

Japan aim to achieve food security in the APEC region

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The APEC Food Security Ministers' Meeting was held in the United States, where discussions were held on achieving food security through sustainable agriculture and food systems in the APEC region.

Fujiki, Parliamentary Vice-Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, attended from Japan. Based on the discussions at the G7 Agriculture Ministers' Meeting Miyazaki, Fujiki said, Japan aim to achieve food security in the APEC region by effectively utilizing domestic resources while promoting sustainability.

Fujiki called for the expansion of sustainable agricultural production through the implementation and use of innovation. At this meeting, the APEC region's food security through sustainable agriculture and food systems. This clarified the approach for achieving food security and building sustainable agriculture and food systems in the APEC region. Principles have been formulated. No agreement was reached on issuing a joint statement, and as a result, the United States issued a chairman's statement.

Japan, Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, South Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru, Philippines, Russia, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, USA, Vietnam participated in the discussion.

Based on the results obtained at the G7 Miyazaki Agriculture Ministers' Meeting, (a) the sustainability of agriculture should be improved in a way that increases productivity, (b) existing domestic agricultural resources should be fully utilized, and (c)) advocated that all forms of innovation should be exploited. Japan is promoting the Green Food System Strategy to put these points into practice.

During the meeting with the Washington State Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Sandison, we exchanged views on matters such as the friendly relationship between Washington State and Japan's agriculture, forestry and fisheries industries that have spanned over many years, and the efforts of organic farming in Washington State.