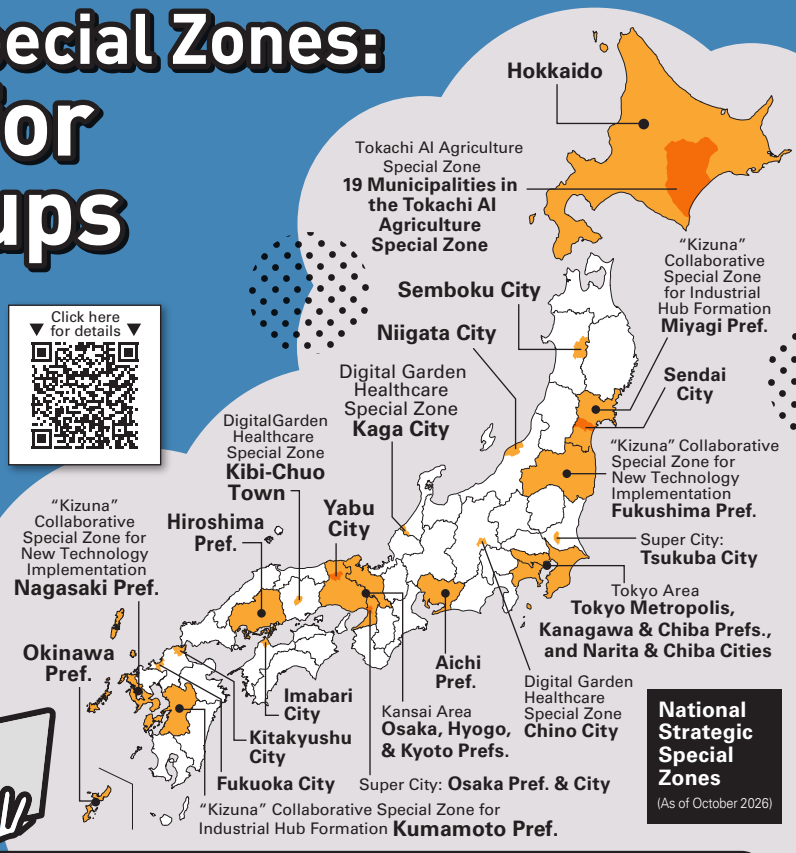
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# National Strategic Special Zones: Tax Incentives for Business Startups

In the National Strategic Special Zones, two special tax measures are available to promote innovative businesses through the establishment of startups and other companies.

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## startup Income Deduction

(Corporation Tax, Corporation Inhabitant Tax, Enterprise Tax)

18% of the income derived from eligible business activities conducted by startups and other companies established within a National Strategic Special Zone is deducted from taxable income

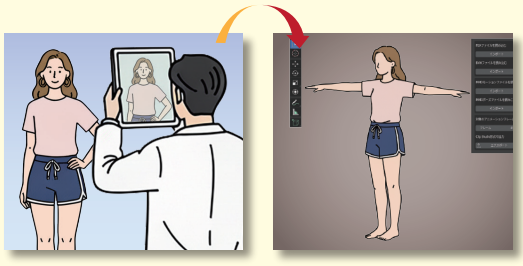
**Eligible Companies**

- **Date of Establishment**: Companies established less than 5 years ago (Established after the designation of the National Strategic Special Zone)
- **Eligible Sectors**: IoT, Medical Care (businesses contributing to the provision of advanced medical care)

**Track Record**

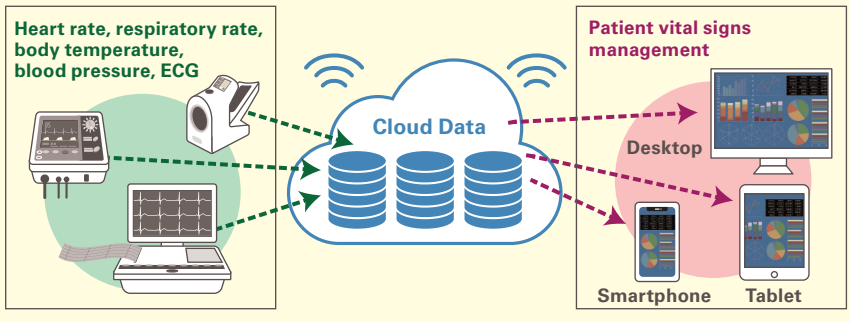
### Development of a 3D Modeling System

Utilizing a proprietary 3D scanner to quickly and easily create high-quality 3D data.



### Development of a Medical Monitoring System

Data is acquired from various medical devices with different communication standards, and information is recorded and shared in real time within the hospital.




## startup Angel Tax System

(Income Tax)

A certain amount (*) is deducted from the total income of individuals who invest in startups and other entities located within National Strategic Special Zones

* [The deductible amount is the lesser of (i) the cost of shares acquired by the individual (up to ¥8 million) and (ii) an amount equivalent to 40% of total income, etc., minus ¥2,000.]

**Eligible Companies**

- **Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises**: Companies established less than 5 years ago that conduct business in the "medical care," "biotechnology," or "agriculture" sectors
- **Small-Scale Enterprises**: Companies established less than 3 years ago that are expected to achieve a certain level of employment growth from the time of establishment (no sector restrictions)

**Track Record**

### Development of Tourism Hubs

Provide experience-based tours centered on the local tourism industry and develop food and beverage businesses catering to inbound tourists by utilizing local resources.

**Tourism Hubs**

Learning Exchange · Tourism Exchange · Commuting Exchange · Relocation Exchange

"Regional Exchange" and "Development of Human Resources and Business Operators"

### Establishment of an Art Hub for People with Disabilities

Establish a hub for permanent exhibitions of artwork by persons with disabilities, creative activities, events, and other activities.

**Art Hub for Persons with Disabilities**

Exhibitions · Creative Activities · Community Events

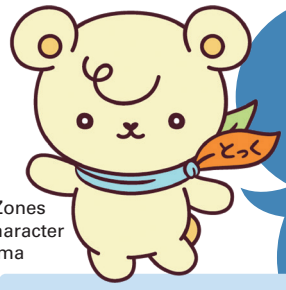
Promotion of Employment for Artists with Disabilities

**To use this scheme, the required procedures must be completed by the specified deadline. Please contact us as early as possible. (For contact information, please see the back page.) For further details on the requirements and procedures, please visit our website.**

# In addition to special tax measures, the National Strategic Special Zones offer a range of other measures available to businesses.

## Use of the Special Zone System
(Proposal and Use of New Rules)

By using the Special Zone System, you can “create new rules” (propose the establishment of nationwide rules or special measures) and “use established rules” (utilize special measures). Anyone—including local governments, businesses, and individuals—can propose regulatory reforms, such as the establishment of nationwide rules or special measures. Proposals are accepted at any time.



Special Zones Original Character Tokkuma

**We look forward to receiving your ideas and proposals!**

How to submit regulatory reform proposals / responses from government ministries and agencies
https://www.chisou.go.jp/tiiki/kokusentoc/teian.html
[Contact Information]
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**Are existing rules creating barriers to expanding your business?** YES ›

**Why not use a Special Zone to find a solution?** ›

**More than 300 special measures have been established to date.**

## Government-Led Research and Demonstration Projects

Utilizing special zone systems such as Super City, the Digital Garden Health Special Zone, and the Collaboration “Kizuna” Special Zone, the government conducts research and demonstration projects necessary to realize proposals for new regulatory and institutional reforms.

## Financial Support (Interest Subsidy Program)

**Reduces the interest burden on initial investment by up to 0.7% for 5 years.**

**Eligibility requirements for participating businesses were relaxed starting in April 2025!**

National Government (Cabinet Office) → Interest Subsidy: 5 years, Up to 0.7% → Designated Financial Institutions

Loan: Designated Financial Institutions → Business Owners
Repayment (Principal + Interest): Business Owners → Designated Financial Institutions

Designated Financial Institutions ↔ Business Owners
Reduction of interest or payment of an amount equivalent to an interest subsidy

### Illustration of Burden Reduction

Example: ¥1 billion / 10-year term / 1.0% interest rate

| Utilizing the Program None | Utilizing the Program 5 years, -0.7% |
|---|---|
| High burden<br>Interest Burden<br>Approx. ¥58 million | Interest Subsidy<br>Approx. −¥27 million<br>Interest Burden<br>Approx. ¥31 million |
| Before | After |

**Is Your Business Eligible?** → **Please feel free to consult with us at an early stage!**

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