## Annual Results for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2024 (FY 2023)

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## **1. Overview of FY2023 Results**

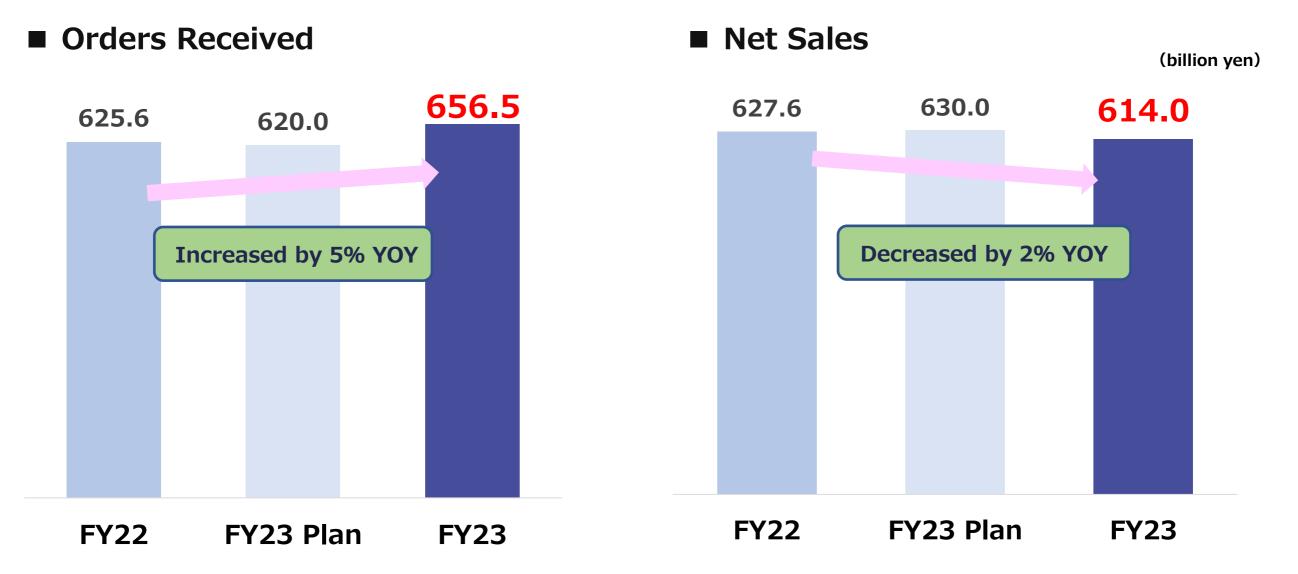
# Orders received reached a record high, and Sales also remain at record levels.

# Overseas business stagnated ,but domestic business remains steady.

# Year-end dividend 60 yen , 3 billion planned for share buyback.

## (2) Results Highlights (Orders Received, Net Sales)

Orders received reached a record high. Sales declined year-on-year, but remained high.

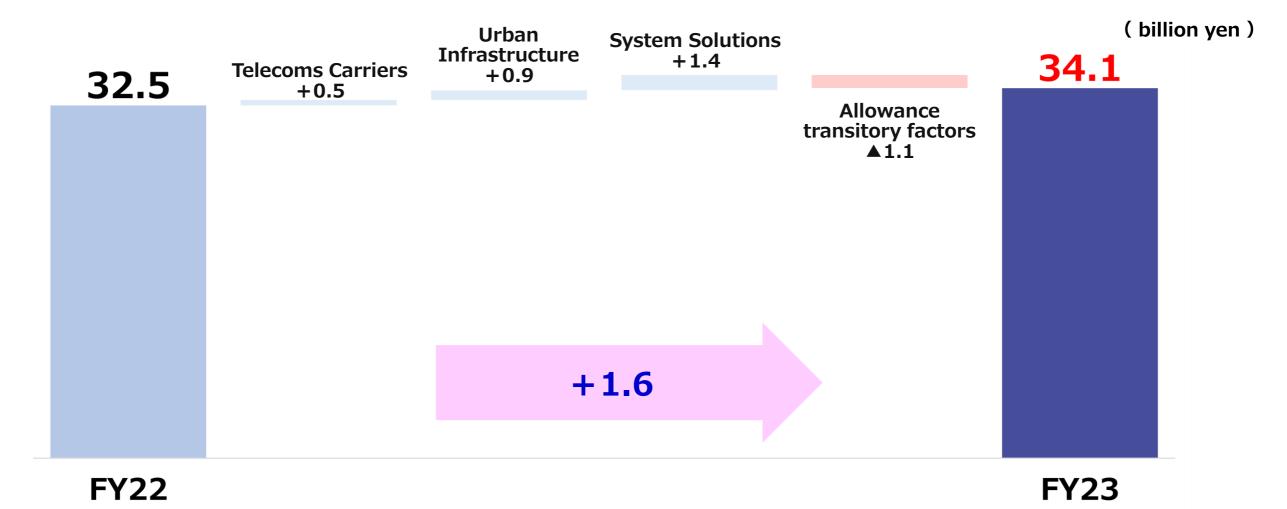


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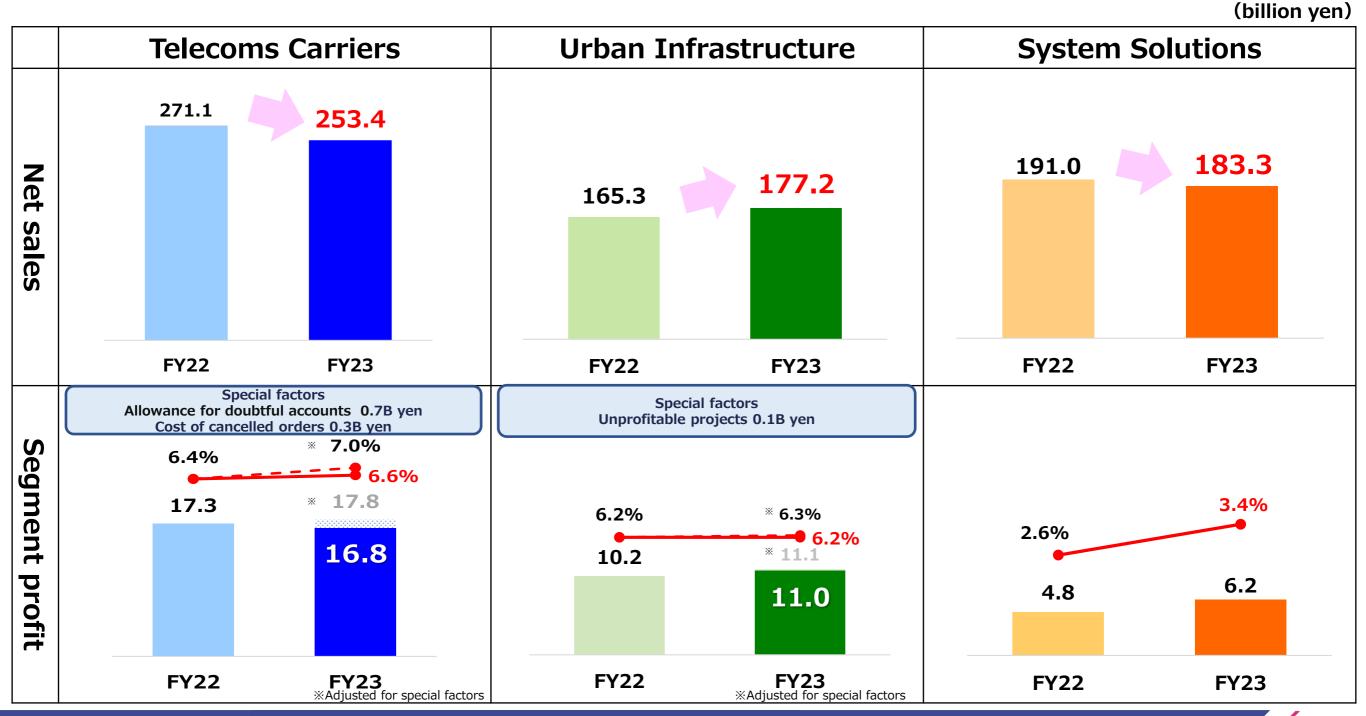
## (3) Results Highlights (Operating Profit)

Despite lower profits in the global business, the domestic side of the business was strong, with all segments achieving higher profits.

#### Operating Profit



## (4) Results Highlights (Segment Information)



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## 2. Forecast for FY2024 performance

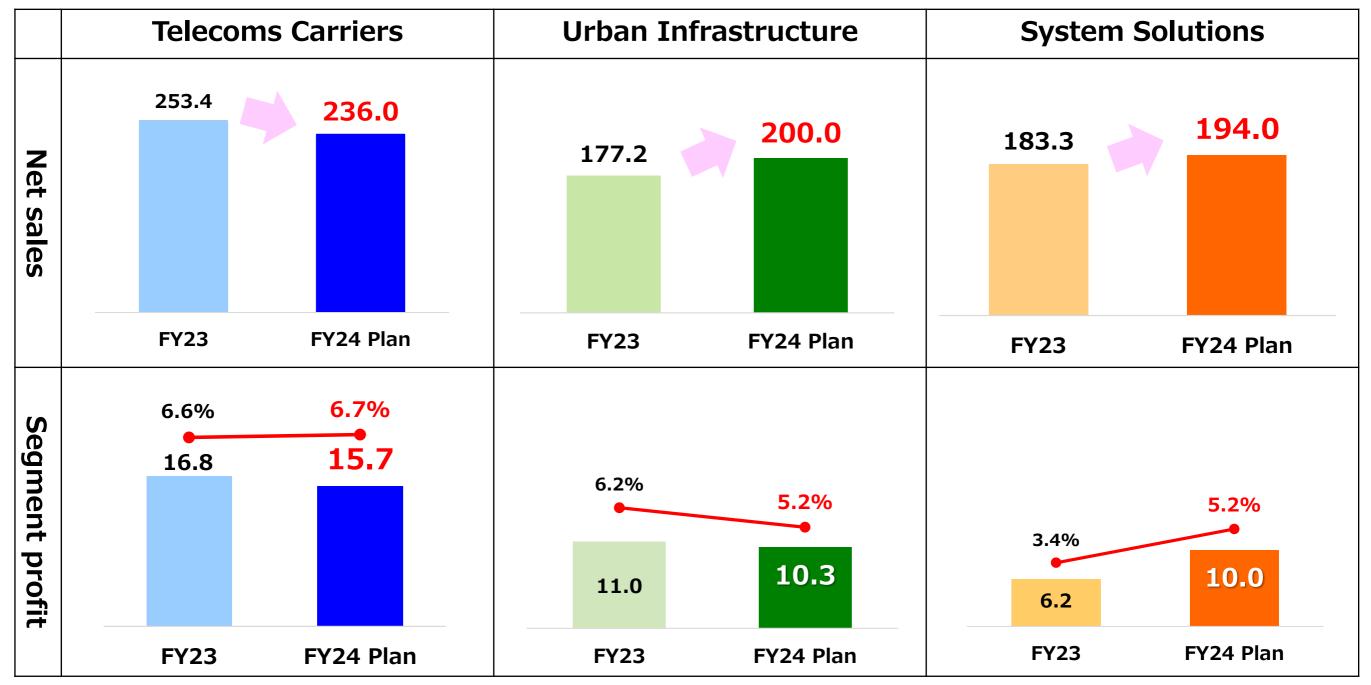
## /(1) Plan Summary

As regards sales, the aim is to achieve the medium-term management plan ahead of schedule. Planned increase in profits due to continued strong domestic business and improved profitability of global business.

(billion yen)	FY2023	FY2024	
	Actual A	Plan B	YOY B-A
<b>Orders received</b>	656.5	640.0	<b>▲16.5</b>
Net sales	614.0	630.0	+16.0
<b>Operating profit</b>	(5.6%) 34.1	(5.7%) 36.0	(+0.1P) +1.9

## (2) Plan Summary (Segment Information)

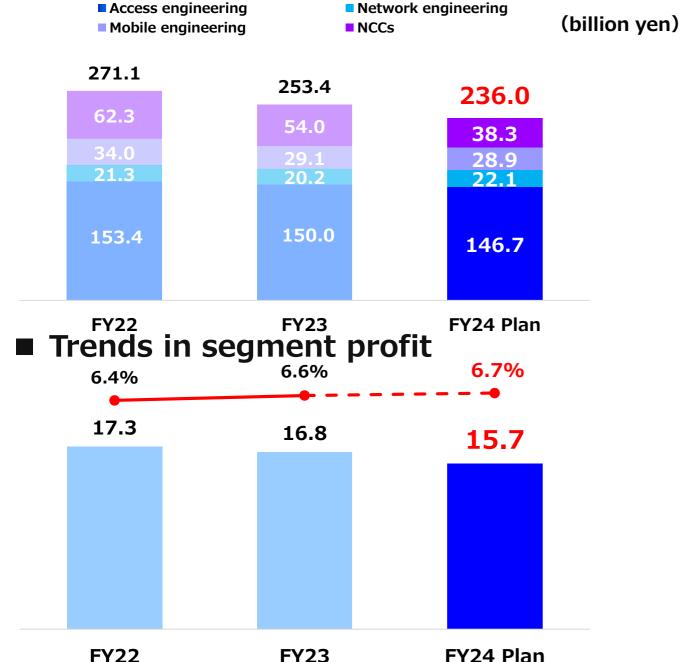
(billion yen)



## 3. Initiatives by Segment

## (1) Telecoms Carriers

#### Trends in net sales



#### FY2024 Plan

•Capital investment by telecoms carriers stagnates.

 $\cdot$  Maintain/improve profitability as a core business.

### Main Initiatives

 Continued productivity gains through DX utilization.

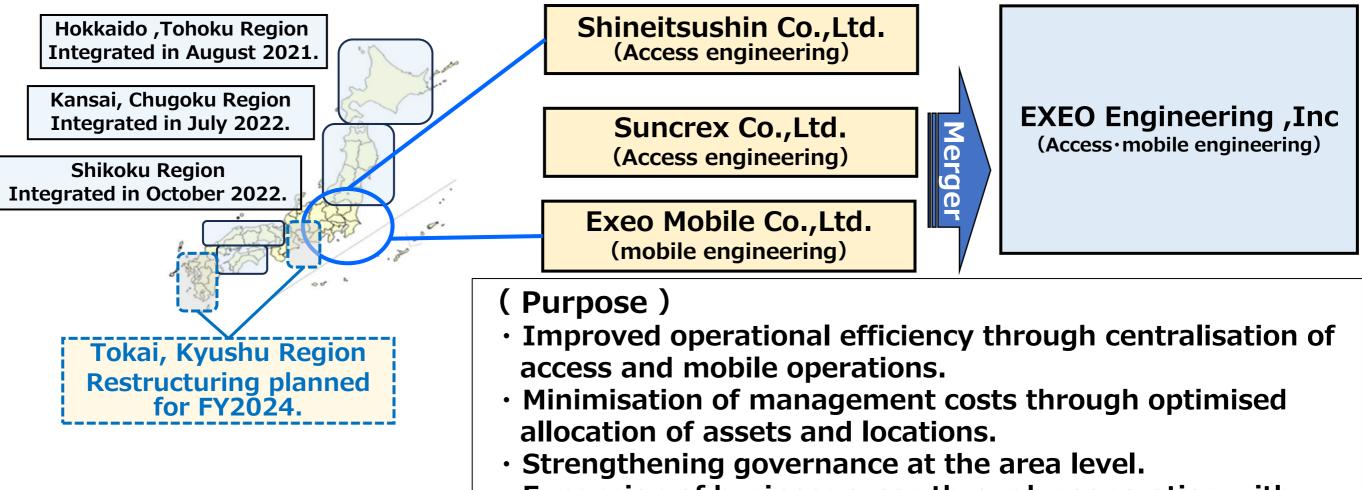
(Automation, Offshore, etc.)

 Ongoing area-specific business optimization.

 Next generation infrastructure "IOWN" and telecommunications NW renewal.
 (Focus on wireless fixed-line telephony, metal removal, etc.)

## (1) Telecoms Carriers (Restructuring of area businesses)

Subsidiaries were reorganised on 1 April to optimise the telecom carrier business formation in the metropolitan area.



• Expansion of business areas through cooperation with Group companies.

## (1) Telecoms Carriers (centralisation of offices)

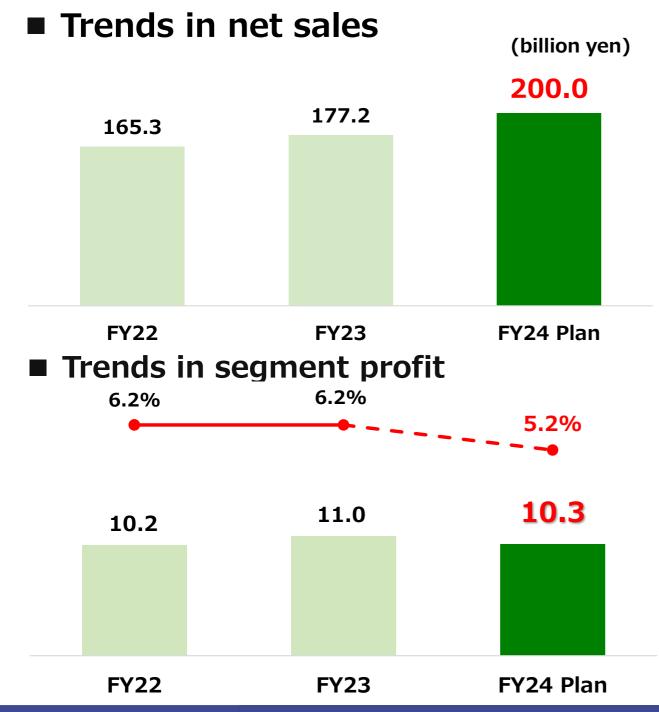
## New Technology Centre (Dazaifu, Fukuoka) established to improve operational efficiency in the Kyushu area.



In order to create new value, five offices, including those of group companies, which were dispersed throughout Fukuoka City, were integrated.

 Rooftop solar power, storage batteries, insulated glass and stateof-the-art air-conditioning systems have been installed to create an ecofriendly and healthy working environment.

## (2) Urban Infrastructure



#### FY2024 Plan

- •DC business remains strong. Expand resources and maximise orders and completions.
- •Profits for the current year will decrease due to the deteriorating profitability of large projects awarded in the past and increased recruitment and training costs.

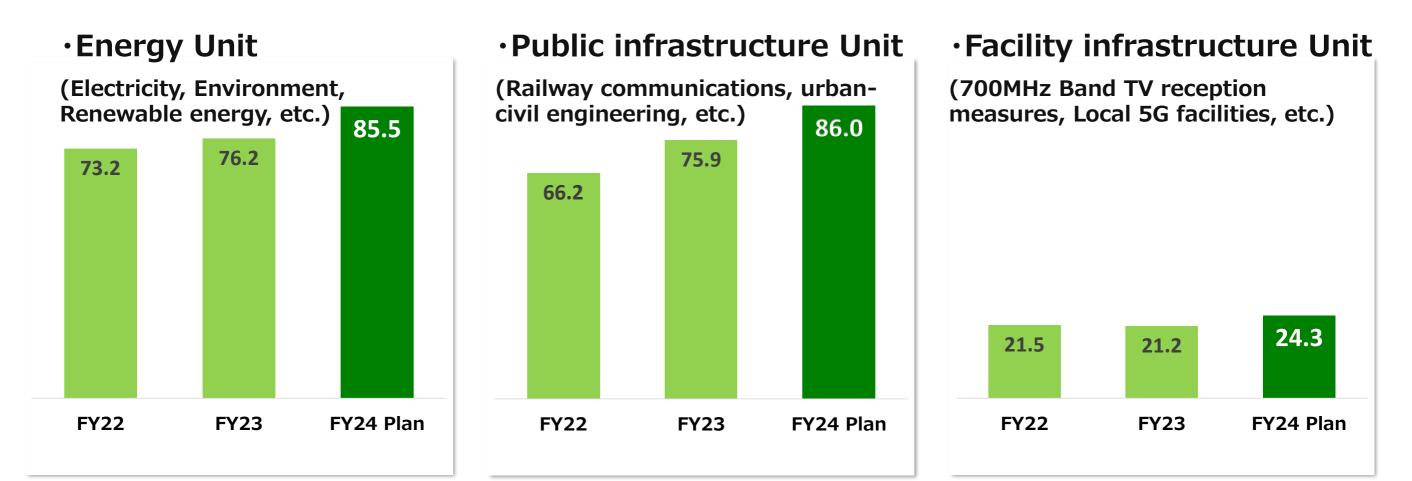
### Main Initiatives

- •Accelerate the shift of resources to DC and electrical equipment projects.
- •Train offshore wind turbine engineers and promote partnerships with universities and other organizations to facilitate local development.
- •Patent applied for energy-related power controller. (R&D promotion)

## (2) Urban Infrastructure (Breakdown by Business Unit)

#### Trends in net sales

(billion yen)

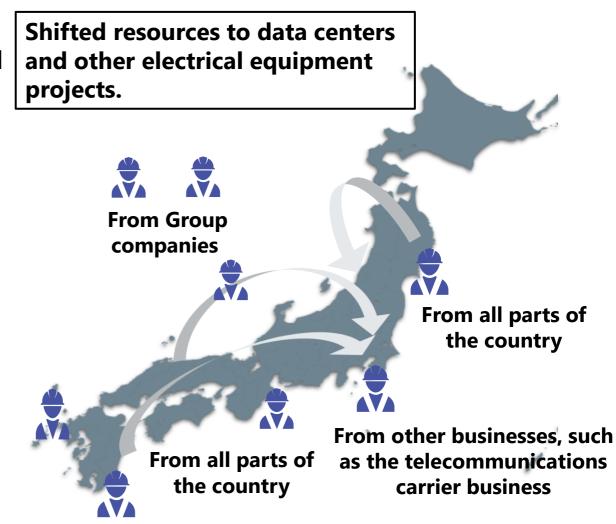


## (2) Urban Infrastructure (Data Center)

#### Investment in domestic data centers by major cloud providers grows.

- US cloud providers have announced investments of over 4 trillion yen.
- Consolidation of resources from other businesses and group companies.
- Consideration of responses to high heat generation, such as generative AI and GPU chips.





## (2) Urban Infrastructure (Environmental business)

Contribute to reducing environmental impact through renewable and smart energy projects.

Woody biomass power generation

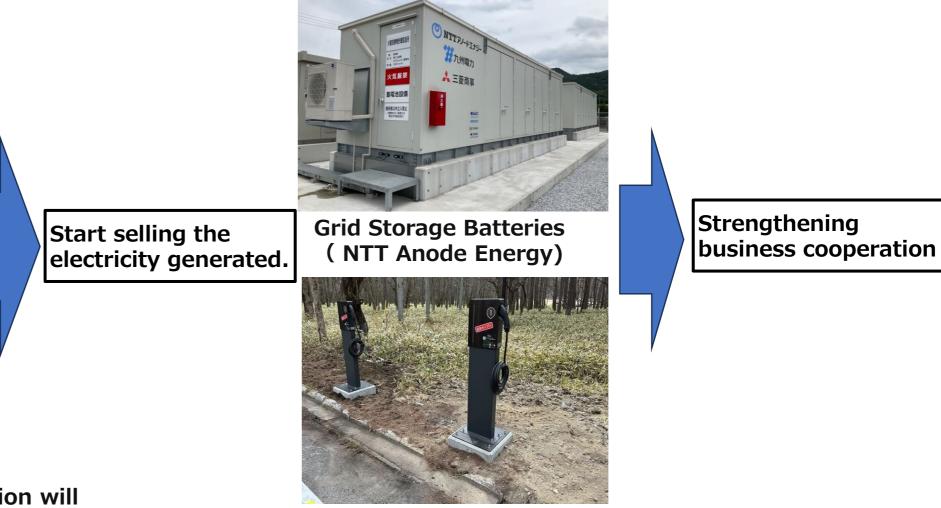


Ashikaga Eco Power (Operation started in March 2024).



Furudono Ronden Eco Power (Operation will start in August 2024.)

#### Smart energy

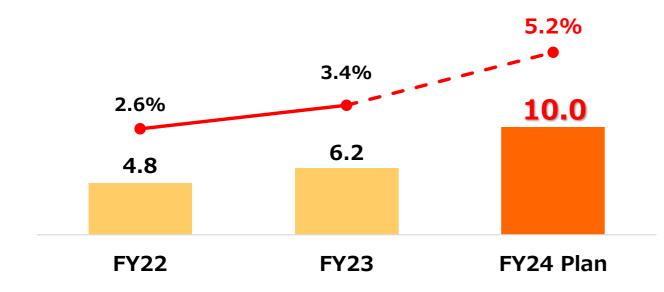


EV charging infrastructure (Plugo)

## (3) System Solutions

Trends in net sales		( billion yen )		
	191.0	183.3	194.0	
	FY22	FY23	FY24 Plan	

Trends in segment profit



#### FY2024 Plan

- SI business, including software development, steady.
- The service business grew steadily and contributed to profits.
- Aiming for a significant increase in profits along with a recovery in global business.

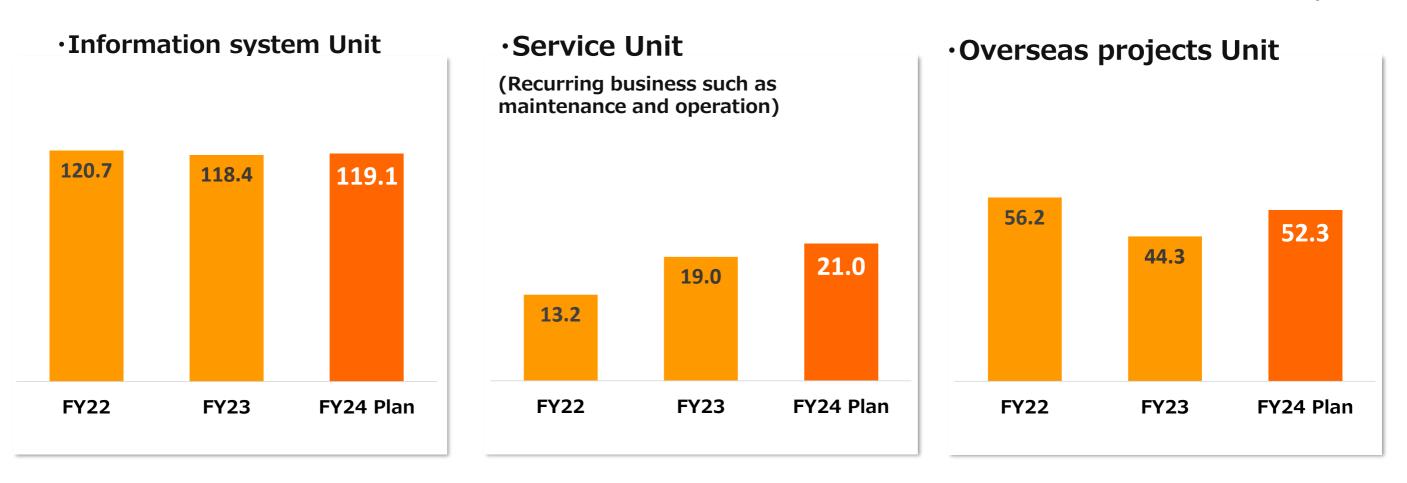
#### Main Initiatives

- Strengthening sales and marketing across the Group's businesses to increase prime contracting orders with total solutions.
- Increased relationship orders, including after-GIGA.
- Global operations aim to generate stable profits through the integration of new businesses.

### (3) System Solutions (Breakdown by Business Unit)

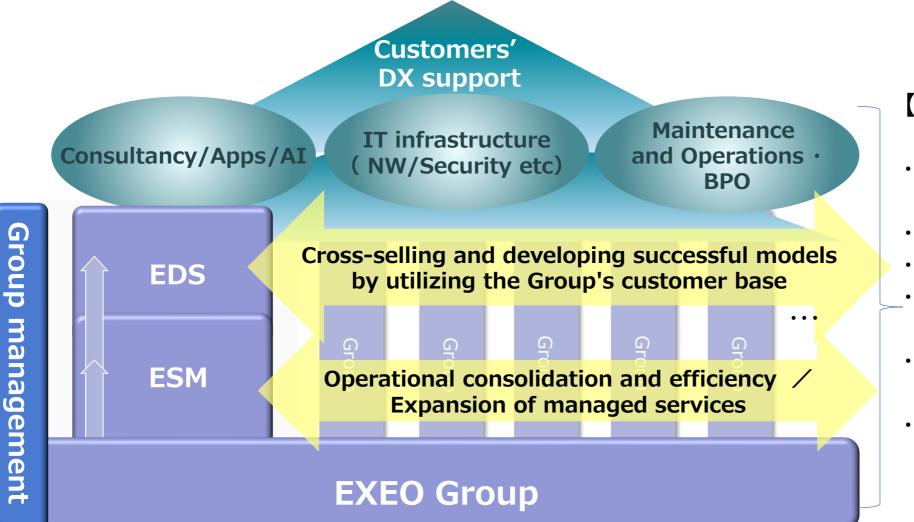
#### Trends in net sales

(billion yen)



## (3) System Solutions (Total Solution Initiatives)

Total support for customers' DX promotion by maximising the use of the Group's assets, with EXEO Digital Solutions, Inc. (EDS) and EXEO System Management, Inc. (ESM) at the core.



#### **(Typical initiatives)**

- Recruitment and training of upstream consultants.
- Agile development, including low-code.
- Nearshore and offshore development.
- Provision of advanced technologies such as generative AI.
- Enhanced security, including SASE and IOWN.
- IT lifecycle provision, including refurbish.

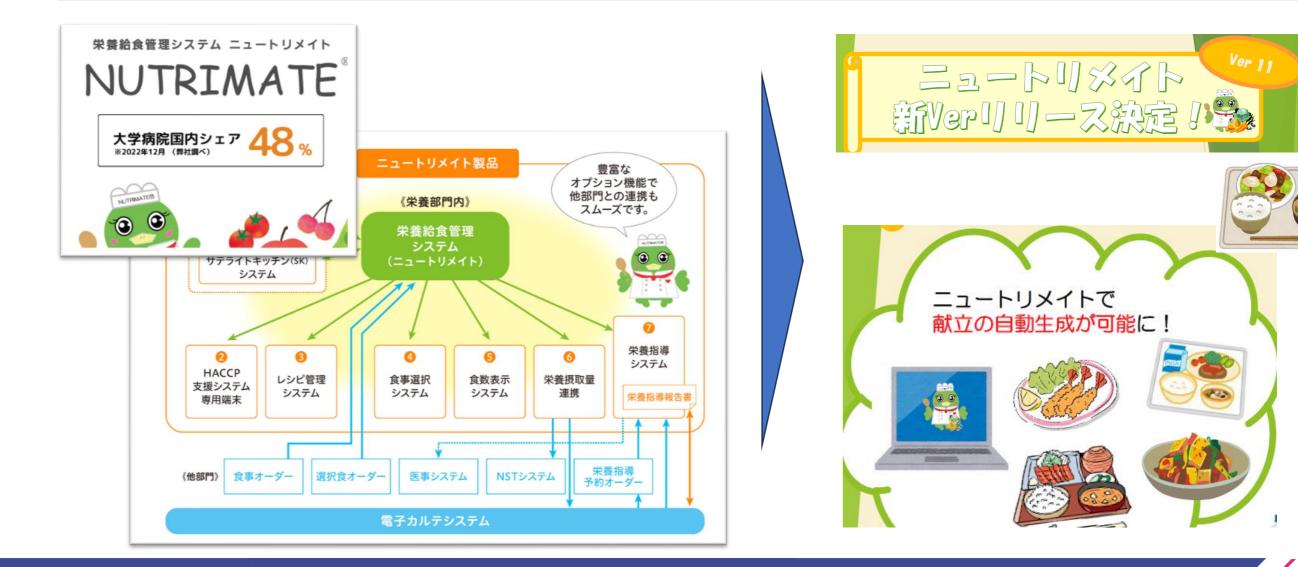
## (3) System Solutions (Total Solution Initiatives)

## Expand knowledge of system solutions to other segments to increase company-wide profits.

Technologies to be deployed	System solutions Private companies, municipalities, etc.	Urban Infrastructure Railways, general contractors, etc.	Telecoms Carriers NTT Group, etc.
Consultancy AI and apps	Customer-specific process DX, etc.	DX support for infrastructure,	, engineering industry, etc.
Cloud	Building cloud infrastructures		B2B2X model,
Platform	for local government, education, etc.	Provides cloud-based solutions	Adapting to the service model
IT infrastructure and maintenance operations	IT environment development, including security and communication	Smart building/hotel /office projects	Maintaining and strengthening the telecommunications infrastructure
Strengthening the business base	Partner ecosystem	Group company cooperation	Training of highly skilled technicians

## (3) System Solutions (NUTRIMATE)

Nutrimate, a nutritional food service management system with the No.1\* domestic market share in university hospitals. New version (ver. 11) equipped with AI automatic menu planning function (patent pending) \* According to Daiwa Densetsu Kogyo research.



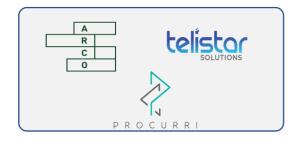
## (3) System Solutions (Overseas project)

Strengthen management and governance, promote structural reforms for sustainable growth and steady improvement in income and expenditure.



#### **IT Managed Service**

- HW Subscription Services
- NW monitoring and security services



Improved income and expenditure by recovering from the deteriorating business environment.





#### ICT infrastructure

- Provision and construction of IoT/SI/NI equipment
- IBS infrastructure sharing services

Steady growth. Further

growth with footprint

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Offshore development

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expansion.

#### Supply chain technology

- Digital trade platform
- Freight tracking and fleet management services
- Digital Twin Warehousing



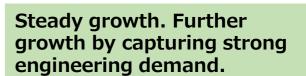
#### **M&E Engineering**

- Electrical and sanitary engineering
- Air conditioning and ventilation engineerin
- Communications and signal engineering



Review business portfolio and improve income and expenditure

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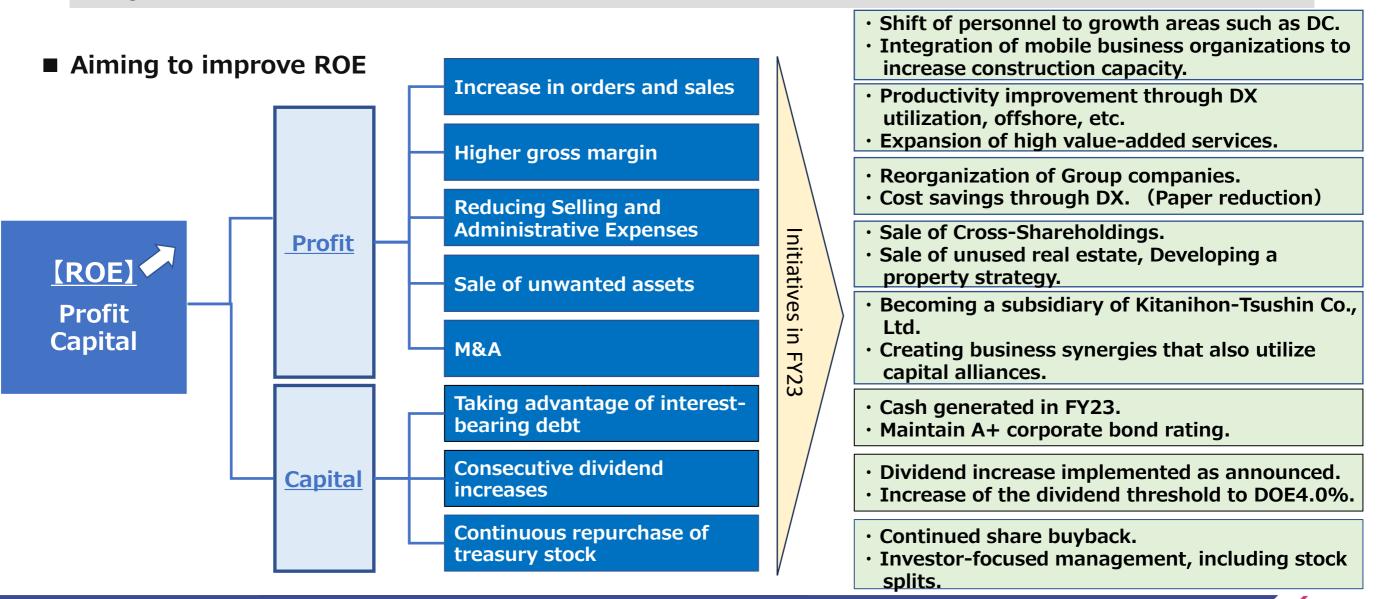
Expand intra-group synergies with domestic operations to achieve stable business growth

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## 4. Initiatives to Enhance corporate value

## (1) Initiatives to Enhance corporate value (Improving ROE)

Pursue growth to achieve ROE of 9.0% or higher as set out in the Medium-Term Management Plan. Continue growth exceeding capital costs to increase corporate value.

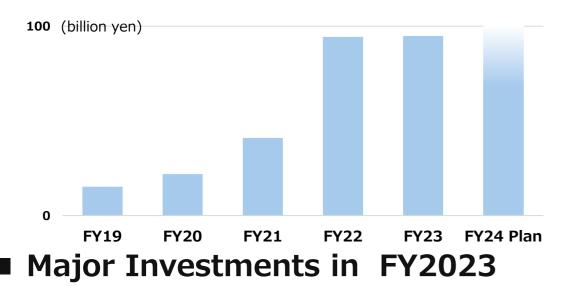


## / (2) M&A

Aggressively continue M&A to increase scale and further improve profitability.

#### Net sales of acquired subsidiaries

**\***Aggregate of subsidiaries that have joined the Group since fiscal 2018. However, three companies in western Japan Company Group are excluded.



Companies	Region
Kitanihon-Tsushin Co., Ltd.	Urban Infrastructure
Fixpoint, Inc. [Capital and Business Alliance]	System Solutions
X1Studio, Inc. 【Capital and Business Alliance】	Urban Infrastructure

#### M&A policy

- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$  Strategic mergers and acquisitions to expand the business portfolio.
- Selection of investment destinations with an awareness of investment effectiveness and profitability.
- Restructuring of the asset portfolio through the sale of Cross-Shareholdings.

Increase market share through expansion of business size and domain Strengthening our ability to handle large projects.
Acquisition of construction areas.

 Resolving of lost opportunities and handling of new projects.
 Acquisition of human resources and development sites.

Reinforcement of high value-added areas through new technologies and expertise •Setting up a new business. •Value-added acquisitions such as patents and construction methods.

• Development of new products and solutions.

•Acquisition of new technologies such as AI.

## (3) Cash Allocation Policy

## Appropriately allocate the cash generated to investment in growth and shareholder returns, with the aim of increasing corporate value.

#### **Policy**

- Cash flow generation through steady growth
- Sale of Cross-Shareholdings and unwanted real estate.
- Use of interest-bearing debt while maintaining financial soundness

#### [ Actual results ]

#### EBITDA

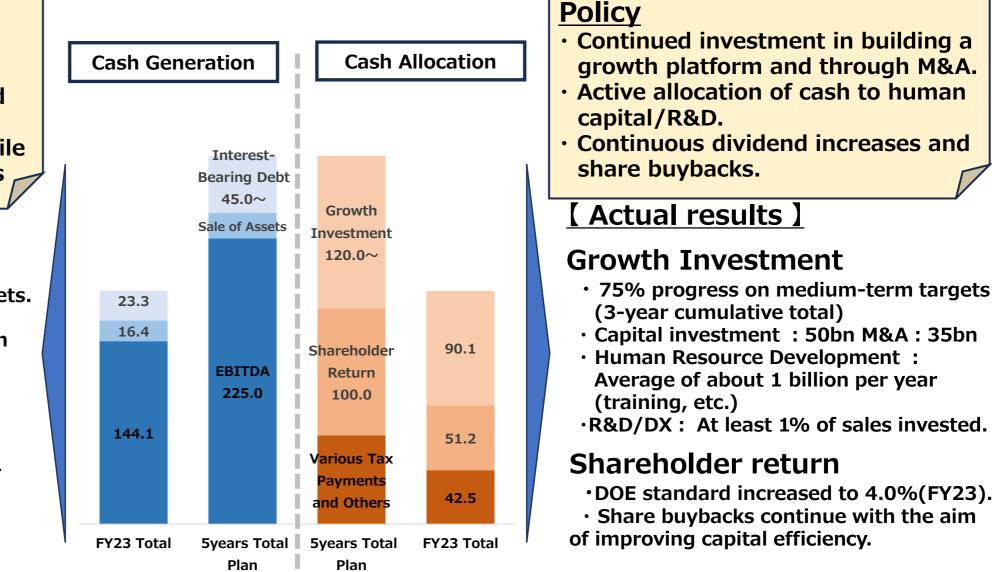
- 64% progress on medium-term targets.
   (3-year cumulative total)
- Aiming for profit increase and growth from FY24 onwards.

#### Sales of asset

- 14 billion Cross-Shareholdings sold.
   (3-year cumulative total)
- Start considering medium- and longterm property strategies.

#### interest-bearing debt

 12bn reduction in favorable child liabilities (FY23)



## (4) Disaster Relief Assistance

## Engaged in reconstruction assistance activities following the Noto Peninsula earthquake of 2024.



- A total of 6,000 people across the Group have been assisted in the restoration of telecommunications infrastructure.
- Provision of our own 'survival power supplies' and 'multichargers' to various telecoms companies.

## **(5) ESG**

## Social and governance-related initiatives continue to be implemented and external evaluations obtained.

- Recognized as a "A-" by CDP for excellence in climate action and information disclosure CDP, a London-based non-governmental organization (NGO) that works internationally to disclose environmental assessments, rates companies on a scale of one to eight. The "A-" rating is the second highest rating.
- Received the "Best Workplace for Diversity&Inclusion", the highest evaluation in "D&I Award 2023". Certification based on the Diversity Score; an index developed by Job rainbow that visualizes the promotion of corporate diversity.
- Received silver certification for "PRIDE Index 2023". An evaluation index for LGBTQ and other sexual minorities in the workplace developed by "work with Pride", a voluntary organization.







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## 5. Shareholder Return

## (1) Dividends, Share Buybacks

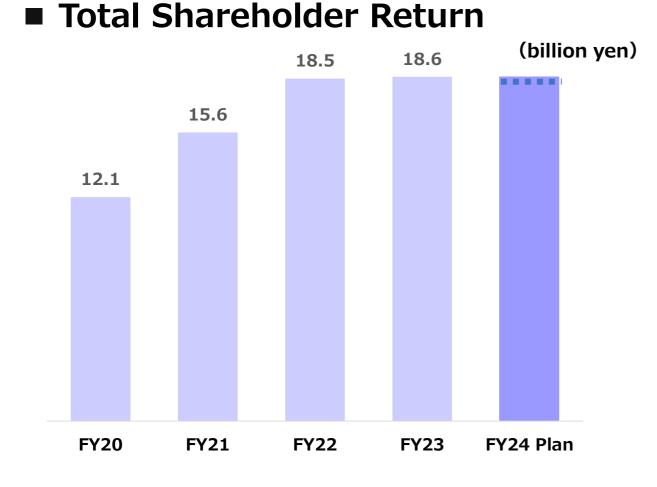
From FY23, the dividend policy has been changed to a 4.0% DOE basis, and we plans to increase dividends for 13 consecutive fiscal years (interim 31 yen, annual 62 yen). Purchase of treasury stock continuously and flexibly. Cancellation of 3 million treasury shares at the end of November 2023. 2-for-1 stock split in April 2024.



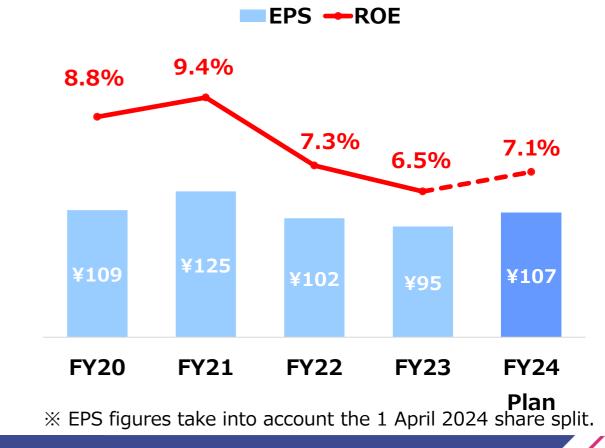
\* Figures after taking into account the 1 April 2024 share split.

## (2) Total Shareholder Return, ROE, EPS

Active shareholder returns through consecutive dividend increases and continuous share buy-backs. ROE declined in FY23 due to valuation losses, but has been on a steady growth trajectory since FY24.







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