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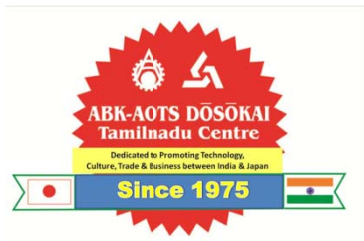
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A Cultural, Technical & Trade Bridge Between Japan & India



Long live this flurry....

It has, once again, been a very busy time at the ABK-AOTS DOSOKAI, Tamilnadu Centre and we want to thank all of you who have been not only an important part of our success but also so many of you from all around the globe who have lent us your support despite the distances that do us apart.

Our Centre has embarked on many new activities that seeks to strengthen the bridge that it has built to deepen the relations between our two countries. We also had distinguished visitors like Mr Takashi Yoshimoto and Engr. Md Kamalur Rahman who had visited our centre in this quarter. You may read more about all this in the pages that follow.

It is now time for the 10th World Convention of the AOTS Alumni Societies, an event that is organised once in 4 years. AOTS Japan invites representatives of the AOTS Alumni Societies and this convention is a very much looked forward to event in our calendar. During these conventions, we are able to enhance the cooperation amongst fellow societies and promote the activities of AOTS. We wish the members of our association attending this convention a wonderful and fruitful time during their time at Japan!

We invite all our friends and readers to circulate our newsletters to their near and dear not only to inform them of all the good work that is happening at our centre but also open them up to the opportunities available to participate in our activities.

By the time this edition is in your mailbox, cricket will have had a new ODI Champion. And while this is being fought out, it will also be interesting to know that teams like Sunrisers, Hurricanes, Lions and Super Kings will be practicing hard to make an impact in a Premier League competition in cricket.

Did that leave you confused? It surprised me too to learn that Japan has its own Premier League Fixtures, run by the Japan Cricket Association, where representative teams from East, West, South and North Kanto (each of them have a team name mentioned ...) will vie for the JPL Trophy! Here's wishing all the players good luck! One day, we hope to see Japan playing at the highest rung of cricket and be counted amongst the cricketing nations of the world.

Imagine this...India playing Japan in a competitive cricket match. Who will you support? Or is that thought reserved for another day?

O genki de,





Waku Waku Club

Waku Waku Club - A club for the active interaction of Japanese Teachers and Students on various Interesting areas of learning and sharing ideas other than what is taught in the Class room is a part of our Japanese Language School. The motive of the club is "Learn as you Play".

On 28th April 2019

The Motivational Speech about the MEXT Scholarship in Japan delivered by our faculty Ms. Nivedha Thyagarajan at our ABK – AOTS DOSOKAI, Tamilnadu Centre



Waku waku club activity in progress

On 19th & 26th May 2019

A complete revision of Kanjis in a very innovative and interactive way to crack JLPT exams easily and remember the kanjis forever!! Was conducted at our centre for only the students of ABK – AOTS DOSOKAI, Tamilnadu Centre.

We successfully finished N5 Kanji workshop brushing up all the N5 kanjis and playing interesting games to remember them forever! There was enormous response from the Students who had so much fun and gave a feedback that it was very effective ! Thanks to all of our Japan Foundation trained teachers who volunteering helped to make this fun filled learning event a grand success! We will starting N4 Kanji workshop from June 2019.



Waku waku club activity in progress



Waku waku club activity in progress



Waku waku club activity in progress



Waku Waku Club - Speech Club

The Speech Club formed to train the students to participate in the Japanese Language Speech Contest and Speak Japanese fluently meeting was held on 3rd, 5th, 12th & 25th April 2019 & 16th May 2019



Speech Club activity in progress



Speech Club activity in progress



Speech Club activity in progress



Speech Club activity in progress



Reading Club activity

--- 16th May 2019 ---

The reading club is formed to train the students to read the Japanese books, comics, newspaper to know more about Japan and improve their reading skills was held on 16th May 2019



Reading Club activity in progress



Coffee Meet

Waku Waku Club utilizes the opportunity by arranging an interaction with the Japanese women along with a cup of coffee twice a month. Each of these coffee meets will be for 2 hours and topic of discussion will be anything of interest to both the sides.

On 10th April 2019



Coffee Meet activity in Progress



Coffee Meet activity in Progress



Coffee Meet activity in Progress

On 9th May 2019

IPL cricket match and the craze for it impressed the Japanese ladies who come for coffee meet and created a thirst to know what is CRICKET... we took it seriously and made an attempt to explain them what cricket is, how it's played, what is World Cup, which countries participate in it, rules of cricket and showed them the cricket kit and demonstrated how to play. Finally, we also had a small match between Indians and Japanese ... It was a pride for us to explain about our legendary Indian players and how we breathe cricket in this season. Lots of learning combined with tonnes of enjoyment!!



Coffee Meet activity in Progress

On 5th June 2019 - The Japanese Sport on the theme Sumo & Yakyuu was conducted at our centre.



Coffee Meet activity in Progress



Coffee Meet activity in Progress



Coffee Meet activity in Progress



Coffee Meet activity in Progress

Origami Camp

--- 29~30 April & 2~4 May 2019 ---

ABK – AOTS DOSOKAI, Tamilnadu Centre conducted the Origami Camp from simple folds to 3D models by Dr. K. Usha, Origami Expert and Member of our centre on April 29, 30 & on May 2, 3, 4 2019 at our centre



Origami camp in progress



Origami camp in progress



Origami camp in progress



Origami camp in progress



Origami camp in progress

Feel Japan in Chennai Summer Camp – 2

--- 22~27 April 2019 ---

Due to overwhelming response to our first summer camp "FEEL JAPAN IN CHENNAI", ABK AOTS DOSOKAI, Tamil Nadu centre hosted the second season of the similar summer camp from 22nd to 27th April 2019.

From Origami, bonsai, tea ceremony, calligraphy, bento making to celebrating Japanese festivals like hinamatsuri, setsubun, obon, tanabata, koinobori, singing songs and dancing to traditional Japanese music these children almost had a short trip to Japan and hence the name "FEEL JAPAN IN CHENNAI".

Day 1: Started with enthusiastic young kiddos learning about Japan, Greetings, self introduction, learning to write their names in Katakana, Nafuda (ID card) making, Peppy Mc Donald song, Hand fan Origami and Obon dance!!!

Day 2 of Feel Japan in Chennai summer camp season 2: started off with peppy song, played kanji game and learned all kanji's of body parts, celebrated Setsubun, Deamon origami, bento making and soranbushi dance!! Very enthusiastic kids and their love for japan increasing day by day!!

Day 3: High energy kick start for the day with Doraemon song, learned a bit of Japanese and played Karutha game, Hinamatsuri celebrations followed by yukata origami, anime watching and Soranbushi dance!!!

Day 4: The routine song practice followed by Calligraphy demonstration by Japanese nationals which was thoroughly thoroughly enjoyed by the kids and they never wanted to finish this activity... followed by Tea ceremony (never thought our kiddos would love green tea and okashi so much that most of the kids took 3-4 helpings...) followed by Ninja shuriken origami and soranbushi dance!!! Again an action packed fun filled day!!!

Day 5: awesome start with songs, saw school life in Japan video, Learned to use chopsticks and played a game with it, Koi nobori celebrations with origami, Tanabata celebrations with prayers tied to bamboo shoot, Karate demonstration and concluded with dance!

Day 6 - post 1: started with Anime drawing and colouring , Kendama playing, yukata wearing, song and dance practice. Many thanks to Miyuki Watanabe san, Terumi Fujieda san and Eriko Hoshino san for tying Yukata for the kids. We are really grateful to them for this great help. Our ABK staff had prepared wonderful photo props for photography and the children enjoyed taking photos with their new friends.

Final day valedictory function :Miyuki Watanabe san, Eriko Hoshino san and Terumi Fujieda san were the chief guests. Welcome speech was given by our Director Mrs. R. Anuradha. Chief guests were honoured by our faculties Vasantha san, Geetha san, Saroja san and Aarthi san. It was followed by Feedback from parents and students. Then we had the amazing song and dance performance by the students. Certificates were distributed by the Chief Guests and group photo was taken. Vote of thanks was delivered by Padmaja san. Overall it was a wonderful experience it was for both the students and teachers.



Feel Japan in Chennai – Summer Camp 2 in progress



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Engr. Md. Kamalur Rahman, Immediate Past President, Chattagram AOTS Alumni Society, (CAAS), Bangladesh visited our centre

--- 26th April 2019 ---



Photograph taken during the Engr. Md. Kamalur Rahman, Immediate Past President, Chattagram AOTS Alumni Society, (CAAS), Bangladesh visited our centre on 26th April 2019

Japan-India Institute for Manufacturing (JIM) in Sri City

--- 26th April 2019 ---

The Ambassador of Japan to India, His Excellency Mr. Kenji Hiramatsu formally inaugurated the 'Japan-India Institute for Manufacturing' (JIM) in Sri City on 26th April 2019, in the august presence of Mr. Kojiro Uchiyama, Consul General of Japan in Chennai. This is the very first JIM in Andhra Pradesh and first JIM by multiple Japanese companies. ABK AOTS DOSOKAI Tamilnadu Center, the training partner for Sri City JIM will handle the year-long training.



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Mr. Takashi Yoshimoto, Principal Inside American International school visited our centre

--- 26th April 2019 ---

It was a Honour having Takashi Yoshimoto San , Principal, American International school and teams at visit to our centre on 26th April 2019. They came to witness our summer camp and interact with the kids. They thoroughly enjoyed watching the activities and the kids enjoyed more introducing themselves in Japanese with them.



Photograph taken during the Mr. Takashi Yoshimoto, Principal Inside American International school visited our centre on 26th April 2019

4th Competition for The Maintenance Personnel (The Unsung Heroes)

--- 22nd May 2019 ---

“4th Competition for the Maintenance Personnel (The unsung heroes)” was conducted at our centre for industries in Tamilnadu on Wednesday, 22nd May 2019. Mr. R. Viswanathan – President HR (Retd.) Brakes India Ltd, Chennai and Vice President of our centre inaugurated the Competition. Totally 69 presentations were made from 36 companies for the best presentations awarded Platinum, Diamond, Gold & Silver Award were distributed by Mr. S. Natarajan, Wheels India Limited, Padi, Chennai.



4th Competition for The Maintenance Personnel in progress



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Information Session on METI Japan Internship Program 2019

--- 11th June 2019 ---

We had organized an Information Session about the Japan Government's Internship Program -2019 "The METI Japan Internship Program", to explain in detail about the application timeline, process, eligibility criteria, deadline etc. on Tuesday 11th June 2019 at 10.30 at our centre for the benefit of our students by Ms. Yangchen Kazi & Ms. Tomoko Okada from Pasona India Pvt. Ltd.



Information Session about the Japan Government's
Internship Program -2019 in Progress



Japanese visitors from World Air – Sea Service Co., Ltd, Japan
visited our centre



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--- 14th, 21st & 30th June 2019 ---

Three 15 member team of Japanese tourists were brought to our centre in association with the South India Routes to interact with our Japanese Language Students. The visiting Japanese Tourists were enthralled and amused with the students proficiency of the Japanese Language on 14th & 21st & 30th June 2019.



Japanese Language - NAT Test

---16th June 2019 ---

ABK – AOTS DOSOKAI, Tamilnadu Centre in association with Senmon Kyouiku Publishing Pvt. Ltd Japan conducted the NAT TEST in Chennai. On 16th June 2019 the NAT TEST was conducted for 1Q to 5Q.



NAT TEST – Proctors Meeting in Progress



NAT TEST in Progress



1st Competition for the Personnel from Non - Manufacturing Departments in Progress

1st Competition for the Personnel from Non - Manufacturing Departments

--- 19th June 2019 ---

1st Competition For The Personnel from Non - Manufacturing departments, was conducted on Wednesday, 19th June 2019 at our Centre. Our President Mr. G. Chandramohan inaugurated the Competition. Totally 39 presentations were made from 17 companies. For the best presentations Platinum, Diamond, Gold & Silver Awards were distributed by Mr V. Senthilkumar, Plant Head, Magal Tech, Oragadam, Chennai.



1st Competition for the Personnel from Non - Manufacturing Departments in Progress



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"Japan Tourism Seminar" organized by Consulate General of Japan in Chennai and Japan National Tourism Organization (JNTO)

--- 28 June 2019 ---



Our Vice President Mr.C. Sriram delivering special address during the Japan Tourism Seminar" organized by Consulate General of Japan in Chennai and Japan National Tourism Organization



Group photo taken during the Japan Tourism Seminar" organized by Consulate General of Japan in Chennai and Japan National Tourism Organization

Farewell hosted to Mr. Masaki Takatoshi of International Friendship Cultural Exchange Association, Japan

--- 22 June 2019 ---

Mr. Masaki Takatoshi was a great support to our centre in grooming the students to learn the Japanese Language very enthusiastically during his tenure at our centre from June 2018 to June 2019. A Farewell Lunch was hosted to him by our centre and a memento was presented to him during the farewell function by our President Mr. G. Chandramohan on 22nd June 2019



Mr. Masaki Takatoshi deliver speech during the Farewell



Our President Mr. G. Chandramohan handing over the memento to Mr. Masaki Takatoshi during the Farewell



Dr. K. Usha handing over the memento to Mr. Masaki Takatoshi during the Farewell



Group photo taken during the farewell hosted to Mr. Masaki Takatoshi

Japan-India Institute for Manufacturing (JIM) Train the Trainers

--- 24th to 28th June 2019 ---

AOTS – Japan conducted the Training Program on Train the Trainers at Japan India Institute for Manufacturing, Sri City Tada, from 24th to 28th June 2019



Train the Trainers program in progress

“TRIAL” Online Japanese Lessons conducted by AOTS – Japan and our students.

--- 10, 17 & 24 June 2019---

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Trail online Japanese Lesson in progress



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Our Planned Events for the Next Quarter July to September 2019

7 July 2019

Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) Exam at Velammal Matri. Hr. Sec. School

12 & 13 July 2019

Japan Cultural Festival – Exhibition on Japanese dolls, Ikebana, Origami, Bonsai, Nendo No Tetzukuri (Japanese Clay art) at Our Centre

15 July 2019

One Day Training Program on Best 5S Practices at Our Centre

31 July, 1 & 2 August

Participating in the 10th World Convention of the AOTS Alumni Societies at Japan

August 2019

Japan Higher Education Fair – 2019 in association with the University of Tokyo, India Office At Our Centre

13 ~ 22 August 2019

23rd Japan India Student Conference (JISC) At Japan

22 to 24 August 2019

5S Lead Assessor Course at Our Centre

25 Aug 2019

Japanese Language - NAT TEST At Velammal Matriculation Hr. Sec. School

5 Sep 2019

Fusion Music Performance (Indian & Japanese Music) at Bharathiya Vidya Bhavan, Mylapore by Mr. Tim Hoffman - intercultural performing artist, interdisciplinary educator, cross-professional activist, Designer/lecturer of courses in Keio University, Musashino Music Academy, Intl schools Director, Indo-Japanese Music Exchange Association

14 Sep 2019

Talk Your way to Japan – Speech Contest in Tamil for Corporation & Government Higher Secondary Schools students in Chennai At Our Centre

21 Sep 2019

Talk Your way to Japan – Speech contest in Tamil for Higher Secondary School Students in Tamilnadu at Our Centre.

28 Sep 2019

Talk Your Way to Japan – Speech Contest in English for College students in Tamilnadu at Our Centre

29 Sep 2019

Talk Your way to Japan – Speech contest in Japanese for the students of our centre at Our Centre

30 Sep 2019

International Translation Day - Workshop on Translation / Interpretation at Our Centre