

Speech by Mr. Akira Ouchi, Consul General of Japan, Karachi on the occasion of a certificate presentation ceremony of “Ju-Jitsu Training Camp”, at the Japan Information and Culture Center, on Wednesday, 19th June, 2013.

Honorable Mr. Khalil Ahmed Khan, President of Pakistan Ju-Jitsu Federation,

Honorable Tariq Ali, Camp Commandant and Director of Pakistan Ju-Jitsu Federation,

Executive Members of Pakistan Ju-Jitsu Federation and stringently selected Ju-Jitsu players,

Assalam Alaikum.

It gives me a great pleasure to attend the closing ceremony of “Ju-Jitsu Training Camp” today. I am happy to see that Pakistan Ju-Jitsu Federation has promoted Japanese martial arts “Ju-Jitsu” in Pakistan up to this high level.

Ju-Jitsu is one of the traditional Japanese martial arts. Ju-Jitsu is the origin of such modern Japanese martial arts as Judo and Aikido. The basic concept of all Japanese martial arts is shin (心), gi (技), and tai (体), that is, shin (spirit), gi (art) and tai (strength) must be harmoniously developed in exercising Japanese martial arts. Through practicing Japanese martial arts, one can develop not only strength but also personality and moral. I hope this training session gave you an opportunity to learn about not only techniques of Ju-jitsu but also this kind of essence of Japanese martial arts.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the efforts of Karachi Ju-Jitsu Association for promoting understanding for a traditional Japanese sport and enhancing its growing interest in Karachi. I am sure that this event has contributed to the promotion of friendly relationship between Japan and Pakistan.

Thank you.