

Shimizu Biodiversity Guidelines

Basic Principles

Humankind is supported by the benefits of biodiversity that the earth has developed over several billion years. Likewise to combatting global warming, the protection of biodiversity is a critical a mission that companies have been tasked with in this modern age.

Shimizu recognizes that preservation of biodiversity is fundamental to achieving a sustainable society, and identifies preservation of biodiversity as a key issue in its environmental management. By valuing and respecting nature as well as maintaining a global perspective throughout our construction activities, we will contribute to a better natural environment.

We hereby adopt the guidelines set out below, in order to guide our aspiration to coexist in harmony with nature, pass on the benefits and cultural values of biodiversity to the next generation, and contribute to a sustainable society.

Guidelines

1. Stance on Initiatives

We recognize biodiversity as an important challenge in environmental management, and will take initiative to preserve biodiversity throughout all areas of our business activities as well as revise and improve on these efforts as necessary.

2. Initiatives in Construction Activities

- (1) We will take necessary procedures to understand the natural environment of our project sites, and based on this, draft design and construction plans that address relevant concerns regarding preservation of biodiversity and coexistence with nature.
- (2) We will take necessary procedures to understand our impact on the atmosphere, water, soil, and other aspects of the environment during construction, and will work to eliminate or mitigate any concerns identified regarding our impact on biodiversity.
- (3) We will ensure procurement practices that address biodiversity risks appropriately based on the Green Procurement Guidelines.

(4) We will cooperate with relevant external stakeholders including customers, government agencies, local communities, NPOs and NGOs, research institutions, and companies to prevent and mitigate negative biodiversity impacts that may be caused by our construction activities, further our efforts in preservation of biodiversity, and enhance the sustainable use of our buildings.

3. Compliance

We will comply with biodiversity related laws, regulations, and local requirements based on high ethical values.

4. Education

We will educate officers, employees, and subcontractors and vendors of Shimizu and its group companies to equip them with the necessary knowledge on biodiversity related issues, laws and regulations, and technology, and deepen their understanding of issues associated with biodiversity.

5. Information Disclosure

We will disclose information to our stakeholders regarding our activities and impact on biodiversity in our Corporate Report and on our corporate website.

6. Research & Development

We will engage in biodiversity related research and development, and contribute findings to society.

7. Contributing to Society

We will engage, cooperate, and participate in activities with external stakeholders to address biodiversity related challenges as well as mitigate negative impacts that our projects can potentially have. We will also engage with and provide biodiversity related learning opportunities to younger generations.