# Message from the Executive Officer in Charge of Sustainability

By reforming our decision-making bodies, we have strengthened our governance system and deepened our commitment to sustainability management.
We are boldly tackling issues such as GHG emissions reduction to drive long-term value creation.

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Executive Officer, General Manager, Corporate Sustainability Division



## Approach to Sustainability and Enhancing the Sustainability Governance Systems

Tokuyama has established our Sustainability Principles based on Tokuyama's Vision, comprised of our mission "to create a bright future in harmony with the environment, in collaboration with our customers, based on chemistry," our ideal form, and our sense of values, and we will create new value in harmony with the environment by engaging in initiatives and supplying products that contribute to the solving of social issues while minimizing the environmental burden caused by our business activities.

To improve the effectiveness of our sustainability initiatives, we reinforced our management framework. The figure below shows the overall picture of the sustainability-related meeting bodies, with the number of meetings held in FY2024 noted in parentheses. Recognizing sustainability issues become more crucial, as of April 2025, we have restructured the CSR Promotion Council into the Sustainability Executive Committee, with the President as the chair, all executive officers as members, and the option of participation by external directors, and have also restructured the Expert Committees. The previous CSR Promotion Council, which was typically held in March,

was focused on providing reports and involved multiple steps before making a resolution, but by incorporating a "Sustainability Part (meaning the Sustainability Executive Committee)" within twicemonthly Executive Committee meetings, we are now able to discuss and make decisions on issues as they arise, thus speeding up the decision-making process. On the other hand, as was the case in the past, the Sustainability Executive Committee held each March will continue to involve reports on overall progress, and require oversight by the Board of Directors on crucial decisions and other approval matters.

Expert Committees chaired by the relevant directors have been established under the Sustainability Executive Committee, and these committees act as the second line of a three-line model to manage business risks and opportunities, and work to strengthen governance over business execution. The Auditing Department also conducts regular audits of sustainability-related management systems, acting as the third line in this model. These results are also being reported to and overseen by the President and the Board of Directors.

#### Through FY2024



#### From FY2025



# Tokuyama's Basic Approach to CSR Management

Based on Tokuyama's vision, we have clarified our posture and approach to the sustainability that will form the basis of "Practice Socially Responsible Management," established policies for individual social issues, and made them widely known both inside and outside the company. Each Group company has also adopted, formulated, and promoted the same policies, with a focus on Group management.

In addition, KPIs for materialities, which are priority CSR issues, have been determined and monitored by the CSR Promotion Council (the Sustainability Executive Committee from FY2025) in order to strengthen our initiatives. From FY2023, we will clarify the responsibilities of all executive officers for addressing materialities, and reflect the progress made in their remuneration for the following

fiscal year. In addition, we clarified director roles and responsibilities by establishing our Corporate Governance Policy in FY2024, promoted governance-based approaches to management issues, including sustainability, and established a system that further enhances the efficacy of directors' performance of their duties. Under this management system, we are implementing the CSR management outlined in our Medium-Term Management Plan 2025, which includes responding to requests and expectations of stakeholders, taking on sustainability-related initiatives (such as addressing climate change, human rights, and human capital), and establishing internal controls and whistle-blowing systems. Although the business domains of each group company are different, they all share the same corporate slogan, "For the People of Tomorrow," and the desire to "be a company that lasts into the future." To that end, we hope to improve our corporate value and gain recognition from stakeholders through effective initiatives and disclosure across

Value Creation Strategy

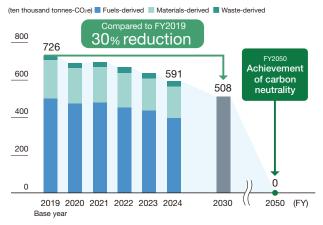
### Primary Sustainability Initiatives in FY2024

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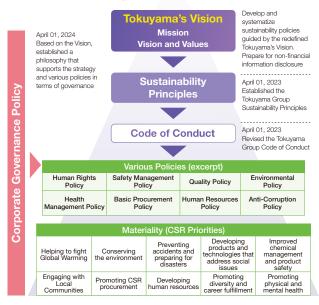
Promotion of sustainability should be evaluated based on stakeholder (shareholders and investors, customers, business partners, employees, local communities and societies, and the global environment) satisfaction. In fact, we recognized for taking appropriate and moderated responses based on sustainability investments that anticipate long-term, sustainable returns.

Among the many sustainability-related issues, we are placing the most emphasis on "making a contribution to the mitigation of global warming," one of the priority issues in Medium-Term Management Plan 2025, and we have made progress in reducing GHG emissions (Scope 1 and 2) by 19% compared to our target of a 30% reduction by FY2030 (compared with FY2019). Focusing on Scope 1, or direct emissions, this means that we have established a reduction mechanism and reduced CO2e emissions by 1.35 million tonnes for these five years. As for Scope 3, we have managed to reduce total emissions in Categories 1, 3 and 4 by 6%, in comparison with our goal of 10% (compared to FY2022) by FY2030. To protect the global environment, we will strengthen our activities by setting aside an investment budget of 28.9 billion yen over the three-year period from FY2025 to

### Medium- to Long-Term GHG Emissions Reduction Targets (Scope 1 and 2)



#### Policies on Sustainability

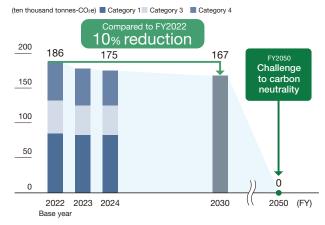


FY2027 to reduce our environmental impact, taking into account internal carbon pricing\*.

We have managed to achieve over 95% of our goals for the materialities we identified as being crucial for solving social issues, indicating solid progress. Among our efforts that take into consideration our customers, local communities, societies, and business partners, we have enhanced our activities concerning respect for human rights, including supply chain management, and biodiversity in accordance with our alignment with the TNFD, striving for sustainable value creation.

We will also continue disclosing these details in ways that will enable our shareholders and investors to feel and understand that these activities overall will help realize corporate management they can rely on. In particular, the external disclosure of sustainability information that has a financial impact will be essential for accountability in our business activities and the transparency of our governance. Toward the final fiscal year of the Medium-Term Management Plan 2025, we will implement the PDCA cycle for each CSR issue we have set as a target, and assertively advance information disclosures. \* See the Tokuyama TCFD Report 2025 for more details

### Medium- to Long-Term Supply Chain Emissions Reduction Targets (Scope 3) (Categories 1, 3, and 4)



<sup>\*</sup> GHG emissions from fuels include emissions derived from coal used as a thermal energy source

### Future focus on sustainability

By establishing a governance structure for sustainability and establishing a flow for promoting it, discussions are now being held from the perspective of sustainable value creation, and sustainability-conscious management has taken root among executives and department and section managers.

To sustainably maintain a Tokuyama that "creates a bright

future in collaboration with customers," we will remain aware of sustainability within the work our employees do, consider sustainability efforts expected of companies in a timely fashion, and live up to the trust placed in us by our stakeholders by further enhancing our corporate value.

# Tokuyama's Materiality

## Promotion of sustainability through steady implementation of material issues

To realize our mission "to create a bright future in harmony with the environment, in collaboration with customers, based on chemistry," we must first correctly understand the expectations and requirements of society, and then make sure that every person in the Group has a "vision" of what needs to be done and a "sustainability perspective" in order to work every day from a long-term perspective and to have an awareness of potential social issues. This perspective will be essential if we are to move away from traditional business models and transform ourselves into a value-creating company. Acting from a sustainable perspective or, in other words, promoting sustainability, will be a necessary condition for creating value over the medium- to long-term for Tokuyama.

To promote sustainability at Tokuyama, we are faced with a number of sustainability-related (or corporate social responsibility; CSR) challenges. We have extracted from these challenges those that Tokuyama considers important as we seek to advance sustainability management, and those strongly demanded by society from a sustainability perspective, and have positioned them as materialities. By steadily advancing our efforts to address these materialities, Tokuyama will be able to make progress toward our ideal vision.

To make this progress, we have linked these materialities to the business goals of the divisions and departments that are responsible for them. The status of these issues was also reported at the CSR Promotion Council in FY2024 and shared with all executive officers. The relevant materialities are also taken into account as a factor in the calculation of executive officer remuneration. We are working hard to continually raise the level of sustainable management at Tokuyama by following the company-wide PDCA cycle that we use to check on progress and analyze current conditions.

During FY2024, we managed to steadily advance our efforts to develop regional structures and conduct basic studies for reducing GHG emissions, and also revised our "Basic Procurement Policy" (formerly the "Basic Purchasing Policy") and our "Sustainable Procurement Guidelines" (formerly the "CSR Procurement Guidelines") in preparation for expanding CSR procurement activities, which previously centered around purchasing efforts, to include the entire supply chain, including labor, services, and logistics. These new policies and guidelines were disclosed in April 2025.

To keep up with the times and engage with sustainability from an even higher perspective, we reorganized the CSR Promotion Meeting into the "Sustainability Meeting" in FY2025. The Sustainability Meeting is a forum for holding deliberations regarding risks and opportunities facing all of our companies, and this meeting body will confirm the details of, and progress on, materialities going forward.

## Materiality KPIs and Results

As described above, materialities have been positioned as key issues for advancing sustainable management at Tokuyama. The table below shows the aspirations and KPIs for each materiality as well as results and the people and departments who are

responsible. Our actions for addressing materialities also contribute to the realization of the UN's, SDGs. For reference, our material issues and their main SDGs are shown in the table below.

Materiality Relationship to SDGs	Our Vision	KPI / Target
Helping to fight global warming	Achieving carbon neutrality (CN) by FY2050	<ul> <li>Reduction of Tokuyama's GHG emissions by FY2030: <ul> <li>30% reduction in Scope 1 and 2 (compared to FY2019)</li> <li>10% reduction in Scope 3 (categories 1, 3, and 4) (compared to FY2022)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Active disclosure of climate-related information</li> </ul>
Conserving the environment  6 (M) MODIL OF THE PROPERTY OF T	Promoting recycling and maintaining zero landfill waste  Maintaining low emissions of environmental impact substances  Complying with legal requirements and other regulations, achievement of zero environmental accidents  Contribution to biodiversity conservation	<ul> <li>Complying with legal requirements and other regulations: achievement of zero violations</li> <li>Continued achievement of zero environmental accidents: zero accidents</li> <li>Reduced environmental impact:         <ul> <li>Effective waste utilization rate ≥ 94%</li> <li>Landfill waste disposal rate ≥ 1%</li> </ul> </li> <li>Enhancing dialogue with stakeholders and information disclosure</li> <li>Contributing to biodiversity conservation: Responding to TNFD</li> <li>Effective use of water resources: Reduction of water consumption (excluding seawater) (below FY2019 standard)</li> </ul>
Preventing accidents and preparing for disasters  3 weekers  4 warm 8 warm warm of the state of	Accident prevention and disaster preparation     Improvements in process safety management level     Fostering and improving the safety culture	<ul> <li>Zero accidents and zero lost time injuries</li> <li>Deepened risk assessment</li> <li>Promoting smart security</li> </ul>

# **Process of Identifying Materiality**

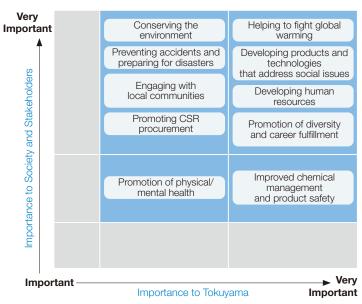
In 2019, the Company identified nine material issues based on important social factors, dialogues with stakeholders, and thirdparty opinions from external experts. In 2021, after reviewing these issues, in line with the new Medium-Term Management Plan 2025, we increased the number of materialities (material issues) to ten, then formulated targets and KPIs for FY2025.

Value Creation Strategy

We are determined to always take action for building

a sustainable future with society, to contribute to resolving social issues, and increase trust from diverse stakeholders, as we aim to improve corporate value. Tokuyama will solidify relationships of trust with society by strengthening initiatives for dealing with material issues, while pursuing our own unique approach to sustainability management.





For detailed information on our activities, please refer to the Sustainability Information section of Tokuyama's website. https://www.tokuyama.co.jp/eng/csr/

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FY2024 Results	Achievement Level	Person Responsible <sup>*</sup> Department Responsible
FY2024 GHG emissions: 19% reduction in Scope 1 and 2 6% reduction in Scope 3  Shunan Industrial Complex Decarbonization Promotion Council Basic studies for restructuring business strategy Promotion of information disclosures  Disclosures based on TCFD Recommendations Acquisition of third-party verification for GHG emissions  CDP Climate Change Questionnaire score: B	0	Director (President and Executive Officer) Carbon Neutral Strategy Division Responsible Care Management Department Factory Planning and Administration Department
Achievement of zero violations of legal requirements, etc.     Zero environmental accidents     Reduced environmental impact:     Effective waste utilization rate ≥89%     Landfill waste disposal rate ≥6%     * Some group companies are no longer able to secure recycling partners, resulting in an increase in landfill disposal     Raising awareness of biodiversity     Water usage reduction rate* (compared to FY2019): -12%	0	Director (Chairperson of Environment Committee) Responsible Care Management Department
Zero serious accidents/disasters     Identified risks through risk assessment and began mittgation     Implemented measures to comply with chemical substance regulations, etc.     Promoting smart security     Use of data analysis tools	0	Director (Chairperson of Safety Committee) Responsible Care Management Department

<sup>\*</sup> Person responsible: Someone who serves as a director and chairperson of the committee/meeting body that he/she is in charge of

# Tokuyama's Materiality

Materiality Relationship to SDGs	Our Vision	KPI / Target
Developing products and technologies that address social issues  12 EVENTUAL TO SERVICE	Increased development of products and technologies that help to resolve social issues, focusing on SDGs     Transform business portfolio	<ul> <li>Promoting the development of products and technologies that help to resolve social issues, focusing on SDGs</li> <li>Efficient process technology development through DX of multiple-product production</li> </ul>
Improved chemical management and product safety and product safety  12 EVENT 13 EVENT 13 EVENT 13 EVENT 14 EVENT 15 EVEN	Maintaining effective chemical management and promoting product safety within Tokuyama	<ul> <li>Complying with chemical laws and regulations in each country: Zero infractions of chemical-related regulations</li> <li>Risk management of chemical products, including the whole Group: Zero accidents due to product safety</li> </ul>
Engaging with local communities,	Harmoniously co-existing and cooperating with communities     Contribution to communities	Harmoniously co-existing and cooperating with communities     Contribution to communities
Promoting CSR procurement  8 ***CONTROL OF THE PROPERTY OF THE	Management of supply chains based on sustainable procurement guidelines     Creation of management processes	Improvement and execution of management and investigation of supply chains based on sustainable procurement guidelines
Developing human resources  4 that B store that is 10 margin   10	Improve employee value while contributing to the realization of a management strategy  Increase operational productivity  Provision of human resources to growth areas and new projects  Recruitment and creation of human resources to drive the company's growth	<ul> <li>Establishment of an incentive system to support productivity improvements<sup>2</sup></li> <li>Percentage of positions filled relative to human resource plan: 100% ± 10% each fiscal yearr</li> <li>Percentage of successor candidate positions filled for key management positions: 100% each fiscal year</li> <li>Number of NBL (Next Business Leader) training participants: A total of 100 by 2030<sup>2</sup></li> <li>Global human resources development training: 15 participants each fiscal year until FY2025<sup>2</sup></li> <li>Training highly skilled engineers to support business execution<sup>3</sup></li> </ul>
Promotion of diversity and career fulfillment  5 the control of th	Responding to diversity of values and ensuring fairness Increasing engagement Respect for human rights	Promotion of diversity and inclusion Percentage of women hired with a bachelor's degree or higher: 20% or higher Percentage of managerial positions or higher held by women: 15% or higher in FY2030 Percentage of people with disabilities: Achievement of legally mandated level  Employee engagement: Ongoing improvement  Promotion of work-life balance Rate of childcare leave taken by men: 100% in FY2030  Rate of annual paid leave taken: 75% each fiscal year  Promotion of respect for human rights
Promotion of physical/mental health	A state in which employees can work vigorously and play an active role through the cultivation of the physical & mental health of employees and their families, and the creation of a work-friendly environment	<ul> <li>Strong external reviews for health management practices <ul> <li>Continuous certification as one of the "White 500," companies exhibiting superior health management</li> </ul> </li> <li>Reduction of absenteeism, rate of employees absent for 30 or more days: ≤1.6%</li> <li>Presenteeism: ≤7.5%</li> <li>Work engagement: ≥2.9</li> <li>Health guidance, measures against lifestyle-related diseases <ul> <li>Rate of undertaking regular health screenings: 100%</li> <li>Rate of undertaking re-examination/detailed examinations: ≥90%</li> </ul> </li> <li>Promotion of smart life program, smoking rate: &lt;15%</li> <li>Promotion of mental healthcare, stress check examination rate: ≥95%</li> <li>Collaborative health practice, specific health guidance rate: ≥80%</li> </ul>

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FY2024 Results	Achievement Level	Person Responsible <sup>-1</sup> Department Responsible
Electronics: Accelerate efforts to commercialize customer-driven products by strengthening marketing functions and coordination with business divisions     Healthcare: Accelerate development by narrowing down commercialization themes and concentrating resources     Environment: Move several themes into the commercialization phase. Promote new carbon neutral related themes.     Traditional business areas: Develop and launch products that address environmental issues, and develop process technologies     Other: Grants for academic and research purposes	0	Director (in charge of Research & Development) Research & Development Division
Zero infractions of chemical-related regulations     64 product reviews (second and third rounds); 665 labeling reviews     Understood and responded to domestic and overseas regulatory trends     Promoted the management system for chemicals contained in products     Provided education to departments and Group companies involved in chemical product management and conducted regular inspections and interviews on their state of management	0	Director (Chairperson of Product Safety and Quality Assurance Committee) Responsible Care Management Department
Dialogue with communities: Area community dialogue, roundtable meetings, factory tours, etc.  Social contributions: Volunteer activities, educational support to neighboring schools, and donations to contribute to the local community  Contributions through business: Specified supply of power to Shunan City, Yamaguchi Prefecture	0	Director (in charge of Sustainability, and General Affairs and Human Resource) General Affairs Department Environment & Safety Department Factory Planning and Administration Department
Raised awareness of the CSR procurement guidelines that were revised in December 2022 Requested written consent from companies with a transaction value of 30 million yen or more Collected from 341 out of 354 companies²  Implemented supplier assessments for companies with a transaction value of 100 million yen or more by using the SAQ published by GCNJ Collected from 173 out of 181 companies²  Analyzed SAQ collection results and conducted engagement with 4 high risk companies²  Create and prepare a revised Basic Procurement Policy and Sustainable Procurement Guidelines for April 2025	0	Director (Chairperson of Sustainability Committee) Procurement Department Logistics Department
Establishment of incentive system: Preparation of system design 2 Percentage of positions filled relative to human resource plan: 90% Percentage of successor candidate positions filled for key management positions: 140% Implemented NBL training: Attended by 30 select employees (cumulative total of 67) Implemented global human resource development: Attended by 15 employees (cumulatively 48) Training highly skilled engineers to support business execution 3 DX workplace leader training: 37 participants (73 cumulative) Data engineer training: 21 participants (44 cumulative) DX literacy improvement training (e-learning): 1,300 participants (2,700 cumulative)	0	Director (in charge of General Affairs and Human Resources) Human Resources Department
Promotion of diversity and inclusion Percentage of women hired with a bachelor's degree or higher: 37.1%' <sup>3</sup> Percentage of managerial positions or higher held by women: 7.9%' <sup>3</sup> Percentage of people with disabilities: 2.4%' <sup>2</sup> Employee engagement: Implementation of improvement measures for departments with poor engagement' <sup>2</sup> Promotion of work-life balance Rate of childcare leave taken by men: 55.7%' <sup>3</sup> Rate of annual paid leave taken: 82.3%' <sup>3</sup> Implementation of human rights due diligence, etc.	0	Director (in charge of General Affairs and Human Resources) Human Resources Department
<ul> <li>Strong external reviews for health management practices 2. Selected as a KENKO Investment for Health for the third consecutive year. Certified as one of the White 500 for the fourth consecutive year. Certified as a company exhibiting superior health management for the sixth consecutive year.</li> <li>Reduction of absenteeism 2. Rate of employees absent for 30 or more days: 1.7%.</li> <li>Presenteeism: 4.0% 2.</li> <li>Work engagement: ≥2.9 2.</li> <li>Health guidance, measures against lifestyle-related diseases 2. Rate of undertaking regular health screenings: 100%. Rate of undertaking re-examination/detailed examinations: 92.4%.</li> <li>Promotion of smart life program, smoking rate: 17.4% 2.</li> <li>Promotion of mental healthcare, stress check examination rate: 97.1% 2.</li> <li>Collaborative health practice, specific health guidance rate: 95.8% 2.</li> </ul>	0	Director (in charge of General Affairs and Human Resources) Health Care Center

e: Someone who serves as a director and chairperson of the committee/meeting body that he/she is in charge of \* 2 Non-consolidated \* 3 Non-consolidated and domestic consolidated subsidiaries

# **Action on Climate Change**

#### Disclosures Based on TCFD Recommendations

The Tokuyama Group supported the TCFD (Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures) recommendations in 2021, and we are currently disclosing our efforts to address climate change based on the framework of "governance," "strategy," "risk management," and "metrics and targets," recommended by the Sustainability Standards Board of Japan (SSBJ). Continuing on from our disclosure of our Scope 3 emissions reduction targets last fiscal year, in FY2025 we disclosed a specific plan for reducing GHG emissions from our

in-house power generation facilities, which represent a key element in our carbon neutrality road map and carry significant financial implications.

Our Group efforts toward carbon neutrality are disclosed in detail in the "Tokuyama TCFD Report 2025." Please take a look.



\* See the Company's website for more details. https://www.tokuyama.co.jp/eng/csr/global\_warming.html#section2



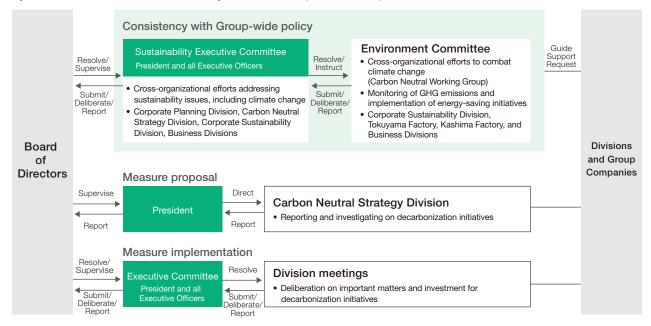
# Governance

Our Group has positioned climate change as one of its most important management risks. Our Medium-Term Management Plan 2025 identified efforts to contribute to the mitigation of global warming as a priority issue, and we are advancing relevant initiatives under the direction of the President, to whom responsibility over this matter has been delegated by the Board of Directors. Following the transition of climate change initiatives, particularly those involving achieving carbon neutrality among all Group companies, into the implementation phase, in April 2023 we established an independent organization of the Carbon Neutral Strategy Division to develope

and advance measures toward carbon neutrality.

Starting in FY2025, the Sustainability Executive Committee will hold annual meetings intended to primarily revolve around reporting on activities, and address any matters that may need to be addressed during the "sustainability part" of the twice-monthly Management Committee, thereby ensuring a system that will provide overall oversight and consider risks and opportunities. As for the implementation of investments and other measures, we will continue to deliberate on and consider these matters at the Management Committee.

### System to Promote Carbon Neutrality Achievement (from FY2025)





# Strategy

Our Group aims to reduce its GHG emissions (Scope 1 and 2) by 30% compared to FY2019 by FY2030, has categorized them as fuels-derived, raw materials-derived, or waste-derived, and is implementing measures for each category. We plan to make environmental investments of approximately 28.9 billion yen in these measures over a three-year period starting from FY2025.

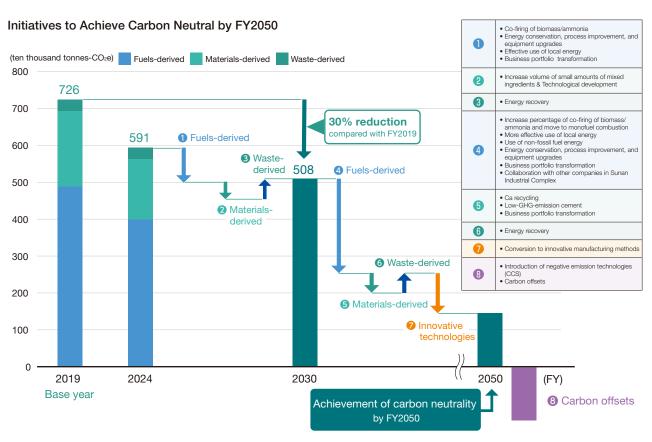
Regarding fuels-derived emissions, which generate the largest amount of GHG emissions, we are systematically moving forward with a shift toward using non-fossil fuels (biomass, ammonia) in our

in-house power generation facilities. Of the four power generation facilities at the Tokuyama Factory, one of the east power plant units is scheduled to begin co-firing ammonia by FY2030 in collaboration with other companies in the complex. At the central power plant, one unit that is already actively using biomass fuel (PKS) will continue co-firing at a high ratio, while another unit is undergoing equipment modifications to enable co-firing with wood pellets starting in FY2024. Co-firing is scheduled to commence around autumn of FY2025.

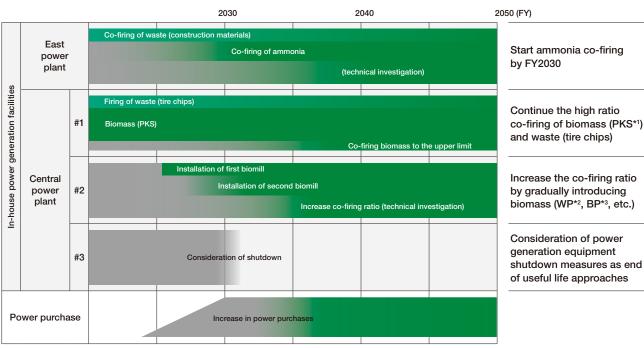
To reduce GHG emissions from raw materials, we are responding to the revision of the JIS standard that allows for an increase in volume of small amounts of mixed ingredients in cement and are promoting technological development toward CCU\*. While the steady reduction of GHG emissions is our

responsibility as a company, we also recognize that reducing GHG emissions caused by our products is important, and will approach the issue from multiple angles.

\*CCU (Carbon dioxide Capture and Utilization) CO2 Capture and Utilization



# Reduction Plan for Fuel-derived GHG Emissions from In-house Power Generation Facilities (Fuel Conversion Considerations)



 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  The above is a plan that is considered reasonable at the present time and is not guaranteed

<sup>\* 1</sup> PKS: Palm kernel shells \* 2 WP: White pellets \* 3 BP: Black pellets



# Risk Management

The impacts of climate change include risks such as increased carbon costs due to the introduction of carbon pricing, changes in customer procurement policies, and impacts on fundraising due to policy changes at financial and investment companies, as well as opportunities such as new business expansion as a result of responding to climate change. These risks and opportunities are based on transition risk scenarios such as NZE created by the

International Energy Agency (IEA) and physical risk scenarios such as RCP8.5 and SSP-7.0 by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), and are used to assess the financial impact and priority order from now till FY2050, and are analyzed under the 1.5°C and 4°C scenarios. We are taking various measures based on this analysis.

### Risks Posed by Climate Change (scenario analysis)

Short term: by FY2025, medium term: by FY2030, long term: by FY2050

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Scenario	Risks Category	Risk assessment target	Potential impact on the Group (Financial) (identified risks)	Financial impact	Timing of risk materialization	Business impact	Priority level	Response measures
	policy and	Carbon pricing and	Increase in operating costs due to expanded carbon pricing	Large	Medium to long term	Large	High	Initiatives to reduce GHG emissions through fuel conversion (biomass and ammonia)     Promoting GHG emission reduction measures
		energy procurement costs	Increase in costs for mitigation initiatives due to tightening the GHG emission regulations	Large	Medium to long term	Large	High	by adopting internal carbon pricing  • Enhancing initiatives to help promote green transformation by participating in the GX League
		Green process	Increased production and procurement costs due to green initiatives	Large	Medium term	Large	High	Investigation of ammonia supply chain establishment at the Shunan industrial complex     Ensuring stable procurement of certified biomass fuel by building relationships with
	Technology	adoption measures	Increased costs for green material procurement and green process conversion due to lack of technology and market maturity	Large	Medium to long term	Large	High	Development of black pellets     Calculation of product carbon footprint (CFP)     Promoting the value of green products
1.5°C	Evaluation	Stake holders evaluations	Decline in market value and increase in financing costs due to a poor evaluation of carbon neutrality initiatives     Risk of litigation by local residents demanding shutdown or decommissioning of coal-fired power plants     Sustainability risks for biomass fuel	Large	Medium to long term	Large	High	Improving information disclosure and steadily working to reduce GHG emissions     Dialogue with the local community     Business portfolio transformation     Procurement of certified biomass fuel
	procurement dissemination  Market  Lost opportur due to a failur to keep up wi	Customer green procurement dissemination	Rejection of products by the market based on large carbon-footprint evaluation Deterioration of profits due to an inability to recover green initiative costs by raising prices	Large	Medium to long term	Large	High	Steadily reducing GHG emissions through energy conservation and fuel conversion, etc.     Consideration of obtaining mass balance certification     Enhancing supply chain cooperation for green market formation     Construction of a carbon footprint evaluation system
		Lost opportunities due to a failure to keep up with green market expansion	Opportunity loss due to delays in building a green supply chain     Lost opportunities due to insufficient efforts for entering the circular economy and the carbon recycling field	Large	Medium to long term	Large	High	Prompt implementation of measures
	Physical risks (acute)	More frequent extreme weather events and sea level rise	Wind and flood damage to production plants; production plan delays and increased costs due to supply chain disruptions, etc.	Moderate	Long term	Moderate	Moderate	Enhanced business continuity plan measures
4°C	Physical risks (chronic)	Long-term Intensification of extreme weather events and rising sea levels	Decrease in production capacity due to insufficient factory cooling capacity caused by rising average temperatures     Production halts due to storm surges caused by rising sea levels	Minimal	Long term	Minimal	Low	Maintaining capacity through equipment modifications, etc.

# Climate Change Opportunities (scenario analysis)

Short term: by FY2025, medium term: by FY2030, long term: by FY2050

Scenario	Opportunity type	Opportunity assessment target	Impact on Tokuyama Group	Impact level	Term	Priority level	Response measures
		Expanding demand in the environmental market	Expansion of businesses offering waste disposal, effective utilization of resources, and measures to combat global warming	Large	Medium to long term	High	Commercialization of renewable resources and energy
		Shift to carbon neutrality by regions and industrial complexes	Enhancing site competitiveness by promoting large-scale green supply chains for energy and materials	Large	Medium to long term	High	Green supply chain construction conducted and promoting green technology development through the Shunan Industrial Complex Decarbonization Promotion Council
	Resource efficiency	Requests for CCU-related products and services	Entering new business fields by establishing a carbon recycling system	Large	Medium term	High	Accelerating R&D, demonstration projects, and actual green technology adoption in business operations



# **Metrics and Targets**

Please see the Corporate Sustainability Division General Manger's message (P38-39) for details on the progress in reducing GHG emmissions.

# **Efforts to Preserve Biodiversity**

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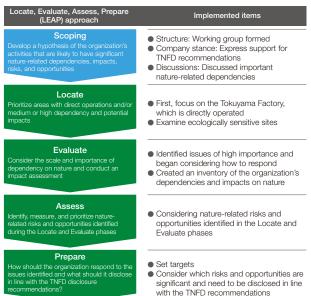
The Group takes the impact the chemical industry has on the environment seriously and is working to conserve biodiversity. We established the Tokuyama Group Biodiversity Conservation Policy in FY2023, then created and published the Tokuyama Group Policy on Sustainable Forestry in April 2025. These policies disclose how Tokuyama views this issue.

We also announced in May 2024 that we had become a member of the TNFD Forum, which supports the TNFD (the Taskforce on Nature-related Financial Disclosures) philosophy and its activities. We also participate in the domestic TNFD Japan Council and are stepping up our efforts to assess and disclose nature-related risks based on an international framework. Given the nature of our business, we analyzed our dependence and impact on nature, comprehensively identified risks it poses to things like climate change, air, water, and soil pollution, and the destruction of habitats due to the extraction of mineral and water resources and land use, and summarized our current response measures.

To visualize our dependence and impact on natural capital, we issued a preparatory report for the TNFD in 2024. and analyzed the risks and opportunities that our business activities pose to, and can gain from, the natural environment using methods such as LEAP, and are working to establish a system for future information disclosure. Our business activities include taking environmental measures such as reducing GHG emissions and reducing environmentally hazardous substances and waste, and we continue to engage in corporate citizenship activities, such as forest volunteer activities and participation in the blue carbon offset scheme. These activities go beyond simple sustainability; they are strategic initiatives that aim to create sustainable value through dialogue and collaboration with local communities and the entire supply chain.

To respond to water risks that have a particularly large impact, we use Aqueduct, a global database on water risks, to understand the current and future water risks (such as water stress and flood risk) our domestic and overseas bases. As part of our efforts to manage water resources in our business activities, we carefully examine local water environments by tracking the amount of water used in our manufacturing processes and reducing the amount of water we withdraw through recycling and reuse, as well as managing wastewater according to our own management standards that are stricter than the wastewater standards.

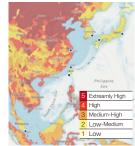
#### Analysis of response status via the LEAP framework



In the 100+ years since its founding, we have held coexistence with the local community to be of the utmost importance. We work to create sustainable communities through conservation of natural environments around our factories and dialogues with local residents. These long-term efforts have become important assets

that help us increase corporate value and manage risk. We will continue to use scientific and strategic approaches to create sustainable communities.

We conducted an analysis of water stress and flood risks using Aqueduct by the World Resources Institute (WRI), and verified that no locations, either in Japan or abroad, are classified as having "Extremely High" overall water risk.



(Source: https://www.wri.org/aqueduct)

#### Dependence and impact on nature

Status of measures A: Adequate measures are being implemented B: Measures are under consideration and being acted upon C: Measures under consideration

	impact on nature		consideration and being acted upon C: Measures under consideration			
Impact drivers	Business activities and dependence on nature	Impact level	Impact on nature	Measures and initiatives	Status of measures	
Climate change	Fuel combustion     Fossil and non-fossil fuels     Biomass/waste (In-house power generation, high-temperature firing furnaces)	Large	Increased global warming and more natural disasters due to GHG emissions	carbon neutrality Increasing the use of non-fossil fuels (co-firing of biomass/ammonia, hydrogen)	В	
	<ul> <li>Air emissions: SOx, NOx, fluorocarbons, etc.</li> </ul>	Minimal	Air pollution	Reducing emissions by improving the	А	
Pollution Getting rid of pollution	Discharges into water: COD, BOD	Minimal	Poorer water quality	processes for recovering and detoxifying chemical substances	А	
	Industrial waste disposal	Minimal	Soil contamination	Chemical substances	Α	
	Use of water resources	Large	<ul> <li>Water resources are being depleted and are drying up</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reducing water intake and improving water recycling technology</li> </ul>	В	
Changing how we use	Extraction of raw materials and fuels	Moderate	<ul> <li>Mine development and expansion</li> </ul>	Post-mining reforestation activities	В	
land, water, and the ocean	Use of land and ports	Minimal	Shrinking green spaces and marine areas	<ul> <li>Managing green spaces, forest conservation activities, and promoting greening after raw material mining</li> </ul>	В	
			Loss of ecosystems	<ul> <li>Maintaining and managing ecosystems (qualitative and quantitative evaluation)</li> </ul>	Not yet considered	
	Use of water resources	Large	Water resources are drying up	educing water intake	В	
Resource utilization Resource	Extraction and transport of raw materials	Moderate	<ul> <li>Mineral resources are running out</li> </ul>	Managing mines	В	
replenishment			Global warming GHG	Comprehensive resource recycling	Α	
	<ul> <li>Transporting waste and recyclable products</li> </ul>	Moderate	emissions during transport	Creating greener transport methods	С	
Invasive alien species	Procuring raw materials and fuel overseas, and exporting products (loading and unloading at ports, round trip transportation by cargo ships)	Moderate	<ul> <li>Ecosystem balance is disrupted by invasive species</li> </ul>	Measures against invasive species during loading and unloading. Monitoring and educating transport companies	В	

# **Respect for Human Rights**

#### **Basic Stance**

The Tokuyama Group considers respect for human rights a foundational aspect of all of its business activities. To fulfill its responsibility as a company to respect human rights, the Group established the Tokuyama Group Human Rights Policy (hereinafter the "Human Rights Policy") based on Tokuyama Group Sustainability Principles and the Tokuyama Group Code of Conduct in FY2022.

This Human Rights Policy was developed based on domestic and international human rights norms, including the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, while also taking into consideration the opinions of relevant internal departments and officers, as well as the opinions of external experts. The Policy was then approved by the CSR Promotion Council (currently the Sustainability Executive Committee), and enacted via resolution of the Board of Directors.

Activities relating to respecting human rights are primarily carried out by the Compliance Committee, and important matters are deliberated on and approved by the Sustainability Meeting, a higher-level conference body. These activities are also being reported to and overseen by the Board of Directors.

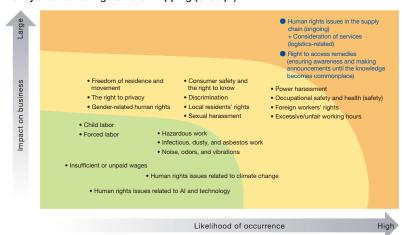
# Due diligence on human rights

In FY2022, our Group established a Human Rights Due Diligence Task Force under the Sustainability Committee (at the time) to conduct cross-organizational human rights due diligence involving multiple departments related to human rights. Starting in FY2025, the Task Force continued its activities while under the umbrella of the Compliance Committee.

The Task Force identified the human rights risks that could arise through the Group's business activities and depicted them as a diagram, then began working to address the most serious and likely risks of human rights issues in the supply chain and the right to access remedies. To address potential risks within the supply chain, the Task Force asked suppliers with whom the Group does business above a certain amount to pledge they will adhere to our CSR Procurement Guidelines (currently the Sustainable Procurement Guidelines), and to conduct self-assessments. We also established a new contact desk to facilitate people's right to access remedies.

In FY2025, in addition to continuing our efforts with respect to the supply chain, we intend to engage with new providers of services and labor.

### Tokuyama human rights risks mapping (excerpt)



### **Supply Chain Initiatives**

As part of our efforts in the supply chain, we present our current Basic Purchasing Policy and CSR Procurement Guidelines (Current: Sustainable Procurement Guidelines) to our suppliers, and survey them using a CSR Survey Questionnaire (SAQ) once every three years. These initiatives are not just limited to human rights; they also broadly promote supply chain sustainability, including business ethics such as anti-corruption and fair trade, reducing environmental impact including climate change and biodiversity, and improving information security.

From FY2022 to FY2024, we presented our, CSR Procurement Guidelines to 354 suppliers with transaction volumes of 30 million yen or more. 341 of these suppliers have pledged to adhere to

these guidelines. In addition, we have asked 181 suppliers who have transaction volumes of 100 million yen or more to conduct self-assessments using SAQs developed by Global Compact Network Japan (GCNJ). 173 suppliers responded, and we visited and engaged with four considered to be high risk in FY2024.

Furthermore, to similarly investigate services and labor in FY2024, we revised our Basic Procurement Policy and our CSR Procurement Guidelines to our Sustainable Procurement Guidelines, and have engaged with three Group companies that have large mainly labor-related transaction amounts, and confirmed that no major issues had occurred.

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# Compliance

## **Basic Stance and System**

For Tokuyama, the word compliance has a broad meaning, including not only complying with laws and internal rules but also behaving sensibly in a way that conforms with corporate ethics to meet social expectations. To communicate and spread awareness of compliance throughout the Group, the Company distributes a leaflet that includes the Tokuyama Group Code of Conduct to all Group officers

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and employees. In addition, we conduct regular educational activities on compliance through collective education, e-learning, and information distribution. Furthermore, we also conduct engagement through regular meetings with management and personnel in charge of compliance at Group companies.

### Whistle-blowing System

A whistle-blowing helpline has been established to enable safe, anonymous reporting and consultations on compliance violations involving the Tokuyama Group (including potential violations) without fear of retaliation. Reporting and consultations can be carried out by postal mail, e-mail, or telephone. The Helpline is operated with proper consideration for the protection of whistle-blowers: for example, whistle-blowers may discuss matters with the Helpline in complete anonymity so that their affiliations and names are not known to the company, or by allowing them to discuss matters with a female attorney. We also began operating the Global Helpline in April of 2024 to enable locally recruited employees at overseas Group companies to make reports to the Helpline in their native language, and are working to ensure thorough awareness of this system. Our whistle-blowing system not only covers compliance aspects such as preventing corruption and fraud and complying

with laws and regulations, it also serves as a grievance mechanism to prevent harassment, discrimination, and address other human rights issues.

The number of reports has increased as we have expanded our internal reporting system to Group companies and have strengthened our anti-harassment activities since FY2021.

Meanwhile, there were no occurrences of serious noncompliance in FY2024.

	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024
Number of reports	24	34	29	44	44

Including contact points for Harassment Desk Including contact points for whistle-blowing system for subsidiaries (including domestic only until FY2022, overseas as of FY2023)

### **Compliance Education and Training**

To raise and instill compliance awareness throughout the Group, we continue to provide legal responsibility training for newly appointed directors and auditors of Group companies, and conducted various compliance training sessions for employees 58 times in FY2024. In addition, we held a total of eight e-learning lectures on themes such as information security and human rights.

				(Uni	ts: instances)
	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024
Compliance training	45	60	48	60	58
Other e-learning	5	3	6	6	8

# Stakeholder Engagement

#### Stakeholder Engagement

Stakeholders	Key Engagement Methods				
Customers	• Sales activities (as needed) • Factory tours (138 times) • Exhibitions (19 times)				
Business Partners	Awareness and dissemination of the Basic Procurement Policy     Joint health and safety meetings (once/year)				
Employees	Employee surveys and harassment surveys (once per year each) • In-house newsletters (4 times per year) • Intranet (as needed)     Labor-Management Council meetings (once per month) • Health and Safety Committee meetings (once per month per site covered)				
Shareholders and Investors	Financial Results Briefing (Institutional: each time a financial statement is issued) • IR seminars for individual investors     Management briefings, business briefings (once/year) • Various reports (annual securities reports, consolidated reports, corporate governance reports) • Factory tours for individual shareholders (once/year)				
Communities and Society	Security and disaster prevention    Regional dialogue and event sponsorship    Regional volunteers    Subsidies for next-generation training (accepting interns, donating books, traveling classrooms)    Subsidies for the promotion of science and technology (donations)				
Environment	Efforts to reduce GHG and save energy       Acceptance and appropriate processing of waste       Initiatives to address biodiversity				

### Participation in Initiatives (Excerpt)

- United Nations Global Compact
- GX League
- TCFD Consortium
- TNFD Forum
- CDP
- Japan Business Federation (Keidanren)

# **Evaluation by Society (Excerpt)**







**FTSE Blossom** Japan Sector Relative Index

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CDP Supplier Engagement Leader



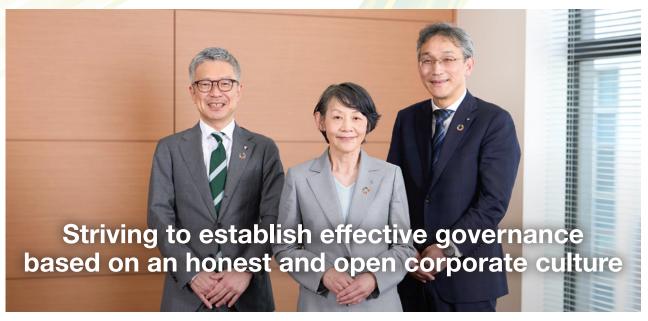
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# **Board Members' Roundtable Discussion**



# Naoki Kondo

External Director,
Audit & Supervisory Committee Member

# Nobuko Mizumoto

External Director,
Audit & Supervisory Committee Member

# Tomohiro Inoue

Director,
Managing Executive Officer

# Assessing Tokuyama's corporate governance

**Inoue** As external directors, you both work hard every day to improve Tokuyama's management structure, and we would like to hear your candid opinions on the current state of Tokuyama's governance and future challenges. First, could you please introduce yourself and share your impressions and assessment of the company's governance?

Kondo Since being registered as an attorney in 2000, I have worked at the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, and I am currently a partner at the law firm Oh-ebashi LPC & Partners. I was appointed as a Tokuyama external director (Audit & Supervisory Committee member) in June 2023, and it is my opinion that the constructive discussions at Board of Directors meetings are what ensure excellent governance. We have diverse directors with different backgrounds that come from both inside and outside the company, and we have an open corporate culture where anyone can speak freely. Furthermore,

external directors and executives cooperate closely, and I believe that the effectiveness of governance is ensured.

**Mizumoto** I joined the research institute of Ishikawajima-Harima Heavy Industries Co., Ltd., and after serving as Director and Managing Executive Officer at IHI Corporation (renamed in 2007), I was appointed as a Tokuyama external director (Audit & Supervisory Committee member) in June 2021. Looking back over the past four years, I strongly feel that the information provided by the executive side to the external directors has steadily improved. The Corporate Planning Headquarters, which acts as secretariat of Board of Directors meetings, explains cases in advance, and at general meetings, the internal directors provided detailed descriptions of each agenda item. This is one of the factors that have made the Board of Directors more effective.

# Missions and roles to be fulfilled by external directors (Audit & Supervisory Committee members)

**Inoue** Contributions by external directors have been key the evolution of our governance over the past few years. External directors provide insightful comments on Group strategies and individual measures, not only in terms of sales and profit



forecasts, but also from the perspective of stakeholder benefits and improving corporate value. They also point to management issues that tend to be overlooked when carrying out business operations, such as responding to carbon neutrality and expanding human capital. As they respond to such fundamental criticisms and suggestions, directors and executive officers have begun to realize they need to reconsider how we manage our business.

Kondo Perhaps I ask so many fundamental questions because I am a novice who is not necessarily familiar with the inner workings of Tokuyama or the chemical industry. For example, when deciding whether or not to approve an investment project, I ask questions that focus more on whether the project is in the best interests of shareholders and whether it can gain the understanding of shareholders and investors. As external directors, we have a responsibility to provide thorough oversight and advice to ensure that decisions are made in line with the will

of shareholders and other stakeholders. This is also what top management and executive officers expect of us.

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Mizumoto As Mr. Kondo pointed out, an important role of an external director is to supervise and support management while maintaining an external perspective, that, among other things, strives to learn how the world sees Tokuyama. Approximately half of Tokuyama's board of directors are external directors, all of whom also serve as Audit & Supervisory Committee members, giving the company an organizational design that is optimal for ensuring smooth governance.

Inoue Speaking of organizational design, though informal, Representative Director meetings can also help strengthen governance. Board of Directors meetings are subject to significant time constraints and thus tend to focus solely on voting on individual proposals and business reports. On the other hand, Representative Director meetings, which are attended by the Representative Director and Audit & Supervisory Committee members and do not limit discussion topics, provide



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valuable opportunities to exchange opinions on more fundamental themes, such as the Group's medium- to long-term direction and the nature of CSR management.

# Future outlook and governance issues to be addressed

Inoue Next, I would like to hear your thoughts on the governance issues that need to be addressed.

Mizumoto I hope that the progress of issues resolved at Board of Directors meeting will be followed up more carefully. After decisions on whether or not to proceed with projects are made, projects are turned over to executives, so there are many aspects we can't see. However, for external directors to fulfill our responsibilities, we must have a clear understanding of how strategies and measures are progressing. We are particularly responsible for making decisions regarding R&D and investment projects that will determine the future of the Group, so we need to keep track of subsequent developments, including receiving feedback on whether there are any course corrections.

Kondo Transforming from a "top-dependent" to an "autonomous" organization is an important management issue. The company has traditionally enjoyed steady growth, but it has not been an easy road. It has faced crises that have threatened its very existence, such as the over 100 billion yen in impairment losses it suffered in 2015. In such an environment, strong leadership was needed for Tokuyama to make its presence felt in the

chemical industry, and the company's president has led all Group employees and the company's growth strategy to success so far. However, the current management structure is not permanent. Going forward, a thorough succession plan must be formulated based on the track record and achievements that the company's presidents have accumulated, and efforts must be made to develop the next generation of management talent. Mizumoto Strengthening human capital not only among our management team but throughout the entire Group is another important management theme. Tokuyama Corporation introduced a new personnel system based on the "Pay for job" ethos in May 2025. The new framework is done, but much work is required to give the system life so that all employees can get on board and use it. Nothing, from transforming our business portfolio to reacting to environments, can be achieved without human thought and ingenuity. Supporting all employees through both systems and organizational culture so that they can maximize their individuality and capabilities is an example of Tokuyama's unique approach to human capital management.

# Further enhancing the governance system

**Inoue** We will share your understanding of governance issues with all members of the management team, including our executive officers, and address them sincerely. The Tokuyama Group is nearing the completion of its Medium-Term Management Plan 2025, and is scheduled to launch a new medium-term management plan in FY2026 with an eye toward the next stage of growth. As the business environment becomes more uncertain, people within the company and stakeholders will be expecting even more from the company's external directors. Finally, I would like to conclude this discussion by asking you both about your goals and aspirations for the future.

**Kondo** Transforming a business portfolio is by no means an easy goal to achieve. In some cases, we may have to abandon measures that are working relatively well, and there will be times when we have to take bold risks. As external directors, we strive not only to ensure transparency and fairness in management, but to be a presence that helps internal directors and executive officers make decisive decisions. Furthermore, we will work to improve our corporate value by strengthening governance with strong backing from our executives.

Mizumoto Our external directors have diverse careers and expertise, and I am often amazed at the breadth of their knowledge. We often receive opinions and suggestions from unexpected perspectives, and the resulting diversity and creativity help the Board of Directors to operate more smoothly. As an external director, I intend to provide appropriate guidance and supervision while communicating and promoting Tokuyama's vision and value creation story to stakeholders.





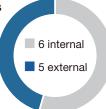
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### **Number of Directors**

Gender Composition

9 men

2 women



# Number of Audit & Supervisory Committee Members

Gender Composition

5 men

2 women



		Name and Position	Number of Company Shares Owned, Tenure as Director	Management Planning, Strategy	Sales and marketing			
	Hiroshi Yokota	Representative Director, President and Executive Officer In charge of Chemicals,, Electronic & Advanced Materials, Auditing Office, Secretarial Department	40,700 shares / 10 years	•	•			
Fumiaki Iwasaki  Representative Director, Senior Managing Executive Officer, General Manager, Research & Development Division and the Life Science Business Division  In charge of Life Science, Research & Development, Environment & Safety of Kashima Factory		3,142 shares / 5 years	•	•				
Companies Internal	Tomohiro Inoue	Director, Managing Executive Officer, General Manager, Corporate Planning Division  In charge of Corporate Planning, Sustainability, Eco Business, Tokuyama Factory, Carbon Neutral Strategy, New Business, Center for Commercialization of Advanced Technology, Digital Integration	2,100 shares / 2 years	•	•			
Con	Takahide Taniguchi	Director, Managing Executive Officer, General Manager, Cement Business Division In charge of Cement, General Affairs & Human Resources, Procurement & Logistics	5,123 shares / Newly appointed	•	•			
	Youji Miyamoto	Director, Audit & Supervisory Committee Chair	2,800 shares / 8 years	•				
	Kazumasa Sueoka	Director, Audit & Supervisory Committee Member	600 shares / Newly appointed	•				
	Nobuko Mizumoto	External Director, Audit & Supervisory Committee Member	1,000 shares / 4 years	•				
External	Hiraku Ishizuka	External Director, Audit & Supervisory Committee Member	0 shares / 2 years	•				
anies E	Naoki Kondo	External Director, Audit & Supervisory Committee Member	900 shares / 2 years	•				
Companies	Shiro Saito	External Director, Audit & Supervisory Committee Member	0 shares / Newly appointed	•				
	Yumiko Kajiwara	External Director, Audit & Supervisory Committee Member	0 shares / Newly appointed	•	•			

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  The skills listed above do not represent the entirety of each individual's knowledge or experience.

# Reason for skill selection

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Skill	Definition of skill and reason for selection
Management planning and strategy	The Company considers that having one or more directors with extensive management experience and broad insights in this area is indispensable when determining management plans and strategic policies, including portfolio management, in order for the Company to achieve sustainable growth.
Sales and marketing	Based on the value of "Commitment to customer satisfaction as a profit source," the Company considers that having one or more directors with extensive experience and broad insights in this area is necessary for marketing, building businesses and creating profits based on an accurate understanding of the business environment.
R&D, Production technology and engineering	As a comprehensive chemical manufacturer, the Company considers that having a director with a track record of promoting various innovations and extensive experience and broad insights in R&D, production technology and engineering is necessary in order to create new business opportunities based on proprietary technologies.
Finance and accounting	The Company considers that, both for accurate financial reporting and the formulation of a financial strategy that facilitates both investment for sustainable growth and shareholder returns while building a strong financial foundation, having one or more directors with extensive experience and broad insights in this area is necessary.
Governance and risk management	The Company considers that the establishment of an appropriate governance system is the foundation for all corporate activities and that having one or more directors with extensive experience and broad insights in areas such as corporate governance, risk management, legal affairs and compliance is necessary in order to improve the effectiveness of management and supervision by the Board of Directors.
Sustainability	In order to contribute to solving various social issues through its business and to be a company that is both trusted and needed by society, and given that this requires expertise from a sustainability management perspective pertaining to the environment and society, the Company considers that having one or more directors with extensive experience and broad insights in this area is necessary.
Human capital	The Company recognizes human resources as being the most critically important management capital for sustainable growth, and considers that having one or more directors with extensive experience and broad insights in this area is necessary in order to build a human resources strategy that is linked to our business strategy and to be a company where diverse human resources can harness their respective skills to the maximum extent.
Digital transformation (DX)	The Company considers that, since the promotion of fundamental business reforms through digital transformation (DX), rather than merely seeking to improve operational efficiency and productivity through IT, is indispensable for the Company's continued sustainable growth and medium- to long-term improvement of corporate value, having one or more directors with extensive experience and broad insights in this area is necessary.
Global business	Given that the acceleration of overseas business is essential for transforming the business portfolio, which is part of the Company's medium- to long-term strategy, the Company considers that having a director with extensive experience and broad insights in global business, such as overseas management experience and business development, is necessary.

Possessed Skills				Atten	Attendance			
Research and Development, Production Technology, Engineering	Finance, Accounting	Governance Risk Management	Sustainability	Human Capital	DX	Global Business	Board of Directors	Audit & Supervisory Committee
		•	•	•		•	18/18 (100%)	_
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# **Corporate Governance**

#### **Basic Stance**

Amid the major transformations taking place throughout society, Tokuyama, in line with the business environment we face today, has defined our corporate Mission as "To create a bright future in harmony with the environment, in collaboration with customers, based on chemistry." This definition incorporates the Company's desire to contribute to a sustainable society by pursuing business in harmony with the environment and working to create the future together with customers. This is only possible with the trust and support of shareholders, customers, suppliers, employees, local communities, and all other stakeholders, which the Company believes will fuel sustainable growth and greater

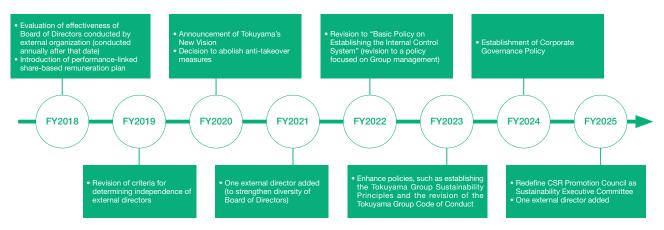
corporate value over the medium to long term.

To realize this mission, we recognize that corporate governance is the cornerstone of management, and we believe it is necessary to constantly improve and enhance our governance in response to the various expectations, requests and demands of our stakeholders.

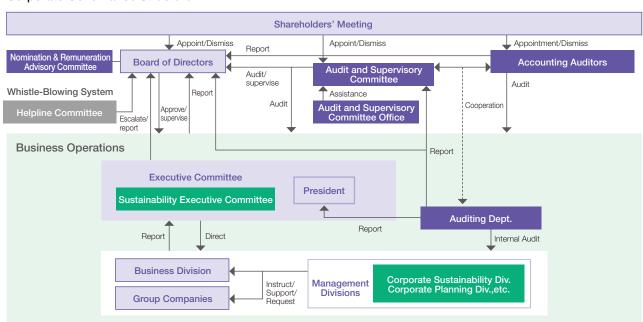
We established a new Corporate Governance Policy in FY2024 to clarify our philosophy on governance, and we revised it in FY2025 to strengthen our sustainability efforts.



### Steps to Strengthen Our Governance Structure



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## Meeting Bodies on Governance and Main Content of Deliberation

Overview of each governance-related meeting body and the details of their deliberations are provided below.

#### **Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors deliberates and decides on statutory matters and important matters related to business execution, and supervises the status of business execution by directors and executive officers to whom the execution of business is delegated. The Company is oriented toward a hybrid Board of Directors that both makes decisions on business execution and supervises the execution of business by directors and executive officers. This function includes advising the executive management team on its resolute efforts to enhance corporate value over the medium to long term. In light of this, the Board of Directors is chaired by an executive director or a director with executive experience.

At least one-third of the Board of Directors are independent external directors in order to enhance the effectiveness of decision-making from a broader perspective as well as the supervision of business execution.

 Meetings held in FY2024: 18 Written resolutions: 2 (pursuant to Article 370 of the Companies Act and Article 29 of the company's Articles of Incorporation)

#### **Audit & Supervisory Committee**

We have chosen to be a company with an Audit & Supervisory Committee in order to strengthen the auditing and supervisory functions of the directors' execution of their duties and to facilitate prompt decision-making, with the aim of achieving open management with an emphasis on governance and customeroriented management. The Audit & Supervisory Committee is made up of non-executive directors and is responsible for keeping up to date on the status of business execution through the Board of Directors and other important internal meetings, and for auditing the status of business execution by the executive directors.

As of the date the securities report was submitted, the Audit & Supervisory Committee is composed of seven directors, including five external directors, who are Audit & Supervisory Committee

• Number of meetings held in FY2024: 24

### Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee -

In order to achieve more transparent and objective management based on our basic approach to corporate governance, we have established a Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee with the mission of deliberating on personnel and compensation matters for directors (excluding Audit & Supervisory Committee members), executive officers, and other individuals with officer status, and submitting recommendations or recommendations to the Board of Directors. (Note that the President's succession plan will be handled in a more focused and specialized manner by the President Nomination Committee, which has been established under the Nomination and Compensation Committee.)

The Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee shall consist of a majority of independent external directors, and the term of office of its members shall be one year. The President Nomination Committee is comprised with a majority of external directors, with the President and Executive Officer being the only internal director. The committee's chair is selected from among the independent external directors.

 Number of meetings held in FY2024:
 Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee: 5, President Nomination Committee: 3

#### **Executive Committee**

The committee deliberates and decides important matters related to business execution, and also oversees business execution.

With the president as chair, the committee is a decision-making body whose members are selected by the president from among the executive officers. In principle, the committee meets two times each month. Based on the approval-related rules and regulations determined by the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee deliberates on and makes decisions on strategies and other important matters.

• Number of meetings held in FY2024: 28, written resolutions: 2

#### **Strategy Committee**

An advisory body to the president made up of members are selected by the president from among the Company's other executive officers. The committee generally meets once a month, and in addition to deliberating on the direction of business execution, it works to confirm the allocation of management resources with the aim of evaluating conditions relating to business execution with respect to important matters requiring approval. It also sets the direction of policies related to business execution with regard to specific projects.

• Number of meetings held in FY2024: 8

### CSR Promotion Council (Sustainability Executive Committee)

Chaired by the President and Executive Officer, the CSR Promotion Council includes all executive officers. The council sets CSR (sustainability) policies and goals, while also enabling initiatives to achieve those goals. In addition to sustainability issues, important internal control issues are also discussed by the committee. Beginning in FY2025, the council will be reorganized as the Sustainability Executive Committee. This committee will also handle company-wide risk management, which was previously handled by the Risk Management and Compliance Committee until FY2024.

• Number of meetings held in FY2024: 1

### **Expert Committees**

The committee deliberates and decides important matters related to business execution, and also oversees business execution.

We will establish Expert Committees that will head activities in areas that require particular expertise and are of high importance from the perspective of risk management and compliance. Through FY2024, eight committees were established under the Risk Management and Compliance Committee: the Financial Reporting Committee, the Fair Trade and Competition Committee, the Security Trade Committee, the Information Security Committee, the Environment Committee, the Safety Committee, the Product Safety and Quality Assurance Committee, and the Sustainability Committee. However, beginning in FY2025, in conjunction with the reorganization into the Sustainability Executive Committee, the Risk Management and Compliance Committee transferred its risk management functions to the Sustainability Executive Committee and became the Compliance Committee, and the Sustainability Executive Committee was reorganized in a more expansive manner, handing over its functions to the Sustainability Executive Committee, the Environment Committee, and other meeting bodies. See P38 for the number of meetings held in FY2024.

## **Helpline Committee**

The Helpline Committee is responsible for the whistle-blowing system (helpline) for compliance violations (including possible violations) related to the Tokuyama Group.

• Number of meetings held in FY2024: 1

## Analysis and Evaluation of Overall Effectiveness of the Board of Directors

In FY2024, we commissioned an external organization to survey all directors and analyze their responses. The results were submitted to the Board of Directors for review and discussion.

The results of the analysis and evaluation revealed that the effectiveness of the Board of Directors is generally being ensured. They found the board's particular strengths are that it is composed appropriately given the role of a Board of Directors, and that it shares information continuously through various channels, contributing to the exercise of Board of

Director supervisory functions.

The survey also revealed the need for further discussions on improving capital costs and stock prices as a new issue for FY2025.

Going forward, we will work to improve operations through ongoing candid feedback from board members, including external directors, on business execution, and to make the Board of Directors more effective by placing special emphasis on creating opportunities for more multifaceted discussions on the topic of capital costs.

#### **Evaluation Process**

Determine assessment items based on the issues and responses of the previous fiscal year

Conduct surveys, hold interviews, and discussions Identify issues based on evaluations by external organizations Implement response measures and improvement measures

To investigate the effectiveness of the Board of Directors, a 33-question survey with ratings and free-form responses was administered to all directors. The questions included topics related to the composition and operation of the Board of Directors, management strategy, business strategy, corporate ethics, risk management, communication with shareholders, and management evaluation and compensation. In addition, the FY2024 survey revealed two issues: Ongoing improvement of Board of Directors' operations and contribution by the Board of Directors to realizing the vision set forth in the Medium-Term Management Plan 2025. It also established questions related to these issues. This enabled a comprehensive and objective evaluation of the effectiveness of the Board of Directors and also confirmed the progress of improvements made to the major issues identified in the previous fiscal year.

#### Issues and future initiatives

Issues	Countermeasures and improvement measures		
Continuous improvements to Board of Directors operations (continued from FY2024)	Confirmed that, given its role, the Board of Directors is composed appropriately. Continue to share information through various channels, such as advance explanations and business reports to directors, and continue to encourage the Board of Directors to exercise its supervisory function		
Contribute to the Board of Directors' realization of the "Vision" set forth in Medium-Term Management Plan 2025. (Continued from FY2024)	Although discussions of management issues were enhanced via creative agenda setting, there is still room for improvement.		
Further discussions on improving capital costs and stock prices are needed	We will learn the current situation and provide opportunities for more multifaceted discussions.		

# Response to Chief Executive Officer Succession Plan

The Company has established a President Nomination Committee within the Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee, which has the function of formulating and implementing a succession plan for the Chief Executive Officer (President and Executive Officer), deliberating on selection and dismissal, and making reports and recommendations to the Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee. The President Nomination Committee is chaired by an independent external director, with the President as the only internal director and a majority of the

members being independent external directors.

The Board of Directors deliberates on and appropriately supervises the activities of the President Nomination Committee with respect to regular reports through the Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee to ensure that the Company's management philosophy (Vision) and management strategy are taken into account and that sufficient time and resources are being systematically allocated to the development of potential successors.

### **Director Training**

Newly appointed directors and newly appointed executive officers, who will be candidates for directors, are required to participate in external executive training. The content of the training program can be selected based on the experience and knowledge of the individual, but with corporate governance in mind, the required content includes legal affairs and corporate governance as well as accounting and finance. The Company also allows participants to attend external seminars related to their

corporate responsibilities on their own. External directors are given the opportunity to visit factories and to learn about the Company when they take office, so that they can understand the current condition of the Company's businesses and operations. Finally, the Company also holds study sessions, when needed, in order for all directors to gain a better understanding of domestic and international economic conditions, legal revisions, and new systems.

### **Director Remuneration**

For details of the Company's policy for determining the content of remuneration, etc. of individual directors (excluding Audit & Supervisory Committee Members), please refer to the Corporate Governance Policy [Appendix 4] "Policy on Determining Director Remuneration on an Individual Basis (excluding those who serve on the Audit & Supervisory Committee)." The amount of remuneration is calculated in accordance with this policy and is determined by the Board of Directors after deliberation by the Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee.

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### **Basic Policy**

The remuneration plan for the Company's directors is based on the following perspectives:

- (a) Ensures that directors contribute to sustainable growth for corporate performance and corporate value based on the Tokuyama Vision
- (b) Provides a level of remuneration that secures and retains human resources that can support the Company's management
- (c) Considers the performance of the Company
- (d) Employs a highly transparent, objective remuneration decision making process

### Overview of the Remuneration System

The Company's remuneration for directors consists of basic remuneration and bonuses\*1, which are monetary remuneration, and performance-linked share-based remuneration\*2, which is non-monetary remuneration, and the method of determining each has been prescribed.

- 1 Recipients are executive directors
- \* 2 Recipients are directors excluding directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members, non-executive directors, external directors and non-residents of Japan

### Method for Determining Remuneration

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- (1) The final annual amount of basic remuneration for each individual is calculated and determined by the Representative Director, President and Executive Officer, having received authorization to do so from the Board of Directors, based on a standard amount predetermined for each position.
- (2) Bonuses are determined by the Representative Director, President and Executive Officer, having received authorization to do so from the Board of Directors, based on performance for the target fiscal year after first determining the payment percentage in accordance with the standard bonus amounts for each position, the performance targets for the target fiscal year, and the achievement level against those targets.
- (3) For performance-linked share-based remuneration, the number of shares granted is calculated by multiplying the performance-linked coefficient (ranging from 0% to 150%) set according to the degree of target achievement.

### Amount of Remuneration Paid to Directors and Audit & Supervisory Committee Members (FY2024)

Category	Number of People	Remuneration Amount
Directors (excluding directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee members)	4	¥168 million
Audit & Supervisory Committee members (excluding external directors)	1	¥29 million
External Director	4	¥56 million

- 1. The above bonuses indicate the bonuses paid to the applicable directors in the current fiscal year.
- 2. The performance-linked share-based compensation amounts shown above are the expense amounts recorded during the current fiscal year.
- 3. The figures above do not include the employee salary portion for directors also serving in employee positions



Corporate Governance Policy

https://www.tokuyama.co.jp/eng/company/governance/index.html

# Policy on strategic shareholdings

The Company holds shares of publicly listed companies for strategic reasons in accordance with the requirements for business activities as part of the overall management strategy. This includes the need to maintain and bolster transactions, raise funds, and consistently procure raw materials.

As far as the strategic holding of shares in publicly listed companies is concerned, the Company will limit holdings to the minimum level possible, taking into consideration the need to ensure efficient corporate management. In FY2024, in addition to the 20 listed stocks that we previously held, we will have completed the reduction of 12 of the three

listed stocks that we inherited from consolidated subsidiaries through an absorption-type merger, resulting in our holding 11 listed stocks at the close of the fiscal year ended March 2025.

In addition, the Board of Directors takes steps to verify the economic rationality of holding shares in publicly listed companies by comparing capital costs that factor in associated risks with accrued benefits, while confirming the propriety of holdings based on a future outlook each year.

The Company exercises voting rights in shares based on the contribution to corporate value for both the Company and the investment target company.

# Risk Management

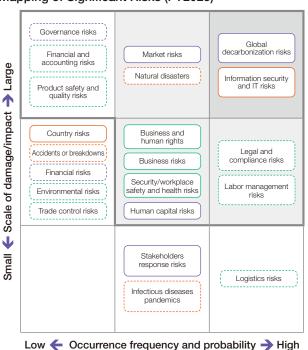
Our Group regards events and factors that could affect the achievement of expected organizational goals and the sustainability of business, and could lead to the impairment or enhancement of corporate value in corporate management, and that require a cross-organizational response, as "significant risks," and has established a management system to ensure that we respond to these risks appropriately.

## Strengthening Our Risk Management System

Through FY2024, the Risk Management and Compliance Committee, which was established in the CSR Promotion Council as a company-wide risk management system, considers events and issues that have recently emerged or that have undergone a change in the degree of impact, by monitoring social conditions and coordinating with other committees. This committee then assesses whether or not these are real risks and determines which expert committees will address the issues. Furthermore, the Committee also performs group-wide enterprise risk management by making visible and mapping risk levels both qualitatively and quantitatively from several perspectives: impact (monetary loss, decrease in market share, and scale of impact, etc.); occurrence frequency and probability; and Company's vulnerability. The expert committees examine and determine mitigation policies for the risks they are responsible for (including risk reduction, avoidance, transfer, and retention), and propose and implement measures to address risks. These committees then conduct regular reviews of the results of any implemented actions, and manage implementation in accordance with the management system.

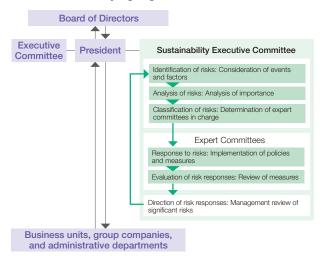
Starting from FY2025, this company-wide risk management will be discussed at the Sustainability Executive Committee, a meeting body that has been restructured from the CSR Promotion Council. These meetings will serve as venues to deliberate on both risks and opportunities from a perspective of sustainability. Note that compliance risks that were previously handled by the Risk Management and Compliance Committee will be handled by the newly established Compliance Committee. We will also review the details of significant risks beginning in FY2025. With respect to "information security

### Mapping of Significant Risks (FY2025)

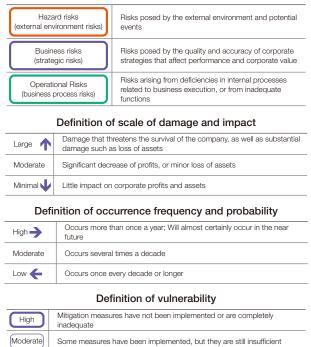


risks," we added risks associated with DX and IT implementation, which are essential to structural reform, and revised this term to be "information security and IT risks." Additionally, in light of recent growing tensions around cybersecurity and the permeation of IT into business operations, we have increased the scale of damage and impact by one level. Management will reaffirm the importance of information security and IT risks, and demonstrate its commitment to taking all possible measures to address them.

### Process of Identifying Significant Risks



#### Classification of risks



Effective measures have been implemented and a management cycle is in

Low

### List of Significant Risks (FY2025)

Н	Hazard risk (external environment risk) Risks posed by the external environment and potential events					
	Moderate category	Moderate category Minimal category				
	Natural disasters	Earthquake, tsunami, weather-related disaster, abnormal weather event (typhoon, storm surge, heavy rains, etc.)	Sustainability Executive Committee			
	Accidents or breakdowns	Fire, explosion, chemical leak, equipment or device damage or failure, utility supply interruption, accident with aircraft, ship or railway	Safety Committee			
	Pandemic disease	Widespread outbreak of COVID-19 or another endemic infectious disease	Sustainability Executive Committee			
	Country risks	War, conflict, terrorism incident, riot, unlawful political change, or economic crisis	Sustainability Executive Committee			
	Information security and IT risks	Cyberattack, virus infection, information leaks, system failure, failure of system facilities/equipment, IT risks	Information Security Committee			

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Moderate category	Minimal category	Relevant committee*
Global decarbonization risks	Carbon pricing and energy procurement costs, green process adoption measures, penetration of green procurement by customers, evaluation by stakeholders, more frequent extreme weather, long-term intensification of extreme weather events, and lost opportunities due to a failure to keep up with green market expansion	Sustainability Executive Committe Environment Committee
Market risks	Changes in market needs, marketing failures or deficiencies, emergence of new competitors, product development failures or obsolescence, delays in responding to rapid technological innovations, and delays or barriers to overseas expansion, low PBR risks	(Executive Committee)
Human capital risks	Excessive outflow of human resources and difficulties in securing human resources, workforce aging and distorted human resource pyramid, human resource development and technology transfer, delays in adapting to new work styles, human resource mismatch due to business transitions, and inadequate and delayed disclosure of human capital information	(Executive Committee)
Governance risks	Lack of succession planning, securing governance transparency, and inadequate control over reporting lines	(Executive Committee)
Financial risks	Funding plan or financing failure, paid capital increase, suspension of financial support, interest rate or foreign exchange rate fluctuation risk, and stock price decline	(Executive Committee)
Stakeholders response risks	Criticism and slander by the media, reputational damage, social media risks, inappropriate information disclosure, damage to corporate values by activists	(Executive Committee)

rational risk (business process risk) Risks arising from deficiencies in internal processes related to business execution, or from inadequate functions				
Moderate category	Minimal category	Relevant committee*		
Security/workplace safety and health risks	Equipment or machine stoppages or accidents due to operating errors, industrial accidents, and aging equipment or machinery	Safety Committee		
Business risks	Soaring raw material or fuel prices, failed pricing policies, declining price competitiveness, dependence on a small number of suppliers, and dependence on a small number of customers	(Executive Committee)		
Product safety and quality risks	Poor quality, voluntary recalls, product liability accidents due to design defects, manufacturing defects, improper labeling, or false labeling, violations of domestic and international laws	Product Safety and Quality Assurance Committee		
Logistics risks	Damage during transportation and storage (including leakage of hazardous materials)	Product Safety and Quality Assurance Committee		
Environmental risks	Release of hazardous pollutants, contamination of soil and groundwater, complaints from local residents regarding noise and odors, illegal dumping and improper disposal of waste, water risks, and biodiversity	Environment Committee		
Trade control risks	Inadequate security trade control	Security Trade Committee		
Business and human rights	Human rights violations in supply chains, boycotts, and consumer movements	Compliance Committee		
Financial and accounting risks	Window dressing, improper accounting, tax compliance, bad debts and defaults	Financial Reporting Committee		
Legal and compliance risks	Intellectual property rights infringement and violation, invention compensation disputes, antimonopoly law violation, Unfair Competition Prevention Act violation (bribery), improper contract signing, insider trading, inadequate management of licenses and permits, misconduct involving executives or employees, ties to antisocial forces, and intimidation			
Death from overwork, long working hours, illegal overtime, labor disputes and strikes, human rights issues, discrimination, harassment, mental health, ensuring the safety of expatriates and business travelers overseas		Compliance Committee		

<sup>\*</sup> The chairperson of each committee is a director who is responsible for the relevant risks

### **Information Security Initiatives**

To protect customer information and other informational assets, and to continue operating appropriately as a company, measures to ensure information security are essential. The Company has established an Information Security Committee that operates an information security management system. This committee has established an information security policy for the entire Group, and has devised goals and plans to periodically evaluate the operational status of the Group's information security measures. Furthermore, to maintain and improve risk levels, we regularly conduct information security self-inspection checks, internal audits, and e-learning programs to raise awareness.

As personal information protection will require a global response, in addition to establishing a "Tokuyama Group Basic Personal Information Protection Policy," we have also prepared a "GDPR Response," "Personal Information Contact Desk," and "Cookie Policy" with respect to our company's Basic Personal Information Protection Policy.

Cybersecurity is becoming increasingly important year by year. We recognize that protecting the Company's information assets from

external attacks is necessary not only for our company's operations, but also to protect the stable operations of our customers. The entire Group is taking action in order to be fully equipped to serve as a part of the customer's supply chain. We have also confirmed the possibility of incidents occurring at each Group company, including overseas companies, and are advancing fundamental responsive measures after identifying the issues. As a result of these activities, there were no significant incidents involving information security or personal information in FY2024.

In addition to the expansion of the scope of business operations covered by IT systems due to the advancement of DX, the impact of IT system risks on business is increasing, including the so-called "2025 cliff" problem. This has led us to recognize "IT risks" in addition to traditional cyber security and information management risks to create the "information security and IT risks" category, and we decided to further increase the impact of our response. We will consider and implement risk mitigation measures under the Information Security Committee.

<sup>\*</sup> Not all risks in the Group are covered, and there may be risks that could affect business activities in addition to those listed.