

Toyota Boshoku begins construction of a test course in Tajimi City, Japan

Kariya (Japan) 11th April 2012 - Toyota Boshoku Corporation (President Shuhei Toyoda) began construction of the planned “Tajimi Technical Center”, which is to be equipped with a test course, in Tajimi City, Gifu Prefecture, Japan.

The Toyota Boshoku group, a world-class manufacturer of automobile interiors and filters, is constructing a new unique test course, which shall be used to carry out dynamic evaluations through vehicular testing, on land that straddles Tajimi City and Toki City in Gifu Prefecture. Per conclusion of the site location agreement on August 22, 2011, the construction of this new test course will enable all concerned parties involved in projects of both the R&D Group and the Planning and Sales Group to promptly carry out the necessary evaluations on actual parts and vehicles (*genchi genbutsu*). This will in turn make it possible to develop even more appealing and desirable products to enrich our customers mobility life.

The groundbreaking ceremony was held on Wednesday, April 11 and it was attended by numerous guests and dignitaries, including the Governor of Gifu Prefecture, Mr. Hajime Furuta, the Mayor of Tajimi City, Mr. Masanori Furukawa, and the Mayor of Toki City, Mr. Yasunari Kato, as well as the Chairman of Toyota Boshoku, Mr. Teruyuki Minoura, and the President, Mr. Shuhei Toyoda. President Toyoda expressed the following at the start of construction, “This test course will allow us to carry out evaluations of our products in an effort to bring the driver and the vehicle into even closer unison with one another. I would like for us to utilize this new facility to the maximum extent possible and to develop the ‘world’s best seats, interior components, filters, and powertrain components”.

Construction of the Tajimi Technical Center is scheduled to be completed in March 2014.

<Outline of Tajimi Technical Center>

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| 1. Name: | Toyota Boshoku Tajimi Technical Center |
| 2. Location: | Hatoyashita, Kasahara-cho, Tajimi City, Gifu Prefecture, Japan |
| 3. Area: | Site area is approx. 360,000 m ² and the test course area is approx. 140,000 m ² |
| 4. Test course: | (1) Track (total length: 1,800 m with a 700 m straight-line stretch of road)
(2) 200 m course that recreates a wide variety of road surfaces |
| 5. Amount invested: | 2.6 billion yen |
| 6. Construction period: | April 2012 to March 2014 (scheduled) |

