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## Promotion of Local Food, Tourism, and other Attractions at the Emperor's Birthday Celebration Reception (Japan-Taiwan Exchange Association Taipei Office)



Exhibitions from Kasama City of Ibaraki Prefecture, Okinawa Prefecture, Shizuoka Prefecture, and Fukushima Prefecture



Exhibitions from Oita and Hokkaido, as well as booths by Japanese companies



Booths by Japanese companies

## Japanese abacus connects Tonga and Japan (Vava'u and Ono City, Hyogo Prefecture)



National competition of Japanese abacus among Tongan elementary school students



Tongan folk art presented to Ono City as a gift in return for the donation of Japanese abacuses



Mayor Horai of Ono City and Ambassador Munenaga

**O**n February 21, the Japan-Taiwan Exchange Association Taipei Office held the "2022 Emperor's Birthday Celebration Reception" at the Okura Prestige Taipei. With many Taiwanese dignitaries in attendance, six local governments of Japan exhibited its booths and introduced their regional attractions such as food, local specialties, among others.

**I**n Tonga, Japanese abacus donated by Ono City, Hyogo Prefecture, are used in elementary school math classes. Ambassador Munenaga of Japan to Tonga, visited Ono City and exchanged views with the Mayor of the city toward deepening their exchange.



## Host Town exchange: Japan-CARICOM Friendship Year 2024 (Osaki Town, Kagoshima Prefecture, and Republic of Trinidad and Tobago)



Meeting with governor of Kagoshima Prefecture



Visit to waste treatment facilities



Meeting with mayor of Osaki Town

**O**saki Town in Kagoshima Prefecture has been promoting exchanges with Republic of Trinidad and Tobago as a Host Town, and the ambassador Matsubara of Japan to Republic of Trinidad and Tobago visited Osaki Town to exchange views for the Japan-CARICOM Friendship Year 2024.

## Mayor of Izunokuni city promotes YouTube channel "Mayor MASA"



Taking vlogs by the city staff



YouTube thumbnail of "Mayor MASA"



Location between Narita and Haneda airports and Izunokuni City

**I**n Izunokuni city, Shizuoka prefecture, mayor Yamashita started YouTube channel "Mayor MASA" in order to promote charms of Izunokuni city in English, as a city promotion to the world.

## Exchange of views with Asuncion City Officials ~ Further Collaboration with Chiba City



Opening remarks by ambassador Nakatani



Salutation from mayor Rodriguez of Asuncion City



President Bernal of Asuncion City Council, ambassador Nakatani, vice president Forestieri of Asuncion City Council

**A**suncion City, the capital of Paraguay, and Chiba City, Chiba Prefecture, celebrated the 50th anniversary of sister city relationship in 2019. Relating this context, ambassador Nakatani of Japan in Paraguay had a meeting with mayor Rodriguez and other officials of Asuncion City for developing their exchange.

