



Overseas Reports

[Action plan progress report]



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This issue of Overseas Reports covers activities being run in their homeland by participants who attended the training course, "Operation and Maintenance of Sewerage System (B)" Mr. Hajime SUETA, the course leader, introduced us the mail exchange with him.

1. Introduction of the participant, who has given the report

Nickname	Photo	Name	Country	Period of JICA Training Course
Hichem-san		Mr. SANDLY Hichem	Republic of Tunisia	Jan.12, 2018 to Feb.23, 2018



2. Profile of participants

Eight participants dispatched from all over the world gathered in Kitakyushu city (JICA Kyushu) and studied "Operation and Maintenance of Sewerage System (B)"





3. Message from Mr. SUETA, Course Leader



The English language edition of the KITA News pamphlet was published in November 2018, and a photo of our training group was on the cover. I also wrote some comments about the training in the pamphlet. I sent an email to all the participants who should read this edition of KITA News, and also asked them to send me a report about their activities since returning to their home countries.

Hichem-san responded to my request.

Hichem-san works at a wastewater treatment plant that handles industrial wastewater. It seems that he was racking his brains for strategies to deal with such problems as illegal connections to the sewerage system, factories that do not observe the regulations, and pipe blockages caused by oil and grease. However, the overall training curriculum does not include much about industrial wastewater regulations. Given this fact, I was advised by the coordinator that that the participants seemed to want a little more information about industrial wastewater, so during the 'review time' I provided information that mainly focused on issues that arise when industrial wastewater is fed into wastewater treatment plants.

Looking at his report, I can see that he is carrying out on-site inspections at many factories. This may well be a manifestation of the policy he outlined in his action plan of prioritizing inspections of sites with a heavy environmental load, such as cheese factories and cement plants.

It is a herculean task to get factories to observe water emission standards. In particular, it becomes even more difficult to provide guidance when factories are connected to the sewer pipes so the condition of the wastewater is not visible. It is thus absolutely essential for the entire system to take a stand against this issue. The maintenance and operation of wastewater facilities becomes easy when regulations are firmly in place, and this in turn contributes to the improvement and protection of the water environment.

I expect Hichem-san to continue to play an active role in this field.



Participants at the JICA Kyushu Center Entrance.



4. Letter from Hichem-san



Nov. 26, 2018

Konnichiwa... How are you SUETA-san and MAFUMI-san.

I hope that all is OK for you your families and Japan in general.

I followed seriously all the natural disasters that has suffered japan this summer (floods, heat waves...) but in the same time I was sure that the big and impressive people of japan will overcome this problems.

My stay in japan is in my mind every days, I try to communicate my experience to many persons and I try to learn what I learned inside and outside JICA in this country.

For mafumi san: I miss you a lot, I consider you like our tutor, our support during our stay in japan. I hope that you are in a good health you and YOU MOTHER. I really hope that receiving you in our country for vacations.

For sueta san: I miss you too, you are like our father in the group and I consider that until now, I hope for you the better, I hope to receive you too in Tunisia. You are welcome in my house. You find my report for KITA with 2 photos like I found in the format sent by you (if you want more tell me, I have a lot of photos for my job), Since one month they allowed me to drive the service car to control the factories, and controlled 30 in one month. Coincidence: the car is Japanese one MITSUBISHI L200 from 2002 (old one but very strong). In the second photo of the report you find that I'm wearing JICA SAFETY SHOES (hhhhhhhhhhhhh).

Photo1: maintenance of measurement devices (oximeter)

Photo2: controlling the microorganism of the activated sludge in the microscope (with my FUJITSU laptop).

Sorry to be so late.

Thank you for all dears, I miss you.

DEWA MATA.

Hichem sandly

It was hard the end of 2018 with the preterm birth of my first daughter SALMA.

My feeling was balanced between happy to be newly father and the fear about the health of my daughter.

It was The 20th December, but after 11 days in the neonatal intensive care unit, SALMA is here in her room in a very good health.

Thank you GOD, thank you to my family and Friend and special thanks to the very professional medical staff.

You find attached all the photos ©©.

Miss you all.

Hichem Sandly.

Jan.13, 2019



My daughter, SALMA



Recent activity report

Controlling industrial waste water

Like a responsible of controlling industrial waste water in all the suburb south of Tunisian capital and in application of action plan that I developed in the end of my traineeship in japan, we are working this days to increase the number of the controlled industrial in the area and take the necessary decisions against fraudsters and polluting factories.

1) Water quality control of cement plants

Controlling cement plant and we took a sample from the reverse osmosis treatment and the water public area for doing the necessary analysis and determine the quality of water.



2) Water quality control of cheese plants

Controlling an artisanal cheese factory suspected of polluting the environment, after the enquiry we found that this factory produce a good quality of cheese in a good conditions but it don't treat the waste water coming from different steps of production and discharge the waste water in the water public area.

An ultimatum has been given to the factory the install a waste water treatment plant, on the other hand the factory she will be forced to close.





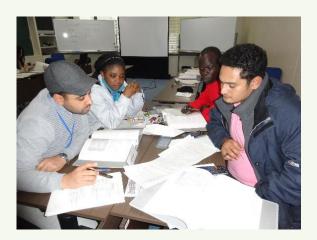
[Other active photos]



Observation of activated sludge organisms (with my FUJITSU laptop)

5. Memories of JICA-KITA Training

Photo Album of the JICA / KITA Training Course



Group study for the "Training Review Time"





The memorial photo after lecture



Group representative report of "Training Review Time"



Job Report presentation of Hichem-san



Practice of sewer pipe inspection



Practice of oil interceptor