



## 1. Purpose

The Government of Japan provides Office Rent Support Benefits for proprietors to lessen the rent cost for offices and lands so that it underpins the business continuity of those proprietors facing revenue downwards, due to the extension of the Emergency State Declaration in May 2020.

## 2. Eligibility: All four conditions below must be satisfied.

- a. SMEs with the capital of less than 1 billion yen or under 2,000 employees, or individual owners, including corporations for medicals, agriculture, NPO and social affairs, and freelance workers.
- b. Having revenue before 31st December 2019 and intention to continue the business.
- c. Revenue between May and December 2020 is damaged by C-virus in:
  - i. One month with more than 50% down from the same month in 2019, or
  - ii. Three consecutive months in total with more than 30% down from the same period in 2019.
- d. Office/land rent fees are to occupy and use for the applicant's business.

## 3. Amount of Benefits

- a. Maximum 6 million yen for SMEs and 3 million yen for individual owners
- b. Six times as monthly benefits calculated with benefit rates, based on monthly rent fees for offices and lands

## 4. Application Deadline: 15th January 2021