## The start of the "TASAKI Scholarship" in Myanmar

TASAKI (TASAKI & Co., Ltd.; Kobe Headquarter Office: 6-3-2 Minatojima Nakamachi, Chuo-ku, Kobe; Tokyo Headquarter Office: 5-7-5 Ginza, Chuo-ku, Tokyo; Board Director & CEO: Toshikazu TAJIMA) has established the "TASAKI Scholarship" in the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, where it operates 2 company-owned cultured pearl farms. On February 13th, Tuesday, a scholarship awarding ceremony was held as the first scholarship of TASAKI for the students in Myeik Township, Tanintharyi Region of The Republic of The Union of Myanmar.

TASAKI began farming South Sea pearls in Myanmar in 1997, and has operated a farm for South Sea pearls on Domel Island, part of the beautiful Mergui Archipelago lying in the Andaman Sea, for over 20 years and in 2017 started a new Pearl Farm in the beautiful islands called "The Sisters" in the Archipelago. The "TASAKI Scholarship" was established to support the further development of the people of Myeik, a flourishing city on the gateway to the Mergui Archipelago located in the Tanintharyi Region. The scholarship program is intended to support Myeik-based students who require financial assistance to go on to higher education, and will provide each of the students with the sum of US \$150 per month for the duration of their studies (4 years for an undergraduate university or 6 years for a medical school). Six persons were selected as the first scholarship students based on their social standing, academic performance and gender equality and the scholarship program started from December 2017.



The "TASAKI Scholarship" Awarding Ceremony
Center right: Mr. U Myint Thu (General Manager of Myanmar Pearl Enterprise)
Center left: Takaya lida (Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of TASAKI & Co., Ltd.)
6 students of the first scholarship of TASAKI
© TASAKI

In the future, TASAKI will continue to aid in the further development of both the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and Japan through the "TASAKI Scholarship".

Press Contact: Nara, Tanaka, Kawamoto, Iimura / TASAKI Communication Dept. AD/ PR

Tel: 03-3289-1184 E-mail: <a href="mailto:communicationdpt@tasaki.co.jp">communicationdpt@tasaki.co.jp</a>

TASAKI Customer Service: 0120-111-446 (Please use this number when providing information about TASAKI to your readers/viewers.)