

**Submission of views and information further to decision NP-3/14 on Article 4, Paragraph 4, of the Nagoya Protocol Thematic area: Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit-sharing (Ref. : SCBD/NPU/DC/VN/KG/RKi/87806)**

In response to Notification 2019-025, Japan would like to submit its views as follows:

***(a) Information on how specialized international access and benefit-sharing instruments are addressed in their domestic measures***

In Japan, ITPGR-related instruments and Pandemic Influenza Preparedness (PIP) Framework of the World Health Organization (WHO) are regarded as the specialized international access and benefit-sharing instruments. More specifically, Nagoya Protocol is not being applied for the utilization of plant genetic resources of the crop species listed on Annex I of the ITPGR and similar species, as long as this utilization is consistent with, and does not run counter to the objectives of the CBD and the Nagoya Protocol. Similarly, this Protocol is not being applied for the implementation of PIP Framework. It is also worthy to note that, many countries, including Japan, consider that the impact of the Nagoya Protocol on global public health is significant and regard this issue as important. Based on these concerns, member states of the WHO adopted the resolution WHA72(13) of “*The public health implication of implementation of the Nagoya Protocol*” at the 72th World Health Assembly held in May 2019. Progress in discussions from this resolution should, therefore, be further taken into account.

***(b) Views on the potential criteria contained in the study (summarized in the Annex to decision NP-3/14), taking into account Article 4, paragraphs 1 to 3, of the Protocol.***

No comments.