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Otsuka Foods, Co., Ltd.

**Otsuka Foods and Gakken Plus Begin Providing Free  
Digital Teaching Materials, “Learning the SDGs  
through Plant-Based Foods”**

**Supporting the Learning of Elementary School Students, Who  
Represent the Future of the World**

TOKYO, Japan, May 13, 2022—Otsuka Foods Co., Ltd. (Head Office: Chuo Ward, Osaka; President: Koichi Shiraishi) announced today that it has co-produced digital teaching materials entitled, “Learning the SDGs through Plant-Based Foods,” with Gakken Plus Co., Ltd. The materials will be provided free of charge by Gakken Plus starting May 16, 2022 to elementary schools across Japan, for use by 5th and 6th grade students.

In recent years, classes on the SDGs have been actively incorporated into school education, leading to a need for relevant teaching materials to support children’s learning. The newly developed teaching materials include a soybean-themed video and worksheet for children on how to solve various problems that people are facing, such as environmental problems, population and food problems, health problems, and so on.

In December 2021, Otsuka Foods and Gakken Plus co-produced a manga teaching material, “Secrets of Soy Meat,” and the new video is based on that manga teaching material. The relationship between the SDGs and plant-based foods is explained in a quiz format, using the high-profile, plant-based food “soy meat” as a specific example pertaining to these SDGs: Goal 2: Zero Hunger, Goal 3: Good Health and Well-being, and Goal 13: Climate Action. The purpose of these teaching materials, which make it easy to understand why soy meat is needed to address these social issues, is to help children enjoy learning more about the SDGs.

Otsuka Foods, a manufacturer of plant-based foods such as Zero Meat soy meat products and Sugoi Daizu beverages made from whole soybeans, will continue to engage in activities to inspire children — who represent the future of the world — to become more interested in and better understand the SDGs.