

JENESYS2018 ASEAN Inbound Program 10th Batch Program Report Exchange for Young Industry Officials, Country: Myanmar

1. Program Overview

13 young professionals from Myanmar visited Japan from October 30 to November 6, 2018 under the scheme of "Japan Friendship Ties Programs: JENESYS2018" and participated in the program with the theme of "Exchange for Young Industry Officials".

After attending the lecture in Tokyo, the delegation visited Aomori prefecture. They respectively made courtesy call to the local governments, and interacted and exchanged opinions with Japanese business officials and locals in the variety of observations and homestay for friendship. Through interacting with Japanese people the participants deepened understanding of Japan and shared their individual interests and experiences via Social Media. Based upon their findings and learning in Japan, each group of participants made a presentation in the final session and reported on the action plans to be taken after returning to their home countries.

[Participating Countries and Numbers of Participants] Myanmar 13 [Prefectures Visited] Tokyo, Aomori

2. Program Schedule

Oct.30 (Tue)	Arrival in Japan, 【Orientation】
Oct.31 (Wed)	【Lecture on Japanese Culture】Mr. Hideo Kimura, Strategic
	International Management Associations (SIMA)
	【Cultural Observation】Sensoji temple, Asakusa
	【Observation of Theme-related site】Leave a Nest Co., Ltd.
Nov.1 (Thu)	Move to Aomori from Tokyo
	【Courtesy Call】Vice Mayer of Nanbu-cho, Aomori prefecture
	【Lecture on the Region】Nanbu-cho government office
Nov.2 (Fri)	【Observation of Theme-related site】 Hachinohe Portal Museum
	"hacchi"
	【Opinion Exchange with Theme-related Officials】
	Young entrepreneur"Aomori Risshi Chousennnokai (ARC)",
	【Homestay】Nanbu-cho
Nov.3 (Sat)	[Homestay]
Nov.4 (Sun)	【Homestay】,【Farewell Party with Local Residents and Business
	Officials】,【Workshop】
Nov.5 (Mon)	Return to Tokyo, 【Reporting Session】
Nov.6 (Tue)	Departure

3. Program Photos



Oct.31 【Observation of Historical Landmark】 Sensoji temple, Asakusa



Oct.31 [Observation of Theme-related site] Leave a Nest Co., Ltd.



Nov.1 [Courtesy Call] Vice Mayer of Nanbu-cho, Aomori prefecture



Nov.2 【Observation of Theme-related site】



Nov.2 【Opinion Exchange with Themerelated Officials】 Young entrepreneur "Aomori Risshi Chousennnokai (ARC)"



Nov.2 - 4 [Homestay]



Nov.2 - 4 [Homestay]



Nov.4 【Farewell Party with Local Residents and Business Officials】

4. Voice from Participants

♦ Participant from Myanmar

I was able to understand a little bit about Japan's history and culture. I learned that they have incubation centers that connect researchers and entrepreneurs together, to carry out business. There is a big gap between the population of cities and that of the countryside, and birthrates are continuing to decline, but I found out that there are organizations concerned cooperating together to implement measures for solving these types of population problems. I also learned through my homestay experience that the elderly are living very active lives.

♦ Participant from Myanmar

Japan is developing technology, which is wonderful. I was surprised to see Japanese people working late into the night. Japan is an island country, and it has very beautiful coasts. My host family looked after me really well and I'm grateful for that. I found out that elderly people also work in Japan. I want to thank everyone concerned in making this visit to Japan possible, and for giving me this great opportunity.

♦ Participant from Myanmar

I went shopping with my host family, and we ate dinner together at their house. They looked after us as if we were real members of their family. They were very polite and punctual people. Some members of the host family were a similar age to us, and they became our friends. Through the homestay, I learned that Japanese people live while valuing their time, take their jobs seriously, are courteous, and are easy to get along with. I'm sure I'll remember these things for the rest of my life.

5. Voice from Japanese Locals

♦ Host Family

I realized the importance of trying to understand people, even if you can't speak each other's language.

♦ Host Family

I was surprised people from Myanmar study Japanese. They wore a kimono and we took lots of photos. I'd like to go to Myanmar to meet them again.

♦ Host Family

I was happy when they understood my English words when I wanted to say something or ask something. And it was good that I could get to know about Myanmar. I was also glad that they ate everything we gave them. In the short time we had, I wanted them to experience and learn lots of things, and as we managed that, it was very enjoyable.

Dissemination by the participants 6.



7. Action Plan Presented by Participants at the Reporting Session



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most famous site in Tokyo."

- In Japan, there are initiatives run not only by the authorities but also by private businesses, to connect together entrepreneurs and large companies, universities and town factories, in an attempt to support businesses in manufacturing. I think this type of initiative should also be reported to young people in Myanmar, to give them an opportunity to learn new points of view and ways of thinking.
- Each of the participants will return to their universities, places of work or government offices, and convey what they have learned through this experience at gatherings with their fellow students or co-workers, or through Social Networking Service.