Osaka Gas Foundation of International Cultural Exchange (OGFICE) (Chairman: Mr. Takashi Sakai, Advisor, Osaka Gas Co., Ltd.) has concluded all the educational assistance programs for the fiscal year ended March 2014. Annual financial support for fiscal 2013 was approximately twenty-four million two hundred and seventy thousand yen (¥24,270,000). The total amount of financial contributions since its foundation came up to about four hundred and six million yen (¥406,000,000).

Osaka Gas Co., Ltd. established OGFICE in 1992 in order to deepen the mutual understanding between the natural gas producing countries in South East Asia and Pacific region and Japan. OGFICE has been conducting its grant activities in the educational field for two decades. In October 2010, OGFICE was authorized as a public interest incorporated foundation by Cabinet Office, Government of Japan.

The assistance in Indonesia in fiscal 2013 amounted to fifteen million and seventy thousand yen (¥15,070,000), which included providing educational equipment to schools, scholarships for 400 students, research grants, and training programs. The research grants were provided to University of Indonesia, Institute of Technology Bandung, and Bogor Agricultural University for the research in energy and environment. As to the training support, being conducted in the same way as in the previous year, a forty-five days study program in Japan was provided, in cooperation with Japan Foundation, to two Indonesian post-graduate students for learning Japanese language, while a training program on development of multimedia materials was provided to six material production staff of Terbuka University.

The assistance in Malaysia in fiscal 2013 amounted to six million yen (¥6,000,000), which comprised providing educational equipment, training, scholarship for 12 students, and research grants to Sarawak University.

The assistance in East Timor made a new start in 2013 with a scholarship program of one million yen (¥1,000,000) for 20 students of National University of Timor-Lorosa’e (UNTL) as well as with a short-term study program in Japan for two lecturers of UNTL. This assistance was recognized
as an activity commemorating the 10th Anniversary of Diplomatic Relations between East Timor and Japan in 2012 which is the year of Friendship and Peace of East Timor and Japan.
We will continue to promote international exchanges through the educational assistance by OGFICE in South East Asia and Pacific region.

Photos

① Presentation of educational equipment to schools in Bontang, Indonesia
② Presentation of scholarship to the students in Bontang, Indonesia
③ Presentation of scholarship to the high school students in Bontang, Indonesia
④ A short-term training program on Japanese language in Japan for the post-graduate students of University of Indonesia, Indonesia
A short-term training program in Japan for the lecturers of National University of Timor-Lorosa’e (UNTL), East Timor

Presentation of scholarship for the students of UNTL, East Timor
Attachment

(1) Outline of the educational assistance in fiscal 2013

- Total amount of financial support: about ¥24,270,000

1. Contributions for Indonesia: about ¥15,070,000
   1) Educational equipment: about ¥3,200,000
      ① Sporting goods, musical instruments, personal computers, and IT equipment, etc. to elementary schools, junior and senior high schools, and a college in Bontang area
      ② IT and communication tools for distance education to Terbuka University
      ③ Mobile libraries for elementary schools in Banda Aceh area
   2) Scholarships: about ¥4,890,000 for 400 students
      ① High schools and universities in Bontang area: 145 students
      ② High schools in Lhokseumawe area: 100 students
      ③ Mulawarman University: 60 students
      ④ Syah Kuala University: 30 students
      ⑤ Elementary schools, junior and senior high schools in Banda Aceh area: 65 students
   3) Research grants: about ¥3,890,000 for 11 subjects
      ① University of Indonesia: 3 subjects
      ② Institute of Technology Bandung: 3 subjects
      ③ Bogor Agricultural University: 5 subjects
   4) Training: about ¥3,090,000 for 8 persons
      ① A short-term training program on Japanese language in Japan for post-graduate students of Indonesian University: 2 students
      ② A training program on multimedia material production for the technical staff of Terbuka University: 6 persons

2. Contributions for Malaysia: about ¥6,000,000
   1) Educational equipment: about ¥420,000
      ① Personal computers and books to 40 schools for distance education in Sarawak area
   2) Scholarship: about ¥2,600,000 for 12 students
      ① Sarawak University
3) Research grant : about ¥1,300,000 for 9 subjects
   ① Sarawak University
4) Training : about ¥1,680,000
   ① To Ministry of Education Malaysia for training of teachers, administration staff, and students of rural schools in Sarawak

3. Contributions for East Timor: about ¥3,200,000
   1) Scholarship : about ¥1,000,000 for 20 students
       ① National University of Timor-Lorosa’e (UNTL)
   2) Training : about ¥2,200,000 for 2 lecturers
       ① A short-term training program in Japan for UNTL lecturers

(II) Outline of Osaka Gas Foundation of International Cultural Exchange (OGFICE)

Osaka Gas Foundation of International Cultural Exchange (OGFICE) was established by Osaka Gas Co., Ltd. in 1992. The endowment was donated by Osaka Gas. Since its establishment the foundation has been contributing to the natural gas producing countries mainly in South East Asia and Pacific region by means of providing educational assistance. The total amount of the financial contributions is as much as four hundred and six million yen (¥406,000,000). Its activities based on the local communities in the natural gas producing countries have been appreciated highly by the parties concerned.

1. Date of establishment: 16th September, 1992
   · Authorized as a public interest incorporated foundation in October, 2010
2. Endowment: ¥887,400,000
   · Donated by Osaka Gas Co., Ltd.
3. Purposes and activities:
   · The purposes are to deepen the mutual understanding between the natural gas producing countries and Japan and to contribute to fostering the international friendship by means of providing the following educational assistance.
1. Educational equipment to elementary schools, junior and senior high schools, and universities
2. Scholarship programs for students in schools and universities
3. Research grants in the field of academic, science and technology
4. Training programs for students, teachers, engineers, and researchers

4. The cumulative achievements for 22 years (from 1992 to 2013)
   - Total amount of financial contributions: about ¥406,000,000
   ① Educational equipment to 514 schools: about ¥129,000,000
   ② Research grants for 282 subjects in 4 universities and institutions:
      : about ¥105,200,000
   ③ Scholarship programs for 7,360 students: about ¥118,500,000
   ④ Training programs: about ¥36,000,000
   ⑤ Other assistance: about ¥17,000,000