

Report of Fukushima Trip

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Q1. What are the problems?

One of the most serious problems, I think, is radiation contamination of air, water, soil and also food. Radiation is not visual. Apparently, there are no differences between before and after the Fukushima nuclear disaster. However, the radiation is definitely there. People in Fukushima always have fear of this nonvisual weapon.

Because of this nonvisual weapon, people cannot live like before, so that all infrastructure of the life cannot work and the town is called 'death town' or 'ghost town'. Some people (like speakers of this trip) stay in to try to recover their town. But, the problem is not only the fear of the radiation, also the reputation risk of the crops grow in Fukushima. Even the crops are examined and there is no or less contamination of radiation, people don't want to buy.

Q2. What are the hopes?

Some speakers told us about the hopes. There are many people try to help them or try to solve that problem. For example, some people give them the place of refuge. If there is sense of gratitude for those people, the hopes are still left.

Q3. What are the lessons for you?

Many speakers told us their own experiences and their thought of the Fukushima nuclear radiation problem. Some was anger to government and some said people who use the electricity are bad. Many people in Fukushima speak in a biased perspective based on their own experiences. The lessons through the trip, there are no correct answer or many answers about this problem. And we need to talk many people and try to have prejudiced opinion.

Q4. What can you (or do you want to) do?

What I can do is try not to forget about this Fukushima nuclear radiation problem and try to get much information to have fair opinion. In addition, try to tell about it to many people.

Feedback for FOLENS Fukushima Visit 17-18 Dec 2012 (This is different from a report)

Q1: What did you like about this program?

To stay villager's house is good experience for students from foreign.

Q2. What did you NOT like about this program? What improvements are necessary?

Nothing. I have good time to know about Fukushima.

Q3. Any other comments?

I hope FOLENS will continue. It is very good chance to exchange with students come from other country.