

# **Guideline for the 16<sup>th</sup> National Speech Contest in Japanese Language**

**Organized by Japan Foundation, Embassy of Japan and JUAAB**

## **1. Timeline**

December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024 (Tue): A notice will be circulated to Japanese-language schools in Bangladesh to inform the interested participants of the 16<sup>th</sup> National Speech Contest. Application Forms are available at the JUAAB (Japanese Universities Alumni Association in Bangladesh) office. It can also be downloaded from the website of the Japan Embassy/ JUAAB.

January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (Thu): Last day to receive applications (Application must reach the JUAAB office).

February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (Fri): Preliminary contest at JUAAB Office

February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 (Sat): Final Contest (Venue: Multipurpose Hall, Japan Embassy, Dhaka)

\*Note: Schedule is subject to change

## **2. Eligibility of the Participants**

(1) The participant must be a citizen of Bangladesh living in Bangladesh.

(2) Any participant who stayed more than three months in Japan is not eligible to apply

(3) Neither of the parents should be a Japanese.

(4) Those who obtained 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> positions in the past Japanese speech contest are not eligible to apply.

(5) Advanced Category:

- Candidate may have at least six months of Japanese Language study certificate.

- The participants may attach a photocopy of their Japanese Language study Certificate (NAT or JLPT certificate).
- In case of self-study, there is no need to submit any certificate.

(6) Beginner Category:

- Candidate may have at least six months or less period of Japanese Language study certificate.
- The participants may attach a photocopy of their Japanese Language study Certificate (NAT or JLPT certificate).
- In case of self-study, there is no need to submit any certificate.
- In case of judgment during the preliminary contest, if juries acknowledge an applicant to the above beginner level may transfer him/her to the advanced category.

### 3. Application Guidelines

- (1) Guideline/ Application Form is available in the JUAAB office (1st Floor, 28 Indira Road, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215; Tel: 481-22116, 01749-762-539). It can also be downloaded from the website of the Embassy of Japan /JUAAB.
- (2) Choose your category (advanced or beginner).
- (3) Fill up the application form attached to this guideline.
- (4) Email the soft copy of the Application Form to [juaab2000@gmail.com](mailto:juaab2000@gmail.com) or mail it to the JUAAB office, or bring it to the JUAAB office in person.

### 4. Rules of the contest

- (1) Plagiarism is a serious offense. Anyone who plagiarizes a speech draft will be dismissed and will not be allowed to participate in future speech contests.
- (2) A contestant cannot participate in the same speech as the past speech contests.
- (3) Each speech shall be **within 4 (four) minutes** and there will be 1 minute Q & A after each speech.
- (4) There will be a preliminary contest on February 14, 2025 (Friday). Only the selected contestants (15) will proceed to the final contest on February 22, 2025.

## **5. Topic for Speech Contest**

(1) **Advanced Category:** 「人生の分岐点」 (A turning point in my life)

(2) **Beginner Category:** 「旅行の思い出」 (The memory of trip)

## **6. Certificate and Prize**

(1) The ‘Certificate of Participation’ will be given to each contestant.

(2) Crest will be given to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> winners of the contest.

(3) The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winner of the contest (only Advance category) will be recommended by the JUAAB to take part in the ‘SAFJUAA Speech Contest in Japanese Language’ (details will be provided to the winner later).

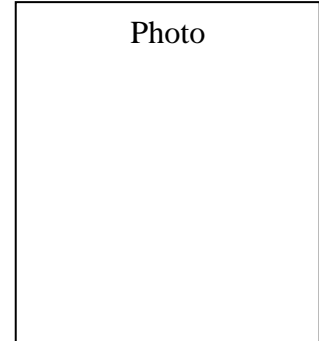
\*Note that those who are under 18 years old are not eligible for the SAFJUAA Speech Contest.

Special Note: In case of unavoidable circumstances, we may organize the preliminary and final program online.

Application form for Advanced Category

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1. Full Name in Capital Letter:
  2. Date of Birth:
  3. Nationality:
  4. E-mail Address:
  5. Home Address:
  6. Phone or Cell Phone No:
  7. How long have you been studying Japanese?
  8. In which organization you are studying Japanese?
  9. Write the topic of your speech: (English and Japanese)
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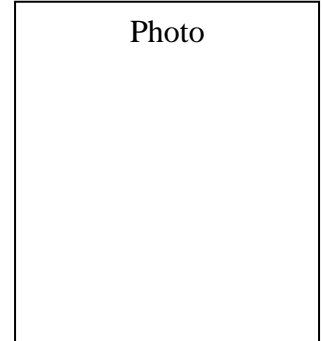
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Note: The application must reach to JUAAB Office (1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 28 Indira Road, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215; Tel: 481-22116, 01749-762-539 **by January 30<sup>th</sup> 2025 (Thu)**)

Application form for Beginner Category

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1. Full Name in Capital Letter:
  2. Date of Birth:
  3. Nationality:
  4. E-mail Address:
  5. Home Address:
  6. Phone or Cell Phone No:
  7. How long have you been studying Japanese?
  8. In which organization you are studying Japanese?
  9. Write the topic of your speech: (English and Japanese)
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