The NDL collects, preserves and provides records in cooperation with the following organizations:

**Archives cooperating with HINAGIKU**

**Local government**
- Aomori Disaster Archive [Hachinohe City, Misawa City, Oirase Town and Hachimantani Town in Aomori Prefecture] / Kita-ku, Aomori City
- Fukushima Disaster Archive [Koto-ku, Sendai City]

**Libraries**

**University and research institutes**
- CNI Articles, JSTAGE [Japan Science and Technology Agency] / Japan Atomic Energy Agency’s Library Catalog / Research Center for Cooperative Civil Societies (Rikkyo University) / Japan Disasters Digital Archive [Edwin O. Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies at Harvard University] / Minitokku Shimoreiku System [International Research Institute of Disaster Science at Tohoku University] / Remembering 3.11 [Todai Disaster Information Laboratory, National Research Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Resilience Catalog / Memories of Hamadami] / Disaster Archive for the future [Iwaki Messe University] / My Disaster Mitigation Archive [Mie Prefecture Mie University Mie Disaster Mitigation Center] (Fukushima Nuclear Accident Archive (FNA) [Japan Atomic Energy Agency] / Radiation Medical Science Center for the Fukushima Health Management Survey digital archive [Fukushima Medical University Radiation Medical Science Center]
- Media organizations
  - Companies and various organizations

**Main contents preserved in HINAGIKU**

**National organs**

**Libraries**
- Higashi-Matsushima Library (Miyagi Prefecture) / SCT Project for Preserving Community Ties “Telling the Story of the Great East Japan Earthquake” / Shinko Town Library (Fukushima Prefecture) / Koriyama Disaster Archive [Koriyama City, Prefectural Kumagaya Library] / Nagaoka Post-Disaster Reconstruction Collection [Saitama Prefectural Library] / Record of earthquakes in the histories of municipalities [Sakata Prefectural Kumage Library] / Great East Japan Earthquake Archive / Archives of agricultural, fishery and forestry cooperative companies and various organizations

**Research institutes**
- Disaster Information Laboratory, National Research Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Resilience [preliminary reports of survey, photos of monuments to the tsunami, etc.]
- Media organizations
  - Torihiko Shimpou Co., Ltd. [Tori Shimpou] / Higashi Nihon Gekai Fukiko Shinku“
  - Companies and various organizations

**Why “HINAGIKU”?**

The “HINAGIKU”, another name of the National Diet Library (NDL) Great East Japan Earthquake Archive, is a partial acronym of the “Hybrid Infrastructure for National Archive of the Great East Japan Earthquake and Innovative Knowledge Utilization.” In the language of flowers, hinagiku (daisy) — meaning “future,” “hope” and “sympathy” — includes the aim of the project supporting the earthquake recovery.
What is the National Diet Library (NDL) Great East Japan Earthquake Archive (HINAGIKU)?

HINAGIKU is a portal site which enables integrated search of records and reports of the Great East Japan Earthquake disaster by public institutions, private organizations and media, and of research products by universities, academic societies and research institutes. Its aim is to hand down all records and lessons to future generations and to utilize them for the restoration and reconstruction of the affected areas and for disaster prevention measures. The search target of the HINAGIKU contains contents from 47 archives cooperating with HINAGIKU, as well as contents collected by the NDL. In addition, contents collected in the digital storage of HINAGIKU are lastingly preserved.

Through the “Seven Principles for the Reconstruction Framework” (adopted at a meeting held May 10, 2011, by the Reconstruction Design Council in Response to the Great East Japan Earthquake) and the “Basic Guidelines for Reconstruction in response to the Great East Japan Earthquake” (adopted at a meeting held July 29, 2011, and revised the following August 11 by the Reconstruction Headquarters in response to the Great East Japan Earthquake), the Japanese government emphasized the need to develop a system for collecting, preserving and providing records and lessons of the Great East Japan Earthquake, and to construct a mechanism for utilizing them in an integrated manner, accessible to everyone. Based on them, the NDL developed and released HINAGIKU in collaboration with the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications on March 7th, 2013.

As mentioned in the “Basic Guidelines for Reconstruction in Response to the Great East Japan Earthquake in the ‘Reconstruction and Revitalization Period’” (approved by the Cabinet on March 11, 2016), HINAGIKU has an important role in handing down the lessons learned from earthquake disasters.

HINAGIKU: a portal site devoted to collecting, preserving and providing records of the Great East Japan Earthquake throughout the whole nation

Materials from Archives cooperating with HINAGIKU

NDL collects the following materials in accordance with the NDL Law.

1) Domestic Japanese publications collected under the legal deposit system,
2) Internet materials of the government agencies and local governments
3) Charge-free private online publications without Digital Rights Management (DRM)
4) Materials from universities, academic societies and research institutes.

Newly created records and research works are also added to the HINAGIKU

Contents available on the Web

On the Search Results List View, when you choose “Available on the Web” from the category “Availability” on the left pane, you can narrow the results to contents readable via Internet.

How to use the HINAGIKU

Top page, Simple search

Choose the English version.

By checking the “Translate” box when searching, the keyword(s) will automatically be translated into Japanese.

List of search results

The left pane of the search results screen gives various ways to narrow down (or “refine”) the results by content types, locations, dates, data providers, language, and availability.

The number next to each choice reflects the number of items in your results list that match that category.

Target scope: 47 archives* and digital storage of HINAGIKU, amounting to some 4.02 million metadata

See the last page for details. *Including 5 databases of NDL.

Interfaces in English, Chinese and Korean are available. You can search for materials written in other languages (English, Chinese and Korean) by the function to translate search keywords and results.

Contents on the Web

Kesennuma Oshima Island: Part 1 : A Story of the tsunami by Ryokan Tsubaki-so Inn Young Owner

Why Archive Catastrophe? The Importance of Preserving and Making Freely Available the Digital Record of a Natural Disaster movie

Sendai Airport (spot information: 2360)

Nodamura of Iwate prefecture suffering great damage (Fourth day following the earthquake)

The Great East Japan Earthquake and Japanese NGOs : From emergency relief to reconstruction? A turning point for the future

A foreigner focused collection of responses to the Great East Japan Earthquake (International relations section, City of Sendai)

Sendai Airport (spot information: 2360) Photographs (Diagonal photographs) by Aero Asahi Corporation

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