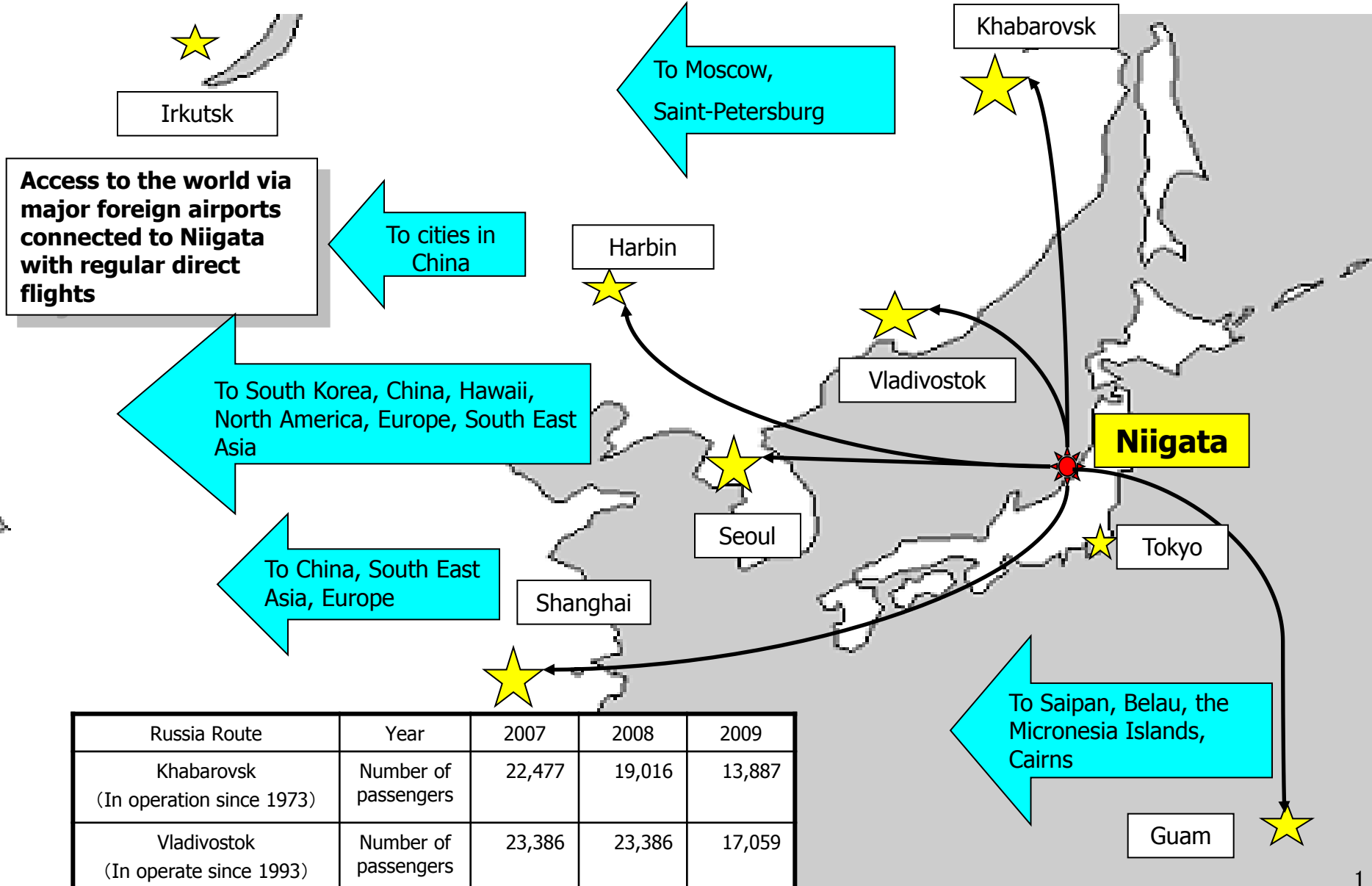


# Potential for Economic Cooperation between Japan and Russia

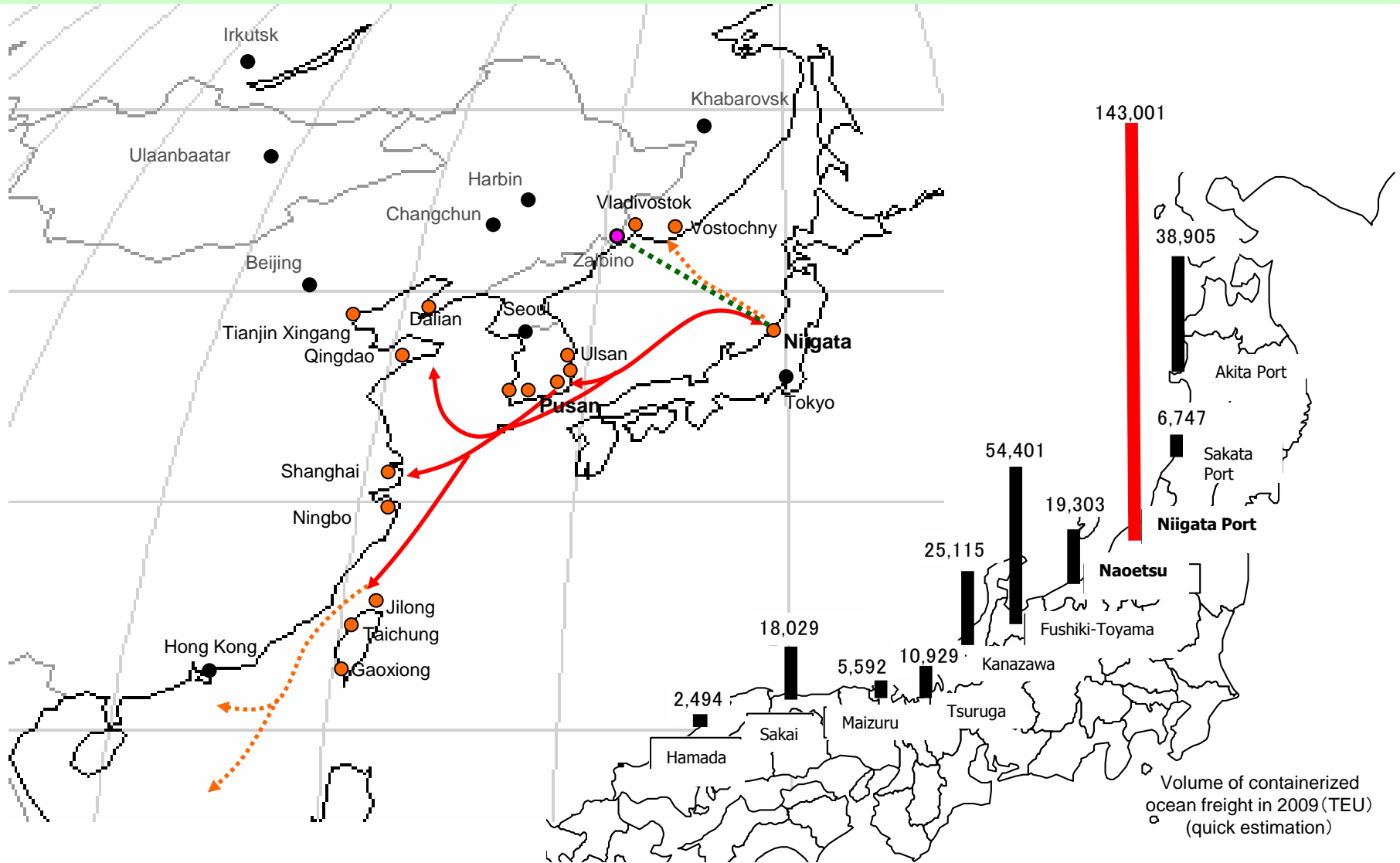
## Regional exchanges of Niigata Prefecture



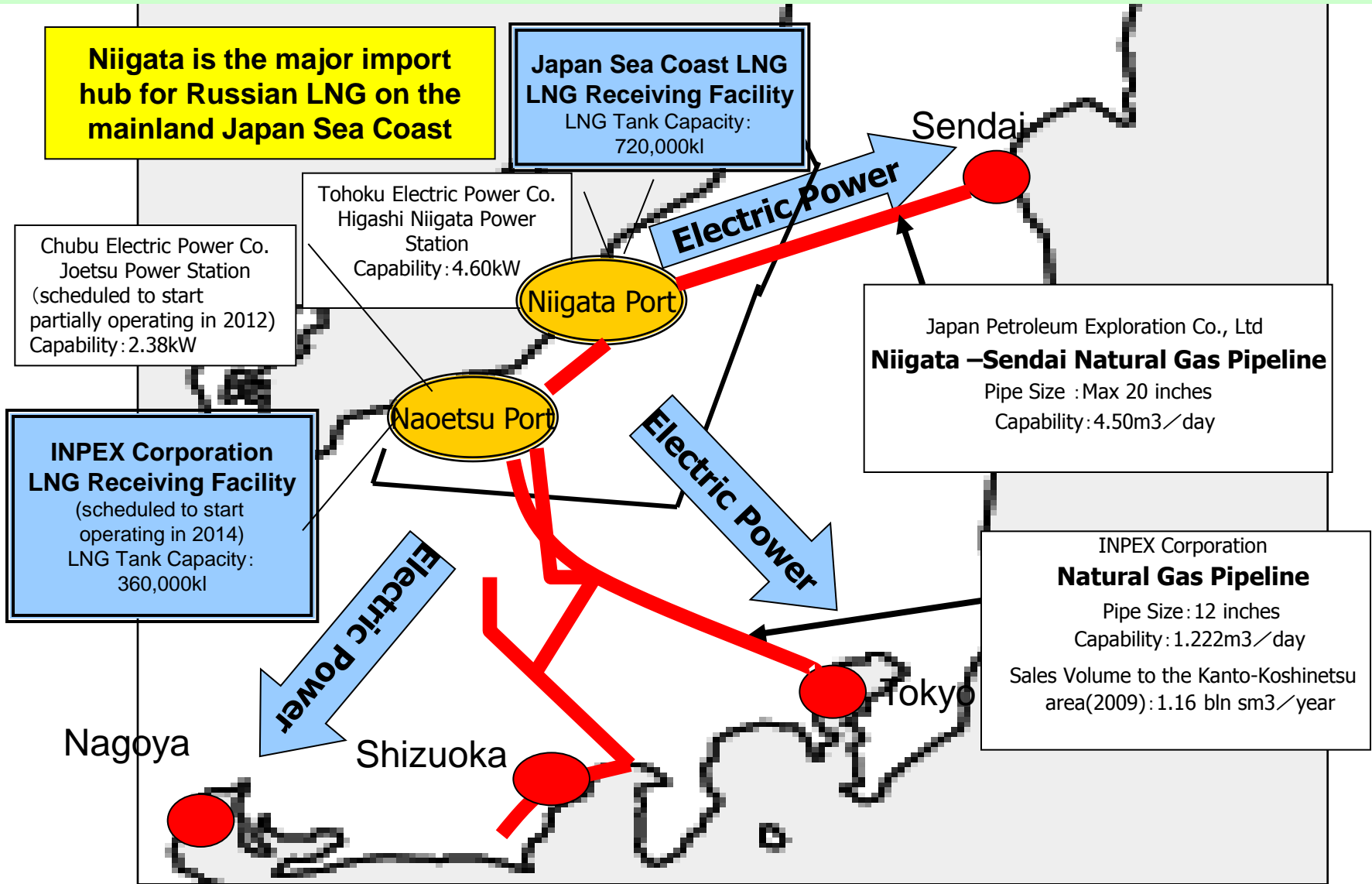


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# Niigata, the Leading Port on the Japan Sea Coast



# Niigata, the Major Import Hub for Russian LNG



## <Examples>

Building methanol and DME refining plants  
Offering technology for producing liquid diesel fuel by utilizing natural gas



**DME Plant**



**DME powered Truck**

# Bio-Ethanol Production Plant



**Location: Tarodai, Kita-ku, Niigata City**

**Production Capability: 1,000kl/year**

**E3 biofuel sales**

# Mega Solar Power Plant in a Snowy Area

## 【Goal】

Niigata will take a leading role in promoting the usage of solar power nation wide by building a mega solar power plant which is practical even in a snowy region as a pioneer, and proving its potential.

## 【Project Scheme】

Co-operated by the Niigata Prefectural Government and a private enterprise which has knowledge and expertise regarding the building and managing of a mega solar power plant.

- Co-operator: Showa Shell Sekyu K.K
- Location:
  - Rinko-cho, Higashi-ku, Niigata City  
(Showa Shell Sekyu fuel products receiving facility site)
- Capability: 1 megawatt (1,000KW)
- In operation since: August 2010

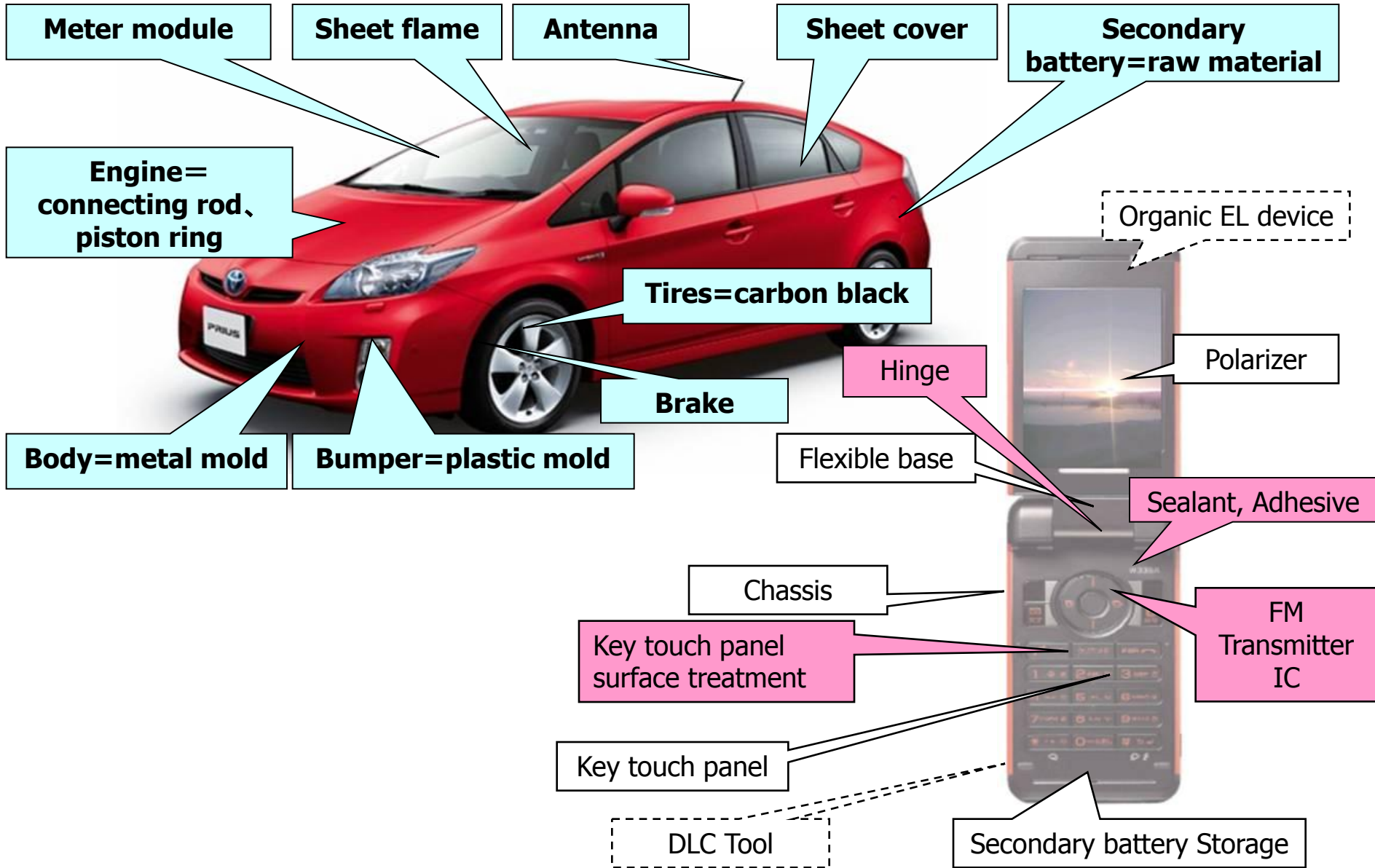






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# Advanced Technology Developed in Niigata Supports the National Auto and High-Tech Industries

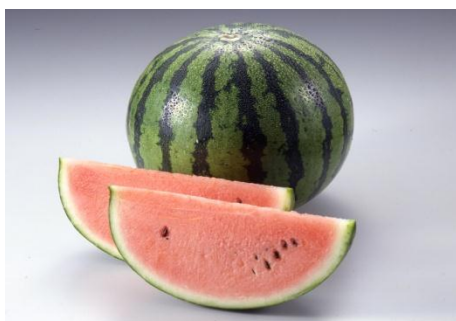


# Nationally Highly Renowned Agriculture and Food Industries

## Role of Niigata's agriculture and food industries in Japan

- Niigata takes an important role as Japan's agricultural powerhouse as one of the top prefectures in terms of the number of farmers as well as the amount of farm land.
- The rice-related food production industry is ranked as one of Japan's top prefectures with the highest rice production volume in the nation in 2008.

*Niigata is Japan's agricultural powerhouse*







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# Rich Variety of Tourist Attractions and Convenient Access

Natural hot springs



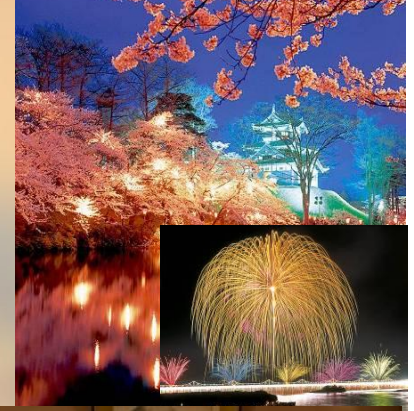
Fresh seafood



Medical tourism



Some of the best tourist attractions and resources in the nation



Winter sports, snow resorts

