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ELECTRONIC APPLICATIONS FOR PLANT BREEDERS' RIGHTS (PBR) IN JAPAN

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Electronic Application for PBR in Japan

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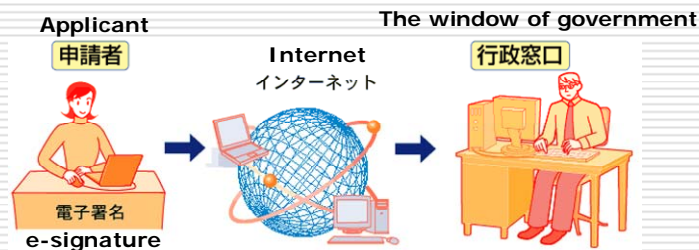
Advantages

Procedure

Experiences

Electronic Application

- To submit an application for the government procedures on internet using the personal computer at home or office

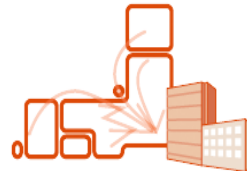


Inherent Potentials of EA

- **At Anytime**
for 24 hours a day



- **From Anywhere**
even from home,
office
or distant place



Advantages of EA

- Saving time

 - Without choosing a time

 - Electronic payment
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Saving times

- as electronic data
- from home or office,
without going to the window of
government.



Without choosing a time

- for 24 hours a day
- at night or on holiday.

Even if the window of the government office closes, it is all right.



Electronic payment

- Internet banking
- ATM

(if the financial institution is compliant to Pay-easy*)

Pay-easy *:
A tax and various rate payment service



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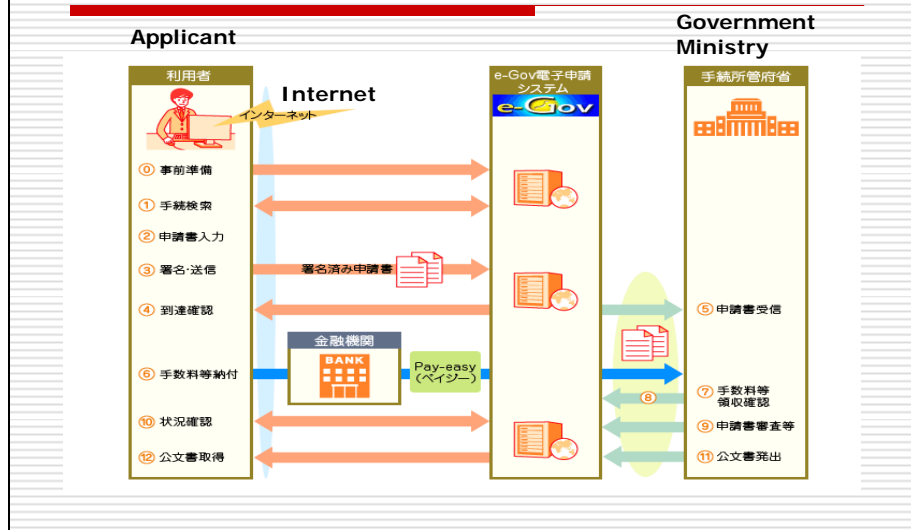
Experiences

What is e-Gov?

e-Gov

- is the general portal site of electronic government
 - has the electronic application system for government ministries
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Procedure of EA through e-Gov



(0) Preinclination

- ❑ **Check on setting PC**
 - CPU, Deployment Memory, Hard Disk, Basic Software, Browser
 - Java Runtime Environment
 - Internet Communication Environment
 - Installation of a client module
- ❑ **Obtain an electronic certificate, when e-signature is required**



(1)~(5) Fill out and Send Application form

- (1) search information of procedure
- (2) fill out application form
- (3) sign and send application
- (4) confirm arrival
- (5) accept application

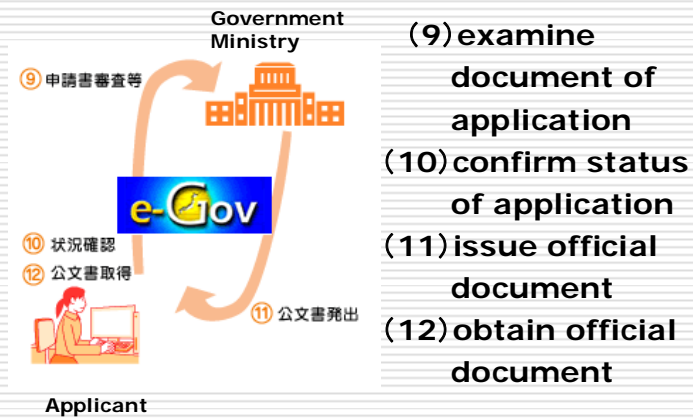


(6)~(8) Pay fees

- (6) pay fees
- (7) confirm receipt of fees
- (8) inform receipt of fees



(9) ~ (12) Confirm application



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Online services for PBR

- Application for PBR
- Change of applicant for PBR
- Application for decision on PBR
- Registration of transfer of PBR, etc.
- Requesting certification of PBR, etc.

Application form for PBR

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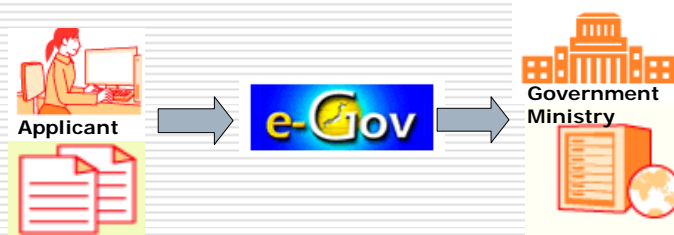
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Automatic inputting of application data

- Application data can be inputted into the computer system for PBR automatically.



Experiences of EA for PBR

- Number of EA for PBR (~May.31.2009)

Type of Applicant	Number of EA for PBR	Type of Payment
National Research Institution	19	(Free)
Local Government Institution	-	-
Seed company	-	-
Individual	1	Electronic payment

Cost for Electronic certificate

In case of public individual certificate service

- IC resident card** issued by cities, towns and villages
issue fee: 500 yen
- Electronic certificate** with e-signature by the governor on IC resident card
issue fee: 500 yen (valid for three years)
- IC Card reader/writer**
price: about 4,000 yen

Future of e-Gov ①

Our Goal:

- The world's most convenient and efficient e-Gov

Targets by FY 2010 :

- creating a small and efficient government
- Handling of 50% or more of all filing online by both national and local government

Future of e-Gov ②

Policies:

- Review and improve procedures from the perspective of users**
 - provide incentives
 - reduce processing times
 - simplify identification methods
 - Increase online payment of fees**
 - diversify the payment methods
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Thank you for your attention
