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March 1993, some members of NGOs found on a newspaper that there would be held "Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD)" that October and came up with an idea that Japanese NGOs and individuals concerned with African development issues would have a symposium with African NGOs/CSOs. That was the starting point of civil society's activities around TICAD. That October they had a 2-day symposium with members of African NGOs/CSOs. The participants adopted a "Civil Society Recommendations to TICAD", which reached the co-organizers of TICAD and opened the door of TICAD to civil society.

Now, 20 years have passed from then and we have seen 5 TICADs. We select 10 articles from our archives of "Africa NOW" to show you a view of civil society's involvement in TICAD and fruits of their activities.

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