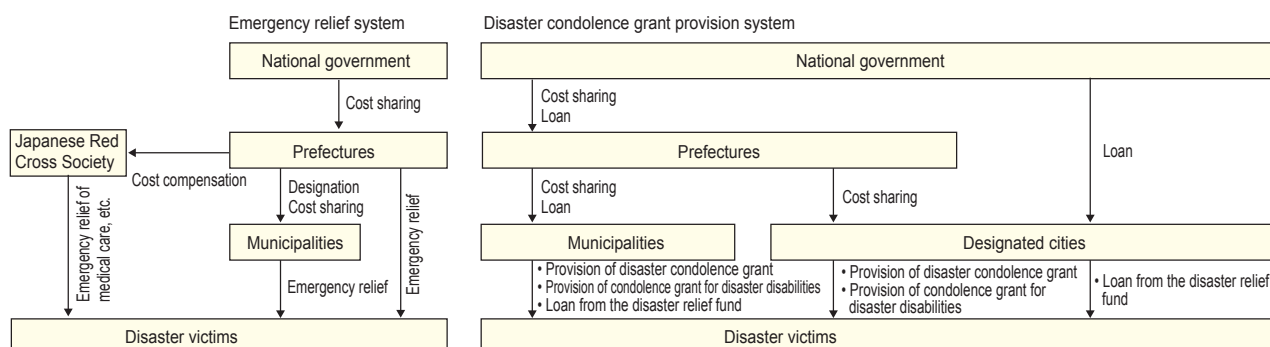


Disaster Relief and Support for Victims

Overview

System of Disaster Relief and Support for Victims



* "Content of emergency relief": Establishment and management of shelters, provision of temporary emergency housing, supplying meals and daily necessities for living, providing drinking water, and medical care, etc.

[Disaster Relief Act]

The Disaster Relief Act prescribes that, in cases where a disaster above a certain scale occurs, the national government shall provide emergency relief in cooperation with local governments, the Japanese Red Cross Society, and other organizations and citizens with the aim of protecting the victims and maintaining public order.

[Provision of disaster condolence grant, etc.]

In addition to the provision of relief in accordance with the Disaster Relief Act, the disaster condolence grant and the condolence grant for disaster disabilities are provided by municipalities and loans are made available from the disaster relief fund in accordance with the Act on Provision of Disaster Condolence Grant for the victims of disasters above a certain scale.

Detailed Data 1

Application of the Disaster Relief Act (Past 10 years)

FY	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total number of prefectures to which the Act was applied	9	2	2	4	22	7	7	5	5	4	15
Total number of municipalities to which the Act was applied	48	4	2	14	150	38	21	15	11	7	229

Source: Social Welfare and War victims' Relief Bureau, MHLW

Detailed Data 2

List of Disaster Condolence Grants, etc.

Disaster condolence grant	Condolence grant for disaster disabilities	Disaster relief fund
(Applicable disasters) Natural disasters which meet one of the following criteria: • A disaster which ruined 5 or more households in 1 municipality • A disaster which ruined 5 or more households in 3 or more municipalities in 1 prefecture • A disaster for which the Disaster Relief Act was applied to 1 or more municipalities in 1 prefecture • A disaster for which the Disaster Relief Act was applied to municipalities in 2 or more prefectures	(Persons eligible for grants) Persons who suffered severe disabilities caused by the disaster	(Applicable disasters) • A natural disaster for which the Disaster Relief Act was applied to 1 or more municipalities in 1 prefecture
(Persons eligible for grants) The families of the deceased who died in the disaster (spouse, children, parents, grandchildren and grandparents)	(Persons eligible for grants) Persons who suffered severe disabilities caused by the disaster	(Persons eligible for loans) A householder who is injured in the disaster or whose housing, belongings, etc. suffered considerable damage (Note) Eligibility is income tested.
(Amount) • Death of income earner: ¥5 million • Death of other family members: ¥2.5 million	(Amount) • Income earner: ¥2.5 million • Other family members: ¥1.25 million	(Maximum loan amount) ¥3.5 million (Note) The maximum loan amount changes depending on the damage level.