



EAROPH JAPAN Chapter Report

2015

1. Political Performance of Abe Cabinet

- (1) Abe Cabinet started in December of 2012 and proposed Abe-no-mica. The effect of this policy would be as follows. Average Price of Japanese Stock Market have risen over 20 thousand Yen on May 19, 2015. This would be a remarkable change in these several years.
 - a) The settlement of account of major Japanese companies as of March 2015 shows the good results in general.
 - b) Job hunting market for new graduates of senior high schools and colleges is also activated and showing the high rate of successful cases.
 - c) Summer bonus (special Japanese custom to pay additional money to the labors in June or July and Christmas season in a year) could be expected high amount this year.
- (2) It is necessary to continue and improve the above performances expecting the better human life and national economy.

2. Planning and Human Settlement Issue

(1) The recent movement in Japan is as follows.

- a) Population decrease and aging brought the vacancy of public facilities and land, such as schools and offices, in urban areas. It is urgent to find how to utilize those in better ways.

(2) Above mentioned problems are happening not only in rural areas but also in metropolitan areas. Suburban residential areas developed during the years around 1970 and 2000 are facing the population decrease and aging, and the increase of vacant houses and the idle facilities may cause some crimes or become too old.

(3) Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport is now launching the urban renovation strategy named "Urban Renaissance Plan" (not official naming) that will re-plan and renovate the public facilities, transport and urban functions to lead to the compact cities.

3. The other matters

- (1) Reconstruction works after the big earthquake in 2011 are promoted by the backbreaking efforts of national and local governments with the cooperation of related organizations. Nevertheless, we have still 220 thousand refugees distributed to 1,155 municipalities all over the country as of April 2015.
- (2) Towards the 2020 Tokyo Olympiad, various construction works are undergoing such as the construction of ring 2 trunk road connecting the Tokyo downtown and the coastal areas.
- (3) Under the programs of international cooperation, EAROPH Japan and related organizations will contribute to construct the better Asian cities with the better infrastructures. We hope to transfer the Japanese experiences and know-hows to Asian cities to build compact cities with the better public transport and other improved urban facilities.

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