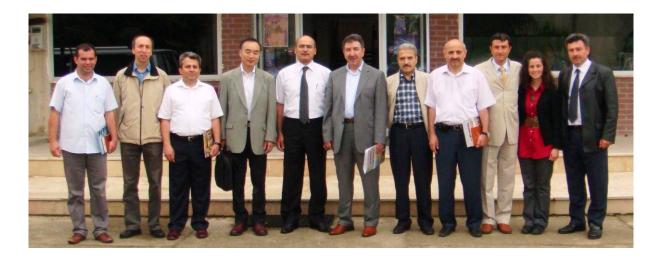
Director General of TÜGEM and Chief Representative of JICA Turkey Office Visiting Model Sites

The DOKAP-TARIM Project received the following honorable guests from General Directorate of Agricultural Production and Development (TÜGEM) of Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs (MARA) and Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) on June 15, 2009.

- TÜGEM: Mr. Ali KARACA, Director General of TÜGEM Mr. Ahmet Savaş İNTİŞAH, Head of Risk Management and Project Department
- JICA: Mr. Kazuhide NAGASAWA, Chief Representative of JICA Turkey Office Dr. Emin Özdamar, Deputy Resident Representative of JICA Turkey Office



The team first visited the Central Fisheries Research Institute. After a briefing of recent project activities in the Project Office by the Team, the guests visited the 3 model areas of the Project to make discussions and observations, accompanied with Acting Director and Head of Project and Statistic Department of Trabzon Provincial Directorate of Agriculture. At all model areas, the local government authorities, Directors of District Agriculture Directorates and the farmers participated in the Project, received the guests warmly.

At Coşandere, they visited Kazaziye silverworks group of women, which was one of the successful groups. They enjoyed a beautiful display of various kinds of their Kazaziye products. After that, they observed the progress of pear and kiwi orchards supported by the Project.

At Kuruçam, they talked with the local farmers about the Project in front of their proud strawberry. They visited the woman-managing strawberry field, the pipe-type greenhouse for vegetables, and ornamental tree seedling garden supported by the Project.

After arriving at Uğurlu, they enjoyed local tea in the nice view of the beautiful tea

gardens. Then, they observed the blueberry demonstration plot and well-managed kiwi orchard supported by the Project.

This long-distance field visit could be a good opportunity for the guests for understanding of the Project. At the same time, it could encourage the local people concerning to the Project.



Display of local-made Kazaziye in Coşandere



Discussion with Kuruçam Villagers Left - Mr. Ali KARACA, Director General of TÜGEM Center - Mr. Kazuhide NAGASAWA, Chief Representative of JICA



Explanation of Kiwi orchard by Regional Coordinator in Coşandere



Observation of Woman-operating Strawberry Field in Kuruçam



Inspection of Well-managed Kiwi Field in Uğurlu



Completion of 300km-long tour for 3 model sites of the DOKAP-TARIM Project