



## IIT Hyderabad Hosts “Japan Career Day 2025 – 8<sup>th</sup> Edition of Japan Day & First-Ever Japan Co-Research Day”

### Highlights:

- 15 Japanese entities participated in the Japan Career Day, and 4 Japanese entities took part in the Japan Co-Research Day.
- Entities ranging from established firms to startups have shown keen interest in IITH students.
- Based on the Japanese entities’ innovative fields, interests, and proposed problem statements, professors of IIT convened to explore potential collaborations and co-research opportunities.
- On-the-spot internship opportunities were also offered by three companies during the event.

**Hyderabad, 31 August 2025** – The Indian Institute of Technology Hyderabad (IITH), in collaboration with the Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO), successfully hosted the **8<sup>th</sup> edition of Japan Career Day and the first-ever Japan Co-Research Day** from August 29–31, 2025. This year, 15 distinguished Japanese companies participated in the Japan Career Day, while 4 companies joined the Co-Research Day. The participants included startups, SMEs, and large corporates, aiming to collaborate, showcase their cutting-edge technologies, and attract talented students from IIT Hyderabad.

**A Journey of Growth Since 2018:** JETRO and IITH began hosting “Japan Day” in 2018 with 10 participating companies. Over the years, the initiative has seen remarkable growth:

- **2019:** 5 companies (mainly startups) participated.
- **2020:** First-ever online edition with overwhelming response.
- **2021:** 13 companies joined despite pandemic challenges.
- **2022:** 10 companies participated as the event returned offline.
- **2023:** A record participation of 20 companies.
- **2024:** Introduction of *on-the-spot internship interviews* with 18 participating companies.
- **2025:** Launch of the *Japan Co-Research Day* to enhance collaborative innovation.

### Leadership Remarks:

**Expressing his delight on the occasion, Toshihiro Mizutani, Director General, JETRO Bengaluru, said,** “We are pleased to welcome 15 Japanese firms to this year’s Japan Career Day. It’s been eighth time since we organized Japan Career Day first in 2018. All the participating Japanese companies are very keen to hire highly skilled young Indian talent because there is a serious shortage of engineers in Japan. Japanese companies believe that students from IITH will be important contributors to global strategies and new forms of technology innovation.

We also have Co-Research Day this year. 4 Japanese companies participated and JETRO conducted matching and meetings with several IITH laboratories based on each company’s research interest area.”

**Prof. B S Murty, Director, IIT Hyderabad, said:** “Japan Day has been a unique and significant event at IITH since 2018, enabling our students to gain a deeper understanding of Japanese job markets, work culture, and career opportunities. It also provides Japanese companies a valuable platform to connect with our students. We sincerely thank JETRO for their continued support and look forward to even greater participation in the years ahead.”

### The following 15 companies participated in Japan Career Day this year:

1. AWL Inc. (Start-up): AWL brings advanced edge AI video analytics to life, visualizing physical

spaces beyond human perception.

2. AGC Asia Pacific (Large corporation): AGC Group, founded in 1907, is a Japanese manufacturer specializing in glass, chemicals, and electronics.
3. Green Carbon (Start-up): Uses the natural power of plants and microbes to create carbon credits and promote forest and soil restoration.
4. Order Busters (Start-up): Tokyo-based AI startup delivering a next-generation AI-OCR platform that converts unstructured documents into structured actionable data.
5. Ishihara Sangyo Kaisha (SME): A leading Japanese chemical company, specializing in agrochemicals, titanium dioxide, and specialty chemicals.
6. DENSO (Large corporation): A global Fortune 500 company with a broad product portfolio and focused on advanced mobility that positively changes how the world moves and contributes to greater well-being.
7. gbl (Start-up): Game Based Learning turns hit title like Pokémon Unite into structured online lessons. gbl equips the next generation to thrive in an AI-accelerated world.
8. SPRIX (Large corporation) : A leading Japanese education company, that delivers scalable learning experiences tailored to each student. In India, the IIT TUTOR service uniquely blends technology with human coaching.
9. MUFG Global Service (Large corporation): MUFG Global Service as the Global Capability Center for MUFG supports MUFG Bank's business units globally, thereby leveraging its capabilities to improve service offerings and operational efficiency.
10. HIRAOKA HYPER TOOLS (SME): Hiraoka Hyper Tools excels in; 1) cold forging dies for automotive and construction parts, 2) document management system that improves global business efficiency, 3) global consulting.
11. Mitsubishi Electric (Large corporation): Mitsubishi Electric is a global leading technology company shaping the future through innovation across diverse industries.
12. Nikko (SME): Nikko boasts a century-long legacy as a leading plant manufacturer. Our core technology encompasses combustion, mixing, information technology, and intralogistics solutions, such as conveyor systems.
13. Macromil (Large corporation): A global leader in market research and digital marketing solutions, providing data consulting, DMP, behavioural-log analytics, and has expanded into life sciences clinical-trial support.
14. Hitachi High-Tech India (SME): A 100% Hitachi Group company, which operates: (1) Semiconductor Manufacturing Equipment, (2) Analytical Instruments, (3) Medical Equipment and (4) industrial products, chemical and software.
15. NIHON NOHYAKU (Large corporation): Japan's first agrochemical-specialized company, and also one of the market leading companies, committed to protecting crops and supporting global food security.

**The following 4 companies participated in Japan Co-Research Day this year:**

1. AGC Asia Pacific (Large corporation): AGC Group, founded in 1907, is a Japanese manufacturer specializing in glass, chemicals, and electronics.
2. gbl (Start-up): Game Based Learning turns hit title like Pokémon Unite into structured online lessons. gbl equips the next generation to thrive in an AI-accelerated world.
3. Green Carbon (Start-up): Uses the natural power of plants and microbes to create carbon credits and promote forest and soil restoration.
4. Toho Koki (SME): Pioneer in precision machining for power generation turbines, aerospace, and large-scale infrastructure. Industry leader in ultra-precision machining at nanometre level.

**About JETRO:**

The Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) is a government-related body established in 1958 to promote mutual trade and investment between Japan and the rest of the world. In recent years, JETRO has been focusing on enhancing open innovation, fostering global collaborations, and

integrating international talent into Japanese companies.

**About IIT Hyderabad:**

IITH, established in 2008, has reached a respectable position in Academics, Research, Technology development and Startups in a short span of 17 years. In the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF), IITH is at 3<sup>rd</sup> rank in Innovation and 8<sup>th</sup> among Engineering institutes in the last two consecutive years, while it has maintained its rank within the top 10 Engineering Institutes ever since NIRF was launched. IITH is ranked 664 in QS World University Ranking-2026 (among top 10% of global institutions in citations per faculty) and among the top 10 Engineering Institutes in India. IITH has been striving for excellence with a motto of "Inventing & Innovating in Technology for Humanity (IITH)".

With 330+ full-time Faculty and 5,700+ Students (PG+PhD students accounting for about 60%), IITH has a strong research focus with 4990+ Projects worth of Rs. 1590+ Cr of R&D funding (Rs. 335+ Cr funding in 2024-25, i.e. Rs. 1+ Cr per faculty), 12,100+ Publications, 2,25,000+ Citations, 560+ Patents (210+ Patents in 2024 and a commitment to "Patent a Day: Mission 365" for 2025 to earn 365 Patents by the end of 2025), and about 320+ Startups (that have generated 1100+ jobs with a revenue of Rs. 1500+ Cr).

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