

burg Institute in 1900, the international conference is said to have taken place in Warsaw, Addis Ababa, Trieste, and Lisbon and now once again

World Bank also made a presentation on early Ethiopian iconography. It was indicated at the meeting that Ethiopia's

how people of the period were able to use this method to do paintings of which artistic quality still spur wonders.

tectural achievements like that of Rift Valley Oromo tombs, the Gurage house, the tombs of Harar were also objects of discussion.

Israel Embassy, MASHAV Organize Dairy Technology Training Program

The Embassy of the State of Israel in Addis Ababa and the Israeli International Cooperation Center (MASHAV), in collaboration with Ethiopian Ministry of Agriculture have launched a training program on Dairy Production and Processing Technology starting from Monday. The training that is held at Holeta Agriculture Research Center will remain until next Friday November 15.

A total number of 30 participants from the head office of the Ministry of Agriculture and different regional Agricultural Development Bureaus are selected to take part in the program, said the press release sent to *Capital*. The training will have significant contributions in introducing the advanced technical as well as theoretical know-how of the technology to the participants.

The training program is carried out by two highly qualified experts in the field, Dr. Eliezer Smoler and Dr. Benyamin Sharir, from the Center for International Agricultural Development Cooperation

(CINADCO) in Israel. Feeding the dairy cow-Introduction to rumen function, Recent advances

in ruminant nutrition, General herd health management, Recycling and the use of industry and

Agricultural byproducts and waste are among the topics that will be covered during the program.

Japan Supports African Union

Makes Consecutive Contribution to AU Peace Fund

The Government of Japan has recently made a contribution of USD 200,000 (two hundred thousand) to the African Union (AU) peace Fund, for the Japanese Fiscal Year 2002. According to a press release sent to *Capital* from the Embassy of Japan, this is a consecutive contribution, which the Government of Japan has made to the Peace Fund with a view to supporting the conflict management activities of the AU.

Since Japan made its first contribution to the Peace Fund in 1996, its contributions have financed various conflict management related projects, including:

- The second phase of the construction of the Early Warning System of the OAU's Conflict

Management Centre (1997).

- The international Conference for Peace in the Comoros (1997).
- The Arusha Peace Talks on Burundi (1998).
- The Seminar on Enhancing the Participation of Refugee, Returnee and internally Displaced Women and Children in Rehabilitation, Reconstruction and Peace-Building (1998).
- The dispatch of the OAU Election Monitoring Group to Nigeria (1999).
- Support for the Peace Process in the Democratic Republic of Congo (1999).
- Support to the Fourth

meeting of the International Panel of Eminent Personalities to Investigate the Genocide in Rwanda (IPEP) (1999).

- Africa Humanitarian Action (AHA) project entitled, "Assistance Program to Sierra Leone Refugees in Sinje, Central Liberia" (2000).
- Support to the OAU Peacekeeping Mission to Ethiopia and Eritrea (2000).
- National Reconciliation Forum in Côte d'Ivoire (2001).
- Support for the expansion of the OAU Mission in Burundi (2001).
- AU Liaison Office in Kinshasa (2002).

The Government of Japan, being fully committed to the spirit of ownership and partnership of