

Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd. (JCR) announces the following Climate Transition Bond Evaluation Results.

The Government of Japan

5-year Japan Climate Transition Bond(2nd)

Assignment

Overall
Evaluation

Green 1(T)

Greenness/
Transition
Evaluation
(Use of Proceeds)

gt1

Management,
Operation and
Transparency
Evaluation

m1

Issuer	The Government of Japan
Subject	5-year Japan Climate Transition Bonds (2nd)
Type	interest-bearing government bonds
Issue Amount	JPY 349.8 billion
Interest Rate	Nominal Coupon 0.5% (per annum)
Auction Date	January 29, 2025
Redemption Date	June 20, 2029
Method of Redemption	Lump-sum redemption at maturity
Use of Proceeds	Projects that meet the eligibility criteria identified in the Climate Transition Bond Framework based on the GX Promotion Strategy

The issuance amount and other details of Japan Climate Transition Bonds issued in FY2024 are as follows¹. For evaluation details, please refer to the JCR Preliminary Evaluation Report on Japan Climate Transition Bond (FY2024) published on May 31, 2024 (24-D-0240).

Auction Date	Security / Issue Number	Amount	Redemption Date
May 28, 2024	10-year bonds(2nd)	JPY 349.6 billion	March 20, 2034
July 18, 2024	5-year bonds(2nd)	JPY 349.6 billion	June 20, 2029
October 22, 2024	10-year bonds(2nd)	JPY 350.0 billion	March 20, 2034
January 29, 2025	5-year bonds(2nd)	JPY 349.8 billion	June 20, 2029

¹ Source: Ministry of Finance, "Japan Climate Transition Bonds"
<https://www.mof.go.jp/english/policy/jgbs/topics/JapanClimateTransitionBonds/index.html>

Evaluation Result (Conclusion)

Green 1(T)

JCR assigned "gt1" to the appraisal of "Greenness/Transition Evaluation (Use of Proceeds)," "m1" to the appraisal of "Management, Operation and Transparency Evaluation" based on JCR Green Finance Evaluation Methodology. As a result, JCR assigned "Green 1(T)" to the "JCR Climate Transition Bond Evaluation" for this Bonds. This Bonds meet the criteria for the items required in the Green Bond Principles, the Green Bond Guidelines, the Climate Transition Finance Handbook, and the Basic Guidelines on Climate Transition Finance.

		Management/operation/transparency evaluation				
		m1	m2	m3	m4	m5
Greenness / Transition Evaluation	gt1	Green 1(T)	Green 2(T)	Green 3(T)	Green 4(T)	Green 5(T)
	gt2	Green 2(T)	Green 2(T)	Green 3(T)	Green 4(T)	Green 5(T)
	gt3	Green 3(T)	Green 3(T)	Green 4(T)	Green 5(T)	N/A
	gt4	Green 4(T)	Green 4(T)	Green 5(T)	N/A	N/A
	gt5	Green 5(T)	Green 5(T)	N/A	N/A	N/A

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