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# Initiatives for Managing With a Focus on Capital Costs and Stock Prices

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### **Current Situation**

PBR, PER, ROE, ROIC FY2020-FY2024

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# **Capital Efficiency Improvement Initiatives**

- FY2024-FY2026
  Improving PBR Under the Medium-Term Management Plan
- Cash Allocation and Financial Targets

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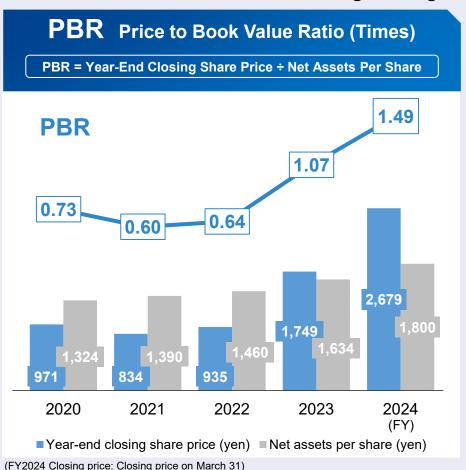
- Investing in Growth
- Reducing Cross-Shareholdings
- Shareholder Returns

Red text: Update based on revised FY2024-FY2026 Medium-Term Management Plan

#### **Current Situation**

#### FY2020-FY2024

- PBR remained in the 0.6 times to 0.7 times range through fiscal 2022; began to exceed 1.0 times in fiscal
  2023 due to share price increase
- PER was in the 8 times to 9 times range through fiscal 2022, increasing to roughly 13 times in fiscal 2023

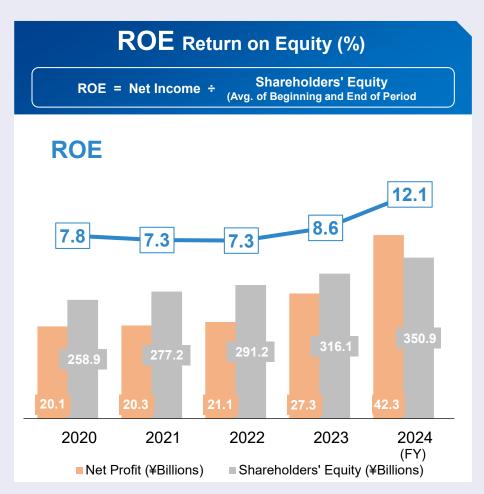


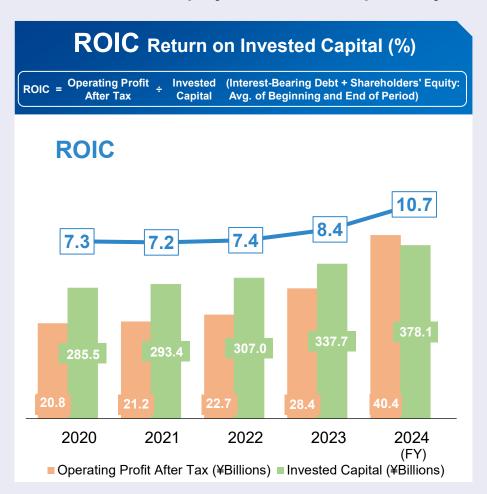


#### **Current Situation**

#### FY2020-FY2024

- ROE and ROIC improved as of the end of fiscal 2024 to the 12% and 10% range, respectively
- Our calculations indicate that ROE and ROIC are in excess of the cost of equity and WACC, respectively





# **PBR Improvement**

# **Capital Efficiency Improvement Initiatives**

The following describes our major initiatives to improve capital efficiency

#### FY2024-FY2026 Medium-Term Management Plan

#### **Generate Profits**

Business strategy x Strategy to strengthen management foundation

#### Reduce Unprofitable Assets, Etc.

- Reduce cross-shareholdings
- Manage cash on hand appropriately through expanded group financing, etc.

#### **Create an Optimal Business Portfolio**

- Validate business portfolio through ROIC management by business segment
- Improve working capital efficiency through CCC improvements
- Off-balance non-current assets

#### **Growth Investments**

(Before Change) Approx. ¥100 Billion

#### Approx. ¥125 Billion Over 3 Years

 Make investments that contribute to sustainable growth and medium- to long-term corporate value



Business Investments (Including M&A)

IT and DX

**Investments** 



Capital Investments

R&D

ROE Improvement

#### **Expand Shareholder Returns**

Pursue stable and sustainable shareholder returns

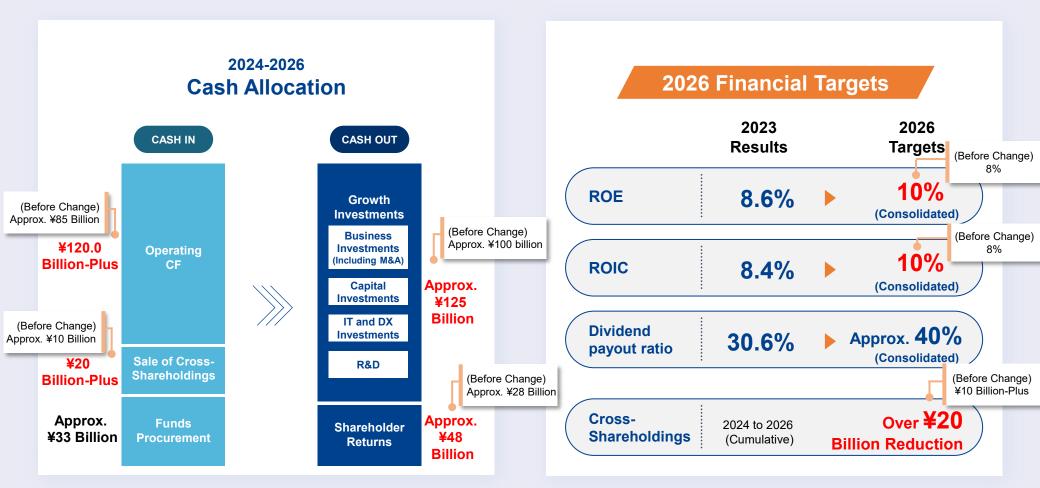
#### **Build Trust With Stakeholders**

- Provide timely and appropriate information disclosure
- Engage in proactive dialogue with shareholders, investors, etc.

PER Improvement

## **Capital Efficiency Improvement Initiatives**

- Improve capital efficiency by allocating operating CF generated from business activities, sales of cross-shareholdings, and cash generated from fundraising to investments for growth
- Maintain stable returns as a basic policy for shareholder returns; actively pay dividends in line with earnings growth



# Capital Efficiency Improvement Initiatives (Investing in Growth)





business, etc.

#### IT and DX Investment Approx. ¥15 Billion

- Restructure core systems for data-driven management
- Engage in business and production process redesign
- Build a data analysis system
- Ensure business continuity (**cybersecurity** enhancements, etc.)



#### **R&D Expenses**

Develop Al-based safety assist systems, automation and robotization technologies

Conduct systematic acquisition and replacement of production equipment

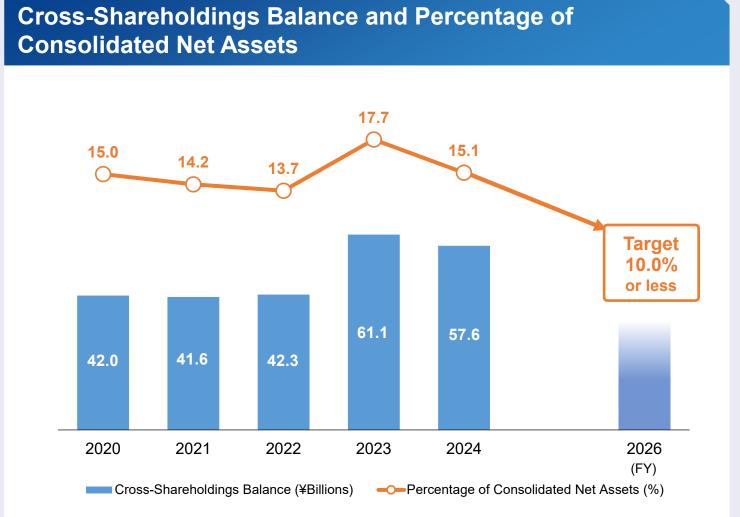
- Optimize electricity supply and demand; develop smart security technology
- Acquire photovoltaic **O&M labor-saving** and **repowering** technologies
- Conduct proof-of-concept tests for dynamic simulations for HVAC equipment
- Conduct technical verifications of hydrogen-generation equipment

\*Each investment amount represents a non-consolidated cumulative total for FY2024-FY2026



# Capital Efficiency Improvement Initiatives (Reducing Cross-Shareholdings)

Generate more than ¥20 billion in cash through the accelerated sale of cross-shareholdings



(Before Change) Over ¥10 Billion



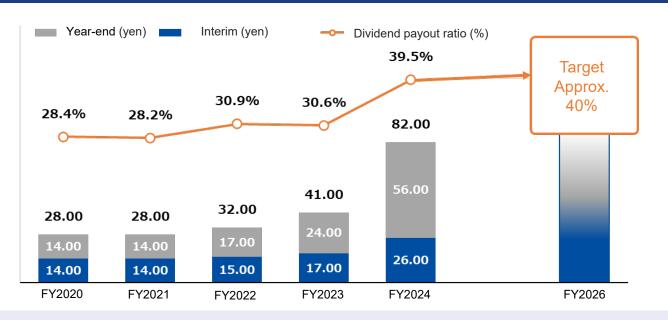
# Capital Efficiency Improvement Initiatives (Shareholder Returns)

(Unit: Yen)

Dividends	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025 (Forecast)
Dividend per share	28.00	28.00	32.00	41.00	82.00	90.00
Interim	14.00	14.00	15.00	17.00	26.00	45.00
Year-end	14.00	14.00	17.00	24.00	56.00	45.00
Dividend payout ratio	28.4%	28.2%	30.9%	30.6%	39.5%	40.0%

#### **Dividends**

#### **Basic Policy on Profit Distribution**



We return profits to shareholders through interim and year-end dividends each year, maintaining stable dividends while striving to return profits to shareholders at a targeted dividend payout ratio of 40%.

