



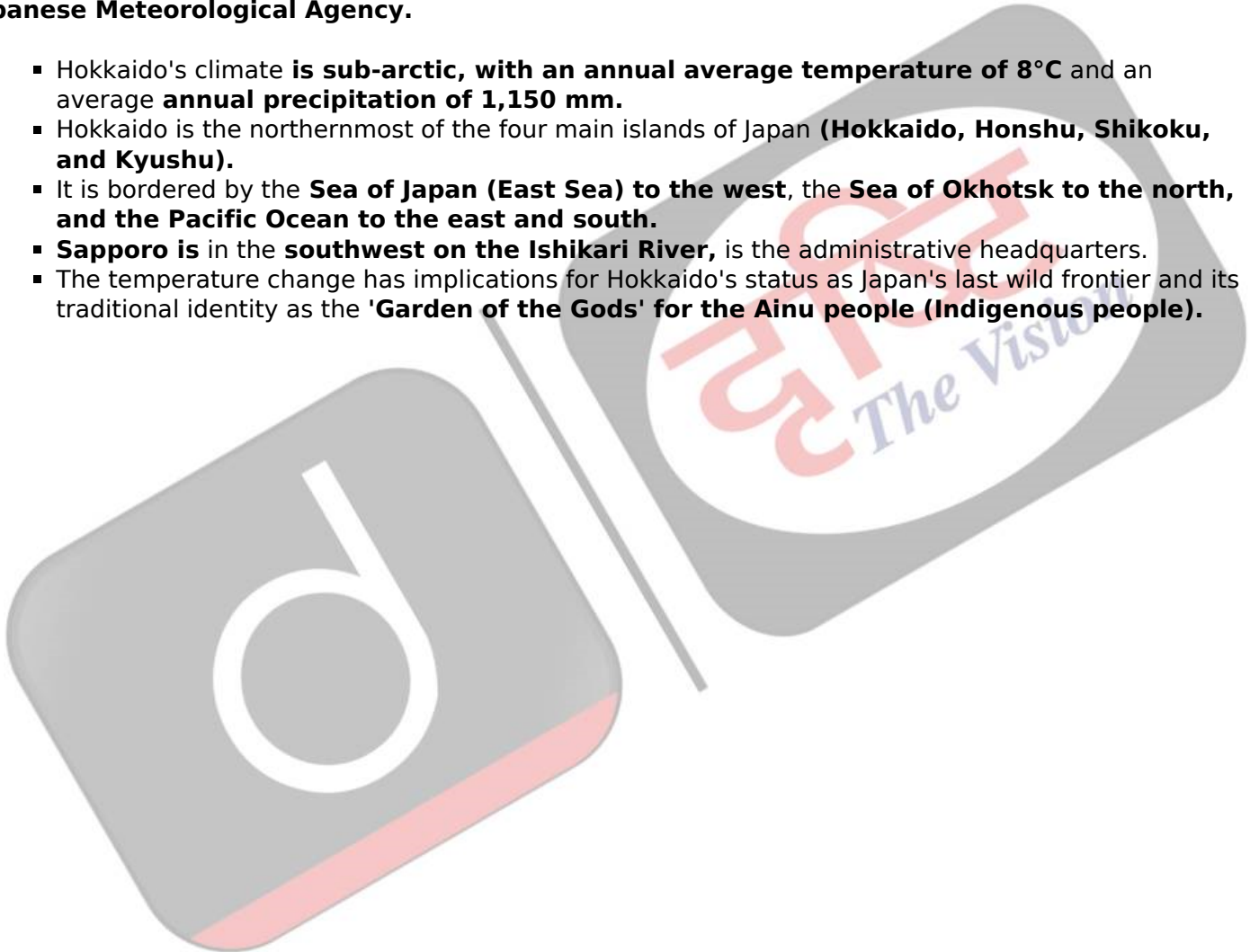
Hokkaido, Japan's Garden of Gods

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Recently, a record-high temperature of **26 degrees Celsius in Sapporo, Hokkaido** was recorded by the **Japanese Meteorological Agency**.

- Hokkaido's climate **is sub-arctic, with an annual average temperature of 8°C** and an average **annual precipitation of 1,150 mm**.
- Hokkaido is the northernmost of the four main islands of Japan (**Hokkaido, Honshu, Shikoku, and Kyushu**).
- It is bordered by the **Sea of Japan (East Sea) to the west**, the **Sea of Okhotsk to the north**, and the **Pacific Ocean to the east and south**.
- **Sapporo is in the southwest on the Ishikari River**, is the administrative headquarters.
- The temperature change has implications for Hokkaido's status as Japan's last wild frontier and its traditional identity as the '**Garden of the Gods**' for the **Ainu people (Indigenous people)**.

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