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JICA and Homs Governorate discussed future cooperation

On July 10th, 2006, the Resident Representative of JICA Syria Office, Mr. Kazuhide Nagasawa paid a courtesy visit to Homs governorate where he met Homs governor's Engineer Mohammad Iyad Ghazzal.

During the meeting several topics were discussed as Mr. Nagasawa listed out cooperation projects implemented in Homs including the provision of equipment to Homs Directorate of Environmental Affairs and the expected equipment that will help in maintaining the solid waste management in Homs.

On the other hand, the governor praised JICA's cooperation and continuous efforts in supporting Homs and other Syrian cities through its various technical cooperation programs and pointed out that the governorate is giving the priority to sanitary waste projects and is looking to the cooperation with JICA in this field.

Mr. Nagasawa mentioned that JICA will do its best to extend its assistance and will ask the help of one of its experts who is stationed in Damascus to contribute in solving part of the sewage problems through extending the necessary advice and consultation.

Both, JICA and Homs Governorate agreed to strengthen their mutual cooperation and to pay the utmost efforts to extend the necessary support to Homs citizens in various fields of cooperation.



See you at Damascus International Fair

As meeting at Damascus International Fair has become a tradition, for us. We will be waiting for you there as usual from 3rd-12th Sep.

You are all welcomed at JICA Booth





New JOCV Volunteers Group Arrives in Syria

A new group of JOCV Volunteers arrived in Syria on June 28, 2006 to be assigned in the Ministries & Organizations mentioned hereunder

Name	Receptient Organization	Speciality
Mr. Yuya ARIMOTO	General Sport Federation	Table Tennis
Ms. Nanami SAKAOKA	Ministry of Higher Education, Aleppo University	Japanese Language
Mr. Jun WATANABE	Ministry of Social Affairs & Labour, Community Based Rehabilitation	Physical Education
Ms. Sachie TONSHO	Ministry of Social Affairs & Labour, Community Based Rehabilitation	Nursery of Disabled People
Ms. Hisano HAYASHI	Ministry of Social Affairs & Labour, Community Based Rehabilitation	Physical Therapy
Mr. Yuta TAKEI	Ministry of Social Affairs & Labour, UNRWA, Hama Schools	Physical Education
Ms. Yoshiko MITANI	Ministry of Social Affairs & Labour, UNRWA, Dara'a Schools	Physical Education
Ms. Miho SHIBA	Ministry of Agriculture & Agrarian Reform, UNDP Jabal Al Hoss	Public Health Nursery
Ms. Kazue KOIWAI	Women Federation Homs Kindergartens	Nursery Care



Ms. Kazue KOIWAI



Ms. Yoshiko MITANI



Ms. Nanami SAKAOKA



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Mr. Yuya ARIMOTO



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International Cooperation Photo Contest

JICA hopes to deepen people's understanding and interest in developing countries and international cooperation through photographs. Entries will be utilized in JICA's public relations materials on international cooperation.

Photos may be submitted between Friday, June 30, 2006 and Thursday, September 14, 2006.

For more details please visit our web site:

<http://www.jica.go.jp/english/resources/photo/entries.html>

Group of JOCV Volunteers Leaves Syria

Showing a remarkable devotion to promote the cooperation with the Syrian Counterparts, this group of five JOCV have departed to Japan at the beginning of this month after finishing their assignment in the Syrian organizations



Ms. Emi YONEDA
WF – Nursery



Mr. Yasuhiko MATSUZAKI
UNRWA- Sport



Ms. Tomoko TAKAHASHI
UNDP- Jabal Al Hoss



Ms. Yuko SUGA-MURA
UNDP- Jabal Al Hoss



Mr. Naoto NOJIMA
UNRWA- Sport

New Staff Joined JICA'S Team

On July 1st Mrs. Reem Afghani Joined JICA's team as a Program Officer in the Education & Social Sector .

Mrs. Reem graduated from Damascus University – English Dept in 2001 .

Also on July 16th Ms. Mais Ajjan Joined us as a Program Officer in the Economy Sector,

Ms. Mais has a degree in English Literature 2004 and she holds a Diploma in Higher Literary Studies- Damascus University



Ms. Mais Ajjan



Ms. Reem Afghani



Extensionists Training Moves to Daraa

Within the framework of DEITEX project, extensionists training took place in Daraa between the 25th and 29th of June 2006.

Many participants received training on “Basic Information of the Modern Irrigation System”, it contained themes such as “Installation Techniques for Pipes & Fittings”, and “Calculation of Necessary Irrigation Water”... etc.

In addition to attending presentations and lectures, Participants were involved in practical lessons, where they tried for themselves to install irrigation equipment, and observe the prop-

erty results of the installed systems at Extension Model Farms furnished within the framework of DEITEX Technical Cooperation Project.

Concluding this training course, another two are to be implemented within the second year of this project targeting water extensionists group; the first one, is on preparation of extension materials, the other, is on organising field days.

It is worth mentioning that similar training was conducted earlier in Rural Damascus and Hama, and thus, this training tour covered the whole project area.



Japanese Expert and Syrian Counterpart Explains how to install fittings



Lecture on Basic Calculation of Irrigation Water



Practical installation of Fittingsinstall fittings



Mr. NAKAYAMA; JOCV, explaining about his research on Tomato Water Demand at Daraa Research Centre