

Biography of AKIBA, Kenya

Early Years Career and Education

AKIBA was born in July 1962, Marumori Town, Miyagi Prefecture. *AKIBA* took a diploma at **Kakuda High School**, LL. B at **Chuo University**, and LL. M at the Graduate School of Law, **Tohoku University**. *AKIBA* is one of the **Matsushita Institute of Government and Management (MIGM)** graduates. *AKIBA* served as a Member, Miyagi Prefecture Assembly from 1995 to 2005 (3rd term).



Career in National Politics and Government

AKIBA was first elected as a Member, the House of Representatives for Miyagi Second District in April, 2005. He has been serving as a Member of the House of Representatives since his first election. He serves a sixth term in the House. **In the Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)**, AKIBA served as the Deputy Secretary-General, the Deputy Chairperson of Policy Research Council, and also the Director of Foreign Policy Division. **In the House of Representatives (HR)**, AKIBA served as the Chairperson for Committee on Environment, Special Committee on Disaster and Special Committee on Reconstruction After Great East Japan Earthquake. **In Government of Japan**, AKIBA served as the Parliamentary Vice Minister of Internal Affairs and Communications, the State Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare, and Reconstruction. In the reshuffle of the PM ABE's Cabinet in September 2019, AKIBA was appointed to serve as Special Advisor to Prime Minister. He is now in charge of measures for the declining birthrate and increasing aging population and for the promotion of creations of hometown.

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Interests, Publications and Favorite quotes

AKIBA really likes running, listening music, appreciating art and playing baseball.

AKIBA has released several publications. "My dream for Ghibli World" (KK Long Sellers Inc, 2017), "Healthy Life Expectancy-60 hints-" (Tokyo Shoseki inc, 2016), "My plan for reforming Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare of Japan" (East Press Inc, 2015) and "MATSUSHITA, Konosuke - His Last Words" (Kadokawa SSC Inc, 2011) and etc.

AKIBA's favorite quotes are as follows:

"A dream you dream alone is only a dream. A dream you dream together is reality"
- John Lennon-

"And so let us always meet each other with a smile, for the smile is the beginning of love, and once we begin to love each other naturally we want to do something."
- Mother Teresa-

"Each time a man stands up for an ideal, or acts to improve the lots of others, or strikes against injustice, he sends forth a tiny ripple of hope, and crossing each other from a million different centers of energy and daring, those ripples build a current that can sweep down the mightiest walls of oppression and resistance."
-Robert F Kennedy-