Chapter 4 Strengthening our Bases

Our Three Bases and ESG engagement

The Company's value generation originates from our three bases, and strengthening these, together with the promotion of ESG, works to accelerate a virtuous cycle that drives the process in which we create value.

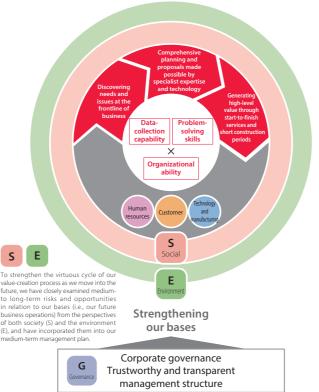
Cultivated over many years, our human resources base, customer base, and technology and manufacturing base are the three bases that form the source of the Group's value creation. By reinforcing these, we determine the risks and opportunities for the Group with regard to social (S) and environment (E), and enables us to set our goals so as to accelerate the virtuous cycle that powers our value creation process.

Of the seven items of materiality identified to raise the Group's sustainable corporate value, three pertain to ESG. These are interwoven and promoted through the basic policy of the Sixth Medium-Term Management Plan in our pursuit of achieving sustainable growth for the Company and of finding solutions to social issues.

The Starting Point

Pursue businesses that are of service to people

Developing our businesses



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Materiality

 $5\,$ Lowering environmental impacts while reaping corporate profits

6 Form management base, strengthen relations with stakeholders

7 Strengthening corporate governance

Setting Goals by Backcasting

Keeping in mind the vision of what the Daiwa House Group should be over the long term leading up to 2030 and 2055 with regard to the priority issues for social (S) and environment (E) matters, we have identified issues to be addressed over the next three years, and through backcasting, subsequently set target levels to be achieved in fiscal 2021.



The Endless Social Program 2021 is underway as a program to raise our social engagement. Over the last three years in particular, we will focus on the three bases as the source of value creation, observing changes in the external environment while identifying bases to strengthen for the future.

Our plan for the environment, "Endless Green Program 2021," promotes "carbon-free" initiatives from the dual perspectives of our products and corporate activities, with an eye toward both lowering environmental impacts while reaping corporate profits.

Social, environment and governance initiatives in the Sixth Medium-Term Management Plan

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Form management base, strengthen relations with stakeholders Social Medium-Term Plan (Endless Social Program 2021)

We take a long-term perspective of social (S) matters and anticipate that society will undergo a transformation. In addition to the endeavors made for the three bases, we specify and move forward on initiatives for the bases we should reinforce with an eye toward the future.

	Key policies	Main key goal indicators
Human resources base	Build an organization with a diversified motivated workforce that retains the young people it develops	Improvement in "motivation" of entire workforce
Customer base	Build long-term relations with customers and establish corporate brands that bring in new customers	Brand monetary value
Technology and manufacturing base	Enhance productivity and promote responsible procurement together with business partners, on the premise of ensuring construction site safety and quality	Annual holidays on a worksite

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Bases to strengthen anew	The three bases to strengthen anew are the innovation base to consistent in the communication base to ensure proper communication to thoroughly implement internal controls and foster corporate efforts along these lines.	n with our stakeholders, and the risk countermeasures base
Innovation base	Strengthen systems to promote business and real-estate development that helps solve social issues	Percentage developed of large projects based on Community Development Guidelines and large-scale construction by our divisions
Communication base	Upgrade both financial and nonfinancial corporate communications and train the workforce for the information age	Establish a system and practices for financial and nonfinancial communications, and promote understanding that these are fully integrated
Risk countermeasures base	Hone business continuity plans for natural disasters, etc., and establish corporate ethics, human rights and compliance rules including overseas bases	Business continuity plan score



Lowering environmental impacts while reaping corporate profits Action Plan for the Environment (Endless Green Program 2021)

Our long-term environmental vision, "Challenge ZERO 2055," focuses on the environment (E), and offers up the goal of realizing "zero environmental impact." Under this recently formulated Action Plan for the Environment, we are accelerating the "promotion of environmental management that integrates the Group's global supply chain," and within this, move forward on initiatives with an emphasis on decarbonization.

	Key policies	Main key goal indicators
Environmentally conscious products	Promoting the development and dissemination of environmentally conscious products and services for boosting business competitiveness	Sales of environmental businesses
Slowing and adapting to climate change	Promoting "carbon-free" in the fields of products and manufac- turing for achieving SBT, EP100, and RE100	Greenhouse gas emissions (per sales unit) Energy efficiency Renewable energy rate /Renewable energy utilization rate



Strengthening corporate governance

- Optimization of management structure
- Foster next generation of business managers
- Improve system of business execution
- Entrench risk management structure

Develop human resources that contribute to society, and create a motivational workplace that employees are proud of, through a thorough "bottom-up approach" and "positive attitude."

Business developments for the Sixth Medium-Term Management Plan

Build an organization with a diversified motivated workforce that retains the young people it develops

Current issues

- A decline in the labor force population is making it difficult to secure the human talent capable of meeting business expansion needs
- There is insufficient shared recognition within the Company of a "view of human resources" and "how to provide nurturing" in light of the younger generation's characteristics

Objectives of policy formulation

- To design and implement systems for "ways of working" and "hiring and developing" in tune with the labor market, human resources, ICT and other transformations, and that take into account a business model situated upon our human resources base.
- To create an organization capable of responding to dramatic changes in society through diversity and inclusion (D&I) of human resources, including with gender and generation.

Priority issues and key goal indicators (KGI) for the human resources base

Initiatives toward priority issues

1 Work style reform for employees

Going beyond merely endeavoring to reduce working hours, we concentrated on identifying problems in current methods and exploring new ways of working conducive to making work gratifying and a source of joy. Efforts focused on fostering three major outcomes: work environments conducive to trust in the company, pride in work, and solidarity with colleagues. For example, we surveyed employees about the scheme for assessing contributions to achieving organizational goals and how benchmarks they are happy with are assessed, then used the post-analysis results to examine them more closely. In fiscal 2020, we will be applying the issues we have looked into in fiscal 2019 to our project proposals, from planning to program design.

2 Upgrade human resource development and recruitment

We undertook a number of initiatives to enhance human resources development and recruitment. We launched a project studying ways to enhance young-employee retention, advancing it to the program design and proposal development stage. To be better able to find the talent we need, we proactively participated in recruiting events to increase contact with college students, a main source of new hires, and raise the profile of our corporate brand among them, as well as working to support them through our recruiters more effectively. And in personnel training, we looking into succession planning for branch and equivalent managers along with continuing the Daiwa House Juku for nurturing future managerial personnel.

With ideas developed to enhance young-employee retention in mind, in fiscal 2020 we will be working on hiring and placement schemes designed to avert employee-to-job mismatches.

3 Promote diversity and inclusion

We moved to improve the diversity and inclusion (D&I) situation at the organization level, experimented with a number of new ways of working, and provide training for female managers, sales reps and engineers. Training initiatives during the year included managerial seminars for female managers, seminars for female sales staff at the Single-Family Houses and Logistics, Business and Corporate Facilities Division, district-level meetings of and forums with the Working Group of Women Active in Business of the Daiwa House Group's Construction Technology Committee, and unconscious bias training for newly appointed managers, male as well as female. In July 2019 we also started participation in telework days and telework trials and, building on the experience gained, instituted work-from-home in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. And we launched a trial program to support employees balancing work and childcare or sickness, with our Kagawa Branch serving as model.

In fiscal 2020 we will be implementing the trial programs and continuing the training programs for D&I. And we will move to tackle issues that surface through analysis of our achievements are measured by D&I composite scores (business-location diversity scores) in the Evaluations of Branch Management Soundness implemented in fiscal 2019.

Key goal indicators and progress



The retention of young employees (who have worked for less than three years at the company)



General indices for diversity and inclusion

ŀ	KGIs Female leaders amongst female managers Female managers		Female engineers	Female sales reps	Female amongst recruits	
Res	2017	3.3%	27.6%	4.3%	9.1%	28.4%
Results (2018	3.6%	24.1%	4.6%	9.9%	27.2%
(FY)	2019	4.1%	25.0%	4.9%	10.2%	24.8%
Tar	2019	4.0%	30.0%	5.0%	11.0%	30%
Targets (2020	4.5%	35.0%	5.5%	12.0%	30%
(FY)	2021	5.0%	40.0%	6.0%	13.0%	30%

Reference Sustainability Report 2020: Human resources base P.95-108

Strengthening the Customer Base

Materiality 6 (Focal theme ®) Building management base and strengthening relations with stakeholders (Improve CS and corporate brand)

We are sincere in our communication with customers, and put our full efforts into offering high-quality products and services. We do our best to satisfy our customers and win their trust.

Business developments for the Sixth Medium-Term Management Plan

Build long-term relations of trust with customers, establish a corporate brand leading to encounters with new customers

Current issues

- The Group's primary business model is to provide "solutions" to customers by supporting with complex business proposal capabilities, and to emphasize the corporate brand, in addition to product brands
- Future expectations for business demand originating from existing customers, such as with the Livness business

Objectives of policy formulation

- Among customers and consumers, to secure in their minds a brand image capable of reminding them "what kind of company this is"
- To provide proposals in sync with customers' lifecycles and to utilize unoccupied homes, which are an issue facing society, by further strengthening the long-held relationships of trust with existing customers

Priority issues and key goal indicators (KGI) for the customer base

Initiatives toward priority issues

1 Upgrade corporate communications

Concerning the problem of off-specification components in and remedial work on Daiwa House single-family houses and apartments, we investigated the cause and overhauled governance, and then presented an explanation to our customers and all stakeholders. Top management took the lead throughout this process, and worked to share the Daiwa House Group's corporate philosophy as symbolized by "Endless Heart." In terms of advertising and promotional activities, we have defined our basic policy of "redevelopment," and striving to restore the trust from all of our stakeholders, we pressed forward on communications that put a spotlight on the products and technologies that will become solutions for societal issues. In addition, we have concentrated support on the Livness business that embodies the value of a new lifestyle, and have made great endeavors to strengthen our customer base.

In addition, we engage in cherry tree preservation activities on the slopes of Mt. Yoshino in Nara Prefecture, the region where our founder was born and raised. We have positioned this "Daiwa Sakura Aid" as an activity that brings our corporate philosophy to life. By increasing opportunities to interact with our stakeholders, we strove to demonstrate the Company's corporate stance to society.

In fiscal 2020, together with implementing ongoing measures to strengthen governance, we will work to spread our corporate philosophy so as to foster among customers the idea that the behavior of each and every employee represents the Daiwa House Group brand.

Promote customer support to maintain long-term relationships

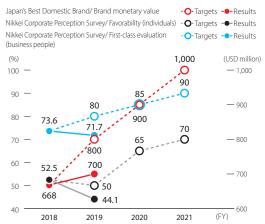
We received numerous requests and expectations from customers on account of the aforementioned off-specification component problem, as well as with issues such as the major Typhoon Hagibis, the 19th named typhoon of the year. With regard to the off-specification components, we apologized to customers, provided an explanation and pressed ahead with corrective action on relevant properties. To deal with the typhoon damage, we visited the owners of homes that had been hit by the disaster, and are moving forward on inspections. While taking these customer satisfaction (CS) initiatives, we also took action for our Livness business, which is a business that starts with customers with whom we have existing relationships. In this way, we built a framework that made it easy for customers to contact the Company.

In fiscal 2020, as regular inspections and impromptu visits are postponed in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19, this elicits the question of what new form of relationship will we have with customers. We will continue to endeavor at nurturing long-term relationships, and will go forward while taking appropriate measures during emergencies.

Reference Sustainability Report 2020: Customer base P.121-126

Key goal indicators and progress

Brand Value, Perception Survey Results



Order rate using our customer base



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Materiality 6 (Focal theme ②) Building management base and strengthening relations with stakeholders (enforce safety and quality)

Business developments for the Sixth Medium-Term Management Plan

Enhance productivity and promote responsible procurement together with business partners, on the premise of ensuring construction site safety and quality

Current issues

- In Japan, given that we are a top-class company in terms of the number of construction sites held, the declining labor population, and along with this, an insufficient number of supervisors, entails the risk that management of construction will cease to function sufficiently
- We produce construction materials at our plants, and construct them at construction sites in a hybrid-type business model. Such characteristics drive a necessity to strengthen this base.
- Rising social needs to address CSR procurement

Objectives of policy formulation

- •To sweep away the negative image of being "difficult, dirty and dangerous" that the construction industry bears, and to make for an on-site environment that is easy to work in for those upon whose shoulders the future of the construction industry will rest—females, senior citizens, foreign workers and the younger generation
- To further strengthen collaboration with the companies that we partner with in undertaking construction tasks, and to work toward enhanced productivity through utilization of IoT, thus lowering risk
- To avoid risk by practicing responsible procurement, and to link to a stronger and differentiated supply chain

Priority issues and key goal indicators (KGI) for the technology and manufacturing base

Initiatives toward priority issues

Strengthening the Technology and Manufacturing Base

1 Enforce safety/security at construction sites

We revised our educational methods and undertook efforts to strengthen our management system in order to enhance the safety and health of skilled workers on site (employees of our business partners). Safety education includes the adoption of interactive VR teaching materials, non-verbal videos for foreign workers, creation of signs in foreign languages, and special training for fall prevention devices (full harness type). For our safety management system, we have introduced meetings via tablets or smartphones and remote supervision devices via ITV for the sake of greater operational efficiency based on ICT. As a result, we achieved our KGI target, specifically, the frequency rate for construction site accidents for fiscal 2019, which was 0.19. Fiscal 2020 will see a further entrenching of efforts, as well as the promotion of measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19, among other initiatives and efforts on the fundamentals of safety.

2 Improve productivity in manufacturing operations with the cooperation of business partners

We trialed in three locations a remote support initiative for information on construction with collaborating companies (partner subcontractors), to improve productivity at sites, and along with this, have launched digital construction projects. We plan to implement a total of 11 projects involving automation by fiscal 2021, and among those, five (including concentrated welding lines for pillars and processing of surface elements) have already started. For human resources development, under the Certification System for Skilled Engineers and Technicians, partner subcontractors certified as excellent or senior technicians were provided with financial support for their wages.

Through these efforts, we have made scheduled holidays known to all plants and construction sites, and as a result, we largely achieved our plans for annual holidays in fiscal 2019. In fiscal 2020 as well, we will proceed with the verification and adoption of technologies, such as ICT and the IoT, and raise the skills and motivation of our partners' employees to improve productivity by ensuring quality and reducing working hours.

Promote and improve the efficiency of CSR procurement across the Group

We took steps to make our CSR Procurement Guidelines known among our business partners and share our thinking. An Ethics Card for Partner Employees was prepared and distributed as a tool for repeated learning of the key points for responsible behavior. Letters of consent to the CSR Procurement Guidelines were once again collected following the institution of the guidelines in fiscal 2015, reaching 52.2% in submission rate (2,910 out of 5,574 companies). Online self-assessments were also implemented as a way to confirm how far our partners are engaged in initiatives and building systems for CSR procurement. In fiscal 2020, our intention is to continue dialogues with our business partners in order to promote CSR procurement.

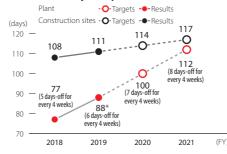
Reference Sustainability Report 2020: Technology and manufacturing base P.109-120

Key goal indicators and progress



* The number of industrial accidents that have occurred involving worker injury or death per one million hours worked.

Number of days off per annum



* Results for fiscal 2019 construction site target days off of 88 days are unconfirmed. For fiscal 2018, 93% of partners had obtained the 77 target days off (from questionnaire survey for business partners 2019).

Group CSR procurement



Bases to Strengthen Anew

Building management base and strengthening relations with stakeholders (Upgrade innovation and corporate communications/ Strengthen risk management) Materiality 6 (Focal theme ® ®)

Innovation base Reference Sustainability Report 2020: Innovation base P.83-94						
Base	Policy	Priority issues	Key goal indicators			
Continuously comes up with innovative solutions	Strengthen systems to promote business and real	(1) Build platforms for innovating solutions to social issues	Cooperative innovation creation for new business ventures or joint research projects			
to social issues Innovation base	estate development that helps solve social issues	(2) Promote social inclusion in real estate development	Percentage developed of large projects based on Community Development Guidelines and large-scale construction by our divisions 70%			

Initiatives toward priority issues, and issues with regard to achieving goals

Our business development activities included participation in Open Innovation Base "Xport" sponsored by the Osaka Chamber of Commerce and Osaka Institute of Technology. At "Daiwa House Future Labo," we conducted programs in our pursuit of collaboration with our corporate partners, and from initial considerations commenced "Housing IoT Project." In fiscal 2020, together with narrowing down topics that have a high likelihood of being realized, targeting open innovation programs, we will work not only with venture companies, but also plan to endeavor at business innovation that includes alliances with major corporations

In addition, to check whether or not development plans were based on Community Development Guidelines as of the planning stage in the real estate development process, we made plans and prepared for a "planning assistance tool." In fiscal 2020, by initiating use of the "planning assistance tool" for properties applicable to the Company's Real Estate Investment Committee's deliberations, we will make known throughout the Company our stance on social inclusion in the development of real estate.

Communication base Reference S	Sustainability Report 2020: Communication base P.127-136
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	Base	Policy	Priority issues	Key goal indicators
Multi-channel communications with stakeholders Communication base	As a company, upgrade both financial and non-financial corporate	(1) Integrate and upgrade financial and non-financial communications	Establish a system and practices for financial and non-financial communications, and promote understanding that these are fully integrated	
		communications and train the workforce for the information age	(2) Keep pace with rapidly evolving communication environments	Establish a base for system construction and employee literacy regarding rapidly evolving ICT

Initiatives toward priority issues, and issues with regard to achieving goals

Together with conducting 13 dialogue sessions with institutional investors pertaining to ESG so as to enhance our ESG engagement activities, in December 2019 we held ESG small group meetings where the CFO spoke about our integrated thinking-based business strategy. In fiscal 2020, we will work to disclose integrated financial and nonfinancial information in our securities reports, and will also take action to improve understanding of the concepts of integrated thinking and integrated management among managers and executives, as well as deepen awareness of materiality.

In addition, to revamp our information systems as part of our communications reform, we improved our MyPortal intranet site for managing important internal information, and also ran verification and evaluation tests of a cross-organizational search feature for internal company data. We also built a website, Bukken Site which aggregates data on projects (buildings) needed for collaboration with suppliers and other external stakeholders in one place and began proof of concept (POC) testing. In fiscal 2020, we will commence operations of these systems.

Risk countermeasures base Reference Sustainability Report 2020: Risk countermeasures base P.137-156

Base	Policy	Priority issues	Key goal indicators
Effective internal control and executives/all employee leadership in corporate ethics	Hone business continuity plans for natural disasters, etc., and establish corporate ethics, human rights and compliance rules including overseas bases	(1) Prepare business continuity plans on the premise of natural disasters/extreme weather	Business Continuity Plan score 100 pts/100 pts (Score based on initiatives for employee safety, backup for information systems and securing power, customer support systems, production purchasing system, maintaining overall group functioning, development systems, etc.)
Risk countermeasures		(2) Establish due diligence for human rights at plants	Establish a process of due diligence for human rights at plants
base (being complete in small things)		(3) Establish corporate ethics and compliance rules	Internal control system attainment score 15% improvement
		(4) Build management base for global business	Improved score on CSR awareness surveys at overseas

Initiatives toward priority issues, and issues with regard to achieving goals

development from a long -term perspective bases

Carrying out verification of BCM operations dealing with the water damage from Typhoon No.19 and other natural disasters, we have further enhanced BCM through the BCM Subcommittee that plays a role in each of the divisions involved across the Company's value chain. In addition, with the intent to more appropriately and swiftly aggregate risk information, we have clarified risk information reporting standards for the Risk Management Committee. From the perspective of preventing harassment and with the full commitment of top management in fiscal 2018 we established the Power Harassment Preventive Measures Office where

we offer dedicated and specialized consulting with regard to power harassment, and also conduct expert-led harassment prevention training to those in management level positions. Moreover, in order to strengthen the medium- to long-term management base in our overseas business, we set up our Overseas Business Division, and intending to construct an administrative framework for each region, have begun to consider putting in place corporate functions, starting with North America. We will continue to move forward to address such priority issues in fiscal 2020.

Materiality 5 Pursue both minimization of environmental impacts and corporate earnings

The Daiwa House Group tries to make zero environmental impacts within our Group, globally, and through supply chains, with the aim of realizing a sustainable society.

Business developments for the Sixth Medium-Term Management Plan

In the Daiwa House Group, we have established one materiality as "lowering environmental impacts while reaping corporate profits," and together with this, have raised "efforts at the environment" as one basic policy in the Sixth Medium-Term Management Plan. We focus on the promotion of decarbonization in both our products as well as manufacturing endeavors.

Key policies of Endless Green Program 2021

Promoting "carbon-free" in the fields of products and manufacturing for achieving SBT, EP100, and RE100

Promoting win-win cooperation for reducing environmental risks in supply chains

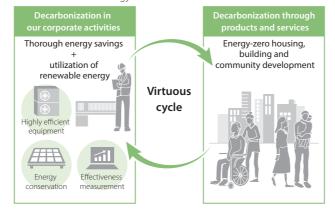
Promoting the development and dissemination of environmentally conscious products and services for boosting business competitiveness

Advancing strategic eco communication for improving environmental brand and ESG assessment

Enhancing integrated environmental management within the Group and globally for advancing environmental management

Activity achievements improve business competitiveness

We put the expertise gained at our own facilities in energy conservation, renewable energy and energy storage to use in business, while developing and increasing the prevalence of zero-energy housing, buildings and communities, as well as promoting the expansion of our environmental energy business.



Response to the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD)

Daiwa House specifies risks and opportunities in accordance with the framework set forth by TCFD, and then assesses impact on business based on multiple scenarios, with verification of strategy appropriateness as pertains to decarbonization.

The impact of climate change deepens year by year. The frequency of abnormal weather, natural disasters and the like is one of the factors behind climate change, and these pose a threat to the safety and security of homes and day-to-day life, which is at the foundation of our value offering. On another front, since the adoption of the Paris Agreement, nations and governments around the

world have dramatically altered course toward "decarbonization," and expectations for the role that the private sector should play are undergoing enormous change.

Uncertainties are high with regard to change in the external environment associated with climate change, and as such, it is important that we move forward by properly dealing with risk based on multiple anticipated scenarios, and that we make efforts to seize upon business opportunities. Continuing on from this, we will proactively disclose information and hold constructive dialogues with investors and others, and this will lead to a honing of our strategy.

Main Risks and Opportunities Related to Climate Change

Daiwa House Group Integrated Report 2020

Near-term (0-3 years), mid-term (3-10 years), and long-term (10-30 years)

Туре			Details	Period of impact	Level of financial impact
Transitions		Policy, laws and	Increased costs on account of specification changes in line with strengthening of Japan's Building Energy Efficiency Act	Short term	Medium
		regulations	Rising operational costs due to expansion of carbon tax or emissions trading system	Medium term	Small
Risks		Chronic Higher maximum summer temperatures lead to increased risk of heat stroke at construction sites		Short term	Small
	Physical changes		Damage to our facilities due to natural disasters and increase in insurance premiums	Medium term	Small
	enanges		Impact on supply chain due to natural disasters	Short term	Medium
	Transitions		Increase in demand for houses and building with low greenhouse gas emissions	Present time	Large
Transition:		Products and services	Generation of carbon credits through provision of low-carbon houses and buildings	Long term	Medium
		Jerrices	Expansion of environmental energy business due to rising demand for renewable energy	Medium term	Large
Physical Products and changes services			Rising demand for houses and buildings equipped for natural disasters	Medium term	Medium

ference Sustainability Report 2020: Response to the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) P.44-46

1 Development and dissemination of environmentally conscious products and services

Viewing environment as a business opportunity, we designated sales of environmental contribution business as a key management indicator, to clearly and quantitatively publish our stance that we contribute to the environment through our business and make environmental stewardship an added value to our businesses. We are taking action to achieve our target of expanding growth in environmental contribution business sales at a pace greater than that of the business as a whole. In fiscal 2019, we took initiatives such as enhancing the lineup of ZEH standardization products in the housing business as eco-friendly buildings became more prevalent, and we expanded the scale of the environmental energy business primarily through the design and construction of photovoltaic generation facilities. As a result, net sales in the environmental contribution business rose 10% from the same period of fiscal 2018.

2 Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions in our business activities, enhancing energy efficiency

We acquired SBT certification, an international initiative for greenhouse gas emissions reduction, to be consistent with the Paris Agreement's 2°C temperature target. In addition, we joined EP100 and RE100, international initiatives that seek to raise energy efficiency and to increase renewable energy use, respectively, as the world's first-ever construction industry company, and have been accelerating activities in terms of a medium- to long-term vision. In principle, we will pursue ZEB for our newly constructed facilities, and along with that, we are working to raise energy efficiency by systematically investing in energy conservation measures at our existing facilities.

In fiscal 2019, we were certified as "ZEB Ready" for the newly constructed "Frespo Hibarigaoka." As a result of thoroughly implementing measures to improve operations such as by utilizing a proprietary check sheet for energy conservation at our existing facilities, greenhouse gas emissions (per sales unit) fell 32% from fiscal 2015 levels, and similarly, energy efficiency rose to 1.34 times.

We are moving forward on expanding the use of renewable energy, and have positioned the period up until 2030 as a "volume expansion" phase, and following that, as a "usage

Our "volume expansion (creation)" phase in fiscal 2019 included the 56 new photovoltaic

power plants we put into operation, as well as the large-scale wind-power plant (16MW) in

the city of Seiyo, Ehime Prefecture. Moreover, the Daiwa House Group operates 328 renewable energy power plants across Japan for 380MW of power (including power consumed

internally), and that annual power generation capacity accounted for 96.4% of our power

consumption. Going forward, we aim to achieve a renewable energy generation rate of 100%





3 Development of renewable energy and expansion of its use







2015 2018 2019 2021 2030 2040

= Consolidated net sales ÷ Energy consumption

Key goal indicators and progress

Sales of environmental contribution businesses

12.277

2019 (Current term)

*Revised based on earnings forecasts announced in "FY2020

targets in accordance with the situation that unfolds in FY2020

-31.9%

2018 2019 2021 (Current term)

Presentation on Management Policies." We plan to announce FY2021

11,000*

2020

2055 (FY)

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2018

Greenhouse gas emissions

(per sales unit)

Energy efficiency

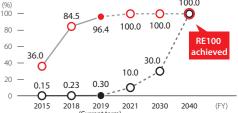
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Renewable energy generation rate/utilization rate

(renewable energy generation volume ÷ energy utilization volume)

--- Renewable energy utilization rate (renewable energy utilization volume ÷ energy utilization volume)



On the other hand, for "usage expansion (use)," we have introduced a self-consumption-type photovoltaic power generation system, and on top of that, have begun to provide renewable energy at new construction sites. In the future, we will be accelerating the switch to renewable energy originated from renewable energy power plants operated by the Group at our primary in-house facilities. Our aim is to have a renewable DREAM Wind Ehime Seiyo wind-power

in fiscal 2020, a full 10 years ahead of schedule.



energy utilization rate of 10% in fiscal 2021.

Leveraging the results gained through our in-house efforts to streamline energy efficiency for our business, and to expand renewable energy utilization, we will continue on with community development that gives consideration to the environment.

Funabashi Grand Oasis, Japan's first community development with 100% renewable energy

Currently under-development "Funabashi Grand Oasis" is comprised of single-family houses, rental housing, condominiums and commercial facilities that make up a business area of 57,000m² of large-scale complex development. Together with deploying advanced energy conservation, renewable energy and energy storage technologies to each facility, the energy used when construction started and at completion of the community is provided primarily from power originated from renewable energy generation facilities managed by the Group nationwide, and signifies the realization of Japan's first community development powered 100% by renewable energy, from "construction start" to "residence."

We will continue to undertake this kind of community development all across Japan, and take our efforts to the next level to realize the spread of renewable energy and a carbon-free society.



Illustration of Funabashi Grand Oasis development

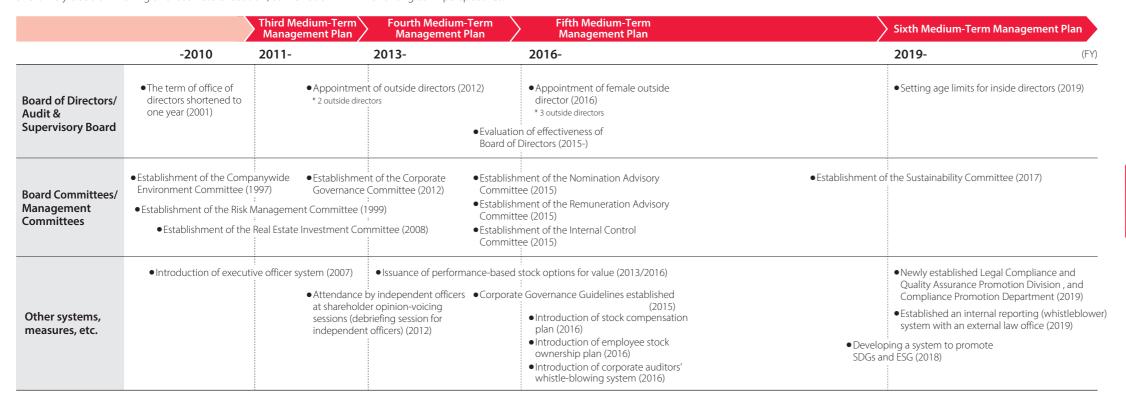
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* Explanations of "Harmony with the natural environment" (protecting biodiversity), "Conservation of natural resources/Water resource conservation" (long life/reduction of waste). "Prevention of chemical pollution"

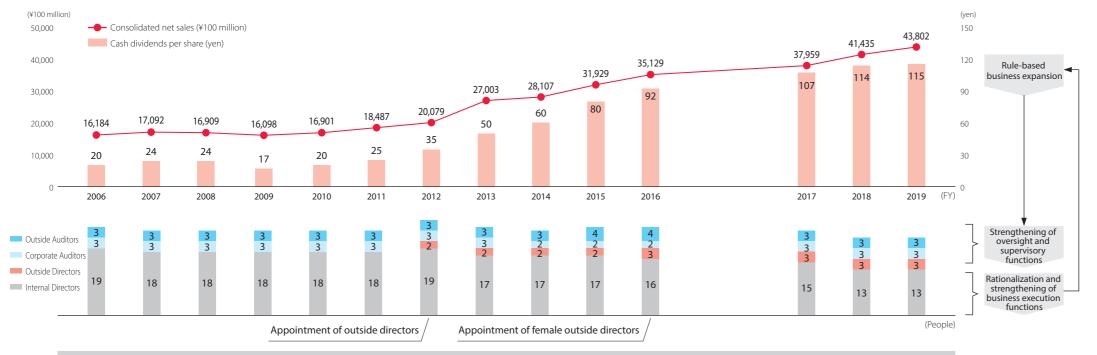
Measures to Enhance Governance

The Daiwa House Group positions enhancing its structure of governance as a priority issue for management so that we may continue to be a company that earns the trust of society. We take the basic stance of working to construct a system of accurate and timely decision making and business execution, as well as a framework of appropriate oversight and supervision.

Along with transforming our vision in tune with expanding business operations and the management environment, we are building a structure for governance based on diverse viewpoints and long-term perspectives.



Transition of Board of Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board composition



Ongoing strengthening of oversight and supervisory functions/internal control systems in line with business growth

2020 Initiatives to enhance governance Strengthen supervisory Smooth succession by function by external setting upper limit on age directors and bolster and putting in place management a program to strategy over the mediumthe next to long-term generation Respond to new and expanding risks and Establish opportunities through Redevelop emergency follow ups and response system and execution system through the transfer system of prevention. and put in place business of responsibilities and activity environment authority Improvements to management structure We have increased the number of outside directors in order to enhance the Board of Directors' supervisory function. We are also heightening diversity by appointing a female director and a director with experience of being stationed outside of Japan. After June 2020 General FY2019 Meeting of Shareholders

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Ratio of external directors

35.7%

Ratio of external directors

18.8%

Corporate Governance Committee (2 times/year)

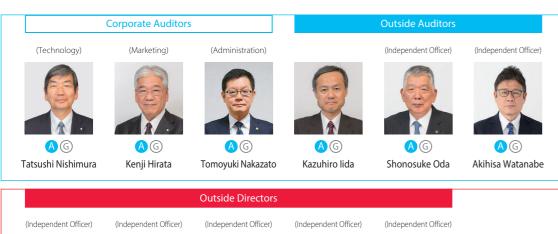
Corporate Governance System

Concept of Board of Directors structure

Based on a long-cherished concept from the day of founding to promote a business that "will be useful to people and that will make them happy," the Company's Board of Directors upholds this concept in its management vision of being a group that co-creates value for individuals, communities, and people's lifestyles. The Board's mission is to embody the statement and to develop human resources that will carry on this mission into the future.

To realize the management vision, executive management must always explore the needs of society based on the attitude of a bottom-up approach while the Board of Directors deliberates and decides how to embody such needs as a business, and quickly grasps reported risks regarding business execution to control and oversee

The Board of Directors has outside members who account for over one-third of the Board. By making greater use of diverse and external knowledge, experience and know-how possessed by Outside Directors, we aim for trustworthy and transparent management.



















Managing Executive Officer

Head of Overseas

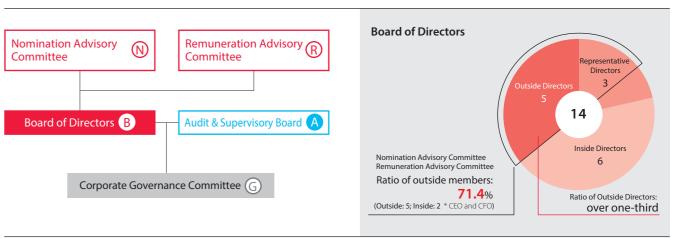


Managing Executive Officer

Head of Compliance /

Hirotsugu Otomo (60) Kazuhito Dekura (58) Keisuke Shimonishi (61) Tatsuya Urakawa (59) Nobuya Ichiki (63) Yoshinori Ariyoshi (61)

Structure of Committee for strengthening monitoring function of Board of Directors



Expertise, experience and reasons for selection of Outside Directors

	Reasons for selection		Nomination/	Expertise and experience			
Name			Remuneration Advisory Committee	Corporate management	Audit	Investment/ Finance	Marketing, planning, development
Kazuyoshi Kimura	Utilizing his extensive knowledge of corporate management cultivated over many years through his abundant experience as a business manager, he has played an important role in strengthening governance by providing opinions and remarks from various perspectives. Accordingly, the Company expects that he will continue supervising the Company's management from an independent standpoint.		•	•		•	
Yutaka Shigemori	Utilizing his extensive knowledge of corporate management cultivated over many years through his abundant experience as a business manager, he has played an important role in strengthening governance by providing opinions and remarks from various perspectives. Accordingly, the Company expects that he will continue supervising the Company's management from an independent standpoint.	8	•	•	•		
Yukiko Yabu	Utilizing her abundant experience in planning, development, market research, etc., of general consumer merchandise over many years, she has played an important role in strengthening governance by providing useful advice from the perspective of consumers. Accordingly, the Company expects that she will continue supervising the Company's management from an independent standpoint.		•				•
Yukinori Kuwano	Utilizing his abundant knowledge and experience as a corporate man ager, he has been conducting highly effective audits as Independent Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of the Company for many years. Accordingly, the Company expects that he will supervise the Company's management from an independent standpoint through providing opinions and remarks from various perspectives to strengthen governance by utilizing his extensive knowledge in the future.		•	•	•		
Miwa Seki	She has entrepreneurial experience and has worked as a branch manager at a foreign financial institution. Accordingly, the Company expects that she will supervise the Company's management from an independent standpoint through providing opinions and remarks from not only an investor's viewpoint but also various perspectives by utilizing her extensive global knowledge cultivated through her experience as an educator and as a translator at present.	0	•		•	•	

Representative Directors

Committee and Remuneration

(CFO and CFO)

28.6%

21.4%

Advisory Committee

Members of Corporate

Governance Committee

Outside Directors

71.4%

Outside Auditors

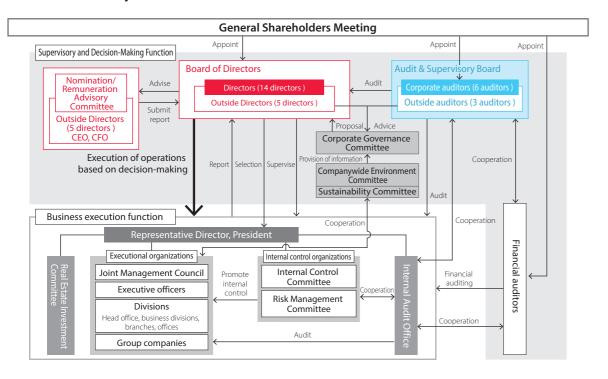
21.4%

Outside

35.7%

Corporate Governance System

Corporate Governance System



Advisory Committees of Board of Directors (Board Committees)

Nomination Advisory Committee

Receives information from directors or executive officers in charge of human resources on individual director assessments and on proposals at the General Meeting of Shareholders relating to the appointment of directors, discusses the appropriateness of these, and presents an opinion, in order to ensure objectivity in the nomination of directors.

(Chair: an independent outside director; Meeting frequency: once a year in principle) / (Major past agenda) Draft of candidates for directors to be proposed at the General Meeting of Shareholders, etc. **Members of Nomination Advisory**

Remuneration Advisory Committee

Receives advice on policy for decisions concerning director remuneration and details of individual remuneration, etc., and presents an opinion to ensure objectivity in the function concerning director remuneration. In addition, deliberates appropriateness of the decision-making process of remuneration by actively using external investigation data, etc.

(Chair: an independent outside director; Meeting frequency: once a year in principle) (Major past agenda) Officers' remuneration system, etc.

Corporate Governance Committee

Meets for the primary goal of contributing to the medium- and long-term growth in corporate value. Exchanges views on vision, strategies, and other items pertaining to corporate governance and overall management, considering diverse viewpoints and taking a long-term perspective. Aims to make the company better by fully incorporating into management the knowledge and expertise possessed by Outside Directors and Outside Auditors. (Chair: President; Meeting frequency: twice a year in principle)

In addition, the Committee exchanges views on the initiatives for SDGs and ESG upon having informed of important matters by the Companywide Environment Committee and Sustainability Committee. (Major past agenda) Measures to enhance governance of the Daiwa House Group, etc.

Committees concerning operational execution (Management Committees) Joint Management Council

The Joint Management Council is established for appropriately executing the decisions made by the Board of Directors through having the Board of Directors and executive officers fulfill their respective duties and communicate each other. Deliberates and reports on important matters relating to business execution and evaluates internal control and risk management systems.

(Chair: President) / (Major past agenda) Report on progress of each business, report on progress in product development and research divisions, etc. * Held 7 times in FY 2019

Putting in place a program to nurture the next generation

To ensure further business growth under a rapidly changing operating environment, the Company has set age limits for Inside Directors (Representative Directors: sixty-nine; Directors: sixty-seven), thereby promoting smooth transition from one generation of top management to the next.

In nurturing management successors, we believe that seamlessly passing down managerial experience and accumulated know-how is indispensable for sound and sustainable development. We intentionally create opportunities for employees at each grade to interact with staff in higher positions, such as Joint Management Council, who are in this way constantly reminded of their responsibility to prepare their successors for promotion, while striving to expand the pool of human resources who demonstrate remarkable abilities to innovate and are capable of challenging new business fields and responding to the expansion in the range and operating regions of our businesses



Training for successors to top executives The Daiwa House Juku for training management successors The Daiwa House Juku has

Smooth transition from one generation of top management to the next

Setting age limits for

Inside Directors

Procedures for director nominations and proposed dismissal

The procedures for director nominations and proposed dismissal are determined on the basis of Principle 3.1 of the Corporate Governance Code, which was revised in June 2018

When a director nomination is made, the matter is discussed by a Nomination Advisory Committee made up of five outside directors and two inside directors to ensure independence and objectivity, and the decision is made by the Board of Directors with reference to the outcomes of this discussion.

When the dismissal of a director is proposed, the matter is decided by the Board of Directors.

Criteria for candidate directors

- .They should have excellent personality and wisdom, excel in management sense, and possess expertise in various management issues.
- . They should excel in the ability to analyze and judge objectively from the perspective of the whole company
- 3. They should excel in foresight and insight.
- 4. They should be capable of accurately grasping the trends of the time, business conditions
- and changes in the market. 5. They should be highly motivated to improve
- their own abilities 6. They should be capable of actively stating the
- opinion from the perspective of the whole 7. They should not fall under the grounds for
- disqualification of Directors stipulated in Article 331, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act.

Criteria for director dismissal

- 1. In case the director has committed an act that violates public order and morality.
- . In case the director is unable to continue the execution of duties in the cause of health problems.
- 3. In case the director has caused tremendous corporate value damage by its laziness
- 4. In case the director has fallen under the grounds for disqualification of Directors stipulated in Article 331, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act.
- 5. In case the director is considered to be lack of motivations and abilities stipulated in Selection criteria

Procedures for director nominations

Nomination Advisory Committee Discuss whether the candidate satisfies the above criteria and present conclusions to the Board of Directors

Board of Directors Decisions regarding

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[Procedure for CEO dismissal]

The procedures for CEO dismissal are determined on the basis of Supplementary Principle 4.3.3 of the Corporate Governance Code, which was revised in June 2018. The Nomination Advisory Committee meets and deliberates, considering quantitative assessments of financial performance targets and other circumstances, and debates whether a proposal to dismiss should be put before the Board of Directors.

When the proposal is subsequently put before the Board of Directors, the CEO shall be dismissed if a majority vote to do so. The CEO shall not take part in any of these deliberations or decisions.

Sale of cross-shareholdings

The Company owns cross-shareholdings to strengthen its relationships and collaboration with partner companies. The Board of Directors conducts an annual comprehensive review of each cross-shareholding in terms of the risks and benefits of maintaining it, based on conditions of trade, financial statements, external ratings and the required profit figure for cross-shareholding calculated from the WACC (weighted average cost of capital). As a result, the number of cross-shareholdings has fallen from 98 at the end of fiscal 2014 to 66 at the end of fiscal 2019.

[Criteria for sale of cross-shareholdings]

The purposes for which the shares are held are categorized into "increasing sales", "relationship building (with suppliers, etc.)", "business collaborations", and "other reasons", and the reasons for continuing to hold cross-shareholdings are reviewed once a year with reference to current dealings with the company concerned. Shareholdings are sold if there are no longer good reasons for holding them

Actual sales of cross-shareholdings over past three financial years

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FY	Number of shareholdings sold		
2017	6 companies (sale of entire holding), 2 companies (partial sale of holding)		
2018	6 companies (sale of entire holding), 1 company (partial sale of holding)		
2019	4 companies (sale of entire holding), 4 company (partial sale of holding), 1 newly listed company		

(KPI: Consolidated operating income)

Policy on Remuneration and Evaluation on Effectiveness of Board of Directors

Remuneration policies

Objective

The Company's director remuneration*1 is designed to cultivate and secure superior management personnel and contribute to its sustainable development as a listed company by including a portion linked to operating performance and an appropriate remuneration system in consideration for corporate value creation.

A balanced remuneration system has been developed to ensure that appropriate management decisions are made by managers of a listed company—in response to changes in the operating environment—to primarily enhance the medium- to long-term corporate value.

*1 Excluding Outside Directors.

Details

The remuneration shall be as follows.

(i) Fixed remuneration

Fixed remuneration shall be paid in cash as compensation for fulfilling job responsibilities, to all Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members. By resolution of the General Meeting of Shareholders, the limit on remuneration for Directors is 70 million yen per month, and for Audit & Supervisory Board Members 18 million yen per month.

(ii) Annual incentive bonus

Directors (excluding Outside Directors) will be paid in cash as performance-based remuneration within 0.5% of consolidated ordinary income for "generating profits and fostering the Company's growth and development." (KPI: consolidated ordinary income)

(iii) Stock compensation

Directors (excluding Outside Directors) will be paid two types of stock compensation as follows as performance-based remuneration in shares. The aim of this is to increase still further the connection to shareholders' profits, and to heighten incentives to raise corporate value over the medium to long term.

(1) Performance-based remuneration of transfer-restricted stocks (hereinafter "Transfer-restricted stock remuneration")

This is paid to encourage commitment to achieving medium-term performance targets and raising shareholder value. This is a system to grant company shares with restrictions on transfer up to retirement from the said position, at the start of the Medium-Term Management Plan, and according to attainment of consolidated operating income each fiscal year in the Medium-Term Management Plan. (KPI: consolidated operating income in the Medium-term Management Plan period)

(2) Stock issuance trust

This is paid as compensation for long-term shareholder value

This system puts cash in trust and acquires company shares to the limit decided at the General Meeting of Shareholders, to grant shares to Directors, according to attainment of ROE (return on equity). (KPI: ROE for each fiscal year)

Regarding the amount to be paid, in principle efforts will be made to secure approximately 10% as stock remuneration to act as an incentive to raise corporate value in the medium and long term.

Determination process

To ensure the transparency and objectivity of these decisions, decisions are made by the Board of Directors following deliberation by the Remuneration Advisory Committee, which is chaired by an outside director and has outside directors making up more than half of its members.

And also to ensure that the annual incentive bonus amount provided tabled as a proposal at the annual General Meeting of Shareholders.

Initiatives to further share value with our shareholders

The Company recommends to its executives to own company shares through shareholders associations and so forth, to encourage a sense of shared profit awareness with shareholders and behavior respecting shareholder value.

The Shareholding Guidelines below in principle require the holding of a certain number of company shares at the minimum by members (or future members) of management, in recognition of the important role they play in sustainable growth and greater corporate value over the medium and long term for the Company.

<Shareholding Guidelines>

shares within 3 years of appointment

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Directors of Group companies*2: In principle to own 2,000 or more company shares within 3 years of appointment

to Directors in relation to operating performance in the subject fiscal year is in accordance with the will of the shareholders, this amount is

In principle to own 6,000 or more company

Executive Officers: In principle to own 3,000 or more company

Directors' remuneration structure

Period	Type of remuneration	KPI
Short-term	Fixed remuneration	Not more than 70 million yen per month
(monetary)	Annual incentive bonus	Consolidated ordinary income (paid within 0.5%)
Medium- and long-term (share)	Transfer-restricted stock remuneration	Performance targets of the Medium-Term Management Plan Operating income for the three-year period under the Sixth Medium-Term Management Plan (FY2019: 378.0 billion yen FY2020: 390.0 billion yen FY2021: 405.0 billion yen)
	Stock issuance trust	The number of shares issued changes according to actual ROE figures ROE: 13% or higher = 1, 8% or higher but less than 13% = 0.5 Less than 8% = 0

Fixed remuneration

Basic remuneration

Approx. 42%

(not more than 70 million yen

per month)

Remuneration paid				(¥ million)
Director remuneration	FY2017* ³	FY2018	FY2019	FY2019 Composition of remuneration
Directors' fixed remuneration (excluding outside directors)	735 (19 directors)	742 (16 directors)	710 (13 directors)	42.2%
Directors' annual incentive bonus	986 (15 directors)	836 (16 directors)	798 (13 directors)	47.4%
Stock compensation	129 (15 directors)	145 (16 directors)	175 (13 directors)	10.4%

Annual incentive bonus

Approx. 47%

(KPI: Consolidated ordinary income)

Overview of evaluation on effectiveness of Board of Directors

Based on the Corporate Governance Guidelines, the Company has, since 2015, conducted evaluations of the effectiveness of the Board of Directors with the aims of improving the functions and effectiveness of the Board of Directors.

* As the ratios are rounded off to the decimal point, the sum total of them may be less than 100%

Questionnaire-based surveys of directors and Audit & Supervisory Board members are conducted, and the effectiveness evaluations are made on the basis of the results of these together with the evaluation of the Board of Directors made by the Audit & Supervisory Board.

While guestion selection and results collation were undertaken by the Company in 2015 and 2016, an external agency has been engaged to conduct the survey since 2017, with responses being provided directly to the external agency to ensure anonymity.

Evaluation process



Evaluation items

The survey was made up of 32 multiple-choice questions and 10 questions requiring written answers about items on the right.

The multiple-choice questions asked for rankings on a one-to-five scale (where 5 = highest ranking, 1 = lowest ranking).

Although the evaluation of the Board of Directors as a whole was relatively high, a low ranking was given to the composition of the Board of Directors.

Evaluation items	Average score
Composition of Board of Directors	3.7
Operation of Board of Directors	4.4
Support structures for directors and Audit & Supervisory Board members	4.1
Training	3.8
Dialogue with shareholders	4.1
Attitude of directors and Audit & Supervisory Board members to their duties	4.3
Evaluation of the Board of Directors as a whole	4.4

Summary of evaluation results for 2019

Based on the status of each evaluation item, the effectiveness of the Board of Directors was evaluated as being fully satisfactory.

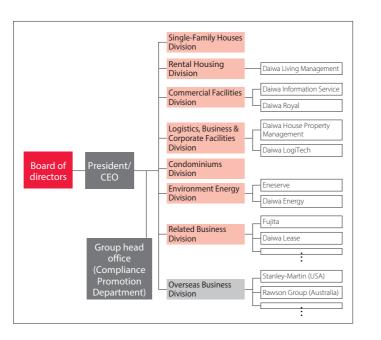
The Company recognizes the need to ensure a balance of knowledge, experience, expertise, genders, internationalism and other factors in the composition of the Board of Directors, for the sake of greater business expansion. In order to further enhance governance, we have shared issues such as rebuilding of the risk management system

^{*2} Only for Directors of 100% subsidiaries

^{*3} Excludes ¥100 million in special bonuses awarded to retiring directors through a resolution of the 79th General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 28, 2018.

Introduction of a Business Division-based System

As an initiative to enhance agile business execution and risk response structure, in April 2020, we reorganized the business operations in Japan into seven business divisions, and relevant Group companies were positioned within their purview. Toward the full-scale operation of the system set to commence in fiscal 2021, we are developing an organizational structure and operational method. We also established a Compliance Promotion Department in November 2019 to promote effective risk management as well as legal and ethical compliance at worksites operated by the Group. During the current fiscal year, we established an Overseas Business Headquarters to develop a management system for each respective region, with the intent to transition to a region management system overseas, in line with the full-fledged fiscal 2021 start of operation of the business division-based system. We also work to optimize organizations and functions for overlapped Group businesses and reorganize the Group Head Office function to ensure reliable and effective Group management and enhance Group



Structuring and Operating the Internal Control System

To ensure that all officers and employees conduct efficient work performance in compliance with laws and regulations and that the Daiwa House Group can achieve sustainable growth, the Company has created the system as described below, under the authority of the president and the Internal Control Committee.

Operating the Internal Control Committee

We have established and operated the Internal Control Committee as an organ that aims and functions to receive report on the status of internal control of the entire Group, and to assess and promote correction of flaws or deficiencies thereof.

The Committee meets once a guarter. Major agendas for fiscal 2019 were improvement plans devised by each division in light of the reports on risk management activities, review on internal audits, and results of internal audits. One of the Committee's functions is to assess and correct flaws or deficiencies of internal control. To make this function further effective, we adopt a process of conducting a survey on internal control issues for the Committee members. Then, the issues identified in the survey are assessed by relevant divisions to make improvements.

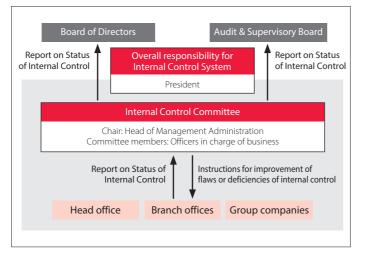
Systems for compliance with laws and regulations and risk management

1. Collecting and utilizing risk information

We have made it mandatory to report any risk information identified by the Head Office, worksites, or Group companies (including those outside Japan) immediately to the Head Office Risk Management Committee. The Risk Management Committee discusses and determines measures to prevent the materialization of the risk based on the reported risk information, and issues concrete instructions to the operational worksites. The risk information reported to the Risk Management Committee is promptly communicated to the Executive Officers and managers in relevant departments, and from them to the Internal Control Committee and the Board of Directors. For the purpose of collecting risk information properly, in fiscal 2019, risk information reporting standards were further clarified and concretized, and were notified to the Company and Group companies.

In order for the information to be communicated to the Board in a more appropriate and expeditious manner, we revised the standards

Internal control system



for bringing risk information before the Board of Directors.

We also established a new Compliance Promotion Department in fiscal 2019 to promote effective risk management as well as legal and ethical compliance at worksites operated by the Group. Utilizing risk information, we work to prevent the materialization of risks.

Furthermore, the Risk Management Committee meets not only at the Head Office but also at worksites once a month to discuss risks that have come to light and measures to deal with them or prevent their recurrence. Branch Office Risk Management Committee builds a management system within each worksite, shares the contents of proceedings of Head Office Risk Management Committee meetings across each worksite, and makes proposals in terms of business improvements to the Head Office. These two types of Risk Management Committees at the Head Office and Branch Offices are

operating by complementing each other, making the Company's risk management systems more robust.

2. Whistleblower system

For the purpose of early detection and correction of events that may inhibit sustainable growth of the Group, we have established and operated various whistleblower systems, which receive reporting not only from domestic sites but also from overseas offices in the languages of each region.

Not to discourage whistleblowers from reporting in fear of retaliation and detrimental treatment, we formulated rules to keep names of whistleblowers and the content of their reports strictly confidential, and to prohibit discriminatory treatment of them. Also, we make it mandatory to appoint a person who has no interests with the reported cases as an investigator to ensure that the reported events are properly processed.

In fiscal 2019, a new Lawyer Hotline connecting to a legal office was set up, thereby the risk information collection channel was expanded (The hotline receives reports not only from the Company but also from the Group companies.) A Risk Management Subcommittee was also set up, consisting of the departments in charge of these hotlines. These systems allow for regular monitoring of the actions that were taken for the reported events.

3. Response in cases where a material risk is manifested

In cases where a material risk is manifested, we have devised countermeasures against the issue by establishing emergency headquarters under the Risk Management Committee. In fiscal 2019, we formulated the Detailed Rules for Establishing and Operating Emergency Headquarters, which are more concrete and clarified rules with regard to the establishment and operation of the emergency headquarters. Specifically, the rules stipulate standard for establishing the emergency headquarters, establishment flow, and members and operations of the headquarters. Under these rules, the emergency headquarters is quickly set up with bare minimal members to take actions in order to minimize the effects on the Group and its stakeholders.

4. Compliance training

We proactively conduct compliance training with a view to enabling employees to improve their knowledge of relevant laws and regulations as well as their understanding of risk management. Specifically, we provide training programs for each employee grade to cultivate the knowledge and background needed for each employee grade, including new recruits, mid-career employees and those in supervisory and managerial positions, and training programs organized for departments to enable employees to gain knowledge of the laws and regulations concerning their respective department.

5. Internal audits

The Internal Audit Office is a department specializing in internal audit, and verifies and evaluates whether operations comply with laws and corporate rules by conducting hearings of officers and employees of branch offices and Group companies and confirming documents. If any problem is discovered as a result of the audit, the office requests the submission of an improvement plan for such problem and a progress report on the improvement plan six months after submission.

Group management system

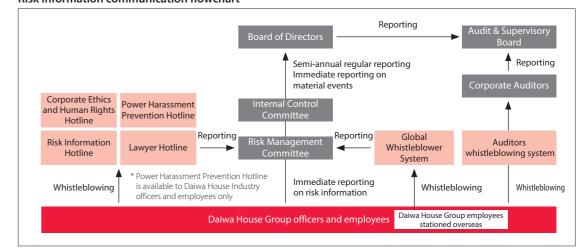
Group Management Rules has been established as rules for the management of Group companies under which the Group companies are requested to report important matters to the Company while maintaining the basic policy calling for Group companies to achieve business development with a spirit of independence and autonomy. In addition, each division of the Company is granted the Group head office function to support the operation of the Group companies within their purview. Details of this function are precisely provided in the Rules. These systems ensure the appropriateness of operations through adoption of control and discipline by the Company while respecting the flexible and efficient work performance of Group

In addition, the Risk Management Committee convenes monthly at Group companies to discuss action policies and recurrence preventive measures for the risks materialized at Group companies. Through these meetings, the proceedings of the Risk Management Committee of the head office are implemented throughout the Group.

Audit system by Audit & Supervisory Board Members

Audit & Supervisory Board Members attend not only meetings of the Board of Directors but also other meetings, including meetings of the Real Estate Investment Committee and Corporate Governance Committee, and exchange opinions with financial auditors four times a year. These initiatives systemically ensure that important information relating to the Company's execution of operations is reported in detail to Audit & Supervisory Board Members.

Risk information communication flowchart



Progress of Recurrence Prevention Measures

We are steadily implementing the measures we have formulated to prevent the recurrence of misconducts.

Case 1: Accounting irregularities in a Daiwa House affiliate in the People's Republic of China

Measures to prevent recurrence	Efforts in fiscal 2019	Status
Enhancement of Group governance	We made it a rule to appoint one or more directors with overseas business experience, and also formulated policies concerning the transition to a region management system overseas, establishment of an Overseas Business Headquarters, and building of management systems for respective regions (regional corporate functions).	Complete
	2. While individually addressing issues requiring immediate response, such as deposit account management and appointment of an auditor, we formulated investment management guidelines with a basic policy for joint venture management, and promoted other concrete actions.	Complete
	3. In fiscal 2020, we strive to enhance risk management and ensure governance and internal control by implementing each measure, building a business execution system for our overseas businesses, and operating investment management guidelines.	In progress

• Dalian Dahezhongsheng Estate Co., Ltd., an equity-method affiliate, ceased its operation on December 31, 2019. As a result, in the fiscal 2019 financial results, an equity method loss of ¥7.3 billion was recorded under non-operating expenses . Then, in April 2020, we filed a petition for compulsory liquidation to wind up the company.

Case 2: Off-specification components in single-family houses and rental housing properties

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Measures to prevent recurrence	Efforts in fiscal 2019	Status
Rebuilding the legal compliance system	We established the Legal Compliance and Quality Assurance Division, an independent division under direct control of the president, in August 2019. While strengthening functions for collection and communication of risk information, the Division rebuilds the system for supervising design and construction work in the technology divisions, and confirms and evaluates the operation, in an effort to enhance the legal compliance system.	Complete
Introduction of an internal qualification system	We conducted an internal qualification test related to the system of type-certified specifications in August 2019, and assigned appropriate personnel in charge of design starting from October 2019. The second test was held in January 2020, and personnel in charge of design were appropriately assigned in the same manner. We will annually conduct the internal qualification test in January, and respond to revisions of the system of type-certified specifications.	Complete
Strengthening of functions for communication of risk information	We established a mechanism whereby the risk information of each worksite is reported to the Legal Compliance and Quality Assurance Division without delay, mainly by worksite managers (branch managers and branch office managers) and design managers. The operation started in October 2019.	Complete
Strengthening of internal auditing functions	The Conformance in Specifications Department under the Legal Compliance and Quality Assurance Division has conducted individual design audits and conformity check with bylaws since October 2019. In addition, 100% of our properties go through inspections to verify their conformity to internal rules in the design process.	Complete
Appropriate evaluation of the state of legal compliance of business offices	The state of compliance with building laws and regulations including the system of type-certified specifications has been reflected in the performance evaluations of business offices since October 2019.	Complete
Strengthening the sharing of information between the head office and business offices, and reiteration of training	We reviewed our training program and started in August 2019 a course to provide professional expertise directly related to the design division's work, as well as a general training on basic knowledge in building laws and regulations. We review the legal compliance trainings on a companywide basis, and offer the opportunity to exchange opinions, whereby enhancing the communication between the head office and business offices.	Complete
Strengthening of internal check functions	We reestablished internal standard design rules (design guidelines), and rebuilt rules enabling long-term storage of plans, whose operation started in October 2019. We also began developing a Building Information Modeling (BIM) slated for full-fledged operation in October 2021 to strengthen functions for checking conformity to laws and regulations.	In progress (The operation will start in fiscal 2021.)

• In the Sixth Medium-Term Management Plan, ¥100 billion will be invested in reinforcing technology infrastructure and reforming work practices.

Case 3: Inadequate work experience criteria for qualifications tests

Measures to prevent recurrence	Efforts in fiscal 2019	Status
Establish a systematic qualifications acquisition model plan	We will show the Technology Division employees a career enhancement model through acquiring the Qualifications they need to obtain in work linked with their academic background. With this, we will aim to encourage employees to acquire the appropriate qualifications on a planned basis. The operation of this will start with new employees in fiscal 2021.	In progress (The operation will start in fiscal 2021.)
Build an internal check structure concerning the work experience criteria	1. We established a department that manages the work experience criteria within the Technology Division. The department supervises and manages the work experience criteria of operation and management engineers, and notifies and alerts employees belonging to the Technology Division. The department was already established in July 2020.	Complete
	2. We will prepare a tool by which both the candidates for qualifications tests and a department managing the work experience criteria within the Technology Division will be able to confirm the work experience of candidates. This will build a system that allows us to confirm at a glance a candidate's academic background, record in the company, qualifications held and work experience. Also, work experience accumulated by operation and management engineers will be registered with the system. The system has been under construction since July 2020, whose operation will start with those planning to take tests in fiscal 2021.	In progress (The operation will start in fiscal 2021.)
	3. To accurately confirm the work experience possessed by the candidates for Qualifications tests, the department that manages the work experience criteria within the Technology Division will check what is filled out by the candidates in the Work Experience Certificates. We will also establish a new rule by which candidates will not be able to apply to receive the Company's seal to be affixed to their Work Experience Certificates without a check by the head office. The operation of this will start with those planning to take tests in fiscal 2020.	Complete
Provision of checklist to confirm work experience	A checklist will be prepared that allows candidates to confirm for themselves the work experience criteria sought by the Test Guidebook at the time the candidate applies to take the test. The operation of this will start with those planning to take tests in fiscal 2020.	Complete

Other general measures

Measures to prevent recurrence	Efforts in fiscal 2019	Status
Refining our human resources' sensitivity to risks	To enhance the sharing of information between the head office and business offices, compliance reinforcement groups were set up in each business division. The groups are revamping manuals and creating an environment to learn laws and regulations that are relevant to respective onsite operations. In addition, misunderstanding of rules among employees has been often pointed out in internal audits, owing to the head office's instructions coming in via multiple media that complicated the understanding. To resolve the issue, we are providing information by organizing error-prone items, and also developing a new communication system led by the Compliance Promotion Department, which will centralize and transmit the instructions to business offices.	Complete

Note: Items that are already in operation are shown as "Complete."

Case 1:

 $Notice of \, Receipt \, of \, Third-Party \, Committee \, Report \, Concerning \, Irregularities \, in \, the \, Accounts \, of \, a \, Daiwa \, House \, Affiliate \, in \, the \, People's \, Republic \, of \, China \,$ $(https://www.daiwahouse.com/English/about/release/pdf/release_20190618e.pdf))\\$

November 2019: Recurrence Prevention Measures Concerning Irregularities in the Accounts of a Daiwa House Affiliate in the People's Republic of China (Japanese only) (https://www.daiwahouse.com/about/release/house/pdf/release_20191108-2.pdf)

Case 2:

Identification of Causes of Off-Specification Components in Daiwa House Single-Family Houses and Rental Housing, and Measures to Prevent Recurrence (https://www.daiwahouse.com/English/about/release/pdf/release_20190608-4e.pdf)

November 2019: Progress of Recurrence Prevention Measures Concerning Off-Specification Components (Japanese only)

(https://www.daiwahouse.com/about/release/house/pdf/release_20191101.pdf)

December 2019: Notice Concerning Inadequate Work Experience Criteria for Qualifications Tests (Main Recurrence Prevention Measures)

(https://www.daiwahouse.com/English/about/release/pdf/release_20191218e.pdf)

April 2020: Notice Concerning the Receipt of an Investigation Report from an External Investigation Committee

(https://www.daiwahouse.com/English/about/release/pdf/release_20200417e.pdf)