

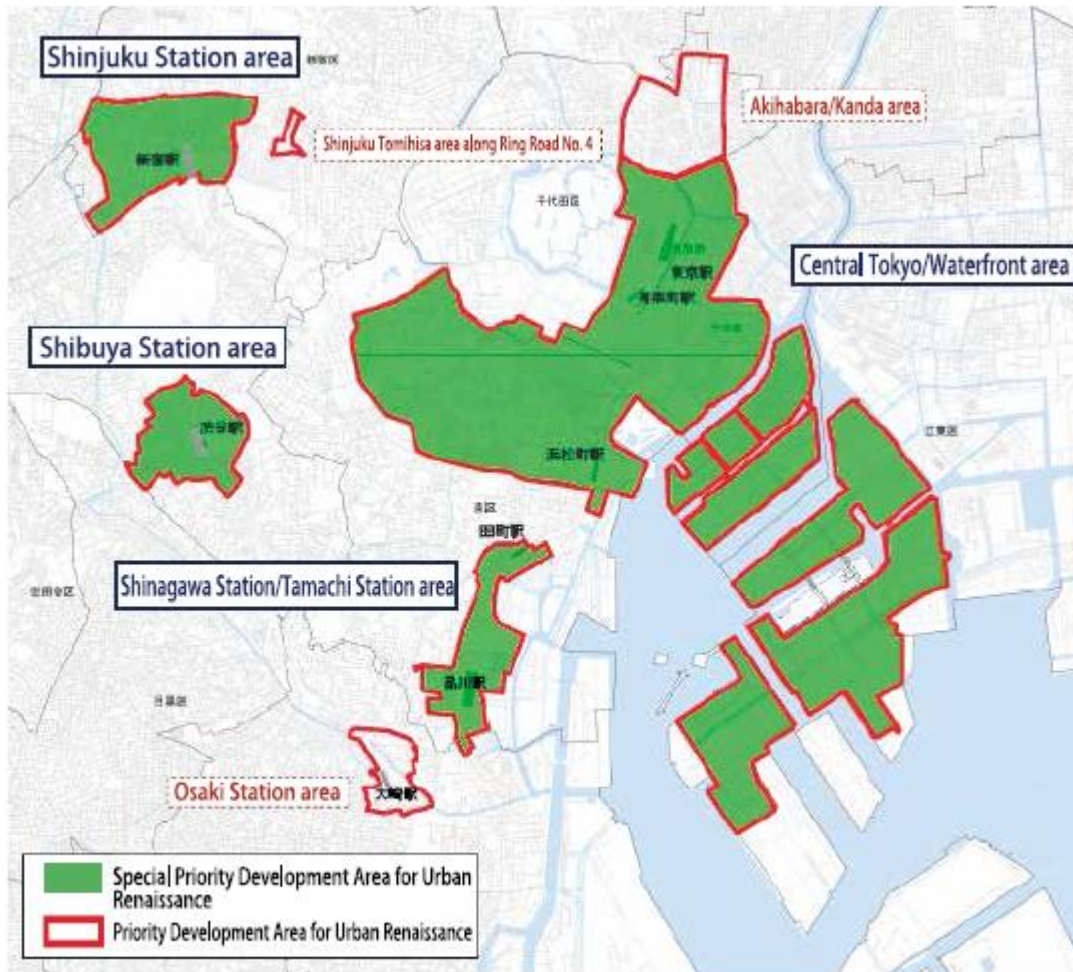
## **Special Urban Renaissance Districts**

The Act on Special Measures Concerning Urban Reconstruction was enforced in June 2002, which has enabled designation of the Urban Renaissance Urgent Redevelopment Areas and formulation of district improvement policies for each urgent redevelopment area in order to guide urban development utilizing funding and knowhow from private sectors.

The Act on Special Measures Concerning Urban Reconstruction established the category of the Special Urban Renaissance Districts that is highly flexible and free from restrictions of conventional city planning (e.g. use districts) within urgent redevelopment areas. Also, under this Act, those who intend to execute urban redevelopment projects within urgent redevelopment areas are enabled to propose city plans (e.g. Special Urban Renaissance Districts) to those who have decision-making power in city planning and the decision makers are required, within six months, to give notice of whether or not to make city planning decisions.

In Tokyo, seven Urban Renaissance Urgent Redevelopment Areas (about 2,400 ha) were designated in July 2002 while the Tokyo Waterfront Area and the roadside area of Circular Road 4 Shinjuku Tomihisa district were partially expanded in July 2003. Moreover, in December 2005, the area around Shibuya Station (about 139 ha) was additionally designated; there are eight urban renaissance urgent redevelopment areas (about 2,500 ha) in Tokyo. The Act on Special Measures Concerning Urban Reconstruction was revised in 2011, thereby establishing the system of Specified Urban Renaissance Urgent Redevelopment Area for the purpose of reinforcement of international competitiveness. This is followed by the designation of four Specified Urban Renaissance Urgent Redevelopment Areas (about 2,500 ha) due to the designation of areas around Shinagawa and Tamachi Stations, and the expansion of areas around Hibiya and Hamamatsucho Stations. In total, seven Urban Renaissance Urgent Redevelopment Areas (about 2,800 ha) including those Specified Urban Renaissance Urgent Redevelopment Areas have been designated.

Within the (Specified) Urban Renaissance Urgent Redevelopment Areas, TMG promotes urban redevelopment towards further reinforcement of Tokyo's international competitiveness by making efforts such as introduction of advanced business support functions to strengthen international business functions, improvement of disaster response capacity, securing of independent distributed energy, and environmental load reduction through the high-quality development plans utilizing proposals raised by private sectors.



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