

Guideline for the 15th National Speech Contest in Japanese Language

Organized by Embassy of Japan, JUAAB

1. Timeline

December 10th 2023 (Fri): Issue a circular to Japanese-language schools in Bangladesh to get participants for the contest. Application paper is available at JUAAB (Japanese Universities Alumni Association in Bangladesh) office or downloaded from Japan Embassy/ JUAAB website

February 1st 2024 (Thu) : Last day to receive applications. (Application must reach to the JUAAB office)

February 10th 2024 (Sat) : Preliminary contest (JUAAB Office)

February 17th 2024 (Sat) : Final Contest (Venue: Multipurpose Hall, Japan Embassy, Dhaka)

* Note: Schedule is subject to change

2. Eligibility of the Participants

(1) Must be a citizen of Bangladesh living in Bangladesh

(2) If you have stayed in Japan, the duration must not exceed 3 months

(3) Neither of the parents should be a Japanese

(4) Those who got SAFJUA (South Asian Federation of the Japanese University Alumni Associations) Speech Contest invitation in the past are not eligible to apply.

(5) Those who are under 18 years old can participate in this speech contest, but not eligible for the SAFJUA Speech Contest (if it is happens).

(6) **Advanced Category:**

- Japanese language study period 6 months or more (includes self-study)
- You should submit the photocopy of your Japanese Language School Certificate or NAT, JLPT etc N5 or more level certificate.
- If you did self study, no need to submit any certificate.

(7) **Beginner Category :**

- Japanese language study period 6 months or less (includes self-study)
- You could submit the photocopy of your Japanese Language School Certificate (Issue date: within 3 months)
- If you did self study, no need to submit any certificate.
- In case juries acknowledge that applicants are above beginner level at the preliminary contest, they may be transferred to advanced category.

3. Application

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

4. Rules of the contest

- (1) Plagiarism is a serious offence. Anyone who plagiarizes speech draft will be dismissed and will not be allowed to participate in the future speech contests.
- (2) A contestant cannot participate with same speech of the past speech contests.
- (3) Each speech shall be **within 4 (four) minutes** and there will be 1 minutes Q&A after each speech.
- (4) There will be preliminary contest on February 10th (Sat). Only the selected contestants (15) will proceed to the final contest on February 17th.

5. Topic for Speech Contest

- (1) Advanced Category: 「私を変えた・・・」 (Changed me・・・)
- (2) Beginner Category: 「私と私の国、バングラデシュ」 (Me & My country Bangladesh)

6. Certificate and Prize

- (1) The “Certificate of Participation” will be given to each contestant.
- (2) Crest will be given to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Winners of the contest.
- (3) The 1st and 2nd 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 (if it is happens).

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 / Cell Phone No:

7. How long have you been studying Japanese?

?? In which organization you are studying Japanese?

?? Write the topic of your speech: (English and Japanese)

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This is to confirm that the above information are correct.

Date:

Signature

Note: The application must reach to JUAAB Office (1st Floor, 28 Indira Road, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215; Tel: 481-22116, 01749-762-539 **by February 1st 2024 (Thursday)**)

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 and Cell Phone No:

7. How long have you been studying Japanese?

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