## **Seminars and Lectures**

The IDE regularly organizes lectures and seminars in order to disseminate current research findings to wider public. Themes of lectures and seminars are decided in accordance with social interests and needs that we find through various surveys. Audience to the seminars and lectures varies from government officials, members of research organizations, the press, university professors, graduate students, and others. In FY2006, the IDE organized 39 lectures and seminars (48 courses) and the number of participants stood at over 2,700. According to our evaluation survey, more than 90% showed satisfaction.

The IDE organizes Summer Seminars every year in Tokyo and we held 10 courses in FY2006. Among others, lectures on the Indian economy and political situation in the Middle East received good participation and reputation from audience.

IDE researchers are encouraged to disseminate their research findings through publications, seminars and lectures in English so as to achieve international recognition. As one of such efforts, the IDE organized a seminar about development of industrial cluster in Asia in collaboration with the Harvard University in the United States. The IDE plans to hold collaborative seminars of this kind overseas such as in the United States and Europe.

