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# About 10km long, Japan's Longest Mega Solar Power Plant Begins Operation on Site Originally Planned for Narita Shin Kasen

Operation began on July 15 and opening ceremony held on July 18; the plant could impress visiting foreigners from Narita Airport with Japan's advance in natural energy power usage

Tokyo (July 18, 2017) – SPARX Group Co., Ltd. (SPARX) announces that "SGET Chiba New Town Chuo Mega Solar Power Plant" started its operation on July 15. The plant spreads from Inzai city to Shiroi city in Chiba, the longest solar power plant in Japan (*), has been supported for the launch, by SPARX Green Energy & Technology (SGET), a group company of SPARX which supports operation of renewable energy power plants.

This plant is located on the unused site that was meant for the Narita Shinkansen, for which construction began in 1974 but never completed. Solar panels are installed along the site about 10 km long from Chiba New Town Chuo Station (Hokuso Railway), through Inzai-Makinohara Station, to Inba-Nihon-Idai Station. Since Keisei Skyliner, which connects Narita Airport and the heart of downtown Tokyo, runs on the adjacent line, the plant could give to foreign visitors a visual perception that Japan is advanced in natural energy power usage.

The plant has been constructed from April 2016 to July 2017 with the project costs 4.4 billion yen. Toshiba Infrastructure Systems & Solutions Corporation performed the role of EPC (Engineering, Procurement and Construction) and O&M (Operation and Maintenance). It is expected to generate roughly 12.8 million kWh per year, which is equivalent to 4,000-5,000 households' annual energy consumption. The site of the mega solar power plant is owned by Chiba Prefecture, which charges an annual rent of 180 yen/m2.

Opening ceremony and a celebration event are held from 10:00 am on July 18 at around the traffic circle in front of Chiba New Town Chuo Station.

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