Foreign Minister's Commendations for FY 2018

July 17, 2018 Consulate-General of Japan in Chennai

Mr Boddupalli Rama Bhadra, President of Asa Bhanu Japan Center from Telangana, India has been awarded the <u>Japan's Foreign Minister's Commendation in 2018</u> for his contribution to promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and India. The Commendations have been awarded to 205 individuals and 49 groups (34 individuals and 6 groups reside in Japan, and 171 individuals and 43 groups reside overseas). Mr Boddupalli Rama Bhadra is one of 3 awardees from India this year. Mr Boddupalli Rama Bhadra will be presented the certificate and commemorative gift through the Consulate-General of Japan in Chennail.

Mr Boddupalli Rama Bhadra founded Asa Bhanu Japan Center in 1999, and contributed to promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and India through introduction of Japanese culture, teaching Japanese language. Also he carried out a significant role for Hyderabad – Miyoshi City, Hiroshima Prefecture Sister City Affiliation and has been involved in several cultural exchange programs between both cities.

The Foreign Minister's Commendations are awarded to individuals and groups with outstanding achievements in international fields, in order to acknowledge their contributions to the promotion of friendship between Japan and other countries and areas. The Commendations also aim to promote the understanding and support of the Japanese public for the activities of the recipients.