

General Information on APT Training Course
(Funded by Extra Budgetary Contribution of Japan)

1. **Title of Training Course:** Practical Technologies and their Implementation of Small Scale Telecommunications for the Rural Area (with Technical Practice)
2. **Organization (hosted by):** KDDI Foundation
3. **Duration:** 2 – 11 December 2015 (excluding arrival and departure dates)
4. **Place:** KDDI Foundation
KDDI Meeting Room at Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

5. Abstract and Objectives

It is expected to expand the broadband telecommunications to resolve the digital divide in Asia Pacific region. However, as contrasted with the increase and convenience of the broadband telecommunication services in the urban area, there are still digital divide in the rural area. Although the telecommunication traffic of the rural area is relatively small and thin, telecommunication system for disaster or urgent situation of the area is becoming more important.

The wireless telecommunication technologies, such as WiFi and WiMAX technologies, Femtocell for cellular system, VSAT system and INTERNET via satellite, are the solution for the rural telecommunications bridging the digital divide.

This training course is to support trainees not only obtaining knowledge of network design but also experiencing the setting up of the rural telecommunication system.

6. Schedule:

Date		Plan	Name of Lecturer or Organizer	Venue
Dec. 1 (Tue.)		(Arrival)		
Dec. 2 (Wed.)	AM	Orientation	KDDI Foundation	KDDI Meeting Room
		Opening Session		
	PM	Courtesy Visit to the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications (MIC)	MIC	MIC

Date		Plan	Name of Lecturer or Organizer	Venue
Dec. 3 (Thu.)	AM	Lecture 1: Telecom Network Construction in Rural Areas and Pilot Projects	KDDI Foundation	KDDI Meeting Room
	PM	Presentation: Country Report by Participants	Participants, KDDI Foundation	
Dec. 4 (Fri.)	AM	Lecture 2: WiMAX Service & Technologies Overview	UQ Communications	KDDI Meeting Room
	PM	Lecture 3: VSAT Technologies	A2A R&D Inc.	
Dec. 5 (Sat.)		(Free)		
Dec. 6 (Sun.)		(Free)		
Dec. 7 (Mon.)	AM	Lecture 4: Network System Design for Rural Communications	KDDI Foundation	KDDI Meeting Room
	PM	Practice1: Suitable Technologies for Rural Area (from the cases of the Pilot Projects)	KDDI Foundation	
Dec. 8 (Tue.)	AM	Lecture 5: Design of Server and Applications	KDDI Foundation	KDDI Meeting Room
	PM	Practice 2: Set up of Server and Applications for Rural Communication	KDDI Foundation	
Dec.9 (Wed.)	AM	Lecture6&Practice3: Femtoell with Satellite	KDDI	KDDI Meeting Room
	PM	Technical Observation/ Advanced Technology Exhibition Hall	TEPIA	TEPIA
Dec. 10 (Thu.)	AM	Technical Observation/ Overview of Network Operation Center (NOC),	KDDI	KDDI Shinjuku Bldg.
	PM	Preparation of Presentation Materials by Participants: Result of Training	Participants, KDDI Foundation	KDDI Meeting Room
Dec. 11 (Fri.)	AM	Presentation & Discussion by Participants: Result of Practice	Participants, KDDI Foundation	KDDI Meeting Room
	PM	Closing Session	KDDI Foundation	
Dec. 12 (Sat.)		(Departure)		

This schedule is subject to change for elaboration and /or adjustment.

7. Country Report Preparation:

Each participant is requested to send his/her country report regarding the situation of rural area telecommunications by e-mail **no later than 28 November 2015**. The report will be used for the presentation session during the training course. Each participant will be given ten (10) minutes for his/her presentation and five (5) minutes for questions and answers.

At this time, a Power Point will be available as presentation aids. The report is consisted of the following components;

General information of the country, introduction of his/her organization, current condition and digital divide of rural area telecommunications, and so on.

8. Venue:

Organization: KDDI Foundation
Address: Garden Air Tower, 3-10-10 Iidabashi, Chiyoda-ku,
Tokyo 102-8460, Japan
Training Department: Tel: +81 80 5065 9289 Fax: +81 3 6328 3053
URL: <http://www.kddi-foundation.or.jp/english/>
Persons in Charge: Ms. Riyoko KOJIMA (e-mail: training@kddi-foundation.or.jp;))

9. Reception at the Airport:

On their arrival at the Airport, the participants will be met by KDDI Foundation staff who will prepare supports for the trainees to get domestic transportations from the Airport to the hotel and return.

For more information of the airport as given below:

International Airport: Narita International Airport / Haneda International Airport

Public Transportation and Travel Time: 90 minutes by airport limousine bus to the Hotel from Narita International Airport, and 60 minutes from Haneda International Airport.

10. Hotel accommodation:

Hotel name: **Metropolitan Hotel**
Address: 6-1, 1-chome, Nishi-Ikebukuro, Toshima-ku, Tokyo 171-8505, Japan
Tel: +81 3 3980 1111 Fax: +81 3 3980 5600
URL: <http://www.metropolitan.jp/e/index.html>

11. Immigration Requirements:

All foreign visitors entering into Japan must have a valid passport.

- Participants requiring visa should apply to Japanese diplomatic mission (embassies and consulates etc.) in their own countries (or to Japanese diplomatic mission directly in charge of the participant's country) as soon as possible.
- Kindly check current visa requirement with The Embassy of Japan or Travel Agent before traveling, or visit the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan at URL:

http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/index.html

- For your smooth visa application, visa supporting letters written in Japanese will be provided by KDDI Foundation and will be sent directly to the participants.

12. Photograph:

The participants are requested to send a **recent photograph** of their faces (within 6 months) by e-mail to training@kddi-foundation.or.jp for a participant list.

13. At Japanese Custom Office:

- Japanese customs is fairly lenient and allows bringing in items necessary for personal use, however, strictly prohibited are firearms and other types of weapons and narcotics.
- For details please refer to the following website of Japanese Customs:
<http://www.customs.go.jp/english/summary/passenger.htm>.

14. Weather:

The latest weather information will be obtained at <http://www.jma.go.jp/en/yoho/index.html> (See weekly forecast to obtain highest and lowest temperature expected of each day of the corresponding week. – “Get more information on this area” -> pull down menu -> select “One-week forecasts”)

Please also refer to the following Additional Advices.

15. Electric Current:

Please note that commercial electricity in Tokyo is at **AC 100V 50Hz** with American type outlet plug (**Type A Class II**). We recommend that participant **bring transformer and plug adapter (American type outlet plug)** if they wish to use their own PC in Japan.

16. Secretariat:

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17. Additional Advices:

It is advised that participants bring shoes suitable and comfortable for walking, as in principle, public transportation system (Metro, Trains and Buses) will be used during the training and it sometimes requires certain distance of walking to and from and between training venues.

Also, rain gear such as umbrella are also essential. In Japan, it can rain, sometimes all through the day, in any season of the year.

Please be well reminded that the month of **December is winter in Japan**. Although winter in Tokyo is relatively mild compared to other parts of Japan, and is dry with little rain and snow, in some cases temperature may drop to a single digit number in Celsius degrees (1 degree to 9 degrees Celsius) or even to the freezing point, especially in the early mornings, and chance of snow fall or cold rain cannot be totally ruled out.

A strong northerly wind may blow during this season and the wind-chill effect makes one feel colder than the actual air temperature.

The participants are strongly advised to **bring warm clothes**.

(Average lowest and highest temperatures for December - during this course period - range from 5.1 degrees to 12.4 degrees Celsius.)

18. Notes:

The host organization's business hours are from **9:00AM to 5:30PM**, from Monday to Friday. They do not work on Saturdays and Sundays. Messages sent to them will be received only during working hours.

Also beware of the **time difference**, Japan is ahead of most other countries.

(Japan Standard Time is **UTC +9 hours**. Japan does not observe daylight saving time.)

That means their office will be closed earlier than in the cases of most of the participants' countries.

19. Regulation:

- not to bring any member of his/her family;
- not to change accommodation during training period;
- to participate in the course from the beginning to the end; and
- to return his/her home country at the end of their training course according to the international travel schedule designated by APT.

Participants are required to comply with instructions given by APT and the local host. (Further information on the requirement is found in the "Guidelines for APT fellowships under HRD Programme (2013)" and other related document)

20. Others:

In order to facilitate efficient management and document handling process, use of electronic documents is encouraged during the training. Hardcopy of the documents will be provided only upon request. Participants are encouraged to bring their Laptop computer to the training.