Status of Reconstruction from the Great East Japan Earthquake

Thanks to the efforts of residents in affected areas and domestic and international support, reconstruction in the affected regions has steadily advanced over the ten years since the disaster.

- On 11th March 2011, the earthquake and tsunami caused complex damage, including a nuclear power plant accident. The death toll came to 19,747 (including deaths related to the disaster) and 2,556 people remain missing.

- The air dose rate in Fukushima City has decreased significantly compared with immediately after the disaster.

- Air dose rates in locations in Fukushima Prefecture are about the same level as major cities overseas.

- Some events at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games were held in Fukushima Prefecture.
Current status of TEPCO Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station

- The condition is stable. The amount of radioactive material released has been significantly reduced.
- Protective suits are no longer necessary for most workers and inspectors.
- The IAEA has been conducting reviews on decommissioning and the safety of ALPS treated water and others.
- No “contaminated water” which hasn’t been purified shall be discharged from the TEPCO’s Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station.

Ensuring food safety and peace of mind

- Japan conducts food tests with criteria that are stricter than international guidelines. If a product does not pass the tests, it will not be distributed to markets in Japan or overseas.
- Agricultural and fishery products are strictly monitored before shipping. The test results are published. In recent years, almost no items have exceeded the reference values.
- Most import restrictions imposed by other countries have been lifted or eased.

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Source: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries website

Check test results for agricultural and fishery products produced in Fukushima Prefecture here https://fukumegu.org/ok/contentsV2/

Fukushima’s popular products and travel destinations

- Tsuruga Castle in spring
- Fukushima peaches
- Fukushima sake
- Historical district

As shown, the reconstruction of Fukushima is steadily advancing. Please inform the people of your country (region) of the above accurate information, and visit Fukushima.