## Press Release

## Award Ceremony for "Student's Painting Contest 2014"

On October 30, 2014, "Student's Painting Contest 2014" under the theme of "Japan and Pakistan's Friendship" was organized by the Consulate-General of Japan in Karachi at the Japan Information and Culture Center.

This cultural event was organized in conjunction with the Consulate-General's school visit programs, with the aim of providing an opportunity for the students to learn about Japan, by participating in the Contest. Five schools: Beaconhouse School System Jubilee Campus, City School PAF Chapter, Hamdard Public School, Jennings Private School and Karachi Grammar School have respectively selected five paintings from Grade nine students, which were evaluated by the judges of the Contest, Ms. Majoree Hussain and Ms. Naheed Raza.

Each and every paintings in its own way expressed the theme "Japan and Pakistan's Friendship", where students depicted cultural interaction between Japan and Pakistan.

Mr. Akira Ouchi, the Consul-General of Japan, was very much impressed with the creativity, enthusiasm and hard efforts made by all the participating students. The Consul-General Mr. Ouchi emphasized in his speech that the Consulate-General of Japan will continue to conduct various cultural activities to bring the peoples of Pakistan and Japan even closer; thereby further promoting mutual understanding and strengthening the friendly relationship between the two countries.

The first prize was awarded to Ms. Hannah Ashai from Karachi Grammar School, the second prize to Mr. Muhammad Shaheryar Shahid from Hamdard Public School and the third prize was awarded to Ms. Sharmeen Salman from Hamdard Public School. Also, on this occasion,

"Friendship Award" was given to Ms. Imaan Farooq Sheikh from Hamdard Public School.

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For further information, please contact the Japan Information and Culture Center at the Consulate-General of Japan in Karachi: 35220800 (Ext. 134). Also please kindly visit our web-site: <u>http://www.kr.pk.emb-japan.go.jp/</u> in regard to this event.







