## History of NIAES

- National Agricultural Experimental Station (NAES) of Ministry of Agriculture and Commerce, a predecessor of National Institute for Agro-Environmental Sciences (NIAES) was founded.
- National Institute of Agricultural Sciences (NIAS) of Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry was founded succeeding to NAES.
- NIAS main campus was relocated from Nishigahara, Tokyo to Tsukuba, Ibaraki.
- National Institute of Agro-Environmental Sciences (NIAES) of Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery was founded from NIAS to conduct advanced and basic technological development that pertains to the control, maintenance and utilization of the agro-environment including the biological environment.
- NIAES was turned into a semi-autonomous agency on April 1. The new NIAES (National Institute for Agro-Environmental Sciences) concentrates on the following basic research targets to fulfill its research missions on a global scale.
  - 1) Strategies to ensure stable food supplies under global environmental change.
  - 2) Assuring the safety of food and environment utilizing the natural circulation function of agriculture.
  - 3) Succession of the agro-environmental resources to future generations.



The main Building of NIAES