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Organic Shizukuishi PGS 2017 Annual Report to IFOAM PGS Committee

1. April

Four new members joined: college lecturer, artisan of lacquer ware, community reactivating cooperator squad (agriculture promotion assistant at Shizukuishi town), organic farmer with 30 years of experiences

2. May

Renewal of the Organic Shizukuishi Officials

Previous Representative: Mr. Satoshi Fukumoto, Previous Vice Representative: Mr. Hiroshi Miwa

Current Representative: Mr. Katsuaki Takahashi, Current Vice Representative: Mr. Ryoichi Komiya

3. June

Preparation for the 2017 field inspection by Organic Shizukuishi PGS

Organic Shizukuishi PGS Application Form submission dead line: 24 June 2017

Applicants: 4 (Mr. Fukumoto, Mr. Takahashi, Mr. Komiya, Mr. Kato)

4. July

Field inspection by Organic Shizukuishi members with an organic farming adviser: 22 July 2017

Inspected field name, field owner and their current jobs other than organic producer

Field name	Producer's name	Producer's current job other than the organic producer	URL
Shizukuishi Sousaku Noen	Mr. Fukumoto	none	http://sousaku-nouen.com/
Create Farm	Mr. Takahashi	Executive Managing Director at Koiwai Farm	www.koiwai.co.jp/makiba/en/
Ihatov Farm	Mr. Komiya	Professor at University Tunku Abdul Rahman, Malaysia	www.utar.edu.my
Nanbu Katafuji Farm	Mr. Kato	Vice President at Life Select Co. Ltd.	www.lifeselect.co.jp/index.html

Name of the inspectors: Above four organic producers and

Mr. Miyake (Applicant of Organic Shizukuishi PGS in 2018)

Mr. and Mrs. Fukushi (Applicant of Organic Shizukuishi PGS in 2018)

Mr. Tsukiji (The adviser of the farm inspection, Chief Agricultural extension worker of Morioka Agricultural Extension Center)

Ms. Yamazaki (Member of Shizukuishi town assembly, Organic Shizukuishi member)

Ms. Douzen (Nutritionist at Nishine Nursery Center of Shizukuishi town, Organic Shizukuishi member)

Ms. Sasada (Assistant Professor at Iwate Prefectural University Morioka Junior College, Organic Shizukuishi member)

Ms. Takamura (House wife, life consultant, Organic Shizukuishi member)

Photos of field inspection by Organic Shizukuishi members with the advisor from Morioka Agricultural Extension Center on 22 July 2017



Field inspection pre-meeting

Instruction of inspection form description



Mr. Fukumoto's field inspection
Inspectors are viewing "Soya bean" row.



Mr. Takahashi's field inspection

He is showing entire view of his farm.



Mr. Komiya's field inspection

They are watching "Pumpkin" row.



Mr. Kato's field inspection

His fields are for "Soya beans" only.

5. August

All four producers got the certificate of Organic Shizukuishi PGS: 26 August 2017

6. September

- (1) Participated in the event of "Organic Festa in Iwate 2017": 9-10 September 2017*
 - *: Organized by Iwate Organic Agriculture Liaison Council**
 - **: http://oraganet.com/cgi/event/

Some scenes of the Festa

https://organicfiestaiwate.jimdo.com/

Place: Iwate Yakehashiri International Exchange Village

URL: http://www.hachimantai-ss.co.jp/~yakehashiri/

The number of visitors: 7,000

Organic Shizukuishi members worked in our tent booth: Mr. Takahashi, Mr. Komiya, Mr. Kato

Mr. Miyake, Mr. and Mrs. Fukushi, Mr. Ookawa, Ms. Yamazaki, Ms. Sasada, Ms. Takamura

Our activities at the place

- Sales of our members' organic produces
- Fest lunch service [risotto] to our booth
- IFOAM PGS flyer distribution
- Our organized seminar flyer distribution
- Dietary education seminar organized by Organic Shizukuishi

Speakers

Mr. Mikio Kanoh [Chef of Morioka Metropolitan Hotel]

Ms. Setsuko Douzen [nutritionist] at Nishine Nursery Center of Shizukuishi town

Major Topics at the seminar: "La Semaine du Gout au Japon" [By Mr. Kanoh] and "Dietary education at the Nishine nursery center" [By Ms. Douzen]



Organic Shizukuishi booth made of tent (front view)



Hanging advertisement leaflet of the IFOAM ORGANICS INTERNATIONAL in front of our booth



Our produces are selling in the booth (see the Organic Shizukuishi PGS Certificate logo attached to each plastic bag)

(2) Participated in the event of "Organic caravan": 28-29 September 2017

Place: Iwate Prefectural Office in Morioka city

Number of visitors: n.a.

Organic Shizukuishi members worked in our sales corner: Mr. Komiya, Mr. Kato and Ms. Uwano

Our activities at the place: Sales of Mr. Kato's green soy beans, Ms. Uwano's organic rice, Mr. Komiya's Black Russian tomatoes, buns, cakes, pickles and tomato sauce

Photos at the caravan



Mr. Kato is selling his produce "green soya beans" at the place.



Mr. Komiya is selling buns, cakes and tomato sauce, pickles and Black Russian tomatoes.



Ms. Uwano is selling organic rice.

7. October

(1) Organic vegetable luncheon at newly opened Mr. Sato's* café restaurant "Tochi no mi" [Japanese horse chestnut] **: 14 October 2017

*: Member of Organic Shizukuishi

**: http://tochinomi.blogspot.jp/

Attendance: 20

Our prepared meals:

- Risotto with organic rice cooked together with Roma tomatoes and Oxheart tomatoes
- -Baked Black Russian tomatoes
- -Baked taros, carrots and pumpkins

Photos of the luncheon



Mr. Kato is preparing risotto using Dutch oven. Heater: Rocket stove



Tomato: Roma shaped like pear



Taros* in the Dutch oven

*: Mr. Takahashi's produce



Ladies and gentlemen let us enjoy Organic luncheon!

(2) Participated in the event of the Shizukuishi Industry Festival: 21-22 October 2017

Place: Shizukuishi town sports park

Number of visitors: n.a.

Our activities: Mr. Takahashi sold vegetables [carrots, pumpkins], Mr. Komiya sold buns and cakes.

Photos of the Shizukuishi Industry festival



Organic Shizukuishi tent booth
Front view



Organic Shizukuishi tent booth Side view

8. November

Participated in the event of "Organic caravan": 11-12 November 2017

Place: ROOM DESIGN [Morioka city]

Number of visitors: n.a.

Our activities: Mr. Takahashi sold carrots, pumpkins, taros, burdocks, miso paste and honeys.

(note) Organic caravans are organized by Iwate Organic Agriculture Liaison Council to promote sales opportunities of organic producers in Iwate Prefecture

Photos at the caravan



Mses. Ono and Takebayashi at Organic Shizukuishi corner.

They are officers of Iwate Organic Agriculture Liaison Council.



Messrs. Takahashi and Kato at Organic Shizukuishi corner

9. Scheduled Organic Shizukuishi Meetings in November and December 2017

25 November 2017

- 1) The second discussion of documents to be submitted IFOAM PGS Committee
- ② Updated Organic Shizukuishi PGS documents discussion [Operation Principle, Plant Growing Principle, Application Form, Field Inspection Form]
- ③ Scientific experimental results of Organically grown vegetables in terms of tastes and spoilages

16 December 2017

- ① Planning Organic Shizukuishi for 2018
- ② Budget term and budget for 2018
- ③ Instruction of Organic Shizukuishi PGS application form writing to potential applicants for 2018 [Mr. Miyake, Mr. Fukushi, Mr. Tokuda and Ms. Uwano]