

Thank you for curbing the number of arrivals to the Amami Islands to save the local people and yourself.

Given their remote location, the healthcare system of the Amami Islands is less equipped than that of mainland of Japan.

So, if you develop COVID-19 while on the Islands, you will not be able to receive proper medical attention at the local hospitals.

Moreover, there are many aged people living on the Islands. If an outbreak of the disease were to happen on the Islands, the entire medical system may break down.

Currently, even those native to the Amami Islands and living outside of them are choosing not to return to their motherland for the time being.

It is important that island lovers like ourselves cooperate with local authorities to protect the Islands the outside disease now.

Our organization has also stopped visiting the Islands to minimize the risk of introducing the virus and will postpone all projects there for the foreseeable future.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

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