# New Medium-Term Management Plan 2025

- Accelerate Transformation to Realize Our Vision -

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# I. What Sanyo Chemical Group Shall Be

- Corporate Identity
- Management Policy:

WakuWaku Explosion 2030

- Sustainable Management



### What Sanyo Chemical Group Shall Be Corporate Identity

**Company Mission** 

### **Mission**

#### Vision 2030

### Vision

#### Establish a better society through our corporate activities



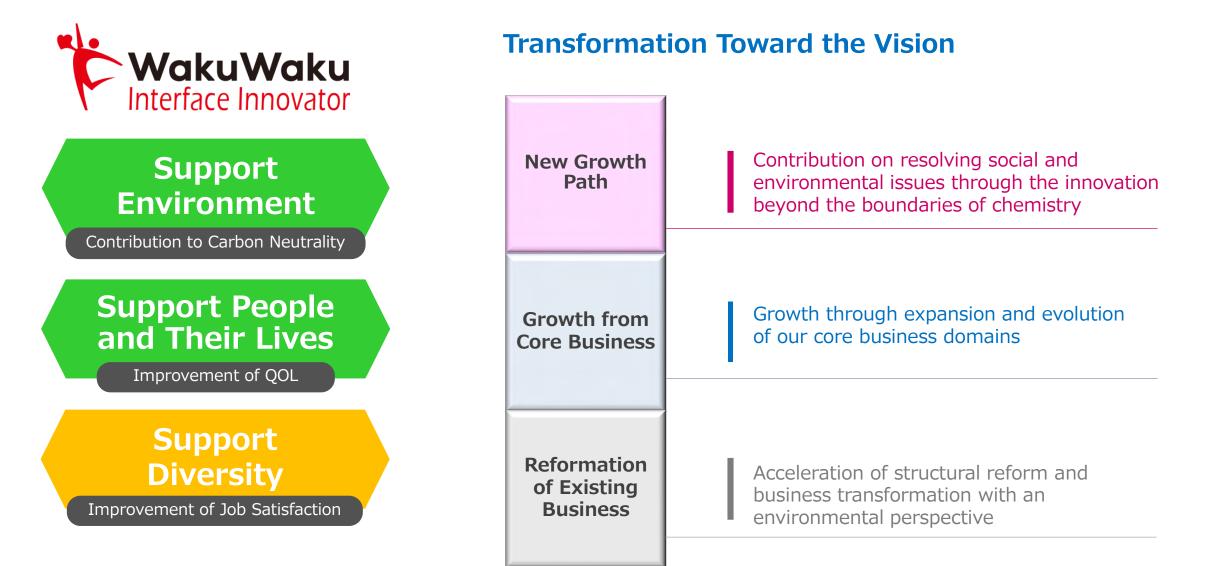
Grow into a global, unique, and highly profitable company where every employee feels pride and satisfaction in his/ her work

### Values

- Inspire WakuWaku feeling from all the stakeholders
- Co-create environmental, social and economic values with the stakeholders
- Facilitate every employee's value creation

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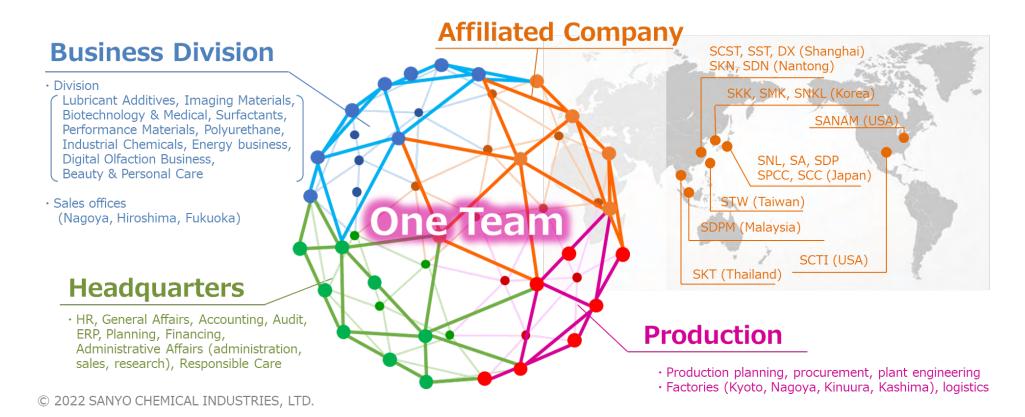


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### Activities to support the transformation

### " Every department is a profit center "

- Every employee of the Sanyo Chemical Group plays a leading role.
- Promoting WakuWaku works by spotlighting everyone.



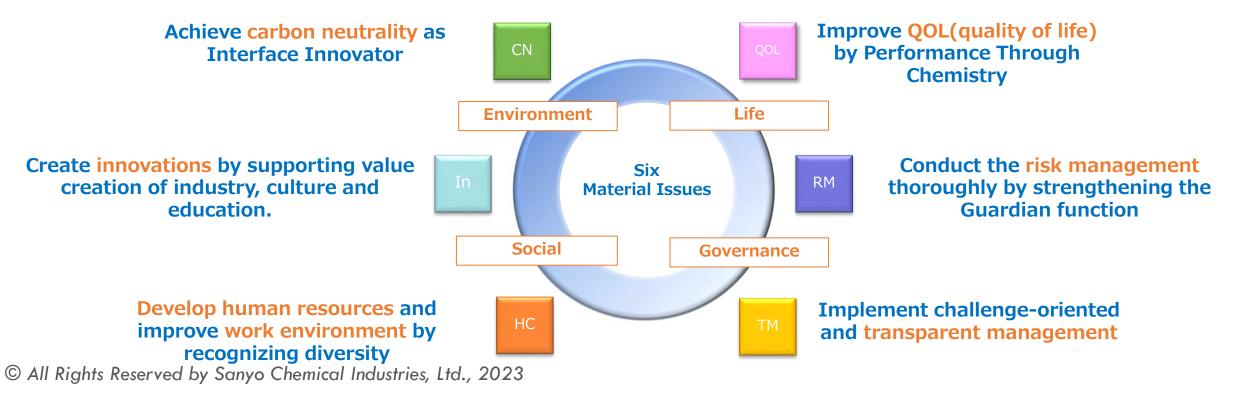


#### **Basic Policy on Sustainability**

Our mission is to establish a better society through our corporate activities since the foundation. Sanyo Chemical Group commits to realize sustainable growth towards future by enhancing both economic and social values in close cooperation with all the stakeholders.

**Identification of Material Issues** 

Sanyo identifies material issues in aspect with our value creation in long term



# **I**. Review

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# Message from the President

Sanyo Chemical Group implemented the "WakuWaku Explosion 2030" management policy in March 2022.

Based on the company mission since our foundation, "Establish a better society through our corporate activities", each and every employee has been working to create values toward becoming a "WakuWaku\* company", where everyone can shine, with the three pillars of "Contribution to carbon neutrality", "Improvement of QOL" and "Improvement of job satisfaction" so that we can contribute to create sustainable societies.

On the other hand, in FY2022, negative factors such as China's lockdown due to COVID-19, soar of energy prices due to the turmoil in Ukraine, automobile production cutbacks due to semiconductor shortages, sharp yen depreciation, and other global environmental changes have had significant impacts on our business operations. Consequently, our approaches on "Reformation of existing business," "Growth from core business," and "New growth path" initiated based on the management policy fell slightly behind from initial expectations and the company's performance for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2023, fell short of its initial plan.

In order to realize the ideal status envisioned in our management policy, we have formulated a new medium-term management plan, a three-year plan in which we describe a roadmap and specific initiatives. Guided by this new medium-term management plan, Sanyo group as one team will pay efforts to enhance our values through entire supply chain and accelerate the creation of new values through innovation through the power of chemistry beyond the boundaries of chemistry. We will continue to work together with our stakeholders to realize a better society. We look forward to your further support and cooperation in our efforts to grow.

\*"WakuWaku" is the Japanese word which express positive, bright, uplifting feeling inspired by inner motivations and/or own wills.

May 2023 Akinori Higuchi

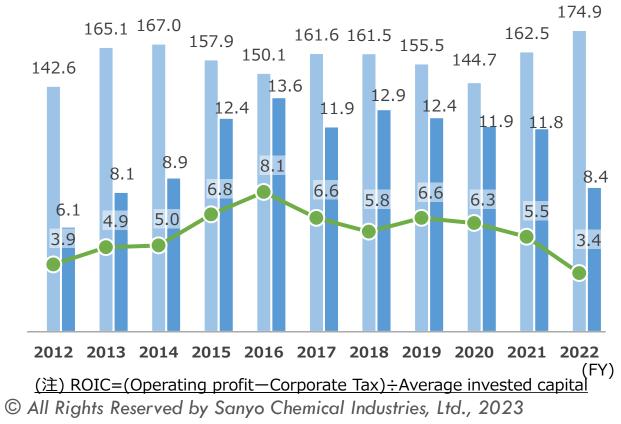
### Review Financial Trends



#### Net Sales, Operating Profit, ROIC

#### No growth in operating profit

- sales(billion yen)
- profit(billion yen)
- **\_\_\_**ROIC(%)



#### Cash Flow

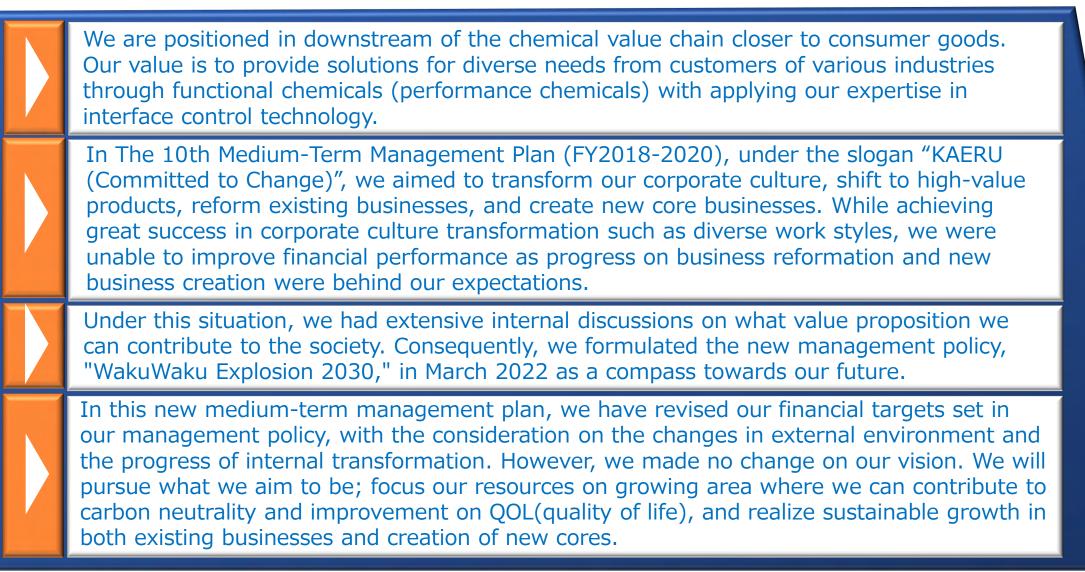
#### Decrease in cash flow generation capability

- Operating Cash flow(billion yen)
- Free Cash flow(billion yen)









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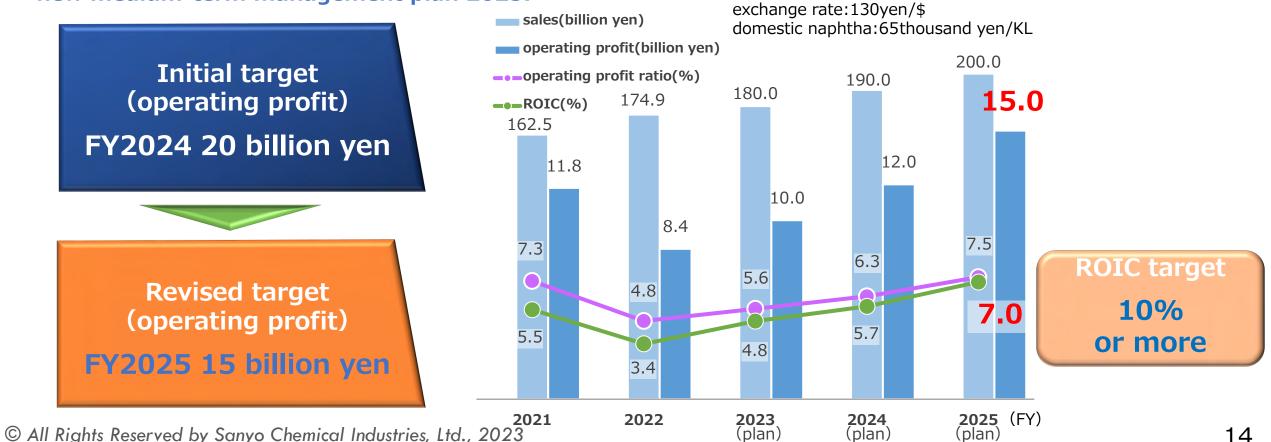
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**III-1.** Revision of Financial Forecasts and Transformation of Business Portfolio

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#### **Revision of Financial Forecasts**

• Reflected on the external environment and the progress of internal transformation, we revise the target of "20 billion yen in operating profit in FY2024" set forth in the management policy. • Nevertheless, we maintain the vision of management policy and commit to realize growth under the new medium-term management plan 2025.

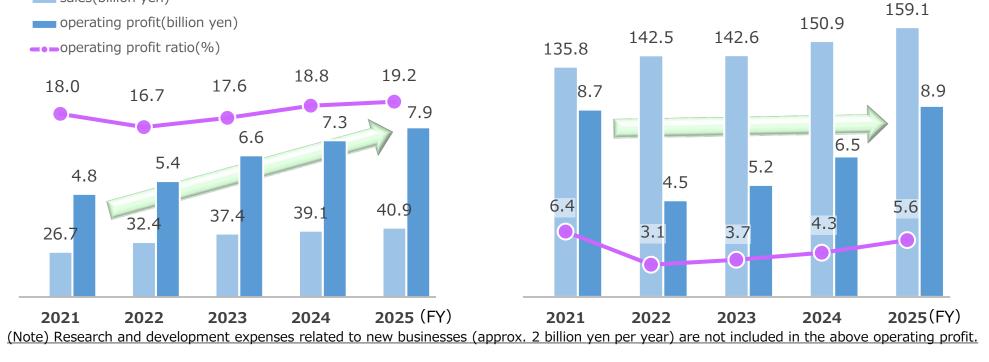


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Financial Forecasts

- High-value-added products category : Five products contributing to CN and QOL are identified in this category (Chemicals for Special fibers and electronics, Lubricant additives, Permanent antistatic agents, Medical and pharmaceutical products)
- Basic products category

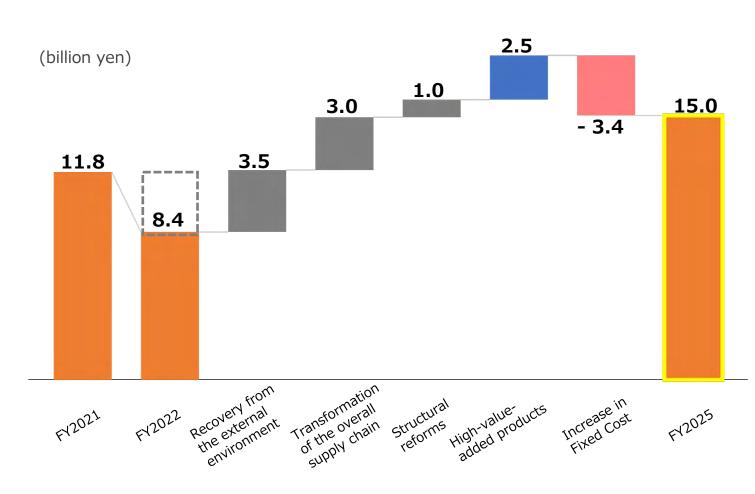
< High-value-added products > sales(billion ven)



#### : Various products other than above are included in this category. oducts > < Basic products>

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**Steps Toward 15 Billion Yen** 



Reformation of Existing Business		
Recovery from the external environment	Recovery of domestic automobile production, demand growth by Post Covid-19 in China	
Transformation of the overall supply chain	Price optimization linked to naphtha prices, Improvement of efficiency through "Monozukuri transformation"	
Structural reforms	Urethane and Superabsorbent Polymers (SAP) businesses undertake drastic reforms	

#### **Growth from Core Business**

High-valueadded products Accelerate investment in 5 focus products and expand overseas sales

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#### **Increase in Fixed Cost**

ERP system update, Increase in depreciation/repair costs associated with renovation investments, rising labor costs

<Composition of opearting profit > High **FY2021 FY2025** value-added **11.8** billion yen 15.0 billion yen value-added products overseas 47% 36% overseas 47% domestic domestic 39% 61% 53% Basic products 53%

#### <Composition of opearting profit>

products

**Transformation of Business Portfolio** 

Increase the proportion of high value-added products category contributing to CN/QOL

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Promote the overseas sales

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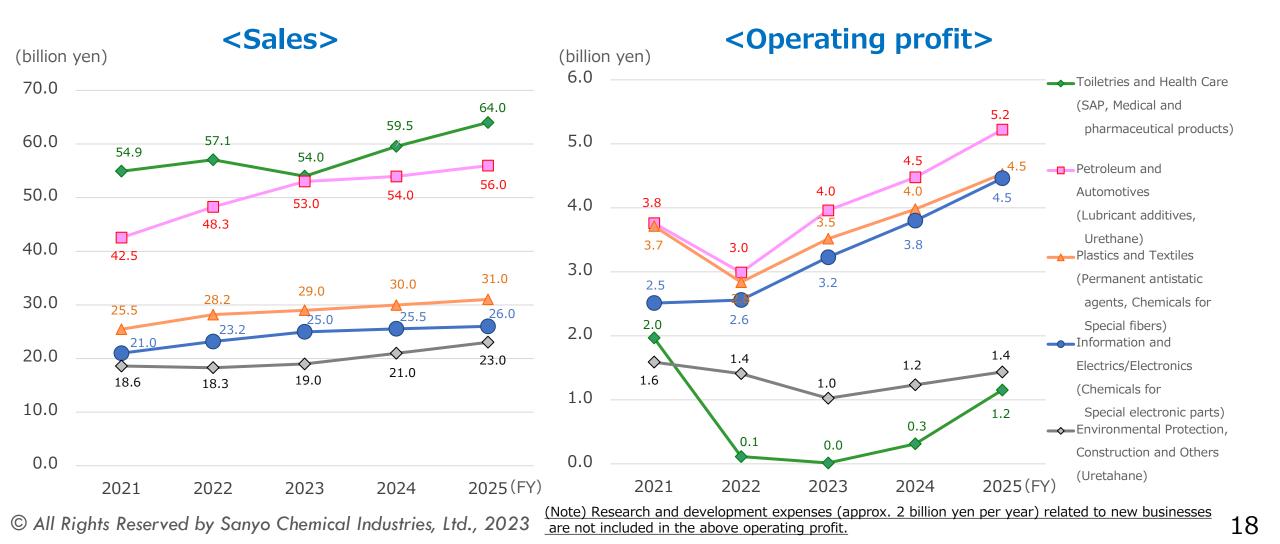
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**Trend of Financial Forecast by Industrial Segments** 

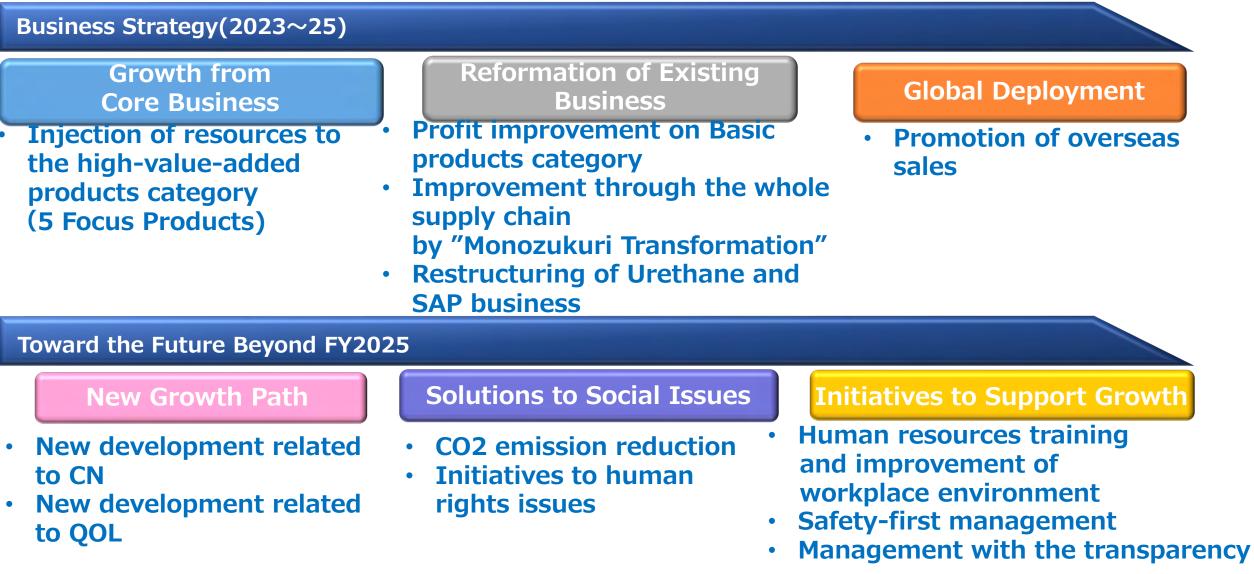


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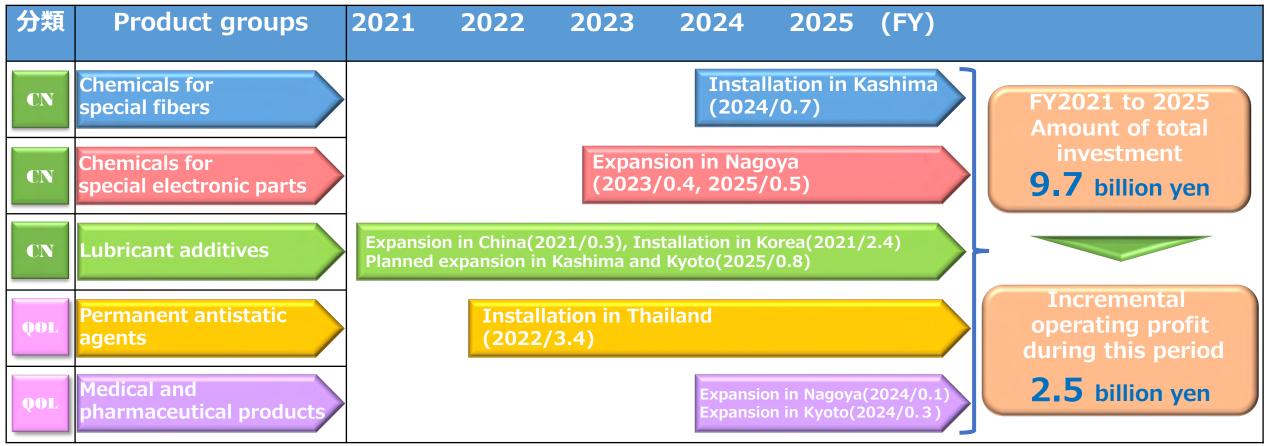
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Business Strategy (2023~25) : Growth from Core Business Reformation of Existing Business Global Deployment New Medium-Term Management Plan 2025 Business Strategy ( $2023 \sim 25$ ) : Growth from Core Business

Accelerate Investment in High-value-added Products Category

Accelerate capital investment in 5 focus products that contribute to CN/QOL
 Pursue additional investment opportunities



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(Note) Amount of investment indicated in billion yen

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## <Post Covid-19 in China>

environment change in 2022

 Falloff in demand relating to diapers, construction paints etc in China caused by the lockdown in 2022

• Prepare sales & production for the expected demand recovery in and

Demand recovery in and after 2023 is expected

### Transforming business processes throughout the supply chain

- Transfer the cost increase of raw materials, utilities and others on the product prices
- Start-up of "Monozukuri Transformation"

**3.5** billion yen

operating profit

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• Approx.40% of Sanyo products are related to the automobile industry Incremental

### **Profit Improvement**

after 2023

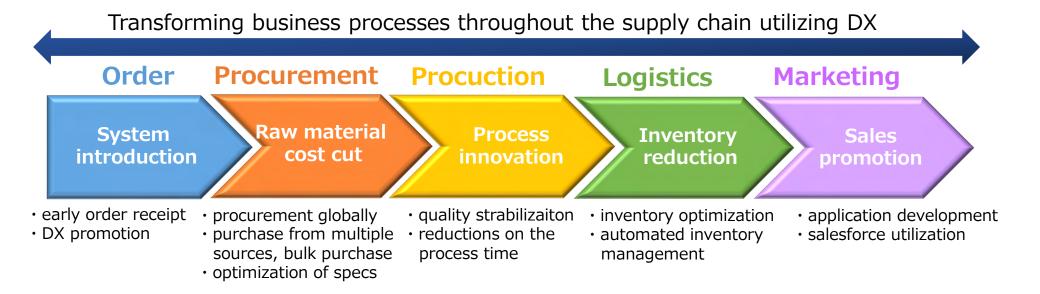
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• Improvement of decreased profit caused by the external

<Recovery of automobile production>

**Monozukuri Transformation** 

- Visualize data through the overall supply chain by the ERP renewal and promotion of DX
- Establish new processes that enable smooth connection from order receipt to production planning
- Conduct fundamental process reformation by dispatching dozens of R&D staffs to production sites
- Promote investment of facilities renewal, incorporated with process optimization and automation
- Implement total costs analysis and overhaul of operations
- Realize CF improvement by 5 billion yen through working capital reduction



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**Structural Reforms** 

#### <Polyurethane resins business unit.>

- Streamline production capacity through strategic alliances with other partners
- Process improvement and grade integration through Monozukuri Transformation
- Optimize production locations through collaboration with GC Polyols
- Shift to high value-added products

#### <Superabsorbent polymers business unit.>

- Consolidate and/or eliminate surplus facilities
- Process improvement and grade integration through Monozukuri Transformation
- Expand Chinese and South Asian sales with regional sales strategy
- Explore high value-added products other than hygienic applications
- Strategic alliances with other partners

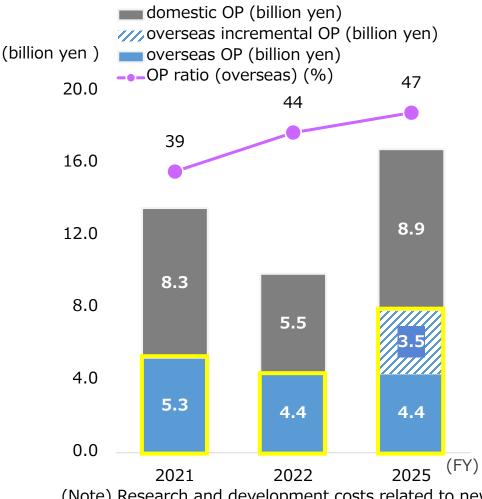


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### New Medium-Term Management Plan 2025 Business Strategy (2023~25) : Global Deployment

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#### Promote Overseas Sales



#### <Expand facilities in overseas plants>

- Thailand : Permanent antistatic agents 1,500 m.t. (FY2022) High functionality surfactants 1,800 m.t. (FY2024)
- Korea : Lubricant additives
- China : Lubricant additives

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11,000 m.t. (FY2021)
2,000 m.t. (FY2021)
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#### <Strengthen functions of overseas sales offices>

- Boost sales to non-Japanese companies by promoting local staffs to senior management positions
- Strengthen technical service functions through R&D staff
   involvement

#### <Design global strategic plan by the business unit.>

- Launch product websites, participation in overseas exhibitions, utilization of digital marketing tools
- Pull-marketing strategy to attract potential international users
- Expand sales of SAP in China and South Asia

(Note) Research and development costs related to new businesses (approx. 2 billion yen/year) are not included in the operating profits above

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Toward the Future Beyond 2025:

New Growth Path Solutions to Social Issues Initiatives to Support Growth

### New Medium-Term Management Plan 2025 Toward the Future Beyond 2025 : New Growth Path

Development Related to CN to be Achieved by FY2025 CN

#### **Reinforcement of innovative actions including** opportunities on strategic alliances and M&A

Carbon Recycling (CCU<sup>\*</sup>)

•Establish basic technology of CCU utilizing ionic liquid method •Accomplish demonstrative trial through consortium with engineering partners and municipalities



•Establish manufacturing method of organic cathodes which contributes to weight reduction

•Initiate demonstrative trials lightweight batteries using our organic cathode



\*Carbon dioxide Capture and Utilization





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•Accomplish registration of fertilizers containing peptides naturally generated •Initiate sales of fertilizers in Miyazaki Prefecture

•Establish mass production technology of fermentation-produced peptides



### New Medium-Term Management Plan 2025 Toward the Future Beyond 2025 : New Growth Path

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Development Related to QOL to be Achieved by FY2025

 Continuous resources injection into Bio and Medical fields.
 Exploration for new businesses through potential investment in start-ups and M&A opportunities.

# Diagnostic and regenerative medical care (extracellular vesicles: EV)

Create new diagnostic business using EV\* high concentration purification technology
Establish technology and business model \*Extracellular Vesicles

# Wound healing materials and meniscus repair (Silk-elastin)

•Complete regulatory approval of wound healing application and clinical trial for meniscus injury applications

•Initiate licensing business of wound-healing and meniscus injury applications to medical device manufacturers and pharmaceutical companies



# In vitro diagnostic medical products (Accuraseed)

•Improve production efficiency at Fujifilm Sanyo Chemical Healthcare Co. (FSHC), and promote sales through Fujifilm sales channels

•Complete IVDR\* support for overseas marketing \*European In Vitro Diagnostic Medical Device Regulation

#### Digital olfaction (smell sensor)

•Initiate utilization in food industry and social implementation in the sanitation industry

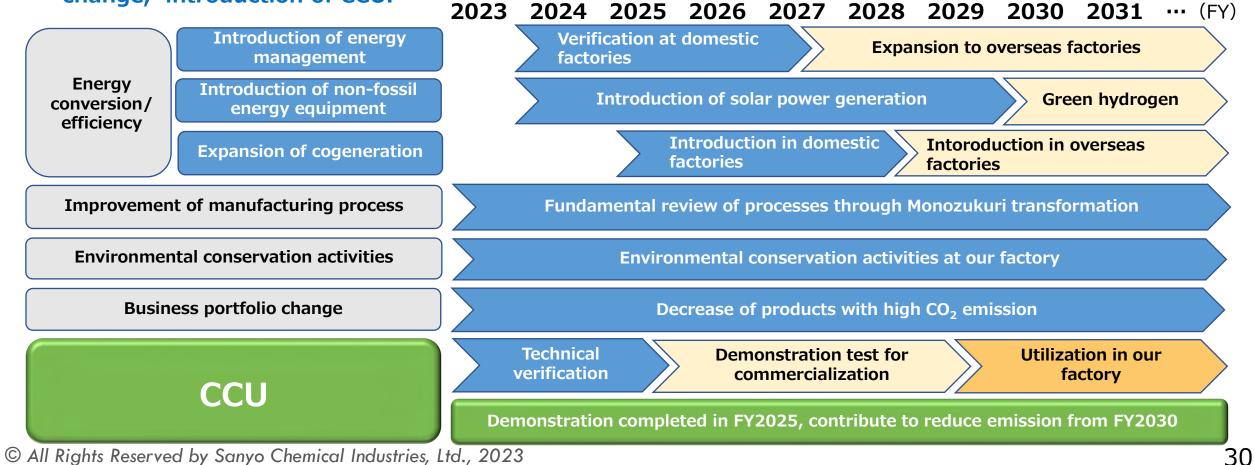


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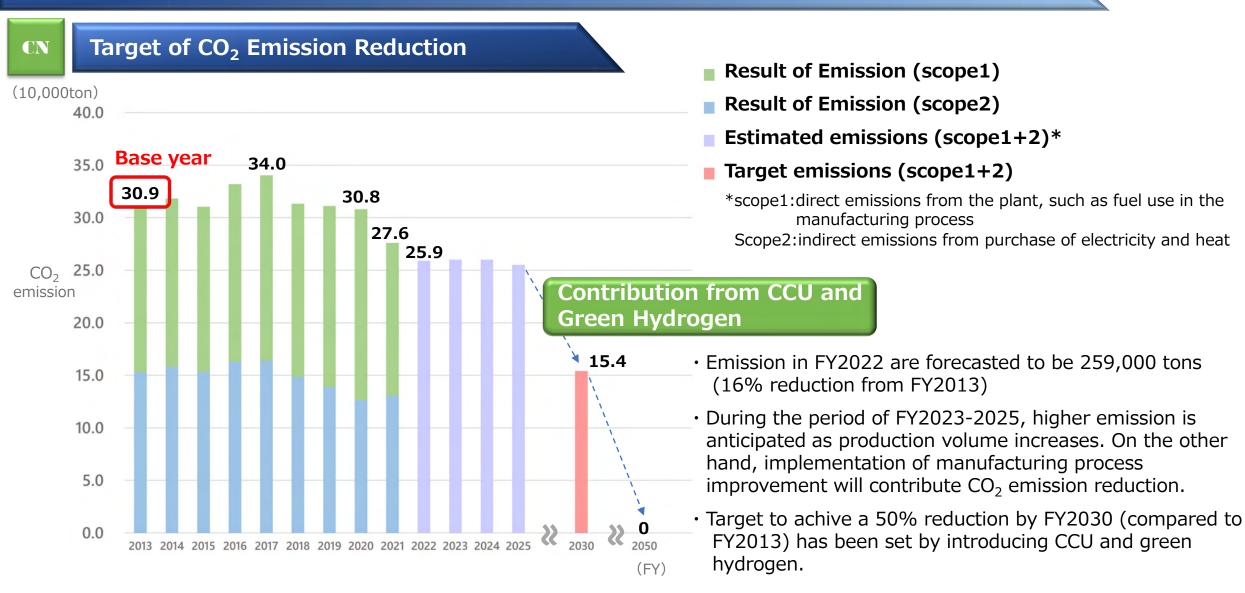
#### **CN** Initiatives to Reduce CO<sub>2</sub> Emission

We pursue significant reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emission through our actions such as energy conversion, efficiency in energy consumption, review of manufacturing processes, product portfolio change, introduction of CCU.

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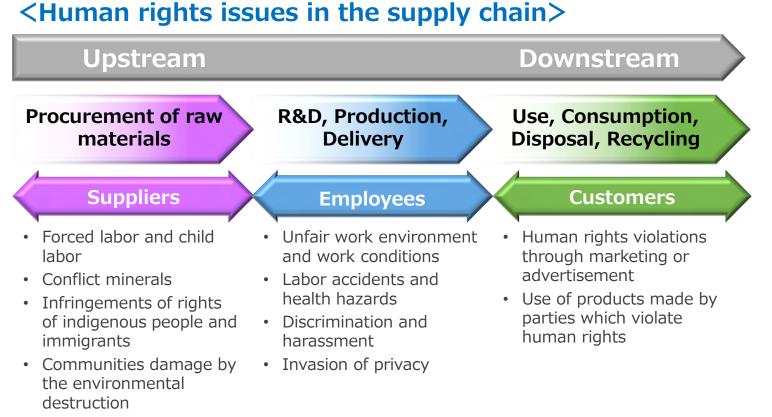
**RM** Human Rights Issues

#### <Basic policy>

We proactively address human rights issues in the supply chain in accordance with newly formulated human rights policy in FY2023.

#### <Priority measures>

- Implement human rights due diligence in procurement activities
- Eliminate harassment thoroughly
- Promote DEI, educate LGBTQ, and create workplace where human rights are addressed
- Accept Ukrainian students



Human rights violations
 in suppliers

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#### Human Resource Development and Work Environment Improvement

#### <HR Development Policy>

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Respect diversity and collaboration Create an environment in which individual abilities can be maximized.

Based on the principle of [Each and every employee contribute to create new value] and [All departments are profit centers], we promote WakuWaku works by spotlighting everyone.

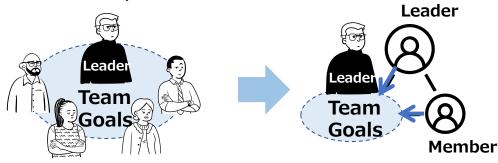
#### <Work Environment Improvement Policy>

Aiming to be a company where all employees can work comfortably with peace mind while valuing their individuality, we promote to create a work environment where all human rights and diverse values can be respected, accepted, and all employees perform proactive roles.

One Team		
New HR System	HR Development	Work Environment
<ul> <li>≻One Team</li> <li>≻Fairness, Transparency, Balance of evaluation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Proactive, Challenge</li> <li>Leaders grow naturally</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>DEI (Diversity, Equity&amp;Inclusion)</li> <li>Health Management</li> <li>Work Style Reform</li> </ul>
Becoming a Better Company		

#### New HR System(2023~)

- Introduction of grade system that makes better use of capabilities
- Introduction of evaluation system based on competence and role
- Introduction of fair, transparent and balanced evaluation system
- Company-wide introduction of organizational evaluation system



#### Aiming to working together to achieve organizational goal with One Team Aiming to evaluate with fair, transparent and balanced evaluation

Creating a system where employee can learn proactive, take on challenges, and leaders grow naturally

### HR Development

- Generalist, specialist→Unify into Associate grade
- New career training program
- Selection training program for potential leaders
- Expansion of training program by level
- Overseas study and training program
- Positive rotation
- In-house multiple jobs system
- Self improvement support
- Reskilling of middle and senior group





### Work Environment (DEI、Work Style Reform)

- Active recruitment of foreign nationals
- Create a comfortable work environment for people with handicap
- Promote understanding of LGBTQ and create an environment that respects diverse value
- "The challenge of getting to 30% by 2030"by Keidanren(Ratio of female executives)
- Ratio of female management positions 15% or more (Target for 2030)
- "IKUBOSU" declaration and membership
- Create a flexible work environment



# Promote work style reform and diverse of employee

#### Work Environment (Health Management)

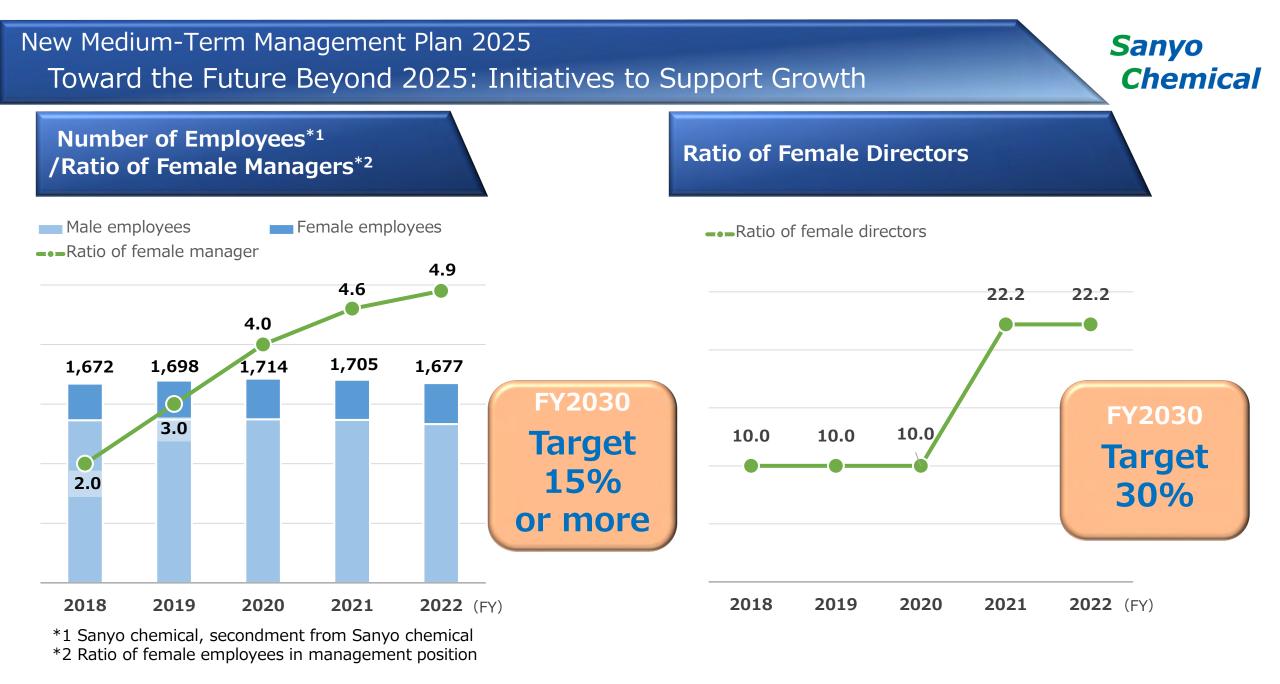
- Regular health promoting meeting
- Establishment of health promotion teams in each office or factory
- Set 5 action goals(Exercise, sleep, eating, drinking, smoking), including training etc.
- Health checkup follow-up and Health guidance
- Support for prevention of infectious disease
- Support for purchasing health support app and equipment



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Aiming for a workplace where employee can work in good health forever



### New Medium-Term Management Plan 2025 Toward the Future Beyond 2025: Initiatives to Support Growth

**RM** Safety-First Management

#### <Basic policy>

- To ensure safety first operation, "Safety philosophy and policies" is established. Behaviors accorded with philosophy are encouraged.
- Quality governance is strengthened by adapting independent Quality Assurance from Production Division.
- Supervisions by Directors are introduced.

### Safety

#### <Safety philosophy>

We place the highest priority on Safety and Compliance in all our business activities.

#### <Safety policy>

Safety comes first.

#### <Priority measures>

- Foster a safety-first mind led by the Safety Promotion Department
- Strengthen risk assessment and develop human resources
- Expand safety education to employees including subcontractors
- Assessment of factory safety by an outside audits
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#### <Priority measures>

- Clarification of responsibility by isolating quality assurance from production
- Creating a system that prevent falsification by introducing inline analysis and LIMS\* that do not require human intervention
  - \* Laboratory Information Management System

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Safety and quality are top priorities in our management.

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**TM** Transparent Management

### <Basic policy>

- Commit to quantitative targets
- Strengthen investor relations activities by engagement with shareholders and investors through the transparent disclosure by the integrated report and the Mediumterm management plan

#### <Priority measures>

- Enhance disclosure in the Integrated Report and renew the Sustainability Website
- Promote mutual understanding by increasing the frequency of communications with investors
- Engage the shareholders through laboratory tours, etc.
- Report on the progress of the Medium-term management plan to investors
- Increase investment return by introducing hurdle rates based on capital costs

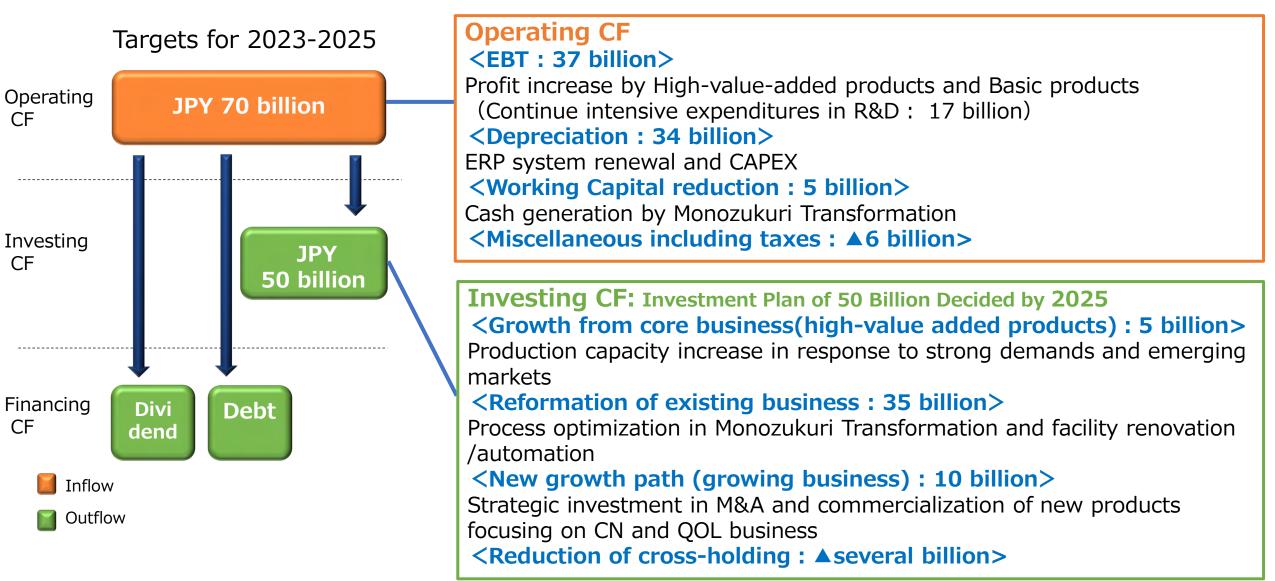
#### <Laboratory tour for shareholders>



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#### **Financial Policy**

#### <Basic Policy>

-Aiming for higher P/B ratio, we do acknowledge cost of capital and make strategic evaluation of share prices and market capitalization

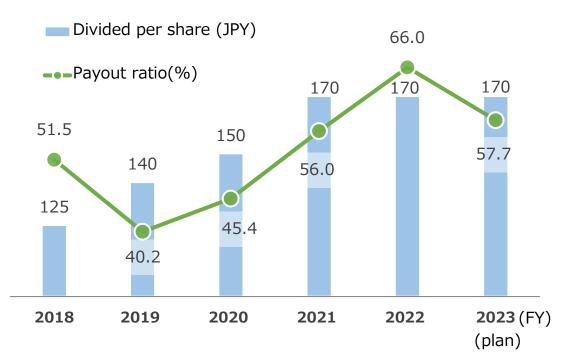
#### <Financial Policy>

-Ensure sufficient cash for further investment by increasing operating CF (higher profit in combination with reduced WC)

- -Manage assets by structural reform and cross-holdings minimization
- -Eusure fair distribution for multiple stakeholders
- -Make partial debt payments when available
- -Manage cost of capital efficiently
- -Increase the ratio of long-term shareholders for sustainable value creation
- -Attract international investors with successful ESG scores

### <Payout strategy>

-Dividend target higher than 30% -More attractive shareholoder return in the long run







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