

Program of the Ceremony

12:40 MC announces the opening of the ceremony for the certificates of commendation

12:42 Certificate winners come up to the stage

12:44 Ambassador Terada gives certificates to the representatives of the winners (Mr. Sato and Mr. Seki)

12:45 Winners leave the stage

Note: The time of the program may change, depending on the state of progress of the National Day Reception.

Certificates of Commendation

Certificates of Commendation are awarded by the Japanese Ambassador to individuals who contributed themselves in enhancing friendship and mutual understanding with a foreign country.

This year, in celebration of the 50th anniversary of Japan-Kenya diplomatic relations, the Embassy of Japan in Kenya decided to extend certificates of commendation to 17 Japanese and 3 Kenyan citizens who have made outstanding contributions in enhancing the Japan-Kenya friendship.



2013 Ceremony for Certificates of Commendation

Embassy of Japan in Kenya 3rd December, 2013



List of Winners of Certificates

(alphabetical order)

<Japanese>

- Katsumi Arakawa (Saidia Furaha)
 Since 1985
 Support to less privileged children and single mothers
- Chiaki Hayakawa (UPEPO YA AFRICA)
 Since 1997
 Support to street children and slum dwellers
- Akira Hijikata (Mikono International)
 Since 1988
 Educational and medical support / well drilling and water for emergency reliefs
- Yoritaro Inada (Inada-Lange Foundation for AIDS Research)
 Since 2000
 HIV/AIDS support in slums
- Kazuhiro Ishikawa (Future Kids Project)
 Since 2001
 Support to street children

Brief Introduction of the Certificate Winners

- Teruko Kikumoto (Save the Children Centre)
 Since 1984
 Support to orphans and other vulnerable children
- Shunichi Kobayashi (Sports Coordinator)
 Since 1977
 Promotion of sports exchanges
- Terumi Matsushita (MOYO Children Centre)
 Since 2000
 Support to less privileged children
- Hisanari Miyata (Child Doctor Japan)
 Since 2002
 Child health promotion in slums
- Hiroaki Nagaoka (Community Action Development Organisation)
 Since 1995
 Educational support / HIV prevention / Environmental support
- Katsuji Nakamura (United States International University)
 Since 2000
 Promotion of Japanese language
- Atsushi Oono (International Water Project)
 Since 2002
 Support in the field of water and sanitation
- Yoshiyuki Sato (Organic Solutions)
 Since 1966
 Support to local enterprises / Support to the Japanese community in Nairobi

- Toru Seki (Taiyo Enterprises)
 Since 1972
 Promotion of Japanese food / Support to the Japanese community in Nairobi
- Yasuo Shiojiri (Africa Children Education Fund)
 Since 1989
 Medical and educational support / Environmental support
- Yoshio Tamura (Karate Instructor)
 Since 1971
 Promotion of Japanese culture and sports
- Toshiyuki Yano (Ushirika International)
 Since 2000
 Educational support / Vocational
 trainings for women

<Kenyan>

- Henry Indangasi (University of Nairobi)
 Since 1985
 Promotion of Japanese literature
- Odali Hashimoto Masumi (University of Nairobi)
 Since 1990
 Promotion of Japanese language
- Douglas Wakiihuri (Douglas Wakiihuri Marathon School)
 Since 2008
 Promotion of sports exchanges