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> I am UNIONION, RENGO PR Ambassador! My name "UNIONION" is combination of "Union" and "Onion" whose etymology is "unity" in Latin language.



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The Japanese Trade Union Confederation, RENGO, is a trade union national center in Japan with the membership of 7 million. Since its inception in 1989, RENGO has been struggling to protect jobs and achieve a better life for all workers.

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Towards a society in which all people can work and live safely without anxiety

RENGO marked its 30th anniversary from founding. Since its establishment in 1989, we have been striving to organize, maintain and improve employment and working condition, make policy proposals for secure and safe living in such as medical, pension, education and environment field, and support for recovery from earthquake disaster.

In today's world, in which challenges in workplace are diversified, we need to work to realize "True Diversity" and "Fair Work" based on the principle of "inclusiveness" in which no one left behind. While being aware in these issues, we have developed RENGO Vision "A Secure Society based on Work - Protecting, Connecting, and Creating", based on our resolution" We will change the Future" at the milestone of 30th anniversary. It represents and propose a vision of the society that we should aim towards from the perspective of workers and ordinary citizen. Seeking its realization, we must reinforce our activities, as well as enhance our policy, which will bring social change and be accepted by not only our members but also by general public. We RENGO protect dignity and lives of all working people, connect all workers with trade unions, and create broad and expansive campaigns and activities based on social dialogue and cooperation with multi-stakeholders in order to create social and economic vigor. I am looking forward to working together with you to create better workplace and society.

> President Rikio Kozu



Our Mission

We have inherited the tradition of free and democratic labour movements. We will support the collective action of workers and the advancement of labour movements according to the principles of this tradition.

We will constantly seek social justice, arm ourselves with power and policy, and realize achievement of full employment, establishment of basic labour rights, improvement work conditions, and better quality of life for citizens.

We will unfalteringly hold hopes for a better future, be leaders of the populace, and build a free, fair, just, and peaceful society.

We will work to maintain the independence of trade unions, eliminate all outside control and intervention, establish a solid democratic framework, and work to strengthen and advance the Japanese Trade Union Confederation.

We are deeply aware of responsibility of the Japanese labour movement to global labour movement. We will strive to achieve world peace and the mutual prosperity of all peoples.

RENGO Principles

Article 1

We will maintain high motivation and ethics expected as a leader of the labour movement and act, to realize the society that is the goal of "RENGO's Path".

Article 2

We will advance our activities from the perspective of union members, which will be supported by all workers and citizens.

Article 3

We will conduct fair and transparent management such as democratic decision-making, appropriate accounting and financial management, modern operation of secretariat, and trusted activities, in accordance with laws and social rules as well as our own rules and regulations.

Article 4

We will promote activities to make enterprises and employers fulfill their social responsibility without overlooking their impropriety and unfairness.

Article 5

We will respect human rights and not discriminate based on factors such as race, gender, physical traits, age, beliefs, or lineage, nor allow such discrimination to occur.

Article 6

We will promote active disclosure of information to union members and the wider community, and we will strive to protect personal information.

Article 7

We will engage in a wide rage of social activities which will contribute to local and international society, such as peace, human rights, welfare, the environment, education and safety related activities, with an awareness of being a member of society.

Preamble (excerpt)

Trade unions are organizations that play the role of checking the actions of management and pursue social justice. Trade unions must ensure that their actions and management are modern, fair, and transparent, based on laws and social rules, and that they are trusted by members, non-members, and broader society in order to promote these aims.

We aim to build a movement and organization to be able to adequately fulfil our responsibility and role as the Japanese national center in accordance with these RENGO Principles.

(Established during the 9th RENGO Biennial Convention on 6 October 2005)

Annual Actions

January
February
Policy and Systems Demands Actions
Spring Labor Offensive (SHUNTO)
March
International Women's Day Rally
International Women's Day Rally
May Day Rally
May Day Rally
UNIONAR Pace Rally
OKINAWA Peace Rally
July
Kaugust



HIROSHIMA Peace Rally NAGASAKI Peace Rally

September

NEMURO (Hokkaido) Peace Rally

October

Biennial Convention World Day for Decent Work Central Women's Conference



November

December

"Hope-filled" and "Secure" Society

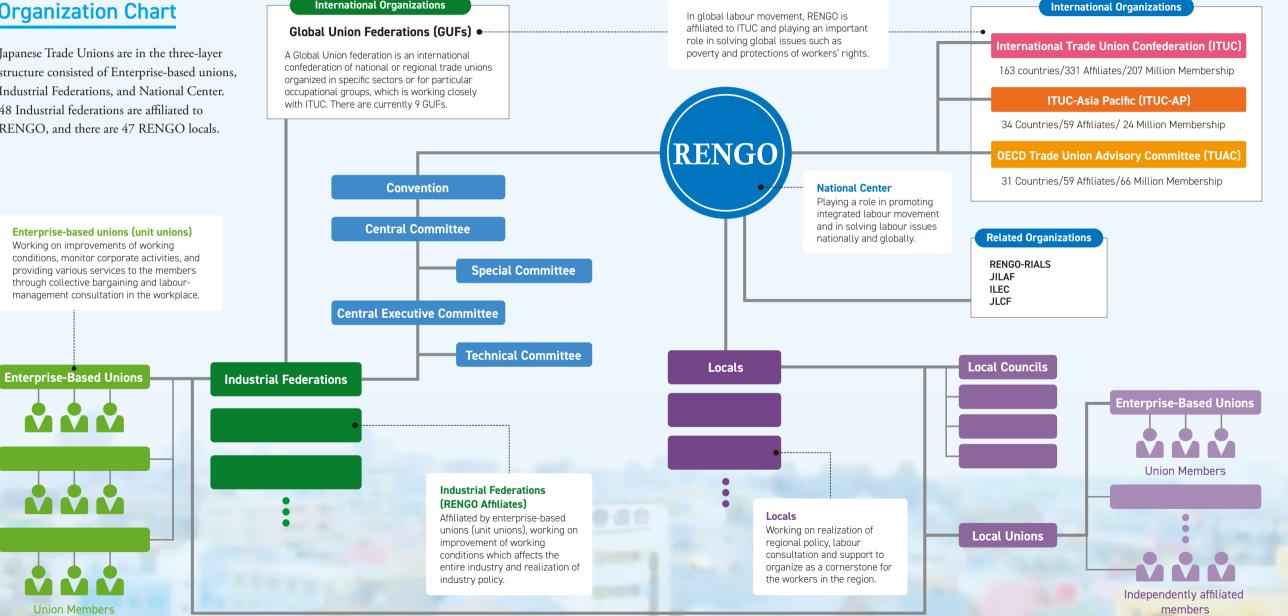
International Organizations

- We Built with All Workers

RENGO (Japanese Trade Union Confederation) is Japanese National Center established in 1989. We promote labour movement to protect employment and lives for all workers, with 7 million memberships.

Organization Chart

Japanese Trade Unions are in the three-layer structure consisted of Enterprise-based unions, Industrial Federations, and National Center. 48 Industrial federations are affiliated to RENGO, and there are 47 RENGO locals.

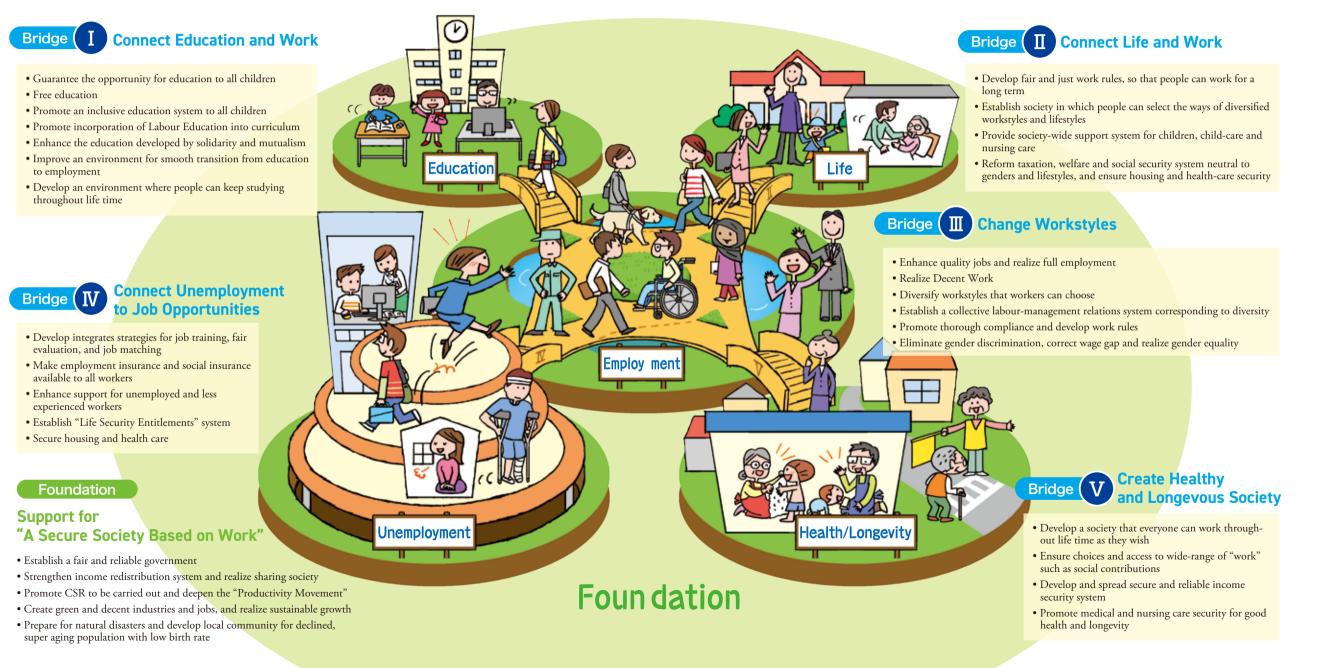


Union Members

A Secure Society Based on Work - Protecting, Connecting, and Creating

We will change the Future.

The society we RENGO aim is a lively participatory society placing utmost value on work, with social participation through diverse work styles under fair working conditions for all, based on mutually-supported social/economic independence and safety nets that permit self-realization. Furthermore, it is a society founded on "sustainability" and "inclusion," where diversity is accepted regardless of age, gender, nationality or disability, and where there is mutual recognition and support that leaves no one behind. To realise this society, the Five Secure Bridges that connect to "Work" need to be developed.



We will change the Future

Towardsa Secure Society

RENGO aims to build a lively participatory society placing utmost value on work, with social participation through diverse work styles under fair working conditions for all, where diversity is accepted regardless of age, gender, nationality or disability founded on "sustainability" and "inclusion," and where there is mutual recognition and support that leaves no one behind. Towards the realization of such a society, RENGO has established new RENGO Vision "A Secure Society based on Work - Protecting, Connecting, and Creating" on the occasion of our 30th Anniversary. We are developing "policy" and "movement" to overcome social issues. At the same time, RENGO will cooperate and collaborate with diverse organizations towards the achievement of the United Nation's "Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)" which holds many common beliefs with the society RENGO aims.

Action Policies 2020-2021

We have restructured our seven movement dominant into three "Priority Areas" and four "Areas for Advancement". RENGO headquarter, affiliated organizations, RENGO locals, and local councils will work together with a sense of unity. (Full text of the Action Policies are available on our official website. http://www.jtuc-rengo.org/about/action_policies.html)

Priority Area

Pursuit of collective industrial relations in order to protect and connect all workers and advancement of a movement with a broad base in society

- 1. Promoting initiatives for the legal protection of diverse workers and other initiatives for the developing of work rules to protect workers
- 2. Advancement of new initiatives to connect and support working people and creation of a system of human resources to support organization
- 3. System enhancement and strategy creation towards "10 Million-RENGO NEXT "
- 4. Promotion of a broad-based movement through social dialogue at the central and regional levels



Advancement of a movement that protects and creates a secure society and decent work

- 1. Efforts in pursuit of integrated reforms of social security, education and taxation, looking towards 2035
- Promotion of efforts to realize integrated solutions to economic, social and environmental issues, towards the realization of a sustainable and inclusive society
- 3. Promotion of employment and labour policies towards the realization of decent work for all working people
- Improvement of wages and working conditions and strengthening the foundations of SMEs to support regional communities



Realization of workplaces and a society in which "True Diversity" that respects every individual and realizes deeply rooted equality between the sexes

- Realization of workplaces and a broader society in which workers can work with satisfaction irrespective of gender, age, nationality, disability, type of employment, etc.
- Efforts towards the realization of gender equality, equal treatment, and work-life balance
- Efforts to promote "Fair Work," including improvement of ability to respond to consultations from diverse groups



Areas for Advancement

- Efforts in the areas of peace, human rights, and contribution to society via social solidarity and succession to the next generation
- Advancement of a movement whose members mutually support and assist each other
- 2. Promotion of peace activities

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Related

Goals of SDGs

- 3. Strengthening of human rights- and solidarity-related activities
- Strengthening of efforts in response to natural disasters and formulation of cooperative business continuity plan (BCP)

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- Promotion of politi cal activities towards the realiza tion of a sound parliamenta ry democracy and the realization of policy
- Fundamentals of political aciti vities
 Promotion of political activities
 Efforts to achieve political reforms towards the realization of a so und parliamentary democracy
 Revitalization of local politics



Advancement of the international labour movement towards the realization of decent work

1. Strengthening of solidarity with international organizations

- Efforts to prevent labour-management conflict and promotion of solutions
- Advocacy and establishment of human rights, trade union rights, and democracy

- Promotion of fostering of human resources and education of workers towards the
 realization of a synergistic effect between
 RENGO and related organizations
- 1. Fostering of human resources to enable the generation of a synergistic effect between RENGO and related organizations
- 2. Utilization of human resources and knowledge in cooperation with related organizations
- 3. Advancement of wide-ranging labour-related education both within and outside of the organization
- 4. Enhancement of collection of archives
- 5. Overseas dispatch to foster international human resources



History

1976	A Conference of Trade Unions for the Furtherance of Policies (SEISUI KAIGI) formed by 16 industrial federations with 3 million members	1992	May Official talks with the All-China Federation of Trade Unions (ACFTU) resumed December Hosted ICFTU-APRO 15th Regional Congress in Tokyo
1981	A private sector-based "Preparatory Committee for the Unification of Laborers" formed by 39 industrial federations with 3.8 million members	1993	May Mass action, "Let's Go to the Diet to Realize Political Reform", human chain around the Diet building October RENGO held the 3rd Biennial Convention
1982	National Council of Trade Unions in the Private Sector (ZENMIN ROKYO) formed by 41 industrial federations with 4.25 million members, setting the stage for the foundation of RENGO	1994	July "RENGO Forum on Policy and Politics" formed (274 policy makers attended) December "Joint Study Group for the Creation of New Industries and Employment" launched in collaboration with Nikkeiren (Japan Federation of Employers'
1987	Japanese Private Sector Trade Union Confederation (JPTUC-RENGO) inaugurated, unifying private sector trade unions of SOHYO, DOMEI, CHURITSU ROREN, SHIN-SANBETSU and other independent federations. (62 affiliates with 5.55 million members)	1995	Associations) JanMar. Support activities and fund-raising for victims of the Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake October RENGO held the 4th Biennial Convention November "RENGO International Cooperation Center"
1989	Japanese Trade Union Confederation (RENGO) inaugurated, achieving the unification between private and public sector trade unions. (78 affiliates with 8 million members)	1996	launched February First overseas showing of "Hiroshima-Nagasa- ki Atomic Bomb Exhibition" in Paris June Nationwide united action for gender equality legislation
<major 1989</major 	Events in RENGO's History> November Japanese Trade Union Confederation (RENGO) inaugurated	1997	February "10-day Sit-in in front of the Diet" held to protest the proposed medical reform plan July "Forum on Women's Participation and Shorter Working Hours" held October RENGO held the 5th Biennial Convention
	建合	1998	January "Gathering of Smaller Unions - Forum to Rectify Disparities" held October Walk-in by 10 thousand petitioners to block proposed revisions of the Labor Standards Law
	Mandaile Co.	1999	October RENGO held the 6th Biennial Convention, and ceremony to commemorate 10th Anniversary
1990	January "Labor Consultation Hotline" set up for workers in smaller businesses and part-time workers May Local RENGOs formed in all 47 prefectures September "Japanese Archipelago Cleaning Campaign" launched as a nationwide united action	2000	JanMar. Petition drive of 10 million signatures calling for pension reform, the reduction of healthcare costs and job creation November WORKNET Co. Ltd. established, a RENGO-funded corporation offering job placement and worker-dispatch services
1991	July "National Campaign for Working Hour Reduction: Relaxation Caravan" September RENGO Diet Members Council launched with 141 Diet members	2001	January "RENGO Declaration for the 21st Century" announced, aiming at the development of a welfare society centered on labor April Burma Office Japan established May Mass action by 10 Million Workers "Breaking

		Change the Administration" staged October RENGO held the 7th Biennial Convention		(ITUC/APLN) 16th Conference held in Tokyo; participants met with Prime Minister Naoto KAN, chair
2	2002	April Mass action "We Can No Longer Endure—We Won't be Deceived" staged October "Citizens Congress to Support Part-Time Workers: Fair Treatment for Part-Time Workers!" formed	2011	of the APEC meeting. March The Great East Japan Earthquake hit; RENGO sent volunteer workers to the affected areas October RENGO held the 12th Biennial Convention
:	2003	October RENGO held the 8th Biennial Convention November Nationwide campaign to eliminate unpaid overtime launched	2012	January "RENGO Town Meetings: for a secure society based on work," held May Plan for "RENGO with 10 million members" endorsed
2	2004	October Relief activities and fund-raising for the Mid-Niigata Prefecture Earthquake implemented December Hosted ICFTU 18th World Congress in Miyazaki		September "RENGO New Energy Strategy" endorsed December Coalition government of LDP and Komeito formed
2	2005	JanApr. Signature-collection campaign aimed at the 2005 Review Conference on the Parties to the Treaty on NPT	2013	April "STOP unequal society! Campaign for a better living" launched October RENGO held the 13th Biennial Convention
		May "Action calling for Nuclear Disarmament at UN General Assembly Hall" organized August "Campaign to oppose a tax increase targeted at	2014	SepDec. Relayed campaign traveling through all prefectures of Japan against deregulation of worker's protection
	2006	employed workers" launched October RENGO held the 9th Biennial Convention January "Simultaneous nationwide campaign to	2015	April Institute for Solidarity-based Society of Hosei University(ISS-HU) commonly known as "RENGO Graduate School" launched
	2000	oppose a tax increase targeted at employed workers" started June "TOKYO Rally to correct disparities" held with 4,600 participants		August Big rally and surround the Diet by chain of 14000 people with the strong voice, "No to current administration" October RENGO held the 14th Biennial Convention
2	2007	JanFeb. Public Dialogues on correcting disparities held nationwide July The Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ) won the	2016	AprMay The Kumamoto Earthquake hit; Rengo supported volunteer activities and fund-raising Augusut First survey in Japan for "LGBT in workplace"
		Upper House election October The Department of Non-Regular Employment established at the HQ RENGO held the 10th Biennial Convention	2017	September "Labour-Management Symposium for Work Style Reforms" was co-hosted by RENGO and major 4 economic organizations October RENGO held the 15th Biennial Convention
2	2008	October "World Day for Decent Work" rally organized with 2,000 workers participating in Tokyo December Year-end hotline for laid-off workers	2018	June Nationwide campaign in response to Work Style Reform Laws launched July Torrential Rain Disaster wreaked havoc in western
2	2009	March "Tripartite Agreement for the Realization of Employment Stability and Job Creation" signed May "Urgent Rally to free Daw Aung San Suu Kyi and other democratic activists" held		Japan: RENGO supported volunteer activities and fund-raising November First labour consulting service through SNS (LINE)
		August Change of government following the Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ) landslide victory in the general election October RENGO held the 11th Biennial Convention	2019	June/August G20 and L20 were held in Japan for the first time October "RENGO Vision -Protecting, Connecting, and
2	2010	September ITUC-Asia Pacific Labour Network		Creating-" was established October RENGO held the 16th Biennial Convention

Leadership





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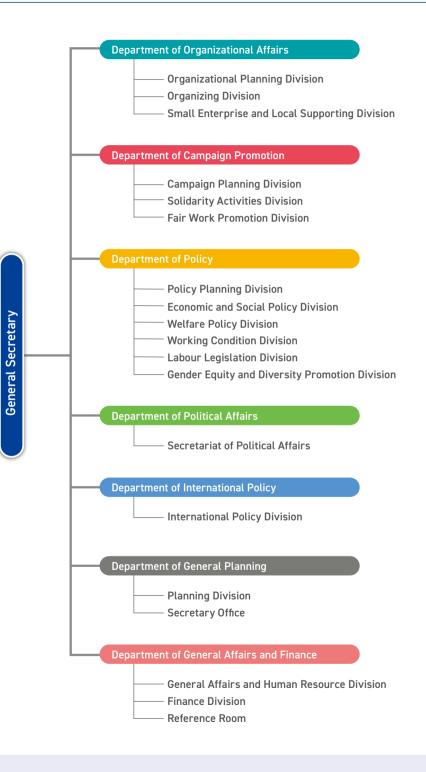
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01. UA ZENSEN The Japanese Federation of Textile, Chemical, Foo Commercial, Service, and General Worker's Union		Federation	DD RENGO n of All Japan Foods co Workers' Unions (JFU)
02. JICHIRO All-Japan Prefectural and Municipal Workers Unio		Japan Fed Energy an	C RENGO eration of d Chemistry Workers Unions
03. JIDOSHA SOREN Confederation of Japan Automobile Workers' Unio (JAW)	ns 784,777	16. SO	NPO ROREN n of Non-Life Insurance Workers' =NIU)
04. DENKI RENGO Japanese Electrical Electronic & Information Unio	569,285	17. KOI	KKO RENGO lic Sector Union
05. JAM Japanese Association of Metal, Machinery and Manufacturing Workers	341,681		RENGO way Trade Unions Confederation
06. KIKAN ROREN Japan Federation of Basic Industry Workers' Union (JBU)	ns 265,130	Japan Fed Service &	Tourism Industries Workers' Uni
07. JP ROUSO Japan Postal Group Union	243,754	20. KO	TSU ROREN eration of Transport Workers' Un
08. SEIHO ROREN National Federation of Life Insurance Workers' Un	ions 233,614		IIN KUMIAI Seamen's Union (JSU)
09. NIKKYOSO Japan Teachers' Union (JTU)	230,475		KU RENGO eration of Aviation Industry Union
10. DENRYOKU SOREN The Federation of Electric Power Related Industry Workers' Unions of	of Japan 208,996		MU RENGO Rubber Workers' Union Confeder
11. JOHO-ROREN The Federation of Information and Communication Technology Service Workers of Ja	pan 199,135	Japanese Pulp and F	MIPA RENGO Federation of 'aper Workers' Unions
12. UNYU ROREN All Japan Federation of Transport Workers' Unions	(128,095	25. ZEI Japan Fed Electric W	ire Workers' Unions (JEWU)
13. SHITETSU SOREN General Federation of Private Railway & Bus Workers' Unions of Japan	@ 113,253	26. ZEI	NKOKU GAS ation of Gas Workers' Unions of J

I4. FOOD RENGO Federation of All Japan Foods Ind Tobacco Workers' Unions (JFU)	105,909
15. JEC RENGO	23 104,038
Inergy and Chemistry Workers Unions	104,038
ederation of Non-Life Insurance Workers' Unions f Japan (FNIU)	94,696
17. KOKKO RENGO lapan Public Sector Union	79,621
I 8. JR RENGO Japan Railway Trade Unions Confederation JRTU)	@ 74,602
19. SERVICE RENGO	٠
Service & Tourism Industries Workers' Unions	47,454
20. KOTSU ROREN lapan Federation of Transport Workers' Unions (JFT)	45,579
21. KAIIN KUMIAI All Japan Seamen's Union (JSU)	@) 45,000
22. KOKU RENGO lapan Federation of Aviation Industry Unions JFAIU)	() 41,419
23. GOMU RENGO	23 41,023
24. KAMIPA RENGO Japanese Federation of Pulp and Paper Workers' Unions	25,453
25. ZEN DENSEN Japan Federation of :lectric Wire Workers' Unions (JEWU)	24,757
26. ZENKOKU GAS 'he Federation of Gas Workers' Unions of Japan	23,248

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27. JR SOREN

28. INSATSU ROREN

29. CERAMICS RENGO

30. ZEN SUIDO

31. ZENGIN RENGO

33. MEDIA ROREN

34. ZENJIKO ROREN National Federation of

35. ZEN ROKIN

(JRU)

Federation of

Japan Confederation of Railway Workers' Unions

Printing Information Media Workers' Unions

All-Japan Water Supply Workers' Union

32. ZENKOKU NODANRO

Japan Federation of Media, Advertising,

Automobile Transport Workers Unions

36. HEALTH CARE ROKYO Japanese Health Care Workers' Union

37. SINRIN ROREN

38. ROSAI ROREN Federation of ZENROSAI Trade Unions

39. ROKYO ROREN

Confederation of Labour Supply Trade Unions

Federation of Labour Bank Workers Unions of Japan

Japanese Federation of Forest and Wood Workers Union

Motion picture, and Theater Labor Unions

All Japan Federation of Ceramics Industry Workers

All Japan Federative Council of Bank Labours' Unions

National Federation of Agricultural, Forestry and Fishery

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All Printing Bureau Labour Union	4,060
41. JICHI ROREN	
National Federation of Prefectural and Municipal Workers' Unions	2,970
42. ZENKOKU UNION	
Japan Community Workers Union Federation	2,800
43. ZENKOKU KEIBA RENGO	
National Federation of Horse-racing Workers	2,599
44. JA RENGO	
All Japan Agriculture Cooperative Staff Members' Union	1,354
45. KOUN DOMEI	
Japanese Confederation of Port and Transport Workers' Unions	1,200
46. ZEN ZOHEI	
All Mint Labour Union	766

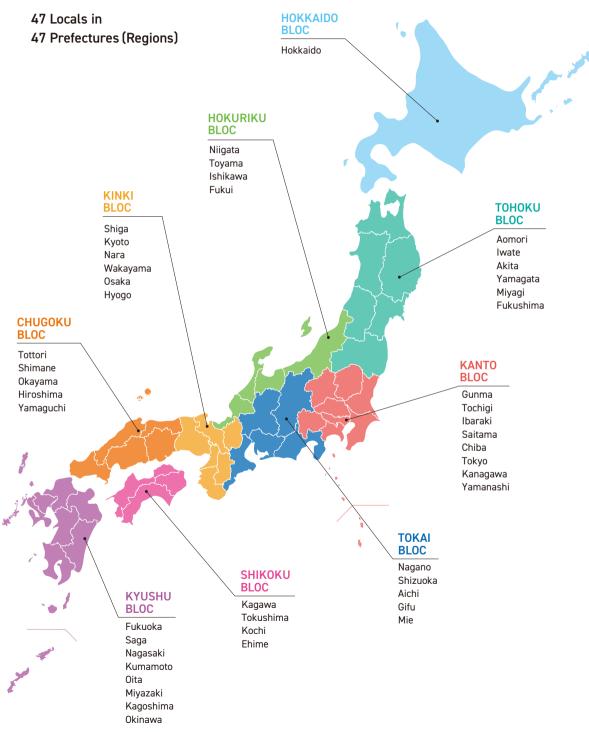
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Associated Organizations

47. NIKKENKYO	8
Council of Japan Construction Industry Employee's Unions	33,465
48. NIKKOKYO	
Japan Senior High School Teachers Union (JSTU)	5,815

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Locals



Related Organizations

RENGO-RIALS

<English> http://rengo-soken.or.jp/english/

連合総研 RENGO Research Institute for Advancement of Living Standards, the RENGO think-tank, started in December 1987 as the first full-scale research body for the trade union movement.



<English> http://www.jilaf.or.jp/English-jilaf/

The Japan International Labour Foundation was established by RENGO in May 1989 as an organization to promote international exchange and cooperation in the field of labour.

ILEC

The Institute of Labor Education and Culture is an incorporated association established by RENGO in December 1995 to support workers in their life-long educational cultural activities and contribute to the development of an autonomous and democratic trade union movement.



Japan Labour Culture Foundation

The foundation aims to support and improve workers' welfare activities, to promote activities related to the development of labour culture inside and outside Japan, to support employment and work, and activities related to non-profit social services, so as to contribute to achieving "a secure society based on work,".

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Taishokusha-RENGO

Japanese Confederation of Retired Persons(JCRP), founded in 1991, is tackling various activities for reforming social systems and building a welfare society together with RENGO so that the retired and pensioners can lead bright, delightful and meaningful lives.

Chuo-Rofukukyo

The Central Council of Worker Welfare Associations is a liaison council composed of worker welfare organizations which is run independently in cooperation with trade union organizations and working people. Its aim is to comprehensively promote worker welfare activities.

Labour Bank

<English> http://all.rokin.or.jp/english/index.html

<English> https://www.zenrosai.coop/english/english.html

Labour Banks, started in 1950, are financial cooperatives that cultivate the dreams and ideals of our workers. They consider their objectives to be twofold: to promote economic welfare and the environmental and cultural activities of their members, and create, by working together, a society in which all people can live in happiness.

Kokumin Kyosai co-op



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Kokumin Kyosai co-op stands for the National Federation of Workers and Consumers Kyosai Cooperatives, rebranded from Zenrosai. Based on the cooperative principle, Kokumin Kyosai co-op provides insurance and mutual help for its members. It has been working hand in hand with trade unions for the workers welfare movement, with its service extending to all the workers in the community.