

| Title of case study | "Bringing Water to Life" |
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| Name of organization(s) | Suntory Limited |
| Business sector | Food and Beverages |
| Region(s) relevant to case study | All regions Africa and the Arab States Asia and the Pacific Caribbean and Central America Europe Least Developed Countries North America Polar regions Small Island Developing States South America |
| Country(s) relevant to case study | Japan |
| Adaptation sector(s) relevant to case study | Business Education and training Food security, agriculture, forestry and fisheries Human health Oceans and coastal areas Science, assessment, monitoring and early warning Terrestrial ecosystems Tourism Transport, infrastructure and human settlements Water resources Other (please specify): |
| Adaptation activity | Suntory Limited is making the conservation of water resources the axis of its environmental activities in line with its corporate message "Suntory, Bringing Water to Life". As a corporation that depends highly on water for the production of its whiskey, beer, wine, non-alcoholic beverages, and foods, Suntory is committed to safeguarding the Earth's precious water resources. Suntory uses water that flows from the heart of the Kaikomagatake mountain in the Minami Alps. Great tasting water is an indispensible factor in Suntory's |

| | manufacturing process. The company understands that forests play a critical role in restoring ground water. To cultivate this important resource, Suntory includes forest conservation among its environmental projects. Working in collaboration with local communities, the Suntory Forest of Natural Water project is a forestation activity that both cultivates forests that are highly functional as natural water sanctuaries and conserves biodiversity. Suntory's forest preservation activities seek to generate more groundwater than the amount used by its plants, and Suntory plans to expand its area of natural water sanctuaries to approximately 7,000 hectares by the end of 2011. |
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| | Suntory also runs a program of "Outdoor School of Forest and Water" which is designed to teach children about the prime importance of the planet's water and forests. Suntory offers outdoor excursions to engage children first-hand about the forest and water resources, as well as "travelling classrooms" designed to teach children about water starting with surroundings familiar to them. |
| Cost-benefit | Suntory depends critically on a reliable and ample supply of fresh water as one of the most important ingredients that goes into its beverage and food products. As a company that utilizes a limited resource, Suntory's initiatives to use less water and protect water sources and forests is an essential part of its business planning and strategy. |
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