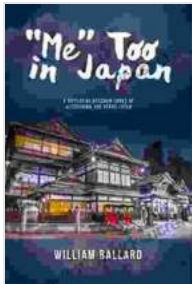


# Me Too Movement in Japan: A Long Tail of Silence and Progress



## “Me” Too in Japan: A Different Botchan Looks at Matsuyama 100 Years Later by Katherine Miller

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The #MeToo movement has been a global phenomenon, sparking a long-overdue conversation about sexual harassment and assault. However, the movement's impact in Japan has been complex and multifaceted, marked by both progress and challenges.

One of the most significant challenges facing the Me Too movement in Japan is the country's deep-rooted culture of silence surrounding sexual harassment and assault. In Japanese society, there is a strong emphasis on maintaining harmony and avoiding conflict, which can discourage victims from speaking out about their experiences. Additionally, the stigma associated with sexual harassment and assault can make it difficult for victims to find support and seek justice.

Despite these challenges, the Me Too movement has made significant progress in Japan. In 2018, the Japanese government passed a landmark law criminalizing sexual harassment for the first time. The law defines sexual harassment as any unwanted sexual advances or behavior that creates an intimidating, hostile, or offensive environment. The law also includes provisions for victims to seek damages from their harassers.

In addition to the legal reforms, the Me Too movement has also raised awareness of sexual harassment and assault in Japan. This has led to a shift in public attitudes, with more people speaking out against sexual misconduct and supporting victims. The movement has also empowered victims to come forward and share their stories, which has helped to break the cycle of silence surrounding these issues.

However, there is still much work to be done to achieve gender equality in Japan. Sexual harassment and assault remain widespread problems, and many victims still face barriers to reporting and seeking justice. Additionally, gender stereotypes and discrimination continue to limit women's opportunities in all areas of life.

The Me Too movement has been a powerful force for change in Japan. It has raised awareness of sexual harassment and assault, empowered victims to speak out, and led to legal reforms. However, there is still much work to be done to achieve gender equality in Japan. The Me Too movement has shown that change is possible, but it will require continued efforts from activists, policymakers, and the general public.

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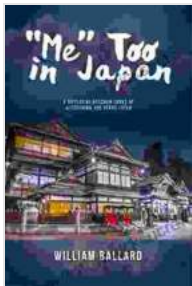
\* \*\*Image 1:\*\* A group of women march in a Me Too protest in Japan. The women are holding signs that say "Me Too" and "Stop Sexual Harassment."

\* \*\*Image 2:\*\* A Japanese woman speaks out about her experience of sexual harassment. She is wearing a mask to protect her identity. \* \*\*Image

3:\*\* A Japanese court hears a case of sexual harassment. The victim is sitting in the witness stand, while the defendant is sitting at the defense table.

## Long tail keywords

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