Mission from Vietnam visits Japan

A three-member mission from Vietnam visited Japan on 22 and 23 June under the APO Bilateral Cooperation between National Productivity Organizations Program to learn about the productivity movement in Japan and to be updated on APO programs. The mission members were: Anh Tuan Nguyen, APO Liaison Officer for Vietnam and Managing Director, Vietnam Productivity Centre; Ngoc Tuan Nguyen, Director, Planning and Finance Department, Directorate for Standards and Quality (STAMEQ); and Thi Cam Nhung Le, Adviser to Director; Quality Assurance and Testing Centre 3.

On the first day, the mission visited the APO Secretariat in Tokyo to pay a courtesy call on APO Secretary-General Shigeo Takenaka and receive briefings by APO departmental directors on APO activities. Later in the day, the mission members went to the Japan Productivity Center for Socio-Economic Development (JPC-SED) to make a courtesy visit to JPC-SED President Tsuneaki Taniguchi. They then heard a presentation on the development of the productivity movement in Japan and roles of the JPC-SED by its International Cooperation Department.



A. T. Nguyen, N. T. Nguyen, and T. C. N. Le receiving briefings on APO activities

The second day was also spent at the JPC-SED, where the mission had the opportunity for more in-depth investigation of its activities, such as management consultancy, training for management capacity development, and productivity research.