

## JENESYS Indonesia-Japan Young Journalists Exchange (Invitation Program) Report

### 1. Program Overview

【Objective】 The objective of this program was for Indonesian journalists to visit Japan and learn about the differences between the two countries through observations and exchanges at various locations related to journalism, and the importance of peacekeeping, through visits to local areas. The aim was to also promote a broader understanding of Japan by having participants observe regional efforts toward revival and to contribute to enhancing dissemination of information about Japan to the outside world.

【Participants】 Total : 7 journalists from Indonesia

#### 【Locations】

- Pre-study Program (Online): 7 to Chiba
- Inbound Program: 7 to Tokyo, 7 to Nagasaki

#### 【Program Schedule】

This program was partially implemented in conjunction with the following programs:

- JENESYS2023 Indonesia-Japan High School Exchange: "Japan in Focus ~Traditional Culture and Science Technology~" (Invitation Program)
- JENESYS Indonesia-Japan Peace Building Exchange for University Students (Invitation Program)
- JENESYS Indonesia-Japan Exchange for Young Diplomats and Local Administrative Officials II (Invitation Program)

#### ■ Pre-study Program (Online)

Jan. 15 (Mon)                   【Pre-departure Orientation】

Opening remarks: Mr. ISHIDA Tomohiko, Second Secretary, Embassy of Japan in Indonesia

【Lecture on Japan】 “Attractiveness of Japan”

Lecturer: Mr. ODA Yuichi, Professor, Institute for Excellence in Educational Innovation (IEEI), Chiba University



Set Period Prior to Arrival   【Task-based Learning (Video Viewing)】 “Lecture on Japan”, “Virtual Home Visit”, “Peace Tour in Hiroshima”, “Japanese Language”, “50 Years of ASEAN-Japan Relationships”, “Japan and the United Nations”

■ Inbound Program

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| Jan. 22 (Mon) | Arrival at Narita International Airport  |
| Jan. 23 (Tue) | <b>【Orientation】</b><br><b>【Student Exchange】</b> Interacting with the participants of JENESYS2023 Indonesia-Japan Life and Culture Exchange (Online Dispatch of Japanese University Students)   |
| Jan. 24 (Wed) | <b>【Theme Related Observation】</b> Nippon Television Network Corporation, NEWS DIVISION<br><b>【Theme Related Lecture】</b> “Media that connects the world”<br>Lecturer: Mr. KURASAWA Haruo, Representative employee, Science Journalist, Bee Media LLC  |
| Jan. 25 (Thu) | Travel from Tokyo to Nagasaki<br><b>【Courtesy Call】</b> Mr. SAKAGUCHI Ikuhiro, Director, International Affairs Division, Culture, Tourism & International Affairs Department, Nagasaki Prefectural Government<br><b>【Lecture】</b> “Overview of Nagasaki Prefecture”<br>Lecturer: Ms. NOZAKI Kumiko, International Affairs Division, Culture, Tourism & International Affairs Department, Nagasaki Prefectural Government |
| Jan. 26 (Fri) | <b>【Observation, Lecture】</b> Nagasaki Atomic Bomb Museum and Peace Park, Hearing witness accounts by Hibakusha (atomic bomb survivors)<br><b>【Observation】</b> Dejima<br><b>【Meeting with the Host Families】</b> Isahaya City   |
| Jan. 27 (Sat) | <b>【Homestay】</b>  |
| Jan. 28 (Sun) | <b>【Homestay】</b> Including Japanese cultural experiences<br><b>【Farewell Party with the Host Families】</b><br><b>【Workshop】</b> Preparations for the Reporting Session (summarizing program findings, preparation of action plans)  |
| Jan. 29 (Mon) | Travel back to Tokyo<br><b>【Reporting Session】</b> Presentation of program findings and action plans   |
| Jan. 30 (Tue) | Departure from Narita International Airport  |

## 2. Program Photos

### Pre-study Program (Online)

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| <p>January15【Pre-departure Orientation】Opening remarks</p>                        | <p>January 15【Lecture on Japan】"Attractiveness of Japan"</p>                       |

### Inbound Program

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| <p>January 23【Orientation】</p>  | <p>January 23【Student Exchange】<br/>Interacting with the participants of JENESYS2023 Indonesia-Japan Life and Culture Exchange (Online Dispatch of Japanese University Students)</p> |
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| <p>January 24【Theme Related Observation】<br/>Nippon Television Network Corporation, NEWS DIVISION</p> | <p>January 24【Theme Related Lecture】"Media that connects the world"</p>  |

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| <p>January 25【Courtesy Call】Nagasaki Prefectural Government</p>                    | <p>January 26 【Observation, Lecture】 Nagasaki Atomic Bomb Museum and Peace Park, Hearing witness accounts by Hibakusha (atomic bomb survivors)</p> |
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| <p>January 28 【 Farewell Party with the Host Families】</p>                         | <p>January 29 【Reporting Session】</p>  |

### 3. Voices from the Participants (excerpt)

#### ◆ Working Youth (News Journalist)

The program provided comprehensive learning opportunities about urban and regional history, the current state of Japanese media, politics, and society, damage caused by the atomic bombing of Nagasaki, and the daily lives of families living in Isahaya City. It was very informative and worthy of further coverage.

#### ◆ Working Youth (News Journalist)

I love Japan. Japanese culture sparks my interest. I experienced many things during the time I spent with my host family learning about Japanese manners and food culture, and enjoying conversations in Japanese. I had a very precious time.

#### ◆ Working Youth (News Journalist)



I gained many insights into Japanese journalism. I learned that the capacity of the Japanese people's ability to read and write, and to fully make use of this skill is heightened by their custom of reading newspapers, books, and other printed materials. Japan's protection of rights for the sexual minority and methods of raising children can serve as models for Indonesia. Helpful reference for the future.

#### 4. Voices from the Receiving Parties (excerpt)

##### ◆ Host Family

We went to Omura Park. There is a lot to see there; a Japanese garden, an old castle site, a shrine, and even a ramen shop, so they had a chance to experience Japanese culture. Also, we had a few hours to spare before the final day's gathering, so I got them to try on some yukata that I had at home. At the farewell party, seeing everyone talking tearfully about their experiences convinced me that the homestay was a great experience for them, even though it was so short. I felt that my middle school-aged children had matured a bit when they showed an awareness of what it means to communicate in English.

#### 5. Disseminations by the Participants (excerpt), Articles, etc.

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| <p>Saya berkesempatan untuk mengunjungi Akihabara Tokyo, Jepang, Selasa (23/1/2024). Selama satu hari kami diberikan sejumlah kegiatan seru lewat Program JENESYS 2024, Indonesia-Japan Young Journalist Exchange.</p> <p>Usai turun dari pesawat JAL, kami melakukan orientasi umum di AP Akihabara dimana saling berkenalan dan diberikan arahan terkait teknis program oleh Takagi Hitoshi, Koordinator JICE yang handle program tersebut.</p> <p>Kemudian saat menjelang waktu istirahat, kami bersama rombongan berjalan kaki untuk makan siang di Sushi Tofu Akihabara. Saya melihat sejuk dan asri nya Negara Sakura secara dekat, dan hampir tidak ada tempat sampah di sekitar jalan.</p> <p>Sambil melihat jalanan trotoar, ternyata Jepang memiliki lampu lalu lintas yang cukup banyak sehingga tidak ada kemacetan. Lalu kembali sebentar ke AP Akihabara untuk berkenalan dengan mahasiswa Jepang dari Samsu University. Yoyo san dan aharing terkait dengan kebudayaan Jepang seperti sado (茶道) maupun Shodo (書道).</p> <p>Kemudian pada sore hari, kami diajak untuk melihat Menara Tokyo atau dikenal Tokyo Tower di 4 Chome-2-8 Shibakoen, Minato City, Tokyo. Tak selang beberapa lama tiba-tiba Menara Tokyo sortik dipenuhi dengan Kerlap Kerlip lampu yang indah. Lalu diakhiri dengan makan malam di salah satu restoran Jepang.</p> <p>#jenesys_ascan</p>  |   |
| <p>January 24, 2024 (Facebook)</p> <p>Being part of the JENESYS 2024 (FY2023) Japan-Indonesia Young Journalists Exchange Program that started on January 23<sup>rd</sup> was an absolutely amazing experience for me. In the land of cherry blossoms, I was able to enjoy the cool air firsthand and get to know Japan as it really is. The streets were beautiful. They were clean, with not a single piece of trash on the ground. The sidewalks almost always had traffic signals (at intersections) to keep road traffic flowing and reduce congestion. During our exchange with Japanese university students, we were introduced to Japanese culture and calligraphy. Later in the evening, we visited Tokyo Tower. After waiting for a while, the beautiful tower suddenly emerged before us, brilliantly lit up.</p>  | <p>January 24, 2024 (Instagram)</p> <p>We spent about an hour and a half observing and learning about Nippon Television in a conference room next to the NTV News Division. It was located just a 5-minute walk from the adjacent commercial center.</p> |





Direktur Divisi Budaya, Pariwisata, dan Hubungan Internasional Provinsi Nagasaki Jepang Sakaguchi Ikuhiko mengatakan, majunya perkembangan provinsi ini sebagai bukti kebangkitan Nagasaki dari keterpungan usai dijatuhi bom atom oleh Amerika Serikat pada 9 Agustus 1945.

"Nagasaki menjadi target bom atom karena dulunya memiliki pusat perakitan kapal militer terbesar di Jepang. Tapi setelah mengalami kekalahan pasca perang dunia kedua, Jepang tidak lagi memproduksi kapal militer melainkan mengembangkan kapal-kapal untuk perdagangan," katanya.

January 26, 2024 (From Manado Post. Article written by a participant)

On January 24th, I had the opportunity to speak directly with Mr. Haruo Kurasawa, a Japanese journalist and representative employee of Bee Media LLC. Mr. Kurasawa told us, "Japanese people still have a lot of trust in conventional media such as television, radio, and newspapers, compared to digital media, which can often be misleading. Japanese media try very hard to maintain the public's trust at all times by presenting fact-based information and clear data, without meddling." His advice to us was: "All journalists participating in the JENESYS program can become responsible journalists who speak out for truth and peace."

January 27, 2024 (From SIND NEWS.COM Article written by a participant)

We were given a tour of the Nagasaki Prefectural Office by an official from the government's Culture, Tourism, and International Affairs Department, who said that Nagasaki's current development is proof of its recovery from the recession that followed the atomic bombing by the United States on August 9, 1945.

Historically, Nagasaki Prefecture played a key role in foreign trade. For this reason, people of Nagasaki City are known for their acceptance of people from other cultures.

"The people of Nagasaki have long been accustomed to interacting with foreigners. This is indeed a resource for the tourism industry," concluded the official.



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| <p>January 29, 2024 (From iNews.id. Article written by a participant.)</p> <p>Enjoy the beautiful scenery and hot springs in Obama Town, Japan.</p> <p>Obama Town is famous for its hot springs, boasting Japan's hottest hot springs and longest footbath.</p> <p>The footbath is 105 meters long, a figure that gets its number from the temperature of Obama Onsen's source, which is 105 degrees Celsius.</p> <p>There is also an open-air bath built on the breakwater of Tachibana Bay, where visitors can enjoy the beautiful sea, sunset, and hot springs, all at once.</p> | <p>January 28, 2024 (from iNews YouTube)</p> <p>News on the Nagasaki Atomic Bomb Museum.</p> <p>At the Atomic Bomb Museum in the city of Nagasaki, where the United States detonated an atomic bomb in 1945, photographs showing damages and suffering caused by the atomic bomb are on display.</p> |
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## 6. Presentations of Program Findings and Action Plans at the Reporting Session (excerpt)

### Group 1 (Location: Tokyo, Nagasaki) Presentation by the one group



#### 【Findings in Japan】

- Infrastructure: Transportation infrastructure (connections between various public transportation systems, sidewalks, and roads) is in place, making it easy to get around. Advanced technology ensures convenience.
- Cultural properties: Cultural properties and buildings with high historical and academic value are protected by the government. (Dejima)
- Japanese people: Following the rules is an embedded part of social order. Japanese working adults observe professional ethics and their conduct at work reflects this.
- Beautification: A clean environment is maintained at all facilities. There is a high level of awareness regarding beautification in general, and the living environment is well taken care of, in terms of sustainability.
- Local communities: In local communities, voluntary activities to protect children from crime are very active and contribute to maintaining public safety. Discipline regarding social rules, public etiquette, and lifestyle is practiced in a manner that is appropriate for the children's growth.

### 【Theme Related Findings (observations of Japanese mass media)】

#### Japanese Media:

- We understood that even in the current trend of mass media from print to digital, there is still a high degree of dependence and trust in Japan on traditional media such as newspapers, TV, radio, and magazines.
- Japan's mass media remains politically neutral, unbiased, and impartial.

#### Roles of the Media:

- Media has a role to play when a disaster occurs. Radio broadcasts in affected areas are an important source of information, as they can continue broadcasting without being affected by the damage, compared with other forms of mass media.
- We learned about the importance of being neutral. We understood that the role of a journalist is basically the same in all countries. For example, the media sometimes needs to serve as a watchdog or deterrent against a power that gets out of control, while providing factual reporting to the public.

### 【Action Plan】

Within one week after returning to Japan, each participant will report through the media (newspaper, TV, or digital broadcasting) to which they belong. Through these reports, we intend to disseminate views that are constant with the knowledge we gained in Japan, to the Indonesian people as a whole and to the international community.

- Comparisons between Japanese and Indonesian journalism.
- Experiences of cultural exchanges with Japanese youth (students).
- Japan's measures to combat the declining birthrate (e.g. providing allowances to households with children).
- Experiences gained during the homestay (Isahaya City) and a peek at the daily life of a typical Japanese family.
- Tourist spots in Japan.
- Witness accounts of storytellers who survived the atomic bomb dropped on Nagasaki.
- Government support for hibakusha in Nagasaki Prefecture (e.g. exemption of medical expenses for those holding Atomic Bomb Survivor's Certificates).
- Nagasaki's revival and Nagasaki today, nearly 80 years after the atomic bombing.

**Implementation Agency: Japan International Cooperation Center (JICE)**