



We oppose the central Government and Fukushima Prefecture forcing people to return Protect your health with regular Check-Ups

The “No” vote in the House of Councillors election indicates disapproval for the Abe Administration

The citizens of Fukushima prefecture issued a sharp “NO!” in the face of the Abe administration in the House of Councillors election. It is the same for Okinawa. The government immediately dispatched 500 riot police from all over Japan to Okinawa, removing the resident protesters by force, so as to railroad the Osprey helipad construction. This is their retaliation for the election result.

Forced return and severance of Housing Support for Voluntary Evacuees

The partial lifting of the “difficult-to-return area” was suddenly announced in Fukushima. There is no doubt that this policy of abandoning Fukushima people is the same as the policy on Okinawa. With the start of the new year, the central government and Fukushima prefecture proceeded to lift evacuation orders in rapid succession while on the basis that there is ‘no concern for radioactive contamination’. After the villages of Katsurao and Kawauchi, more than 10,000 residents in Minami Soma city have had the evacuation directives lifted. Fukushima prefecture also announced that housing support for voluntary evacuees would end by March 2017. Government employees even use persuasion techniques during visits to evacuees living outside of Fukushima prefecture to urge them to return. While they want to erase the accident itself in their direction of the recovery, the place they insist is ‘safe’ to be taken back to is filled with plastic bags.

Olympics Cutting Off Fukushima

The other day, TEPCO completely discarded their underground water policy in costing hundreds of billions of yen in the construction of the ice wall, saying it was ‘impossible to freeze all of the soil’. The number of thousand ton

contaminated water tanks already over one thousand and each tank is concentrated tens of thousands times. There is a further 60,000 tons of contaminated water of 100,000 times greater concentration beneath the reactor buildings which lacks any solution. This can only result in either the bankruptcy of the Tokyo Olympics, won with the lie that ‘the contaminated water is under control’, or the revelation of the crisis at Fukushima to the world once again.

173 Children With Thyroid Cancer

There are already 173 children with confirmed or suspected cancers (6 June Examination Committee on Fukushima Prefectural Health Survey). Five years since the accident, the health damage from radiation exposures is so wide spread that it is no longer possible to hide. The increase in the number of adults with thyroid cancer was recently broadcast and has received public attention. It is unforgivable to neglect this present situation.

For the future of our children, without yielding to any pressure and obstruction from the national government and Fukushima prefecture, based on our principle of “evacuation, respite, treatment” and using thyroid ultrasound monitoring covered by health insurance we will continue to dedicate all our efforts to protect the lives of Fukushima citizens. We recommend regular ultrasound monitoring both for those who have not yet received it as well as for those who have already been tested. Ultrasound has no risk of radiation exposure and it is especially effective to test for breast cancer and cancers of the heart, liver, pancreas and kidney. We have experienced practitioners working on these examinations. Please feel free to share your concerns about your health and/or radiation exposure.

Mother's Antennas

The decision to evacuate after thorough consideration

Neither the central government nor Fukushima prefecture told us to evacuate after the nuclear power plant accident. I made the decision to evacuate after collecting information and thinking over it thoroughly. With the thought that I didn't want my children to ask me in future, "What was more important to you than us? Why didn't you evacuate us?", even though I was hesitant because "nobody around me is escaping...", I left. Right at that time, the government announced the evacuee support for voluntary evacuees as well. I saw this as the recognition that it was correct to evacuate even if your area had not been designated an evacuation zone.

Support severed by the end of March 2017

After this, following a superficial decontamination program which resembled an alibi, Fukushima Prefecture decided to cut off rent-free housing support to voluntary evacuees by the end of March 2017. Last month I received a letter from Yamagata prefecture that rent-free housing would last only until 31 March next year. The life of refugees/evacuees takes a great deal of determination. It has not been easy. It is

trying to face reality with a positive attitude while bearing a heavy heart day after day.

Voluntary Evacuees = Inconvenient Existence for the Government

The existence of voluntary evacuees must be very inconvenient for people who seek to evade responsibility for the nuclear power plant accident. This is because through their actions they testify as 'living proof' that the mantra of safety and security promoted by the Government and Fukushima Prefecture can neither be heeded nor trusted.

Increasing children's thyroid cancer: I am not going back to Fukushima.

I, myself, developed cancer and endured the ordeal of an operation last year. Even as an adult, facing cancer is more difficult than you can imagine. I want to tell Fukushima Medical University Shinichi Suzuki to stop his nonsense. He said, "Thyroid cancer is a good prognosis. We just have to cut them off." He is forcing radiation exposures on Fukushima citizens by repeating his irresponsible statement that "it is hard to think that these are the effects from radiation." As long as I am alive, I will never return my children to Fukushima.

We have to protect children from radiation. Setting up clinics in Fukushima is crucial for children to survive.

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