



## **IPHE Country Update December 2020: Japan**

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### **1. New Initiatives, Programs, and Policies on Hydrogen and Fuel Cells**

Nothing new to report in this period.

### **2. Hydrogen and Fuel Cell R&D Update**

A new research and development program to promote innovation of fuel cell technologies and versatile use of fuel cells has been launched. This program is managed by NEDO and the total budget for FY2020 is around 5.25billion yen. 46 projects has been adopted and started from this September.

### **3. Demonstration, Deployments, and Workforce Developments Update**

Nothing new to report in this period.

### **4. Events and Solicitations**

Hydrogen Energy Ministerial Meeting Special Event was held on October 14th.

### **5. Investments: Government and Collaborative Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Funding**

Nothing new to report in this period.

### **6. Regulations, Codes & Standards, and Safety Update**

Related regulation was revised so that self-service hydrogen refuelling stations can be operated under remote monitoring.



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Transportation	Target Number	Current Status	Partnerships, Strategic Approach	Support Mechanism
Fuel Cell Vehicles <sup>1</sup>	40,000 by 2020 200,000 by 2025 800,000 by 2030	3,947 As of September 2020	-	• Subsidy for purchase (national and local government initiative)
FC Bus	100 by 2020 1,200 by 2030	99 As of October 2020	-	• Subsidy for purchase (national and local government initiative)
Fuel Cell Trucks <sup>2</sup>	No target	-	-	• Subsidy for R&D, demonstration (national government initiative)
Forklifts	500 by 2020 10,000 by 2030	250 As of October 2020	-	• Subsidy for R&D, demonstration (national government initiative) • Subsidy for purchase (national government initiative)
H <sub>2</sub> Refueling Stations	Target Number	Current Status	Partnerships, Strategic Approach	Support Mechanism
70 MPa On-Site Production	160 by 2020 320 by 2025	22 operational As of October 2020 (5 in progress)	• Initially focusing on four major metropolitan areas	• Subsidy for CAPEX/OPEX (national government and partially local government initiative)
70 MPa Delivered		113 operational As of October	• Establishing Japan H2 mobility LLC, (JHyM) for development of a hydrogen station network	

<sup>1</sup> Includes Fuel Cell Electric Vehicles with Range Extenders

<sup>2</sup> As above



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		2020 (21 in progress)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regulatory reform of HRC</li> </ul>	
35 MPa On-Site Production	-	26 operational As of October 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Municipality lead instruction as official vehicles</li> </ul>	
35 MPa Delivered	-	-		
Stationary	Target Number <sup>3</sup>	Current Status	Partnerships, Strategic Approach	Support Mechanism
Small <sup>4</sup>	5.3 M by 2030	333,704 As of September 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establishing ENE-FARM Partners (manufactures, gas companies and constructors)</li> <li>Commercializing fuel cells(PEFC) for application by 2019</li> <li>Commercializing fuel cells(SOFC) for application by 2021</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Subsidy for purchase (national government initiative)</li> </ul>
Medium <sup>5</sup>	No target	SOFC:8 As of September 2020		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Subsidy for purchase of (national government initiative)</li> </ul>
Large <sup>6</sup>	No target			
District Grid <sup>7</sup>	No target			

<sup>3</sup> Targets can be units installed and/or total installed capacity in the size range indicated

<sup>4</sup> <5 kW (e.g., Residential Use)

<sup>5</sup> 5kW – 400 kW (e.g., Distributed Residential Use)

<sup>6</sup> 0.3MW – 10 MW (e.g., Industrial Use)

<sup>7</sup> 1MW – 30 MW (e.g., Grid Stability, Ancillary Services)



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Regional Grid <sup>8</sup>	No target			
Telecom backup	No target			
H <sub>2</sub> Production	Target <sup>9</sup>	Current Status	Partnerships, Strategic Approach	Support Mechanism
Fossil Fuels <sup>10</sup>	Procure 300,000 ton of Hydrogen annually by 2030 Reduce the cost of hydrogen to JPY30/Nm <sup>3</sup>	During the demonstration project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Japan-Australia Hydrogen Supply Chain pilot project</li> <li>• Japan-Brunei Hydrogen Supply Chain pilot project</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Subsidy for R&amp;D, demonstration (national government initiative)</li> </ul>
Water Electrolysis <sup>11</sup> (PEM, Alkaline, SOEC)	Energy consumption (kWh/Nm <sup>3</sup> ): (Alkaline) 4.5 by 2020 4.3 by 2030 (PEM) 4.9 by 2020 4.5 by 2030	(Alkaline) 4.3 - 5.0 As of March 2020 (PEM) 5.0 (catalog spec), 4.6 – 4.8(demonstrated spec) As of March 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10MW Alkaline water electrolyser project in Fukushima.</li> <li>• 1.5MW PEM water electrolyser project in Yamanashi.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Subsidy for R&amp;D, demonstration (national government initiative)</li> </ul>
By-product H <sub>2</sub>	No target			

<sup>8</sup> 30MW plus (e.g., Grid Storage and Systems Management)

<sup>9</sup> Target can be by quantity (Nm<sup>3</sup>, kg, t) and by percentage of total production; also, reference to efficiency capabilities can be a target

<sup>10</sup> Hydrogen produced by reforming processes

<sup>11</sup> Please indicate if targets relate to a specific technology (PEM, Alkaline, SOEC)



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Energy Storage from Renewables	Target <sup>12</sup>	Current Status	Partnership, Strategic Approach	Support Mechanism
Installed Electrolyser Capacity	No target			• Subsidy for R&D, demonstration (national government initiative)
Power to Power <sup>13</sup> Capacity	No target			
Power to Gas <sup>14</sup> Capacity	No target			• Subsidy for R&D, demonstration (national government initiative)

<sup>12</sup> Can be expressed in MW of Installed Capacity to use the electricity from renewable energy generation, and Annual MWh of stored energy capacity

<sup>13</sup> Operator has an obligation to return the electricity stored through the use of hydrogen back to electricity

<sup>14</sup> Operator has the opportunity to provide the stored energy in the form of hydrogen back to the energy system through multiple channels (e.g., merchant product, enriched natural gas, synthetic methane for transportation, heating, electricity)