

Selected for the CDP Water Security A List, the Highest Rating in

Tokyo, January 30, 2026 – Yakult Honsha Co., Ltd. (President: Hiroshi Narita) today announced that it has been selected for the first time for the CDP’s “A List,” the highest tier, in the “Water Security” category. The water management initiatives by the Company were recognized by CDP¹, an international non-profit organization that provides environmental information disclosure systems.



Under its corporate slogan, “In order for people to be healthy, everything around them must also be healthy,” the Yakult Group formulated its Environmental Vision 2050² in 2021 and aims “to realize a society where people and the planet co-exist as one through a value chain that has zero environmental impact.” In this context, the Company has set Environmental Targets 2030³, which include medium-term quantitative targets. The Targets stipulate “sustainable water source management” as one of its environmental materialities (important issues). As specific initiatives, the Company has been working on reduction of water consumption through water recycling at production sites, detailed water risk surveys, and identification of water sources at each production site for water source conservation activities.

For the “Climate Change” category, the Company promotes initiatives such as increasing use of renewable energy, and in the “Forests” category, it works on sustainable procurement of raw materials. These efforts were recognized and scored a “B” in both categories.

The Yakult Group will continue to actively implement measures to address various issues aimed at realizing a society where people and the planet co-exist as one.

1. CDP:

CDP (established in 2000 in the U.K.) is a global non-profit that runs the world’s only independent environmental disclosure system for companies, local governments and other organizations. CDP scores the

initiatives of organizations that have responded on an eight-point scale: A, A-, B, B-, C, C-, D, and D-, which are widely used as an important metric for investors and companies when making decisions to achieve a sustainable society.

In 2025, more than 22,100 companies disclosed their environmental data through CDP, and the top 4% of those were selected for the top tier A List.

For the A List, CDP selects companies that are implementing leading initiatives to address environmental issues. The B score is given to companies that appropriately identify environmental risks and are taking specific measures.

2. Environmental Vision 2050:

“To realize a society where people and the planet co-exist as one through a value chain that has zero environmental impact”

- Our goal is to achieve Net Zero Carbon by 2050 (in Scopes 1, 2 and 3) -

Environmental Targets 2030:

Materiality (important issues)	Targets
Climate change mitigation and adaptation	<p>[Scope: Corporate headquarters and all domestic and international consolidated subsidiaries]</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reduce GHG emissions (scopes 1 and 2) by 42% (compared to FY2022) 2. Reduce GHG emissions (scope 3) by 25% (compared to FY2022) 3. Reduce GHG emissions (FLAG⁵) by 31% (compared to FY2022)
Transition to sustainable plastic containers and packaging	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Implement sustainable initiatives equivalent to 20% or more of the plastic containers and packaging usage (Japan and overseas) (in FY2030) 2. Establish a Bottle-to-Bottle recycling system for Yakult containers
Sustainable water source management	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify issues in each region with detailed water risk assessments at dairy product plants in Japan and overseas and implement measures for all high priority issues 2. In addition to continuing water use reduction efforts, implement water source conservation activities targeting the amount of water used in products manufactured in FY2030 (at dairy product plants in Japan and overseas)

<p>Biodiversity conservation</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Promote support and participation in biodiversity conservation activities in local communities 2. Understand the impact of business activities on biodiversity and implement impact reduction measures
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For more information on our environmental vision, please visit our website:

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

4. Scopes 1, 2, and 3:

Framework for classifying greenhouse gas emissions by source (Simple definitions based on the GHG Protocol)

Scope 1: Direct emissions from fuel used for company’s own business activities

Scope 2: Indirect emissions from generation of electricity, steam and heat purchased from outside company

Scope 3: Emissions from across supply chain related to company’s business activities

5. FLAG:

An acronym for Forest, Land, and Agriculture. It encompasses emissions from land use changes and land management.