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<News Highlights>

## \* Signing of the Memorandum of Cooperation between the Statistics Bureau of Japan and the National Statistics Office of Mongolia

On February 9, Ms. Ariunzaya Ayush, Chair of the National Statistics Office of Mongolia (NSO) and 2 statistical officials from NSO visited SBJ to sign a Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) between SBJ and NSO.

Mr. Masato Aida, Director-General of SBJ, and Ms. Ariunzaya Ayush, Chair of NSO, had a meeting, and agreed to establish the basis for in depth cooperation between SBJ and NSO in the area of official statistics and signed the MOC.

The purpose of the MOC is to establish the basis for in depth cooperation between both sides in the area of statistics and other related fields of mutual interest. The main fields of collaboration are;

- 1. Conducting censuses and surveys (Population and Housing Census, Economic Census, Family Income and Expenditure Survey, Survey for Consumer Price Index, and so on);
- 2. Preparing statistical reports;
- 3. Statistical Analysis and Forecast;
- 4. Geographic Information System (GIS) and Portal Site of Official Statistics (e-Stat); and
- 5. Using official statistical information.

During the discussion held in SBJ after signing the MOC, they recognized the importance of interaction and had discussion towards further promotion of interaction between both countries in the future.

On February 13, the NSO's delegation paid a courtesy visit to Mr. Kenji Harada, the State Minister for Internal Affairs and Communications.

The members of the delegation from NSO who visited SBJ were as follows:

Ms. Ariunzaya Ayush, Chair of NSO

Mr. Tsevegdorj Chimedtseren, Director, Administration Department

Ms. Ganchimeg Mijiddorj, Director of Department of Foreign relations Division

Website: http://www.stat.go.jp/english/info/meetings/bilateral/mongolia1702.htm

## \*High-level government officials from Egypt visit Japan

High-level government officials from Egypt, headed by Ms. Ghada Mostafa Abdalla, Under Secretary for President Affairs, Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics (CAPMAS), visited Japan from the end of this January.

After exchanging greetings with the senior officials of the SBJ and the Office of the Director-General for Policy Planning (Statistical Standards) (DGPP-(SS)), they discussed the 'Population Census,' 'Labour Force Survey,' '2016 Economic Census for Business Activity,' e-Stat,' and 'Grid Square Statistics' with the SBJ staff, and discussed the 'Statistical Law System' with the DGPP-(SS) staff.

On February 2, the Egyptian officials paid a courtesy visit to Mr. Saburo SHIMADA, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Internal Affairs and Communications. They discussed the situation surrounding statistical activities in both countries with Mr. SHIMADA.

SBJ has cooperated with JICA's Project for developing a statistical quality system at CAPMAS since 2016. The main purpose of this project is to improve the quality of statistical studies in Egypt. This visit of the CAPMAS executives is one of the activities on the above project. The members were as follows:

Ms. Ghada Mostafa Abdalla, Under Secretary for President Affairs, CAPMAS Ms. Hoda Mostafa, General Director, International Cooperation Department, CAPMAS Mr. Ahmed Kamal, President Advisor, CAPMAS Ms. Yasmin Ahmed, Manager of Afro-Asian Cooperation Dept., International Cooperation Department, CAPMAS

\*Visitors

 12 Participants of Training Programme by UNSIAP visited Statistics Bureau of Japan (February 2, 2017) <u>http://www.stat.go.jp/english/info/meetings/receiving/siap1702.htm</u>

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\* "Population Estimates" (January 2017)

-As of January 1, 2017 (Provisional estimates)

<Total Population>

- The total population was 126.86 million, a decrease of 0.17 million (0.13 percent) from the previous year.
- -As of August 1, 2016 (Final estimates)

<Total Population>

- The total population was 126,976 thousand, a decrease of 167 thousand (0.13 percent) from the previous year.
- The population aged 0 to 14 was 15,833 thousand (12.5 percent of the total population).
- The population aged 15 to 64 was 76,650 thousand (60.4 percent of the total population).
- The population aged 65 and over was 34,493 thousand, (27.2 percent of the total population).

<Japanese population>

- Japanese population was 125,135 thousand. http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/jinsui/2.htm

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\*Population Census 2015 "Tabulation on Internal Migration for Population" <u>http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/kokusei/index.htm</u>

\*Consumer Price Index (2015-base) (December 2016, Japan / January 2017, Ku-area of Tokyo (preliminary))

- The consumer price index for Japan in December 2016 was 100.1 (2015=100), down 0.2% from the previous month, and up 0.3% over the year.

 The consumer price index for Ku-area of Tokyo in January 2017 (preliminary) was 99.5 (2015=100), down 0.4% from the previous month, and up 0.1% over the year.
 http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/cpi/1581.htm

\*Consumer Price Index (2015-base) (2016 Yearly Average, Japan)
Japan's all items index of consumer prices in 2016 was 99.9 (2015=100), down 0.1% over the year. http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/cpi/158c.htm

\* "Retail Price Survey" (December 2016, Main Cities (January 2017, Ku-area of Tokyo))

http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/kouri/doukou/15i2.htm

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\*"Population Estimates" (Intercensal Adjustment Current Population Estimates)

http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/jinsui/2-5.htm

- \* "Monthly Report on Internal Migration in Japan" (December 2016)
  - The number of internal migrants (All nationalities) was 334,441, a decrease of 16,990 (4.8%) from the previous year.
  - The number of inter-prefectural migrants (All nationalities) was 135,359, a decrease of 6,982 (4.9%) from the previous year.
  - The number of intra-prefectural migrants (All nationalities) was 199,082, a decrease of 10,008 (4.8%) from the previous year.
  - The number of internal migrants (Japanese) was 307,527, a decrease of 17,945 (5.5%) from the previous year.
  - The number of inter-prefectural migrants (Japanese) was 122,345, a decrease of 7,516 (5.8%) from the previous year.
  - The number of intra-prefectural migrants (Japanese) was 185,182, a decrease of 10,429 (5.3%) from the previous year. http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/idou/3.htm

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\*"Annual Report on Internal Migration in Japan" (2016)

- The number of inter-prefectural migrants has decreased for the first time since 2014.
- The number of positive net-migration for Tokyo-to decreased for the first time since 2011. The number of negative net-migration for Fukushima-ken increased by 3,444 persons.
- The number of positive net-migration for Tokyo Area decreased for the first time since 2011. Nagoya Area and Osaka Area had negative net-migration for the fourth straight year.
- More than 70 percent of municipalities in Japan had negative net-migration.
- Iwate-ken, Miyagi-ken and Fukushima-ken had negative net-migration. The number of negative net-migration for Fukushima-ken has increased for the second straight year.

http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/idou/3.htm

\* Family Income and Expenditure Survey (Savings and Liabilities) (The third quarter of 2016)

http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/sav/index.htm

\*"Monthly Survey on Service Industries" (November 2016 (preliminary))

- Monthly sales: 28.6 trillion yen, up 1.5 % over the year.
- Demand Situation DI: -0.8 over the year.
- Number of persons working at the Location of Establishment: 28.78 million persons, up 0.6 % over the year.

http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/mssi/kekka.htm

\*"Labour Force Survey (Basic Tabulation)" (December 2016)

- The number of employed persons in December 2016 was 64.66 million, an increase of 810 thousand or 1.3% from the previous year.
- The number of unemployed persons in December 2016 was 1.93 million, a decrease of 110 thousand or 5.4% from the previous year.
- The unemployment rate, seasonally adjusted, was 3.1%.

http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/roudou/results/month/index.htm

\*"Labour Force Survey (Basic Tabulation)" Quarterly Average Results -Oct.-Dec.2016-)

http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/roudou/results/quarter/ft/index.htm

\*"Labour Force Survey (Basic Tabulation)" 2016 Yearly Average Results

- The unemployment rate was 3.1%, a 0.3 point decrease from the previous year. The number of unemployed persons was 2.08 million, a decrease of 140,000 from the previous year.
- The number of employed persons was 64.40 million, an increase of 640,000 from the previous year.
- The employment rate was 58.1%, a 0.5 point increase from the previous year.
- The number of regular employees was 33.64 million, an increase of 510,000 from the previous year. The number of non-regular employees was 20.16 million, an increase of 360,000 from the previous year.
- Those not in the labour force were 44.23 million, a decrease of 500,000

from the previous year.

http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/roudou/results/annual/ft/index.htm

\* Family Income and Expenditure Survey (Two-or-more-person Households: December 2016)

- Expenditures for Two-or-more-person Households

The average of monthly consumption expenditures per household for December 2016 was 318,488 yen, up 0.1% in nominal terms but down 0.3% in real terms from the previous year.

- Income and Expenditures for Workers' Households

The average of monthly income per household stood at 924,920 yen, up 2.7% in nominal terms and up 2.3% in real terms from the previous year.

The average of consumption expenditures per household was 349,214 yen,

up 2.6% in nominal terms and up 2.2% in real terms from the previous year. http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/kakei/156.htm

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