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Launch of New Transportation Service "JAL de Hako-byun" Integrating Shinkansen and Air Cargo Networks

- Promoting Regional Revitalization in Japan by Connecting Local Areas to Overseas Markets with a Fast One-Stop Transportation Service -

Tokyo, JAPAN — January 13, 2026, JALCARGO and the JR East Group are pleased to announce the launch of a new one-stop transportation service, "JAL de Hako-byun," which combines the strengths of the Shinkansen high-speed rail network and JAL's global air cargo network.

Overview:

Leveraging the JR East Group's extensive domestic network centered in eastern Japan and JALCARGO's global air cargo network, the new service will be launched on Tuesday, January 13, 2026. This initiative follows a successful trial shipment from Sendai to Singapore in October 2025, demonstrating the service's efficiency and reliability. Moving forward, both companies will deepen their collaboration to expand the transportation network and further enhance service offerings.

*Reference: October 2, 2025 press release - "Delivery from Sendai to Singapore via Hako-byun and JALCARGO" – the first overseas transportation collaboration between JR East Group and JAL Group

(https://www.jreast.co.jp/press/2025/20251002_ho01.pdf - In Japanese Only)

Highlights:

■Significantly Reduced Lead Time and High Punctuality

By integrating the frequent and punctual Shinkansen train service with JAL's fast long-distance flights, this service achieves remarkable reductions in transit time compared to conventional transport methods.

■Extensive Network Connectivity

By combining the JR East Group's regional rail network with JAL's global air network, the service enables broader international market access, facilitating increased exports of premium local products from Japan.

■Contributing to Societal Challenges

Utilizing rail transport helps address driver shortages and reduces CO₂ emissions through modal shifts, thereby supporting sustainable logistics and environmental goals.

Service Details:

Item	Description
Product Name	JAL de Hako-byun
Departure Stations	Hako-byun service stations including Shin-Hakodate-Hokuto, Shin-Aomori, Morioka, Akita, Sendai, Niigata, Nagano, Tsuruga, and others
Transit Airports	Tokyo International Airport (Haneda), Narita International Airport
Destination Airports	Singapore Changi, Kuala Lumpur International, Hong Kong International, Taiwan Taoyuan, Taipei Songshan
Cargo	Fresh perishables (fresh fish, fruits, vegetables), machinery parts, etc.
Sales Start Date	January 13, 2026

Reference: Transport Time Comparisons

Route	Conventional Time	JAL de Hako-byun Time
Sendai → Singapore	Approx. 24+ hours	Approx. 19 hours
Nagano → Malaysia	Approx. 40+ hours	Approx. 34 hours
Niigata → Hong Kong	Approx. 30+ hours	Approx. 18 hours

Transit times shown represent durations from departure station to arrival airport and do not include customs clearance times. Train and flight schedules are examples and may be subject to change.

Image of the seafood products to be transported



Echizen crab



Tsuruga sea bream



Wakasa grouper

First Commercial Shipment: Seafood Export from Tsuruga to Taiwan

Shipment Date: January 13, 2026

Train Transport: Kagayaki No. 508 (Departs Tsuruga Station 09:21, Arrives Tokyo Station 12:36) Air

Transport: JL 99 (Departs Haneda Airport 18:10, Arrives Taipei Songshan Airport 21:00 TST)

Customs Clearance: After arrival at Taipei Songshan Airport, cargo is transported by land to Taiwan Taoyuan Airport for customs clearance.

Cargo: Fukui Prefecture's specialty seafood, including Echizen crab, Tsuruga sea bream, and Wakasa grouper.

About Hako-byun

Hako-byun is a parcel transportation service operated by JR East Group that leverages the strengths of railways such as speed, punctuality, and environmental friendliness. By connecting regions and goods via railways, the service promotes regional appeal, enhances people's quality of life, and addresses social issues. For detailed information and application methods for Hako-byun, please visit JR East Logistics Co., Ltd.'s website.



<https://www.jrbutsuryu.jregroup.ne.jp/business/shinkansen.html> -In Japanese Only

About JALCARGO

JALCARGO operates JAL's cargo and mail business with the mission of meeting evolving social needs by providing high-quality logistics infrastructure that meets customer expectations and contributes to society.. Utilizing a network of passenger aircraft cargo space, three Boeing 767 dedicated freighters, and other large cargo aircraft, JALCARGO delivers premium global air cargo services. Their cargo includes essential items such as pharmaceuticals and fresh products, as well as high-demand express and chemical goods, all handled with utmost care.

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