Celebration of World Hydrography Day 2011 in Japan

Public Relations

In order to make World Hydrography Day widely known in Japan, a press release was conducted in Tokyo on 10th June, in which World Hydrography Day was explained including its history. At the 6th Regional Coast Guard Headquarters (Hiroshima), the press media were invited aboard a survey vessel and learned the outline of hydrographic service.



TV reporter and Survey Vessel "Kurushima" belonging to 6th Regional Headquarters

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Meeting of Regional Directors of the Hydrographic and Oceanographic Department

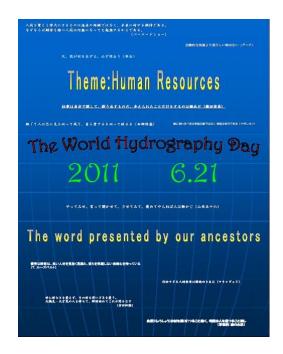
The Meeting of Regional Directors of the Hydrographic and Oceanographic Department was held in Tokyo from 27th to 28th June as a part of celebration of World Hydrography Day.

Dr. Kato, Chief Hydrographer, gave an opening address, in which he looked forward to a fruitful discussion and emphasised that the 21st June had been World Hydrography Day with the theme of "Human Resources". At the meeting the present situation of damages caused by the Great East Japan Earthquake and countermeasures against them were discussed, as well as future plans for Human Resource Development.



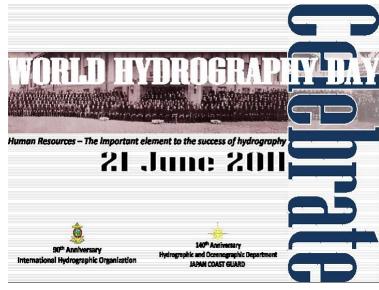
World Hydrography Day Poster Design Contest in Japan

This year's World Hydrography Day was also the 90th anniversary of the establishment of the IHO and Japan Hydrographic and Oceanographic Department will celebrate its 140th anniversary in September. In order for more staff members to recognize the World Hydrography Day, JHOD organised the contest of poster design for the World Hydrography Day. Among all posters submitted, four pieces were selected and displayed inside and around the JHOD building from 10th to 28th June.









Special Exhibition at the Hydrographic and Oceanographic Museum

In order to increase better understanding of the International Hydrographic Organization, Hydrographic and Oceanographic Museum was opened to the public from 20th to 22nd June, where various panels and slideshow, etc. were displayed. The museum has the collection of items that tell the history of Japan Hydrographic and Oceanographic Department. During the period 12 characteristic charts in the world including 6 charts around Japan were displayed.

