

## Joint Supervision Programme

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### Summer is approaching! (Yus Amira Yusaimi, January – June, 2015)

It is still early but summer is approaching. I could feel the temperature increases gradually which is almost similar like in Malaysia. Starting from 29<sup>th</sup> April and 3<sup>rd</sup> until 6<sup>th</sup> of May, Japan celebrated Golden Week each year. Golden Week is a different national holidays in a week for Japan and the longest vacation period of the year for most Japanese. Most Japanese took this opportunity to go for vacation or spent their time with families. Tas-san, Aeyshah-san and Daniel-san and I also did not want to miss the chance to enjoy the days off even though we also had to go to laboratory to continue with our research experiment.

Apart from that, during middle of April, we went to Tsuchiura Park for tulip flowers viewing. We really enjoyed the nature and the park is a good spot for weekend getaway especially for *hanami*, exercise and sightseeing with friends or family. The refreshing air and environment at the park would be one of the visitors' attractions as I saw many foreigners also visited the park to enjoy the view.



Fig. 1 Aeyshah-san, Tas-san, me and Daniel-san (from left) at Tsuchiura Park.



Fig. 2 Tulips flowers blooming at the park with windmill as the background.