



In collaboration with
Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)
and
The Japan Foundation

“Irodori” Japanese Language Teacher Training Course: 30 Hours

Application Instructions

1. Program Outline:

(1) **Format:**

This course will be conducted in a hybrid format, combining online and offline classes.

*Please make sure you have a stable internet connection and a study environment where you can concentrate during the online session.

Online: Zoom

Offline: Venue: JICA Sri Lanka Office

Address: Level 17, PARKLAND, 33 Park St, Colombo 00200, Sri Lanka

(2) **Course Duration:** December 11 or 15, 2024 - March 29, 2025

OFFLINE: (Opening Ceremony and Closing Ceremony)

Venue: JICA Sri Lanka Office

Opening Ceremony

Date and Time: 19:00-21:00 11(Wed) or Morning 15 (Sun), December 2024

Mock Class

Date and Time: February 15 (Sat) and 16 (Sun), 2024 10:00-17:00

Closing Ceremony

Date and Time: March 29, 2025 (Sat) Time will be announced

ONLINE:

Platform: Zoom

Dates: Dec 19, 26, Jan 2025 9, 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 20, March 6, and 13 (All Thursday)

Alternate days: Jan 2, Feb 27, March 20

Time: 19:00-21:00

(3) Description of the Course:

This course aims to increase the number of teachers who can teach communicative Japanese (A1-A2) for working/living in Japan, using Irodori: Japanese for everyday life (hereafter ‘Irodori’) in accordance with its principles. This course will be taught in Japanese.

(4) Number of Trainees: Max 15 Participants

(5) Certification:

Certificates will be issued jointly by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) Sri Lanka and The Japan Foundation after successful completion of the course.

Certificate of Completion will be decided on following basis:

- Participation in both the mock classes i.e. on February 15 (Sat) and 16 (Sun) 2025 compulsory
- 80% and above attendance in all Online classes
- Submission of all assignments within deadline

2. Course Fee: Free

3. Eligibility:

- (1) Those who aim to teach in Japanese in schools or in institutes.
- (2) One who can attend classes all dates with all responsibility. (For dates check; Program Outline 1-(2))
- (3) The participant must be able to submit assignments, questionnaires, etc. within deadline.
- (4) The participant must be able to turn on the camera during the training.
- (5) The participants are encouraged to cooperate with other participants and actively take part in discussions. One who can help other participants and learn from them.
- (6) Those who want to teach or plan to teach Japanese to Specified Skilled Worker (SSWs) or people working/living in Japan after the training.
- (7) Those who have passed the Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) N3 level or above.
- (8) Those who can participate in the interviews to be held from November 19, 20, and 21 2024 from 10:00-18:00. Please note that the schedule will be determined by JF, and participants should be able to respond promptly to communications from JF.
- (9) Can use a computer (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, etc.)
- (10) Those who have a stable internet and a quiet environment during online training.
- (11) The participants shall agree with the following conditions.
 - If there are any suspicions of improper practices, investigations or lawsuits regarding the operations associated with the sending workers to Japan or Japanese language education by the participant himself/herself or by his/her Japanese language school, such participant is not allowed to participate in this training.

- The training certificate only proves that the participant completed the training program and does not constitute any guarantee by JICA or JF of the quality of the Japanese language education provided by the participant or his/her organisation beyond this.
- If, contrary to the above, there is any suspicion of improper practice by the participant or his/her organisation, or if the participant or his/her organisation is found to have used the training certificate in an improper manner, JICA or JF may take necessary measures, such as suspending the participant's qualification to participate in the training or cancelling the certificate etc.

*Please note that, preference will be given to teachers **who have not participated** in “Japanese Teaching Methods Program for Teachers of Specified Skilled Worker Candidates”, which were conducted by The Japan Foundation (JF), and the “Japanese for Life in Japan” Teacher Training Course conducted by the JF New Delhi.

4. Application Process:

(1) Application Documents:

- A. Application Form: All columns in the application must be duly filled. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
 - B. Copy of the JLPT: upload a copy of your certificate to the Google Form.
 - C. **Essay:** Please write an essay on the topic "What kind of teacher do you want to become?"
 - The essay should be **handwritten**.
 - Please write an essay **in Japanese** between **200 and 400 characters**.
 - Handwrite your essay on paper, then take a clear photo of it and upload the image to the Google Form. (Make sure the entire essay is visible.)
- When writing your essay, be sure to include the following points:
- What kind of teacher are you now?
 - What kind of teacher do you want to become in the future? What steps will you take to achieve that?

(2) Application Deadline and Submission Method:

Please apply from link below. Deadline is **November 11, 2024**

Application Form: <https://forms.gle/ZKfnQAFHtJanBHTz8>

- A. It is recommended to participate in this program from a computer with a stable access to internet.
- B. Please note, no changes will be made after the submission.
- C. Online Screening interview, after shortlisting, you will be asked to join for Interview in any of the date between November 19,20 and 21 2024.

5. Notification of Results:

(1) Screening Result will be announced before November 30 2024

(2) Please note that any query regarding the reasons for rejection will not be entertained.

6. Query:

In case of any queries, kindly send email to Ms. Minami Munakata and to Mr. Ashish Sharma

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