

Disclosures based on the TCFD framework

TCFD

TASK FORCE ON CLIMATE-RELATED FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES

The Takara Group positions the harmonization of its business activities with global environmental preservation as one of its key challenges, and is actively implementing these initiatives. Recognizing that climate change is an important issue that has an impact on the sustainability of business, the Group supports the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) and continues to assess and respond to risks and opportunities related to climate change in accordance with the TCFD framework, disclose relevant information, and engage in dialogue with stakeholders. The Group has also joined the TCFD Consortium, where companies and financial institutions which support the TCFD recommendations work together to move ahead with initiatives, and discuss effective information disclosure of companies and initiatives to lead to right investment decisions by financial institutions, etc.

Governance

The Takara Group has established the Takara Group Sustainability Promotion Committee chaired by the Representative Director and President of Takara Holdings, under the supervision of the Board of Directors. The committee assesses the risks and opportunities that climate change poses to business, formulates strategies, and discusses targets, etc. In addition, as a subordinate organization of the Takara Group Sustainability Promotion Committee, the Executive Office of Sustainability Promotion Committee has been established to deal with climate change issues. The Executive Office of Sustainability Promotion Committee sets out and implements specific activities for each Group company based on decisions made by the Takara Group Sustainability Promotion Committee.

These sustainability initiatives, including climate change issues, are reported to the Board of Directors by the Takara Group Sustainability Promotion Committee.

Governance Structure

Board of Directors, Takara Holdings

Takara Group Sustainability Promotion Committee

ChairPresident of Takara Holdings

MembersTakara Holdings: Directors, Audit & Supervisory Board Members, Executive Officers  
Takara Shuzo: DirectorsTakara Shuzo International: Directors  
Takara Bio: President, Directors in charge, Executive Officers in charge

Executive Office of Sustainability Promotion Committee

MembersPrincipal Division:  
Sustainability Management Office  
Assistant:  
Public Relations & Investor Relations  
Dept., Business Management Division

Takara Holdings corporate departments

Takara Shuzo

Takara Shuzo International Group

Takara Bio Group

Group companies in Japan

Risk Management

The Takara Group identified risks and opportunities for Takara Shuzo Co., Ltd. and Takara Shuzo International Co., Ltd. (Overseas Alcoholic Beverages Business, Japanese Food Wholesale Business in overseas markets). As a process to identify them, we extracted potential risks and opportunities for transition risks and physical risks by referring to experts' opinions and published reports, and selected risks and opportunities that are expected to have a significant impact over the short-, medium-, and long-term period, taking into account the likelihood and magnitude of impact. The Takara Group Sustainability Promotion Committee reports to the Board of Directors on the details of identified risks and opportunities and the countermeasures.

Strategy and Scenario Analysis

In addition to Takara Shuzo Co., Ltd. in fiscal year 2021 and the Overseas Alcoholic Beverages Business of Takara Shuzo International Co., Ltd. in fiscal year 2022, the Takara Group expanded its scope to include Japanese Food Wholesale Business in overseas market of Takara Shuzo International Co., Ltd. in fiscal year 2023, and conducted a scenario analysis to understand the impact of climate change risks and opportunities on the business and consider countermeasures to be taken.

In this analysis, we referred to RCP 2.6 (below 2°C scenario) and RCP 8.5 (4°C scenario) based on AR5 of IPCC (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) for physical risks, and APS scenario (below 2°C scenario), SDS scenario (below 2°C scenario), and NZE2050 scenario (1.5°C scenario) based on WEO of IEA (International Energy Agency) for transition risks to analyze and examine the impact of climate change.

Transition risk

As the temperature rise is limited to less than 2°C and strict environmental regulations are introduced to achieve carbon neutrality, the adoption of carbon tax will force up production costs, operating costs, storage costs, and the prices of containers and packaging materials, causing an impact on our business.

Physical risk

As the temperature rise will be about 4°C, damage due to storm surges and floods caused by sea level rise will have a significant impact on our operations. In addition, it has been found that the amount of yield of crops, which are raw materials, is greatly affected by rising temperatures.

Oppor tunities

We think that the reduction of operating costs through promotion of energy conservation efforts such as the introduction of energy-saving equipment as well as increased demand for ethical consumption and eco-friendly products will become business opportunities for us.

Going forward, we will continue to review risks and opportunities and give shape to measures to be taken, and reflect them in our medium- to long-term management strategies, thereby striving to improve the resilience of our strategies.

Target companies: Takara Shuzo Co., Ltd.  
Takara Shuzo International Co., Ltd.  
Overseas Alcoholic Beverages Business (Takara Sake USA Inc., Takara Shuzo Foods Co., Ltd., and The Tomatin Distillery Co. Ltd)  
Japanese Food Wholesale Business in overseas markets (Mutual Trading Co., Inc., Tazaki Foods Limited, FOODEX S.A.S., Cominport Distribución S.L., and Nippon Food Supplies Company Pty Ltd)

\* For disclosures based on the TCFD framework of Takara Bio Inc., please visit Takara Bio's website.

Business Risks and Opportunities due to Climate Change in Domestic Business and Overseas Alcoholic Beverages Business

Risk	Content	Period*1	Impact*2	Measures
Transition risk	Increase in production costs due to implementation of carbon tax	Medium-term	1.5°C Scenario Medium2.0°C Scenario Medium	• Promoting initiatives to reduce CO2 emissions and increasing the ratio of renewable energy • Promoting modal shifts (in Japan) • Promoting the use of renewable energy (installation of solar panels, etc.) • Converting company vehicles to EVs
	Increase in costs of containers and packaging materials	Medium-term	MediumMedium	• Switching to recycled containers and low-carbon alternative containers • Obtaining certification for paper and cardboards (e.g. FSC, PEFC) • Use of biomass materials for soft packaging materials and printing • Reducing weight of packaging materials (making bottles and cans lighter and abolishing labels and stickers)
Physical risk	River flooding (flood damage)	Long-term	4.0°C Scenario	• Decentralization of production sites in Japan • Survey and examination of countermeasures for sites where large-scale flooding is expected
	Coastal flooding (flood damage)	Long-term	Large	• Consideration and formulation of BCP
	Impact on crop yields (see below for details)			(See below for details)

\*1 Medium-term until around 2030 Long-term until around 2050 \*2 Impact on financial indicators Large 5% or more Medium 1–5% Small Less than 1%  
Transition risk is the impact on consolidated operating income, and physical risk is the impact on consolidated net sales, consolidated property, plant and equipment, and consolidated inventories.

Opportunities	Content	Measures
Opportunities	Impact on cost of switching to energy-saving equipment	• Installing low-carbon equipment (converting the heavy oil boiler to a natural gas boiler) • Using a biomass boiler at Tomatin
	Impact of energy conservation promotion on cost reduction	• Installing energy-saving equipment that reduces operating costs • Considering the promotion of the reuse of waste heat (use of heat pumps, etc.)
	Increase in demand for eco-products (demand for ethical consumption)	• Product development consistent with ethical consumption ( <i>Takara CRAFT</i> , <i>Sho Chiku Bai Nend</i> , etc.) • Initiatives for environmentally friendly products and certified products

Impact on crop yields

In addition to Takara Shuzo Co., Ltd., we have expanded our scope to include the Overseas Alcoholic Beverages Business of Takara Shuzo International Co., Ltd., and analyzed the impact of temperature rise on yields for four items that account for a large proportion of raw material use.



