

As the world is continuing to evolve in many ways, our beautiful environment is being destroyed too. Numerous amounts of wood is being cut down every day by people with only cheap wages and people are using resources at a high pace as if the stock is eternal. There are so many environmental issues that should be solved in the world, but what are Asia and Japan expected to do to solve these problems?

Firstly, what kind of plans Japan should think about to sustain our environment. Japan is one of the most developed countries in the world, so I think we have the responsibility to lead other countries to solve these problems. I think Japan should use different ways against its citizen and countries around the world to solve these problems.

The most important thing to do for Japanese citizens is to make people recognize the importance of environmental activities. When the Great East Japan Earthquake occurred, the media told people not to waste resources, and we can see that people tried their best to accomplish this because the amount of electricity used in a year dropped in 2011. From this example, we already know that we are able to save energy and water if we try. Still, nowadays people are forgetting about the danger our environment is put under. So, I think the media should introduce more about saving our earth on a daily basis. Also, to change people's thoughts about donations, the Japanese government should make students at school donate not only money but also toys and clothes, and make donations a daily thing for everyone. By renovating our minds, we can save our earth and a life every day.

I think the role of Japan in the world is not to lead the other countries but to support them. The Paris Agreement is an agreement held based on Kyoto Protocol which was adopted in Japan, but it became a worldly news that President Trump has decided to leave the agreement. This should not be accepted because every country around the world has to cooperate with each other to solve environmental problems. I think Japan should work to make everyone face the same direction when working on a problem together. Each country wants to have it their way, so I think Japan should act as a lubricant so that everyone can move towards a near goal.

Secondly, what Asia should do for our environment. There are many problems occurring in Asia recently, and I think Asia should cooperate with other countries to help refugees. Japan is not accepting many refugees, but on the contrary, countries such as Iran and Pakistan are overloaded with them. It is said that four fifths of refugees are moving to developing countries, and this is becoming an economic burden. I think Asia should generate this situation and change people's negative minds against refugees. To achieve this goal, first I think Japan has to accept more refugees and show the world how they can live peacefully with us. In Japan, the birth rate is decreasing and the aging population is increasing, so the working population is decreasing as well. If Japan lets refugees into their country, I think people will get many benefits such as not having to pay too much tax for pensions because the charge will be divided by the increased working population. Then, the world may turn from refusing refugees to accepting them, and more of them will be able to send a safe life.

Also, I think Asia can work on spreading fair trade together. Fair trade is to trade goods at a fair price and provide workers with proper earnings. Many farmers working at farms importing goods are at the risk of getting injured by the dangerous work. Still, if the farm gets more money it may be able to introduce agrimotors so people can work in a safe environment. We need to be careful of two points when introducing fair trade though. Firstly, every shop selling the goods must introduce fair trade at the same time so that the price would not differ too much. In addition, we have to check where the money is going so it does not all fall into the landowner's hands. We must keep sure that everyone's wage has equally increased in the same farm. Asia can lead other countries of the world to adopt fair trade.

To conclude, both Japan and Asia have very important roles in the future such as working as a lubricant and spreading information about refugees and fair trade. I hope Japan and Asia will work hard to push forwards environmental acts and that we will be able to sustain our environment.