Outline of the Fundamental Plan for Establishing a Sound Material-Cycle Society

Present situation and problem

Present situation: Unsustainable behavior patterns of the 20th century

Tasks: Realization of socio-economic systems based on 3Rs (reduce, reuse, recycle)

Resolution of waste-related Problems

Image of a sound material-cycle society

Lifestyle: Use of high-quality goods with care; adoption of "slow-paced" lifestyle Manufacturing: DfE (Design for Environment), long-life products, lease & rental

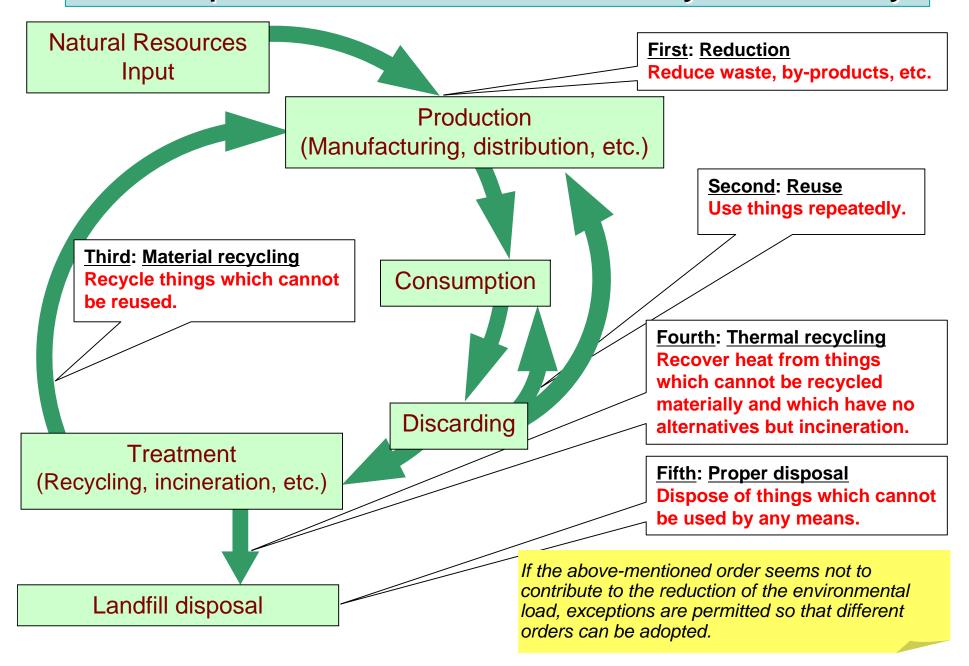
Quantitative targets: FY 2000-2010

- 1. Targets for indicators based on material flow accounts
 - a) Input: Resource productivity
 - b) Cycle: Cyclical use rate
 - c) Output: Final disposal amount
- 2. Targets for indices related to efforts
 - Reducing the quantity of municipal solid waste
 - Promoting sound material-cycle related business

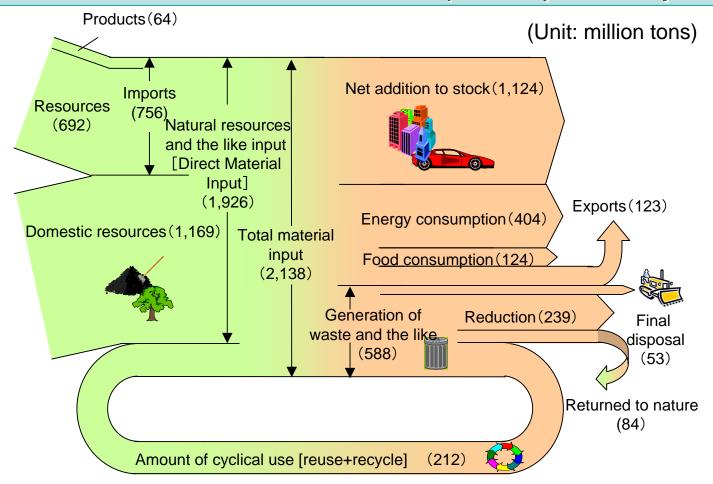
Efforts of Stakeholders

National Government, Citizens, Business Organizations, NPOs/NGOs, Local Governments

Concept of a Sound Material-Cycle Society



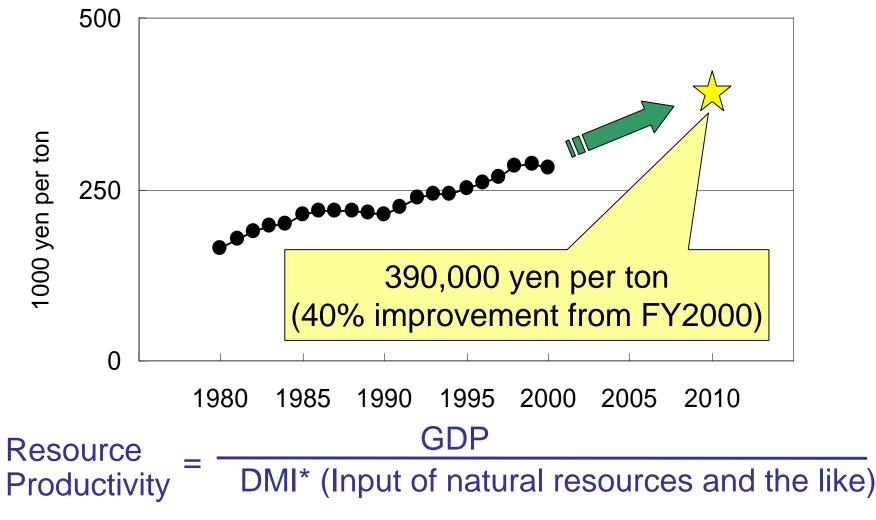
Material Flow Accounts (MFA) of Japan



The material flow accounts for FY2001 roughly show:

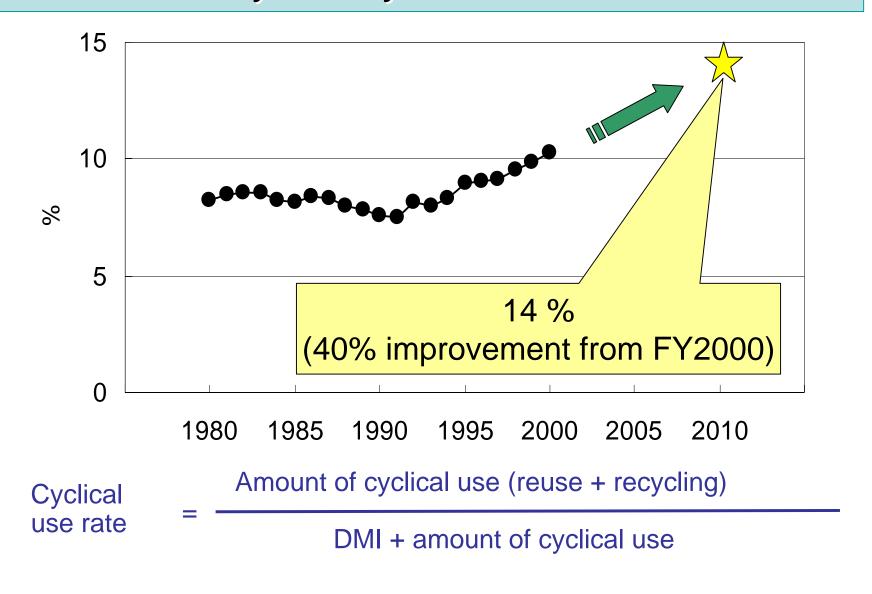
- 1) Total material input is about 2.1 billion tons.
- 2) Amount of cyclical use (reuse + recycling) is 212 million tons.
- 3) Amount of final disposal (landfill) is 53 million tons.

Targets for Indicators Based on MFA Input: Resource Productivity



*DMI: Direct Material Input

Targets for Indicators Based on MFA Recycle: Cyclical Use Rate



Targets for Indicators Based on MFA Output: Final Disposal Amount

