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Social Inclusion and Foreigner Support in the Post-COVID-19 Era: An Interview-based Survey of Highly Educated Foreigners

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Japanese society is now gradually resuming various socioeconomic activities. However, the impact of COVID-19 is still far from reaching. Moreover, the COVID-19 outbreak has exposed gaps in various aspects of society, including gaps in income, gender, information, region, and ethnic diversity. Against this backdrop, this study uses the existing literature and official data to analyze the current situation of foreign residents in Japanese society under the policy of multicultural coexistence during the COVID-19 period. It also analyzes the various dilemmas foreigners, who occupy a relatively dominant position in the community, continued to face during the outbreak through interviews with highly educated foreigners. In addition, the significance and impact of creating a multicultural, inclusive society that protects social diversity and the rights of social minorities in the post COVID-19 era are examined.