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VISIT TO NAGOYA

SEMINAR ON “EMERGING TRADE AND INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN PAKISTAN” IN NAGOYA

The fourth of a series of seminars titled “Emerging Trade and Investment Opportunities in Pakistan” was held at the Nagoya Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Nagoya. It was a joint collaboration of the Pakistan Embassy, Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) and MUFG Bank. The Seminar was fully subscribed and attended by leading manufacturing companies and buying houses of Nagoya.



Besides Dr. Asad M. Khan, Ambassador of Pakistan, the panel of speakers included Mr. So Kitami, Research Manager (Asia Pacific Division) JETRO and Mr. Hitoshi Kanahori, Head of Karachi Office, MUFG Bank. Mr. Shun Imaizumi, Chairman, Japan-Pakistan Association also attended the Seminar as a guest of honour.



In his opening remarks, the Ambassador highlighted the purpose of the seminars series i.e to introduce to Japanese stakeholders the tremendous business opportunities in Pakistan and how Japan was best qualified to tap these new opportunities.

He added that there were compelling reasons for any business entity in Japan to consider Pakistan as an investment destination, which included its geo-strategic location, its status as the 5th largest country in terms of population with a growing domestic market its low productivity costs due to modest wages, availability of rich natural resources coupled with a generous package of investment incentives being offered to all investors. He further added that 86 major Japanese companies were had thriving businesses in Pakistan due to the investment friendly environment. The 2017 JETRO Annual Survey Report had also put Pakistan at No. 1 in terms of business growth expectation, profitability and local employment. The Ambassador also referred to the improved security situation in Pakistan that had given increased confidence to the foreign investors. Moreover, Dr. Khan highlighted the economic agenda of the new government under the leadership of Prime Minister Imran Khan and how it was determined to overcome the current economic challenges through peace oriented, investment friendly, development focused and people centered strategies.

The representatives of JETRO and MUFG Bank also made detailed presentations about the positive trends in Pakistan's economy focusing on country's economic fundamentals, its upward growth trajectory and attractive investment opportunities. They also gave an overview of Pakistan's financial and capital markets, infrastructural development and positive future trends.

<https://www.thenews.com.pk/latest/382038-japan-urged-to-tap-new-investment-opportunities-in-pakistan>



The Ambassador visited the Motomachi Toyota Plant and met Mr. Mitsuru Kawai Executive Vice President of Toyota Motors.



Ambassador Khan called on Mayor of Nagoya Mr Takashi Kawamura at the City Office and briefed him on the state of bilateral relations and the potential for business and investment in Pakistan.



Ambassador met Mr. Jun Karube, Chairman Toyota Tsusho. Dr. Khan acknowledged Toyota's long association with Pakistan and briefed him on business potential & possibilities in Pakistan.

BLACK DAY (27TH OCTOBER 2018) OBSERVED IN JAPAN



A seminar was organized by Kashmir Solidarity Forum, Japan to commemorate the Kashmir Black Day in support of the valiant people of Indian Occupied Kashmir. Ambassador Dr. Asad Majeed Khan attended the event which saw a large participation from members of the Pakistani community



Speaking on the occasion, Ambassador Khan highlighted Pakistan's principled stand on the Kashmir issue and pointed out the gross human rights violations being committed by the Indian occupied forces in IOK against unarmed Kashmiris duly chronicled in the report of UNOCHR. He reaffirmed Pakistan's strong commitment to continue extending political, diplomatic and moral support to the just demands of the people of Kashmir for their right of self determination. He also urged upon the Pakistani Community to pay its due role and maximize their efforts in raising the issue at various forums in Japan to highlight the atrocities being committed against unarmed civilian in IOK including gross human rights violations. The members of the Pakistani community resolved to extend all out peaceful support to the struggle of people of IoK.

AMBASSADOR'S ENGAGEMENTS

The Ambassador met Matsushima Midori Sensei, Head of the Japan Pakistan Parliamentary Friendship League, JPPFL Secretariat and discussed JPPFL's recent visit to Pakistan and future parliamentary cooperation between Pakistan and Japan.



The Ambassador addressed The Japan Food and Agriculture Cooperative Organization (JFACO) Agribusiness Seminar and highlighted the promise and potential of agriculture in Pakistan. During his interaction he informed the leading Agri businessmen in Japan of the opportunities and possibilities of collaboration in the food and agriculture sector of Pakistan and how Japanese companies could avail them. He also met with JFACO members & its Chairman Mr. Mutsuo Masuda





Ambassador Khan witnessed the Japan Ground Self-defense Force (JGSDF) Troop review where Prime Minister Abe was also in attendance



Ambassador Khan hosted Kyushu University fellow Alumni (Tokyo Chapter) at the Embassy

