

Since its establishment in November 2019, IJL has been engaged in a wide range of activities with the core aim to enhance education, research, innovation and entrepreneurship potentials between India and Japan. Although the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic continues to present significant challenges for on-field activities, IJL has continually been engaged in several online activities, while also conducting some face-to-face events, in collaboration with a range of stakeholders. The six major activities of IJL in the AY 2021-22 are summarized below:

Tokyo Skytree Yoga Event 2021

On June 21, 2021 (International Day of Yoga), Tokyo Skytree Yoga Event was organized as a joint event of The Yoga Organization of Japan & Keio University India Japan Laboratory. While many participants joined the face-to-face event, the LIVE broadcast of the event was also attended by many participants through online mode.

For more info: <https://indiajapanlab.org/activities/380/>
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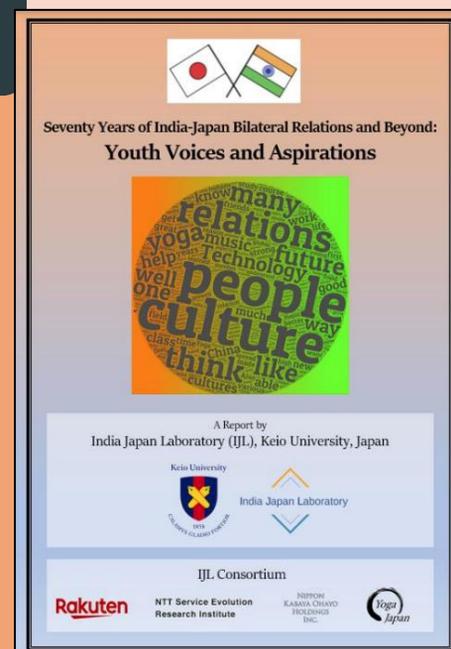


The poster for the Tokyo Skytree Yoga Event 2021 features logos for Yoga Japan, India Japan Laboratory, and SFC Keio University. It is a joint event organized by The Yoga Organization of Japan & Keio University India Japan Laboratory (Keio-IJL) for the "International Day of Yoga 2021". The event is a joint initiative between the All Japan Yoga Federation and Keio University's Department of Indian Studies and Yoga. The event is titled "Tokyo Skytree Yoga Event" (東京スカイツリーヨガイベント) and is held on June 21st (Monday). The date is 6月21日 (月曜日). The time is 21:30-22:30 JST / 18:00-19:00 IST. The registration link is <https://1lejend.com/stepmail/kd.php?no=cXzmpAc>. The poster also includes a schedule: 20:15 Meet in front of Exit B3 Oshage Station / 会場前「押上 (スカイツリー駅)」駅 駅出口前に集合; 21:00 Admission reception / 入場受付; 21:30 Start of Yoga session / ヨガセッション開始; 22:30 End of Yoga session / ヨガセッション終了; 22:50 Arrive on the ground, free dissolution / 地上に到着、その後自由解散. It also mentions a live broadcast link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcvHqyHj_66436TV2jITkFA.

Seventy Years of India-Japan Bilateral Relations and Beyond: Youth Voices and Aspirations

As the year 2022 marks the 70th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Japan and India, this report is developed as a part of IJL's research activities, to reflect the student voices and aspirations of strengthening India Japan bilateral relations. After providing a glimpse of the historical chronology of India-Japan bilateral relations, the report synthesizes the perception of Keio University's students (mainly the 2021 batch of course 'Culture, Environment and Technology of India') about how India is currently being viewed in Japan and what could be the potential areas of cooperation and understanding for future.

Detailed Report available at: <https://indiajapanlab.org/wpIj/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/India-Japan-Bilateral-Relations-Student-voices-and-aspirations.pdf>



The report cover features the Japanese and Indian flags at the top. The title is "Seventy Years of India-Japan Bilateral Relations and Beyond: Youth Voices and Aspirations". Below the title is a word cloud with words like "relations", "technology", "future", "people", "culture", "help", "well", "one", "class", "think", "like", "cultures", "able". The report is by India Japan Laboratory (IJL), Keio University, Japan. It is a joint initiative between Keio University and India Japan Laboratory. The report is part of the IJL Consortium, which includes Rakuten, NTT Service Evolution Research Institute, and NIPPON KAWADA CHAYO HOLDINGS INC. The logo for Yoga Japan is also present at the bottom right.

India-Onagawa KIZUNA project

In the aftermath of the East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami of 2011, the Indian Government had sent a relief team to Onagawa. The KIZUNA project rekindles this connection between India and Onagawa. A series of interviews were conducted with 20 residents of Onagawa, to highlight the voices of residents and the derived findings were analyzed and published as the Onagawa report.

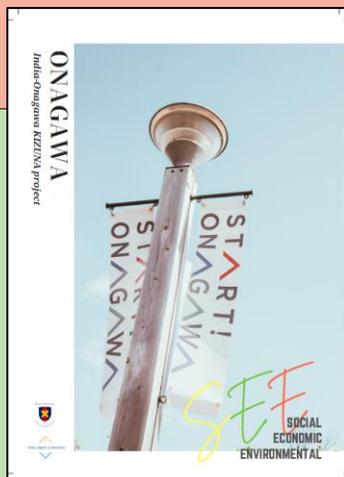
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SEE ONAGAWA

In alignment with the India-Onagawa KIZUNA project, a group of students from Keio University conducted intensive research on Onagawa to establish a broader understanding of social, economic, and environmental perspectives of Onagawa's recovery process, after 10 years from the 2011 disaster. The SEE Onagawa publication presents the analysis, findings and lessons derived by the students.

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Gramotthan 2021: Innovation Challenge

In collaboration with VNIT Nagpur, IISc Bangalore, IIT Guwahati, and RIKA India, Keio-IJL co-organized the 'Gramotthan 2021' challenge. Along the five broad themes related to rural social innovation, 23 innovative ideas were shortlisted for the second stage. After their thorough evaluation based on set criteria, the Top 5 teams were invited to present their work, and Top 3 winners were awarded.

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INJAN-AMBASSADOR Training program

In Jan-Feb 2022, Injan-PULIYA, the new collaborative platform launched by Keio University IJL, organized INJAN AMBASSADOR training programs on theme of Japanese Manga/Anime and Yoga. Organized in hybrid mode, the events witnessed diverse participants from India and Japan, joining through online and offline mode.

For more info: <https://www.injan-puliya.com/>
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