The Traditional Natural Village

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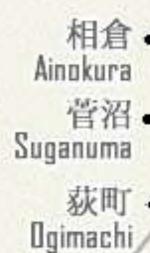
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World Heritage (1995)





白川郷・五箇山の合掌造り集落 Historic Villages of Shirakawa-go and Gokayama

岐阜

Gifu

Shirakawa-go



Ogimachi, Gifu

Important
 preservation
 district of historic
 buildings (1976)

Gassho roofs (steep rafter roofs)



The large houses with their steeply pitched thatched roofs are the only examples of their kind in Japan. (UNESCO)





A lot of nature



The Traditional Landscape



Parking Areas





Challenges

 The villagers should continue farming in order to keep the landscape.

 Farming does not generate enough income for the villagers.

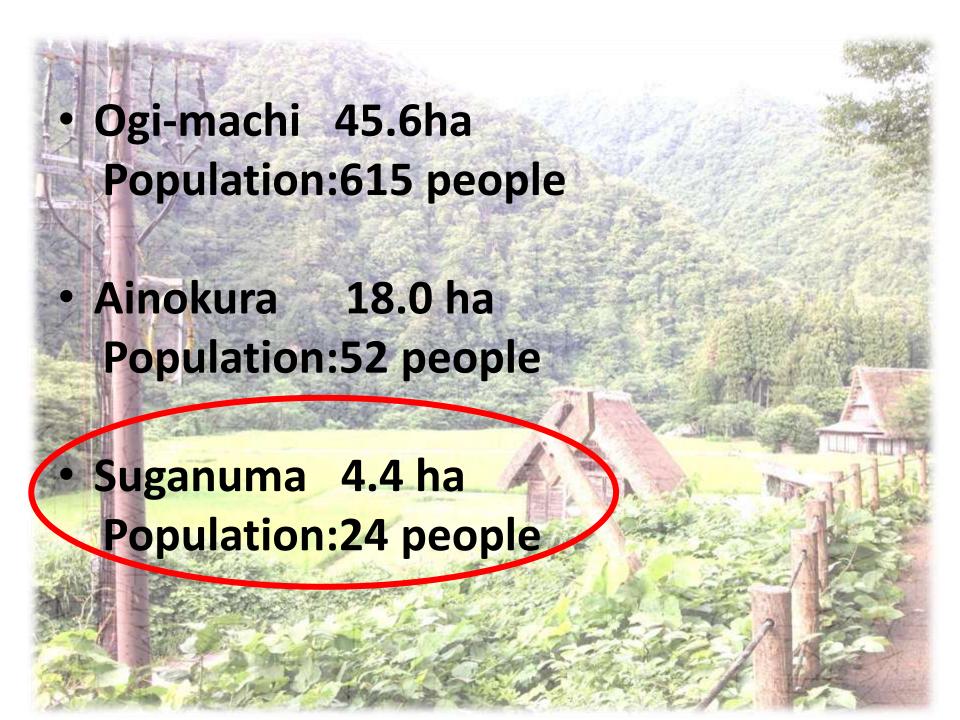
Gokayama



Nanto-shi, Toyama

Suganuma

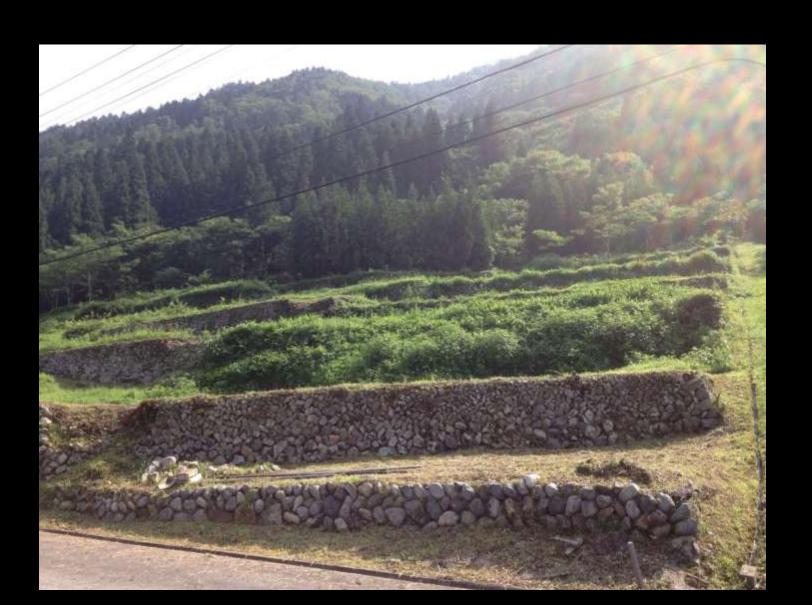
Ainokura



Landscape of Suganuma



The Rice Terrace





Kayaba

The place where Kaya(Japanese Pampas Grass) grow.

They are on the slope of the mountain.





Challenges

 It is very difficult to maintain Kayaba and the farms.

The Village needs more hands especially young.

How should we manage these sites?

Capacity Building

Use cultural heritage for school education

=Education for sustainable development









