December 22, 2023 Japan Fair Trade Commission

The budget, organization and the number of officials at the JFTC are outlined in the final draft budget for FY2024 as follows.

1. Budget: Total amount of 12,188 million yen, with an increase of 699 million yen from the previous fiscal year

(unit: million yen)

Focused Areas	FY2023	FY2024	Amount of
	Initial budget	Budget	change
1. Strict and effective operation of the AMA	503	519	+16
Including supplementary budget	-	656	+152
2. Strengthening the control of acts that unfairly disadvantage SMEs	485	904	+419
Including supplementary budget	-	1,065	+580
3. Improving the competitive environment	153	173	+20
Including supplementary budget	-	193	+40
4. Reinforcement of foundations for	324	342	+17
operation of competition policy			
Including supplementary budget	-	393	+68
5. Other	10,025	10,251	+226
Including supplementary budget	-	10,307	+283
Total	11,490	12,188	+699
Including supplementary budget	-	12,613	+1,123
Of which, directly for the JFTC	11,132	11,831	+699
Including supplementary budget	-	12,094	+962
Of which, through the Digital Agency	358	358	±0
Including supplementary budget	-	519	+161

Note 1: Figures are rounded off, so totals may not necessarily match.

Note 2: The supplementary budget was allocated in FY2023.

2. New organization and increase in the number of officials

New organization

- Deputy Secretary General for Ensuring Fair Transaction
- Office of Ensuring Fair Transactions Involving Freelance Contractors
- Senior Planning Officer for Human Resources Strategy in the Personnel Division

Increase in the number of officials (breakdown of 16 additional officials)

- For strengthening our efforts to improve transactions in accordance with the enforcement of the Act on Improvement of Transactions between Freelancers and Undertakings (Freelance Act) ...12 officials
- For reinforcing the operation of competition policy ... 4 officials *Number of total officials: 927 (As of March 31, 2024)