Significant damage has arisen among residents and business operators due to the accident at TEPCO’s Fukushima nuclear power station. The government will support nuclear damage compensation in order to secure: (1) All possible measures for prompt and proper nuclear damage compensation for affected people, (2) stabilization of the conditions of TEPCO’s Fukushima nuclear power station and prevention of adverse effect on business operators, etc. dealing with the accident, and (3) stable supply of electricity, in accordance with the basic policy “minimization of burden of the people”.

At this time, the accident has not yet been settled and there has been no prospect of the total amount of compensation yet. It is indispensable to prepare a system, in which TEPCO is able to pay complete nuclear damage compensation to the affected people promptly. TEPCO has financial difficulty in securing necessary facility investment, continuing fuel procurement, etc. and taking measures to settle the accident.

Taking into account a possible payment of a large amount of nuclear damage compensation, the relevant framework will be constructed to enable nuclear business operators to deal with payments of compensation damages, etc. Under the framework, (1) each nuclear business operator will pay contributions in preparation for nuclear damage compensation based on the concept of “mutual support” and (2) the government will provide support for payments, etc. of nuclear damage compensation in case of necessity.

The corporation also grants financial assistance to TEPCO for expenditures to deal with the nuclear disaster and facility investment to sustain stable supply of electricity, etc.

Through support by the corporation, all possible measures for prompt and proper nuclear damage compensation will be taken by nuclear operators, who are obligated to pay compensation under the Act on Compensation for Nuclear Damage.

The corporation also grants financial assistance to TEPCO for expenditures to deal with the nuclear disaster and facility investment to sustain stable supply of electricity, etc., and takes all possible measures for stabilization of Fukushima Nuclear Power Station and stable electricity supply.
Generally, it is expected to take a considerable time until completion of procedures for nuclear damage compensation claims and following payments. In such a situation, since the affected people are in need of immediate living expenses, it is extremely important that provisional payments are promptly made for the subject matter that are covered by the guidelines formulated by the Dispute Reconciliation Committee for Nuclear Damage. Provisional payments have almost finished for the evacuated and in-house evacuation residents. From the end of May, provisional payments have started for business operators which engage in agriculture, forestry and fisheries and which have been forced to suspend shipments due to the governmental order; and from June 10, for small and medium enterprises which have suspended operations due to the evacuation order.

**TEPCO (Tokyo Electric Power Company)**

Provisional payment of nuclear damage compensation by TEPCO

**First action**
- **Subjects**: Residents who have evacuated or under in-house evacuation due to governmental order
- **Amount of provisional payment**: 1 million yen per household (750 thousand yen if single household)
- **Status of payments**: Payments have finished for 50,000 households as of the end of May

**Second action**
- **Subjects**: Business operators who engage in agriculture, forestry and fisheries, etc. and have been forced to suspend shipments due to governmental order
- **Status of payments**: Payments have started from the end of May

**Third action**
- **Subjects**: Small and medium enterprises which have suffered business damage in the evacuation areas, etc.
- **Status of payments**: Payments have started from June 10

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**Decision at the Nuclear Power Station Accident Economic Impacts Response Headquarters (April 15)**

**Decision at the Nuclear Power Station Accident Economic Impacts Response Team Related Ministerial Meeting (May 12)**

**Minister’s statement (May 31)**

**Preliminary guidelines (April 28)**

**Secondary guidelines (May 31)**

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**Guidelines for determination of scope of nuclear damages and the actual status of provisional payments**

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**Preliminary guidelines (April 28)**

**Second action**

**Third action**

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