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BODY TEXT <p>A JICA Expert, Mr. Makoto Sugiyama, and team leaders from four provinces have concluded training on practical troubleshooting for road maintenance equipment using JICA contributed equipment at the Plant Transport Division (PTD) of the Department of Works' (DoW) Morobe Provincial office in Lae.</p> <p>The DoW has restarted in-house road maintenance work with Grant Aid equipment from Japan, but the DoW has not undertaken in-house road maintenance projects for a long time and has problems with a lack of capacity for such work. In order to solve these problems, JICA started this project in November 2013.</p> <p>The capacity development on Road Maintenance Project (CDRM) intends to strengthen the capacity of the DoW staff to implement projects in areas where private involvement is not feasible. The target provinces are Morobe, Western Highlands, East Sepik and West New Britain, which have all previously received heavy equipment through a Grant Aid project.</p> <p>The training was conducted as a collaboration between the PTD Headquarters and the JICA Expert Team. A joint training event for civil staff from the four target provinces will be held in Kimbe, WNB, in June 2017.</p>	PICTURE 