

Region-focused Training Course on Vegetable Cultivation Technology and Marketing Method for Small Scale Farmers 2014 starts













The opening ceremony of Region-focused Training Course on Vegetable Cultivation Technology and Marketing Method for Small Scale Farmers 2014 was held in JICA Tsukuba on February 12. Mr. Hasegawa and Mr. Sawada from AAI are in-charge of this training course. Dr. Zaitsu, the director of AAI, attended this ceremony and encouraged them to complete this course effectively in Japan.

10 participants from 8 countries came to Japan to attend this course and stay in JICA Tsukuba. The participants are 6 extension officers, 3 researchers and 1 teacher. The three female participants are especially active and ensure that the class communicates well.

This course contains lectures, field/lab practice and study tours/visits and they study market-focused vegetable cultivation technology in Japan for nine months. In addition, each participant conducts his/her own experiment called "Individual Experiment" to focus on solving problems directly related to his/her work. All AAI members contribute actively to their achievement in this course and we hope they all love Japan.

The List of Participant of Vegetable Cultivation Technology and Marketing Method for Small Scale Farmers, 2014

Name Organization	Country	Name Organization	Country
 Zahid Abdul Rahman DAIL Kunduz Agriculture Department, Research Department	Afghanistan	 Neupane Paudel Sirjana Department of Agriculture, Post Harvest Management Directorate, Lalitpur	Nepal
 Abka Layth Abdulameer Salih Horticulture office, Ministry of Agriculture	Iraq	 Marques Agostinho National Directorate of Industrial Crops and Agribusiness, Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries	Timor-Leste
 KHAMKONG Sypaseut (Bair) Clean Agriculture Development Center, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry	Laos	 Hakaumotu Snowden Afolani Extension, Women and Information Division, Ministry of Agriculture & Food, Forests & Fisheries	Tonga
 Nena Robby K. Division of Agriculture, Department of Resource & Economic Affairs, Kosrae State Government- FSM	Micronesia	 Tran Thi Huyen Dept. of Consultancy and Service in Rural Development, Center For Agrarian Systems Research and Development, MARD	Vietnam
 Chaulagain Rajan Department of Agriculture, District Agriculture Development office, Bagung	Nepal	 Hoang Van Thanh Science, Technology & International Cooperation, Tay Bac University	Vietnam