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Multicountry Observational Study Mission on Agricultural Innovations in Japan to Increase Productivity, 6-10 June 2016, APO Secretariat, Tokyo, Japan

Program of Activities

Date/Time	Tentative Program	Hotel Accommodation
Sunday, 5 June 2016	Arrival of participants in Tokyo Proceed individually to the hotel Tokyu Stay Suidobashi 1-1-12 Misaki-cho, Chiyodaku, Tokyo, 101-0061 Tel: (03)-3293-0109; Fax: (03)-3293-1090 URL: http://www.tokyustay.co.jp/e/hotel/SUI/	Tokyu Stay Suidobashi
Monday, 6 June		
09:00	Meet at the hotel lobby. A staff from the APO will meet the participants at the lobby and guide them to the APO <u>APO PR Center</u> Leaf Square Hongo Building 1F, 1-24-1 Hongo, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo 113-0033 Tel: 81-3-3830-0417 Fax: 81-3-5840-5324	
09:15–09:30	Registration of participants	
09:30–09:45	Opening session <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Welcome address by Mr. Mari Amano, APO Secretary-General▪ Introduction by each participant▪ Photo session	
09:45–10:00	Coffee break	
10:00–10:20	An introduction to APO and its activities, and program review by Mr. Mitsuo Nakamura, Program officer, Agriculture department	

10:20–11:20	<p>Presentation 1: Rice production system in Japan by Dr. Satoshi Yoshinaga, Project leader, Lowland farming research division, Hokuriku research center, National agriculture and food research organization (NARO)</p>	
11:20–11:30	Short break	
11:30–12:30	<p>Presentation 2: Precision agriculture technologies for reducing environmental impacts of farming by Dr. Sakae Shibusawa Professor, Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology, Fuchu, Tokyo</p>	
12:30–14:00	Welcome lunch hosted by the APO (Restaurant Rilassa, 3F, Tokyo Dome Hotel)	
14:00–15:00	<p>Presentation 3: Innovation policies to improve agricultural productivity in Japan by Mr. Hajime Nakahigashi, Director of Research Policy Planning Division, Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Research Council, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Tokyo</p>	
15:00–15:15	Coffee break	
15:15–16:15	<p>Presentation 4: Rice breeding for development of high-yielding and climate change-resilient varieties suitable for food industry in Japan by Dr. Masayuki Yamaguchi, Director, Division of Rice, Institute of crop science, National agriculture and food research organization (NARO)</p>	
16:15–16:30	Orientation of filed visits	Tokyu Stay Suidobashi

Tuesday, 7 June

Field Visits Day 1

08:30	Leave hotel by chartered bus
09:30–11:30	<p>Visit 1: Plant Factory, Chiba University (Kashiwano-ha Campus, Kashiwa City, Chiba Pref.) Briefing by Dr. Toyoki Kozai, Professor Emeritus of Chiba University and Executive Director, Japan Plant Factory Association (NPO)</p>

12:30–13:30	Visit 2: AEON Mall Tsukuba (Observe Agri-food product retailing, packaging and labeling in supermarket, and Lunch)	
14:00–15:00	Visit 3: Tsukuba Agricultural Research Hall (Tsukuba city, Ibaraki Pref.)	
15:15–16:30	Visit 4: National Institute for Rural Engineering (NIRE) (Tsukuba city, Ibaraki Pref.)	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Agricultural infrastructure and irrigation management 	
18:00	Arrive at hotel in Tokyo	Tokyu Stay Suidobashi

Wednesday, 8 June

Field Visits Day 2

08:00	Leave Tokyu Stay Suidobashi to Tokyo Station by chartered bus	
09:00	Leave Tokyo to Kyoto by bullet train (Nozomi 213)	
11:17	Arrive in Kyoto	
11:30-12:30	Lunch at Aeon Mall, Kyoto	
13:00–15:00	Visit 5: Kyoto University	
	Observe agricultural machinery	
	Presentation 5: Development in agricultural mechanization in Southeast Asia by Dr. Mikio Umeda, Professor Emeritus of Kyoto University	
	Presentation 6: Automation of field robots by Dr. Michihisa Iida, Professor, Kyoto University	
	Visit 6: Nishiki Market (Observe fresh vegetable, processed foods and fishery products)	
	Kinkakuji Temple en route	
18:00	Stay at Daiwa Roynet Hachijo-guchi Hotel 9-2, Kita-Karasuma-cho, Higashi kyujyo Minami-ku, Kyoto 601-8017 Tel: (075)-693-0055; Fax: (075)-693-0056 http://www.daiwaroynet.jp/kyoto-hachi/	Daiwa Roynet Kyoto Hachijo-guchi

Thursday, 9 June**Field Visits Day 3**

08:00	Leave hotel by chartered bus	
09:00–10:30	Visit 7: JA Oumi (Observe JA direct shop)	
11:00–12:30	Visit 8: Kirin Beverage Company (Observe factory for pet-bottled black tea production line)	
13:10–13:40	Lunch at Saizeria	
13:45–15:15	Visit 9: Yanmar Museum (Observe Agricultural Machinery Exhibition Hall)	
15:52	Leave Maibara for Tokyo by bullet train (Hikari 526)	
18:03	Arrive in Tokyo	
	Stay at Tokyu Stay Suidobashi	Tokyu Stay Suidobashi

Friday, 10 June**Workshop and Closing Ceremony**

09:15	Leave hotel to the APO individually	
09:30–11:00	Group presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Key learning points from the mission▪ Proposed action plan	
11:00–11:15	Coffee break	
11:15–11:45	Presentation of group discussion	
11:45–12:00	Course evaluation by participants	
12:00–12:30	Closing Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Closing remarks▪ Awarding the certificate	
	Stay at Tokyu Stay Suidobashi	Tokyu Stay Suidobashi

Saturday, 11 June

Return of participants to respective countries