

Embassy of Japan in India 29 April 2020

## Conferral of the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette, upon Professor Anita Khanna

On 29<sup>th</sup>April 2020, the Government of Japan announced the foreign recipients of the 2020 Spring Decorations. Professor Anita Khanna is among this year's foreign recipients and, in recognition of her contributions to developing Japanese language education and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and India, Professor Khanna will receive the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette.

- Title of the Decoration: Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette
- Service: Developing Japanese language education and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and India
- Major Positions Held: Former Professor, Centre for Japanese Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

## **Summary of Professor Khanna's Contributions**

Professor Anita Khanna has contributed to the Japanese language education for over 30 years in Jawaharlal Nehru University, and through her activities as a founding member of Mombusho Scholars Association of India (MOSAI) and Japanese Language Teachers Association of India (JALTAI). Professor Khanna has also been devoted to the promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and India through academic exchanges in the field of Japanese Literature, her translation works of both Japanese and Indian literatures, among others.

On the occasion of the conferral, the Embassy of Japan in India has the honor to pay tribute to Professor Khanna for her long years of service.