



**Message from Board Chairperson**  
**Board Chairperson Kenji Eguchi**

In the spring of 2014, since the former Chairperson Dr. Ryosuke Tsuchiya finished his term, I, Kenji Eguchi, was appointed as his successor by the Board of Directors. On behalf of the board, I would like to make a greeting.

Children have infinite potentials inside, but unfortunately many children do not have opportunities to use them.

Through our various activities, we have tried to offer more opportunities for children to increase their own possibilities.

Our goal is to blossom children's diverse potentials, then pass its fruit to the next generation, with the hope that the whole society will change and provide children with more supports in the future.

Our wish is that children will be able to go their own life by themselves, like drawing on a white campus, "tabula rasa", what they want. This can be accomplished by supporting the education that enrich sensitivity, keen intellect, and nature-friendly heart.

We understand our mission is to further support children since they will become "a bridge for future." Your continued cooperation will be highly appreciated.

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## Great East Japan Earthquake National Emergency Support Educational Environment Support Team (EEST)

Support for Primary Schools in Minamisoma City

### Current School Situation:

FGC have started to provide counseling in primary schools in Minamisoma City since April 2012, 2 years after the Great East Japan Earthquake. Primary schools are Odaka Primary School, Kanabusa Primary School and Hatohara Primary School which were temporarily built in schoolyard of Ichiritsu Kashima Junior High School. From FY2013 Fukuura Primary School have joined to temporarily school and now FGC provide counseling to the 4 schools. 97 students of Odaka Primary School (was 387 students before the earthquake) study on 1<sup>st</sup> floor and 89 students of Fukuura, Kanabusa and Hatohara primary schools (was 330 students before the earthquake) study on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of temporarily school. While 4 schools are at the same place, each school has a principal, a vice-principal and a school nurse. It is a tough challenge and first attempt to manage school and cooperate by respecting each school's tradition and policy.

### Activities:

Main FGC's activities are: 1) observing students' behavior during lessons and supporting students to study, 2) one-on-one interview during breaks, 3) consulting school teachers.

FGC provided counselling to all staff in the school in 1<sup>st</sup> trimester in FY2012 and FY2013. There are many staff who believe that they should not whine because they consider everyone is in the same situation and they keep it in themselves. The paradox is getting bigger with time passes. While they feel fatigue in life unable to predict when they can go back to their home or old school, they can forget pains of the earthquake when they are working. We have also found that there are many teachers who are worrying about current school management as jointed schools.

FGC also run one-on-one interviews to 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade students. No one said they cannot sleep because they are afraid of earthquake and tsunami, but they are stressed by living in small temporarily house instead of big house that they were grown, changing in family members and feeling adult's worry about the future. We can see indirect effects of the earthquake.

Parents talked mainly about children's health care. As we continue consultation, some parents started to share their personal worries and fears, their feeling and situation on the day when the earthquake hit and their worries for the future.



At the beginning of 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester, each grade student started class activities including SST (social skill training). Lower grade student took "anger management class", middle grade students took "warm words and cold words class" and higher grade students took "assertive expression class".

### Next step:

It is still under unstable situation influenced by the earthquake, FGC would like to create a safe place and environment where everyone can consult by involving parents and school. Also through one-on-one interviews and SST lessons, FGC will create support to tighten not only relationships among children but also the relationships among "children and teacher" and "children and parents".

## Great East Japan Earthquake National Emergency Support Medical Support Team (MST)

### Health Check and Health Consultation in Soma City

Every year, Soma City have been providing annual health checkup programs to victims of the earthquake and those who are living in temporally houses since 2011. From July 19<sup>th</sup> to July 24<sup>th</sup> 2014, the city provided health checkup programs in 4 places, Tamano Community Center, Soma City Health Center, Onodai Support Center where temporally houses were placed and Yugi Support Center. During 6 days, in total 565 people including those who were from Minamisoma City, Iitate Village, and Namie Town participated in the health check programs.

Doctors who participated were Dr. Masahiro Kami of Institute of Medical Science, the University of Tokyo, Dr. Mamiko Ohara and Dr. Makoto Suzuki from Kameda Medical Center, Dr. Kenji Shibuya from Institute of Medical Science, the University of Tokyo, Dr. Tomoko Matsumura from Kanagawa Prefectural Hospital, Dr. Giichiro Oiso from Hamamatsu University School of Medicine, Dr. Kazuhiko Kobayashi from Teikyo University, Dr. Masako Sugihara from Keio University, Dr. Yui Matsuno from Tokiwakai Group, Jyoban Hospital, Dr. Masaki Miyasaka from Sendai Kosei Hospital, Dr. Masaharu Tsubokura from Institute of Medical Science, the University of Tokyo, Dr. Yoshitaka Nishikawa from Kyoto University Hospital, Dr. Ryuzaburo Shimeha (President of hospital) and Dr. Sae Ochi, Dr. Tomohiro Morita from Soma Central Hospital and doctors of Soma City Medical Association. In addition, university students from Institute of Medical Science, the University of Tokyo and Hamamatsu University School of Medicine participated in the program as volunteers.

This health checkup program features that it includes locomotive syndrome check. This is the health checkup program is to check locomotorium of body and it is for those who are more than 65 years-old and those who wish to participate. 155 males (85 people are more than 65 years-old) and 270 females (152 people are more than 65 years-old), total of 425 people have participated in the program and it was more than previous year's participants of 338 people.

According to Dr. Takeaki Ishii from Kyushu University School of Medicine, he felt that health condition of Soma City was getting better. At "Standing up" check, more than half portion of participants had better results than average. Also Tamano Area people's ability of moving was getting better because agriculture work had restarted.

On the other hand, people's weight decreased. This is because they are getting less worried and have started to do exercises regularly. Doctors who checked their condition also said "they smile more than before". It seems they have now less anxious about their houses and their living life.



Health Check (Left) & Consultation by Social Psychologist (Right)

**Great East Japan Earthquake National Emergency Support  
Medical Support Team (MST)**



**After the Health Check Program in Soma City**

Dr. Masahiro Kami of Institute of Medical Science, the University of Tokyo

From July 19<sup>th</sup> to July 24<sup>th</sup> 2014, we have conducted health checkup programs for residents of temporarily houses in Soma City. It is of the 4<sup>th</sup> year and it has meanwhile become a regular program after the Great East Japan Earthquake.

I thank SEISA Group and Foundation for Global Children (FGC) staff for setting up and arrangement of health checkup places and accommodations of Medical Support Team.

What I have noticed through this year's health checkup program is that participants smile more and look happier. It is different from the tense situation just after the earthquake. I can feel that people and Soma City are reviving.

This kind of situation influences their health condition. After the earthquake, the people's weight increased but now it has started to reduce and blood pressure is also reducing. Still blood and urine analysis are not completed yet I can feel that there are high possibility of the patients with lifestyle diseases and diabetic are getting better.

It is "planned" to close temporarily houses in Soma City at the end of fiscal year 2014. The construction of new permanent houses are progressing and people are going to move.

But this is only "a plan". There are some people, who evacuated from Futaba Area situated beside Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Station and litate Village polluted by radioactive substance, and still live in temporarily houses in Soma City. For them, returning to permanent houses is not expected yet. They don't complain directly but some of them say that "we don't know what to do. Soma City people's situation is much better than us" and cry during the health check. There are many difficult and different situations among stricken areas.

After next fiscal year, I am not sure how temporarily houses of Soma City will be managed. But I am sure some people may worry and have some health problems. At any case, I and my team would like to support victims of the earthquake.

I would appreciate it if you could continue to support Soma City residents. Thank you.



Health Check Team (Doctors, Student Volunteers, FGC Staff)

## Great East Japan Earthquake National Emergency Support

### 5<sup>th</sup> time of “Meet Northern Land in Obihiro”

“Meet Northern Land in Obihiro” was held from August 4<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> 2014, inviting children from Soma City to Hokkaido. 39 children from grade 3<sup>rd</sup> of primary school to grade 3<sup>rd</sup> of junior high school visited Obihiro City. This is a joint activity of Obihiro City and SEISA Group; this is of the 5<sup>th</sup> year to welcome children from Tohoku Region.

The activities were mainly outdoor activities such as playing at the river etc. We wanted to provide children from Soma City with opportunities to enjoy playing outside because they were still not allowed to play outside even 3 years after the earthquake. They also made sausages and Buta don (Obihiro’s specialty food), interacted with horses, watched “Ban’ei horse racing” held only in Obihiro and experienced as a part of Obihiro’s culture.

Through several activities, a good friendship beyond generation was created among primary and junior high school students and SEISA High School students who participated as volunteers. They noticed the difference of people, understood their own role and understood each other.

Children showed us great smiles and eyes with full of curiosity. They also provided happy time, smiles and challenging spirits. We wish children to keep this friendship and also keep having soul of thanks and grow peacefully.

#### Message from participants

- I would like to thank to people who worked in the backyard. Thanks to them we could enjoy without any accident. (grade 3<sup>rd</sup> of junior high school)
- What I enjoyed the most was playing at the river. We cannot play at the river anymore in Fukushima because of radioactive rays but I really enjoyed playing at the river in this trip (grade 3<sup>rd</sup> of primary school)
- The best thing of this week was I could remember the names of all roommates and could talk with all of them. (grade 5<sup>th</sup> of primary school)
- I never forget about this week. I don’t want to forget. (grade 5<sup>th</sup> of primary school)

For photo



◆ Making sausage



• Nature observation in river



◆ Horse riding

## Great East Japan Earthquake National Emergency Support

### Invited Children from Soso Area of Fukushima Prefecture to Oiso

\*\*\*\*\*4<sup>th</sup> year, Soccer exchange support activities for Great East Japan Earthquake \*\*\*\*\*

This year is the 4<sup>th</sup> year of supporting children of Fukushima Prefecture through soccer.

From 9<sup>th</sup> August to 10<sup>th</sup> August 2014, we invited 70 people including 41 children from Soso Training Center selected from soccer junior team of Soso Area of Fukushima Prefecture, their coaches and 29 parents to SEISA Shonan Oiso Campus.

On August 9<sup>th</sup>, a tournament competition “SEISA Koyurugi Cup” was held with 220 people of 8 teams; 3 teams of Soso Training Center, 2 teams of Chigasaki Training Center, Seisho Junior, FC Alpha, OSA from SEISA. Even children had a long journey from Fukushima to Oiso, they wanted to play soccer immediately without having lunch. As a result, Chigasaki Training Center won the competition and Soso Training Center got 3<sup>rd</sup> prize.

4 members of The University of Tokyo Soccer Club and 1 businessman supported execution of the competition as volunteer. They also assisted primary school students to study and played together during night.

We also provided yoga lesson to their parents and, they learned how to aspire and relax. We also introduce yoga lessons in soccer exercises to learn how to relax, concentrate, and to prevent children from injury.

On August 10<sup>th</sup>, we expected to go and play at the beach but due to Typhoon 11<sup>th</sup>, we cancelled and played soccer at the SEISA Shonan Oiso Campus. Under heavy rains, they practiced goalkeeping. They did sliding tackle and enjoyed a lot in rain.

2 days passed very quickly. Students from the University of Tokyo said “We got power from children and wanted to come back in next time”.

There were a few children who still recall the tsunami and cannot go to the school pool for swimming or cannot stay in long dark tunnel because they are afraid. They still need a lot of care.

Please continue to support them.

For photo



◆ Goalkeeping exercise



◆ Under heavy rains



◆ Yoga lesson to parents

## Overseas Support Activity Report

### Myanmar

Mr. Yasuo Miyazawa, Founder/CEO, SEISA Group visited Myanmar again from March 14<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> 2014 after last visit in November 2013. During the trip, he visited and met several key governmental officials.

#### Ministry of Communications and Information Technology



Mr. Miyazawa met H.E. U Myat Hein/Union Minister and donated 6 sets of notebook PC and printer. They discussed about human development and future support.

#### Ministry of Science and Technology



Mr. Miyazawa explained to H.E. Dr. Ko Ko Oo/Union Minister about “Japan Study Program 2014” which was held in January 2014, inviting 5 students and 1 teacher from technical high school. He handed over a program report and DVD. The Minister appreciated it since the experience in Japan for participants would be a great treasure for their future. They have also agreed to provide “internship program” to the university professors and students at the end of 2014.

#### Ministry of Health



Mr. Miyazawa met Dr. Pe Thet Khin/Union Minister, and Dr. Thein Thein Htay/Deputy Minister, and got appreciation for supporting the school health program organized by the ministry. He promised the donation of hand soaps this year. He discussed with them about construction of radio tower for better radio communication with ambulances, which were delivered this spring. He also visited a hospital in Yangon and an orphanage in Naypyidaw suburb.

Meeting with Deputy Minister Thein Thein Htay

#### North Okkalapa Hospital



Mr. Miyazawa visited North Okkalapa Hospital with Dr. Kato, President of Japanese Red Cross Narita Hospital. The Japanese Red Cross Narita Hospital is located very close to Narita International Airport and have the role of preventing foreign infectious diseases from spreading within Japan. This is why Dr. Kato wanted to collaborate with us in Myanmar where the number of visitors from Japan is increasing. Their visit to North Okkalapa

Hospital was put into practice with the support of Ministry of Health. After visit, the Japanese Red Cross Narita Hospital invited 2 each of doctors and nurses from North Okkalapa Hospital and provided training on infectious diseases especially how to prevent hospital infection.

## Orphanage

### The Garden for Youth Development



Classroom in the orphanage

Large room in the orphanage

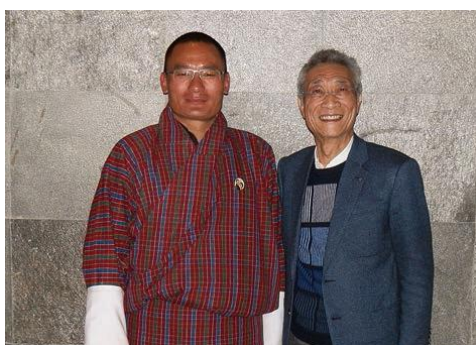
This orphanage was created by Buddhist temple and more than 300 orphans were living. The orphanage has enough equipment for keeping them alive but next concerns are to create a system to give job training opportunities to orphans, earn money by themselves for operating orphanage, and lead them to their social independence. FGC will continue to discuss with Ministry of Health to support them.

### Please support “Internship Program in Japan”

This internship program is to invite 5 university students and 1 teacher from Myanmar to Japan to visit companies and organizations related to their major. FGC hope that this opportunity will deepen the understanding of Japan and lead to development of human resources who can strengthen the relationships between Japan and Myanmar.

The selection of students were already done by the Ministry of Science and Technology in Myanmar. The internship program will be run in December for 2 weeks. We may ask for your favor including donation, in order to provide better program for adjusting the program to suit their major. We will appreciate your understanding and cooperation on this program. (The program was successfully done. Thank you for your cooperation!)

## Bhutan



New Prime Minister of Bhutan Tshering Tobgay and Mr. Miyazawa have known each other since long time ago. Mr. Miyazawa met Prime Minister in Bhutan in February 2014 and also had a meeting with him in June when Prime Minister visited Japan. The meeting was very practical and discussed about the followings:

- 1) Support for building Medical University in Bhutan
- 2) Agricultural training in Japan
- 3) Building agricultural school in Bhutan

4) Building Japanese style school in Bhutan

5) Supporting Bhutanese athletes' participation to Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic games



## Eritrea



Eritrea is one of the youngest countries in the world; it became independent officially in 1993. It is located in the Horn of Africa, between the Red Sea and the Indian Ocean. Unfortunately, it has been involved in several wars since its independence, and the lives of Eritrean people, especially children, are still in difficult conditions.

Mr. Miyazawa visited Eritrea for the first time in 1993. He has visited 2 times and provided small support.

*Ambassador of Eritrea Mr. Estifanos (Left), Mr. Miyazawa (Middle), and Senate Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr. Kiuchi*

The 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games were held in Tokyo. At that time, FGC decided to support Eritrea with sports and then gradually broaden our support for improving children's education and public health.

In order to understand the current situation, Mr. Miyazawa will visit Eritrea in September 2014 with Mr. Minoru Kiuchi, who is assigned as State Minister for Foreign Affairs, and officers from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

This project will be cooperated with the Japanese government, JOC, and other related organizations. In addition, this project will be promoted widely all over the world and may ask you for donations for operation.