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## Press Release

### 16<sup>th</sup> Bonsai Exhibition was held

The 16th Bonsai Exhibition is held by Pakistan Bonsai Society from August 13 to 16, 2015 at Zamzama Park in Karachi. The inauguration ceremony was held on August 13, 2015, with the attendance of Mr. Akira Ouchi, Consul General of Japan in Karachi, Brig.(retd.) Naeem Azhar Lone, Acting Secretary of Defense Housing Authority, Karachi and Mr. Khuwaja Muhammad Mazhar, the President of Pakistan Bonsai Society. Around One hundred and Twenty Bonsai works aged between 5 and 50 years are displayed in this event.

Bonsai is a traditional Japanese art of growing artistically shaped miniature trees in the containers, which has a long history of more than 800 years in Japan. Bonsai is the art in which a person create not only by unique techniques but with profound observation and insight for the nature.

In 1998, a group of Bonsai lovers established “Pakistan Bonsai Society” The Society members have been practicing and promoting Bonsai enthusiastically all over Pakistan since then.

Consul-General Mr. Akira Ouchi congratulated on the 16th anniversary of *Bonsai Exhibition* which has been held since 1998. He appreciated the member of Pakistan Bonsai Society for their efforts in promoting Bonsai art in Pakistan.

He concluded his remarks by expressing his hope that the Bonsai Exhibition will contribute to the deepening of understanding on Japan in Pakistan and the promotion of friendship between Japan and Pakistan.

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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: <http://www.kr.pk.emb-japan.go.jp/> in regard to this event.*

