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2. What did Kato request cooperation for?

- A) Increasing defense spending
- B) Passing the budget and other bills
- C) Raising the minimum wage
- D) Establishing a new central bank

3. How much is the general-account spending in the budget bill?

- A) ¥100 trillion
- B) ¥120 trillion
- C) ¥115 trillion
- D) ¥150 trillion

4. What is one of Prime Minister Shigeru Ishiba's key policies included in the budget?

- A) Expanding tax cuts for corporations
- B) Increasing subsidies to local governments
- C) Reducing government spending on social welfare
- D) Lowering the retirement age

5. Why does Kato emphasize the importance of fiscal health?

- A) It ensures Japan's leadership in the global market
- B) It allows for more defense spending
- C) It prevents inflation from rising
- D) It helps maintain trust in the nation

6. According to Ryosei Akazawa, what is the government aiming for regarding the minimum wage?

- A) Raising it to ¥1,500 nationwide in the 2020s
- B) Keeping it stable to support businesses
- C) Lowering it to match economic conditions
- D) Allowing regions to set their own minimum wage freely

7. What will the government do to address regional wage disparities?

- A) Reduce wages in urban areas
- B) Increase wages in rural areas
- C) Introduce a universal wage policy
- D) Lower corporate tax rates

1. What is the central government trying to balance, according to Finance Minister Katsunobu Kato?

- A) Economic revitalization and fiscal consolidation
- B) Defense spending and tax cuts
- C) Public trust and economic growth
- D) Local government subsidies and disaster prevention

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8. Why will the government present new fiscal consolidation measures?
- A) To boost economic growth
  - B) To increase public spending
  - C) To encourage foreign investment
  - D) Because the government is likely to miss its primary budget surplus target for fiscal 2025
9. How does the government plan to support the semiconductor industry?
- A) By reducing regulations on foreign companies
  - B) By investing heavily in domestic semiconductor production
  - C) By merging with international semiconductor firms
  - D) By focusing solely on AI development
10. What is one disaster prevention initiative mentioned in the speech?
- A) Launching a nationwide earthquake warning system
  - B) Establishing a disaster prevention agency by the end of fiscal 2026
  - C) Increasing funding for emergency services
  - D) Developing new evacuation protocols
11. What is the meaning of "fiscal consolidation" as used in the passage?
- A) Reducing government debt and improving financial stability
  - B) Expanding government spending on welfare programs
  - C) Lowering interest rates to boost investment
  - D) Increasing tax revenue without cutting spending
12. What is the meaning of "revitalization" in the phrase "economic revitalization"?
- A) Reducing business activities to stabilize the economy
  - B) Eliminating unnecessary financial institutions
  - C) Strengthening and improving economic conditions
  - D) Controlling inflation through strict monetary policies
13. What does the phrase "tireless efforts" in the passage most likely mean?
- A) Short-term initiatives to solve a problem
  - B) Efforts that have already been completed
  - C) Continuous and dedicated actions
  - D) Actions taken by multiple governments
14. What fiscal challenge does Japan face, according to the passage?
- A) The worst fiscal health among major countries
  - B) A lack of trade agreements with neighboring nations
  - C) A severe shortage of foreign investments
  - D) High inflation due to excessive government spending