

# **Epson Developing Country Project**

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Seiko Epson Corporation

**Visual Products Operations Division** 

VP Business Development Department



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#### **Corporate Outline**



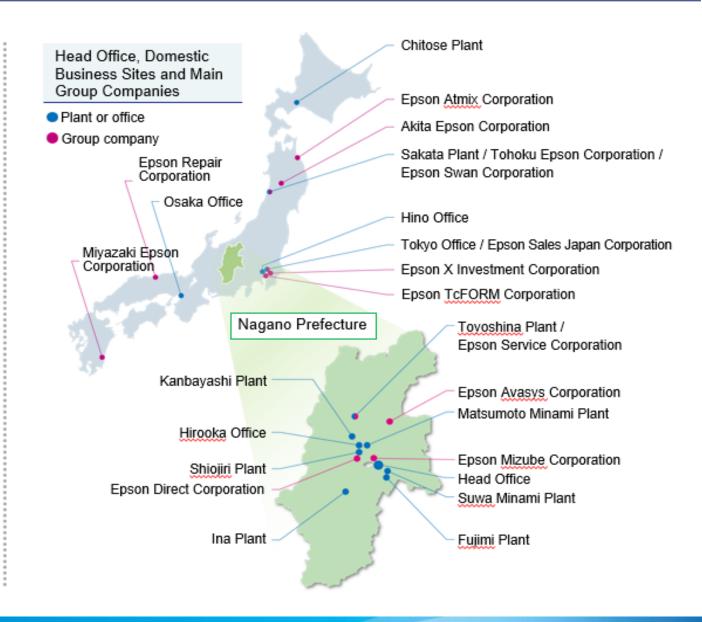
Company Name	Seiko Epson Corporation
Founded	May 18, 1942
Head Office	3-3-5 Owa, Suwa-shi, Nagano, Japan
Paid-in Capital	¥53,204 million

The origin of the Epson name

#### EP+SON=[EPSON]

The Epson brand name comes from the EP-101, an electric printer that kicked off the company's expansion into the information equipment business. The "Ep" stands for "electric printer" and the "son" represents our desire to follow the original electronic printer with many more worthwhile products and services in a variety of fields.

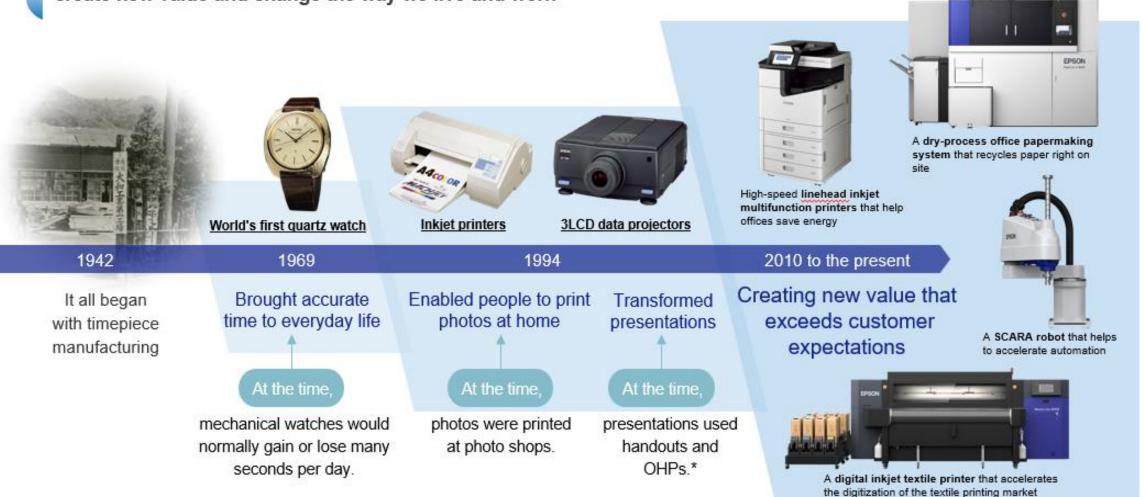
The EP-101, the world's first miniature digital printer



## **History of Epson**



Epson has always used its original technology to create new value and change the way we live and work

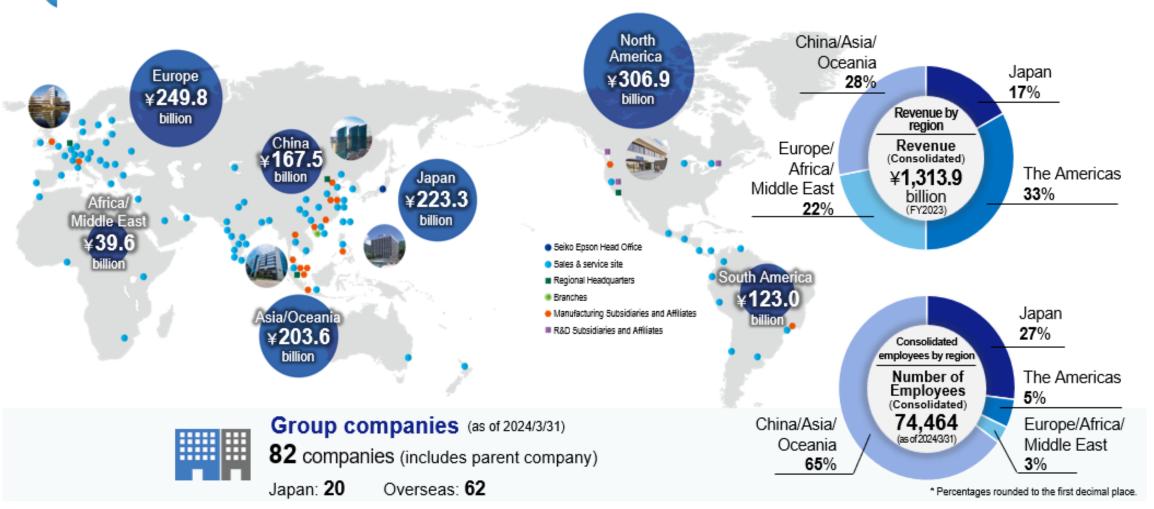


<sup>.</sup> OHP (overhead projector): A device that projects images from a transparent sheet onto a screen

#### **Global Networks**



We have research and development sites, production sites, and sales and service sites around the world to enable us to accurately capture customer needs and respond quickly and flexibly to them.



#### **Our Corporate Purpose**



#### Management Philosophy

Epson aspires to be an indispensable company,
trusted throughout the world for our commitment to openness,
customer satisfaction and sustainability.

We respect individuality while promoting teamwork,
and are committed to delivering unique value
through innovative and creative solutions.

#### **EXCEED YOUR VISION**

As Epson employees,
we always strive to exceed our own vision,
and to produce results that bring surprise and delight
to our customers.

#### Our Corporate Purpose

Our philosophy of efficient, compact and precise innovation enriches lives and helps create a better world.

Epson was founded in Japan, a nation blessed with outstanding natural beauty and a rich cultural heritage. Our commitment to protecting such abundant gifts for future generations has never wavered. We constantly pay close attention to social issues and dedicate ourselves to addressing them, as our timely elimination of chlorofluorocarbons makes clear. Underpinning everything we do is the philosophy of efficient, compact, precise innovation. After all, bigger is not always better.

We firmly believe that energy saving solutions, space saving innovation and ultrahigh precision help to protect the natural environment and enrich communities. With our philosophy of efficient, compact, precise innovation, we deliver more meaningful value that enriches lives and helps create a better world.

We will continue to strive towards achieving this purpose.

Corporate Purpose is at the heart of all Epson's corporate activities. This Corporate Purpose, "Our philosophy of efficient, compact and precise innovation enriches lives and helps create a better world," was established in September 2022 to define the kind of value that Epson provides to society and to demonstrate both inside and outside the Company its unique reason for being and aspirations. Epson will provide new value to society by realizing the Corporate Purpose through its vision, based on its management philosophy, which is the universal concept of the Epson Way that defines the Group's values and behavior. Through these efforts, we will strive to achieve sustainable growth and enhance corporate value over the medium to long term in the future.



#### Partnership of JICA & Epson



JICA's trusted activities & network in developing countries will help Epson to use its technology for the benefit of people therein.

#### **JICA**

Connect the world with trust

Expanding privatesector partnership & Solving Challenges in Developing Countries

#### **Partnership For**

**Quality Education for All Children** 

SDG 4: Acceleration of Quality Education for All

#### **EPSON**

Connect people, things & information with the technology

Improving the quality of education in developing countries



Signing Ceremony (March 2022)

- (1) Proof of Concept (PoC) tests for contributing to the achievement of the SDGs
- (2) Promotion of innovation that contributes to solving social issues in education
- (3) Human resource development in developing countries
- (4) Promoting understanding of the SDGs in Nagano Prefecture



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### **Sustainability activity | Human Resource Development**



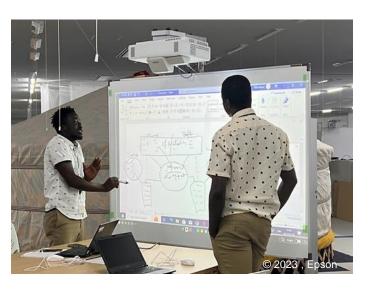
Epson conducted study tours and internships for JICA's scholarship program students based on the partnership of JICA & EPSON for human resource development in developing countries.

Study Tours around Head Office region (January, 2023) Final Presentation
in Short Term Internship
(September, 2022)

<u>in Long Term Internship</u>
(June - December, 2023)







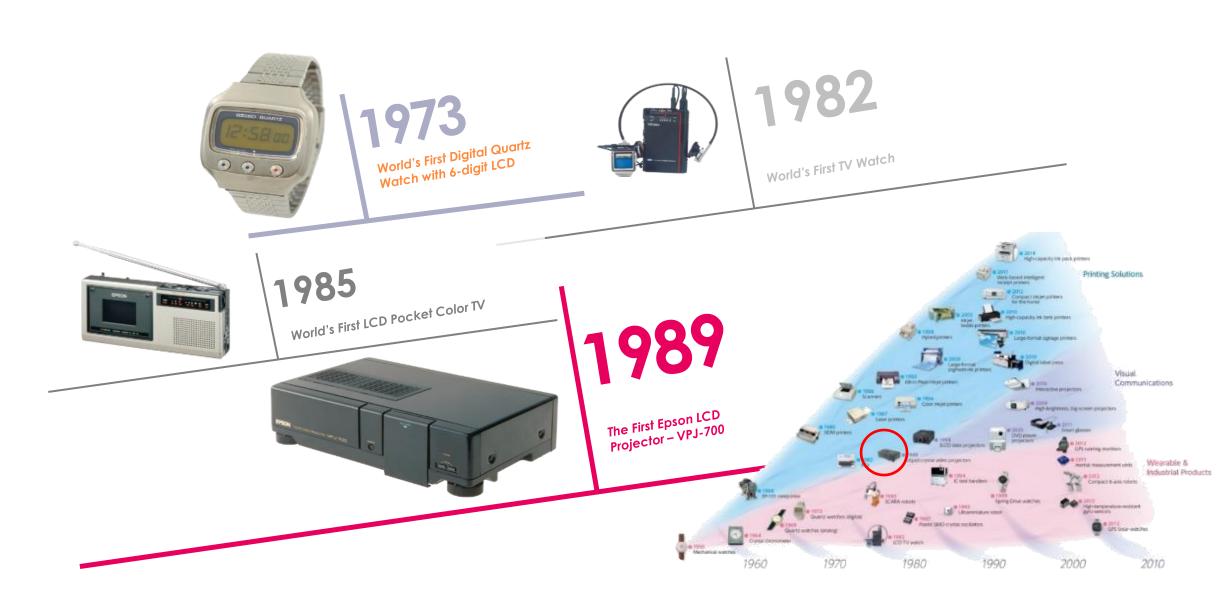
\*African Business Education for Youth : ABE initiative students by JICA scholarship program



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## **History of VP Division**





#### **Vision of VP Division**



Connect people, things, information, and services with inspiring video experiences and quality visual communications to support learning, working, and lifestyles





#### Actions

- Expand usage environments and applications with large screens that offer high image quality and smart features
- Provide a much higher quality ICT learning environment by strengthening collaboration with partners
- Use lighting to produce spatial designs and art

Product Lineup

Projectors and smart glasses



High-brightness models



Lightweight compact projector with laser light source



Ultra-short throw wallmounted models



Home Projectors



Smart glasses



## Enable high-quality learning anywhere in the world.





Action

Provide a much higher quality ICT learning environment by strengthening collaboration with partner.

#### **Accomplished of Epson in the Education**



33 Million Units --- Worldwide cumulative shipment of the Epson projector.

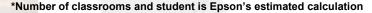
1/3 - 1/2 of 33 Million Units --- In educational use.

Number of classrooms using Epson projectors

Total approx. 10 - 15 million classrooms\*

Number of students who were able to study using Epson projectors

Total approx. 1.5 billion students\*



Trial calculation conditions:
Average projector usage time: 7 years;
assuming 1 projector per classroom
Approximately 60% of all educational projectors sold in
the last seven years;(17.55 million units x 0.6 = 10.53
million units) \*Currently used in about 10.53 million
classrooms

Assuming an average of 35 seats per classroom (10.53 million x 35 = 368 million seats)Approximately 368 million people are currently studying, even without considering classroom transfers or continuous use for more than 7 years

#### Unaccomplished of Epson in the Education



Epson wants to contribute to providing the education to every child.

## 260 Million Children\*

---- unable to obtain the opportunity to learn

## 610 Million Children\*

----unable to obtain the preliminary learning skills such as reading and calculation

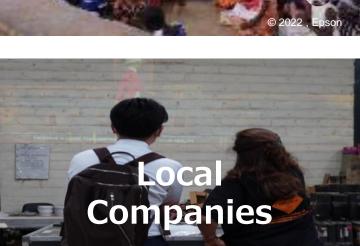
\*Number quoted from JICA Global Agenda © 2022, Epson

#### **Start Our Project | Field Trips in Africa Countries**



Epson visited countries, Rwanda, Kenya, Malawi, South Africa and Senegal.









#### **Start Our Project | Understanding / Observed Problems**



To address these problems, as one approach, lack of educational resources needs to be improved.



1. Limited learning



2. Limited teaching resources



3. Overcrowded classroom



4. Unused resources



5. ICT Utilization



6. Power & Internet connectivity



7. Classroom management



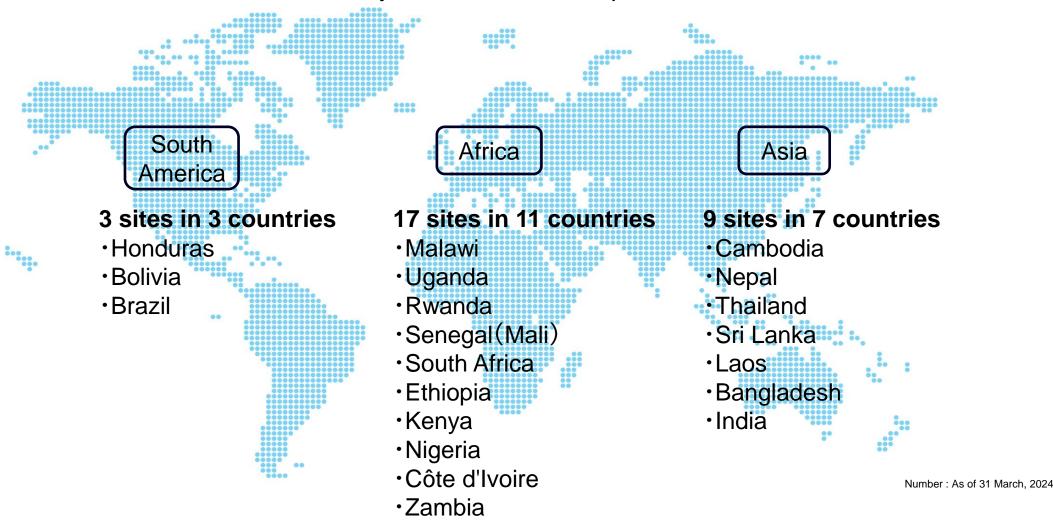
8. High repetition & drop out rates (Source: The UNESCO Institute for Statistics)

#### Our Project - 1<sup>st</sup> Phase | Trial Sites in the world with JICA



JICA projects and volunteers, NGOs utilizes projectors in the world.

Currently main users are Japanese.



## **Our Project - 1st Phase | Trial Sites in School**



Projector can support teaching and learning in local primary schools.





## **Our Project - 1st Phase | Trial Sites in Communities**



People in local communities can also learn with projector.

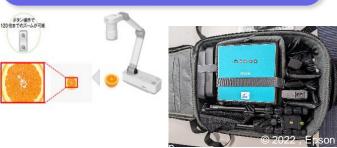


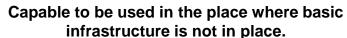


#### Our Project – 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase | What EPSON can do









- ✓ Projector ready for outdoors with high brightness screen
- ✓ Portable battery-powered
- √ P2P that allows seamless connection with any other input device
- ✓ Compact and portable package
- ✓ Low-end model with excellent value



## Providing the all through the large screen with learning contents that help the conceptual understanding and promote mutual recognition.

- ✓ Video content (NHK, etc.) to help students understand concepts
- ✓ Digital optimal class design
- ✓ Emotional educational content that promotes mutual recognition

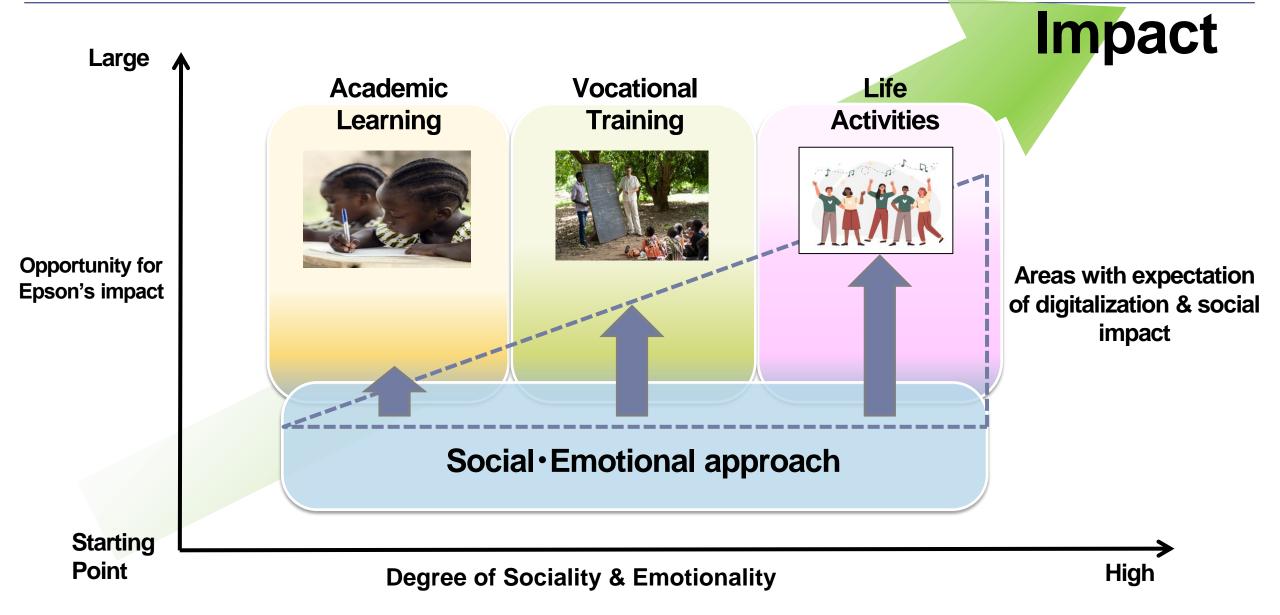


#### Teacher support to foster 21st Century Skills in Children

- ✓ Creating the assist site to support teachers
- ✓ Building a community to disseminate Good Practice for the improved education
- ✓ Biz Model creation to increase teachers' incentives for the improved education

#### Our Project – 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase | Educational Approach





#### Our Project - 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase | Why Senegal as the Target Country



## Selected as the best country due to its political stability and growing economy from low to middle income country

#### Distance from Tokyo to Dakar 22,240 km

Independent from France in 1960, Population Approx.18 million
Stable public safety and political stability
GDP \$1600 per capita Economic growth 4~5%
Fish and Rice industry
Unemployment rate 50% JICA focused supporting country for education,
Private sector cooperation growing

3 students per one desk



School building



Non-ICT equipped Classroom



## **EPSON**