# Reconstruction in Response to the Great East Japan Earthquake

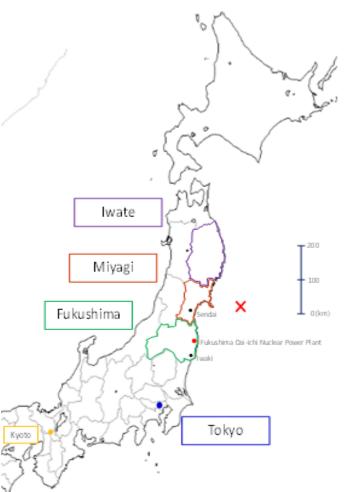
**∼With Concept of "Disaster Reduction" ∼** 

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# Great East Japan Earthquake





Date: March 11, 2011 at 14:46 JST

Scale: Magnitude 9.0

(The largest earthquake ever recorded in Japan)

⇒Wide-area and complexed disaster of earthquake, tsunami and nuclear accident

Damages (As of 1 March, 2019)

Human casualties

Deceased: 19,689

Missing: 2,563

Damaged buildings

Completely destroyed: 121,995

Half destroyed: 282,939

Partially destroyed: 748,109

Flooded areas: 560km<sup>2</sup>

⇒The Government formulated budgets, modified laws and orders, and established "Reconstruction Agency".

## Concept of "Disaster Reduction"



#### Lesson:

Exist tsunami that are physically impossible to defend against.

#### Concept:

"Disaster Reduction"

- Not loose human life.
- Minimize economic damage as much as possible.

Source of Reference: "Towards Reconstruction - Hope beyond the Disaster -"
25 June 2011,
the Reconstruction Design Council in response to the Great East
Japan Earthquake

#### Tsunami Defense Measures



2011 Great East Japan quake

L2 Tsunami

1896 Meiji Sanriku quake

1933 Showa Sanriku quake

1960 Chile quake

L1 Tsunami

Coastal Dike Level 2 Tsunami (the largest possible with low frequency)



Reconstruction of housing on safe lands



Restriction of housing and utilization of lands for industry or agriculture in low-lying areas



**Evacuation** 

Level 1 Tsunami (with more frequency)



Construction of coastal dike

and other hard countermeasures

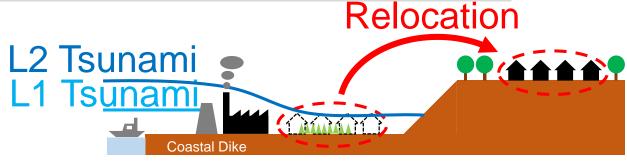
# Types of Reconstruction Planning



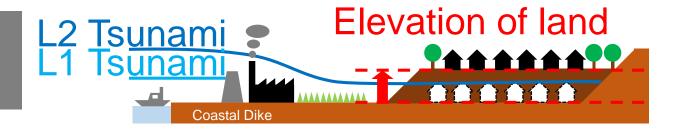
Various types in accordance with regional features

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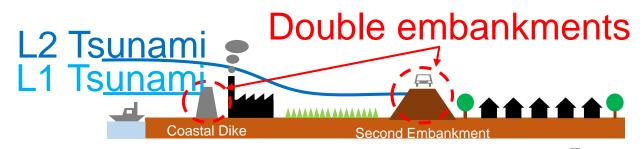
A Relocation of housing sites to higher lands



**B** Elevation of land level



C Multiple defense by double embankments



## Example of Relocating Project



(Taro District, Miyako City, Iwate Pref.)



Before the disaster (2003)



Houses are being built on a new higher land area. (November, 2016)

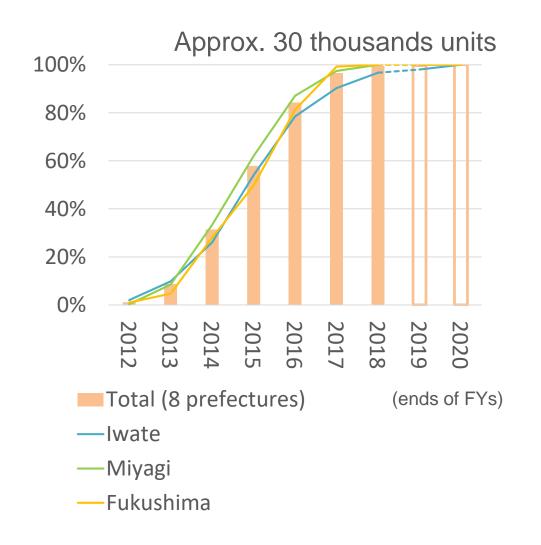
Private housing = 230 Public housing = 71

(Source: Miyako City)

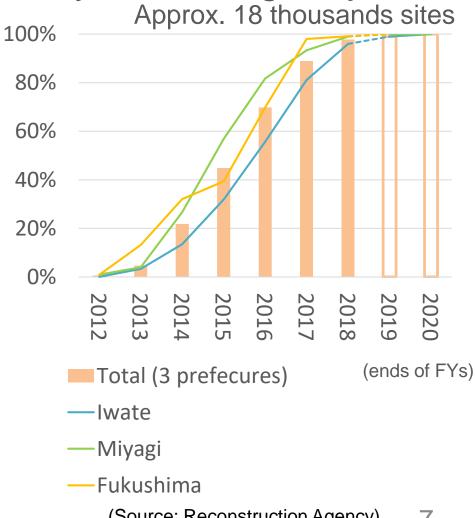
# Progress of Housing Reconstruction

(as of Sept. 2019)

#### **Public Housing**

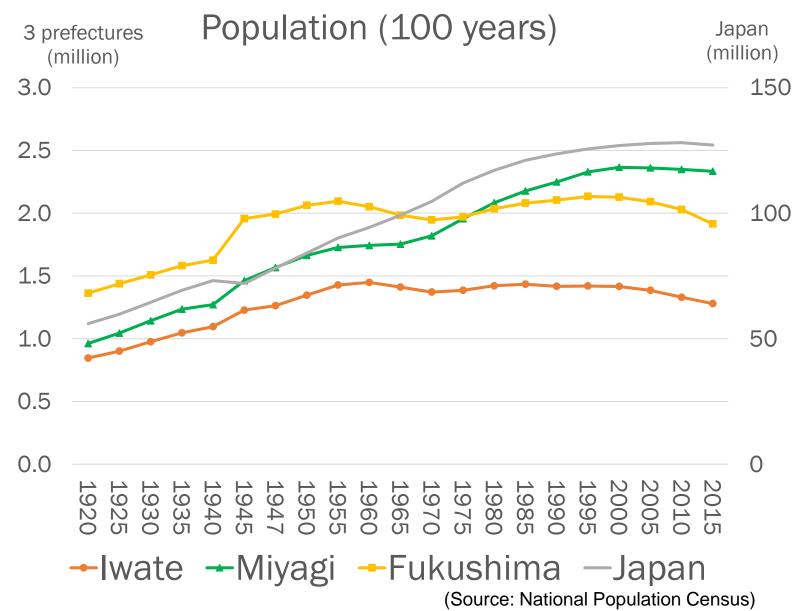


### **Private Housing Sites** by Relocating Project



## Changes in Population





# Challenges at the Current Stage



#### Challenges:

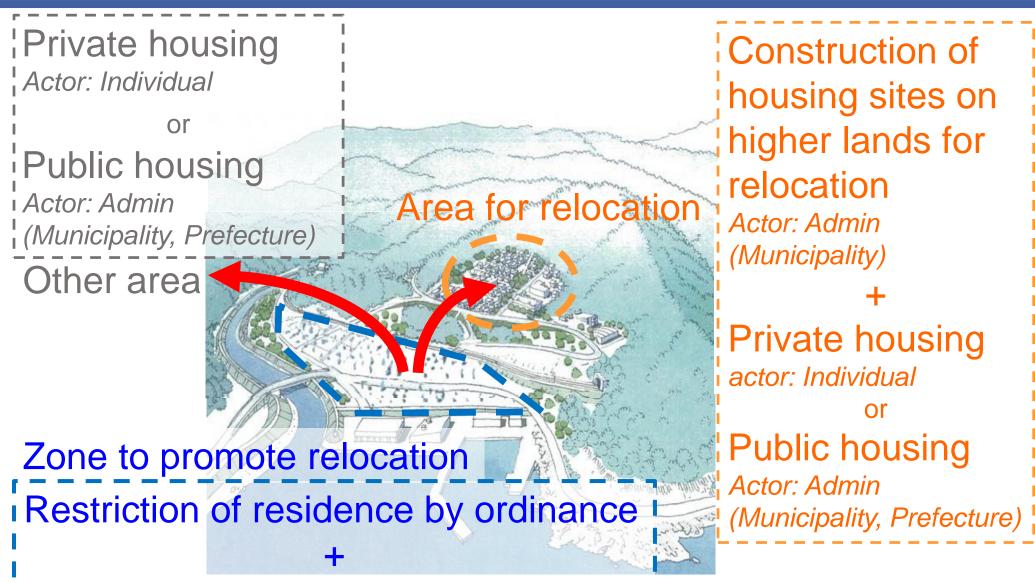




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## App. Scheme of Promoting Group Relocation





Acquisition of land by municipality

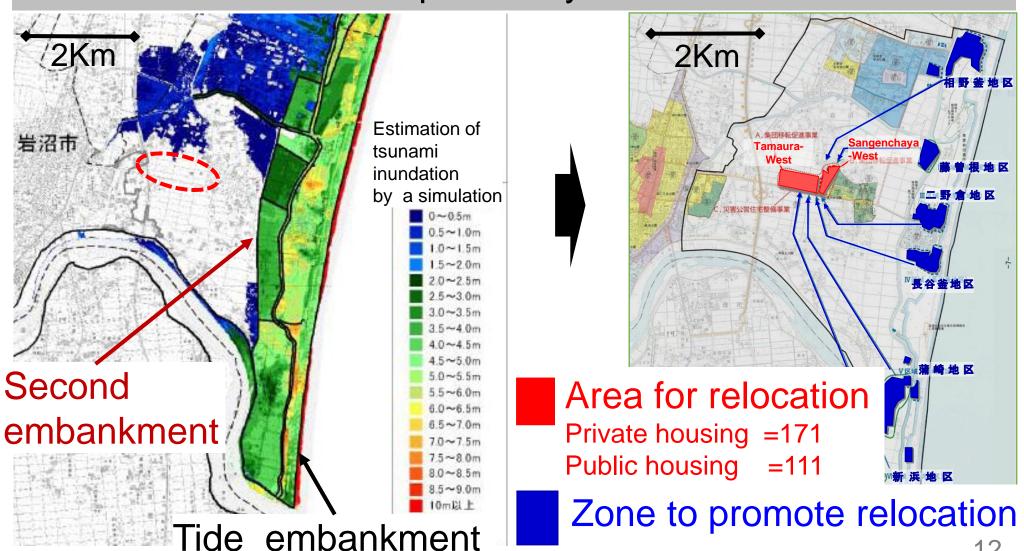
Actor: Admin (municipality)

## App. Example of Reconstruction Project



(Tamaura-West and Sangenchaya-West District, Iwanuma City, Miyagi Pref.)

#### Promote relocation and protect by double embankments.



## App. Example of Reconstruction Project



(Central District, Onagawa Town, Miyagi Pref.)

#### Elevate land level, 5 to 10 meters higher.



Before the disaster (Feb. 2007)



Aftermath of the disaster (Mar. 2011)

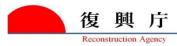


(Oct. 2017)



Shopping mall

## App. Example of Reconstruction Project



(Ofunato Station District, Ofunato City, Iwate Pref.)

#### Reconstruct commercial area earlier.





▲ Shopping mall



▲ Shopping mall



**▲** Supermarket



▲ DIY shop

## App. Example of Public Housing Project



Develop various types of public housing in accordance with regional features.





(Kesennuma City, Miyagi Pref.)

Terraced houses Apartment houses Detached houses

(Otsuchi Town, Iwate Pref.)

(Iwaki City, Fukushima Pref.)