Key Findings of Questionnaire Survey

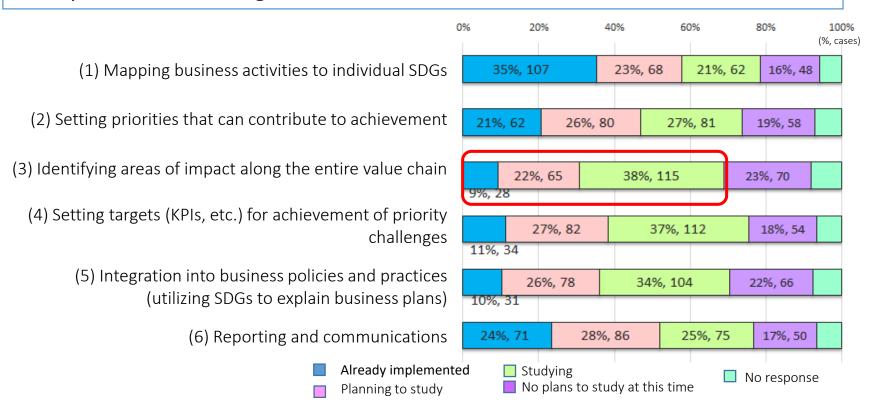


Survey targets: 1,373 Keidanren member companies, Respondents: 302, Response rate: 22.0 %

Survey period: March 2018 through June 2018

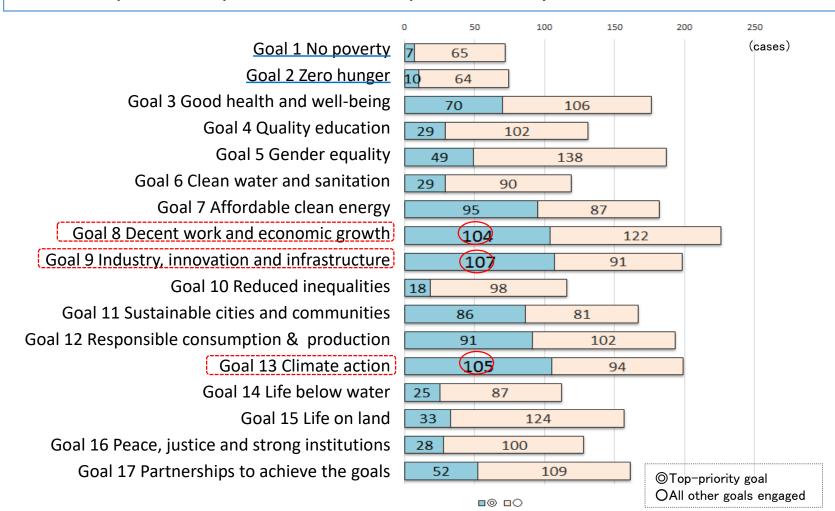
1. Measures that leverage the SDGs

➤ The share would be **70** %, even the lowest in score, if respondents who were studying or planning to study were to actually transition to the implementation stage.

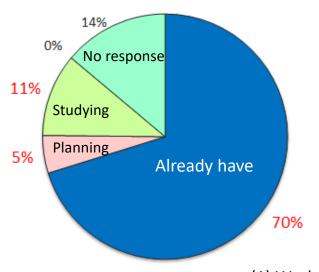


2. Status of measures to contribute to the 17 SDGs

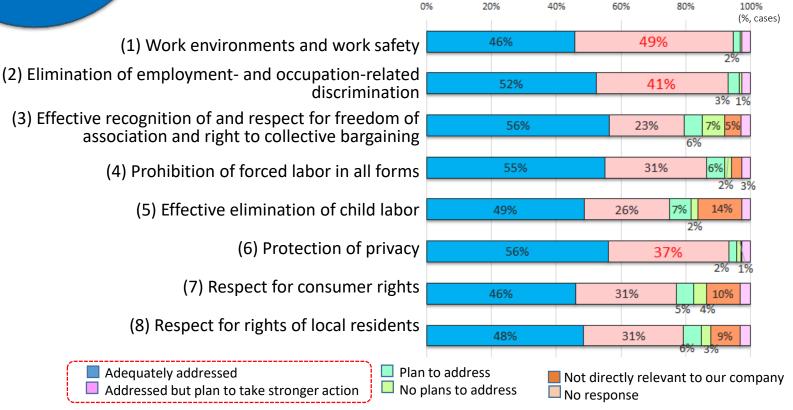
- ➤ Notable weight given to those measures aimed at <u>economic or</u> <u>environmental goals</u> that were strongly relevant to business activities.
- ➤ By contrast, a relatively small share of respondents engaged in measures to eradicate poverty and hunger. More-specifically defined targets and the development of platforms for cooperation may be needed.



3. Policies on respect for human rights and implementation of policies

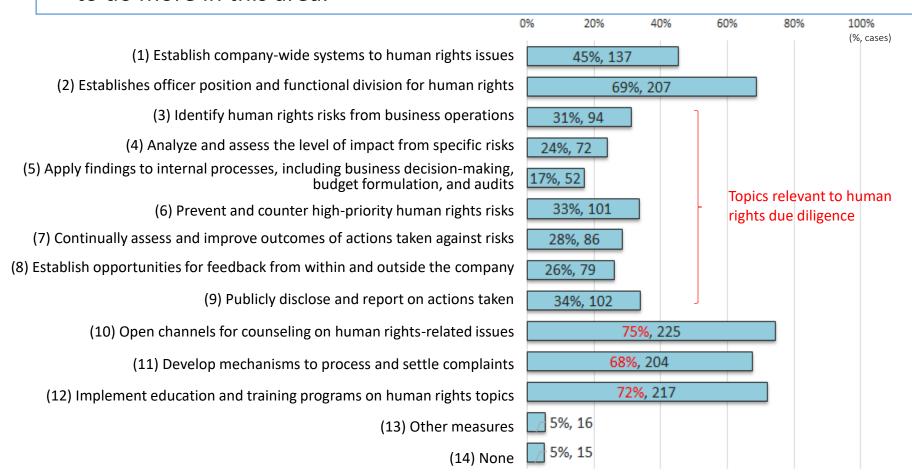


- ➤ 70 % already have policies that promote respect for human rights
- About half replied that they had adequately addressed human rights-related issues in their own companies and/or within their value chains. Nevertheless, their responses underlined a trend toward stronger efforts to address all issues.



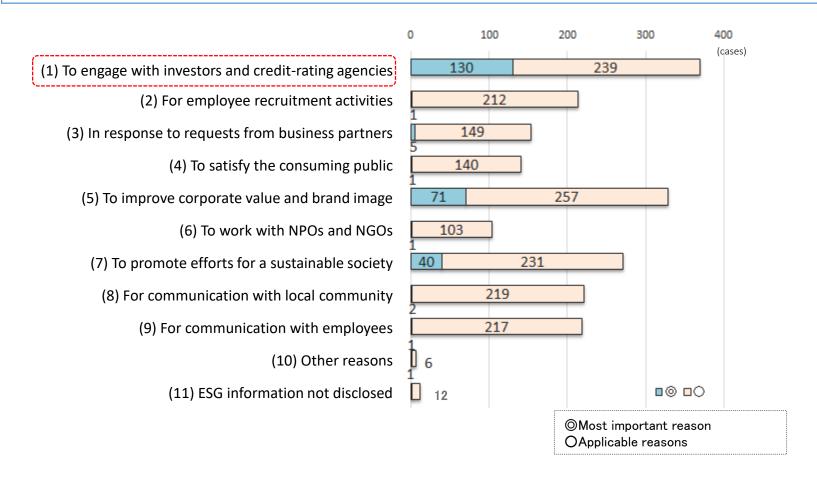
4. Introduction of mechanisms that promote respect for human rights

- Measures in <u>education</u>, <u>training</u>, <u>and framework development have made</u> <u>headway</u> as mechanisms that foster respect for human rights.
- Only about 30 % stated that they were engaged in efforts to address topics of relevance to human rights due diligence. Japanese companies will need to do more in this area.



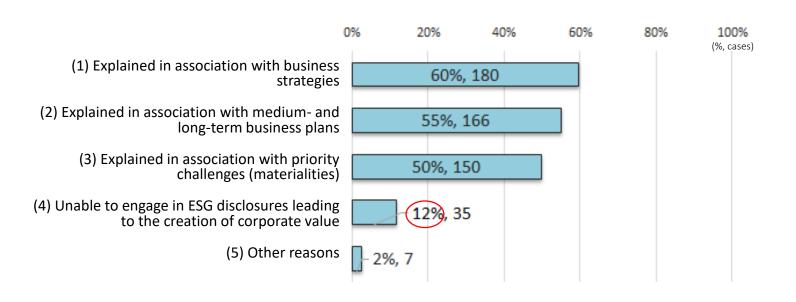
5. Reasons for the disclosure of environmental, social, and governance (ESG) information

Although ESG information is <u>primarily intended for investors and credit-rating agencies</u>, it is also recognized to be <u>a tool for communication with a diverse range of stakeholders.</u>



6. ESG disclosure and dialogue for boosting corporate value

- From 50 to 60 % stated that they explain their ESG disclosures in association with their business strategies, medium- and long-term business plans, and materialities in the interest of boosting their corporate value.
- ➤ 12 % indicated that they are unable to engage in ESG disclosures that lead to the creation of their corporate value.



7. Dialogue with shareholders and investors on themes concerning ESG investments and SDGs

- ➤ <u>Briefings at IR meetings</u> were the largest share as the form of dialogue with shareholders and investors to discuss their ESG investments and SDG-related initiatives.
- ➤ Being inspired by the shareholders and investors, the rapid progress has been made in this area.

