JENESYS 2016 In-bound Program Report
(India, Theme: Economics 9th Batch (Future Global Leaders' Interaction))

1. Program Overview
8 Indian delegates who work in global business and academic field visited Japan and participated in Japan's Friendship Ties Program on the theme of foreign policy, economics, society, culture and history, during the 8 days from May 23 to May 30, 2017. They had the opportunity to learn and discuss on Japan-India diplomacy, Japan’ economic policy, a situation of overseas business in Japan through courtesy calls to the intellectuals, company / organization visits and the interactions with future global leaders in Japan. They also had the opportunity to visit corporations in Shizuoka and Aichi which take a large share of automobile industry and learn about the developing history in India and their distinguished technology in the world. Based upon their findings and learning in Japan, the delegates made a presentation in the final session on the importance of strengthening a relationship between India and Japan politically and economically, as well as the enhancement the youth leader’s network in India through sharing the experiences, new findings and network they got in Japan.

【Participating Countries and Number of Participants】
8 participants (India)

【Prefectures Visited】
Tokyo, Shizuoka, Aichi

2. Program Schedule
May 23 (Tue)
  Arrival at Narita International Airport
  【Orientation】
  【Interaction】Welcome reception hosted by Konoike Transport Co., Ltd
May 24 (Wed)
  【Courtesy Call / Opinion Exchange】Young Entrepreneurs Group of The Japan Chamber of Commerce and Industry
  【Courtesy Call / Opinion Exchange】The Japan-India Association
  【Lecture / Opinion Exchange】Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI)
  【Courtesy Call】Ms. Asako Omi, a member of House of Representatives
May 25 (Thu)
  【Company Visit】Sojitz Corporation
May 26 (Fri)
【Observation of Regional Company】 Suzuki Motor Corporation
Move to Aichi.
【Observation of Regional Company】 Toyota Motor Corporation, Motomachi Plant
【Lecture on Outline of the Region】 Aichi prefectural Government

May 27 (Sat)
【Observation of Historical Landmark】 Nagoya-jo castle
【Observation of Regional Industry】 Kaminoi Shuzo (Japanese Sake Brewery)
Move back to Tokyo.
【Interaction】 Future Global Leaders’ Interaction Dinner

May 28 (Sun)
【Observation】 Meiji-Jingu shrine
【History / Culture】 Edo Tokyo Museum
【Observation of Historical Landmark】 Asakusa, Senso-ji temple

May 29 (Mon)
【Interaction】 Breakfast Interaction with Harvard Business School alumni / HBS Japan Research Center
【Company Visit】 Canon Inc.
【Reporting Session/ Reception】

May 30 (Tue)
【Courtesy Call】 Mr. Yoshiaki Wada, a member of House of Representatives
Leaving Japan from Narita International Airport
3. Program Photos (TOKYO)

【Orientation】JICE  
【Interaction】Welcome Reception hosted by Konoike Transport Co., Ltd.

【Courtesy Call / Opinion Exchange】Young Entrepreneurs Group of The Japan Chamber of Commerce and Industry  
【Courtesy Call / Opinion Exchange】The Japan-India Association

【Courtesy Call】Ms. Asako OMI, a member of House of Representatives  
【Company Visit】Sojitz Corporation
【Courtesy Call】Embassy of India

【Courtesy Call】Mr. Kiyoshi Odawara, Parliamentary Secretary, MOFA

【Company Visit】Konoike Transport Co., Ltd.

【Observation of Historical Landmarks】Meiji Jingu Shrine

【Observation of Historical Landmarks】Sensoji Temple in Asakusa

【Interaction】Harvard Business School Alumni / HBS Japan Research Center
【Company Visit】Canon Co., Ltd.  【Company Visit】Suzuki Motor Corporation

【Reporting Session / Reception】  【Reporting Session / Reception】

【Reporting Session / Reception】  【Courtesy Call / Opinion Exchange】Mr. Yohiaki WADA, a member of House of Representatives

Program Photos (SHIZUOKA / AICHI)

【Company Visit】Suzuki Motor Corporation  【Company Visit】Suzuki Motor Corporation
4. Voice from Participants

◆ Indian Participant

The program was well planned and carried out in a smooth way. My most significant impression of this visit is that Japanese society till today is rooted in its high cultural value and traditions. This is reflected in all aspects of the society. The humility or graciousness toward others is far excellence. Most of the people I spoke to were kind and helpful to me. Even if I did not know the Japanese language, I did not feel alien. I also felt that Japanese people have regard for India and the people. However, they do not know much about Indian culture and about the societies in other part of the world. It is important that Japanese people travel and work outside Japan much more and vice versa. There should be active platforms to discuss and share their opinions and experiences of working and visiting other countries.

◆ Indian Participant

Business interactions provided a great insight into Japanese work ethics. I was impressed by how Japan is integrating its culture in business management, too. For example, the concept of
Kaizen or continuous improvement is especially something that India business could imbibe. Interactions with government delegates gave us insight about Japan's policy priorities and challenges. I was happy to note that there was consensus about the fact that India and Japan are natural partners (strategically/culturally, etc.) The visits to touristic and historical places helped me get a deeper understanding of Japanese history, society, culture and living. I admitted the attention to detail and good design of every little thing we saw. The trip was overall fantastic. I would love to recommend Japan to my friends and colleagues in India.

◆ Indian Participant
I really enjoyed meeting and interacting with Japanese people from varied industries and backgrounds. It was interesting to see that Japanese people too are very keen to associate with India. The culture of efficiency, politeness, punctuality and respect for not just human being but also one’s natural surrounding really stands out. I enjoyed meeting young business people to see how their ventures and experiences are. Seeing various government set ups was inspiring to see the kind of infrastructure the government creates and the same goes for the bullet train. It was interesting to see the cultural sites as well to get an insight into Japanese history. Meeting government officials was absolutely amazing - their warmth and interest was really welcoming. Seeing production facilities too was amazing - the thought, design and accuracy.

5. Voice from Japanese Participants
◆ Visiting Organization / Company
It was a good experience for us to have delegates from India. We hope this program will be continued and developed for the future as one of the important cultural diplomacy programs.

◆ Visiting Organization / Company
It is grateful to have had the valuable opportunity for opinion exchange with Indian delegates. It brought us a lot of new findings which will encourage our work.

◆ Visiting Organization / Company
It is happy to know we could provide a meaningful opportunity for the Indian delegates. This meeting gave us deeper understanding how smart they are, and what a great possibility they have in the future.
6. Dissemination by Participants

Great to be in Japan as part of the Future Global Leader's Delegation led by Bharat Joshi and Ashish Kumar. Special thanks to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of Japan and Japanese International Cooperation Center (JICE) for coordinating the programme so well. The programme aims at promoting mutual understanding and friendly relations between India and Japan through business and cultural exchange. This year's exchange is especially memorable as 2017 is the year of India-Japan friendly exchanges.

It was a pleasure to share the essence of classical Indian dance with an intimate group of delegates in Tokyo earlier this week. The group comprised of a member of the House of Representatives in Japan, representative of India in Japan (Embassy of India, Tokyo) and members of JICE (Japan International Cooperation Centre).

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7. Action Plans Reported in the Session by Participants

**WHY JAPAN & INDIA**
- Relationship between the two countries has existed from the early 19th Century
- 1903 – Japan India Association Established
- BUDDHISM: The common spiritual bond
- SPECIAL GLOBAL & STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP
- Geopolitical Importance
- Partner for Regional Cooperation & International Issues
  - Japan: Indo-Pacific Strategy
  - India: Act East Policy
  - DELHI MUMBAI DEDICATED FREIGHT CORRIDOR (DFC) PROJECT
  - DELHI MUMBAI INDUSTRIAL CORRIDOR
  - MUMBAI – AHMEDABAD SHINKANSEN (MAIR) PROJECT
  - More than 1300 Japanese Companies operating in India.

This program gave us an impression how deeply India and Japan have related each other. What we also learned was Japanese government and people see India as a key country in its economy and overseas business, although there is not enough information on India. Since expanding business chance by having Japanese companies in India can be a solution for outflow of youth leaders in India, it is important to strengthen a relationship between India and Japan politically, economically and culturally by taking an action for enhancement of our youth leaders’ network through sharing the experiences, new findings and network we got in Japan.