

Advancing Rural Community Resiliency and Sustainability in Asia
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HIGHLIGHTS OF OPERATIONS/ PERFORMANCE
(2019-2020)

I. Developing and strengthening rural communities / rural peoples' organizations (RPOs)

(Discuss who your partner-RPOs are, how do you strengthen them in terms of organizational/production/economic development, how do you help them in securing and protecting their rights and welfare, and, results, so far, of your interventions)

JaDHRRA's activities are characterized by collaboration between urban students and rural areas, Since the members of JaDHRRA are faculty members of Kobe University.

Through the programs offered by our organization in rural area, students will deepen their understanding of rural communities and farmers. Rural residents will also expand their activities with the cooperation of students.

1. Rice cultivation training

We practiced rice cultivation without using machines and weeding methods without using pesticides.





2. Mountain farming training

Agricultural training in abandoned fields in the mountains. We cultivated green onions and strawberries.



3. ASABAN project

Support for organic farming by traditional flax farmers. In Japanese, "ASA" refers to flax and "BAN" refers to the name of the cultivated area.



II. Engaging public programs/sector and private program/sector

(Discuss your key policy advocacy work and results so far. Discuss as well if there are any public and/or private program that you were able to access or take part of.)

A novel style health checkup "Yoitoko checkup" that provides positive feedback to the examinees has been developed for promoting health of the elderly by faculty member of Kobe university. The Yoitoko checkup consisted of a measurement of health status and a positive feedback by student. The purpose of this health checkup is to cheer up the elderly and renew their health behavior by giving feedback that points out the good points without pointing out the bad points. In addition, it is one of the features of this health checkup that students give feedback. JaDHRRA, in collaboration with Kobe University School of Medicine and Himeji City Council of Social Welfare, conducted a "Yoitoko checkup" for the elderly in rural areas. This year, it was held in October.



III. Strengthening your organizational capacities and services to your partners

(Discuss the internal capacity strengthening that you have carried out to improve your services to partners and to achieve your organizational goals/targets.)

Every February, we hold a debriefing session with members of our organization, students and supporters to summarize the activities of the year.



IV. Other key significant achievements