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## **SUBSIDIES**

### **NEW AND FULL NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE XVI:1 OF THE GATT 1994 AND ARTICLE 25 OF THE AGREEMENT ON SUBSIDIES AND COUNTERVAILING MEASURES**

JAPAN

The following notification, dated and received on 25 June 2021, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Japan.

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Japan submits this new and full notification in compliance with its obligation under Article XVI:1 of the General Agreement on Tariff and Trade 1994 ("GATT 1994") and Article 25 of the Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures ("Agreement").

In this notification, Japan included certain subsidies which may not constitute "subsidies" under Article 1 of the Agreement or may not be "specific" under Article 2 of the Agreement, in order to achieve the maximum transparency with regard to the relevant subsidies effective within its territory.

It should be noted that, in accordance with Article 25.7 of the Agreement, the notification of the subsidies does not prejudice its legal status, effects or nature under GATT 1994 and the Agreement.

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## 1 INDUSTRY

### 1.1 Subsidy for the Leather and Leather Goods Industries

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for the Leather and Leather Goods Industries.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To contribute to the sound development of SMEs in the leather and leather goods industries.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

The subsidy is provided to local governments or non-profit associations which conduct consulting services or personnel training, etc. for the leather and leather goods industries. In addition, the associations consist of mainly SMEs in this sector.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 289 million.

Fiscal year 2019 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 294 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy was started in April 1971. There is no time limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

#### Statistics on leather and leather goods (Unit: 100 Million yen)

	2017	2018	2019
Production	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Import	13,300	13,690	13,563
Export	1,178	1,203	1,237

## **1.2 Subsidy for Supporting the Manufacture of Traditional Craft Products**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for Supporting the Manufacture of Traditional Craft Products.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To promote Japanese traditional craft products.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

The Law on the Promotion for Traditional Craft Products.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Manufacturing cooperative society, etc.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 (final results) ¥ 295 million.

Fiscal year 2019 (final results) ¥ 270 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

There is no time limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

## **1.3 Subsidy for Promoting the Manufacture of Traditional Craft Products**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for Promoting the Manufacture of Traditional Craft Products.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To promote Japanese traditional craft products.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

The Law on the Promotion for Traditional Craft Products.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

The Association for the Promotion of Traditional Craft Industries.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 (final results) ¥ 700 million.

Fiscal year 2019 (final results) ¥ 703 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

There is no time limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

**1.4 Subsidy for Space Environment Reliability Verification Integrated System**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for Space Environment Reliability Verification Integrated System.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2019 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To promote the space diversion of distinguished commercial components and technologies.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

The subsidy is provided to private companies for the on-orbit demonstrations selected by external experts.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2019 settlement of accounts \ 46 million yen.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy started in April 2019, and there is no time limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

N.A.

### 1.5 Loans for Purchasing Petroleum and LPG for Stockpiling by Private Companies

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Loans for Purchasing Petroleum and LPG for Stockpiling by Private Companies.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To ensure stockpiling of petroleum and LPG by private companies by extending loans to fund the purchase of petroleum and LPG.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corporation Law.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Loan.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Companies that are obliged to stockpile petroleum or LPG through Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corporation.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 393,536 million.

Fiscal year 2019 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 544,647 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy was initiated in February 2004. There is no time limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

**1.6 Provision of Equity Capital and Loans to Joint Stockpiling Companies**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Provision of Equity Capital and Loans to Joint Stockpiling Companies.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To ensure petroleum and LPG stockpiling by providing equity capital and/or loaning funds for stockpiling facilities to joint stockpiling companies.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corporation Law.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Provision of equity capital/loans.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Joint stockpiling companies through Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corporation.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 400 million.

Fiscal year 2019 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 200 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy was initiated in February 2004. There is no time limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.



### 1.7 Subsidy for Loans to Develop Domestic Oil and Natural Gas

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for loans to develop domestic oil and natural gas.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/ or purpose of the subsidy

To promote the development of domestic oil and natural gas by means of providing Japanese oil and gas developers with an interest rate subsidy when they take out loans from private financial institutions in order to install the equipment needed to conduct the project.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc)

Interest rate subsidy.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Private financial institutions.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 109 million.

Fiscal year 2019 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 81 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time-limits attached to it

This program started in April 2008. There is no time limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

### 1.8 Subsidy for Geological Survey for Domestic Oil and Natural Gas

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for geological survey for domestic oil and natural gas.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2019 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To contribute to the maintenance and expansion of domestic oil and natural gas production and the stable supply of oil and natural gas by promoting exploration and development activities in Japan by subsidizing the cost of drilling surveys to confirm the existence of oil and natural gas and the specific geological structure of oil and natural gas in the seas around Japan, where a certain amount of resources are expected based on the results of basic geophysical surveys.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Private companies engaged in the exploration and development of oil and natural gas.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 granted amount ¥ 0 million.

Fiscal year 2019 granted amount ¥ 904 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

This program started in April 2019. There is no time limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

**1.9 Subsidy for Major Oil Spill Response Programme**1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for Major Oil Spill Response Programme.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To prepare a system to respond to a major oil spill disaster at home or abroad.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Petroleum Association of Japan.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 (final results) ¥ 689 million.

Fiscal year 2019 (final results) ¥ 466 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy was started in April 1990. There is no time limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

### **1.10 Subsidy for Loans to Purchase Petroleum and LPG to be Stored**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for Loans to Purchase Petroleum and LPG to be Stored.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2019.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To ensure a stable supply of oil by taking measures to secure oil stockpiles.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Interest rate subsidy.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Oil refining companies, etc.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 (final results) ¥ 0 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

4/1972-3/2019.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

### **1.11 Subsidy for Joint Oil Stocks with Oil Producing Countries**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for Joint Oil Stocks with Oil producing countries.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To ensure Japan's energy security by stockpiling oil-producing countries' crude oil in Japan.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

JOGMEC (Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corporation), Oil companies, etc.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 (final results) ¥ 3,958 million.

Fiscal year 2019 (final results) ¥ 3,927 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy started in April 2008. There is no time limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

### **1.12 Subsidy for Improving Productivity and Resilience of Petroleum Industrial Complexes**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for improving productivity and resilience of petroleum industrial complexes.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/ or purpose of the subsidy.

The government supports companies making efforts in preparation for intense international competition among petroleum industrial complexes in Asian countries and unprecedented crisis such as Nankai Trough earthquake.

This improves productivity on petroleum industrial complexes or the like and strengthens its crisis response capability.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Private enterprise.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 11,432 million.

Fiscal year 2018 supplementary budget (settlement of accounts) ¥ 7,444 million.

Fiscal year 2019 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 14,459 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time-limits attached to it

The subsidy was started in February 2013.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

### **1.13 Subsidy for Ensuring Stable Supply of Oil Products**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for ensuring stable supply of oil products.

2. Period covered by the notification

3/2019 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy.

To promote strengthening the resilience of fuel supply network in case of disaster by means to introducing a backup power generator into gas station.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.  
National Federation of Petroleum.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Private companies.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 settlement of accounts ¥ 5,308 million.  
Fiscal year 2019 settlement of accounts ¥ 0.3 million.  
Fiscal year 2019 supplementary budget (budget amount ¥ 17,001 million).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy was started in April 2019, and will end in March 2022.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

N.A.

### **1.14 Subsidy for Restoration Expense of Gas Stations Damaged by Disaster**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for restoration expense of gas stations damaged by disaster.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To restore gas stations in damaged area by heavy rain in 2018 and typhoon No.19 in 2019.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.  
National Federation of Petroleum.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Private companies.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 settlement of accounts ¥ 78 million.  
Fiscal year 2019 settlement of accounts ¥ 144 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy was started in august 2018, and ended in March 2021.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

N.A.

**1.15 Loans for Mine Pollution Control**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Mine Pollution Control Loans.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To prevent environmental pollution caused by mining activities by extending loans to cover a portion of mine pollution control costs.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corporation Law.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Loan.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Companies or persons that conduct mine pollution control through Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corporation.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 270 million.

Fiscal year 2019 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 360 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy was initiated in February 1973. There is no time limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

### **1.16 Subsidy for Measures to Promote Conversion into Natural Gas Taken by Local City-Gas Suppliers**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for Measures to Promote Conversion into Natural Gas Taken by Local City-gas Suppliers.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To promote the introduction of natural gas, one alternative energy to oil, to local-city gas suppliers.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant/Interest rate subsidy.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Local city-gas suppliers.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 (final results) ¥ 0.08 million.

Fiscal year 2019 (final results) ¥ 0.04 million.



9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy was started in April 1985. There is no time limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

**1.17 Subsidy for Interest on Loans to Introduce Specific Facilities Suitable for Natural Gas**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for Interest on Loans to Introduce Specific Facilities Suitable for Natural Gas.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To promote the introduction of natural gas, one alternative energy to oil, to local-city gas suppliers.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Interest rate subsidy.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Development Bank of Japan.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 (final results) ¥ 725 million.

Fiscal year 2019 (final results) ¥ 675 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy was started in April 1985. There is no time limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

### 1.18 Subsidy for Small and Medium-Scale Hydropower Development

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for Small and Medium-scale Hydropower Development.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To promote the development of hydropower, an indigenous energy resource, and reduce the initial generation cost of small and medium-scale hydropower projects by providing subsidy to cover a part of the construction costs.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Private companies.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 (final results) ¥ 74million.

Fiscal year 2019 (final results) ¥ 8million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

4/1986 - 3/2020.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

### 1.19 Subsidy for Demonstration Project for High-Efficiency Gas Turbine Technology

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for demonstration project for high efficiency gas turbine technology.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To develop the high efficiency gas turbine for electric utility industry and to improve power generation efficiency from the viewpoint of energy saving and CO2 reduction.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Private companies.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 1,775million.

Fiscal year 2019 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 1,606million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy was started in April 2012 and will end in March 2021.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

## **1.20 The New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization (NEDO) Project Activities**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

The New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization (NEDO) Project Activities

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

NEDO aims to address energy problems and raise the level of industrial technology through integrated management of technology development from the discovery of technology seeds to the promotion of mid- to long-term projects and support for practical application.

With the aim of raising the level of industrial technology, NEDO pursues research and development of advanced new technology. Drawing on its considerable management know-how, NEDO carries out projects to explore future technology seeds as well as mid- to long-term projects that form the basis of industrial development. It also supports research related to practical application.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Article 46 of the Act on General Rules for Incorporated Administrative Agencies NEDO's Fourth Five-Year Plan

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Participation in the program is determined through various competitive procedures, which are open to all eligible private parties.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidyFiscal year 2018 (final results)

Energy Systems (¥ 7,521 million).

Energy Conservation and Environment (¥ 15,478million).

Industrial Technology (¥ 1,718 million).

New Industry Creation and Discovery of Technology Seeds(¥ 3,634 million).

Fiscal year 2019 (final results)

Energy Systems (¥ 10,414 million).

Energy Conservation and Environment (¥ 16,799 million).

Industrial Technology (¥ 3,193 million).

New Industry Creation and Discovery of Technology Seeds (¥ 2,893 million).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

Programs are not subject to any fixed completion date. The program's continuation is contingent upon ongoing annual appropriations and authorizations by Diet.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

In light of the scope and nature of the R&D activities being assisted, it is not possible to determine what, if any, trade effects may ever result from this program.

**1.21 Subsidy for Research and Development for Care Robot Equipment**1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for Research and Development for Care Robot Equipment.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To promote the development and standardization of nursing care robots that will contribute to supporting the independence of elderly people.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Japan Agency for Medical Research and Development.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 ¥ 1.1 billion.

Fiscal year 2019 ¥ 1.35 billion.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy was started in April 2018, completed in March 2020.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

## **1.22 Research on Development of New Medical Devices**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Research on Development of New Medical Devices.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2019 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

This program promotes the R&D to create innovative medical devices by developing the fruits of basic research in Japan.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Japan Agency for Medical Research and Development.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2019 settlement of accounts \ 3,486 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

4/2019 - 3/2025.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

N.A.

**1.23 Subsidy for Project Focused on Developing Key Technology for Discovering and Manufacturing Drugs for Next-Generation Treatment and Diagnosis**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for project focused on developing key technology for discovering and manufacturing drugs for next-generation treatment and diagnosis.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To solve the issues of next-generation treatment and diagnosis, and promote the realization of pre-emptive and personalized medicine.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Japan Agency for Medical Research and Development (AMED).

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2017 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 5,305 million.  
 Fiscal year 2018 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 5,758 million.  
 Fiscal year 2019 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 6,906 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy was started in April 2015, and will end in March 2024.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

#### **1.24 Subsidy for Project Focused on Developing Basic Technology Aiming at Industrialization of Regenerative Medicine and Gene Therapies**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for project focused on developing basic technology aiming at industrialization of regenerative medicine and gene therapies.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To solve the issues of industrialization of regenerative medicine and gene therapies.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Japan Agency for Medical Research and Development (AMED).

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2017 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 2,452 million.  
 Fiscal year 2018 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 3,200 million.  
 Fiscal year 2019 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 3,578 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy was started in April 2015, and will end in March 2024.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

N.A.

**1.25 Subsidy for "Ene-Farm" etc. Introduction Support Operating Cost Subsidy for Expansion of Use of Fuel Cell**1. Title of the subsidy programme

Subsidy for "Ene-farm" etc. introduction support operating cost subsidy for expansion of use of fuel cell.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2018 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To promote energy saving for aim to spread the use of fuel cells for home use "Ene-Farm" and business and industrial fuel cells by means to assisting a part of the introduction cost.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e. grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Fuel Cell Association, a general incorporated corporation.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

Fiscal year 2018 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 5,004 million.

Fiscal year 2019 (settlement of accounts) ¥ 2,681 million.

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy was started in April 2009, and will end in March 2021.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

**2 FINANCE****2.1 Finance Measures for Credit Guarantee of Sake Manufacturers**1. Title of the subsidy programme

Finance Measures for Credit Guarantee of Sake Manufacturers.



2. Period covered by the notification

4/2019 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To guarantee the debt of Sake manufacturer to banks and other financial institutions.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Finance.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Special Measures Law Concerning the Stability of the Sake Brewing and Related Manufacture.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

The running profit generated from the fund which had been established by grant before the period 4/2019 - 3/2020.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Japan Sake and Shochu Makers Association.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

The Fund's running profit; ¥ 11 million (4/2018-3/2019), ¥ 11 million (4/2019-3/2020).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

There is no time limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy**Quantity of Shipment of Sake (Unit: KI)**

Year	2017	2018	2019
Domestic	525,349	487,234	457,470
Import	49	29	67
Total	525,398	487,263	457,537

**2.2 Finance Measures for Sake Manufactures (Formerly Known as Finance Measures for Single Distilled Shochu Manufactures).**1. Title of the subsidy programme

Finance Measures for Sake Manufactures (Formerly known as Finance measures for Single Distilled Shochu Manufactures).

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2019 - 3/2020.

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To help the modernization of Sake and single distilled Shochu industry.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Finance.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Special Measures Law Concerning the Stability of the Sake Brewing and Related Manufacture.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

The grant was disbursed for the period 4/2019-3/2020.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Japan Sake and Shochu Makers Association.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

The grant; ¥ 504 million (4/2018-3/2019), ¥ 556 million (4/2019-3/2020).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy started in 2010.  
There is no time limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy**Quantity of Shipment of Sake (Unit: KI)**

Year	2017	2018	2019
Domestic	525,349	487,234	457,470
Import	49	29	67
Total	525,398	487,263	457,537

**Quantity of Shipment of Single distilled Shochu (Unit: KI)**

Year	2017	2018	2019
Domestic	464,188	435,675	423,439
Import	416	356	235
Total	464,604	436,031	423,674

**3 AGRICULTURE****3.1 Measures for Rice**1. Title of the subsidy programme

Measures for Rice.

2. Period covered by the notification

Fiscal year 2018 (April 2018-March 2019) (previous fiscal year).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To ensure stability of the farming and to secure domestic production capacity.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

N.A.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

The government provides a grant based on the application from commercial farm households or community-based farm cooperatives under the rice production allotted by administration.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2018 - (¥ 70,546million).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The measure was abolished in FY 2018.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

(Unit: Thousand tons)

Item	Fiscal Year	Production	Consumption	Import	Export
Rice	2016	8,550	8,644	911	94
	2017	8,324	8,616	888	95
	2018	8,208	8,443	787	115

The data source: food balance sheet.

### 3.2 Measures for Sugar

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Measures for Sugar.

2. Period covered by the notification

Fiscal year 2018 (April 2018 - March 2019) (previous fiscal year).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To contribute to stabilizing national living conditions through safeguarding the income of the producers of sweetening resource crops and stabilizing management of sugar producers.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.  
Agriculture and Livestock Industries Corporation.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Sugar and Starch Price Adjustment Law.  
Agriculture and Livestock Industries Corporation Law.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

The Government provides payments through the Agriculture and Livestock Industries Corporation, based on the applications from the sweetening resource crops producers in specified areas and sugar producers.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2018 ¥ 36,075 million (FY 2017 ¥ 44,576 million).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

Duration of the subsidy is not clearly specified, since the subsidy is determined and provided on a fiscal year basis.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

(Unit: Thousand tons)

Item	Fiscal Year	Production	Consumption	Import	Export
Sugar	2016	688	1,929	1,201	1
	2017	794	1,897	1,133	2
	2018	745	1,872	1,155	2

### 3.3 Measures for Starch

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Measures for Starch.

2. Period covered by the notification

Fiscal year 2018 (April 2018 - March 2019) (previous fiscal year).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To contribute to stabilizing national living conditions through safeguarding the income of the producers of starch resource crops and stabilizing management of starch producers.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.  
Agriculture and Livestock Industries Corporation.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Sugar and Starch Price Adjustment Law.  
Agriculture and Livestock Industries Corporation Law.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

The Government provides payments through the Agriculture and Livestock Industries Corporation, based on the applications from the starch resource crops producers in specified areas and starch producers.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2018 ¥ 5,062 million (FY 2017 ¥ 5,426 million).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

Duration of the subsidy is not clearly specified, since the subsidy is determined and provided on a fiscal year basis.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

(Unit: Thousand tons)

Item	Fiscal Year	Production	Consumption	Import	Export
Starch	2016	2,504	2,680	141	0
	2017	2,473	2,625	158	0
	2018	2,532	2,671	140	0

### 3.4 Measures for Milk and Dairy Products

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Measures for Milk and Dairy Products.

2. Period covered by the notification

Fiscal year 2018 [April 2018-March 2019] (previous fiscal year).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

The policy objective is to promote sound development of dairy farming and related industries and to contribute to improvement of nation's dietary life, through stabilizing prices of milk and dairy products.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Act on Stabilization of Livestock Management.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Subsidy, grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

In order to maintain production of milk for manufacturing, whose price condition is inferior to that of drinking milk, the Government provides producers with a certain amount of subsidy for milk for manufacturing according to the production volume.

In addition, the Government supports efforts by producers to improve the quality of raw milk for cheese in order to improve the quality of domestic cheese.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2018 ¥ 29,577 million (¥ 29,577million).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

The subsidy is determined and provided every fiscal year.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

	Fiscal Year	Production	Consumption	Import	Export
Fresh Milk	2016	7,342	7,342	0	4
	2017	7,290	7,290	0	5
	2018	7,232	7,232	0	5
Butter and butter oil	2016	64	74	12	0
	2017	60	71	10	0
	2018	60	79	19	0
Skimmed milk Powder	2016	124	137	6	0
	2017	122	139	35	0
	2018	120	139	18	0
Sweetened Condensed Skimmed milk	2016	4	4	0	0
	2017	4	4	0	0
	2018	4	4	0	0
Sweetened condensed milk	2016	35	38	2	0
	2017	36	34	1	0
	2018	33	36	1	0
Cheese	2016	47	302	256	1
	2017	46	321	276	1
	2018	45	333	289	1

### 3.5 Measures for Bovine Meat and Pig Meat

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Measures for Bovine meat and Pig meat.

2. Period covered by the notification

Fiscal year 2018 [April 2018-March 2019] (previous fiscal year).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To ensure stable supply of bovine meat and pig meat, and stable development of cattle and pig farm management.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.  
Agriculture and Livestock Industries Corporation.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Livestock Products Price Stabilization Law.  
Special Measures Law on Beef Calves Production Stabilization.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

(a) The Agriculture and Livestock Industries Corporation contributes to stabilizing the price of bovine meat and pig meat.

- in case wholesale prices fall below the Standard Stabilization price, the Corporation takes measures to stabilize prices of bovine meat and pig meat by withdrawing domestic bovine meat and domestic pig meat from the markets.
- in case wholesale prices exceed the Upper Stabilization price, the Corporation takes measures to stabilize prices of bovine meat and pig meat by increasing sales of domestic bovine meat and domestic pig meat.

(b) When the calf price falls below the trigger base price, the Government provides calf producers with a compensatory payment per head, and ensures stable production of calves and management of cattle producers.

(c) The Government provides beef cattle and pig producers with a subsidy per head, in order to prevent worsening their return and stagnating domestic bovine meat and pig meat production.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2018 ¥ 145,220 million (¥ 134,419 million).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

Duration of the subsidy is not clearly specified, since the subsidy is determined and provided on a fiscal year basis.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

Item	Fiscal Year	Production	Consumption	Import	Export
Bovine Meat	2016	324	861	526	2.1
	2017	330	904	572	3.0
	2018	333	931	620	3.8
Pig meat	2016	894	1,761	877	1.8
	2017	890	1,810	926	2.4
	2018	898	1,826	916	2.2

Note: The amounts are converted to those of cut meat.

### 3.6 Measures for Eggs

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Measures for Eggs.

2. Period covered by the notification

Fiscal year 2018 [April 2018-March 2019] (previous fiscal year).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To contribute to developing a sound management of poultry farms, through stabilizing egg prices.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries  
Japan Poultry Association.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

None (Assistance by budget).

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

The subsidy supports activities of compensating price drops of eggs, and in the case of further drop of price, supports activities to delay the reintroduction of layers in order to improve the supply and demand condition.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2018 ¥ 4,862 million (¥ 4,862 million).



9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

Duration of the subsidy is not clearly specified, since the subsidy is determined and provided on a fiscal year basis.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

(Unit: Thousand tons)

Item	Fiscal Year	Production	Consumption	Import	Export
Eggs	2016	2,558	2,649	95	4
	2017	2,614	2,723	114	5
	2018	2,630	2,737	114	7

Note: The amount in import and export are converted to those of shell eggs.

**3.7 Measures for Vegetable**1. Title of the subsidy programme

Measures for Vegetable.

2. Period covered by the notification

Fiscal year 2018 [April 2018-March 2019] (previous fiscal year).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To contribute to a sound development of vegetable farming and to stabilizing national living condition, through stabilizing production of major vegetables.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.  
Agriculture and Livestock Industries Corporation

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Vegetable Production and Marketing Stabilization Law.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

The Agriculture and Livestock Industries Corporation is financed through a contribution from the registered marketing associations and a subsidy from the Government. When the market prices fall below the guaranteed base prices, the Corporation provides a compensatory payment for producers through the registered marketing associations.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2018 ¥ 4,893 million (¥ 1,717 million).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

Duration of the subsidy is not clearly specified, since the subsidy is determined and provided based on a fiscal year.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

(Unit: Thousand tons)

Item	Fiscal Year	Production	Consumption	Import	Export
Vegetable	2016	11,598	14,468	2,901	31
	2017	11,549	14,654	3,126	21
	2018	11,468	14,767	3,310	11

### 3.8 Measures for Fruits

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Measures for Fruits.

2. Period covered by the notification

Fiscal year 2018 [April 2018-March 2019] (previous fiscal year).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To contribute to a stable development of fruits agriculture, through stabilizing management of fruit farms within production adjustment measures, and through stabilizing transaction of fruits for processing.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.  
Japan Fruit Association.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Special Measure Law on Fruit Growing Industry Promotion.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

The Government provides payments to the fruit producer's groups which take measures such as processing of surplus fruits when the shipping of the designated fruits gets concentrated. Payment is made through the Japan Fruit Association.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2018 ¥ 5,560 million (¥ 6,276 million).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

Duration of the subsidy is not clearly specified, since the subsidy is determined and provided based on a fiscal year.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

(Unit: Thousand tons)

Item	Fiscal Year	Production	Consumption	Import	Export
Fruits	2016	2,918	7,150	4,292	60
	2017	2,809	7,092	4,339	56
	2018	2,839	7,437	4,661	66

Note: The amounts include those of fruits for processing converted to fresh fruits.

### 3.9 Farmer's Pension Fund Subsidy

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Farmer's Pension Fund Subsidy.

2. Period covered by the notification

Fiscal year 2018(April 2018 - March 2019) (previous fiscal year).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To ensure the income security of self-employed farmers after their retirement and to secure the adequate number of farmers in Japan, by providing the old-age pensions as one of the public pension schemes in Japan.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Act on the Farmers Pension Fund, Independent Administrative Agency.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Pension is provided for farmers who have paid the premium of the pension and have retired from the farming management totally and permanently.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2018 ¥ 119,291 million (FY 2017 ¥ 119,718 million).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

Duration of the subsidy is not clearly specified, since the subsidy is determined and provided on a fiscal year basis.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

N.A.

### **3.10 Farming Modernization Fund Interest Subsidy**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Farming Modernization Fund Interest Subsidy.

2. Period covered by the notification

Fiscal year 2018 (April 2018-March 2019) (previous fiscal year).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

The purpose of the programme is to contribute to the introduction of advanced agricultural management for improvement of agricultural structure.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Agricultural Modernization Fund Act.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

In order to contribute to facilitate farmers to make investments for introducing more advanced agricultural management, the Government provides interest subsidy to the Nourinchukin Bank.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2016 ¥ 1.0 million(¥ 1.0 million).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

Duration of the subsidy is not clearly specified, since the subsidy is determined and provided on a fiscal year basis.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

N.A.

### **3.11 Japan Finance Corporation Subsidy**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Japan Finance Corporation Subsidy.

2. Period covered by the notification

Fiscal year 2018(April 2018-March 2019) (previous fiscal year).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

The purpose of the programme is to contribute to the improvement of agricultural structure.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Japan Finance Corporation Act.  
Agricultural Improvement Fund Act.  
Agricultural Management Framework Reinforcement Act.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

This subsidy is provided to the Japan Finance Corporation, which furnishes farmers with a long-term loan at preferred rate in order to improve agricultural structure including land improvement, acquisition of farm land and agricultural mechanization.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, the total amount or the annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2018 ¥ 0 million (¥ 0 million).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

Duration of the subsidy is not clearly specified, since the subsidy is determined and provided on a fiscal year basis.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

N.A.

### **3.12 Programs for Development and Adaptation of New Technologies and Conservation of Fishing Grounds**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Programs for development and adaptation of new technologies and conservation of fishing grounds.

2. Period covered by the notification

Fiscal year 2019 (April 2019 to March 2020) (previous fiscal year).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

The objective of the programme is to support fishermen and their organizations to conserve fishing grounds and mitigate damages by harmful marine species, using new technologies.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

None (Assistance by budget).

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grants, etc.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

According to the schemes of the programme, financial support is provided to fishermen and their organizations.

8. Amount of the subsidy

FY 2019 ¥ 3,588 million (FY 2018 ¥ 3,170 million).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time-limits attached to it

Duration of the subsidy is not clearly specified, since the subsidy is determined and provided on a fiscal year basis.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

N.A.

### **3.13 Support for Establishment of Environmentally and Economically Sustainable Fisheries**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Support for establishment of environmentally and economically sustainable fisheries.

2. Period covered by the notification

Fiscal year 2019 (April 2019 to March 2020) (previous fiscal year).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

The objective of the programme is to enable fishermen and their organizations to conduct sustainable fishing practices, thereby establishing environmentally and economically sustainable fisheries. Such supports include the mitigation of damages on fishermen by natural and economic disasters, and promotion of structural reform of fisheries sectors.

Fishermen and their organizations are required to develop and implement their own resource management plans such as time/area closure, restrictions on catches and fishing gear in line with the Resource Management Guidelines established by the national and prefectural governments, in order to be eligible to this program.

Fishing permit and license systems are combined with this program in order to ensure not increase the overall fishing capacity.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

None (Assistance by budget).

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grants etc.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

According to the schemes of the programme, financial support is provided to fishermen and other organizations.

8. Amount of the subsidy

FY 2019 ¥ 74,552 million (FY 2018 ¥ 54,017 million).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time-limits attached to it

Duration of the subsidy is not clearly specified, since the subsidy is determined and provided on a fiscal year basis.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

N.A.

### **3.14 Promotion for Regional Development Through Fisheries**

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Promotion for regional development through fisheries.

2. Period covered by the notification

Fiscal year 2019 (April 2019 to March 2020) (previous fiscal year).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

The objective of the programme is to promote regional development by supporting fishermen and their organizations to conduct on-site fisheries related activities such as national border surveillance, revitalization of fishing communities in remote islands, and recruitment and settlement of new fishermen.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

None (Assistance by budget).

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grants etc.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

According to the schemes of the programme, financial support is provided to fishermen and their organizations.

8. Amount of the subsidy

FY 2019 ¥ 10,985 million (FY 2018 ¥ 9,085 million).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time-limits attached to it

Duration of the subsidy is not clearly specified, since the subsidy is determined and provided on a fiscal year basis.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

N.A.

### 3.15 Support for Aquaculture, Inland Fisheries and Fish Stock Enhancement

1. Title of the subsidy programme

Support for aquaculture, inland fisheries and fish stock enhancement.

2. Period covered by the notification

Fiscal year 2019 (April 2019 to March 2020) (previous fiscal year).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

The objective of the programme is to support aquaculture and inland fisheries, and to promote fish stock enhancement.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

None (Assistance by budget).

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grants.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

According to the schemes of the programme, financial support is provided to fishermen and their organizations.

8. Amount of the subsidy

FY 2019 ¥ 108 million (FY 2018 ¥ 518 million).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time-limits attached to it

Duration of the subsidy is not clearly specified, since the subsidy is determined and provided on a fiscal year basis.



10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of the subsidy

N.A.

#### **4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

##### **4.1 Subsidy for Promoting the Manufacture of Traditional Craft Products**

1. Title of the Subsidy programme

Subsidy for Promoting the Manufacture of Traditional Craft Products.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2019 - 3/2020 (Fiscal Year 2019).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To promote the production of Japanese traditional crafts using traditional skills and methods.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Eight prefectural governments (Akita, Yamagata, Saitama, Shizuoka, Kyoto, Kagawa, Fukuoka and Saga).

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Producers or Producers' associations in Traditional Craft Products.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2019 ¥ 43.3 million (Settlement of Accounts).

FY 2018 ¥ 43.0 million (Settlement of Accounts).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

Shizuoka prefecture: from FY 2019 to FY 2021.

Other prefectures: There is no time-limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

##### **4.2 Subsidy for Leather Industry**

1. Title of the Subsidy programme

Subsidy for Leather Industry.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2019 - 3/2020 (Fiscal Year 2019).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To promote and develop the leather industry.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Two prefectural government (Hyogo and Nara).

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Producer's associations in leather products.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2019 ¥ 12.9 million (Settlement of Accounts).

FY 2018 ¥ 13.2 million (Settlement of Accounts).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

There is no time limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

#### **4.3 Measures for Beef and Pork**

1. Title of the Subsidy programme

Measures for Beef and Pork.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2019 - 3/2020 (Fiscal Year 2019).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To stabilize the stockbreeding management of cows and pigs.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Sixteen prefectural governments (Akita, Miyagi, Tochigi, Saitama, Chiba, Kanagawa, Toyama, Shizuoka, Hyogo, Tottori, Kagawa, Ehime, Saga, Oita, Kagoshima and Okinawa).

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant, interest subsidy and loan guarantee.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Stockbreeders and their Association.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2019 ¥ 616.7 million (Settlement of Accounts).

FY 2018 ¥ 619.1 million (Settlement of Accounts).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time-limits attached to it

- Tochigi prefecture: from FY 2019 to FY 2021.
- Kanagawa prefecture: from FY 1995 to FY 2021.
- Okinawa prefecture: from FY 2012 to FY 2033, from FY 2018 to FY 2020, from FY 1994 to FY 2024, or no time-limit attached to it, depending on the scheme
- Other prefectures: There is no time-limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

#### 4.4 Measures for Eggs

1. Title of the Subsidy programme

Measures for Eggs.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2019 - 3/2020 (Fiscal Year 2019).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To stabilize the poultry farming management.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Eight prefectural governments (Saitama, Kanagawa, Shizuoka, Kagawa, Saga, Oita, Kagoshima and Okinawa).

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Poultry farmers or their Associations.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2019 ¥ 48.7 million (Settlement of Accounts).

FY 2018 ¥ 50.8 million (Settlement of Accounts).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time-limits attached to it

- Kanagawa prefecture: from FY 1994 to FY 2024.
- Okinawa prefecture: from FY 2011 to FY 2013, from FY 2014 to FY 2016, and from FY 2017 to FY 2019 (each for 3 years).
- Other prefectures: There is no time-limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

#### 4.5 Measures for Vegetables

1. Title of the Subsidy programme

Measures for Vegetables.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2019 - 3/2020 (Fiscal Year 2019).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To stabilize vegetable farming management.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Twenty-four prefectural governments (Aomori, Miyagi, Akita, Yamagata, Fukushima, Ibaraki, Tochigi, Saitama, Chiba, Kanagawa, Toyama, Gifu, Shizuoka, Aichi, Mie, Kyoto, Tottori, Kagawa, Ehime, Fukuoka, Saga, Oita, Kagoshima and Okinawa).

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Vegetable farmers and their associations.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2019 ¥ 1,157.9 million (Settlement of Accounts).

FY 2018 ¥ 577.7 million (Settlement of Accounts).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

- Kanagawa prefecture: from FY 1963 to FY 2023.
- Saga prefecture: from FY 2014 to FY 2022 or from FY 2019 to FY 2020, depending on the scheme.
- Oita prefecture: from FY 2019 to FY 2019.
- Okinawa prefecture: from FY 2017 to FY 2019.
- Other prefectures: There is no time-limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

#### **4.6 Measures for Fruits**

1. Title of the Subsidy programme

Measures for Fruits.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2019 - 3/2020 (Fiscal Year 2019).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To stabilize fruit farming management.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Three prefectural governments (Aomori, Shizuoka and Tottori).

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Fruit farmers and their associations.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2019 ¥ 8.4 million (Settlement of Accounts).

FY 2018 ¥ 7.8 million (Settlement of Accounts).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

- Aomori prefecture: from FY 2001 to FY 2019.
- Shizuoka prefecture: from FY 2001 to FY 2019.
- Tottori prefectures: There is no time-limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

#### 4.7 Measures for Vegetables and Fruits

1. Title of the Subsidy programme

Measures for Vegetables and Fruits.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2019 - 3/2020 (Fiscal Year 2019).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To improve the profitability and quality of products.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Oita Prefectural Governments.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant and interest subsidy.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Farmers and their associations who satisfy certain criteria.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2019 ¥ 6.5 million (Settlement of Accounts).

FY 2018 ¥ 12.9 million (Settlement of Accounts).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

From FY 2019 to FY 2019 or from FY 2017 to FY 2019, depending on the scheme.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

#### 4.8 Measures for Beef and Milk

1. Title of the Subsidy programme

Measures for Beef and Milk.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2019 - 3/2020 (Fiscal Year 2019).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To stabilize the stockbreeding management of cattle.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Three Prefectural Governments (Tochigi, Saga and Oita).

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant and interest subsidy.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Stockbreeders and their Association.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2019 ¥ 6.5 million (Settlement of Accounts).

FY 2018 ¥ 12.9 million (Settlement of Accounts).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

Tochigi prefecture: from FY 2012 to FY 2035.

Other prefectures: There is no time-limit attached to it.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

#### 4.9 Subsidy for Inland Water Aquaculture

1. Title of the Subsidy programme

Subsidy for Inland Water Aquaculture.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2019 - 3/2020 (Fiscal Year 2019).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To stabilize and promote the Inland Water Aquaculture.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Gifu Prefectural Government.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Fisheries association and aquaculture producers.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2019 ¥ 1.0 million (Settlement of Accounts).

FY 2018 ¥ 0.0 million (Settlement of Accounts).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

From FY 2019 to FY 2022.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

#### **4.10 Measures for Rice**

1. Title of the Subsidy programme

Measures for Rice.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2019 - 3/2020 (Fiscal Year 2019).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To promote structural reform of paddy field agriculture.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Oita prefectural governments.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.



6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Certified farmer aiming to scale up.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2019 ¥ 5.1 million (Settlement of Accounts).

FY 2018 ¥ 4.5 million (Settlement of Accounts).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

From FY 2017 to FY 2019.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

N.A.

#### **4.11 Measures for Tea Leaves**

1. Title of the Subsidy programme

Measures for Tea leaves.

2. Period covered by the notification

4/2019 - 3/2020 (Fiscal Year 2019).

3. Policy objective and/or purpose of the subsidy

To improve the profitability of tea leaves.

4. Background and authority for the subsidy

Saga prefectural governments.

5. Legislation under which it is granted

Assistance by budget.

6. Form of the subsidy (i.e., grant, loan, tax concession, etc.)

Grant.

7. To whom and how the subsidy is provided

Tea farmers and their Association.

8. Subsidy per unit, or in cases where this is not possible, total amount or annual amount budgeted for that subsidy

FY 2019 ¥ 0.3 million (Settlement of Accounts).

FY 2018 ¥ 0.0 million (Settlement of Accounts).

9. Duration of the subsidy and/or any other time limits attached to it

From FY 2019 to FY 2022.

10. Statistical data permitting an assessment of the trade effects of a subsidy

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