

JET Participants from India to be sent to Japan

We have the pleasure to inform that the Government of Japan has decided to invite the following two people - one Assistant Language Teacher (ALT) and one Coordinator for International Relations (CIR) - as the finally selected participants of the JET Programme from India, in 2017. Participants from India have been dispatched for the first time after the previous instance in 2010.

The selected participants, after arriving in Japan on 30 July, will have a Post-Arrival Orientation for three days in Tokyo, and thereafter, will be posted in the local city in the respective region.

Type of Position	Number of participants	Region of posting in Japan
Assistant Language Teacher (ALT)*	1	Kawanishi City, Hyogo Prefecture
Coordinator for International Relations (CIR)*	1	Toyama Prefecture

**ALT: An ALT is engaged in language instruction, and placed mainly in a local board of education or elementary, junior high, and senior high school.*

**CIR: A CIR is engaged in internationalization activities, and placed in international exchange departments or bureaus of Contracting Organisations.*

Reference 1: detailed information on JET Programme

The JET Programme stands for “Japan Exchange and Teaching Programme”, which is implemented by local authorities and other organisations, who appoint participants in cooperation with the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications (MIC), the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA), the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT), and the Council of Local Authorities for International Relations (CLAIR).

The JET Programme was started in 1987 with the purpose of increasing mutual understanding between the people of Japan and the people of other nations. It aims to promote internationalization in Japan's local communities by helping to improve foreign language education and developing international exchange at the community level.

Over the past 30 years, the JET Programme has seen significant growth, and the total number of participants from all over the world reached 66,369 people, as of the year 2017.

Reference 2: Schedule of JET Participants from India

- Joining a Post-Arrival Orientation in Tokyo from 31st July to 2nd August
- Thereafter, being posted in the local city in the respective region, and engaged in language instruction or internationalization activities there.

Reference 3: Relations between the regions of posting in Japan and the States of India

- Hyogo Prefecture, Japan, and Gujarat State

On 12th November 2016, Hyogo Prefecture, Japan, and Gujarat State, India, have signed a Memorandum of Understanding on mutual cooperation.

- Toyama Prefecture, Japan, and Andhra Pradesh State

On 11th December 2015, Toyama Prefecture, Japan, and Andhra Pradesh State, India, have signed a Memorandum of Understanding, pledging co-operation in a number of sectors.

For further information, please see the link below:

http://www.soumu.go.jp/menu_news/s-news/01gyosei05_02000085.html (Japanese Only)

<http://jetprogramme.org/en/> (English)