Japanese Studies Research Fund and Workshop for Young Aspiring Scholars in Thailand

In order to promote the mutual understanding between Japan and Thailand as well as to enhance academic achievements on Japanese studies research project for young scholars, the Japan Foundation, Bangkok is proud to solicit applications for Small Grant for Japan-Related Research Projects in accordance with the following terms and conditions.

(I) Eligible Projects: Areas of Research

Any research project, mainly in the field of social sciences or humanities that is related to Japan. Comparative studies between Thailand and Japan are also included and eligible.

Notes:

- (1) The following projects are not eligible:
 - -Research projects for profit making or those conceivably conducive to profit making.
 - -Contracted research projects for a third party.
 - -Research projects which have been already substantially completed.
 - -Research projects that are relating to the natural sciences, medicine, or engineering, etc.
- (2) This grant is not a scholarship, a fellowship or a grant for publication of research results alone.

(II) Eligibility of Applicants:

(1) Scholars and Researchers (age below 40 years old)

Scholars and researchers who have either M.A. degree or equivalent professional experience at the time of application, and are planning to enroll in doctoral courses or conducting a new research related to Japan (comparative research included) with methods in the humanities and social sciences.

(2) Ph.D. students/Ph.D. candidates (age below 35 years old)

Those Ph.D. students/Ph.D. candidate must be currently enrolling into the doctoral courses. His or her research plan/thesis should focus on Japan in the field of humanities and social sciences (comparative research included).

Note: The Japan Foundation, Bangkok highly recommend those potential young scholars, Ph.D. student/Ph.D. candidates in Japanese studies affiliated with Thai higher institutes or any research entities to create new research projects for future academic collaborations with other stakeholders such as attending and presenting their completed research papers in any domestic and international conferences.

(III) Outline of this Grant:

- (1) Grants will be given as a seed money for research project only at the amount of "20,000 <u>THB</u>" for each project.
- (2) The Japan Foundation, Bangkok's contribution will not exceed the above-mentioned amount, and is limited only to the expenses actually paid for the purpose of conducting research project on Japanese studies such as honorarium, purchasing books, subscription fees for online academic journals and publications, etc.

(IV) Grant Period and Requirement:

- (1) Open Call for Application: August 1st 31st, 2021
- (2) Screening and Announcement of Awardees: September 1st 15th, 2021.
- (3) The period of this grant and research project will be between October 1st, 2021 to March 31st, 2022.
- (4) Those successful applicants have to submit their interim/progress report by January 15th, 2022. The Workshop will be organized to encourage those successful applicants to present their progress of research papers and to receive feedbacks from the designated senior professors as peer review. The final outcomes of the research project should be submitted no later than March 31st, 2022, and the wrap-up meeting will be held to encourage those successful applicants to present their final research projects either online or on-site.

(V) Benefit and Conditions:

Those successful applicants, who have finished their research projects and presented their outputs at the wrap-up meeting, must submit their completed papers to any domestic and/or international conferences as well as being published into any academic journals for their future careers. They have to notify JFBKK promptly when their completed research projects under this small grant could be accepted at the domestic and international conferences.

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