants Association

### **Pakistan**

Umeedenao Citizen Community Board  
 Pakistan Fisherfolk Forum  
 Pakistan Kissan Rabita Committee

### **Philippines**

Center for Energy, Ecology and Development (CEED)  
 Sanlakas - Philippines  
 Metro Manila Vendors Alliance (MMVA)  
 Bukluran ng Manggagawang Pilipino (BMP)  
 Kongreso ng Pagkakaisa ng Maralitang Lunsod (KPML)  
 Freedom from Debt Coalition (FDC)  
 Gitib  
 Our Rivers Our Life  
 Philippine Movement for Climate Justice (PM CJ)  
 Youth for Climate Justice (Y4CJ)



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**South Africa**

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South Durban Community Environmental Alliance

**Sri Lanka**

Center for Environmental Justice (CEJ)

**Thailand**

Spirit in Education Movement (SEM)

**UK**

Coal Action Network

**USA**

Friends of the Earth U.S.  
Natural Resources Defense Council

**Vietnam**

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