

JENESYS2015 Inbound program (The Philippines, Theme: Culture) Program Report

1. Program Overview

Under “Japan’s Friendship Ties Program”, 11 adults from the Philippines who are interested in Japanese culture visited Japan. During the 9 days program from September 28 to October 6, the participants studied Japanese culture, society, history and foreign policy, and much more.

2. Participating Countries and Number of Participants

The Philippines: 11 participants

3. Prefectures Visited

Tokyo, Aichi and gifu

4. Program Schedule

September 28 (Mon)

Arrival at Narita International Airport, Program Orientation

September 29 (Tue)

【Key Note Lecture】

“Contour of Government and Public Policy Making in Japan”

Professor Emeritus Akira Nakamura, Meiji University

【Observation and lecture by Themes】 Graduate School of Governance Studies, Meiji University, “Efforts in promoting the acceptance of International students”

September 30 (Wed)

【Historical and Traditional Culture】 Edo-Tokyo Museum, Sensou-ji Temple

Move to Aichi

October 1 (Thu) – October 4 (Sun)

* Aichi

【Observation of Cutting-Edge Technology】 Toyota Motor Corporation, Toyota Ecoful Town, Nagoya Science Park (National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST))

【School Exchange】 Nagoya University

【Courtesy Call on Local Government】 Nagoya City Office

【Historical and Traditional Culture】 Inuyama-jyo Castle, Uraku-en(Japanese Garden), Jyoan (Tea Ceremony Room, National Treasure)

* Gifu

【Historical and Traditional Culture】 Kokeizan Eiho-ji Temple(National Treasure), Pottery art Studio of Mr. Osamu Suzuki

【Cultural Experience】 Ceramic Art Experience, Sumiyoshi-Gama(Kiln)

【Workshop】

October 5 (Mon)

Move to Tokyo

【Observation of Cutting-Edge Technology】 National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation (MIRAikan)

【Reporting Session】

October 6 (Tue)

Departure from Narita International Airport

5. Program Photos



9/29 【Key Note Lecture】 Akira NAKAMURA, Ph.D. Professor Emeritus, Meiji University (Tokyo)



9/29 【School Exchange】 Efforts in Promoting International Students, Graduate School of Governance Studies, Meiji University (Tokyo)



10/2 【School Exchange】 Nagoya University (Nagoya City)



10/2 【Courtesy Call on Local Government】 Nagoya City Office (Nagoya City)



10/2 【Observation of Cutting-Edge Technology】 Nagoya Science Park (National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST)) (Nagoya City)



10/3 【Cultural Experience】 Ceramic Art Experience at Sumiyoshi-Gama(Kiln) (Tajimi City)

6. Voice from Participants

The Philippines, Adult

Japan has a rich culture. This is very much evident on how its people value their customs and traditions even with the changing times. People in Japan are honest and disciplined. What impressed me more is the way they respect one another and take high regard to other people. Generally, they treat other nationalities as family. The advancement in technology and the intensive research system in Japan are very much commendable especially the support from the government. After the visit and my short stay in Japan, I would love to share these impressions and experiences with my loved-ones and co-workers. Surely, they will have high regard, as much as I did with Japan.

The Philippines, Adult

Nature and respect. I think these are the primary philosophy that govern Japan as a country. It is unsurprisingly embedded in their way of life. It is plainly evident in their culture, tradition and the arts. However, instead of hindering them to progress and advance towards the future, it inspires and enables them to develop into the present Japan that everyone knows and admire. Hopefully, thru our immersion here in Japan, we can imitate and embed these realizations not only in our daily life, but most importantly to our family, community and workplace.

The Philippines, Adult

The discipline of the Japanese people is commendable and worthy of emulation. This is reflected in their compliance with basic but very important traffic rules and proper waste segregation. Even on apparent absence of cars on roads, people would not cross

pedestrian lanes while the pedestrian red light is turned on. Litters on cities are noticeably minimal. It is even more remarkable their concern for a better environment, despite advancement, with their eco-friendly technologies and by maintaining plants and trees in cities and along highways. The fuel cell vehicles, the smart house model and the electric vehicles are astonishing! Japan has a rich culture and the preservation efforts are noteworthy.

7. Action Plan Presented at the Reporting Session by Participants

<p>Our Findings</p> <p>J - Japan's culture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Learned the history of Japan, its tradition and practices, as well as societal and cultural values <p>E - Environment-friendly development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Visited Toyota City and Ecoful town, observed green architecture and Japan's waste management system <p>N - New experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We were able to experience Japan's tradition and practices and societal and cultural values 	<p>Our Findings</p> <p>E - Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Japan university effective social safety nets, disaster preparedness management <p>Academia- Government- Industry tripartite</p> <p>S - Systematic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The delegates were able to experience the high-tech transportation system <p>* Kaizen</p>																																								
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<p>Our Findings</p> <p>Y - Young professionals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Equalizing access to quality and excellent education * Collaboration initiatives between Philippine universities and Japan universities * Multi-domain learning <p>S - Sound research</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Experienced state-of-the-art facilities * Learned the role of science and technology research in the development of the country and the involvement of private industries in these endeavors 	<p>Action Plans</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Action Plan</th> <th>Description</th> <th>Resources Needed</th> <th>Target Date</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td> <td>Facebook page which contains pictures and short articles about our experience in Japan - contribution of short article to JENESYS2015 FB page - posting of updates in FB page about international linkage in each participants universities - Post pictures in Facebook using the hash tag #Jenesys2015</td> <td>Facebook Page of Jenesys2015 for contributing articles</td> <td>October to December</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Posting of study opportunities in Japan to FB page of the group and even sharing to other universities</td> <td></td> <td>First quarter of 2016</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Announcement of possible graduate and undergraduate exchange program and scholarships.</td> <td></td> <td>First quarter of 2016</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Collaborate with Embassy of Japan in the Philippines in the orientation of the next batch of participants of JENESYS 2015</td> <td></td> <td>TBA</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Awareness</td> <td>Linkages to Universities in Japan</td> <td></td> <td>Once contacts are received from ICC</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Each participant is required to publish through their specific university website and article about JENESYS2015</td> <td></td> <td>First quarter of 2016</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Contact those who finished their PhD studies in Japan and make the list available to different universities in the country through the JENESYS2015 participants</td> <td>A database (google sheet or other platform) that is readily available to all participants</td> <td>First quarter of 2016</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Coordinate with existing alumni associations (those graduates from Japan) and promote their activities through social media</td> <td></td> <td>First quarter of 2016</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Establishment of an official organization of JENESYS between universities</td> <td></td> <td>First quarter of 2016</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Action Plan	Description	Resources Needed	Target Date		Facebook page which contains pictures and short articles about our experience in Japan - contribution of short article to JENESYS2015 FB page - posting of updates in FB page about international linkage in each participants universities - Post pictures in Facebook using the hash tag #Jenesys2015	Facebook Page of Jenesys2015 for contributing articles	October to December		Posting of study opportunities in Japan to FB page of the group and even sharing to other universities		First quarter of 2016		Announcement of possible graduate and undergraduate exchange program and scholarships.		First quarter of 2016		Collaborate with Embassy of Japan in the Philippines in the orientation of the next batch of participants of JENESYS 2015		TBA	Awareness	Linkages to Universities in Japan		Once contacts are received from ICC		Each participant is required to publish through their specific university website and article about JENESYS2015		First quarter of 2016		Contact those who finished their PhD studies in Japan and make the list available to different universities in the country through the JENESYS2015 participants	A database (google sheet or other platform) that is readily available to all participants	First quarter of 2016		Coordinate with existing alumni associations (those graduates from Japan) and promote their activities through social media		First quarter of 2016		Establishment of an official organization of JENESYS between universities		First quarter of 2016
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