



# Asahi Industries Group Company Profile



## **Management Principles**

Being honest, fair, and respected by all, both now and for generations to come. Continuing to provide products and services of high quality and value while contributing to the global environment.

## **CSR Guidelines**

Focusing on appreciating and contributing to the community.

## **Environmental Guidelines**

Contributing to the environment by decreasing environmental impacts, preventing global warming and achieving zero emissions.

# To create a sustainable society

The efforts that the Asahi Industries Group is making to build a sustainable society are actually part and parcel of everyone's daily lives.

Our activities now cover 3 areas.



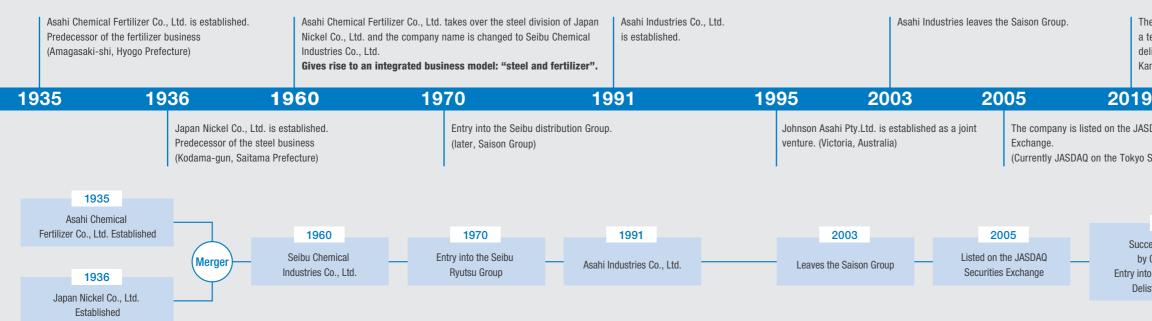
In the future, our work recycling valuable resources will inevitably ecome even more wide-ranging.



# The Asahi Industries Story

Despite enormous change in the business world, throughout our 85-year history we have maintained our steadfast commitment to quality and to the importance of the global environment.

As a member of the Godo Steel Group, we will continue to be both agile and resilient as we rise to the challenge of building a sustainable future.



# Company Overview As of April 1, 2021

## Corporate Information



### Offices/Plants

## Saitama Office/Saitama Plant

222 Wataruse, Kamikawa-machi, Kodama-gun, Saitama 367-0394, Japan TEL: +81-274-52-2711 [Saitama Office] TEL: +81-274-52-2713 [Saitama Plant]

## Affiliated Companies

Kanto D-Bar Steel Corporation (40%-owned subsidiary of Asahi Industries) Main business: Intermediary sales of steel bar as well as associated finished products and supplementary products

10th Floor, Marunouchi Chuo Building, 9-1, Marunouchi 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-0005, Japan TEL: +81-3-6267-0030

### Subsidiaries: 3

**1. Asahi Agria Co., Ltd.** (wholly owned by Asahi Industries) Main business: Manufacture/sales of fertilizer, development of vegetable varieties, production/sales of seed, import/sale of hay No. of Employees: 184

Daiwa Higashi-Ikebukuro Building, 23-5, Higashi-Ikebukuro 3-chome, Toshima-ku, Tokyo 170-0013, Japan TEL: +81-3-3987-2163 URL: http://www.asahi-kg.co.jp/agria

### Offices/Plants/Research Farms

Kanto Plant (Fertilizer Plant) 222 Wataruse, Kamikawa-machi, Kodama-gun, Saitama 367-0394, Japan TEL: +81-274-52-2712

## Kamikawa Research Station

(Fertilizer/Seed Research Farm) 863-2 Higashikitahara, Niisato, Kamikawa-machi, Kodama-gun, Saitama 367-0232, Japan

### Chiba Plant (Fertilizer Plant) 13, Sakuradai 1-chome, Asah Chiba 289-0506, Japan

TEL: +81-479-68-1600 Kansai Plant (Fertilizer Plant) 6776 Minakuchi, Minakuchi-cł Koka-shi, Shiga 528-0005, Ja

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### Osaka Office

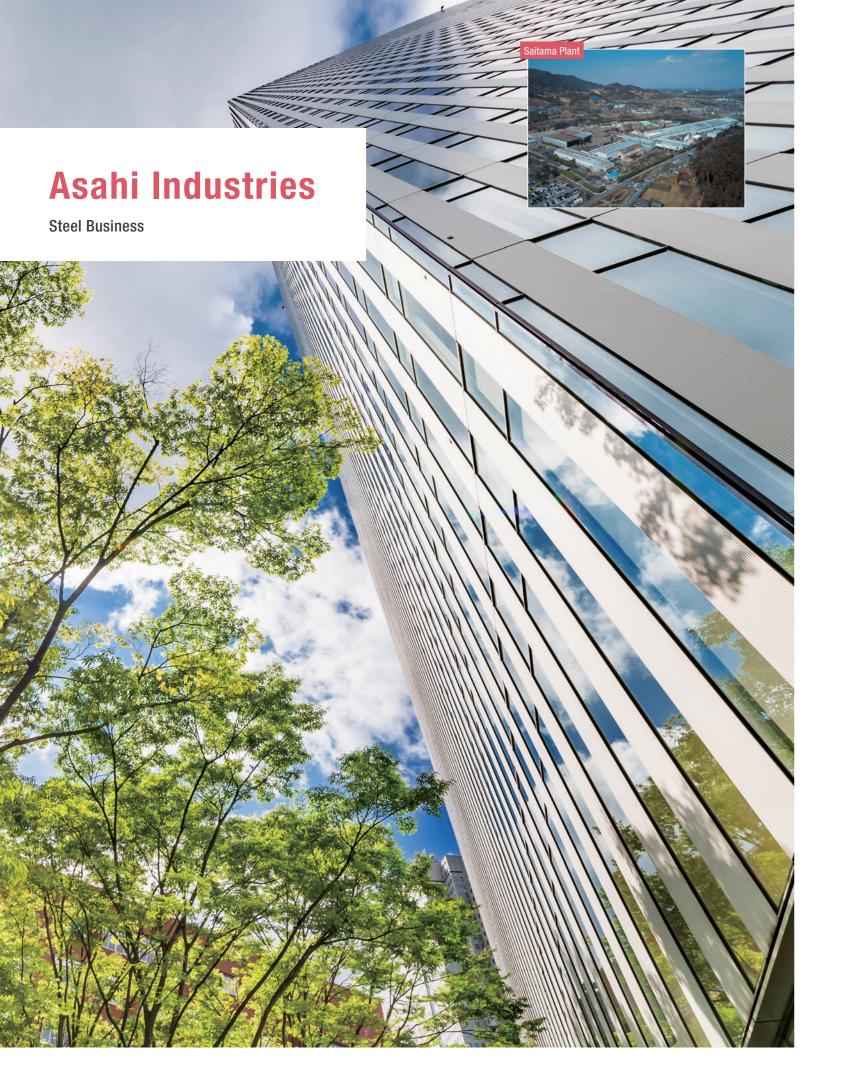
12th Floor, Osaka JA Building Nishitenma 1-chome, Kita-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka 530-0047, TEL: +81-6-6311-6215

The company enters the Godo Steel Group following a tender offer by Godo Steel, Ltd., and is delisted from JASDAQ.

Kanto D-Bar Steel Corporation is established.

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	Asahi Agria Co., Ltd.

	<b>2. Jobu Co., Ltd.</b> (wholly owned by Asahi Industries) Main business: Crushed stone production and sales, processing of construction waste materials, production and sales of recycled aggregate and wood chips No. of Employees: 41
	3085-1 Kanezawa, Minano-machi, Chichibu-gun, Saitama 369-1601, Japan TEL: +81-494-62-1321 URL: http://www.jobu-sg.co.jp
) hi-shi,	<ul> <li><b>3. Asahi Business Support Co., Ltd.</b> (wholly owned by Asahi Industries)</li> <li>Main business: Contracting, temporary staffing No. of Employees: 19</li> </ul>
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	Affiliated Companies
g, 2-5, J, , Japan	<b>Johnson Asahi Pty.Ltd.</b> (equity method affiliate of Asahi Agria) <b>Main business: Production and export of hay</b> Lot 1 Plumpton Rd Horsham, 3400 Australia



# Forging strong steel to support the infrastructure for life. Gaining a foothold in specialty sectors.

Asahi Industries uses electric-arc furnaces to turn steel scrap into rebar and structural steel, employing environmentally friendly manufacturing facilities and strict quality controls. We are working with Godo Steel, Ltd., to achieve still greater technical excellence and further improve our sales capabilities, adopting innovation and taking on new challenges.



# **Deformed bars** (rebar)

The applications for deformed bars underpin our everyday lives and include their use in the construction field in apartment blocks and office buildings, as well as in the civil engineering field in expressways and railway bridge piers.

# SPECIALTY

Rebar that features a screw thread. This allows them to be joined together using mechanical "couplers" instead of pressure welding, and demand for this product is growing due to the advantages offered by shorter working times and the fact that they can be assembled in any sort of weather.

## Structural steels

Structural steels are steels used for secondary machining that are re-formed into products such as bolts, nuts and steel braces. They are very widely used in sectors such as construction, engineering and machinery.

## SPECIALTY Special steels

These are steels that have their constituent materials finely managed to allow aspects such as rigidity, strength, and toughness to be adjusted. Special steels are used in automobiles, work tools and components for construction and manufacturing machinery. Our facilities including those for inspection were enhanced in FY 2018 and we are achieving a growing client base.

## "Neji-A-Con" threaded deformed bars





# Asahi Agria

Agribusiness





# Supporting food safety and security. Succeeding in specialty sectors.

The only fertilizer manufacturer in Japan that deals with both seeds and hay. We are collaborating with Japanese and overseas research institutions and Japanese government agencies to achieve sustainable agriculture, working towards low-energy agricultural practices and making the best possible use of as-yet untapped resources.

## **Fertilizer Business**

## SPECIALTY **Organic Fertilizers**

Our production facilities in Saitama, Chiba and Shiga take into account environmental concerns such as odor, wastewater and gas emissions, and it is from here that we manufacture fertilizers for a wide range of users, from farmers through to gardeners.

We have developed a wide range of organic fertilizers with a focus on safety, convenience and the environment. Our principal products are granular fertilizers produced from materials such as livestock manure using our own granulation technology, and we also offer micro-organic materials, soil conditioners and liquid fertilizers throughout Japan.

## **Seed Business**

SPECIALTY

particular.

Both in Japan and overseas, we sell seeds for vegetable varieties that we have developed specifically with disease resistance, high yields and ease of cultivation in mind.

We have channeled our efforts into R&D and sales strategies for products with predicted demand growth, enhancing our marketing to overseas markets for squash and rootstock in

# **Hay Business**

Through business operations in our Australian joint venture Johnson Asahi Pty. Ltd., we provide a stable supply of high-quality hay to Japan's dairy and cattle farmers.

## SPECIALTY **Oaten hay**

The grass varieties produced by Johnson Asahi under strict traceability and quality controls feature high sugar content and excellent palatability, making them especially popular in the summer months when cattle tend to have reduced appetites.



## Squash, rootstock, broccoli











Aiming to maintain its position as the top company in the region. Using both nature's bounty and waste products as key resources.



# **Crushed Stone Business**

Jobu Co., Ltd. owns high-quality greywacke mining claims covering 1.3 million m<sup>2</sup> in Saitama Prefecture (Minano-machi and Kamikawa-machi). The stone mined from this area is used as the raw material for concrete and asphalt and is used in construction projects such as buildings, bridges and highways. By supplying high-grade crushed stone and sand, we are helping to provide vital infrastructure.





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# Material Recycling Business

By recycling the concrete debris from building demolitions into roadbed material and waste timber from house demolitions and logging into wood chips, we are reducing waste products and helping to build a sustainable society.











Crushed stone for concrete



Crushed sand for concrete



Crushed stone for roads

Recycled roadbed material

Wood chips

# **Reaching the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** through our ordinary activities.

The Asahi Industries Group continues to contribute toward the achievement of SDGs not only through our environmental and social activities, but through our core businesses as well, with an awareness that SDGs are a common global issue for the realization of a sustainable society, as we work under our management principle of "continuing to provide products and services of high guality and value while contributing to the global environment".

## Promotion of sustainable agriculture

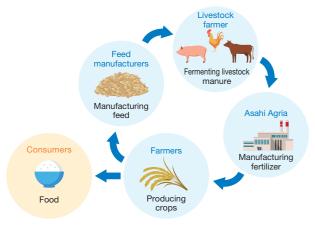
Production and sale of organic fertilizer that can promote maintenance and improvement of the soil environment and promote resource recycling

Development of micro-organic materials in cooperation with municipalities and universities

## Supporting reliable and safe agriculture with organic fertilizer

Waste such as livestock manure, wastewater from beverage manufacturers, poultry feathers, and palm ash become fertilizer, which enriches the ground, nurtures crops that make their way to our tables as delectable and safe grains, vegetables, and fruit. Through organic fertilizer, we work toward sustainable agriculture and also

contribute to plentiful harvests and reliable and safe food.



## Creating new possibilities for agriculture with micro-organism

Working together with prefectural research organizations and universities. we carry out development of micro-organic materials derived from the soil and poultry manure.

The effect gained from micro-organic materials in improving the soil allows improvement in microbiota, so that soilborne disease is reduced, with the expected benefit of reduced agricultural chemicals. This results in better rooting of crops and promoted crop growth, leading to increased yields. We strive for agriculture that is environment and people friendly.



Cooperative research into micro-organic materials

## **Employment of the physically challenged**, Women's participation, Foreign worker acceptance



Improvement in work environments for activity by physically challenged persons Expansion of areas of work where women can take an active part to enhance the ratios of female employees Hiring of foreign workers and development of their skills as future leaders in their countries

We strive to create working environments where individuals from many different backgrounds can exceed their personal and value differences and share a joy of working in mutual respect, and so actively employ those with physical challenges, create opportunities for activity by women, and accept foreign staff.







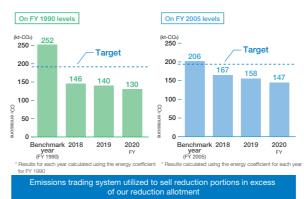
## Improvement in water quality, Conservation of ecosystems in rivers and oceans, Efforts to deal with climate change

Activity with goals set for reduction of wastewater concentration and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions based on our medium-term environmental action plan

Production and sale of fertilizer contributing to decreased environmental burden

We are working to mitigate global warming through our measures to promote energy-saving activities and actively reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. We are focusing our efforts on making our production facilities more environmentally friendly and reducing their environmental impact through initiatives such as setting voluntary management targets for exhaust gas and wastewater emissions that are stricter than the standards stipulated by law, as well as waste reduction measures such as making more effective use of our waste products through in-house recycling and the re-use of valuable materials. Development of environmentally friendly products is also our mission. Overproduction of livestock manure and excess application of fertilizer are exemplified as causes of groundwater contamination, and we protect our abundant water resources by delivering items such as organic fertilizer that uses livestock manure as well as slow-release fertilizer that enables reductions in amounts of fertilizer used.

### Changes in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions



## Sustainable use of resources, **Commitment to infrastructure improvements**

Promotion of the effective use of by-products, and production and sale of products that underpin infrastructure provision and manufacturing

Promotion of waste recycling into raw materials

Mitigation of environmental impacts and contribution to resource recycling

Cars, ships, electrical appliances and other used steel products are turned into scrap which is then remade into the strong and stable steel that forms the foundation of our safe and secure lifestyles. Our steelmaking processes also use recycling, with the slag generated in the manufacturing process also being used as an important resource

We are also contributing to waste reduction and sustainability in a range of other ways, including by developing organic fertilizers that utilize waste products such as livestock manure that would otherwise be an environmental burden. We also recycle various construction waste products, including the concrete and other rubble and the ceramic and timber waste generated by building demolitions.



## Sustainable forest management and biodiversity conservation

Management of corporate-owned forest to contribute to conservation of ecosystems Management of green spaces at business locations giving attention to conservation of biodiversity

Because all our plants are located in lush, natural settings, we establish green spaces around the plants that take into account local biodiversity. We also work to protect local flora, fauna and ecosystems through cleaning and conservation efforts at nearby waterways, parks and roadways.

And through the conservation and cultivation of around 40 hectares of corporate-owned forest (Gunma Prefecture) which is the habitat of Japanese cypress and cedar, we promote absorption of CO<sub>2</sub> in a contribution to both preventing global warming and protection of flora and fauna ecosystems.



