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### **'Youths' participation can boost BD agri output'**

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The participation of youths in agriculture and combining the technologically sound young population with experienced aging farmers can give a big boost to agricultural production in a country like Bangladesh, says a Japanese expert, reports UNB.

"As most of the Asian countries have aging farmers with their declining strength, young people can be a big help for boosting production in agriculture in countries like Bangladesh," Dr Mikio Umeda, a Prof Emeritus at Kyoto University, told the news agency at the Asian Productivity Organisation (APO) headquarters in Tokyo.

Umeda, however, said proper steps should be there in place to make agriculture more profitable to attract the young generation in farming.

"At the end of the day, all want profit. If farming is not profitable, young people won't feel encouraged to go for farming," he said adding that as most farmers are usually above 60 years of age, young people can incorporate innovation and technology to stimulate growth in this sector.