Release of the Sanyo-San’in Northern Kyushu Pass for Foreign Visitors
〜Release of a New Product for Cheaper Travel between Kyoto/Osaka and Northern Kyushu〜

JR West and JR Kyushu have both released economical and convenient rail passes to meet the needs of inbound tourists, and these passes have been utilized by many visitors. The needs of visitors enjoying trips to Japan have, however, become more diversified as the number of repeat visitors increases and people know about more tourist attractions. In order to respond to their needs, we have decided to release the Sanyo-San’in Northern Kyushu Pass that will make it more economical and convenient to travel from the Kansai Area, where Kyoto and Osaka are located, to the Northern Kyushu Area, where Kumamoto and Nagasaki are.

We will continue to work together with local communities and businesses to establish expanded area sightseeing routes.

1. **Product:** Sanyo-San’in Northern Kyushu Pass

2. **Available:** Saturday July 1, 2017 to Saturday June 30, 2018

3. **Period of validity:** 7 consecutive days

4. **Price:** If purchased outside of Japan, **22,000 yen** for adults (12 years or older), **11,000 yen** for children (aged 6 to 11)
   
   If purchased in Japan, **23,000 yen** for adults (12 years or older), **11,500 yen** for children (aged 6 to 11)

   * Please see the appendix for the locations in Japan where the pass can be purchased or received when the exchange voucher is redeemed.

5. **Main benefits:**
   - Unlimited travel in reserved seats in ordinary cars on the Shinkansen between the Kansai and Northern Kyushu areas (between Shin-Osaka and Kumamoto), limited expresses (including on the Chizu Express Line), rapid trains and local trains
   - Unlimited travel on JR-West Miyajima Ferry, and on West JR Bus services, Chugoku JR Bus services, and Ekirinkun rental bicycles
   * The pass does not entitle you to use the Mizukaze, Seven Stars in Kyushu, JR Kyushu Sweet Train, or JR Kyushu Bus and B&S Miyazaki Bus services
   * Please see the appendix for the area where this pass is valid.

6. **Eligibility:** This pass is for travelers who have passports issued by a government other than Japan (who will be in Japan for a maximum of 90 days).

   Passports will be checked when the pass is purchased or the exchange voucher redeemed.

7. **Other:** Local communities and businesses have cooperated with us to provide special gifts and discounts for overseas visitors who have bought a Sanyo-San’in Northern Kyushu Pass, including discounts for tourist attractions and bus services in the area covered by the rail pass. Please see the website for further details about this product.
(http://www.westjr.co.jp/global/en/ticket/ssnk/). (To be launched on July 1)
Where to purchase, or redeem the exchange voucher for, the Sanyo-San’in Northern Kyushu Pass

1. Purchasing an exchange voucher overseas
   Purchase from a travel agent outside of Japan that sell products such as the Japan Rail Pass for foreign visitors to Japan.

2. Places in Japan where exchange vouchers can be redeemed (34 locations)
   - [JR West area]
     - The following stations: Kyoto, Shin-Osaka, Osaka, Kansai-airport, Sannomiya, Nara, Wakayama, Yonago, Matsue, Tottori, Sakaiminato, Okayama, Hiroshima, Shin-Yamaguchi, Shimonomoki, Kokura, Hakata
     - Travel Service Center OSAKA (by the central ticket barrier in Osaka Station)
   - [JR Kyushu (Northern) area]
     - The following stations: Mojiko, Kokura, Hakata, Saga, Nagasaki, Sasebo, Beppu, Oita, Kumamoto
     - JR Kyushu Travel branches in Kokura, Hakata, Saga, Nagasaki, Oita and Kumamoto
     - Sasebo Station Travel Center

3. Places in Japan where the pass can be purchased (49 locations)
   - [JR West area]
     - Travel Service Center OSAKA (by the central ticket barrier in Osaka Station)
   - [JR Kyushu (Northern) area]
     - The following stations: Mojiko, Kokura, Hakata, Saga, Nagasaki, Sasebo, Beppu, Oita, Kumamoto
     - JR Kyushu Travel branches in Kokura, Hakata, Saga, Nagasaki, Oita and Kumamoto
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Area where the Sanyo-San’in Northern Kyushu Pass is valid

* Services are suspended on the Hohi Line (between Higo-Ozu and Aso)
* Services are suspended on parts of Kyudai Line and Hitahikosoan Line.
For more information, please visit JR-Kyushu official website.
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