

## **“100 Books for Understanding Contemporary Japan” Book Donation**

The Read Japan program donates books about contemporary Japan to libraries overseas. Libraries can apply to receive books from the “100 Books for Understanding Contemporary Japan” catalogue below by submitting applications to The Nippon Foundation after reading the Application Guidelines.

### **A. “100 Books for Understanding Contemporary Japan” Book Donation**

These 100 books, which were selected by a committee of Japanese and foreign scholars, journalists, etc., cover five categories: Politics & International Relations, Economy & Business, Society & Culture, Literature & Arts, and History.

[100 Books for Understanding Contemporary Japan \(PDF / 2.6MB\)](#)

### **B. Application Guidelines**

#### **a) Eligibility:**

- University libraries and public libraries used by scholars and students
- Libraries serving a general public
- Libraries attached to research organizations and think tanks

Note: priority will be given to institutions that have not previously received books through this program.

#### **b) Application Materials:**

Please download the following application form and book checklist and submit them together with a cover letter by e-mail to: [bookproject@ps.nippon-foundation.or.jp](mailto:bookproject@ps.nippon-foundation.or.jp)

- Application form (MS EXCEL)
- Book checklist (MS EXCEL)
- Cover letter on letterhead

Note: we must receive all three of the application materials listed above to process your application. We also encourage you to send us photographs of your library, if possible.

**c) Application Deadline: September 20, 2019.**

Within two weeks after receiving your application, we will send you a message acknowledging receipt. In case you do not receive it, please do contact us as e-mail communication could be unstable. The application will be screened, and successful libraries will be announced by the end of November 2019.

**d) Costs:**

The Nippon Foundation is fully responsible for shipping expenses. However, libraries are responsible for payment of customs fees, VAT and other related charges incurred in the destination country.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to ask us.

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