# JENESYS

## JENESYS2020 Japan-ASEAN Online Exchange (Sports: Football) Report

#### 1. Program Overview

[Objective] This program was conducted with the main objective of having players from ASEAN youth football teams attend lectures on Japan's contribution to the ASEAN football community and exchange programs on football and culture in their respective countries to promote goodwill between Japan and the participating countries, and to embody a legacy of Japan's international contribution through sports after the 2020 Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games.

[Participants] Total: 207 high school students from ASEAN countries (10 countries) and Japan (5 participants)

\*10 ASEAN countries: Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam

[Location] Tokyo, Fukushima Pref.

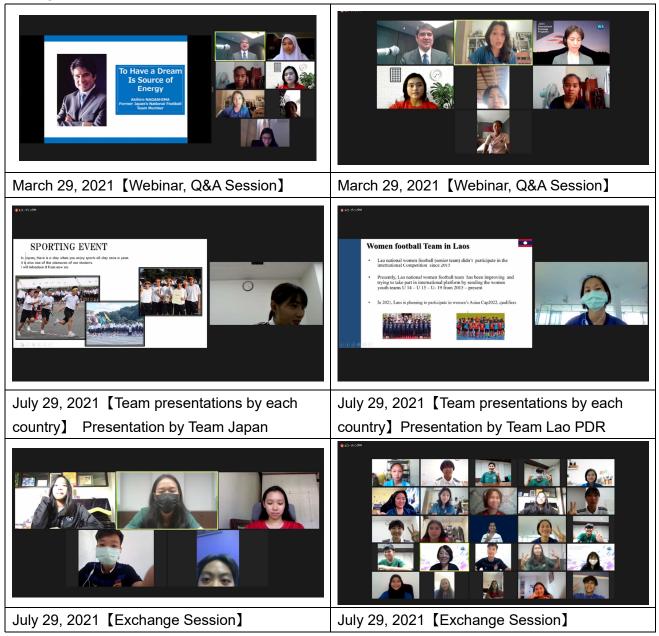
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Date	Program contents	Participants' questions and reactions		
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Number of participants: 161 female football youth team players from 7 ASEAN countries*				
*7 ASEAN countries: Indonesia, Cambodia, Singapore, the Philippines, Brunei, Malaysia, Lao				
PDR				
March 29,	【Webinar, Q&A session】	There were questions such as what		
2021	*Lecture by a Teacher of Dreams	motivated the lecturer when playing		
Tokyo	"Importance of having a dream and	football became hard, how to overcome		
	making the efforts to make that dream	failures, and how women's football could		
	come true."	become a more attractive and popular		
	Lecturer : Mr. NAGASHIMA Akihiro	sport from the perspective of a former		
	Member of the International Committee	world-class male football player.		
	of the Japan Football Association (a			
	former football athlete)			
	*Teachers of dreams: Former and current			
	athletes from various sports serve as lecturers as			
	part of the JFA Kokoro Project. In their lectures,			
	they share the importance of having a dream and			

[Program Schedule]

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	making the efforts to make that dream come true,			
	the importance of cooperating with friends and			
	teammates, and so on.			
July 29,	[Exchange]	Participants were separated into 5		
2021	1. Team presentations by each country	groups for them to interact beyond		
Tokyo	Presentations on the characteristic	borders. Deepening their friendship, they		
	cultures of their countries and their	actively talked about different topics,		
	football team practices.	such as the new trends within the teams		
	2. Exchanges in groups	(favorite singers, etc.), how football		
		practice changed due to COVID-19, and		
		how the pandemic had affected their		
		school life.		
Number of participants: 41 football youth team players from 10 ASEAN countries and 5 football				
youth team	players from Japan			
March 26,	[Exchange, Observation, Webinar, Q&A	The group exchange began with self-		
2022	Session】	introductions, and at first everyone		
Tokyo	1. Orientation	seemed a bit reserved since they were		
Fukushim	2. Group exchange	meeting for the first time. By the end of		
a Pref.	3. Presentation "My country"	the exchange however, they were		
	4. Observation, Q&A session	enjoying themselves, talking about their		
	"J-Village Tour"	back numbers and favorite teams.		
	<ul> <li>The Great East Japan Earthquake</li> </ul>	Each presentation was full of content.		
	and football (Video)	Participants listened with interest to the		
	<ul> <li>Overview of the facilities</li> </ul>	football situation in the other countries.		
	<ul> <li>Live broadcast from the field,</li> </ul>	During the tour of the J-Village facilities,		
	cafeteria, etc.	the participants listened with great		
	5. Webinar, Panel discussion	interest to the explanation of the facilities		
	"Football Dream for Future"	and fields, and asked questions such as		
	Lecturer:	"Is there a cafeteria?", "Can any sport be		
	- Mr. ONO Takeshi, FIFA/AFC	played there?", and "Have famous		
	Instructor, JFA Deputy Technical	players visited?"		
	Director	During the lecture, the lecturers talked		
	- Mr. KAGEYAMA Masanaga, AFC	about the importance of having a dream,		
	Youth Panel, JFA Youth Director	and each participant responded with his		
	- Mr. FUNAKOSHI Yuzo, Japan U-19	or her own dream. They talked about		
	National Team Assistant Coach, JFA	their dreams, such as to represent their		
	Academy Fukushima Coach	countries, to become professional		
	• Video	football players, and to be successful		
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<ul> <li>Lecture, Panel discussion</li> </ul>	overseas. Through the comments from
•Q&A session	each participant about football and their
	dreams, as well as the panel discussion
	by the lecturers, the participants seemed
	to be inspired by each other's thoughts
	about the value and possibilities that can
	be gained from football. The youth from
	different countries, all of whom share a
	common interest in football, seemed to
	have fully enjoyed the exchange.

#### 2. Program Photos





## 3. Voices from Participants (excerpt)

## High school student (Lao PDR)

Online meetings are useful because it allows me to get to know the culture of another country better, to know the sights, and the training of sports in another country.

## • High school student (Thailand)

It was a great experience to have the opportunity to talk with other player from other countries. <u>The</u> interaction will allow us to get closer to other players and build stronger bonds.

#### High school student (Thailand)

Great opportunity to talk with other players and interact with others. Better to make the presentation more interactive.

## High school student (Singapore)

The online program was useful as it allows young players to gain more knowledge on Japan's football and the ASEAN countries. It also encourages us to chase our dreams and improve our skills to be somewhere in the near future.

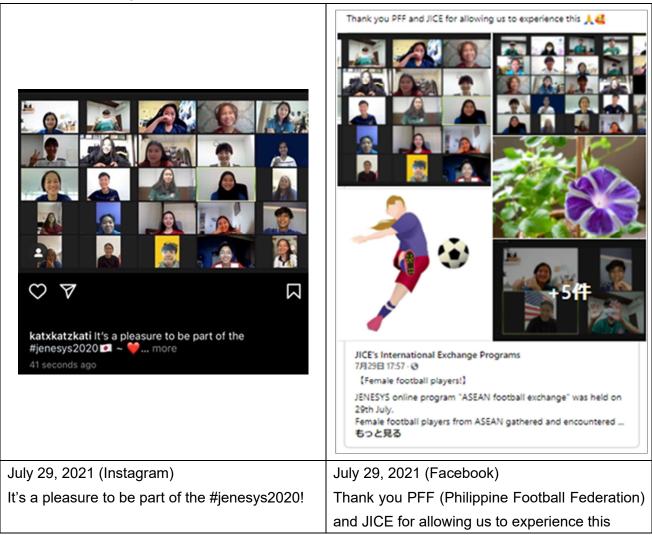
#### High school student (Malaysia)

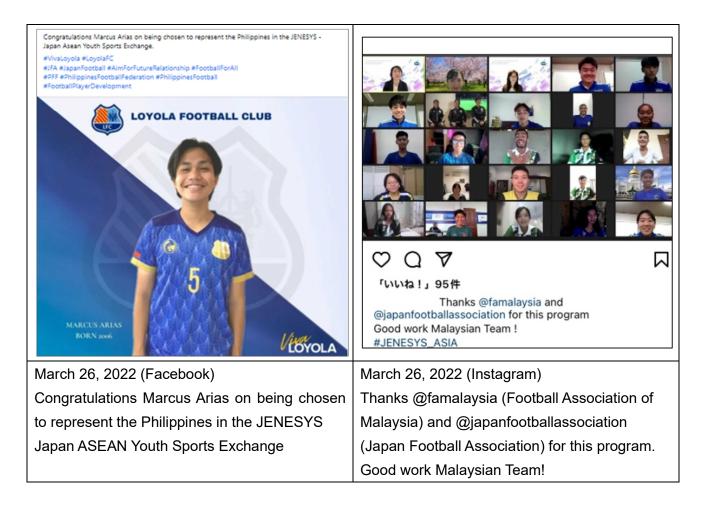
As it is my first time attending such an event, it has opened up my horizon to know that football isn't only about playing. We all should be proud to represent our countries and to be good role models in our countries.

#### High school student (Japan)

It was the first time for me to participate in a program like this, and I am very grateful I did. I now know more about the teams of each country. I hope I get to participate in a program like this again.

#### 4. Dissemination by the participants.





## 5. Future plans of the participants

## • High school student (Brunei)

I will try to practice and train harder than ever so that I can chase my dream and win AFF (AFF Women' s Championship) and AFC (AFC Champions League) with the Bruneian national game.

## • High school student (the Philippines)

I will continue playing football to enhance my skills and develop more. I will definitely do it every day in Tuloy with my colleague for to achieve it. And one way to do that is keep on practicing and listening to what the coaches is telling us to.

## High school student (Japan)

I believe that sports have the power to bring peace to the world, and so I will continue to do my best on the field and hopefully one day be able to inspire others.

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