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## Activity Report on the "Forest Management Support Program" (Fall 2010 - Fall 2011)

Since Fall 2010, INPEX CORPORATION and its Group companies (INPEX) have been participating in a forest management project hosted by Niigata Prefecture's "Forest Management Support Program" with the aim of conserving the global environment, deepening relationships with local communities and enhancing environmental awareness among INPEX employees. In this Program, Niigata Prefecture serves as the agent to provide unmanaged land borrowed from their landowners, and INPEX is implementing some activities to grow and manage it into the forests.

INPEX has been having some activities twice a year (Spring and Fall); Cumulatively almost 250 peoples including INPEX employees, their families, and local residential participants have joined in the previous events since Fall 2010 described in below. INPEX will contribute to enhance the forest to be enriched by continuing to participate in this Program.

The Outline of the "Forest Management Support Program"

- 1. The Location: Fudosawa Area, Nagaoka-shi, Niigata Prefecture (Commonly known as *Kitsunedaira*)
- 2. The Width: Approximately 0.8 hectare
- 3. Active Period: 10 years
- 4. Activity History of INPEX:

The First Event: Planted 260 trees of total of 7 species, including beech, quercus serrata, oak, and maple, and held an ecology class mainly for children

The Second Event: Installed braces for young trees bent by snow, and also "took a whack" at hammering plug spawn into logs to grow mushrooms (in this process, wooden plugs containing mushroom spores are pounded into holes in a log)

The Third Event: Planted 260 trees of total of 13 species, including beech, quercus serrata, chestnut, date plum, walnut, and cherry



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The First Event: A Commemorative Photo of Participants



The Second Event: Hammering Plug Spawn into Logs to Grow Mushrooms



The Third Event: Planting Various Trees

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