

First-ever Win in the 53rd National Truck Driver Contest 11-ton Division

SENKO Co., Ltd. is pleased to announce that Ryusei Masaki of Minami Kyushu SENKO Co., Ltd. came first the 11-ton Division of "The 53rd National Truck Driver Contest" (hosted by the Japan Trucking Association) held at the Japan Safe Driving Center in Hitachinaka City, Ibaraki Prefecture on October 23 and 24. SENKO employee Saya Hanaoka won the Women's Division in the 2012 competition, but this was the first victory in the 11-ton Division.



Awards ceremony with Japan Trucking Association Chairman Katsumi Sakamoto (photo left) and Mr. Masaki of SENKO, winner of the 11-ton Division (photo right)

The contest aims to raise awareness of safety and encourage activities for preventing traffic accidents, by having contestants demonstrate the high level of driving skills required of professional truck drivers, their specialized knowledge of associated regulations, vehicle structures. Setting an example for others serves as a way to hone their awareness and pride as truck drivers fulfilling their social responsibilities. There were 108 finalists from competitions held in each prefecture, who tested their driving skills and knowledge against each other during the contest.

Six contestants from the SENKO Group took part in the contest, finishing 3rd and 5th in the Trailer Division, in addition to winning the 11-ton Division.

The "36th National Forklift Driving Competition" (organized by the Land Transportation Safety & Health Association) was also held at the Chubu Truck Training Center in Miyoshi City in Aichi Prefecture on October 2 and 3, where Miyuki Midori of Minami Kyushu SENKO Co., Ltd. finished in 4th place in the Women's Division. Ms. Midori came 5th in the 2015 competition, making this the second

time she won a prize.

These prize-winning will serve as an incentive for others to continue driving safely into the future, and efforts will continue to be made for training professional drivers with the required driving skills and preventing traffic accidents.

<List of Finalists>

Competition Name	Division	Place	Name	Company	
National Truck Driver Contest	11-ton Division	Champion	Ryuseu Masaki	Minami Kyushu SENKO Co., Ltd.	Yashiro Branch
	Trailer Division	3 rd Place	Taisuke Sueyoshi	Minami Kyushu SENKO Co., Ltd.	Ebino Branch
		5 th Place	Chikara Taniguchi	SENKO Co., Ltd.	Hanshin Main Branch Nishi-Kobe Truck Center
National Forklift Driving Competition	Women's Division	4 th Place	Miyuki Midori	Minami Kyushu SENKO Co., Ltd.	Kagoshima Branch

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