

New Chief Hydrographer of Japan



Mr. Shigeru KASUGA was appointed as the Chief Hydrographer of Japan and as Director-General of Hydrographic and Oceanographic Department, Japan Coast Guard in April 2014, succeeded Mr. Shin TANI who retired in March 2014 after his service in JHOD for 36 years.

Mr. Kasuga was born in 1955 and he joined Hydrographic Department of Japan Maritime Safety Agency (former JHOD) in 1983 after studied geophysics at the post graduate school of Kyoto University.

He devoted to continental shelf survey issues under the framework of UNCLOS for many years in JHOD. Just before his appointment to the Chief Hydrographer, he worked in the 11th Regional Coast Guard Headquarters which covers the seas around Okinawa islands to command local activities on hydrography, oceanography and safety of navigation as the deputy commander of the 11th RCGHqs.

He started a jogging in his fifties in Okinawa, and completed a run of 42km at the Okinawa marathon in 2013 with a record about 4hours and 20min.

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