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As long as Japan is one of the country which have high technology and service, Japan have to role as a country that teaching that technology to other countries, and for that, Japan have to send more staff to those countries.

Today, a lot of Japanese people is not positive to work abroad, because of difference of the culture or language. We can know it from survey data of the company call "Randstad", which showing that only 30% of people are positive to work abroad. I think, one of the reason of this result is because of tendency that Japanese people are afraid to make a mistake by moving from the place they know well. However, I think we have to change this tendency and make them be positive to work in other countries.

In my opinion, we can send Japanese staffs to the area which is good place to have experience first, then we can send them to other countries. For that, I think Asia, especially the South East Asia is very good area to work for Japanese staff at first.

The first reason is, the distance from Japan. South East Asia is not that far from Japan, if compare with countries in Africa or South America. It only take 4 or 5 hours to go back to Japan, so they can go back to Japan easily. It is good for Japanese staff who leave their family in Japan and work abroad. Even Social Network Service like Skype are developed, this is still be advantage because physical contact with their family can be healing for husbands and fathers.

The second reason is, the culture. It is true that cultures in South East Asia are different from Japan, but those difference are not that serious. Base of their culture is rice farming or fishing, which is same as Japan, therefore, taste of foods around South East Asia are mostly good for Japanese people too. Also, those countries don't have complex culture like Summer Time of European countries, so I think Japanese staff can live without that much stress and be used to live in different culture.

The third reason, reason why I didn't choose "China" and chose countries in South East Asia is because, in China, many network services such as "Youtube", "Twitter", "Facebook" or some time even "Google" are unable to use. Most of young people in Japan are used to the environment without this kind of information controls, so I thought it is little tough for Japanese young staff to work in China. In addition, China sometimes have the period which anti-Japanese demonstration become radicalized. Victory over Japan day or days after the conflict between Japan occurred are template periods which have radicalized demonstrations. In those periods, sometimes few Chinese citizen injure Japanese people who lives there. If Japanese staff didn't used to live in other country and didn't know

how to escape from those kind of problems, it will be dangerous for them.

My idea of the role of Japan at now and in near future is, the country which send engineers and staffs of companies to Asia and gain Asian countries' standard of living. I know a lot of ASEAN countries are already modernized, but I felt they still have some inconvenience in some fields, such as traffic, hygiene and building. Fortunately, Japan have advanced technologies and services in those kinds of fields. Japanese very tight train system, city without rubbish, and buildings which is able to endure magnitude 9.0 earthquake can show them. I'm sure that it will help Asian countries' transportation, make townscape cleaner and defend people from earthquakes. Especially in Indonesia, the technology of earthquake-resistant buildings are very useful, because Indonesia also have a lot of earthquakes and disasters like Japan.

However, recently some countries are also try to export their technology, so Japan have to be more active to promote the quality of those technology and service. Case of High-speed rail in Indonesia is one of the pattern that Japan couldn't tell enough about merit of High-speed train technology. In this case's competition, China had the exhibition in big shopping mall. It is said that the biggest reason why Indonesia chose Chinese rail system was because of cost and monetary support, but I think, if Japan tried to be more active like China and get a lot of popularity from citizen, the result could be different. In practice, Japanese newspaper, "Mainichi Shimbun" told that the project of Chinese rail system didn't go well, and Indonesia requested for the technical support from Japan. I think it means Japan had a chance to win in this competition if they could explain them about that cost is counterbalancing to the quality of their work.

I feel that there is a lot of intelligent student in countries of East Asia. The fact that universities of Singapore, China and Hong Kong ranked in to top part of the world university ranking shows how those countries have a lot of talented students. Therefore, I think Japan also can be a country that invite those talented student, to teach them about technology and service. For that, Japan need to create good environment of studying for those students to make sure that they can lead their country when they go back. I think, Japan and Asian countries can cooperate and make more scholarship for students who studies hard.

For conclusion, I want to say that, if Asian countries cooperate well, we can role as the center of the world. As of now, the center of the world is countries in America or Europe, but it is because those countries made last centuries. World is not constant, and the center of the world had changed in history for many times. So I think, Asian countries have to cooperate to win the center of next generation.