

The SUSTEP Short-term Training Program for Ulaanbaatar City Personnel

From October 13th through 23rd, 2015, eight personnel from the Ulaanbaatar City government participated in a short-term training program on urban environment improvement. The focus of this training was on air pollution, soil pollution, water pollution, and policies. This is a special program designed for Ulaanbaatar City employees. This year, the trainees came from the strategic policy department, the administration department, the environment and green development department, the public services department, and the property relations department.

This program was initiated by Mr. Togooch Bat-Drnene, deputy mayor in charge of ecology and green development, and Mr. Bayarbaatar Sandagdorj, head of the strategic policy & planning department in 2014. The main purpose was to enhance the capacity of City's employees in dealing with its environmental problems and green development policies. This 2015 program was the second attempt.



Twelve faculty members/experts in the Master's Program in Environmental Sciences and the Doctoral Program in Sustainable Environmental Studies provided lectures, ranging from Japanese pollution history, city planning, and leadership to phytoremediation, waste management, and regional climate projection. The trainees also participated in short seminars at the National Institute for Environmental Studies (air pollution issues), Tsukuba City (low carbon/eco-city and waste management) and, and the Tokyo Metropolitan government (waste management and eco-town projects).

All trainees successfully completed this program. In the afternoon of October 23rd, Professor Takeo Hama, chair of the Master's Program in Environmental Sciences gave a certificate of completion to each trainee.

