

News Release

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The 53rd National Truck Driver Contest: Winners of the Prime Minister's Award and First Prize in the 4-ton and the Trailer

Hitachi Transport System, Ltd. (HTS) is pleased to announce that truck drivers from the Hitachi Transport System Group (HTS Group) won the Prime Minister's Award and achieved excellent results in various categories at the 53rd National Truck Driver Contest (sponsored by the Japan Trucking Association) held on October 23 and 24.

The contest aims to raise safety awareness and to promote traffic accident prevention activities through competitions involving the high levels of driving skill required of professional truck drivers and their specialized knowledge of related laws, regulations, and vehicle structures. A total of 108 winners from prefectural competitions competed against each other using the skills and knowledge they had acquired in their daily work. A total of nine contestants from the HTS Group (3 in the 4-ton truck, 3 in the 11-ton truck, and 3 in the trailer) participated in the competition. Mr. Aimi Shimamura of Hitachi Transport System West Japan Co., Ltd. took the first place for 4-ton category with a total score of 987 points, and Mr. Kyohei Seita of Hitachi Transport System Metropolitan Co., Ltd. claimed the trailer category with a total score of 986 points. Mr. Shimamura also received the Prime Minister's Award, which is given to the competitor with the highest total score across all categories.



Mr. Shimamura (left), won the Prime Minister's Award
Mr. Seita (right), won the Trailer division



Winners of HTS Group

The 4-ton truck

1st place	Aimi Shimamura	Hitachi Transport System West Japan Co., Ltd.
※Won the Prime Minister's Award		
4th place	Shinya Tanaka	Hitachi Transport System West Japan Co., Ltd.

The 11-ton truck

5th place	Toshimitsu Komatsu	Hitachi Transport System East Japan Co., Ltd.
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The Trailer

1st place	Kyohei Seita	Hitachi Transport System Metropolitan Co., Ltd.
2nd place	Toru Aoyama	Tokiwakaiun.Co., Ltd.

List of winners in HTS Group

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Outline of the 53rd National Truck Driver Contest

Organizer	Japan Trucking Association
Supporting organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Cabinet Office• Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism• National Police Agency• Japan Safe Driving Center; Japan Traffic Safety Association• Japan Automobile Service Promotion Association
Date	October 23 and 24, 2021
Venue	Japan Safe Driving Center, Central Training Academy for Safe Driving (Ibaraki Prefecture)
Competition method	Academic section (400 points), practical section (600 points), total 1,000 points

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