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- 救い means to save
- 気 as in to feel and have a will to help



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Kizuna Project



What is the Kizuna Project? According to the Japan International Cooperation Center (JICE), Kizuna is 'a project run by the Japan government with the objective of promoting other countries' understanding with regards to Japan's revival efforts in response to the Great East Japan Earthquake'.

Kizuna (絆) is Japanese for 'bond'. Therefore, this project aims to foster bonds between the youths of participating countries and the locals from the disaster areas. Youths from 41 different countries, including 10 ASEAN countries such as Singapore, were invited to participate in exchange programs, visit disaster affected sites and also to engage in volunteer work.

The purposes of this project are, firstly, to send the correct information about Japan's reconstruction efforts and also to promote the many attractions in Japan that was affected by harmful rumors after the earthquake. The project, secondly, aims to contribute to the reconstruction of the disaster areas through the volunteer work. Through school exchanges, the project intends to help the development of the local communities. Lastly, the project wants to strengthen bonds with other countries through the sharing of how locals suffered from the disaster and what they are doing to recover from it. Participants will convey the sentiments of support among the people in the world to the locals in the disaster sites so as to strengthen the bonds between participating countries and the locals.

We embarked on our journey on 11 March 2013 and returned back to Singapore on the morning of 20 March. We had spent a fulfilling 9 days in Japan and we will tell more of our experience there in the later posts.

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