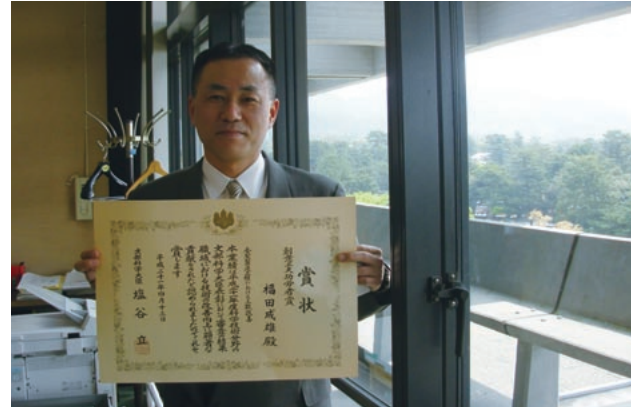


## Mr. Fukuda, of GMB, Receives the Minister's Award from the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology

Mr. Shigeo Fukuda was awarded "The Prize for Creativity" in 2009, The Commendation for Science and Technology" by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology.



*There was TV coverage of this ceremony.*



The commendation and award ceremony was held at the Nara prefectural government on April 16th, 2009. Only three companies in Nara were awarded this prize in 2009.

Mr. Fukuda is the subsection chief of the mold production section.

In recent years one-third of the experienced and skilful employees in his section retired because they had reached the mandatory retirement age and left the company.

He has introduced machinery into his section and has succeeded to reach the same operation efficiency without having to fill any vacancy.



Mr. Fukuda stated "This award was achieved by cooperation of all members of my section and with support of other related people in GMB, not by my efforts alone"

The General Manager of commerce and industry at Nara prefectural government gave words of support and encouragement for improvement in GMB technology.


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