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# Program Outline & Participation Requirements of The Production Management Training Course [PMTC]

15 November - 12 December 2006

Aichi, Japan

# **1. BACKGROUND OF THE PROGRAM:**

AOTS - the Association for Overseas Technical Scholarship - is a non-profit association run with Japanese government subsidies from the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI). Since its establishment in 1959, AOTS has been conducting various technical and management training programs in Japan for the people of developing countries and other regions. The total number of participants in past AOTS training programs amounts to almost 122,000 from about 170 countries and regions. These former participants are playing very important roles in industry and contributing greatly to the economic development of their respective countries.

At the request of former participants of AOTS training programs as well as the industrial and business circles in developing countries, and to meet the needs for human resource development in Japanese affiliated companies, AOTS has been organizing various training programs.

The Production Management Training Course (PMTC) is one of such management training programs, designed to improve the *Kaizen* capability for better production management system.

# 2. COUNTRY AND NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS:

25 participants

## **3. PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS:**

Participants should have the following qualifications.

- (1) Participants should be, in principle, managers, supervisors and/or senior engineers/staff who are engaged in the production control, productivity enhancement and day-to-day operation of factory management at manufacturing companies, etc. Those who are not engaged in actual production management, productivity enhancement activities and factory operation are ineligible for participation.
- (2) Participants should be between 25 and 60 years of age, with one year or more of professional experience.
- (3) Participants should be university graduates and/or have equivalent professional experience.
- (4) Participants should have a sufficient working knowledge of English for discussions, presentations, and report writing.
- (5) Participants should be healthy enough to undergo an intensive training program in Japan.
- (6) Participants should be residing in developing countries or regions.
- (7) Participants should not be students or armed forces personnel.

Notes:

- (1) AOTS ex-participants who have recently been awarded an AOTS Scholarship and participated in an AOTS training program in Japan are not entitled to apply for any program which starts within six months (183 days) after they have returned home from Japan.
- (2) Family members are not allowed to accompany the participants to Japan.
- (3) Participants shall not request AOTS to arrange, nor arrange by themselves, any additional programs, and shall leave Japan and return to their home country soon after the completion of the program.
- (4) The Guarantee Letter, which is one of the invitation documents to be issued by AOTS, shall be used only for the purpose of obtaining a training visa and shall not be used for any other purposes, such as participants' business.

# 4. APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Applicants should apply to AOTS by submitting the following documents to reach AOTS Head Office no later than 21 July 2006.

- (1) AOTS Training Application Form, Applicant's Personal Record and Medical Check Sheet (AOTS official form)
- (2) 2 copies of a photo (4 cm×3 cm)
- (3) Brochure of the applicant's company/organization
- (4) Photocopy of a passport, an election card, a driver's license or any other identification document issued by a public organization of the applicant's country containing, in Roman letters, the applicant's name in full, a photo of the applicant and his/her home address
- (5) Pre-Training Report
- (6) Consent Form of Overseas Travel Insurance

The application documents will be forwarded to the AOTS Screening Committee, which will be held on 7 September 2006, for official approval of participation. Those who have successfully passed the screening process will be notified when they receive the invitation documents.

Notes: If the number of participants is less than 13 as of 21 July 2006, AOTS may postpone or cancel this program.

# 5. OUTLINE OF THE PROGRAM:

### - OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the program are:

- (1) To acquaint participants with factory management at the level of workshop operations through exposure to the basic concepts and methods of production management practiced by Japanese companies, and
- (2) To enhance participants to visualize problem areas in their factory operations, design the necessary improvement plans and play a key role in implementing such improvement plans in their respective organizations.

### - DURATION

15 November – 12 December 2006 (4 weeks)

### - CONTENTS

#### A Curriculum designed for people who play a core role in production management

Competent production managers would use IE and other production control techniques effectively. They also have to be well versed in management techniques so that comprehensive *kaizen* (continuous improvement) activities can be promoted at the production site. To meet such needs, the course offers a unique curriculum focusing on the following four components:

- 1. Framework of factory management
- 2. Effective production management and cost reduction
- 3. Productivity enhancement and operation control
- 4. Improvement of inter-personal communication skills

### Course Design

Step 1

To identify what a problems is, participants will learn a useful step-by-step problem-solving method and gain knowledge of the characteristic production management systems used in Japan.

#### Step 2

Lectures and company visits will be arranged to acquaint participants with the theory and practice of various production management systems and *kaizen* techniques.

### Step 3

Participants will deepen their understanding of human aspects of production management through exercises. On the last day of the course, participants will present their action plans to solve their problems related to production management.

A typical daily schedule consists of a 3-hour morning session and a 3-hour afternoon session. Some evening sessions may also be organized after dinner. Please refer to the Tentative Schedule on page 4 for further details.

#### - LANGUAGE

All lectures, company visits and exercises will be conducted in English or Japanese with translation into English. The program documents and training materials will be prepared in English.

Participants are required to have a sufficient working knowledge of English for discussions, presentations, and report writing.

### - PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Mr. Hiroshi Iwayama President, CEO, Research Institute for International Management Chu-San-Ren, Inc.

Mr. Iwayama is an expert consultant\* who has been offering his managerial expertise since 1961 at Chu-San-Ren. He has given numerous diagnoses and guidance to many companies, and worked on many training programs for factory management as well as for comprehensive corporate management both at home and abroad. He has been an instructor for various educational/training programs and overseas training seminars organized by economic cooperation agencies.

\*He specializes in the comprehensive diagnosis of companies, designing and improving production management systems, operation improvement, factory layout and introduction of the JIT (Just-in-Time) production system.

### - TRAINING LOCATION AND ACCOMMODATION

The program will be held at the following AOTS Training Center.

#### AOTS Chubu Kenshu Center (CKC)

37-12, Mukaihata, Kaizu-cho, Toyota, Aichi 470-0348, Japan Tel: 81-565-43-2111 (Reception), Fax: 81-565-43-2101

Please refer to item 6 on page 5 for further information on accommodation.

The Production Management Training Course [PMTC]

**Tentative Schedule of The Production Management Training Course [PMTC]** 15 November – 12 December 2006 AOTS Chubu Kenshu Center

	15 Novem	ber – 12 December 2006	AOTS Chubu Kenshu Center			
Date	Μ	forning Session	Afternoon Ses	sion		
14 Nov. (Tue.)	(Arrival in Japan)					
15	Orientation		COMPANY VISIT:			
(Wed.)	Opening Ceremon	Ŋ	Production Management at a Japane	se Company -1		
16 (Thu.)	Pre-Training Report					
17 (Fri.)		Management System	proach to problem-solving, hoshin kan	wi (naliay managamant)		
18 (Sat.)/19(Sun.)	Day off	ni, problem identification, basic a	proach to problem-solving, nosnin kan	(policy management)		
20 (Mon.)	LECTURE: Proble	em-Solving	LECTURE: Production Planning and -Production management funct production system, production plan type of production system, shorten	ion, different types of ming and control for each		
21 (Tue.)	LECTURE: TQM -Concept of TQM, T	rQM system and quality assurance	, TQM promotion plan, organizational	administration for TQM		
22 (Wed.)	COMPANY VISIT:	ГQМ	LECTURE: PM -1 -Concept, procedures and importa group activities in PM, autonomo maintenance			
23 (Thu.)	LECTURE: PM -2 -Concept, procedures and important points of PM, small group activities in PM, Group Discussio autonomous maintenance, planned maintenance					
24 (Fri.)	COMPANY VISIT:	ГРМ	LECTURE: Example of Production System (JIT) -1 -Concept of JIT production system, standardization and <i>kaizen</i> in JIT, <i>kanban</i> , <i>jido-ka</i> (intelligent automation)			
25 (Sat.)/26 (Sun.)	Day off					
27 (Mon.)	0. 1 T		Management at a Japanese Company-2			
27 (Tue.) 29 (Wed.)	Study Tour	VISIT: Japanese Culture and Soc	Management at a Japanese Company-3			
30 (Thu.)	-Concept of JIT pr	e of Production System (JIT) -2 oduction system, standardization IT, kanban, jido-ka (intelligent	COMPANY VISIT-TDS			
1 Dec. (Fri.)	LECTURE/EXERCISE: Method Engineering and Other Improvement Techniques-1 -Concept and application of IE and method engineering techniques (Process control, Group Discussion-2 motion study, time study, work sampling, principles of motion economy, etc.)					
2(Sat.)/3(Sun.)	Day off					
4 (Mon.)		ISE: Method Engineering and Oth I method engineering techniques, <i>I</i>				
5 (Tue.)	LECTURE: Value A -Function, definition	analysis (VA) and analysis of products and part	S			
6 (Wed.)	LECTURE: BVW(E	Building Vivid Workshop) -1				
7 (Thu.)		Building Vivid Workshop) -2	iora 1			
8 (Fri.) 9 (Sat.)/10 (Sun.)	LECTURE/EXERCISE: Program for Changing Behaviors -1 -Theory of changing behavior, improvement of communication skills, role play Day off					
		ISE: Drogrom for Changing Datas	ior 2			
11 (Mon.)		ISE: Program for Changing Behav behavior, improvement of comm	unication skills, role play			
12 (Tue.)	Final Report Present		Evaluation of the Program Closing Ceremony			
13 (Wed.)	(Departure from Jap	an)				

Remarks:

(1) The above schedule is subject to change for the convenience of lecturers and cooperating companies, or for other unavoidable reasons.

(2) Several group discussion sessions will be arranged in the evening.

(3) Though Saturdays and Sundays are days off in general, lectures may be scheduled if deemed necessary.

## 6. ACCOMMODATION:

During the training period, participants will be accommodated at an AOTS Kenshu Center. AOTS will provide a participant with accommodation in a single room to the value of \8,700 per day with meals (lunch, dinner and breakfast).

Please note that AOTS Kenshu Center Canteen will be closed on Sundays. The participant will receive \2,700 in cash per day for meals to cover this day.

Participants in principle are requested to arrive in Japan the day before the commencement of the training program and leave Japan the day after the final day of the program.

## 7. TRAINING COSTS:

#### 1) Outline

AOTS training programs are financed by Official Development Assistance (ODA) subsidies from the Japanese Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) together with the Participation Fee (Contributions from Participant) from the participants themselves.

Participants shall pay the Participation Fee (Contributions from Participant) in cash to AOTS after their arrival in Japan.

The Training Costs will vary in accordance with the actual airfare, and participants' staying days. Therefore, the Participation Fee will be finalized after their arrival in Japan.

The Estimate of the Participation Fee for Less Developed Countries (LDCs) and Least among Less Developed Countries (LLDCs) is shown in Table 1-1 and 1-2.

#### Notes:

- (1) The amount and figures of Training Costs and Participation Fee in Fiscal Year 2006 (April 1, 2006 March 31, 2007) are subject to change slightly. This outline of Training Costs and Participation fee is tentative.
- (2) The subsidy from the Japanese government will be applicable from the day before the commencement of the training program to the final day of the training program in principle.

### 2) Breakdown

#### 1. Training Costs

The Training Costs are the total amount of expenses to invite a participant for the training program in Japan. It is the sum of (1) Allowance Costs, (2) Course Implementation Costs (3) Domestic Travel Allowance.

#### (1) Allowance Costs

### International Travel Expenses

### Participants from China will not have their International Travel Expenses subsidized.

Participants will purchase their own round-trip air tickets, concerning which there are no restrictions pertaining to boarding class.

The subsidy from the Japanese government will cover the actual airfare up to the Standard Airfare Limits (the AOTS's Standard Airfare limits is shown in Table 2).

Please refer to "Guidelines for Purchase of Air Tickets by the Participant" for the arrangement and the method of reimbursement for details.

A participant is not allowed to overstay at city(ies) of a third country between participant home country and Japan by any reasons other than flight convenience. In such case, AOTS might not reimburse the International Travel Expenses to the participant.

Accommodation and Meal Allowance

AOTS will provide a participant with accommodation to the value of \8,700 per day with meals (lunch, dinner and breakfast), while the participant stays at the AOTS Kenshu Center.

For the arrival day, AOTS will provide a participant with accommodation to the value of \7,900 per day with dinner and breakfast at the AOTS Kenshu Center.

During the study tour, a participant will receive in cash \9,800 per day for accommodation, and \2,700 per day for meals.

Personal Allowance AOTS will pay \1,200 per day in cash to a participant.

(2) Course Implementation Costs

Course Implementation Costs, which is the cost to carry out a 4-week AOTS Management Training Program, is \630,000.

(3) Domestic Travel Allowance

AOTS will pay \3,020 in cash to a participant for the cost of travel between Chubu Airport and AOTS Chubu Kenshu Center (CKC).

### 2. Participation Fee (Contributions from Participant)

The Participation Fee, which consists of Contribution to Allowance Costs, Contribution to Course Implementation Costs and Contribution to AOTS's Administration Costs, is the amount participants should bear.

Each participant will be requested to pay the Participation Fee to AOTS in cash after his/her arrival in Japan.

- (1) The Contribution to Allowance Costs for the participants from Least Developed Countries (LDC) is 25% of the Allowance Costs. The Contribution to Allowance Costs is not set up for the participants from Least among Less Developed Countries (LLDC).
- (2) The Contribution to Course Implementation Costs is \204,000 for a 4-week AOTS Management Training Program.
- (3) The Contribution to AOTS's Administration Costs is \1,800 per day for the participants from LDC, and \1,000 per day for the participants from LLDC, and covers administrative expenses.

### 3. The Amount to be paid in cash to participants by AOTS

The subsidy for international travel expenses (when they are claimable for subsidy), Accommodation and Meal Allowance for the study tour (Each participant is requested to pay the accommodation and meals during the study tour from this Allowance.), Personal Allowance (1,200 x staying days) and Domestic Travel Allowance will be paid in cash as per Table 1 by AOTS to each participant after his/her arrival in Japan.

# [Table 1-1] Estimate of the Participation Fee for LDC

\* <u>The amount and figures of Training Costs and Participation Fee in Fiscal Year 2006</u> (April 1, 2006 – March 31, 2007) is subject to change slightly. This estimate is tentative. Country: Thailand

International Travel Expenses: Bangkok/Thailand - Chubu/Japan, Roundtrip Management Training Course: 4-week Course

## 1. Participation Fee (Contributions from Participant)

(Japanese Yen)

The amount mentioned below will be paid in cash by participant to AOTS after his/her arrival in Japan. With International Without International

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	Travel Expenses subsidy	Travel Expenses subsidy
(1) Contribution to Allowances Costs [A] x 0.25	86,900	73,475
(2) Contribution to Course Implementation Costs (4-week)	204,000	204,000
(3) Contribution to AOT S's Administration Costs		
(a) $1,800 \times 29 \text{ days} =$	52,200	52,200
Total	343,100	329,675

2. Training Costs					With International	Without International	
(1) Allowance Costs					Travel Expenses subsidy	Travel Expenses subsidy	
International Travel Expenses					53,700	0	*[1] <sub>(paid in cash)</sub>
Accommodation and Meal Allowances	@	7,900 x	1 day	=	7,900	7,900	(paid in kind)
at the AOTS Kenshu Center			(Arı	ival Day)			
	@	8,700 x	26 days	=	226,200	226,200	(paid in kind)
Personal Allowance	@	1,200 x	29 days	=	34,800	34,800	*[2] (paid in cash)
for the study tour							
Meal Allowance	@	2,700 x	2 days	=	5,400	5,400	*[3] (paid in cash)
Accommodation Allowance	@	9,800 x	2 days	=	19,600	19,600	*[3] (paid in cash)
Sub Total					347,600	293,900	[A]
(2) Course Implementation Costs (4-week course)					630,000	630,000	
(3) Domestic Travel Allowance (Chubu Int'l Airport - CKC)				3,020	3,020	*[4] (paid in cash)	
Total					980,620	926,920	

\*[1] The maximum amount of airfare claimable for subsidy to the air ticket's purchase. Air ticket will be purchased by participant. AOTS will subsidize the amount in accordance with rules & regulations.

# 3. The amount to be paid in cash to participant by AOTS

The amount mentioned below will be paid in cash by AOTS to participant after his/her arrival in Japan.

		With International	Without International
1) Allowances		Travel Expenses subsidy	Travel Expenses subsidy
(1) International Travel Expenses subsidy (provided if an air ticket and it	s receipt satify	53,700	0
required conditions; not provided if unsatifying conditions or for a free ticket)	*[1]		
(2) Personal Allowance	*[2]	34,800	34,800
	[SUM1]	88,500	34,800
2) Expenses during training course & Transportation			
(1) Allowance for the study tour	*[3]	25,000	25,000
(Expenses to be spent for meals and accommodation by the participant during stud	ly tour)		
(2) Domestic Travel Allowance in Japan	*[4]	3,020	3,020
(Expenses for a part of transportation fee between Int'l Airport in Japan and AOTS	Kenshu Center)		
	[SUM2]	28,020	28,020
Total =[SUM1]+[SUM2]		116,520	62,820

# [Table 1-2] Estimate of the Participation Fee for LLDC

\* The amount and figures of Training Costs and Participation Fee in Fiscal Year 2006 (April 1, 2006 – March 31, 2007) is subject to change slightly. This estimate is tentative.

### **Country: Bangladesh**

International Travel Expenses: Bangladesh - Chubu/Japan, Roundtrip Management Training Course: 4-week Course

# 1. Participation Fee (Contributions from Participant)

(Japanese Yen)

The amount mentioned below will be paid in cash by participant to AOTS after his/her arrival in Japan.

	With International	Without International
	Travel Expenses subsidy	Travel Expenses subsidy
(1) Contribution to Allowances Costs [A] x 0	0	0
(2) Contribution to Course Implementation Costs (4-week)	204,000	204,000
(3) Contribution to AOTSs Administration Costs		
(a) $1,000 \times 29 \text{ days} =$	29,000	29,000
Total	233,000	233,000

2. Training Costs						With International	Without International	
(1) Allowance Costs						Travel Expenses subsidy	Travel Expenses subsidy	
International Travel Expenses						93,200	0	*[1] (paid in cash)
Accommodation and Meal Allowances	(a)	7,900 x	1	day	=	7,900	7,900	(paid in kind)
at the AOTS Kenshu Center				(Arr	ival Day)			
	@	8,700 x	26	days	=	226,200	226,200	(paid in kind)
Personal Allowance	@	1,200 x	29	days	=	34,800	34,800	*[2] (paid in cash)
for the study tour								
Meal Allowance	@	2,700 x	2	days	=	5,400	5,400	*[3] (paid in cash)
Accommodation Allowance	@	9,800 x	2	days	=	19,600	19,600	*[3] (paid in cash)
Sub Total						387,100	293,900	[A]
(2) Course Implementation Costs (4-week course)					630,000	630,000		
(3) Domestic Travel Allowance	(Ch	ubu Int'l Ai	irpor	t - CK	C)	3,020	3,020	*[4] (paid in cash)
Total						1,020,120	926,920	

\*[1] The maximum amount of airfare claimable for subsidy to the air ticket's purchase. Air ticket will be purchased by participant. AOTS will subsidize the amount in accordance with rules & regulations.

# 3. The amount to be paid in cash to participant by AOTS

The amount mentioned below will be paid in cash by AOTS to participant after his/her arrival in Japan.

		With International	Without International
1) Allowances		Travel Expenses subsidy	Travel Expenses subsidy
(1) International Travel Expenses subsidy (provided if an air ticket and	ts receipt satify	93,200	0
required conditions; not provided if unsatifying conditions or for a free ticket)	*[1]		
(2) Personal Allowance	*[2]	34,800	34,800
	[SUM1]	128,000	34,800
2) Expenses during training course & Transportation			
(1) Allowance for the study tour	*[3]	25,000	25,000
(Expenses to be spent for meals and accommodation by the participant during stu	dy tour)		
(2) Domestic Travel Allowance in Japan	*[4]	3,020	3,020
(Expenses for a part of transportation fee between Int'l Airport in Japan and AOT	S Kenshu Center)		
	[SUM2]	28,020	28,020
Total =[SUM1]+[SUM2]		156,020	62,820

# Table 2 Standard Airfare Limits (FY 2006)

## \* Mark indicates the LLDC countries and region. A: Total training days are 30 days or less. B: Total training days are 31 days or more. Unit: Japanese Yen

A: Total training days are 30 days or less. B: Total training days are 31 days or more. Unit: Japanese Yen										
		Place of	Place of		D			Place of		D
Area	Country	Departure	Arrival	A	B	Area		Departure	A	
	Indonesia			78,400	98,000		Argentina		168,700	
							Uruguay		164,000	
	Singapore	D 1 1				-			167,800	
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nia	*Samoa			69,800	173,500		* Madagas		104,800	
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	Romanna			123,000	10-,000		Bahrain		142,800	233,300
							Lebanon		191,300	265,200
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# Guidelines for Purchase of Air Tickets by the Participant

1. Arrival and Departure Dates:

Arriving in Japan on the day before the commencement of the program and departing on the day after the closing day of the program or the nearest days to be allowed by the flight schedule within two days before and/or after the program.

2. Method of Reimbursement:

During the training program in Japan, participants should present to AOTS their air tickets and submit official receipts of air ticket purchase for reimbursement. The sum of the following items (1) and (2) will be subsidized. In principle, an economy class air ticket purchased for a round-trip on the standard route according to the criteria of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) is defined as the standard airfare to be covered.

- (1) Actual round-trip airfare within the Standard Airfare Limits (the limits of AOTS's standard round-trip airfare amount) specified for the respective area (country).
- (2) The departure tax, airport tax and other taxes indispensable to the usual flight route defined by IATA subject to the submission of evidence.
- [NOTE] A participant is not allowed to overstay at city(ies) of a third country between participant's home country and Japan by any reasons other than flight convenience. In such case, AOTS might not reimburse the International Travel Expenses to the participant.

## 3. Official Receipts:

AOTS will confirm the air ticket and official receipt and calculate the actual yen value of the air ticket with the exchange rate on the date of the ticket's issue.

- (1) AOTS can only accept the official receipts duly issued by the issuer in which a breakdown of the total airfare is explicitly described, such as airfare, tax (the departure tax, airport tax and other taxes indispensable to the usual flight route defined by IATA) and commission. It should also contain the name of the issuer's representative, address, telephone number and facsimile number.
- (2) Neither Invoice nor Calculation Sheet will be accepted as the receipt. However, an Invoice/Calculation Sheet using the letter-head of the air ticket issuer stating the word "Received" or "Paid" and including the signature of the air ticket issuer may be accepted.

If any participant fails to submit the official receipt duly issued by the relevant airline company or travel agent, the participant will not receive any subsidy towards his/her airfare and will be required to pay the full amount of the Participation Fee in cash to AOTS.

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1.Your name	
2. Your Country/Region	
3. Name of your organization	
4. Outline of your organization (preferably by attaching a brochure of the organization)	
<ul> <li>4-1. Year of establishment</li> <li>4-2. Number of employees</li> <li>4-3. Annual sales</li> <li>4-4. Products</li> <li>4-5. Exporting:Y/N (If yes, list the countries.)</li> <li>4-6. Importing materials:Y/N (If yes, list the countries.)</li> </ul>	
5. Your position (preferably by attaching an organizational chart indicating your position)	

6. Your duties in detail (Please list your duties.)		2	
<ul> <li>7. Production management activities currently undertaken at your organization</li> <li>7-1. Inventory planning for finished products</li> <li>7-2. Period/time-span of production planning</li> <li>7-3. Centralized or decentralized control</li> <li>7-4. Designing to own specifications or specifications given by customers</li> <li>7-5. Priority area(s) in production management (e.g., facility maintenance, QC, cost, line-balancing, load management of people and equipment)</li> </ul>			

8. Major problems perceived with respect to production management activities together with their conceivable causes (In describing problems, use quantitative terms as much as possible.)	
9. Possible countermeasures and	
conceivable limitation factors	
10. Your expectations of the	
course	