

The Japan Sinks “Franchise”
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Novel

Komatsu Sakyō, *Nihon chinbotsu* (Japan Sinks), 1973.

Abridged English translation: *Japan Sinks* (trans. Michael Gallagher), 1976. *Still in print.

Movie(s)

Nihon chinbotsu (Japan Sinks, The Submersion of Japan), dir. Moritani Shirō, 1973. *Available in bootleg editions and free streaming online at archive.org with English subtitles.

Edited US version: *Tidal Wave*, dir. Moritani Shirō and Andrew Meyer, 1975. *Available free online at dailymotion.com with English subtitles.

Manga

Saitō Takao, *Nihon chinbotsu* (Japan Sinks), 1973. *Available free in English translation on several websites.

Parody (Short Story)

Tsutsui Yasutaka, “Nihon igai zenbu chinbotsu” (Everything But Japan Sinks), 1973.

Television Series

Nihon chinbotsu (Japan Sinks), dir. Fukuda Jun, Nishimura Kiyoshi, and Yamagiwa Eizo, TBS, 1974-75. *Available free online at dailymotion.com but without English subtitles.

Radio Series

Nihon chinbotsu (Japan Sinks), NHK-FM, 1980.

Movie

Nihon chinbotsu (The Sinking of Japan), dir. Higuchi Shinji, 2006. *Some bootleg DVDs and VHS tapes available online.

Manga

Ishiki Toshihiko, *Nihon chinbotsu* (The Sinking of Japan), 2006. *Available free in English “scanlation” on comiko.net.

Parody (Movie)

Nihon igai zenbu chinbotsu (The World Sinks Except Japan), dir. Kawasaki Minoru, 2006.

*Available on DVD with English subtitles.

Novel Sequel

Komatsu Sakyō, *Nihon chinbotsu dai-nibu* (Japan Sinks 2), 2006.

Anime (ONA, Original Net Animation)

Nihon chinbotsu 2020 (Japan Sinks 2020), dir. Ho Pyeon-Gang and Yuasa Masaaki, 2020.

*Available in English translation with Netflix subscription.

Manga

Watanabe Ken'ichi, *Nihon chinbotsu 2020* (Japan Sinks 2020), 2020. *Available in English translation with Mangamo subscription.

Television/Netflix Series

Nihon chinbotsu: Kibō no hito (Japan Sinks: People of Hope), dir. Hirano Shun'ichi, Doi Nobuhiro, and Miyazaki Yōhei, TBS/Netflix, 2021. *Available in English translation with Netflix subscription.