

SIAP awarded a letter of thanks from JAXA

Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency, known as JAXA, awarded SIAP for its contribution to its space communication project using its developed WINDS, an internet based high speed communication satellite. The awarding ceremony was held at JAXA Space Center in Tsukuba, a city in the northeast of Tokyo on Wednesday, 22 June 2011.

Ms Davaasuren Chultemjamts, the SIAP director received the Letter of Thanks from Dr. Keiji Tachikawa, the JAXA president, at the ceremony. More than 30 organizations including IT companies, universities, research institutes/observatories, broadcasting companies etc from Japan and other Asian countries were rewarded. They were grouped into three categories based on the areas of contribution: 1) development of WIND satellite and other related facilities, 2) operation of the satellite communication system, and 3) use of the communication network. SIAP is categorized into the third, the use for remote education/training. SIAP has conducted two satellite based trainings: one to Thailand in October 2010 and the other to Mongolia in February 2011.

The WINDS satellite was launched in February 2008 and its phase of basic experimentation has been completed this February, after three years of operation. During the period, wide variety of experiments were successfully implemented from remote education, remote medical service to elimination of digital divide, communication in emergency and communication on ocean. The project is now moving into the stage of practical utilization. The achievement of this cutting-edge technology could be and should be further applied in the field of statistical training. SIAP will continue to work with JAXA and other partners in this field.

Picture1: Award is presented by Dr. Tachikawa, JAXA president, to Ms Davaasuren, SIAP director



Picture2: Dr. Tachikawa on the right and Ms Davaasuren

