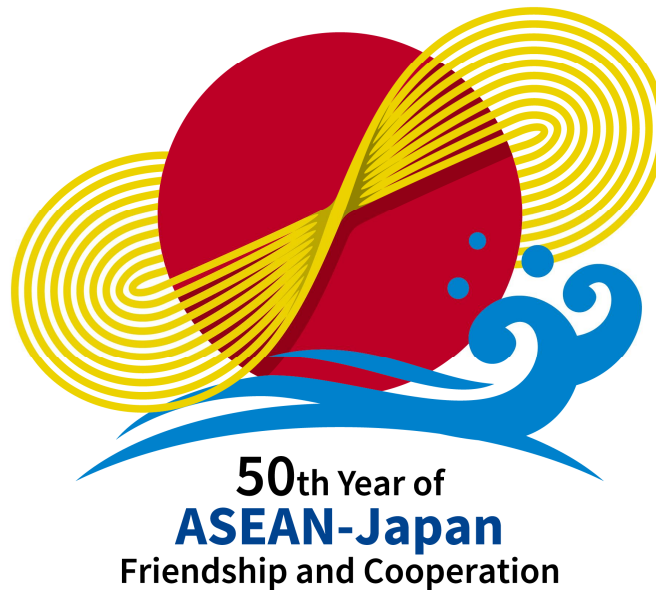
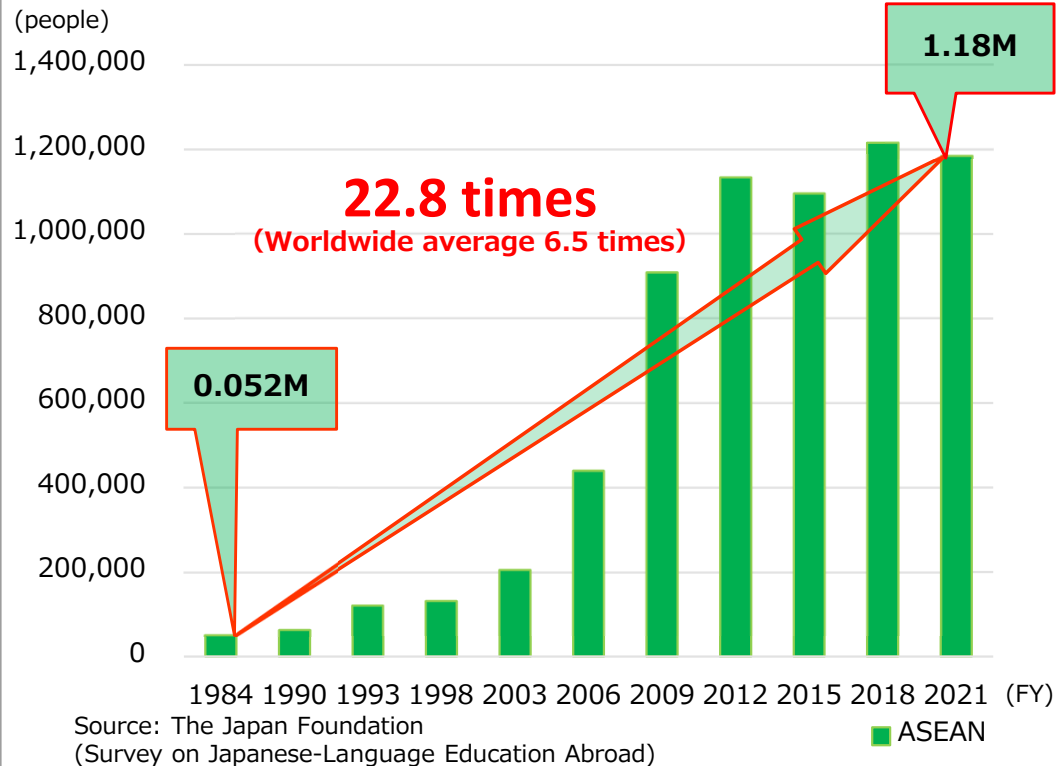


The 50th Year of ASEAN-Japan Friendship and Cooperation People-to-people Exchange



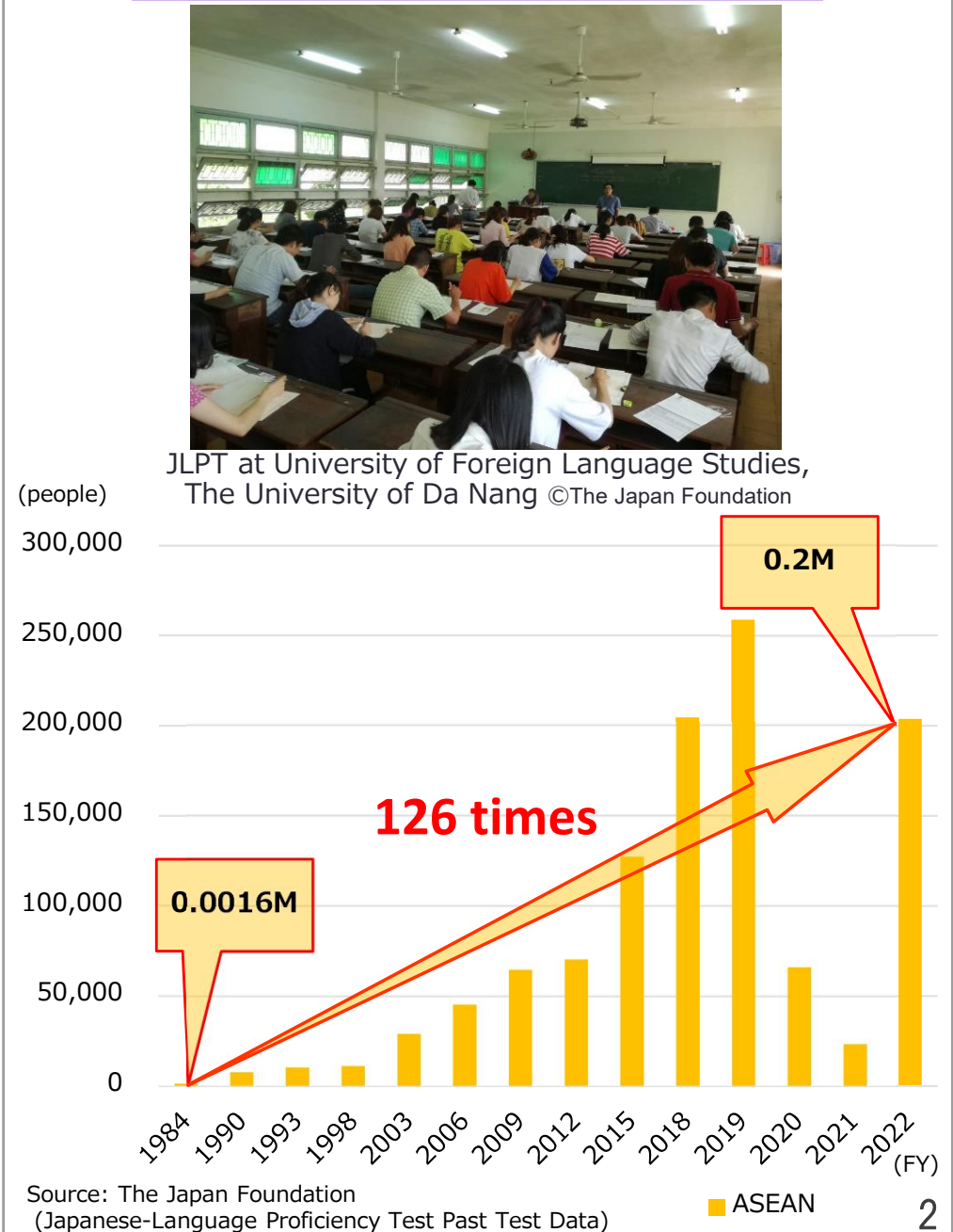
Needs for Japanese-Language study in the ASEAN region

Exceeds Worldwide Average Rate of Increase Number of Japanese-language learners in the ASEAN region



Japanese language class in Cambodia ©The Japan Foundation

Number of applicants of the Japanese-Language Proficiency Test (JLPT)



JLPT at University of Foreign Language Studies,
The University of Da Nang ©The Japan Foundation

Achievements of various ASEAN-Japan people-to-people exchange programs

➤ NIHONGO Partners Program

Dispatching Japanese people to secondary schools in ASEAN countries as “NIHONGO” Partners who assist Japanese language classes, introduce Japanese culture, and then return to Japan to serve as a bridge between Japan and their host countries.

✓ Approximately 3,000 people dispatched (2014-2023)



NIHONGO Partners Program
Source: The Japan Foundation

➤ The Project of Human Resource Development Scholarship(JDS) (since 1999)

JDS supports human resource development by providing young leaders from target countries with full scholarships for graduate degrees in top Japanese Universities.

✓ Approximately 3,000 people participated (2003-2023)



NIHONGO Partners Program
Source: The Japan Foundation

➤ The Ship for Southeast Asian and Japanese Youth Program (SSEAYP) (since 1974)

Youths from ASEAN countries and Japan are involved in various exchange programs including discussion and introduction of their countries, while living together on board and sailing around countries in Southeast Asia.



SSEAYP
Source: Cabinet Office

✓ 6,310 people from ASEAN countries and Japan participated (2003-2023)

Achievements of various ASEAN-Japan people-to-people exchange programs

➤ JENESYS

Invite and dispatch ASEAN-Japan youth for about 10 days to observe, experience, and exchange in various fields such as politics, economy, society, and culture.

✓ Approximately 47,000 people participated (2007-2023)



JENESYS U-17 Women's Football Memorial Cup
Source: JICE

➤ Sakura Science Exchange Program

Inviting young talented individuals in science and technology fields from overseas

✓ 14,980 people participated (2014-2022)



Indonesian students exploring advanced medical technology

➤ ASIA KAKEHASHI Project +

High school students studying Japanese are invited to Japanese high schools for 4 to 10 months.

✓ 655 people participated (2018-2023)



ASIA KAKEHASHI Project
Source: AFS Japan

➤ Technical Cooperation by JICA (since 1954)

Technical Cooperation supports human resource development and the establishment of administrative systems by accepting training participants in Japan and dispatching experts and Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers (JOCV), utilizing the knowledge, experience, and technologies of Japan.

✓ More than 210,000 people participated (2003-2022)



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