

## **Important Points of Eased Measures**

### **1. Persons with Business Purpose**

- Relaxation for people with travel records to Japan, etc.

According to these new measures, “a regular employee with a travel record to Japan for business purpose and travel records as temporary visitor to other G7 countries in the last three years” or “a regular employee with more than three travel records to Japan for business purpose in the last three years” will also fulfill the requirements.

(\* Persons having travel records of short-term stay in Japan or other G7 countries in the last three years from the date of application, are required to show their passport to confirm these travel records in order to qualify for smooth visa screening.)

- Expansion of eligible companies

In the existing mechanism, “a regular employee of a joint venture company, a subsidiary company or a branch office of a company which is listed on the stock exchange in Japan” is eligible. However, as per these new measures, not only the stock exchange in Japan “a regular employee of a joint venture company, a subsidiary company or a branch office of a company which is listed on the stock exchange including that in India and third countries” is also eligible.

### **2. Cultural or Intellectual figures**

- Expansion of eligible occupation categories

As per these new measures, “a lawyer, certified public accountant, patent attorney, judicial scrivener, notary, medical doctor who has a national or international qualification and actually working as the same position” and “a Diet member, government official, member of local assembly, local government official” is also covered.

### **3. Common for people with Business purpose and Cultural or Intellectual figures**

- Extension of Visa validity period

Earlier, the validity period of the visa was for a maximum of 5 years. However, as per these new measures, it will now be valid for a maximum of 10 years (based on the screening results, validity period applicable may also become 5 years, 3 years or 1 year). Please note that, in certain cases, a single-entry visa after visa examination may be issued.