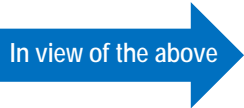


Support for Returned Abductees and Their Family Members

Office for the Assistance of the Abductees and their Family Members

○ Special circumstances of those abducted by North Korea include:

- Being unable to return to Japan, they had no alternative but to take residence in North Korea.
- They lost the basis for their lives in Japan, etc.



The office implements comprehensive support measures in cooperation with related ministries and agencies to provide support, among other things, to rebuild a basis for their lives that was lost by abduction, by helping returned abductees to get back on their feet.

The Japanese government has identified 17 individuals who were abducted by North Korea. Among them, 5 individuals have returned to Japan. In addition, **there are many Japanese being suspected as abductees among those who are missing. The Japanese government is insisting that all abductees should be returned, irrespective of whether they are officially identified as abductees.**

Support for Abductees

Payment of Benefits for Abductees

Government

Benefits

Returned abductees

Counseling on Welfare

Government

Outsourcing expenses

○ Development of self-reliance support project for abductees (higher municipalities)
Higher municipalities develop comprehensive support projects on language acquisition and social adjustment.

○ Preparation of supportive curriculum (lower municipalities)
Lower municipalities prepare individual instructions curriculum based on self-reliance support programs.

Training for experiencing society
• Guidance to social adjustment
• Japanese language education • Self-reliance support

Projects for fostering contacts with the local people

Public Awareness

Poster



Leaflet



The poster and leaflet insist that abductees shall by all means be returned to Japan.

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