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The Embassy of Japan in Pakistan is co-hosting the 8th Japan-SAARC Energy Symposium in collaboration with the SAARC Energy Centre (SEC) and the National University of Sciences and Technology (NUST) on 10-11 March, 2015 at NUST Campus, Islamabad.

The symposium is attended by energy policy experts, professionals and academia from Japan and all SAARC member states. The theme envisioned for this symposium is 'Medium Term Vision for Energy Connectivity in the SAARC region'. The symposium aims to complement the efforts of individual SAARC member states in terms of energy self-sufficiency by wrapping up the seven Japan-SAARC Energy Symposiums in the past and making consensus on recommendations for Medium-term Vision for Energy Connectivity in the SAARC region. Recommendations to be finalized will be shared with all the SAARC member states for their consideration.

In the inaugural sessions held on March 10, the Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan, His Excellency Mr. NAKANE made a keynote speech highlighting Japan's active cooperation with the SAARC member states in the power sector and reiterated Japan's commitment to promoting cooperation to develop the full potential of the SAARC. (End)

