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JIFFA Holds 15th Annual General Assembly

Japan International Freight Forwarders Association Inc. (JIFFA) held its 15th Annual General Assembly at 4 p.m. on June 11, 2026, at the Primavera banquet hall in the Dai-ichi Hotel Tokyo in Minato Ward, Tokyo. Of its 559 regular members, 148 were present in person and 267 by proxy for a total of 415.

After giving the opening address at the beginning of the general assembly, Chairman Munenori Kimura was elected to preside over the meeting from among the attending regular members.

The annual assembly began with briefings on 1-(1) a fiscal 2025 business report and 2-(1) a fiscal 2025 accounting report. Following the submission of an audit report by auditor Shuji Yamaguchi, the assembly approved the accounting report for fiscal 2025.

Then, 1-(2) a fiscal 2026 business plan and a fiscal 2026 income and expenditure budget report were unveiled. As for 2-(2) an executive reshuffle, a proposal made by the assembly chairman was approved.

After the 15th Annual General

Assembly, JIFFA convened the 63rd meeting of its board of directors and elected Mr. Tatsuji Kasai as the new JIFFA chairman. Mr. Chihiro Sugiyama, Mr. Tetsuo Sakurai and Mr. Munenori Kimura were elected as vice chairmen.

In fiscal 2025, JIFFA members handled 52.67 million tons of cargo in the first half, down 12.1% year on year, and 54.97 million tons in the second half, down 1%, for a total of 107.64 million tons, down 6.8%. At the end of fiscal 2025, JIFFA consisted of 553 regular members, an increase of two from a year earlier, and its supporting members were made up of 26 businesses and organizations, which remained unchanged, for a total of 579.

Fiscal 2025 was a tough year for freight forwarders' business operations as it was difficult to predict changes in the situation due to geopolitical and economic risks as well as other factors that were widespread



across the globe. Despite such challenges, however, JIFFA continued to expand its membership. It will continue to live up to expectations by implementing projects useful for its members, such as the development of human resources and the sales of transport documents. The association will also help its members carry out business programs by collecting and providing domestic and international information and responding to digital transformation (DX).

In fiscal 2026, JIFFA is proceeding with business projects in accordance with the basic policies described below:

1) Striving to cultivate human resources who have a sufficient level of knowledge to work as freight forwarders by holding courses for qualifying international multimodal transport specialists; workshops for teaching English, Chinese, and other languages; in-house committee-organized seminars; and other events;

2) Providing its members with greater convenience through the distribution of documents that they need, such as bills of lading (B/Ls), other transport documents, and books;

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Message from New Chairman at Reception after JIFFA's 15th General Assembly

I am really glad to have many of you with us today at Japan International Freight Forwarders Association Inc. (JIFFA)'s 15th general assembly and this reception despite your busy schedule.

JIFFA's 15th general assembly just came to an end smoothly. At the 63rd meeting of its board of directors held after that, I, Tatsuji Kasai from Sankyu Inc., was honored to assume the association's chairmanship, succeeding former Chairman Munenori Kimura.

I feel a great sense of responsibility to take over from former Chairman Kimura, who faithfully fulfilled his duties for two years at a time of heightened geopolitical risks and chronic uncertainty. As he mentioned in his address just now, however, former Chairman Kimura will remain with us as vice chairman, which is really encouraging to me. New vice chairmen and I both solicit your continued support.

Fortunately, JIFFA's membership is growing year by year, but last fiscal year, there was just an increase of two from the previous fiscal year. This fiscal year, however, nine companies have joined us since April. As of June 1, we had 559 regular members, 14 supporting companies, and 11 supporting organizations for a total of 584. We have grown so much as to see the 600-member mark right around the corner.

The number of members is increasing as I just described, even though the circumstances surrounding logistics are extremely uncertain. I believe this is truly

a testament to high expectations placed on JIFFA activities. I am very happy that our association's foundation has become stronger, and our membership is growing because you understand and cooperate in the various projects that we undertake. On behalf of all directors, I would like to express my deepest gratitude once again.

Judging from performances at ports in Japan, cargo volumes have recovered significantly since early spring. They are, however, still highly vulnerable to the prolonged crisis in the Middle East and disruptions at key ports and harbors. Therefore, I remain very concerned about the outlook.

At the same time, I am taking a positive stance as I believe that the time when the international situation is becoming more complex and uncertain, as I said, is the time when the corporate purpose and true value of freight forwarders like us are put to the test. I am sure that our members will all grow further this fiscal year by providing flexible and optimum solutions as they did during the COVID-19 pandemic and are doing now while the Russia-Ukraine war continues.

Our association will this fiscal year continue to plan activities for each of our committees and a variety of other projects to support all of our members. As for education and training, important missions for us, we will enrich our courses for qualifying international multimodal transport specialists, education courses at various levels, language learning classes, and other programs.



Chairman Tatsuji Kasai
Japan International Freight Forwarders
Association Inc.

Regarding our regular overseas logistics surveys, JIFFA plans to visit Bangladesh this year, which is expected to become a new growth engine of Asia.

Our association will also work to provide services to offer greater convenience to our members by enhancing and improving our services, in which we will focus on programs to further promote the JIFFA B/L and other transport documents. Earlier this fiscal year, we launched a new service for the PDF version of the JIFFA Waybill to keep pace with digitalization. I strongly hope you will take advantage of it.

We will also provide our members with useful information by having interactions with relevant overseas associations and organizations to further expand our global network.

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3) Relaying opinions from its members to relevant parties by exchanging views and having interactions with the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT) of Japan and other governmental organizations; port and harbor administrators; logistics associations; FIATA, the International Federation of Freight Forwarders

Associations and other international entities, and providing its members with information gained through such exchanges and interactions;

4) Conducting research projects to meet the demands of members, such as those on international multimodal cargo volumes and overseas logistics situations; sharing relevant information with them at meetings, on its website, and by other

means; and conducting public relations activities to raise wider awareness of JIFFA's activities; and

5) Moving ahead with preparations so as to comply with new domestic legislation by garnering and circulating information on DX relevant to its members and advancing discussions on the digitalization of an electronic bill of lading (eB/L) and other transport documents.

JIFFA Conducts FY2025 International Multimodal Transport Specialist Qualification Courses in Tokyo, Osaka 208 New Specialists Qualified

Education Committee

Japan International Freight Forwarders Association Inc. (JIFFA)'s Education Committee conducted its fiscal 2025 courses for qualifying international multimodal transport specialists last year. Consisting of 30 sessions, the 10-day courses were spread out between

October 7 and November 18 in Tokyo and between October 21 and December 2 in Osaka.

Administered on December 11, the common qualification exams were taken by 144 students in Tokyo and 67 in Osaka for a total of 211. As a result, 208 new

international multimodal transport specialists were qualified. Now, JIFFA has to date qualified a cumulative total of 7,099 specialists.

On January 22, 2026, JIFFA invited four top performers—two each from the Tokyo and Osaka courses—to its head office in Tokyo to confer certificates of



qualification. Showing respect to them for making tremendous efforts, Chairman Munenori Kimura gave words of encouragement, saying that he would like them to make full use of the knowledge they had gained from the courses in their daily work as it is a valuable asset. He presented certificates of qualification to each of them.

After the conferment ceremony, JIFFA organized a reception, at which Chairman Kimura was joined by the president and vice president of the Education Committee and media people. The top performers explained the hardships they had gone through and how passionately they had studied until obtaining a wide range of knowledge.

The highest score achieved in the qualification exams was 95, while the average score was 79.78.

JIFFA Organizes FY2025 English Presentation Know-How Course Gaining Confidence to Deliver Messages Through Intensive Individualized Tutoring

Language Training Committee

Japan International Freight Forwarders Association Inc. (JIFFA)'s Language Training Committee organized a two-day course for learning presentation know-how in English on January 27 and February 20, 2026. The elite program was designed to help attendees brush up their English communication skills, which are essential in the field of international business. The course was, as such, attended by 10 highly motivated employees from member freight forwarders.

Theoretical session: On Day 1, Chief Lecturer Chris Hayes was responsible for an online theoretical session. He provided detailed instruction on theories and key presentation techniques, such as how to organize content based on logical thinking, how to identify the target audience, and specific points to keep in mind to attract the audience's attention. The attendees came up with subjects selected from among the eight options they had been given in advance. Using a model presentation given by the instructor as a guideline, they had spent a week preparing materials on their own. The instructor

checked and corrected the materials in advance so that the attendees could advance to the practical session on Day 2.

Practical session: On Day 2, a practical session was given for improving expressions from a professional perspective. It was a phase of practice and refinement in which the attendees were encouraged to put the theories they learned into practice on Day 1. After a general lecture, the session was divided into two groups of five, to which lecturers Robert Li and Liudmila Ivanova gave intensive individualized tutoring.

Through near one-on-one direct instruction from a professional perspective, the attendees learned how to dramatically change how the same phrases are perceived, organize stories, convey passion, and add pauses to engage the audience. This is how they internalized the essence behind techniques of "why that expression is necessary."

Bearing fruit: To conclude the presentation course, where the attendees had astonishingly boosted their skills, final presentations were given by group



representatives. Messages drafted through rigorous professional guidance were amazingly clear and powerful. By using every word purposefully, they captivated the audience. The attendees were highly rated by the instructors, who said they had made significant progress, before completing their fulfilling presentation course with noticeable improvements.

By having materials thoroughly checked and corrected and practicing over and over again, all of the 10 attendees gained confidence in delivering messages to the world.

The Language Training Committee will continue to work to encourage employees from member companies to enhance their language skills and, consequently, help member companies qualitatively improve their business operations. The committee strongly hopes that many of them will take its next course.

JIFFA Holds Indonesian and Thai Language Webinars

Language Training Committee

Japan International Freight Forwarders Association Inc. (JIFFA)'s Language Training Committee held Indonesian and Thai language seminars on February 9 and February 13, 2026, respectively. In fiscal 2025, both seminars were arranged online.

In the ninth Indonesian seminar, six students participated. It began with a lecture on the origin of Indonesian given by Lecturer Yumiko Horas, in which she explained that Indonesian is the newest unified national language. The lecturer added that Indonesian uses the same 26 Latin letters as English and that it is easy to learn for Japanese speakers as Japanese can be transcribed in romaji. The students

first enjoyed learning how to pronounce their names in Indonesian and moved on to words they can say in basic greetings, such as names, places of birth, things they like, and so on. To help the students understand that the Indonesian language had developed from many different local languages, a video was played so that they were able to see differences among them from highly realistic conversations made by local people. They spent an enjoyable time, were given equal opportunities to speak and received detailed instruction.

The 10th Thai seminar was, meanwhile, attended by 16 students. In preparation for language learning, Lecturer Marin Nakajima introduced topics closely linked with Japan and provided some basic information on Thai people in detail, such as mentality, daily routines, and historical perspectives. Having learned such things, the students moved on to language learning that included greetings and self-introductions. In teaching pronunciation, she linked some expressions with something the students are familiar with in Japanese so that they were able to learn pronunciation smoothly. Also learning



gestures to express gratitude, they shared so fulfilling a time with each other that they felt the two-hour seminar came to an end in no time.

The seminars were both highly rated by almost all of the participating students. Although they had decided to take them for various reasons, they said in surveys conducted after the webinars that they were very interesting. Some said they would like to have them held regularly, and others answered that the lecturers' pronunciation was so easy to understand and instructive. Other comments said they would recommend the seminars to others, and that they would like to take them again.

The Language Training Committee plans to arrange seminars on other Southeast Asian languages and other subjects, hoping they will also be packed with many attendees.



JIFFA Holds Online Seminar on SME Transactions Act Effective January 1, 2026

Public Relations Committee

In recent years, trading relationships have been changing dramatically in the logistics and freight forwarding industry. In trading relationships among shippers, prime contractors, and subcontractors, the appropriateness and fairness of business transactions have become more important than ever.

As such, the Act on Proper Transactions with Small and Medium-Sized Entrusted Business Operators (SME Transactions Act) came into effect on January 1, 2026, replacing the former Subcontract Act. As it is an important law for fundamental ideas in trading relationships, member companies have been facing an increasing number of cases in their daily business operations in which

they are required to have a correct understanding and take appropriate actions.

Under such circumstances, Japan International Freight Forwarders Association Inc. (JIFFA)'s Public Relations Committee held an online seminar on the SME Transactions Act on February 17, with 164 employees attending from member freight forwarders. The invited lecturer was Mr. Satoru Ishii of the Japan Fair Trade Commission (JFTC). He is the Deputy Director for Guidance, Inter-Enterprise Trade Division, Trade Practice Department, Economic Affairs Bureau, General Secretariat. Lecturer Ishii explained in an easy-to-understand way

the purpose and basic principles of the new law and points for logistics service providers and freight forwarders to keep in mind.

The Public Relations Committee will continue to provide information and opportunities for workshops that are helpful when member freight forwarders conduct business operations, hoping that many employees from member companies will attend such events.



JIFFA Holds Debriefing Sessions in Tokyo, Osaka on Logistics in Southern, and Eastern India

International Exchange Committee

Japan International Freight Forwarders Association Inc. (JIFFA)'s International Exchange Committee held debriefing sessions in Tokyo on February 25 and in Osaka on February 26, 2026 to report on surveys that it had conducted on logistics affairs in Southern and Eastern India. With 64 attendees in Tokyo and 21 in Osaka, the events both showed that member companies were highly

interested in the Indian market.

The debriefing sessions reported on surveys, which were conducted during an overseas business trip from September 7 through September 14, 2025. Invited as a lecturer, Senior Consultant Yutaka Hosoyamada from NX Logistics Research and Consulting, Inc. shared the first-hand information that he had gained as a member of the survey team.

In the south, Mr. Hosoyamada said, clusters are being developed, mainly in Chennai and Bengaluru, for the auto, electrical and electronics, IT, and other industries.

Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port in the eastern city of Kolkata is located some 232 kilometers inland from the mouth of the Hooghly River in the Bay of Bengal, according to the lecturer. Being a river port, it faces some challenges, such as draft restrictions and tidal dependence.

The port, nevertheless, plays an important role as a gateway to eastern and northeastern regions as well as neighboring landlocked nations like Nepal and Bhutan.

When touching on India's transport infrastructure in general, Mr. Hosoyamada said that logistics costs are very high, accounting for 13 to 14% of the nation's GDP, because cargo carriage still depends highly on overland transport services.

He also introduced points to watch out for in conducting practical work, such as customs clearance, which includes the in-principle CFS customs clearance to avoid congestion at ports, and various registration systems.

The debriefing sessions highlighted for attendees the importance of seeing India not simply as a growing market, but from a structural perspective in consideration of regional industry structures, port and harbor functions, and infrastructure developments.



JIFFA Takes Children to Osaka Port on Logistics Field Trip in Spring

Public Relations Committee

Japan International Freight Forwarders Association Inc. (JIFFA)'s Public Relations Committee organized its logistics field trip in Osaka on Tuesday, March 31 for children who will lead future generations.

The program was initiated to take children whose parents or guardians work for JIFFA member companies to their parents or guardians' workplaces and help them learn about and become familiar with international logistics operations and work environments.

In fiscal 2025, the program was held twice for the first time, in the summer of 2025 and the spring of 2026.

In the Osaka field trip, a total of 25 children and parents or guardians participated, together with five staff members from JIFFA for a total of 30. Visiting the MOL Museum Funeshiru, a container terminal run by Kamigumi Co., Ltd.'s Osaka Branch, and elsewhere, children enjoyed learning about glimpses of their parents or guardians' work, which

they do not usually have an opportunity to experience.

The MOL Museum Funeshiru, the first destination they visited, is a hands-on museum opened by the MOL group in July 2025. Visitors can learn about the massive scale of shipping, the roles that



ships play for people's livelihoods, the importance of marine transport in Japan, and so on by viewing and interacting with exhibits.

At the Kamigumi Nanko C-8 Container Terminal, export containers were being loaded onto a containership bound for Taiwan and Malaysia berthed at the terminal at that time, where containers were being handled with gantry cranes. It was a valuable experience not only for the children, but for their parents or guardians as well, as they were given an opportunity to see container loading up close, which is rarely seen in everyday life. They were all absorbed in observing it.



International Multimodal Cargo Volumes in H2 of FY2025: Exports Increase 1.6%; Imports Decrease 2.6%; Exports to India Jump

Forwarding Committee

In the second half of fiscal 2025 (October 2025–March 2026), Japan International Freight Forwarders Association Inc. (JIFFA) members handled a total of 54.973 million tons of international multimodal cargo, down 1% from the corresponding six months of fiscal 2024 but up 4.4% from the previous six months. Exports increased 1.6% from the corresponding six months of fiscal 2024 and 8.3% from the previous six months to 21.294 million tons. In contrast, imports remained on a downward trend, down 2.6% from the corresponding six months of fiscal 2024 but up 2% from the previous six months to 33.679 million tons.

Exports

In the second half of fiscal 2025, JIFFA member freight forwarders exported 21.294 million tons of international multimodal cargo from Japan, up 1.6% year on year.

Holding the leading share of the pie, exports to China grew 2.1% to 4.405 million tons. Ranked second and third were those to the U.S. and Europe, which fell 7.2% to 2.369 million tons and 2.6% to 1.624 million tons, respectively. Exports to Vietnam increased by double digits, surging 13% to 1.589 million tons in fourth place. At the bottom of the top five, those to India more than doubled, skyrocketing 108.4% to 1.267 million

multimodal cargo, increased by 0.5% to 18.37 million tons. In second place, those from Vietnam went down 4% to 3.702 million tons; in third, from Europe, up 0.3% to 2.361 million tons; in fourth, from Thailand, down 4.8% to 2.044 million tons; and in fifth, from South Korea, down 14.6% to 1.063 million tons.

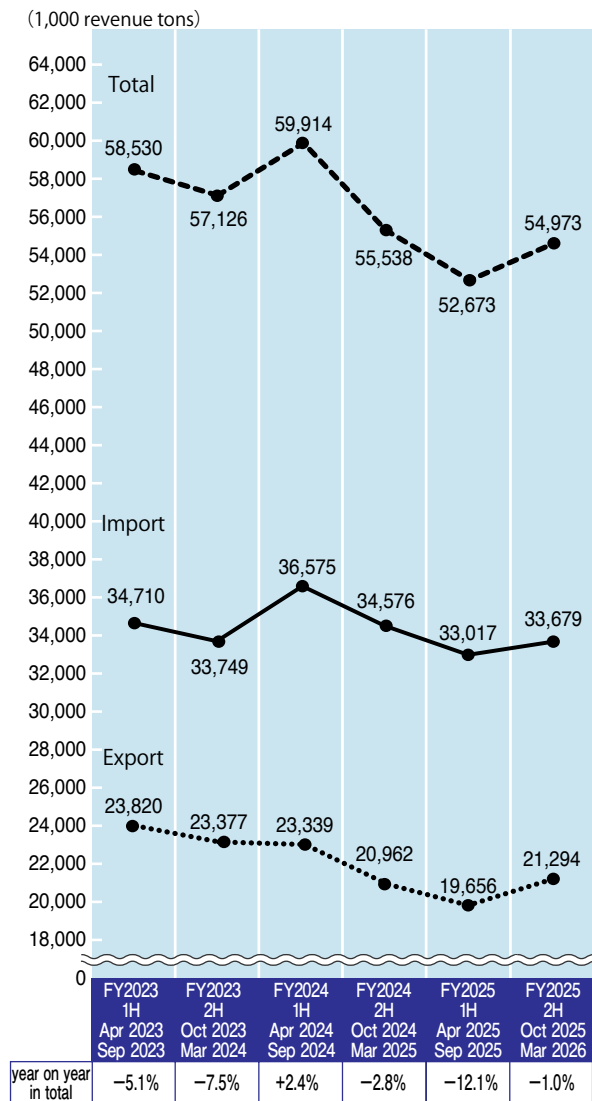
In TEU terms, imports from China climbed 2.7% to 755,427 TEUs, taking the top spot again. They were followed by those from Vietnam, up 4.4% to 144,081 TEUs; from Europe, down 0.5% to 96,067 TEUs; from Thailand, up 3.1% to 86,338 TEUs; and from South Korea, down 3.6% to 52,673 TEUs.

Full fiscal 2025

In fiscal 2025 (April 2025–March 2026), exports of multimodal cargo transported from Japan by JIFFA member freight forwarders declined by double digits year on year in the first half. However, they turned upward in the second half, although growth was only slight. As a result, ex-Japan multimodal cargo totaled 40.95 million tons, down 7.6% from the previous fiscal year. Meanwhile, imports declined from a year earlier in both halves, coming to 66.696 million tons for the full year, down 6.3%. Combined, exports and imports added up to 107.646 million tons, down 6.8%.

Exports were sluggish to all of the top three destinations, sliding 0.6% to 8.504 million tons to China, 9.2% to 4.899 million tons to the U.S., and 5.5% to 3.432 million tons to Europe. In contrast, those to Vietnam, in fourth place, expanded 9.3% to 2.902 million tons. Taking the No. 5 spot, exports to Thailand contracted 1.8% to 2.42 million tons.

Meanwhile, imports from all five leading sources declined, falling by 2% to 35.961 million tons from China, 0.3% to 7.313 million tons from Europe, 3.7% to 4.138 million tons from Thailand, and 29% to 2.421 million tons from the U.S.



tons.

Exports to China accounted for the largest part in TEU terms as well, picking up 3.3% to 237,443 TEUs. They were followed by those to the U.S., which waned 9% to 111,174 TEUs. Third place was taken by exports to Europe, which improved 7.5% to 75,960 TEUs. Finishing in fourth, those to Vietnam soared 13.8% to 73,857 TEUs, and in fifth place, those to Thailand increased 2.9% to 68,309 TEUs.

Imports

Multimodal cargo to Japan imported by JIFFA members weighed a total of 33.679 million tons in October 2025–March 2026, down 2.6% compared to the same six months of the previous fiscal year.

Imports from China, the largest source of incoming

JIFFA Gives FY2026 Workshop for New Employees

Japan International Freight Forwarders Association Inc. (JIFFA)'s Education Committee gives a workshop every year to new employees and those newly assigned to freight forwarding-related tasks at member companies. The workshop usually consists of a four-session classroom lecture on Day 1 and a tour to visit logistics facilities at the Port of Tokyo on Day 2.

The workshop was again packed with many attendees, 70 in total, in fiscal 2026. On May 20, 2026, a classroom lecture was given at the large conference hall of General Insurance Building, Ltd. in Tokyo. This fiscal year, the attendees were divided into two groups and visited logistics facilities at the Port of Tokyo separately on May 21 and May 22. About 60 percent of them had joined their companies within the last six months, including those from outside the

Tokyo metropolitan area, such as Kagoshima, Saga, Osaka, and Fukushima.

The classroom lecture on Day 1 began with the opening remarks by Mr. Kazuto Kuwahara, a member of the Education Committee. The attendees first learned what freight forwarders are and other basics of the international freight forwarding business, such as international the International Commercial Terms (Incoterms), the flows of export and import operations, bill of lading (B/Ls) and other transport documents, and the importance of insurance.

The Education Committee distributed copies of the sixth edition of JIFFA's introductory guide to the freight forwarding business, a new publication and a DVD on international oceangoing freight forwarding for educating new employees, which

Education Committee

was used as teaching materials for the lecture.

With cooperation from the Tokyo Metropolitan Government (TMG)'s



Bureau of Port and Harbor, the committee took the attendees to logistics facilities at the Port of Tokyo on Days 2 and 3. Although heavy rain and strong winds had been expected initially, they were able to board the Tokyo Minato Maru, an inspection and tour boat operated by the bureau. With clear explanations from a guide, they got a close look at terminals, containerships, and so on from the sea.

The attendees moved to a container terminal at the Outer Central Breakwater and attended a briefing on the current state of the Port of Tokyo from an official from the bureau. From an observation deck on the fifth floor of a building, they viewed the entire container terminal, containers, and cargo loading/unloading work from above. By asking questions and having other interactions with the bureau official, they gained a deeper understanding.

One of the attendees said they were able to understand what they learned from the lecture on Day 1 more deeply as they were allowed to inspect the facilities up close that they would not normally have access to. Another commented that learning freight forwarders' activities in general will be helpful in their future work.



JIFFA Holds Webinar on Container Shipping Frontline Threatened by Middle East Situation Changes Seen From NYK Research Group's Perspective Projecting Impacts on Freight Forwarders in Terms of Fuel, Shipping Routes, Cost Fluctuations

International Exchange Committee

Japan International Freight Forwarders Association Inc. (JIFFA)'s International Exchange Committee held an online seminar via Zoom on May 28, 2026 to explain the frontline of container shipping threatened by changes in the Middle East situation that is seen from the perspective of Nippon Yusen Kaisha (NYK)'s Research Group.

The webinar was organized in response to growing interest in the impact of changes in the Middle East situation on oceangoing container transport. It was attended by 328 participants. The number was large enough to indicate that JIFFA member companies are also highly interested in how changes in the Middle East situation could influence international logistics.

The seminar featured Mr. Gentaro Hara, General Manager, Research Group, NYK Line.

Major maritime routes that underpin

international logistics, such as the Red Sea, the Strait of Hormuz, and the Suez Canal, are facing serious geopolitical risks and changes in the security environment, Mr. Hara said. Higher transit risks could, as such, adversely affect route selection, transit time, the supply of and demand for shipping capacity, and so on.

Increased tensions in the Middle East could have repercussions on multiple factors that include bunker oil costs, insurance premiums, surcharges, and capacity supply and demand, he continued. The lecturer, therefore, advised that ongoing market developments should not be viewed as a result of demand growth, but to be understood as a result of multiple factors that include supply constraints and cost hikes.

Regarding the negative impacts on freight forwarders, they could be forced to alter shipping routes and respond to transport service delays and space



shortages. Higher costs also directly affect their daily operations, for example, when they give explanations to shippers, explain terms and conditions, fulfill contracts, and manage lead time. At a time when external environments change drastically, Mr. Hara added, it is important to share information among relevant parties as soon as possible and make sure what areas of business they can address and what they cannot.

2026 FIATA-RAP Field Meeting Convened in Tianjin Discussions Held on Geopolitical Risks, Middle Corridor, eFBL/NCD Convention

International Exchange Committee

The 2026 FIATA-RAP Field Meeting was convened in Tianjin, China from June 2 through June 4. On behalf of Japan International Freight Forwarders Association Inc. (JIFFA), one representative from each of its

International Exchange Committee and secretariat attended the meeting.

RAP stands for Region Asia-Pacific, a local organization within the International Federation of Freight Forwarders Associations (FIATA). The FIATA-RAP Field Meeting is a meeting where national and regional associations from the region gather to share information on regional logistics challenges and the priority initiatives of FIATA headquarters.

Organized alongside the fourth Tianjin International Shipping Industry Expo., the 2026 FIATA-RAP Field Meeting included a lecture by the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP), a briefing

session on major issues by the FIATA headquarters, information sharing among participating freight forwarders associations, high-level strategic meetings, and so on.

Particularly impressive throughout the 2026 FIATA-RAP Field Meeting was that discussions on international logistics were not limited to the means of transportation or infrastructure development. They were closely related to more extensive subjects as well, such as geopolitical risks, transport route diversification, electronic documents, legal frameworks, data integration, and trade finance. Geopolitical risks, the Middle Corridor, eFBL and the NCD Convention (United Nations Convention on Negotiable Cargo Documents) were, in particular, keywords for understanding the entire meeting.

