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Ajinomoto Co., Inc. Selected as Sustainability Transformation Brand 2026

Selected for the Third Consecutive Year

TOKYO, May 18, 2026 – Ajinomoto Co., Inc. (“Ajinomoto Co.”) has been selected as one of the “Sustainability Transformation (SX) Brands 2026,” jointly designated by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) and the Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. (TSE).

SX is an initiative in which a company strives to improve long-term and sustainable corporate value by synchronizing the sustainability of society with that of itself while carrying out the necessary management and business reforms to achieve such synchronization. The “SX Brands” are a group of progressive companies that are selected and awarded for enhancing their ability to create a source of funds for growth in a sustainable manner through SX to realize the improvement of corporate value. Ajinomoto Co. has been selected for the third consecutive year since the program’s inception.



In the selection process, Ajinomoto Co. was highly evaluated in the following three points.

1. Long-term strategy based on competitive advantage, incorporating both forecasting and backcasting perspectives

Building on its unique competitive advantage of “AminoScience”, Ajinomoto Co. clearly explains a long-term strategy that incorporates both forecasting and backcasting perspectives, along with implementation strategies for each field. In addition, the Company’s concise purpose - “contributing to the well-being of all human beings, our society, and our planet with AminoScience” - serves as a single unifying axis for its diversified businesses, ranging from food to biotechnology and electronic materials.

2. A consistent management system centered on ASV

Ajinomoto Co. has established a consistent management system centered on ASV, integrating purpose, strategy, governance, and KPIs. By clarifying the KPI progress management and supervision system based on materiality, the Company has built an integrated management structure encompassing committee design, progress management, and IR disclosure, which was recognized as a key strength.

3. Execution strategies and organizational initiatives that incorporate the concept into business results

The Company’s strategy of concentrating investments in four focused growth areas - Healthcare, Food & Wellness, ICT, and Green - while linking R&D, DX, and human resource measures, enables strategic concepts to be incorporated into business results. In particular, its human resource strategy and technology asset strategy were highly evaluated for clearly explaining concrete measures and their intentions.

With its purpose of “contributing to the well-being of all human beings, our society, and our planet with ‘AminoScience’,” the Ajinomoto Group has set two outcomes as its goal: to help extend the healthy life expectancy of 1 billion people and to reduce our environmental impact by 50% by 2030. As initiatives to realize this purpose, the Group will promote the evolution of ASV management, which aims to co-create social value and economic value through business and, under a governance structure for realizing ASV management, will rapidly and continuously improve corporate value by reducing negative impacts and further creating positive impacts.

Reference

Link to explanation of SX brands on the METI website:

https://www.meti.go.jp/english/press/2026/0518_001.html

For details on Ajinomoto Co. and the Ajinomoto Group, visit www.ajinomoto.com

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