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**New Trinity Development Cooperation with  
Japanese ODA Loan as a Catalyst  
– Prospect for Sustainable Growth in Japan and Myanmar –**

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Since democratization commenced in Myanmar in 2012, Japanese ODA, investment, and trade through Thilawa Special Economic Zone Development have been rapidly expanding. In line with this situation, this article first argues the necessity of reconstructing the Trinity Development Cooperation (TDC), a comprehensive economic cooperation package of aid, investment, and trade announced by the Japanese government in the latter half of the 1980s. Then, the article outlines and discusses the “New TDC,” which could overcome the limitation of the “Old TDC” and respond to the economic cooperation needs of Myanmar. Finally, the current application status of the New TDC in Myanmar is reviewed, issues are addressed, and measures to be taken to enhance the effects and impacts of the New TDC are discussed. In doing so, this article concludes that the New TDC is effective and has potential for providing sustainable growth in both Japan and Myanmar due to the catalyst effect of the Japanese ODA loan as well as its emphasis on supporting industry growth and rural development with active participation by Japanese small-and medium-enterprises.