I. About Basic Programme for Persons with Disabilities (Fourth)

(Status) Most basic program of the government’s measures for persons with disabilities (prepared based on Article 11 of the Basic Act for Persons with Disabilities)

(Period of Program) Five years from fiscal 2018

(Process of deliberations) The government worked out the basic program based on opinions compiled by the Commission on Policy for Persons with Disabilities (a legally founded council of persons with disabilities and other members in the Cabinet Office) after deliberating for more than a year at the commission.

II. Basic philosophy (Purpose of program)

Provide support so that persons with disabilities participate in all activities in society, based on their own decisions, and achieve self-actualization by exercising their capacity to the fullest extent toward the realization of an inclusive society.

III. Basic direction

1. Promote earnest efforts to remove social barriers, using the 2020 Tokyo Paralympics as momentum
   - Take the improvement of accessibility(*) into perspective in all social scenes
     (*) Accessibility: Enabled access to facilities and equipment, services, information, institutions, etc.
   - Actively introduce ICT and other new technologies paying heed to accessibility

2. Respect the Philosophy of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and maintain compatibility with it
   (*) Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities: An agreement that Japan ratified in 2014 and that advocates voluntary participation by persons with disabilities and others as its philosophy.
   - Support participation by persons with disabilities in the process of deciding measures for persons with disabilities and decision making by them on their own

3. Steadily promote programs to eliminate discrimination against persons with disabilities
   - Steadily promote programs to establish environments for the elimination of discrimination against persons with disabilities in all sectors from the perspectives of both hardware and software to ensure the effectiveness of the Act for Elimination of Discrimination against Persons with Disabilities

4. Upgrade achievement targets for steady and effective implementation
### IV Principal contents of Summary

- Comprehensive and cross-sectional support focused on parties concerned
- Conscientious support for women, children and elderly persons with disabilities paying heed to multiple difficulties, the characteristics of disabilities, etc.
- Promotion of society-wide programs in cooperation with groups of persons with disabilities and economic organizations
- Promotion of understanding of the importance of life, etc. and mental barrier-free programs for entire society

### V Principal contents of each approach

#### 1. Development of safe and secure living environments

- Development of dwelling environments that ensure safe and secure life
  - Promote the supply of rental housing that is intended for promotion of smooth move-in for persons requiring housing support
- Development of mobility-supporting environments
  - Make public transportation facilities barrier-free (platform doors, etc.)
- Promotion of town building friendly to persons with disabilities
  - Use of ICT to support pedestrians’ movements

#### 2. Improvement of accessibility to information and upgrading of support for communication

- Expansion of information-communication, broadcasting, and publishing paying heed to persons with disabilities
  - Establishment of telephone relay services for persons with hearing disabilities
- Fostering of supporters for communication and promote use of the service
  - Foster, secure, and dispatch sign language interpreters, braille transcribers, etc.

#### 3. Promotion of disaster and crime prevention measures, etc.

- Support paying heed to the characteristics of disabilities at time of disaster
  - Secure welfare shelters and temporary housing usable by wheelchair users
  - Non-phonic 119 emergency reports and means of communication paying heed to the characteristics of disabilities at time of disaster
- Promotion of anti-crime measures and prevention of consumer trouble
  - Emergency 110 calls to police by email and other means, and consumer counselling paying heed to the characteristics of disabilities
  - Ensure the safety system of facilities for persons with disabilities

#### 4. Elimination of discrimination, promotion of rights advocacy, and prevention of abuse

- Elimination of discrimination against persons with disabilities in all social scenes
  - Further promotion of facilities and equipment, services, provision of information, etc. paying heed to persons with disabilities as well.
  - Promote the establishment of regional support councils for eliminating discrimination against persons with disabilities.
- Prevention of abuse of persons with disabilities and protect rights of persons with disabilities
  - Protection of persons with disabilities from abuse by counselling and supporting experts, etc.
### 5. Promotion of support for independent life and decision-making

- Implementation of support for decision-making respecting decisions by persons themselves
- Establishment of a system enabling counselling and support in the local community
  - Counselling and support matching the kinds of disability, age, gender, etc.
  - Promote peer support for persons with developmental disabilities, etc.
- Support for a shift to life in the community
  - Introduce "independent life support" services for living alone
- Upgrading support for children with disabilities
  - Comprehensive support for children with disabilities in need of medical care
- Promotion of assistance dogs for persons with physical disabilities, welfare equipment, etc., and research and development
- Upgrade welfare services for persons with disabilities, and foster and secure human resources for them.

### 6. Promotion of health and medical care

- Early discharge of persons with mental disabilities from hospital, transfer to community and elimination of social hospitalization
  - Support for persons with mental disabilities after discharge from hospital
- Local medical care system
  - Upgrade system enabling rehabilitation services in the local community
- Promotion of research and development
  - Development of equipment to support independence using cutting-edge technologies
  - Research and development for treatment of intractable/rare diseases

### 7. Enrichment of consideration at government, etc.

- Provision of reasonable accommodation in judicial proceedings, elections, etc.
  - Upgrade provision of information elections, etc. matching the characteristics of disabilities
- Provision of administrative information paying heed to accessibility
  - Consideration at counters of administrative organs
  - Consideration such as adoption of functionality available on websites from a keyboard and addition of captions or phonetic explanations to videos.

### 8. Support for employment, work, and economic independence

- Comprehensive support for work
  - Integrated support before and after employment and combined support for work and life
  - Promote the employment of persons with mental disabilities and workshop retention through support of work retention
- Securing of various employment opportunities
  - Promote flexible work styles such as telework
  - Improve and raise the quality of welfare-oriented work (wage hikes)
  - Support for work in the agricultural sector

### 9. Promotion of education

- Development of a mechanism enabling everyone to receive as much education as possible
  - Upgrade special needs education at all special schools through the utilization of individual guidance plans and education support plans
- Support for students with disabilities
  - Establishment of support sections, fostering of supporters, and support for employment at all universities
- Upgrading of various lifelong education activities for persons with disabilities
  - Support for learning by persons with disabilities at each life stage

### 10. Promotion of cultural and art activities, sports, etc.

- Participation in cultural and art activities by persons with disabilities
  - Experience high-quality cultural and art works at special schools
- Dissemination of sports for persons with disabilities, and fostering and reinforcement of athletes
  - Foster and reinforce athletes for Paralympics, etc.

### 11. Promotion of cooperation and coordination in the international community

- Promotion of measures for persons with disabilities under international cooperation
- Promotion of international exchanges of persons with disabilities including culture, art and sports.
  - Dissemination of Japan’s various attractiveness including cultural and art works by persons with disabilities
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<td>37 municipalities and 9 blocs (April 2017)</td>
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<td>496,000 (more than 50 workers) (June 2017)</td>
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**Note 1** The ratio of facilities clearing standards for smooth public transportation, etc., under the Act on Promotion of Smooth Transportation, etc. to all passenger facilities used by more than 3,000 people on average per day.

**Note 2** Vehicles certified as exempted from the application of standards for smooth public transportation, etc. were removed from the parameter.

**Note 3** 100% after expanding daily length of broadcasting hours under review to 18 per day from 17.

**Note 4** Bases in charge of functions to support habitation (counselling and emergency acceptance, etc.)