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Our Hearty Greetings to all our members, well wishers and others. Similar to the month of April, the month of May was very hectic for the AAAWI Managing Committee and AAAWI Staff, as vigorous efforts being made to commence Japanese Language Class have fructified.

The date for the Inaugural Ceremony was finalized on 29th May 2015 and the occasion was graced by Consul General of Japan. This was indeed a memorable event for AAAWI. In fact our MC members had met the Consul General at the Japanese Consulate and the date was decided keeping in mind his availability. Our Conference Hall had a complete facelift to welcome the Consul General. Invitations for the Inauguration were couriered to all our members.

The Consul General appreciated AAAWI for making this program with excellent time management & congratulated all the students for taking up this language course and gave some important tips like

- a. Not to be afraid of making mistakes while learning
- b. Listening forms to be an important part for learning a language

Mr. Ranganathan, Mr. Mitani and persons from JETRO had graced the ceremony and had shared their experiences with the audience as well. Mr. Ranganathan congratulated AAAWI for the Milestone the team had created under the able leadership of

Mr. Premchand Goliya by starting the AAAWI Japanese school with a record number of 12 students. Everyone was surprised when he mentioned that he had only one student when he started. Mr. Mitani too congratulated and wished the students Good Luck and to enjoy the language while learning.

This is one of the most important moments in the history of AAAWI. There were some 48 persons in all gathered for this inaugural ceremony and had the unique opportunity to interact with the Consul General.

A big thanks to all the members who could make it and be present for this important function.. Hope to meet all the members soon for the Annual gathering.

One more good news, we have received our share of the sale proceeds, 14 lakhs from FAAAI. The committee has decided to reserve it as corpus fund. With the interest received Scholarship in the name of FAAAI will be given to deserving students of Japanese Language classes.

Our President, Mr. Goliya has taken the task of making all necessary arrangements for the proposed FAAAI Meeting at Lonawala. 2 respresentatives from each of the 9 Alumni Society in India will attend the same. Dates are being finalized during mid June. So again the month of June too will be buzzing with meetings and discussion to finalise accommodation & transportation and all other related work to hold the Meeting in a big grand way.

With Mr. Patwardhan away on his trip to USA the undersigned had the opportunity to coin this Newsletter. Hope you enjoyed reading.

Sincerely, Pravin Purav Secretary & Guest Editor