

JENESYS2018 ASEAN Inbound Program 18th Batch Program Report Culture and Art Exchange, Country: Indonesia

1. Program Overview

8 university students, who belongs to "en juku", as a theater company acting in Japanese, from Indonesia visited Japan from January 15 to January 22, 2019 under the scheme of "Japan Friendship Ties Programs: JENESYS2018" and participated in the program with the theme of Culture and Art Exchange".

This delegation visited Tokyo and Kochi prefecture, and they respectively made courtesy call to the local government and exchanged opinions, had a theme related-site-visits and temples and shrines, school exchange, and homestay. Through interacting with Japanese people, they improved their 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] Indonesia 8 [Prefectures Visited] Tokyo, Kochi

2. Program Schedule

Jan.15 (Tue) Arrival in Japan, [Orientation]

[Lecture on Japanese Culture] Mr. Kimura Hideo,

SIMA Institute of International Business and Management

Jan.16 (Wed) [Observation] Shin-Koto Incineration Plant

The Tokyo Rinkai Disaster Prevention Park "Sonaeria Tokyo"

【Cultural Observation】Kabukiza Gallery

Jan.17 (Thu) Move to Kochi from Tokyo

[Courtesy Call] Kochi prefecture

[Cultural Observation] Kochi Castle Museum of History, Kochi Castle

Jan.18 (Fri) 【School Exchange】University of Kochi

[Cultural Experience] Tosa paper hand making

【Homestay】Kochi city

Jan.19 (Sat) 【Homestay】

Jan.20 (Sun) 【Homestay】,【Farewell Party with Local Residents and relevant

Officials], [Workshop]

Jan.21 (Mon) Return to Tokyo

【Cultural Observation】Asakusa Engei Hall (entertainment hall)

[Reporting Session]

Jan.22 (Tue) Departure

3. Program Photos



Jan.15 [Lecture of Japanese Culture]



Jan.16 【Observation 】
Shin-Koto Incineration Plant



Jan.16 【Observation】
The Tokyo Rinkai Disaster Prevention
Park "Sonaeria Tokyo "



Jan.16 【Observation of Theme-related site 】 Kabukiza Gallery



Jan.17 【Courtesy Call 】 Kochi prefecture



Jan.17 【Cultural Observation】
Kochi Castle



Jan.18 【School Exchange】
University of Kochi



Jan.18 [Cultural Experience]
Tosa paper hand making



Jan.20 [Farewell Party with Local Residents and relevant Officials]



Jan.20 [Workshop]



Jan.21 【Cultural Observation】
Asakusa Engei Hall



Jan.21 [Reporting Session]

4. Voice from Participants

♦ University Student

By participating in this program, I have realized how close the relationship between Indonesia and Japan is. I strongly felt it through the lecture on understanding Japan, a courtesy visit to Kochi Prefecture, and the interaction at the University of Kochi, and I felt sure that the relationship between the two countries is contributing to their mutual development. For example, there are two students from Indonesia in the University of Kochi based on the cordial relationship, and I believe that we were also able to receive a warm welcome from Kochi Prefecture because of a good deed of those two students. Since we are also representatives of Indonesia, I have pride in that. During my stay with a host family, I have learned many things, including the host family's warmth, affection, consideration, and tolerance, as well as Japanese culture and manners. Everyone in my host family gave me a warm welcome. To return this favor, I would like to disseminate what they taught me to my Indonesian friends. In order to further enhance the relationship between the two countries, I have determined to carry out activities so that various forms of cooperation including a cultural aspect can become active. As part of such activities, I am preparing video contents regarding Indonesia and Japan that will be posted on SNS such as YouTube, Instagram, and Facebook. Through this JENESYS program, I hope that the relationship with Japan and other countries, especially Indonesia, will be enhanced more and more in the future. Furthermore, I also hope that more youths will participate in "JENESYS/Link" in each country.

♦ Uiversity Student

By receiving a lecture on understanding Japan, I came to have a curiosity that I would

like to know about Japan in more depth, and at the same time, I came to have a stronger feeling that I would like to study Japanese culture and technologies. On the other hand, this lecture was my first time to learn about the issue of Japan's declining birth rates. Interaction in school has left a good impression. In the University of Kochi, we have received a warm welcome from Japanese students, and it was really fun to have many interactions with them. In addition, I was very surprised that the university library is advanced. Kochi Prefecture is a really wonderful place. People in Kochi, including prefectural officials, were all welcoming us and were very friendly. I feel glad that I had an opportunity to meet them. My host family are really wonderful people; once they noticed that I can speak almost no Japanese, they assisted me so that I can communicate with them. I received their abundant affection and consideration that is full of sincerity. We talked about Indonesia and Japan and exchanged opinions.

♦ University Student

I was very surprised by the waste treatment method in Japan. In particular, I was impressed by the mechanism to remove toxic substances during the treatment process and not to exhaust them. The experience of homestay has left a great memory to me. As my host family took me to interesting places such as Katsurahama and Yosakoi Joho koryukan and introduced me to delicious dishes unique to Japan such as "takoyaki" and "oden", their kindness has left a strong impression. Moreover, I was impressed by Japan's attitude to maintain museums, memorial museums, and exhibition facilities and to hand down and inherit the traditional culture by making full use of various ideas. For example, there is a "Ryoma Passport" in Kochi Prefecture, which is a game that collects stamps placed at each point along a fixed route. Because of this passport, I came to have a strong feeling that I would like to look around many sightseeing spots such as Katsurahama Aquarium. I hope that the relationship between Indonesia and Japan will be further enhanced and that the excellent technologies of Japan will be introduced into Indonesia as well.

5. Voice from Japanese Locals

◆ **Student** (Kochi University)

During the interaction, I was surprised by the Indonesian students' high level of interest in Japanese culture as well as the appearance that they are speaking Japanese very well, and at the same time, I felt glad. During the observation on the school premises, each student's interests and concerns were clear, and they asked various questions about Japan. Through the experience this time, I came to have an interest in Indonesia as well and was able to realize again how wonderful Japanese culture is. I would like to further deepen international interactions with Indonesia in the future, too.

♦ Host Family

We were glad to be able to know about the life and culture of Indonesia. Students are polite, very neat, and considerate, which made us feel good. Thank you very much.

♦ Host Family

Since students are very good at speaking Japanese, it was great that we could have communication with them smoothly. We were glad that they had all kinds of Japanese dishes. Moreover, they showed us a play which was very good and impressed us.

6. Dissemination by the participants



This is the first time of JENESYS2018 program。 I Burmese People living in Japan. And I attended the lecture about Japan. It was very interesting and inspired me.



We visited Shin-Koto Incineration Plant, The Tokyo Rinkai Disaster Prevention Park"SONAERIA TOKYO" and "Kabuki Gallery. All of them are very interesting and surprising. I learnt the waste disposal method, earthquake countermeasures, which are different from Indonesian's ones. At Kabuku gallery, we enjoy watching the exhibition and video about Kabuki culture such as kabuki costume, music and dance.

7. Action Plan Presented by Participants at the Reporting Session





We will disseminate the information on what we noticed while we participated in the JENESYS program by utilizing "Karuta," a traditional Japanese game. We believe that the information disseminated through this "Karuta game" will be easier for people to remember and will be entertaining.

For example, a card "J" will be designed based on "JENESYS" by taking the first letter of it. By using the cards that we made as a draft design at this reporting session, we will add pictures and illustrations to make them better after flying back home so that everyone that visits the website can download and play the game.