

# Seeds for a Sustainable Society



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Sumitomo Forestry publishes an Integrated Report every year to inform shareholders, investors and all stakeholders about its yearly performance and medium- to long-term initiatives for corporate value enhancement. It is issued with the aim of sparking opportunities for further dialogue.

In the Integrated Report for 2021 (reporting results for the fiscal year ended December 2020), the pages after the messages from top management are divided into four parts: “Sumitomo Forestry value creation,” “Business activities & value creation (reports on the results of each business segment),” “Sustainability Management” and “Corporate Governance.” The report includes information about the Group’s strategy and value creation centered on pursuing the shared benefit of forest resources, presented together with concrete initiatives and results. It also provides systematic coverage of the governance and sustainability initiatives that underpin those initiatives and results. The report also includes two special features on the topic, “Creating value by harnessing forest resources.”

We hope this report will serve as a basis for deeper discussions with our shareholders, investors and all stakeholders.

Scope of reporting

Reporting period

Fiscal year ended December 2020  
(April 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020)

\* The report also includes some activities from outside the reporting period.

Scope of reporting

Sumitomo Forestry Co., Ltd. and Group companies

Framework and guidance referred to

- International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC) International Integrated Reporting Framework
- “Guidance for Collaborative Value Creation” issued by Japan’s Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry



Regarding change of fiscal term

The Sumitomo Forestry Group has changed the end of its fiscal year from March 31 to December 31, beginning from the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020. As a result of this change, fiscal 2020 refers to the irregular nine-month fiscal period that started on April 1, 2020 and ended on December 31, 2020.

Information disclosure

Sumitomo Forestry proactively discloses information to enhance the transparency of management. Since the fiscal year ended March 2017, the Sumitomo Forestry Group has published the Integrated Report with the objective of improving the disclosure of financial information about its initiatives to increase corporate value, as well as non-financial information related to ESG. To provide information about our ESG initiatives, we publish a “Sustainability Report” in both Japanese and English on the Company’s website. Sumitomo Forestry also publishes on its website Japanese and English translations of its business activity reports and Notices of Convocation of the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders, among other documents.

 Corporate, IR and CSR Information <https://sfc.jp/english/>

Third-party assurance regarding ESG information

With the aim of ensuring the appropriateness and objectivity of non-financial information disclosed, some environmental and social performance indicators that are disclosed on the Sumitomo Forestry sustainability report website have been assured by a third-party assurance provider, KPMG AZSA Sustainability Co., Ltd. Please refer to the Company’s sustainability report website to view the independent third-party assurance report.

<https://sfc.jp/english/information/society/index.html>

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