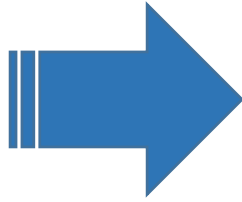


The concept of Vision for a Digital Garden City Nation
~ Aiming for "society where anyone can live comfortably anywhere" ~



Rural issues

- Population decline, declining birthrate
- Depopulation / Concentration
- Hollowing-out of regional industries



Implementing digital solutions to solve rural issues

- 1,000 regional municipalities engaged in digital initiatives by 2024
- A "society where anyone can live comfortably anywhere, through the creation of jobs in the regions and a flow of people (promote remote work, satellite campuses, etc.)

Building hard and soft digital infrastructure

- 5G coverage for 99% of the population by 2030
- A dozen rural data centers within five years
- 99.9% coverage of all households for optical fiber services by 2027
- Underwater cables surrounding Japan (the Digital Garden City Nation Super Highway) by 2025

Develop and secure human resources with digital capabilities

- Secure **2.3 million digital experts by FY2026**
- "Plan to train female digital experts"

Initiatives to leave no one behind

- Deploy over 20,000 digitalization supporters in 2022