

Yakult Group Updates Its Material Issues

TOKYO, October 27, 2025 – Yakult Honsha Co., Ltd. (President: Hiroshi Narita) today announced that it has redefined its material issues (priority topics) to drive sustainable growth and enhance corporate value across the Yakult Group. The six material issues identified in 2021 were reviewed in light of subsequent changes in the internal and external environments, resulting in the establishment of 12 new material issues. Through initiatives concerning these materials, the Yakult Group aims to realize its evolution into a healthcare company as outlines in its long-term vision, Yakult Group Global Vision 2030.

1. Twelve Material Issues

Long-term vision	Material issue
Deliver good health to as many people as possible around the world	Provision of safe and secure products and transparent information disclosure
	Value co-creation with communities
	Establishment of a resilient and sustainable supply chain
Offer customers new values which match their needs	Promotion of health initiatives rooted in local communities
	Creation of health value that meets diverse health needs
Realize a society in which people and the planet co-exist	Climate change mitigation and adaptation
	Transition to sustainable plastic containers and packaging
	Sustainable water source management
	Biodiversity conservation
Human capital supporting business growth	Worker health, safety, and well-being
	Development of innovative human resources capable of delivering new value
	Embracing the diversity of our workforce

2. Overview of the Redefinition

(1) Background of the review

In response to growing societal expectations for addressing sustainability challenges, as well as changes in the business environment and social issues, we reviewed our existing materialities. Additionally, in our effort to formulate the medium-term management plan (2025-2030) and pursue sustainable growth and enhanced corporate value across the Group, we systematically redefined the material issues in alignment with the qualitative goals of our long-term vision, Yakult Group Global Vision 2030.

(2) Redefinition process

Over approximately nine months, we identified candidate topics from both internal and external perspectives, assessed their importance using Impact, Risk, and Opportunity (IRO) evaluation, and validated their relevance through internal surveys and expert interviews.

3. Public Release

The details of the Yakult Group's updated materialities are described Sustainability page of our corporate website, as well as in the Integrated Report 2025 and Sustainability Report 2025.

<Corporate website (Sustainability page)>

<https://www.yakult.co.jp/english/sustainability/materiality/>

*English version to be released in November

<Integrated Report 2025>

<https://www.yakult.co.jp/english/ir/library/integrated.html>

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<Sustainability Report 2025>

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