

2018 BUSINESS REPORT

From 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019

Certified Non-Profit Organization Human Rights Now

1. Contents of project implementation

In FY2018, we continued to investigate and advocate human rights in Asian countries including Burma (Myanmar), Thailand, Cambodia, and China (including human rights activists, violation of freedom of expression, business and human rights, human rights of women and children, etc.), and we conducted fieldwork and advocacy activities. Through questionnaires to apparel companies, etc., we further strengthened our approach to companies regarding human rights issues related to business. We implemented an educational support project in Myanmar focusing on children's rights, etc. in a way that better meets their needs. We continued to carry out a global campaign on women's rights and on conflict, arms, and human rights, etc., by strengthening advocacy at the United Nations General Assembly and the Security Council in New York and the United Nations Human Rights Council in Geneva. In Japan, we strengthened our policy recommendations on violence against women and girls and sexual exploitation (damage by forced appearances in pornography, child pornography, sexual violence, etc.). We implemented the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and worked on ESG investment and disclosure principles. In addition, we addressed domestic human rights issues such as hate speech and freedom of speech, and we provided legal advice and policy proposals on human rights regarding the Great East Japan Earthquake and nuclear accident. Emphasizing human rights education activities to nurture the next generation in Japan, we strengthened outreach to younger generations through lectures, sales of teaching materials, video production, forums, etc., and we provided them awareness and information on human rights.

2. Matters concerning business implementation

(1) Business related to non-profit activities

Type of Business	Content of Business	Time Period	Location	Number of Workers	Scope and number of beneficiaries	Business Expected Cost (1000 yen)
International Support Business	<p><Overseas Human Rights Education Project></p> <p>We conducted human rights education in Burma in collaboration with bar associations. We focused on children's rights, etc., in a way that better meets their needs. We sought to expand similar activities in neighboring countries.</p>	All Year	Japan, Burma, Thailand, Cambodia, China, etc.	25	Citizens, lawyers, students of especially Burma, Thailand, Cambodia, China, etc.	3,319
Research for promotion and protection of human rights Research proposals	<p><Human Rights Policy Proposal Project></p> <p>We made policy recommendations and conducted advocacy to improve Japan's human rights situation, in</p>	All Year	Japan	30	Citizens of Japan and Asian countries, etc.	1,457

Dissemination projects	<p>accordance with international standards and various UN recommendations,, and we continued discussions with policy recommendations on mainstream human rights for foreign and aid policies in general. For the upcoming Olympics, we tackled various discrimination issues such as hate speech, and we continued to work on human rights issues on freedom of the press and following the Great East Japan Earthquake and nuclear accident. We encouraged the Japanese government, companies, investors, etc. to respect and protect human rights in line with the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and we strengthened dialogue.</p>					
<p>Research for promotion and protection of human rights</p> <p>Research proposals</p> <p>Dissemination projects</p>	<p><UN / International Human Rights Standards Research / Advocacy Project></p> <p>We participated in UN Human Rights Council meetings and treaty body meetings in Geneva, as well as in debates on human rights issues in the Asian region, and we provided information, policy recommendations, and advocacy activities. In New York, in collaboration with other organizations, we promoted advocacy activities on global issues such as humanitarian disarmament issues and humanitarian crisis situations at the United Nations General Assembly, Security Council, etc.</p>	All Year	Tokyo, New York, Geneva, etc.	20	Citizens of Japan generally	1,661

<p>Research for promotion and protection of human rights</p> <p>Research proposals</p> <p>Dissemination projects</p>	<p><Domestic Information Provision Project></p> <p>We provided information on human rights violations in Asia, Japan, and the world and our policy recommendations through our website, media, newsletter, etc. In addition, we held awareness-raising activities through symposiums, talk events, briefing sessions, and publications. We held an international academy on human rights, etc., and we tried to spread international human rights standards by raising awareness about human rights at various levels.</p> <p>Furthermore, we strengthened human rights awareness activities for the next generation through human rights education activities for junior and senior high school students, such as the Youth Festival, the World Children's Day Video Speech Contest, and the dissemination of human rights education materials for junior and senior high school students.</p>	All Year	Tokyo, Geneva, etc.	600	Citizens of Japan generally	2,722
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(2) Other Business

Type of Business	Content of Business	Time Period	Location	Planned number of workers	Business Expected Cost (1000 yen)
	<p>Books edited and sold by the organization were "30 ways to Transform the World with Human Rights", "UN Glover Recommendation", "Handbook for Civil Society Utilizing the UN Human Rights Program", "UN Legislation Handbook on Violence Against Women" "The Realization of An Individual Reporting System Now!" We continued to promote domestic publishing projects on human rights issues. We sold goods planned and produced by our organization such as calendars, human rights education materials, etc.</p>		HRN Office and unspecified event venues	20	700