

## **Embassy of Japan Newsletter**



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# Japan Extends Grant Aid of USD 11,910,000 for Humanitarian Support to Internally Displaced Persons in the North East, Counter Terrorism and Social Stabilization in Nigeria

On 20 January 2016, the Government of Japan, upon requests by UN organizations and Government of Nigeria, decided to extend grant aid of 11,910,000 US Dollars (approximately 1.3 billion Japanese Yen) to IFRC, UNDP, IOM, UNWOMEN, UNICEF, IFAD, FAO, OXFAM and other organizations.

For more information: <a href="http://www.ng.emb-japan.go.jp/Document/Press%">http://www.ng.emb-japan.go.jp/Document/Press%</a> 20Release/20160329%20N-E PRESS%20RELEASE%20(Japan).pdf

### Japan Ambassador Receives Award for The Best Foreign Mission In Grassroots Development from The Diplomatic Association Correspondents of Nigeria (DICAN)

The Embassy of Japan was presented an award for 'best foreign mission in Grassroots development' by DICAN on 10th March, 2016. The award was received by Mr. Masaya Otsuka, Chargé D Affaires, Embassy of Japan.

Mr. Otsuka thanked the DICAN representatives and assured them that the Japan Government will continue to intervene in the provision of grants for grassroots development.





Mr. Otsuka Masaya, Chargé D Affaires, receiving award from DICAN officials

#### Scholarship Programme and Study in Japan

## 2015/2016 MEXT Scholarship Students Farewell Dinner and Inauguration of Nigerian Japan Alumni Association

The farewell dinner for the MEXT students was held on the evening of the 16th of March 2016. It began with an early morning session at the Japan embassy where they received orientation to on a guide to life in Japan. .

The farewell dinner was special as it coincided with the inauguration of Nigerian Japan Alumni Association (NAIJAA). The departing MEXT students has the opportunity to get first hand knowledge of their experiences in Japan.



Mr. Masaya Otsuka, Chargé D' Affaires, Embassy of Japan, making opening remarks.



Outgoing MEXT Students receiving a presentation during their orientation

For more information: <a href="http://www.ng.emb-japan.go.jp/Document/culture/2016%">http://www.ng.emb-japan.go.jp/Document/culture/2016%</a> 20Mext%20Farewell%20Dinner%20for%20Departing%20MEXT%20Scholarship% 20Students.pdf

#### MEXT Scholarship Application Forms

The application period for the Japanese Government MEXT Scholarship for International Students for 2017 academic year has opened. Interested applicants can visit the website for application forms and guidelines or obtain forms directly from the Embassy. The closing date is June 30, 2016.

For more information: <a href="http://www.ng.emb-japan.go.jp/culture.html">http://www.ng.emb-japan.go.jp/culture.html</a>

#### Matsumae International Foundation (MIF)

The MIF is receiving applications for 2017 research fellowship programme. Applications have been open since Jan 8, 2016 and will close August 31, 2016. Matsumae International Foundation (MIF) was founded with the concept of achieving greater understanding of Japan and a Lasting World Peace.

For more information: <a href="http://www.mif-japan.org/fellowship/announcement/?hl=en">http://www.mif-japan.org/fellowship/announcement/?hl=en</a>

#### Tsukuba University

Applications for PEPP-CEP (Programme in Economic and Public Policy, Course in Economic Policy) at the University of Tsukuba will be open till August 15, 2016. It is open for any students.

PEPP-CEP General Track is an 18-months master's program, taught in English, which offers a Master of Arts in Economics degree. PEPP-CEP General Track is best suited for international and Japanese students wishing to acquire expertise in economics, econometrics technique and cutting-edge analysis of economic issues in developing/developed countries.

For more information: <a href="http://pepp-cepgt.hass.tsukub">http://pepp-cepgt.hass.tsukub</a>a.ac.jp/

#### Study in Japan

Study in Japan is comprehensive guide made available for prospective students who wish to study in Japan, foreign students in Japan, or former foreign students who studied in Japan. It includes answers to frequently asked questions, event information, and other related topics.

For more information: <a href="http://www.studyjapan.go.jp/en/">http://www.studyjapan.go.jp/en/</a>

#### Hida-Takayama Contemporary Woodblock-Prints Triennale 2017

Hida Takayama Contemporary Woodblock-Prints Triennale invites both domestic and international artists to showcase their technical innovation and creativity. Primary screening is free while secondary screening fee is 2,000yen,. The grand prize (1 winner) will attract an award of 500,000 yen while the semi-grand prize (1 winner) will be awarded 300,000 yen. An award of excellence will (1 winner) will also attract 200,000 yen.

The application period is October 1-31, 2016.

For more information: http://www.city.takayama.lg.jp/kurashi/1000011/1000118/1006777.html

#### Japanese TV Drama Back on National Television Authority

The Nigerian Television Authority has resumed re-broadcast of Japanese TV drama, Marumo's Story. The program is showing on NTA Entertainment Channel 105 on Star Time cable network. Each episode would be broadcast first on Sunday at 9:00pm and then repeated on Wednesday at 10am and Thursday at 6pm.

