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**ABSTRACT**

This graduation paper is attempt to provide a broad look on Japan’s ODA in Vietnam since 1992 via evaluating the effectiveness of ODA utilization. This study involves the summary of existing researches such as research reports, newspapers and government statistics on Japan’s ODA in Vietnam. By assessing five criteria: relevance, effectiveness, impact, efficiency and sustainability, this research reveals that although ODA projects were highly relevant to development plans and needs of Vietnam as well as Japan’s ODA policy, effectiveness, impact, efficiency and sustainability in some projects were not highly appreciated due to the inadequacies of law system, the lack of the management skill and the shortage of technology and human resources. Moreover, some projects made mistakes about the plan-making and document preparation, so when there were some unexpected changes, Vietnam landed in the embarrassing situation. Drawing from these findings, the researcher gives some suggestions to improve the effectiveness of ODA utilization in Vietnam.

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**LISTS OF ABBREVIATIONS**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| DAC | Development Assistance Committee |
| EIA | Environmental Impact evaluation |
| EJ | Embassy of Japan |
| FDI | Foreign Direct Investment |
| F/S | Feasibility Study |
| GDP | Gross Domestic Product |
| GNP | Gross National Product |
| GRDP | Gross Regional Domestic Product |
| IDE | Institute of Developing Economies |
| IP | Internet Protocol |
| IRR | Internal Rate of Return |
| JBIC | Japan Bank for International Cooperation |
| JETRO | Japan External Trade Organization |
| JICA | Japan International Cooperation Agency |
| JOCV | Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers |
| METI | Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry |
| MOF | Ministry of Finance |
| MOFA | Ministry Of Foreign Affairs |
| MPI | Ministry of Planning and Investment |
| MPs | Master Plans |
| NOIP | National Office of Intellectual Property of Vietnam |
| NGO | Non Governmental Organization |
| ODA | Official Development Assistance |
| OECD | Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development |
| O&M | Operation and Maintenance |
| PCR | Project Completion Report |
| R&D | Research and Development |
| SEDP | [Socio-Economic Development Plan](https://www.google.com.vn/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=1&ved=0CDAQFjAA&url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.chinhphu.vn%2Fportal%2Fpage%2Fportal%2FEnglish%2Fstrategies%2Fstrategiesdetails%3FcategoryId%3D30%26articleId%3D10052505&ei=5sdfU86eMc_-8QXE7ICoDQ&usg=AFQjCNEX0C1WEa2k6qS6uKUinZe_zDvYAQ&sig2=XdGT-IIarJBPCG7q-ouZTg) |
| SEDS | [Socio-Economic Development Strategy](https://www.google.com.vn/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=1&ved=0CDAQFjAA&url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.chinhphu.vn%2Fportal%2Fpage%2Fportal%2FEnglish%2Fstrategies%2Fstrategiesdetails%3FcategoryId%3D30%26articleId%3D10052505&ei=5sdfU86eMc_-8QXE7ICoDQ&usg=AFQjCNEX0C1WEa2k6qS6uKUinZe_zDvYAQ&sig2=XdGT-IIarJBPCG7q-ouZTg) |
| SOPs | Standard Operating Procedures |
| TRIPS | Trade-Related aspects of Intellectual Property Rights |
| WTO | World Trade Organization |

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