

## **Rep. Sanae Takaichi Policy Vision — “Make the Japanese Archipelago Strong and Vibrant”**

- The nation’s ultimate duty is to protect “peoples’ lives and property,” “territory, territorial sea, territorial airspace, and resources,” “national sovereignty and pride.”
- In order to fulfill these duties, Japan must reinforce its “comprehensive state power.” This includes “diplomacy,” “defense,” “economic power,” “technology,” “information,” and “talent.”
- “Economic growth” is necessary above all else to strengthen the above areas. Each individual is necessary for economic growth and hope is key to moving forward.
- Japanese youth must believe in the country’s future and have hope. This is the starting point and ending point of my policies.
- The goal is to realize a “strong economy” and secure “safety and security” through drastic “investment in crisis management” and “growth investment.”
- “Strategic fiscal expenditure” to minimize various risks and develop advanced technologies is necessary to secure “safety and security,” increase employment and income, improve consumption, and realize a “strong economy.” The benefits of these efforts will accrue to future taxpayers.
- Priority areas:
  - Strengthening food security
  - Securing energy and resource security
  - Reiwa-era national resilience to protect “current and future lives”
  - Strengthening cybersecurity measures
  - Developing medical health security
  - Strengthening human capital/talent

### **“A Sense of Safety Among All Generations” as the Source of Japan’s Vitality**

- The happiness and vibrance of senior citizens directly leads to the sense of safety among younger generations and an improvement in consumer confidence.
- Create an environment in which people “do not give up on education due to economic reasons,” “do not give up on the hope for marriage and child rearing/care,” “do not give up careers to leave for elderly care,” and “do not give up on social activities due to old age, illness, disabilities or incurable diseases.”
- Develop a system which does not “stymie a desire to work” and “bears the fruits of efforts” through the revision of old-age pensions for active workers and other schemes.

### **Protect Japan by Reinforcing “Defense Capabilities” and “Diplomatic Capacity”**

- Develop a national defense structure capable of responding to new modes of warfare (space/cyber/electromagnetic domain, unmanned aircraft, hypersonic weapons, autonomous AI weapons).

- It is Japan's responsibility to ensure the United States remains strongly committed to a "free and open Indo-Pacific."
- Strengthen ties with allies and like-minded countries through proactive, not reactive diplomacy.
- Take action to resolve the North Korean abductions issue and UN Security Council reform.

### **Challenge Toward the “Reiwa Era Reorganization of Ministries and Agencies”**

- Politics must take leadership to respond to a changing and severe environment with multiple challenges through a wide-eyed and speedy discussion toward resolution.
- Establish a “Cabinet Information Bureau” as the central command tower for intelligence and a “Cabinet Information Council” as the highest decision making body.
- Establish a “Committee on Foreign Investment Into Japan” to screen investments from countries of concern.
- Establish a body solely responsible for and can wield authority over active cyber defense and security measures.
- Amend the Act Establishing the Reconstruction Agency to strengthen the organization that can coordinate reconstruction efforts across the country.
- Reorganize ministries to create a “Ministry of Telecommunications” and a “Ministry of Environment and Energy.”

### **Fulfill Responsibilities For Japanese Citizens Today and In the Next Generation**

- Craft a “New Japanese Constitution” that can respond to the demands of the times like technological revolution and changes in the security environment and socioeconomic activities.
- Revise the Imperial House Law to protect the Imperial bloodline, which is the source of the Emperor’s “authority and legitimacy.”

### **Toward a Strong, Trusted LDP**

- With the cooperation of accounting and financial experts, create a framework to ensure a fair and just funding mechanism that thoroughly removes personalized money flow.
- The LDP is a treasure trove of experts. Swiftly develop a “personnel system to appoint the right person to the right job.”
- Utilize the strengths of “comprehensive power” over a “division among generations” in policy making.

### **Make the Japanese Archipelago Strong and Vibrant**

- The envisioned Japan is one where people can safely live, receive necessary medical and social benefits as well as high-level education, and have a place to work wherever they are in the country.

- Goal is to utilize the “potential” of urban areas to create a country where vibrant economic activity is spread across the country.