

I am Ishihara from Kaga Electronics.

Thank you very much for your continued support and thank you for watching our financial results briefing today.

I would like to present an overview of our financial results for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024.

Summary o	f Financial Results for FY2024/3	
Results for FY2024/3	 Net sales decreased by 65.3 billion yen or 10.8% year on year to 542.6 billion yen. The electronic components business was affected by full-scale impact of inventory adjustment from 3Q, in addition to disappearance of spot demand and diminution o transactions with a major customer of a Group company. Operating income decreased by 6.4 billion yen or 19.9% year on year to 25.8 billion yen. The decrease primarily reflected a decrease in gross profit due to lower net sales, despite efforts to reduce SG&A expenses. Net income decreased by 2.7 billion yen or 11.8% year on year to 20.3 billion yen. 1.4 billion yen in gain on sale of investment securities and 0.4 billion yen in gain on bargain purchase associated with a corporate acquisition were posted. Compared with the Company plan, net sales fell slightly short of the plan, but incomes exceeded the plan. 	f
FY2025/3 earnings forecast	 Sales assumptions: Although there is no change to the medium- to long-term growt scenario for the electronics-related markets with the automotive area as one of the major drivers, full-fledged demand recovery is not expected until the second ha of FY2025/3 given that full-scale inventory adjustment observed since the second has of FY2024/3 will continue for some time. Income assumptions: Increase in expenses due to salary increases, etc. are factore in, in addition to prolonged inventory adjustment. Earnings forecast: In light of the above, [net sales of 550.0 billion yen (up 2.3%) operating income of 26.0 billion yen (up 0.6%), and net income of 18.0 billion yen (down 11.5%)] are projected. 	l f alf d
Shareholder Return	 FY2024/3: The year-end dividend will be 110 yen per share as previously forecast of May 11, 2023. The annual dividend including interim dividend amounts to 220 yer per share, unchanged from the previous fiscal year. FY2025/3: Despite a projected decrease in final income, the previous fiscal year's 22 yen per share will be maintained. 	1
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These are the results for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024.

Net sales decreased by 65.3 billion yen from the previous year to 542.6 billion yen.

Operating income decreased by 6.4 billion yen from the previous year to 25.8 billion yen.

The primary cause of decreases in net sales and income is the disappearance of spot demand in our mainstay electronic components business and full-scale impact of inventory adjustment by customers from 3Q.

Operating income decreased from the previous year, reflecting a decline in gross profit due to lower net sales, despite efforts to control and reduce SG&A expenses.

Profit decreased by 2.7 billion yen from the previous year to 20.3 billion yen, reflecting in part posting of extraordinary income, including gain on sales of investment securities and gain on bargain purchase associated with a corporate acquisition.

Compared with the internal plan announced in May last year, net sales fell slightly short of the plan, but operating income, ordinary income, and profit all exceeded the plan.

Next is the earnings forecast for the year ending March 31, 2025. In the electronics-related market to which we belong, our medium- to long-term growth scenario, driven mainly by the automotive market, will remain unchanged. However, we expect inventory adjustment, which began in full swing in the second half of the year ended March 31, 2024, to continue for some time, and a full-fledged demand recovery is not expected until the second half of the year ending March 31, 2025. Factoring in the business conditions and increased costs partly from recent salary increases, our earnings forecast for the year ending March 31, 2025, is net sales of 555.0 billion yen, operating income of 26.0 billion yen, and profit of 18.0 billion yen.

I explain our shareholder return policy.

As announced in May last year, the year-end dividend for the year ended March 31, 2024, will be 110 yen per share.

The annual dividend including interim dividend will be 220 yen per share, the same amount as the previous fiscal year.

For the year ending March 31, 2025, we intend to maintain the dividend of 220 yen per share, even though the final profit is expected to decrease.

Financial Highlights for FY2024/3

	FY2023, Result		FY2024, Result		YoY	FY2024/ Forecast (Announced on May	3 :s	million yen) Progress rate
Net sales	608,064		542,697		-10.8%	550,000		-1.3%
Gross Profit	78,514	12.9%	70,452	13.0%	-10.3%	_	_	-
SG&A	46,265	7.6%	44,607	8.2%	-3.6%	_	-	-
Operating income	32,249	5.3%	25,845	4.8%	-19.9%	25,000	4.5%	3.4%
Ordinary income	32,739	5.4%	25,976	4.8%	-20.7%	25,000	4.5%	3.9%
Profit attibutable to owners of parent	23,070	3.8%	20,345	3.7%	-11.8%	18,000	3.3%	13.0%
EPS (yen)	878.65	_	774.61	-	-	685.42	_	-
ROE	19.6%	-	14.5%	-	-5.1pt	13.3%	-	1.2pt
Exchange Rate yen / USD	135.47	-	144.62	-	-	135.00	-	-
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The financial highlights on the next page are as I have just explained. Earnings per share (EPS) in the current year was 774.61 yen. ROE was 14.5%, down 5.1 percentage points from the previous year. While most of the profits earned are piled in net assets, increasing financial stability, we find it necessary to further improve capital efficiency in the future.

The average exchange rate during the current year was 144.62 yen against the U.S. dollar, which represents a depreciation of about 9 yen from the previous year and from the assumed rate of 135 yen in the fullyear earnings forecasts.

The year-on-year impact of foreign exchange fluctuations was an increase of approximately 12.5 billion yen in net sales and an increase of approximately 420 million yen in operating income.

		FY2023/ Results	1999 (A. 1997)	FY2024, Results		YoY	FY2024/ Forecast (Announced on May	3 :s	million yen Progress rate
Electronic	Net sales	539,342		472,583		-12.4%	471,500		0.2%
Component	Segment income	28,314	5.2%	20,887	4.4%	-26.2%	20,700	4.4%	0.9%
Information	Net sales	43,680		44,305		1.4%	45,000		-1.5%
Equipment	Segment income	2,449	5.6%	2,924	6.6%	19.4%	2,500	5.6%	17.0%
Software	Net sales	2,998		2,567		-14.4%	4,500		-42.9%
Soltware	Segment income	286	9.6%	370	14.4%	29.0%	300	6.7%	23.4%
Others	Net sales	22,044		23,241		5.4%	29,000		-19.9%
Others	Segment income	1,101	5.0%	1,555	6.7%	41.2%	1,500	5.2%	3.7%
Total	Net sales	608,064		542,697		-10.8%	550,000		-1.3%
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These are results by business segment.

In the mainstay electronic components business, net sales and income in the component sales business both recorded decreases from the previous fiscal year. This is due to disappearance of spot demand, which had contributed to earnings until the previous fiscal year, given easing of supply shortages of semiconductors and electronic components and the diminution of transactions with a certain major client of Excel, as well as the impact of inventory adjustment by customers, which began in earnest from 3Q. The EMS business also recorded decreases in net sales and income year on year, for although sales in the automotive sector increased due to improved supply and demand balance of semiconductors and electronic components, inventory adjustments by key customers had an impact on sales in applications related to medical, industrial, and air-conditioning equipment.

In the information equipment business, both net sales and income increased from the previous fiscal year due to robust sales of PCs to educational institutions, security software, and PC peripheral products, combined with contribution from large-scale projects in the LED installation business that we started pushing forward on a full scale in the previous fiscal year. Segment income, in terms of both income amount and margin, came in above the previous year's results and the internal plan figures. In the software business, net sales were lower than in the previous fiscal year, while segment income increased and, as with the information equipment business, both the segment income amount and margin exceeded the previous year's results and the internal plan figures. In the others business, net sales increased year on year, and segment income was higher than the previous year's results and the internal plan figures.

Regarding segment income margin, all business segments exceeded the internal plan figures. Overall, operating income margin stood at 4.8% against full-year target of 4.5%.

Please also refer to pages 7 and 8, which contain information by business segment.

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		FY2022 Result		FY2023 Result	a second a second s	FY2024 Result		YoY	VS FY2022/3
	Net sales	281,075		348,034		315,404		-9.4%	12.2%
Kaga Electronics	Gross Profit	41,767	14.9%	53,123	15.3%	47,373	15.0%	-10.8%	13.4%
	Operating income	15,461	5.5%	21,899	6.3%	19,580	6.2%	-10.6%	26.6%
	Net sales	149,455		199,548		190,684		-4.4%	27.6%
Kaga FEI	Gross Profit	14,690	9.8%	20,913	10.5%	19,218	10.1%	-8.1%	30.8%
	Operating income	3,654	2.4%	8,103	4.1%	4,413	2.3%	-45.5%	20.8%
	Net sales	65,296		60,481		36,608		-39.5%	-43.9%
Excel	Gross Profit	4,247	6.5%	4,443	7.3%	3,834	10.5%	-13.7%	-9.7%
	Operating income	1,937	3.0%	2,072	3.4%	1,653	4.5%	-20.2%	-14.6%
	Net sales	495,827		608,064		542,697		-10.8%	9.5%
Total	Gross Profit	60,547	12.2%	78,514	12.9%	70,452	13.0%	-10.3%	16.4%
	Operating income	20,915	4.2%	32,249	5.3%	25,845	4.8%	-19.9%	23.6%
	Note		between the	three companies.	ome, figures (presented above are	before cons	olidation	e

Next, I will explain our performance by company.

In the Kaga Electronics Group's traditional business, net sales and income decreased from the previous fiscal year, largely reflecting the disappearance of spot demand. However, both the gross profit margin and operating income margin remained at the same level as in the previous fiscal year, and we can see that its profit-generating ability is maintained.

At a glance, Kaga FEI Group's operating income appears to have declined significantly, partly stemming from the intra-group allocation of head office expenses which began in the year ended March 31, 2024, and the provision for doubtful accounts for certain customers.

But in fact, the disappearance of spot demand does not have much of an impact on net sales and gross profit, and we can see that the company has steadily developed a highly profitable structure.

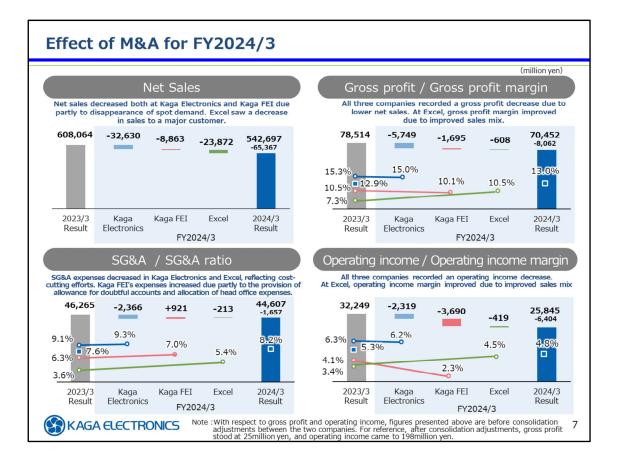
In the Excel Group, despite a decline in sales to large-lot customers, profit-generating ability was enhanced with improved sales mix, and profits showed no decline as much as net sales, with both gross profit margin and operating income margin improving significantly.

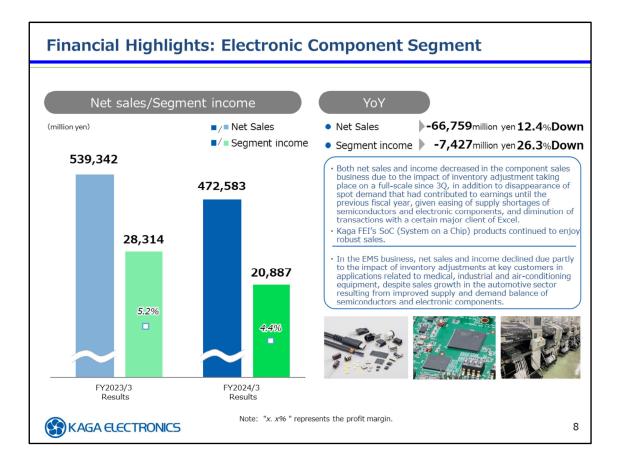
Thus although in a year-on-year comparison, net sales and income both recorded decreases overall, if we take into account one-off factors, including spot demand associated with the tight supply and demand balance of inventories in the context of a larger trend, the gross profit

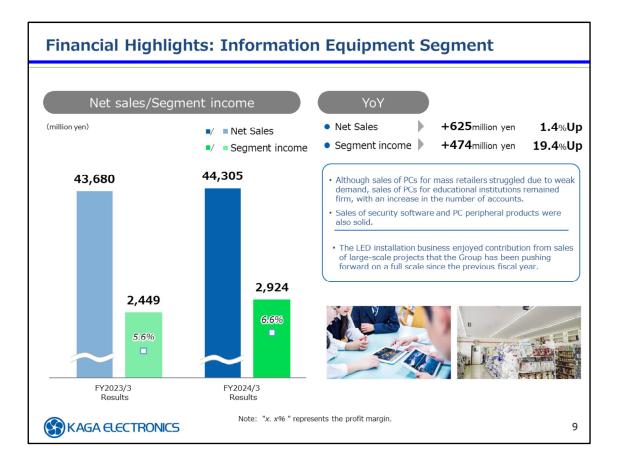
margin was slightly above the previous year's figures, and I believe you can feel that the company continues to maintain the "earning power."

Please also refer to the graphs on page 6.

Please also refer to the quarterly information for the last three months of the year on pages 9 to 14.







Financial Highlights for FY2024/3 (3months)

							(1	million yen)
	FY2023, 4Q Resu		FY2024, 3Q Resu		FY2024/ 4Q Resu		YoY	QoQ
Net sales	155,843		131,413		136,239		-12.6%	3.7%
Gross Profit	18,630	12.0%	17,091	13.0%	18,200	13.4%	-2.3%	6.5%
SG&A	12,387	7.9%	10,475	8.0%	12,846	9.4%	3.7%	22.6%
Operating income	6,242	4.0%	6,615	5.0%	5,353	3.9%	-14.2%	-19.1%
Ordinary income	6,121	3.9%	6,365	4.8%	5,664	4.2%	-7.5%	-11.0%
Profit attibutable to owners of parent	4,017	2.6%	4,587	3.5%	4,353	3.2%	8.4%	-5.1%
EPS (yen)	152.99	-	174.65		165.73	-	anna Taoine	

Note: 1. The effect of exchange rates on the conversion into yen is approximately 2,842 million yen on net sales and 90 million yen on operating income.
2. "x. x%" represents the ratio to net sales.

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Results by Business Segment for FY2024/3 (3 months)

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		FY2023/ 4Q Resu		FY2024/ 3Q Resu		FY2024/ 4Q Resu		YoY	QoQ
Electronic	Net sales	133,733		115,229		114,788		-14.2%	-0.4%
Component	Segment income	4,972	3.7%	5,363	4.7%	3,738	3.3%	-24.8%	-30.3%
Information	Net sales	14,540		9,551		14,038		-3.4%	47.0%
Equipment	Segment income	949	6.5%	641	6.7%	1,002	7.1%	5.6%	56.2%
Software	Net sales	922		591		750		-18.6%	27.0%
Software	Segment income	151	16.4%	149	25.3%	107	14.3%	-29.1%	-28.2%
Others	Net sales	6,647		6,041		6,660		0.2%	10.2%
Others	Segment income	129	2.0%	436	7.2%	495	7.4%	281.9%	13.6%
Total	Net sales	155,843		131,413		136,239		-12.6%	3.7%
Total	Segment income	6,242	4.0%	6,615	5.0%	5,353	3.9%	-14.2%	-19.1%

Note: 1. Figures of each segment income are not inter-segment adjusted. Total amount is inter-segment adjusted (operating income).
2. "x. x%" represents the profit margin.

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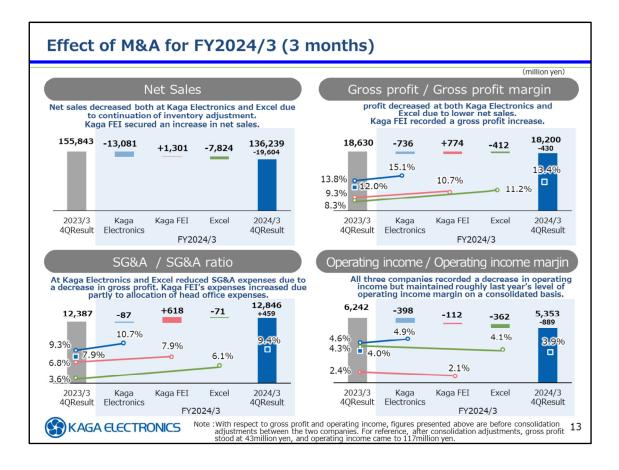
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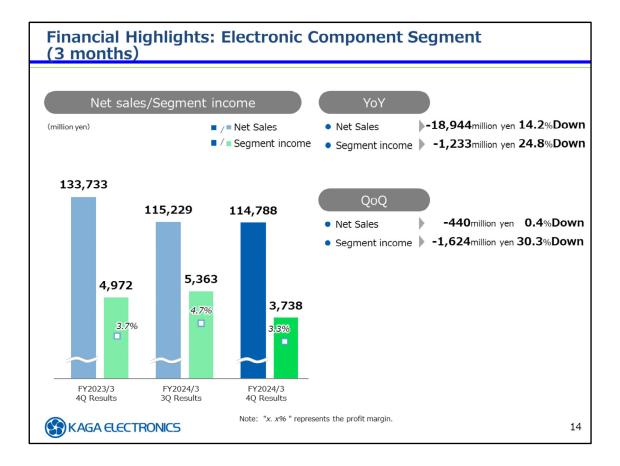
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		FY2023, 4Q Resu		FY2024 3Q Resu		FY2024, 4Q Resu		YoY	QoQ
	Net sales	93,560		78,517		80,478		-14.0%	2.5%
Kaga Electronics	Gross Profit	12,901	13.8%	11,556	14.7%	12,165	15.1%	-5.7%	5.3%
	Operating income	4,320	4.6%	5,089	6.5%	3,922	4.9%	-9.2%	-22.9%
	Net sales	46,255		44,360		47,556		2.8%	7.2%
Kaga FEI	Gross Profit	4,300	9.3%	4,510	10.2%	5,075	10.7%	18.0%	12.5%
	Operating income	1,093	2.4%	1,009	2.3%	980	2.1%	-10.3%	-2.9%
	Net sales	16,027		8,535		8,203		-48.8%	-3.9%
Excel	Gross Profit	1,328	8.3%	993	11.6%	915	11.2%	-31.0%	-7.8%
	Operating income	695	4.3%	455	5.3%	332	4.1%	-52.1%	-26.9%
	Net sales	155,843		131,413		136,239		-12.6%	3.7%
Total	Gross Profit	18,630	12.0%	17,091	13.0%	18,200	13.4%	-2.3%	6.5%
	Operating income	6,242	4.0%	6,615	5.0%	5,353	3.9%	-14.2%	-19.1%

Note: 1. With respect to gross profit and operating income, figures presented above are before consolidation adjustments between the three companies.

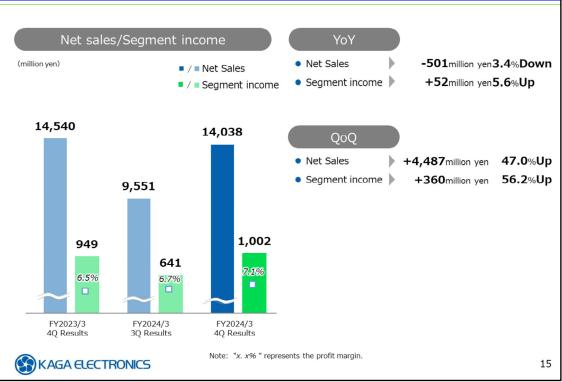
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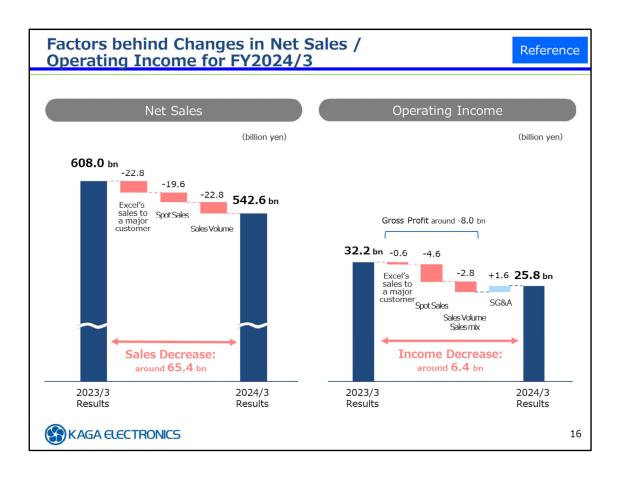
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Financial Highlights: Information Equipment Segment (3 months)





I will now explain the causes of the year-on-year changes in net sales and operating income.

A diminution in transactions with a certain major customer of Excel caused sales to decrease by 22.8 billion yen and income to decrease by 0.6 billion yen.

Another factor was the disappearance of spot demand in the electronic components business, which led to a decrease in sales of 19.6 billion yen and a decrease in income of 4.6 billion yen.

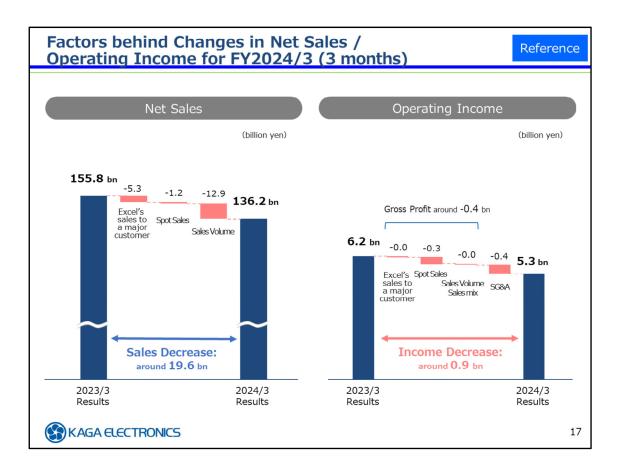
In addition, a decrease in sales volume due to inventory adjustment by customers and fluctuation in sales mix caused sales to decrease by 22.8 billion yen and income to decrease by 2.8 billion yen.

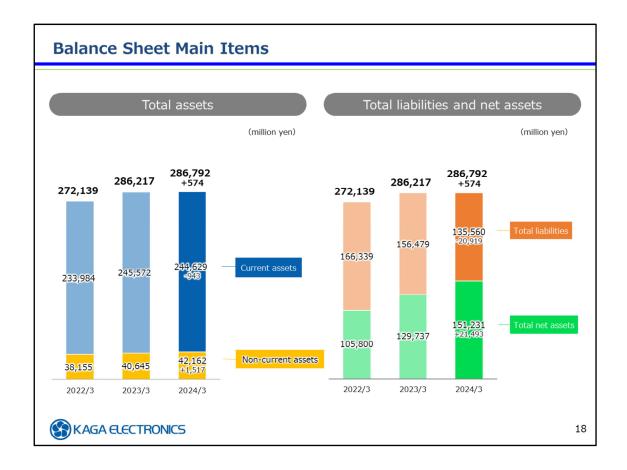
These three factors above resulted in a year-on-year decrease in net sales of 65.4 billion yen and a decrease in gross profit of 8.0 billion yen.

In the business condition, we made efforts to reduce and control SG&A expenses and cut costs by 1.6 billion yen, but operating income stood at 6.4 billion yen less than the previous year's level.

In comparison with the internal plan, net sales fell slightly short of the plan, but operating income exceeded the plan figures of 25.0 billion yen by 0.8 billion yen.

Please also refer to the quarterly information for the last three months of the year on page 16.





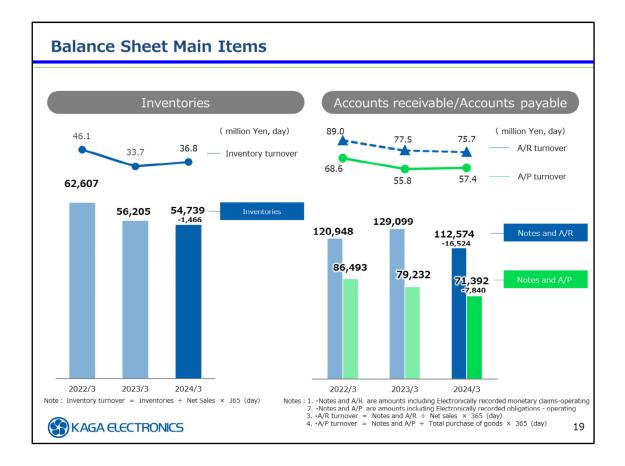
Let me move on to the balance sheet, starting with assets.

Current assets decreased by 0.9 billion yen from the end of the previous fiscal year to 244.6 billion yen, due in part to a decrease in accounts receivable and inventories. Non-current assets increased by 1.5 billion yen from the end of the previous fiscal year to 42.1 billion yen, due notably to capital investment in the new Mexico plant. Total assets increased by 0.5 billion yen from the end of the previous fiscal year to 286.7 billion yen.

Liabilities decreased by 20.9 billion yen from the end of the previous fiscal year to 135.5 billion yen, due primarily to a decrease in accounts payable-trade and repayment of loans payable. Net assets increased by 21.4 billion yen from the end of the previous fiscal year to 151.2 billion, due partly to an increase in retained earnings.

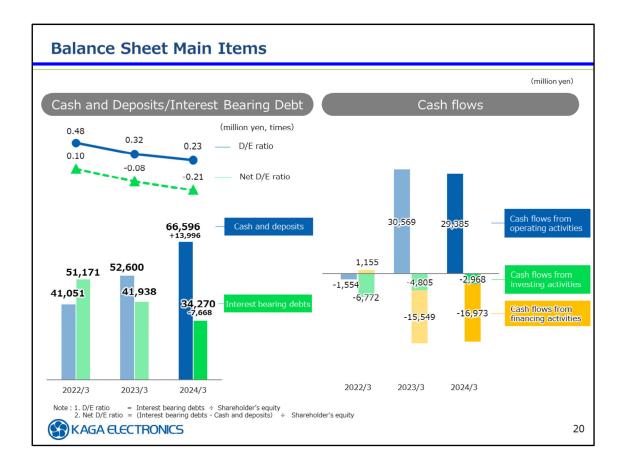
As a result of the significant decrease in current liabilities, the current ratio was 233.4%.

The equity ratio improved by 7.3 percentage points from 45.3% at the end of the previous fiscal year to 52.6%, indicating improved financial stability.



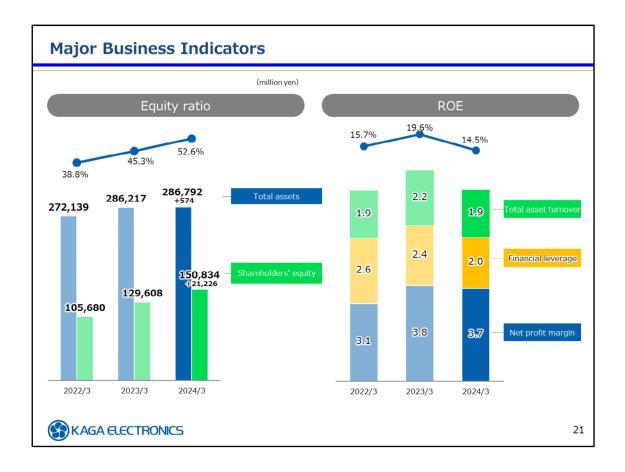
Inventories amounted to 54.7 billion yen, a decrease of 1.4 billion yen from the end of the previous fiscal year, as a result of efforts, including adjustments in purchasing and procurement, amid the impact of inventory adjustment by key customers.

Inventory turnover, on the other hand, worsened by 3 days to 36.8 days, partly due to a decrease in net sales, and we are continuing to strengthen efforts to reduce inventories.



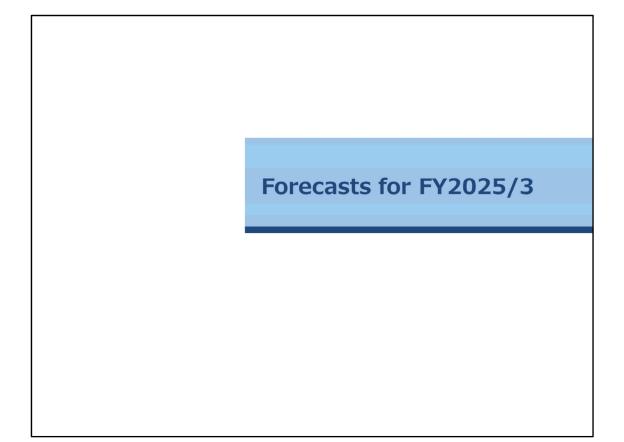
Interest-bearing debt stood at 34.2 billion yen, a decrease of 7.6 billion yen from the end of the previous fiscal year due to debt repayment, and the debt-to-equity ratio (D/E ratio) was kept low at 0.23 times due to an increase in equity through profit generation.

The balance of cash and deposits increased by 13.9 billion yen from the end of the previous fiscal year to 66.5 billion yen, reflecting cash flow from operating activities of 29.3 billion yen, almost the same level as the previous fiscal year. As a result of the increase in cash and deposits, the net D/E ratio stood at negative 0.21 times remaining in the negative as it did at the end of the previous fiscal year. Our financial foundation is becoming increasingly stable and strong to invest in the next phase of growth.



While shareholders' equity increased, bringing financial stability higher at an equity ratio of 52.6%, ROE of 14.5% indicates a slight decline in capital efficiency.

We intend to continue further enhancing the profit-generating ability and use the funds generated to implement a multifaceted approach covering investments in business expansion, including through M&A, production facilities and other business infrastructure for growth, and human capital, as well as shareholder returns. As such, we aim to sustainably maintain and improve the management target ROE of a "stable 10% or higher."



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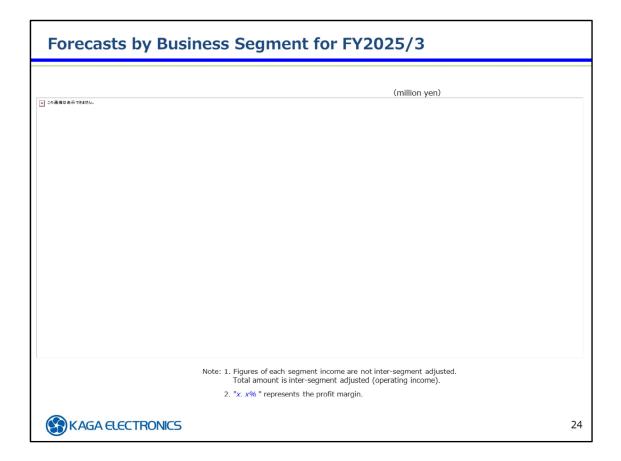
I now explain our earnings forecast for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025.

As mentioned earlier, we expect customers' inventory adjustments, which began in full swing in the second half of the year ended March 31, 2024, to continue for some time with a full-fledged recovery in demand expected in the second half of the year ending March 31, 2025.

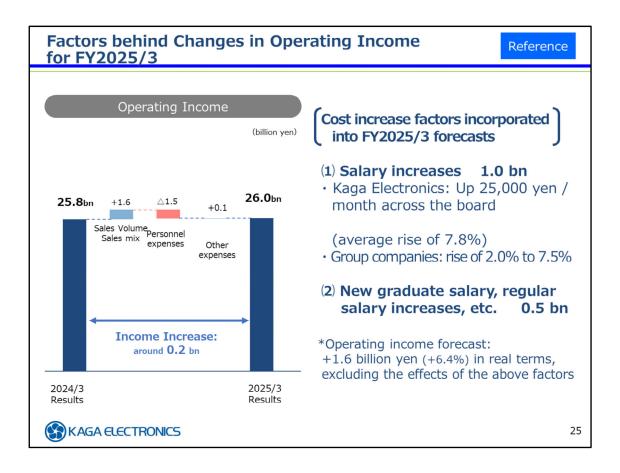
Factoring in higher costs, including salary increases, in addition to the lingering inventory adjustment, we have revised our forecasts for the year ending March 31, 2025, to net sales of 555 billion yen, operating income and ordinary income of 26 billion yen, and profit of 18 billion yen, which is almost unchanged from the previous fiscal year.

Based on the above forecasts, we expect earnings per share (EPS) for the year ending March 31, 2025, to be 685.26 yen, and ROE at the end of the year to be 11.5%.

The annual dividend will be 220 yen per share, the same as the previous year, even though profit is expected to be lower than the previous year.



The earnings forecast for each business segment is expected to remain at the same level as in the previous fiscal year.



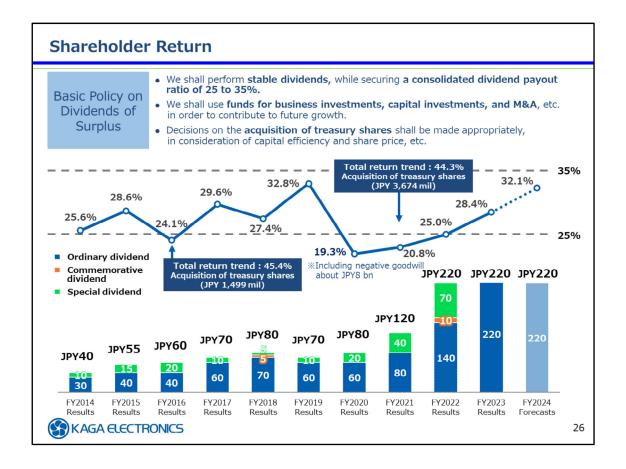
I will now explain the causes of the year-on-year changes in operating income.

Starting from the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025, salary increases of about 1.0 billion yen took effect for the Group as a whole.

At Kaga Electronics, the monthly increase is 25,000 yen across the board. The average increase is 7.8%.

By adding this figure to a 0.5 billion yen increase in costs, including new graduate salaries and regular salary increases, we have factored in a 1.5 billion yen increase in personnel expenses in our forecast.

This increase in income was due to a 1.6 billion yen increase in gross profit from higher sales volume and improved sales mix, a 0.1 billion yen increase from curbing non-personnel expenses, and an approximately 0.2 billion yen increase in operating income, all of which are incorporated in our forecast.



I now explain about shareholder returns and dividends.

The following are our three basic principles for profit distribution. We shall perform stable dividends, while securing a consolidated dividend payout ratio of 25 to 35%.

We shall use funds for business investments, capital investments, and M&A, etc. in order to contribute to future growth.

Decisions on the acquisition of treasury shares shall be made appropriately, in consideration of capital efficiency and share price, etc.

In the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024, we plan to pay an annual dividend of 220 yen per share, the same as the previous year, despite the year-on-year decline in net sales and income. This will bring the payout ratio to 28.4%.

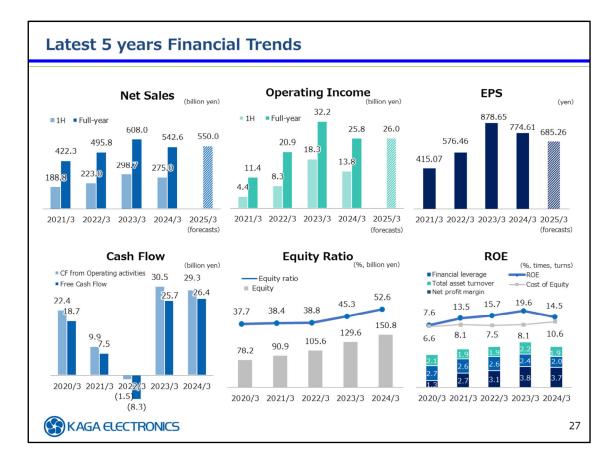
Looking toward the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025, the annual dividend is also expected to be 220 yen per share, the same as the previous year, even though final income is expected to decrease. As a result, the payout ratio for the year ending March 31, 2025, is expected to be 32.1%.

In January this year, we announced our policy on "Action to Implement Management that is Conscious of Cost of Capital and Stock Price." Going forward, we will, in line with the policy, work to further strengthen our earning power and management foundation, and will consider and make efforts to distribute profits other than through dividends as necessary, taking into account the environment and circumstances.

Page 28 and onwards are reference materials containing voluntary disclosure information by segment in line with the Medium-Term Management Plan, as well as graphs showing quarterly net sales by segment and by region, and such other information as exchange rates and exchange rate sensitivity. Please have a look.

This concludes my presentation of our financial results for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024.

Thank you very much for listening.



Summary of FY2024/3 Results									
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	Results	(billion yen)	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q			
		Operation margin	6.9 bn	13.8 bn	20.4 bn	25.8 bn			
		Progress rate	28.0%	55.5%	82.0%	103.4%			
		vs Internal Plan	+2.0 bn	+3.8 bn	+2.0 bn	+0.8 bn			
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The first topic is the summary of the financial results for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024.

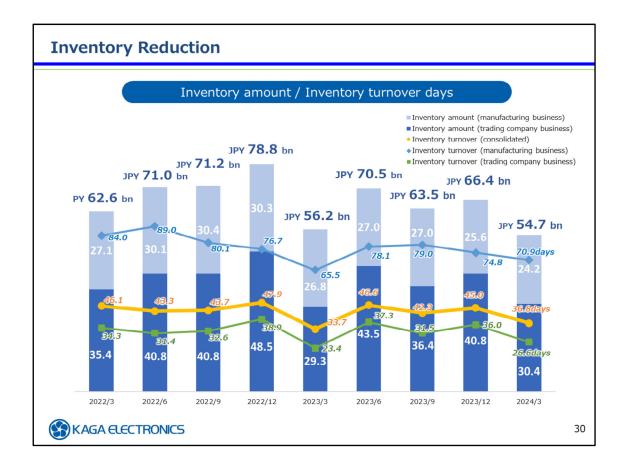
Our forecast for the year ended March 31, 2024, was 'lower net sales and operating income,' reflecting the two major factors in the electronic components segment: 'impact of inventory adjustment by customers' due to the easing of supply and demand for semiconductors and electronic components, and 'disappearance of spot demand' that contributed to earnings growth in the past two fiscal years.

Looking back at the previous year, the disappearance of spot demand was as expected, but the impact of inventory adjustment by customers in the first half of the year turned out to be less than our expectation at the beginning of the year, and therefore both net sales and operating income exceeded the internal plan.

Meanwhile, as we entered in the second half, the impact of inventory adjustment by customers eventually began in full swing. As a result, the upward swing in operating income gradually narrowed. In the end, we were able to exceed the target, albeit by 0.8 billion yen.

Looking ahead to the year ending March 2025, there will be no change in the scenario in which we anticipate medium- to long-term market growth, centered on the automotive market. However, we need to be prepared that inventory adjustment by customers continues for the time being and a full-fledged recovery in demand is not expected until the second half of 2025.

In addition, we decided to increase salaries across the Group to invest in human capital contributing to future growth. This will bring in a 1.5 billion yen increase in personnel expenses, but even after factoring in the impact of this increase, we hope to make the current fiscal year a year of 'returning to an upward trend of higher net sales and operating income.'



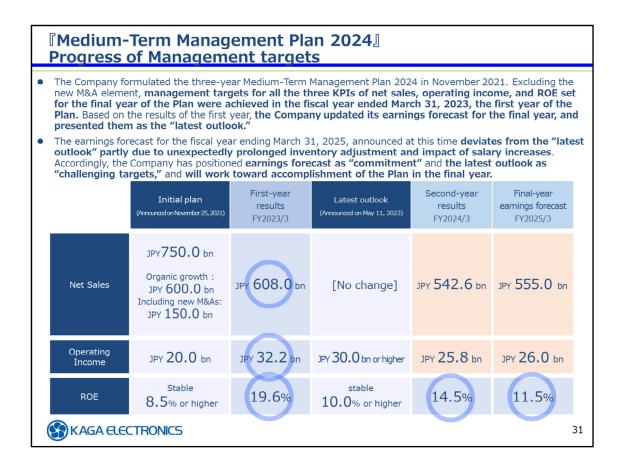
The next topic is 'changes in inventory', which is one of our most important management issues that we are paying constant attention.

This graph shows our consolidated inventory, broken down into the 'manufacturing' business, mainly EMS, and the 'trading company' business, mainly component sales.

In the year ended March 2024, inventories hovered around 70.0 billion yen during the period, but the year-end inventory stood at 54.7 billion yen, allowing us to reduce our inventory position from the beginning of the period.

That said, we have yet to reach our target of '50.0 billion yen or less,' and recognize that further reduction is necessary.

Going forward, we will continue efforts to achieve the target of '50.0 billion yen or less' and 'inventory turnover of 30 days.'



I now move on to the progress of the Medium-Term Management Plan 2024.

In November 2021, the Company formulated and announced the threeyear Medium-Term Management Plan 2024.

In the year ended March 2023, the first year of the plan, we were able to achieve all the KPIs of net sales, operating income, and ROE, excluding the new M&A element, two years ahead of schedule.

Based on the first year's results, we updated its earnings forecast for the final year and presented it as the "Latest Outlook" on May 11, 2023.

The operating income forecast of 26 billion yen announced in the Consolidated Financial Results for the Fiscal Year ended March 31, 2024, on May 9 still leaves a gap from the '30 billion yen or more' in the Latest Outlook.

This is attributable to the lingering effects of inventory adjustment by customers and the effects of salary increases, both of which were not incorporated in the Latest Outlook a year ago. With this in mind, we position these earnings forecast as "commitment" to our stakeholders, and the Latest Outlook as "challenging targets" that I have set for myself and will work to accomplish the plan in the final year.

• Overall, we ex	pect to achieve initial targets thr	ough efforts on key issues as per our l	pasic polic
	key issues	Major outcome	Evaluation
Further Reinforcement of Profitability	 Selection and concentration in growth fields Reinforcement and expansion of EMS business and overseas business 	 Started operation of a new plant in Mexico (April 2024) 	\bigcirc
Reinforcement of Management Base	 Reinforcement of corporate governance Efficient Group management Investments in human capital 	 Established a special leave system for male employees to take parental leave Utilization rate of 73.7% (FY2024/3) Group-wide salary increase decided (March 2024) 	0
Creation of New Businesses	 Initiatives in new fields Promotion of open innovation through venture investments M&A efforts aimed at discontinuous growth 	 Investment in start-up companies through CVC (5 cases in FY2023/3, 1 case in FY2024/3) 	\bigtriangleup
Promotion of SDGs Management	*See the Progress of the Sustainabili following page.	ty Medium- to Long-term Management Plan	in the

I move on to the progress of the management measures in the mediumterm management plan.

Our basic measures are; further strengthening profitability, strengthening our management foundation, creating new businesses, and promoting SDGs management.

This chart summarizes the progress on each key issue. As shown here, overall, we are making headway in line with our initial plan.

First, looking at further strengthening profitability, we were able to launch a new plant in Mexico on April 2024, in an effort to strengthen and expand our EMS business and overseas business.

To strengthen our management foundation, we actively invested in human capital, such as encouraging male employees to take parental leave and increasing salaries that I explained earlier.

However, in terms of creating new businesses, investment in start-up companies through CVC is currently underway, but we have not been able to bring any new M&A to fruition, so at this point we have rated this as "-"(unfavorable).

For details on "promoting SDGs management," I will discuss in the following slide.



Let me touch on our new plant in Mexico, which I mentioned earlier.

Since its establishment in 2017, our subsidiary TAXAN MEXICO has operated in an EMS business, primarily in the assembly of lighting units for 4-wheeled vehicles for the U.S. market. To meet the expected increase in production demand for the North and Latin American markets, we constructed a new plant at a nearby industrial area, which began operation as planned this April.

Further, we launched another plant "TAXAN-SWE MEXICO," a finished product assembly plant adjacent to the new plant. Going forward, we will establish an integrated production base in Mexico that encompasses component molding, sheet metal processing, in addition to circuit board assembly. We will achieve 'sales of 50 billion yen' over the next five years.

		Issues to address and issues to		
	Key themes	examine	Medium-term targets	Long-term targets
	Achievement of shift to	 Adoption of renewable energy at domestic sales offices Adoption of renewable energy at domestic manufacturing sites 	2024: 40% (1%) By 2024: Information gathering/analysis and determination of policy	2030: 100% 2030: 50% 2050: 100%
E	100% renewable energy	 Adoption of renewable energy at overseas manufacturing sites 	In-house power generation/external procurement Solar panel/biomass power generation/renewable energy businesses	2030: 30% 2050: 100%
	Shift to electricity for company-owned vehicles	 Switch to electric vehicles for domestic sales vehicles (EV, HV, PHV, FCV) 	2024: 85% (78.5%)	2030: 100%
s	Diversity and human resource management	 Ensuring diversity in core human resources (Women, foreign nationals, mid-career hires) Initiatives to employ elderly workers and persons with disabilities 	Percentage of female new graduates in general positions 2023: 30% (5.8%) Percentage of women in management positions 2024: 15% (13.3%)	Percentage of female new graduates in general positions 2028: 40% Percentage of women management position 2029: 17%
	Work–life management and enhancement of productivity	 Enhancement of programs such as childcare/family-care and telework Acquisition of certification as a Health and Productivity Management Organization 	2022: Implementation of review 2023: Certification	2025: Certification by outside party 2024 onward: Continuation of certification
	Restructuring the governance structure in response to the revision of the Corporate Governance Code and the reorganization of Tokyo Stock Exchange	 Independent Outside Directors: at least 1/3 Establishment of Nomination and Compensation Committee 	Performed in June 2021	Setting of targets in line with next
G	Further strengthening	Diversification of the Board of Directors	By June 2022: Determination of policy	Corporate Governance Code revision
	the supervisory and oversight functions of	 Full compliance with Corporate Governance Code for Prime Market 	Performed in November 2021	
	top management over business execution	 Adoption of delegation-based executive officer structure Transition to structure of company with committees 	April 2022: Enactment By March 2023: Determination of policy	

Here I discuss the progress we made during the second year of our sustainability medium-term management plan.

This slide shows the mid- and long-term targets for each theme set under the sustainability medium-term management plan.

I will brief on the progress in ESGs for each category in the following pages.

Today, let me focus on the highlights in fiscal 2023, as we covered the outcomes in fiscal 2022 at the briefing a year ago.

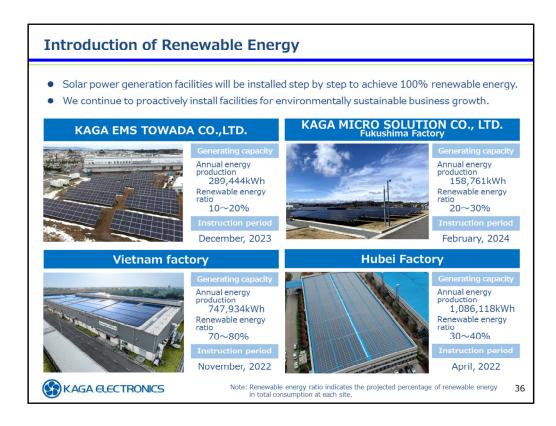
	Key themes	Issues to address and issues to examine	Main activities and progress in FY2022 / FY2023
	Achievement of shift to 100% renewable energy	 Adoption of renewable energy at domestic sales offices 	FY2022: (1) Introduced 1.2% of total electricity from renewable sources (2) Study on measures to 'achieve 40% in FY2024'
			FY2023: (1) Introduced 5.1% of total electricity from renewable sources (2) Decided to purchase non-fossil certificates to achieve target of '40% renewable energy in 2024', and to quantify greenhouse gas emissions and set a reduction target in FY2024
		 Adoption of renewable energy at domestic manufacturing sites 	FY2022 : Calculated power generation to install solar panels at sites in Aomori, Fukushima, and Tottori. Started the detailed design.
E			FY2023:Installed solar power generation system ir Towada factory (December 2023) and Fukushima factory (February 2024)
		 Adoption of renewable energy at overseas manufacturing sites 	FY2022: Started to introduce renewable energy- derived electricity using solar panels at sites in China (Hubei) and Vietnam. Expected to cover 30%-50% of annual electricity usage at each site.
			FY2023: Installed solar panels in Mexico new factory (April 2024)
	Shift to electricity for company-owned	Switch to electric vehicles for domestic sales vehicles (EV, HV, PHV, FCV)	FY2022: The ratio of electric vehicles increased by 1.2pt year on year to 82.0% (as of March 31, 2023).
	vehicles		FY2023: The ratio of electric vehicles increased by 3.0pt year on year (as of March 31, 2024)

Let me begin with the "E" of Environment.

The Group are making headway to 'achieve 100% renewable energy.'

Our major progress in fiscal 2023 is the installation of renewable energy facilities with solar panels at our domestic manufacturing sites, KAGA EMS TOWADA and KAGA MICRO SOLUTION Fukushima Business Office.

Also, solar panels have been installed at our overseas manufacturing bases, the new plant in Mexico, which I introduced earlier, in addition to the Hubei Factory in China and the Vietnam Factory.



Here are representative sites that use renewable energy.

Generation capacity and other details for each site are listed here. Most of the factories cover several tens of percent of their annual electricity consumption.

In particular, the Vietnam factory, the largest of all, is expected to cover more than 70% of its electricity needs.

We are committed to sustainable business growth while giving consideration to the environment, as we continue to proactively install power generation facilities.

	Key themes	Issues to address and issues to examine	Main activities and progress in FY2022 / FY2023
S	Diversity and human resource management	 Ensuring diversity in core human resources (Women, foreign nationals, mid-career hires) 	 Percentage of female new graduates in general positions based on hiring activities as per the Action Plan FY2022: 4 females out of 22 new graduates in general positions, up 12.3pt year on year to 18.1% FY2023: 5 females out of 23 new graduates in general positions, up 3.6pt year on year to 21.7%. Fell below the target of 30%, despite a 3.6-pt year-on-year increase to 21.7% Discussions held within the group to improve percentage of women in management positions at each group company. FY2022: 16.5%, up 3.2pt year on year
		 Initiatives to employ elderly workers and persons with disabilities 	FY2022: Employment of persons with disabilities is 100% of the legally mandated rate (as of March 31 2023) FY2023: Employment of persons with disabilities is 100% of the legally mandated rate (as of March 31 2024)
	Work–life management and enhancement of productivity	 Enhancement of programs such as childcare/family-care and telework 	FY2022: Revised regulations and rules to make telework a permanent system FY2023: The new rules took effect in April 2023.
		 Acquisition of certification as a Health and Productivity Management Organization 	FY2022: Certified in March 2023 FY2023: Certified for two consecutive years in March 2024

Next is the "S" of Society.

Our ultimate goal is to develop and promote women to officers and boards from among our human resources, and we are working to increase the ratio of female new graduates in general positions and the ratio of female career-track employees.

In fiscal 2023, in comparison with the previous year results, the ratio of female new graduates in general positions was up 3.6 points to 21.7% and the ratio of female career-track employees rose 0.9 points to 17.4%.

The ratio of female new graduates in general positions has not yet reached the target of 30% but has increased by 15.9 points in the last two years.

In the area of work-life management, we were certified as a "Health & Productivity Management Outstanding Organization" for two consecutive years.

	Key themes	Issues to address and issues to examine	Main activities and progress in FY2022 / FY2023
	Restructuring the governance structure in response to the Corporate Governance Code and the reorganization of Tokyo Stock Exchange	 Independent Outside Directors: at least 1/3 Establishment of Nomination and Compensation Committee 	FY2022: Effective June 2023, 6 directors (including three outside directors), with a majority of directors being outside directors. Established the Nomination and Compensation Committee. FY2023: Adopted a 6-director structure (including 3 outside directors) at the June 2023 general shareholders' meeting
		• Diversification of the Board of Directors	FY2022: Decided to nominate a female candidate as a new outside auditor. Continued to work to appoint a female director. FY2023: Appointed a female outside auditor at the June 2023 meeting. Deferred a proposal to appoint a female director at the June 2024 meeting
G		 Full compliance with Corporate Governance Code for Prime Market 	FY2022: Complied in June 2022. FY2023: CG Code not revised
	Further strengthening the supervisory and oversight functions of top management over business execution	 Adoption of delegation-based executive officer structure 	FY2022: Implemented from April 2022. FY2023: Decided to expand the membership of the Group management committee to a delegation-based executive officer structure effective in April 2024
		 Transition to structure of company with committees 	FY2022: Continue the company-with-auditors system, but shorten the term of directors from the current 2 years to 1 year (in June 2023). FY2023: Continued the company-with-auditors system. Discussed to move to a company-with- audit and supervisory committee structure, given the need for speedy management and appointment of female directors

Finally, the "G" of Governance.

First theme is 'restructuring of the governance structure.' To enhance management transparency and speedy execution of business operations, at last year's General Meeting of Shareholders, we changed the number of directors to a total of 6 (3 internal and 3 external) and appointed a female outside auditor.

Second one is 'further strengthening the supervisory and executive functions of management,' we decided to expand the membership of the Group management committee to a delegation-based executive officer structure, which became effective in April 2024.

In terms of the appointment of female directors, we were unable to submit a female candidate for the Board of Directors at this year's General Meeting of Shareholders, and we will consider this as an ongoing issue for consideration in the coming year.

That concludes my presentation.

Thank you very much.

