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# **Country Report**

**(Draft)**

**<Japan>**

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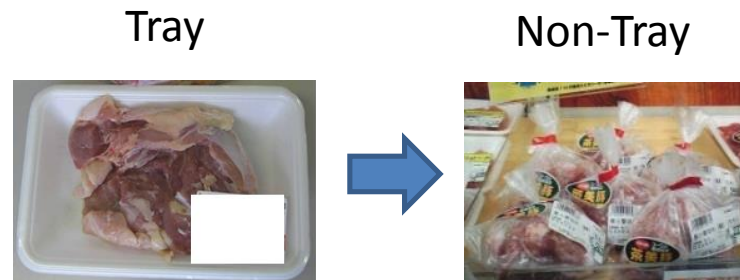
# Country Presentation: Japan

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# 1. New Initiatives (examples)

## (1) Promotion of “2Rs” (Reduce & Reuse)

- > Consider incorporating 2Rs into the national system
- > Improve the environment surrounding the consumers to use reused products (reinforcement of business' compliance)



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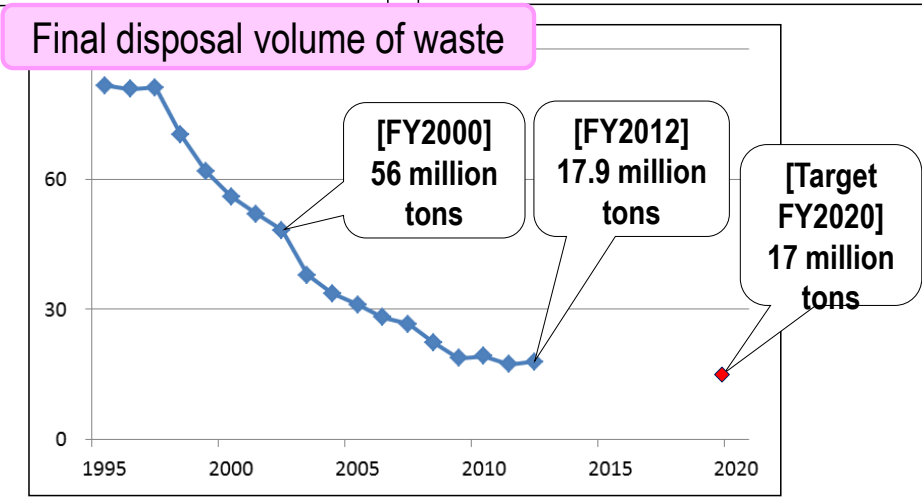
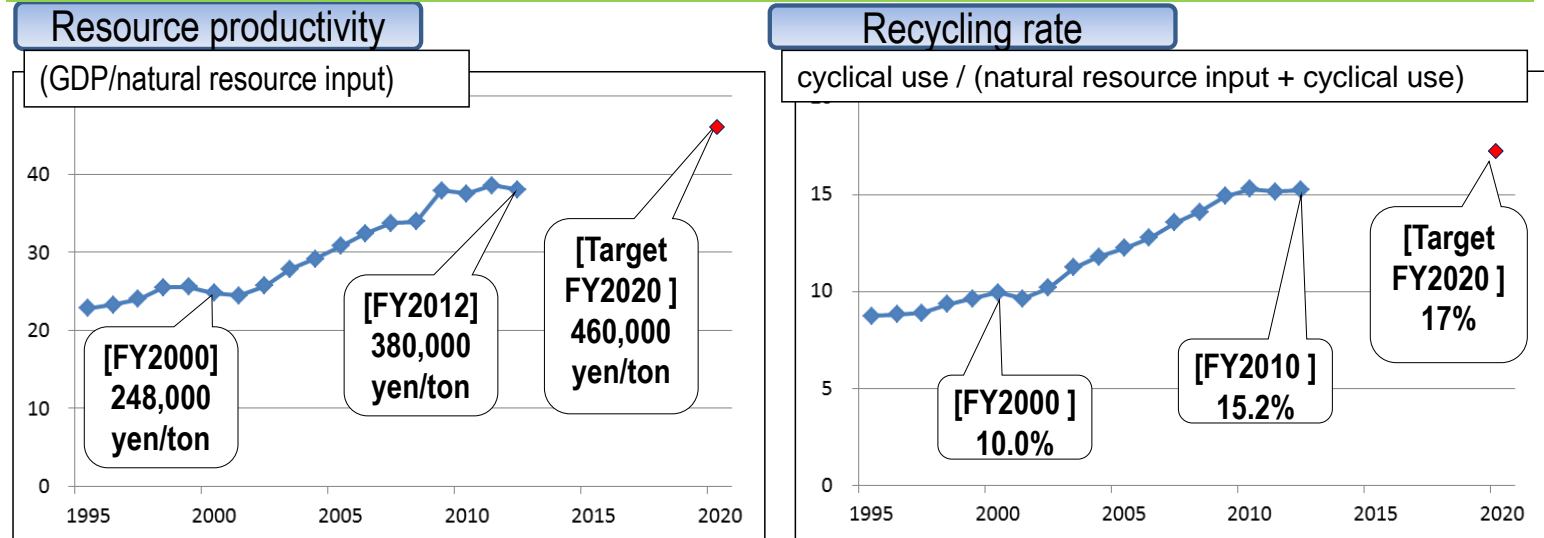
## (2) Experiences of Great East Japan Earth Quake

- > Complete review of the current guideline on disaster waste management
- > Cooperation between municipalities, cooperation with business sector, and ensuring interim storage sites



# 2. Achievements

Japan's progress towards establishing a SMC society  
– changes in major indexes and goals targeted by the 3rd Fundamental Plan –



# 3. Comments on the Questionnaire

- (1) Does the questions suppose “comprehensive” answers or “examples” and what’s the context?
  - > Nearly 200 questions
  - > “pilot projects, master plan, and/or policies”
  - > Clear and more structured questions may be needed.

e.g.) Ask about a whole picture of the related laws

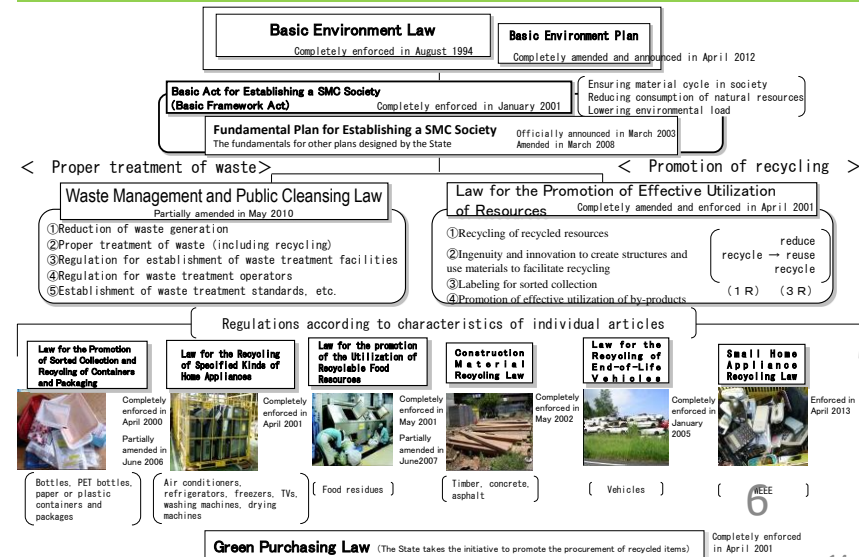
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Ask about a very specific thing such as guideline (standards) on Incineration

Or

Ask about the existence of data or survey

### Legal framework for establishing a SMC society



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(2) Differences between countries should be minded.

- > For example, “e-waste” has no universal definition.
- > Some data can be covered, but only a part of “e-waste”.
- > It may be worth comparing the differences and similarities between the countries.



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(3) Consider the current knowledge gaps

-> Lacking of basic data of the region on 3R and waste management (not only on the policies)

e.g. the trend of total volume of the waste, use of incineration, composting and waste power generation, sorted collection of waste