

The Japan Foundation Five-Year Plan for Japan-South Asia Cultural Exchange: 2007-11

1. Enhance the activities of the Japan Foundation, New Delhi

1. The Japan Foundation, New Delhi, will consolidate operations in India to promote Japanese culture.
2. The Japan Foundation, New Delhi, will extend its network to include all of South Asia.

Activities: Library, lectures, conferences, exhibitions, stage performances, film screenings

2. Promote wide-ranging cultural exchange in South Asia

1. The Japan Foundation will go into various places in South Asia to promote wide-ranging cultural exchange with civil societies.

Activities: Mobilization of cultural exchange volunteers, provision of TV programmes

3. Promote Japanese-language education and Japanese studies

1. The Japan Foundation will extend support to Japanese-language education, especially to secondary education.
2. The Japan Foundation will encourage contemporary Japanese studies.

Activities: Development of Japanese-language teaching materials for secondary-level education, training programmes for Japanese-language teachers in secondary education, South Asia Japanese studies projects

4. Enhance knowledge and understanding of South Asian culture and societies in Japan

1. The Japan Foundation will work to enhance and update the knowledge and understanding of the Japanese concerning the rapidly changing South Asia.
2. The Japan Foundation will support exchange among the Japanese and the South Asian people living in Japan.

Activities: Lecture series on Asian culture and societies, events of the Japan Foundation Supporters Club

5. Contribute to the friendship among South Asian countries

1. The Japan Foundation will contribute to the friendship among South Asian countries by providing opportunities for cultural exchange.

Activities : Art-collaboration projects, grants for multi-national conferences, training programmes for Japanese-language teachers, networking of South Asia Japanese studies projects