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## Medium-Term Management Plan 2023-2025

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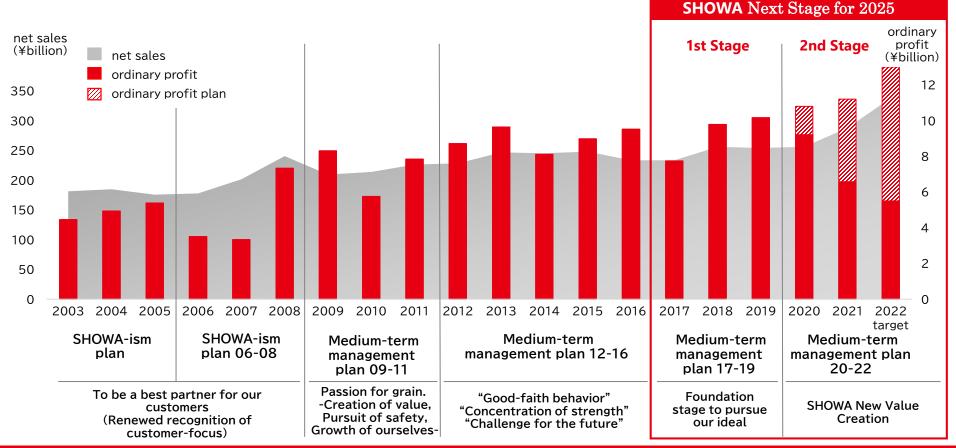
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## Review of the Medium-Term Management Plan 20-22

### Looking Back on Our Past 20 years

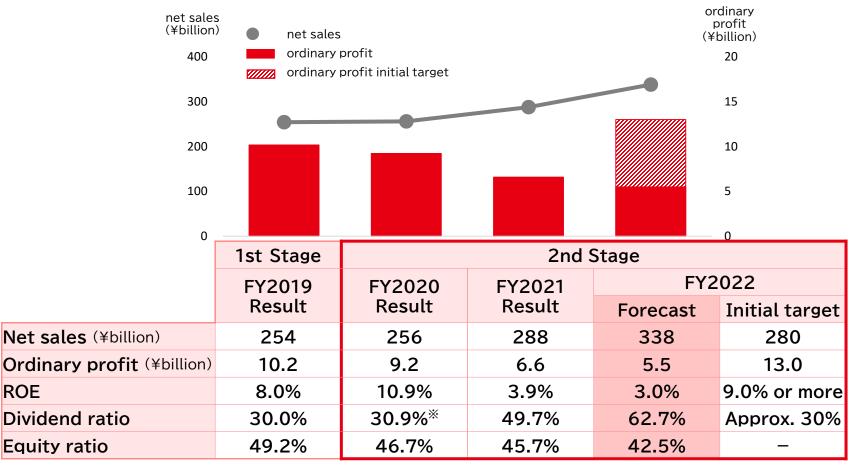
- We steadily increased our profits over the past 20 years by strengthening our core businesses and making forward-looking growth investments, and achieved our highest ever ordinary profit of 10.2 billion yen in 2019.
- However, since 2020, we had faced a challenging business environment with issues such as the Covid-19 pandemic, surging raw material grain prices and freight costs, increased energy costs, etc.



### Summary of Financial Targets

ROE

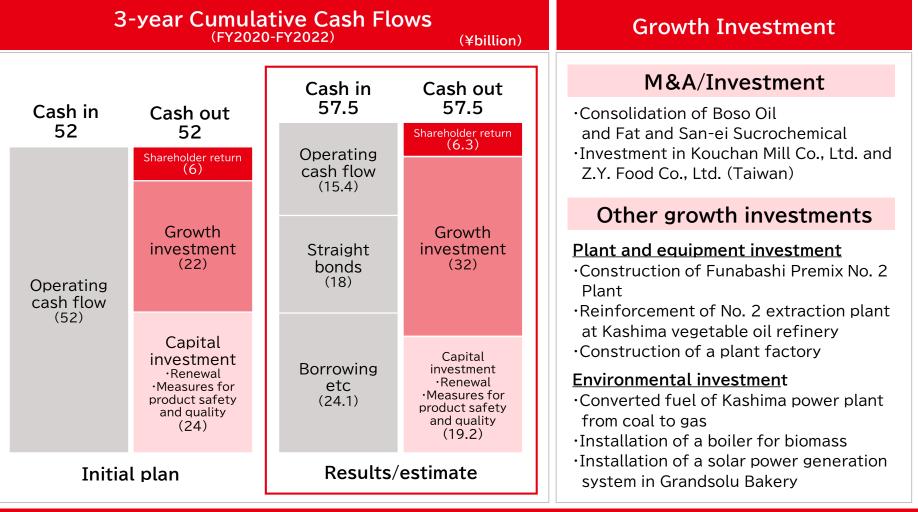
- Costs increased significantly due to sharply increased grain prices and energy costs combined with a plunge in the yen's value against U.S. dollar.
- Net sales exceeded our original target due to appropriate price revisions, etc., but ordinary profit and ROE were far below each target.



\*Dividend payout ratio for FY2020 does not include the effect of gains on bargain purchases related to the acquisition of Boso Oil and Fat. Otherwise, the ratio is 20.3%

### Capital Allocation - Fiscal 2020-2022

- Operating cash flow fell short of the target due to a deterioration in earnings and an increase in working capital due to a sharp rise in raw material prices.
- Implemented strategic growth investments through optimal funding such as CPs and bonds based on our financial condition.





### **Key Strategies**

Key strategies	Progress #	Assessme	nt Remaining agenda	Reference
Strengthening of core businesses	<ul> <li>2020 ·Consolidation of San-Ei Sucrochemical</li> <li>2021 ·Sales integration of Naigai Flour Milling</li> <li>·Structural reform in baked bread business</li> <li>2022 ·Start of operation of Funabashi Premix No. 2 Plant</li> </ul>	0	<ul> <li>Transformation into a "one-stop" sales organization</li> <li>Strengthened development and sales of value-added products</li> </ul>	P19-21 P24-25
Expansion of our business fields	<ul> <li>2020 ·Consolidation of Boso Oil and Fat</li> <li>Applied Taiwan flour milling and egg companies to equity method affiliated companies</li> <li>Entry into agribusiness</li> <li>2021 ·Strengthened development and sales of plant-based foods</li> </ul>	Δ	<ul> <li>Expansion of overseas, export and frozen food businesses</li> <li>Challenge to new businesses</li> </ul>	P28-31 P32
Contribution to solving social issues	<ul> <li>2020 ·Employment of persons with disabilities: Meeting statutory employment rate</li> <li>2021 ·Converted fuel of Kashima power plant from coal to gas</li> <li>·Announcement of support for TCFD (Starch and Sweetener Business)</li> <li>·Achievement of more than doubling the number of female managers</li> <li>·Establishment of Group's new environmental targets</li> </ul>	0	<ul> <li>Continuous work to achieve environmental targets</li> <li>Further promotion of diversity and inclusion</li> </ul>	P34 P37,41
Rebuilding of platform	2021 ·Introduction of new personnel framework ·Enhanced customer problem-solving-based sales through the establishment of Solution Sales Dept. ·Introduction of "Zero Trust" security system	0	<ul> <li>Sophisticate business portfolio management</li> <li>Enhance utilization of intangible assets</li> </ul>	P36 P37-39
Enforcing stakeholder engagement	<ul> <li>2020 · Publication of integrated report (annually thereafter)</li> <li>2022 · Transition to Tokyo Stock Exchange Prime market · Strengthening external posting by newly established official SNS account</li> </ul>	0	•Further proactive information dissemination and dialogue with stakeholders	P41

### **Business Environment**

 Changes in the external environment and business opportunities for our group

Global Trends	Domestic Trends
<ul> <li>Soaring prices of raw material grains</li> <li>Increasing energy prices</li> <li>Increasing geopolitical risks</li> <li>Mounting environmental problems (climate change, water resources, food loss)</li> <li>Acceleration of initiative for SDGs/ Recycling-oriented society</li> <li>Advancement of digital technology</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Declining population and acceleration of aging</li> <li>Growing interest in environmental conservation/ sustainability</li> <li>Growing consciousness of health, safety and security</li> <li>Diversification of food preferences/eating styles</li> <li>Increasing entries in food business from other industries</li> <li>Improving operational efficiency through automation/labor saving</li> </ul>

Lifestyle and consumption behaviors changed dramatically due to COVID-19 pandemic in addition to the changes in the global environment and social structures.

Facing a changing business environment, we will "SHIN-KA" to grow.

Our Group will continue to grow as a "Grain Solution Company" to support food infrastructure toward fiscal 2025, the 90th anniversary of our founding, and beyond. We will further pursue our strength of "expertise in grains", develop "high-functional products", expand "business fields", and reduce "burden on the environment".

## Medium-Term Management Plan 23-25



### SHOWA's declaration: "SHIN-KA"

Toward the 90th Anniversary, and beyond

### GRAINS

We will materialize the "evolution" of our Grain Solution

### SUSTAINABLE

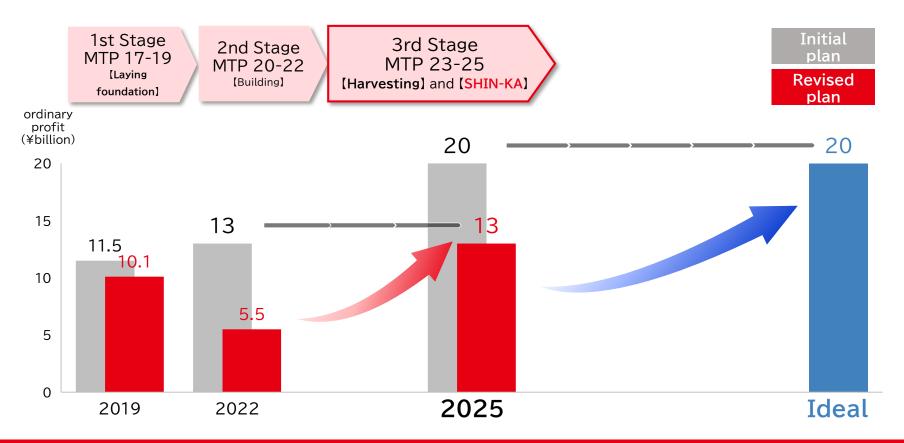
We will challenge to "deepen" our sustainability management

### HEALTH

We will pursue "intrinsic value" of ingredients and contribute to people's health

### Revision of Long-term Vision "SHOWA Next Stage for 2025"

- Ordinary profit target of 13 billion yen is newly set to achieve during fiscal 2025, the final year of the long-term vision, considering the expected headwinds such as the prolonged COVID-19 pandemic and grain and energy prices remaining high.
- "Ordinary profit of 20 billion yen" has been the "ideal" target under our current long-term vision. We will continue to set this figure as the "ideal" for the Group, and aim to achieve this by measures to be formulated during the period of the medium-term management plan 23-25 under the "New Long-term Vision."





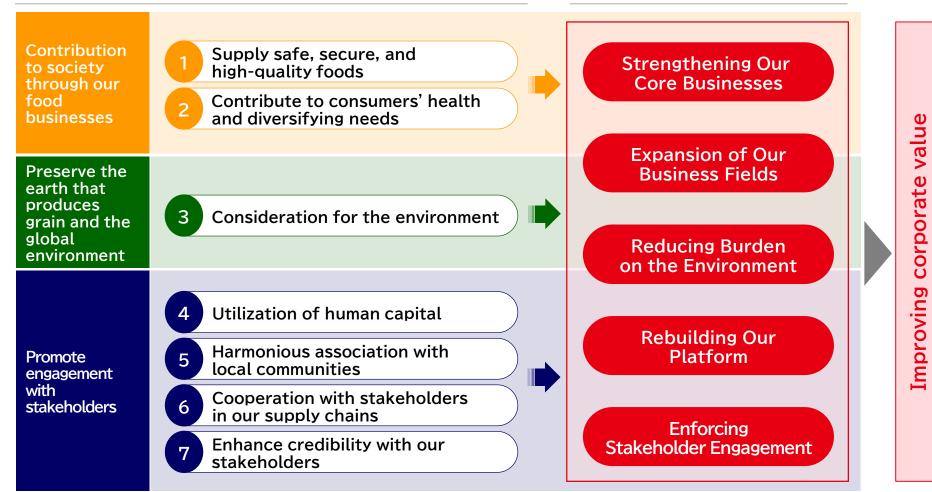
### **Materialities**

Deepen our sustainability management

- We reaffirmed our materialities to start the Medium-Term Management Plan 23-25.
   We will tackle these materialities by implementing our key strategies to enhance the
- sustainability of our corporate value.

Materiality

Medium-Term Management Plan 23-25 Basic Strategies





### **Five Key Strategies**

#### Strengthening Our Core Businesses

- Evolution of the "Grain Solution".
   -Enforce product sales by transforming into "one-stop" sales models-
- 2. Strengthening cooperation among group companies
- 3. Optimization of product composition
- 4. Expansion of value-added products sales by differentiation strategy
- 5. Strengthening stable procurement

#### 2 Expansion of Our Business Fields

- 1. Expanding overseas businesses by strengthening existing businesses in the ASEAN region and developing new businesses
- 2. Strengthening export businesses
- 3. Expansion of frozen food businesses
- 4. Challenge to new businesses -Plant-based food
  - -Fine chemicals, oleochemical

#### Reducing Burden on the Environment

- 1. Continuous efforts to achieve our environmental goals
- 2. Reduction of packaging plastic
- 3. Advanced utilization of biomass
- 4. Develop a roadmap to achieve carbon-neutrality

#### **4** Rebuilding Our Platform

- 1. Establishment of organizational foundation by reorganization
- 2. Advancing business portfolio management by introducing ROIC
- 3. Strive for operational sophistication by digitalization and build a promotional organization for DX

#### 5 Enforcing Stakeholder Engagement

- 1. Drastic promotion of D&I
- 2. Strategic investment in human capital
- 3. Strengthen external posting and raise awareness of the Group via SNS

Deepen sustainability management to support sustainable growth of our Group



### **Financial KPIs**

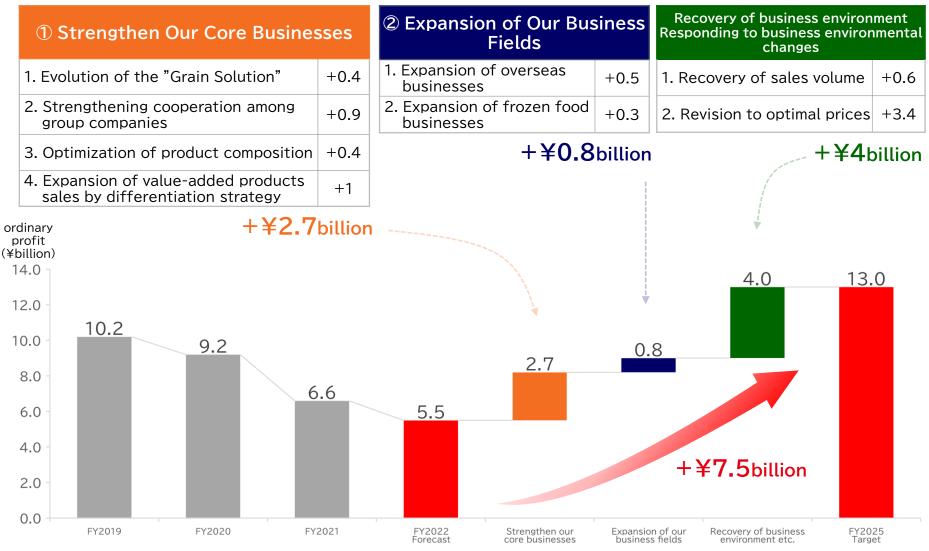
We will introduce (1) ROIC and (2) CCC as new business management indicators, and manage the progress as financial KPIs.

(1) ROIC	Improve business portfolio management by establishing business evaluation methods and rules for allocating management resources.
(2) CCC	Promote cash flow management by identifying factors to be improved and manage them on a monthly basis.

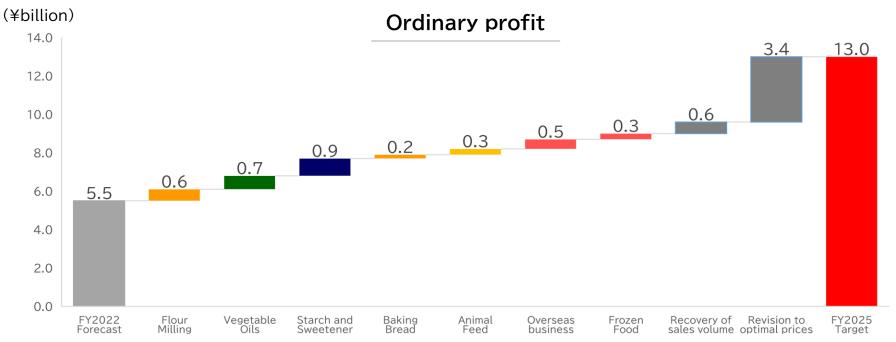
	FY2021 Result	FY2022 Forecast	FY2025 Target	Difference (vs. FY2022)
Ordinary profit (¥billion	6.6	5.5	13	236%
<b>ROE</b> (%)	3.9	3.0	7.0 or more	4 point increase
ROIC (%)	2.8	1.6	4.0 or more	2.4 point increase
CCC (day)	78	82	75	7 days shorter
NET D/E ratio (%)	0.4	0.5	0.6 or less	

### Effects of Priority Measures on Ordinary Profit

We will generate ordinary profit of +7.5 billion yen by steadily executing the following measures.

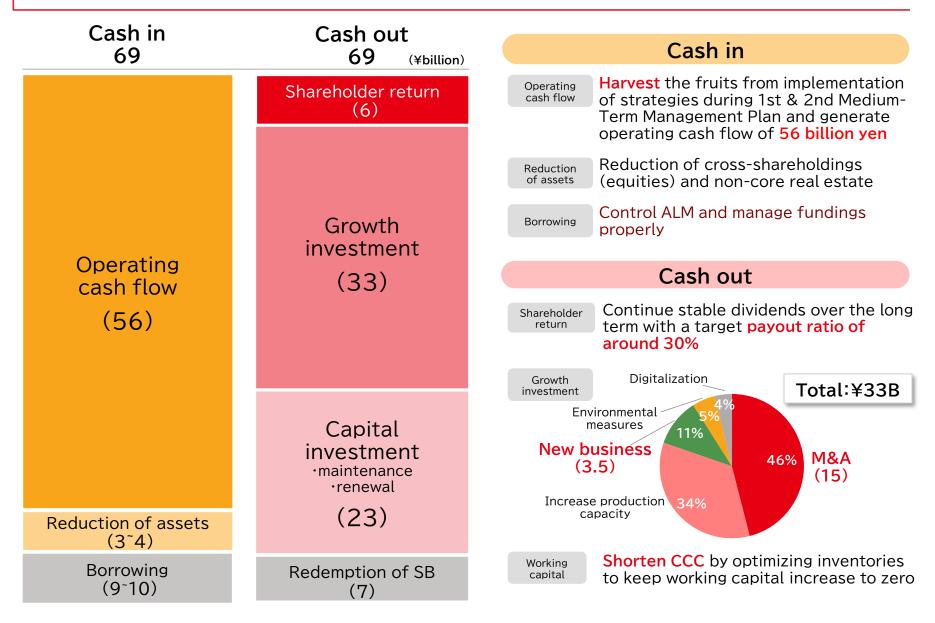


# Breakdown of Ordinary Profit Targets by Business and Priority Measures



#### **Flour Milling Business** Vegetable Oils Business **Starch and Sweetener Business** Strengthen development and Optimizing the product Further promotion of sales of new value-added portfolio of vegetable oil by initiatives to demonstrate wheat flour expanding sales of rice bran synergy with San-ei oil and corn oil Sucrochemical Strategic consolidation of production bases and Expansion of value-added Promotion of sales expansion strengthening of sales products sales such as of original product lineup collaboration through functional oils and soy protein such as powdered corn syrup. cooperation among group crystalline glucose, and acidic oligosaccharide companies

### Capital Allocation - Fiscal 2023-2025



## Key Strategy 1 Strengthen Our Core Businesses



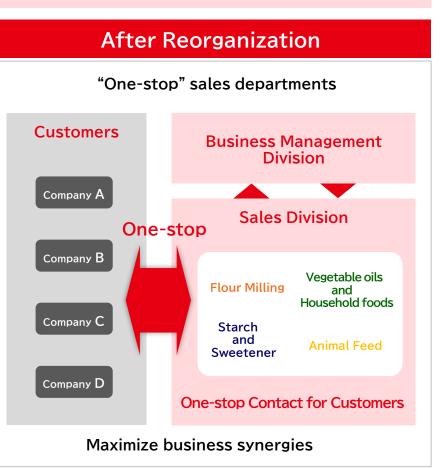
### **Evolution of Our "Grain Solution"**

-Reorganization since our foundation-

Transform into sales divisions that better enhance business synergies, which is our Group's strength.

We will transform our sales departments from "**product-out**" to "**one-stop**" sales models and evolve into market-oriented departments so as to provide numerous solutions to our customers by utilizing our varied business portfolio.

#### **Current Organization** "Product-out" sales departments Sales Division Customers Business Management Flour Milling Company A Sales Business Vegetable oils Management and Company B Household foods Sales Business Starch Management and Company C Sweetener Sales **Business** Management **Animal Feed** Company D Sales Duplication of sales activities and loss of opportunities



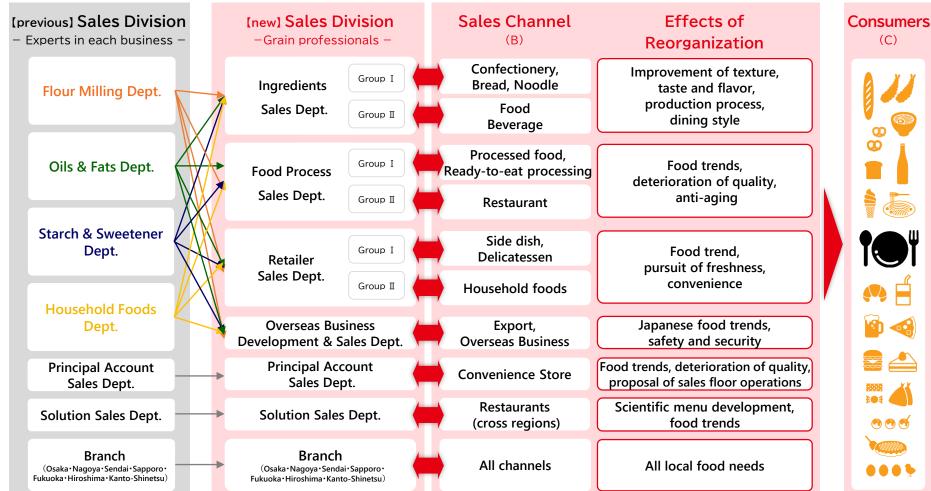
Evolution of our Grain Solution

### **Evolution of Our "Grain Solution"**

Evolution of our Grain Solution

-Effect of Reorganization-

- Sales departments organized for each customer respond to a wide range of requests as grain professionals (B to B). In this way, we propose deliciousness through "Grain Solutions" to consumers as a One-stop Contact (B to B to C).
- We will create ordinary profit of +400 million yen by achieving "expansion of sales to existing customers" and "further expansion of customer base".





### **Evolution of Our "Grain Solution"**

-Reorganization along with the Sales Organization-

Evolution of our Grain Solution

We will implement the medium-term management plan by reorganizing the Research and Development Division, Engineering Division, and Administration Division.

#### **Business Management Division**

Business Planning Dept.

Food Business Dept.

Animal Feed Business Dept.

Grain Procurement Dept.

#### **Sales Division**

Sales Planning & Promotion Dept.

Ingredients Sales Dept.

Food Process Sales Dept.

Retailer Sales Dept.

Principal Account Sales Dept.

Solution Sales Dept.

Overseas Business Development & Sales Dept.

#### **Technical Division**

**Corporate Division** 

#### "Strengthen business portfolio management"

- Establishment of the "Business Planning Dept.", a specialized organization that promotes the expansion of business fields.
- Promotion of integrated business-based management and development with group companies.

#### "Maximization of sales efficiency"

- One-stop Contact for Customers
  Accurately and quickly ascertain potential
  - ➡ Accurately and quickly ascertain potential customer needs.
- Improve problem-solving abilities
  - ➡ Propose optimal solutions with high customer satisfaction.
- S Integrate sales support organization
  - ➡ Streamline back-office operations.

#### "Synthesis of Market-in and Product-out"

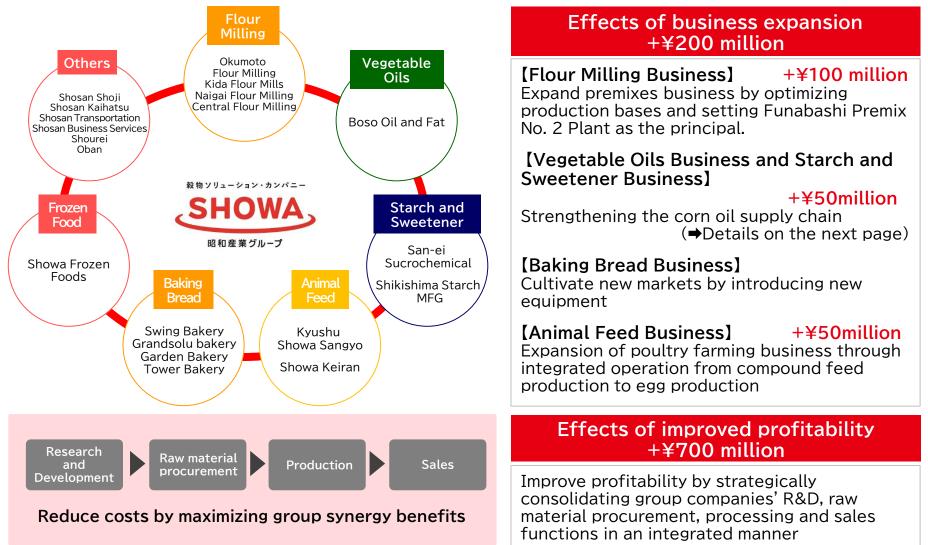
Integrate [Research and Development Division] and [Engineering Division] to enhance product development in line with our business strategies.

#### "Evolution into a corporate division of the group"

Reorganize by function and **demonstrate expertise throughout the group**.

### **Strengthening Cooperation Among Group Companies**

Create ordinary profit of +900 million yen by expanding businesses and improving profitability by strengthening cooperation among group companies.



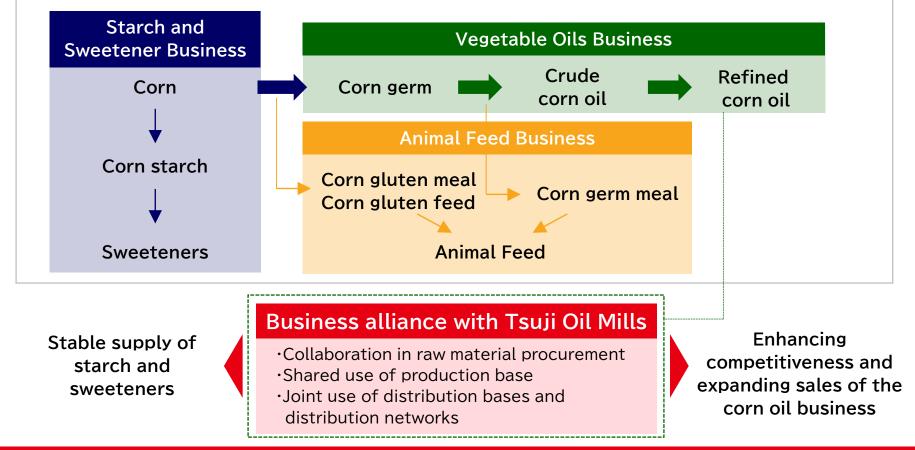
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### **Strengthening Cooperation Among Group Companies**

Strengthen the corn oil supply chain through collaboration between the Vegetable Oils Business and Starch and Sweetener Business

#### Our corn oil supply chain

Establishing integrated system of productions within the group, from corn procurement, corn germ production and corn oil extraction and refining.

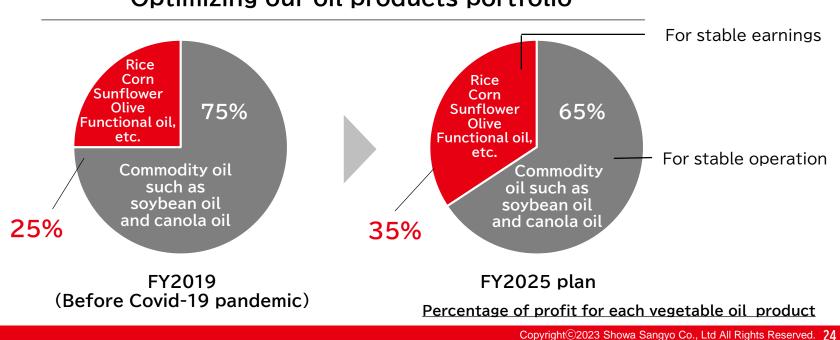


## **Optimization of Product Composition**

Shift to a resilient profit structure by strengthening sales of unique products and optimizing product composition. Create ordinary profit of +400 million yen.

#### Vegetable Oils Business

- Strengthen the production and sales system for rice bran oil and corn oil through cooperation with Boso Oil and Fat
- Enhancing competitiveness and expanding our corn oil business through the business alliance with Tsuji Oil Mills



### Optimizing our oil products portfolio

## Differentiation Strategy

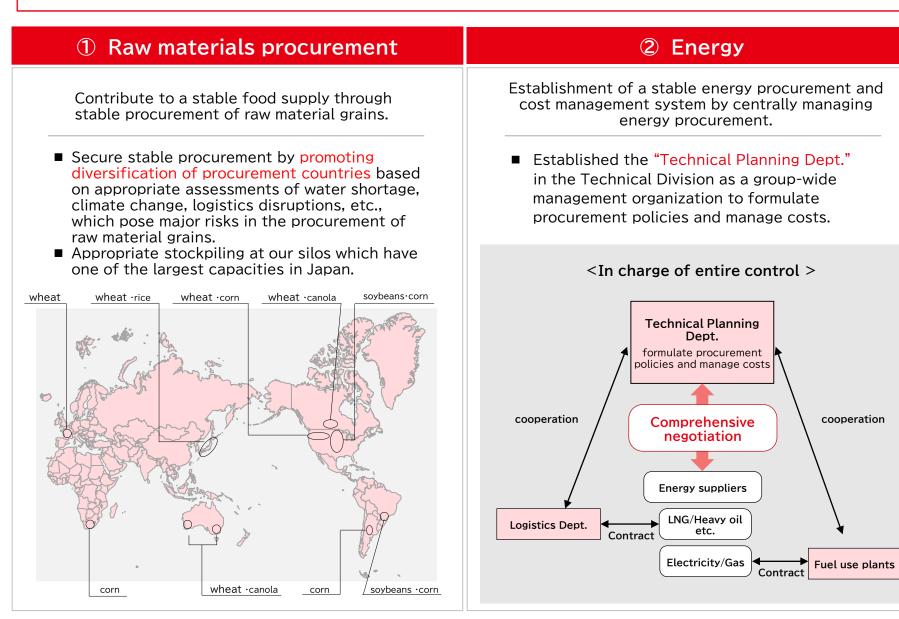
- Strengthen the development and sales of our value-added products that "enrich the taste of food", "bring healthy benefits", "crystalline glucose with market share of 70%", etc., using our Group's unique materials and technologies.
- Create ordinary profit of +700 million yen in Starch and Sweetener Business and +300 million yen in other businesses.

#### Flour Milling Business Vegetable Oils Business Enhancement production and sales of premix in Development and sales expansion of functional small portions to meet customer needs frying oil (Efficient production at the Funabashi Premix No. 2 Plant) Focusing on the development of processed oils Development and sales expansion of new wheat and fats flour Sales expansion of soy protein (Heated wheat flour, whole wheat flour, domestic new breed wheat flour) Starch and Sweetener Business **Animal Feed Business** Sales expansion of functional powdered corn Sales expansion of milk substitute and feed syrup and acidic oligosaccharide containing isomalto-oligosaccharides Sales enhancement of crystalline glucose Development and sales expansion of value-Strengthening the lactic acid bacteria business added egg products Focusing on developing modified starch for premix

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### Strengthening Stable Procurement



## Key Strategy 2 Expand our Business Fields

### **Expanding Overseas Businesses - Present-**

### Maximize profits and stabilize the operations in existing countries.



#### China

Dachan Showa Foods Tianjin CO., Ltd

- Dachan LiangYou Foods Co., Ltd
- Strengthen development and sales systems
   Streamlining sales activities by promoting localization

#### Taiwan

#### Z. Y. Food Company Limited

- Improve productivity for self-employed farms by enhancing efficiency and implementing measures against epidemics
- Reduce costs by boosting egg incubation and managing operation rates
- Stabilize earnings by passing on raw material costs and expanding sales

#### KOUCHAN MILL Co., Ltd

• Increase in sales volume by expanding plant production capacity

#### Vietnam

International Mix Joint-Venture Company

• Sales and technical support for sugarfree premix



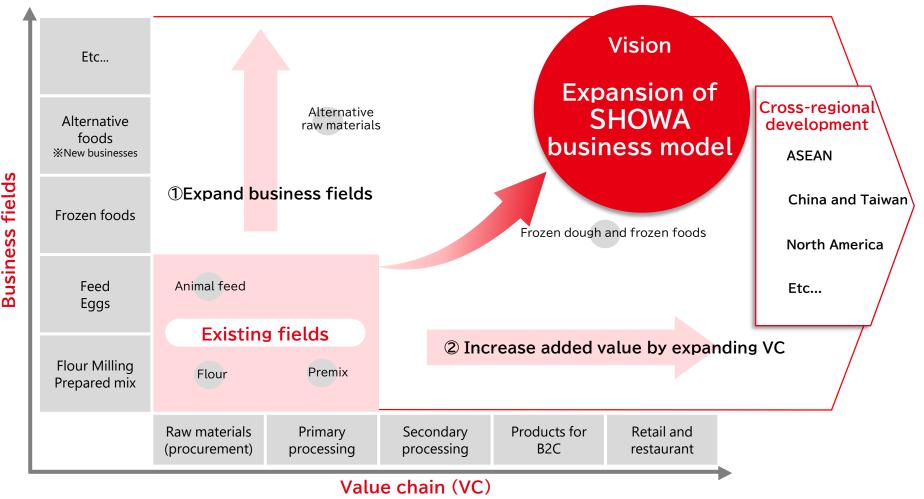


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### Expanding Overseas Businesses - Expansion Strategies-

We will generate ordinary profit of approx. 500 million in fiscal 2025 by developing comprehensive foods businesses across the regions based on two principal strategies: • expanding our business fields, and • increasing the added values by expanding value chains.



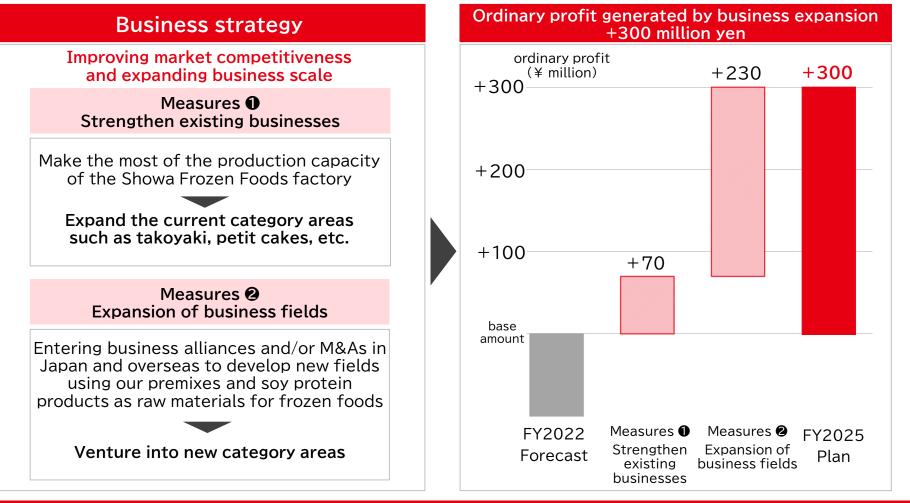
### Strengthening Export Businesses

We aim to grow **sales volume by 120% and profit by 150%** in the export businesses in fiscal 2025 by leveraging our products with high brand strength and quality, such as our tempura batter mixes.

	Current	Increase sales volume and profits by expanding export destinations and product categories		
Targets	Sales volume and profit	Sales volumeProfit120%150%vs. fiscal 2022 forecastvs. fiscal 2022 forecast		
Export Destination	Hong Kong, Taiwan and China are main destinations. Other destinations are ASEAN region, North America, Europe and Middle East	<ul> <li>Sales expansion in North America and Europe</li> <li>Strengthen the relationships with Japanese trading companies and dig up local needs</li> <li>Development and proposal of dedicated products for local restaurants</li> <li>Sales expansion in ASEAN</li> <li>Direct proposals to local users in China, Singapore, Indonesia, Malaysia, etc.</li> <li>Composite or combined solution proposals for sweetened premixes, etc.</li> </ul>		
Products	Wheat flour and premixes such as Tempura batter mixes	<ul> <li>Expanding sales of premixes, making proposals particularly for sweetened premixes other than tempura batter mixes</li> <li>Expansion of products for BtoC and restaurant users, development and proposal of dedicated products</li> <li>Entering the product categories and new markets where we can differentiate ourselves, such as sweeteners and vegetable oils</li> </ul>		
Strategy Organization	<ul> <li>Mainly via Japanese trading companies</li> <li>Export businesses are scattered across multiple departments</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Digging needs through direct proposals to local distributors and restaurant users</li> <li>Exploring constructive developments with Japanese companies overseas</li> <li>Achieve effective product proposals through consolidating export operations, realizing synergies with group companies in commercial distributions and products proposals</li> </ul>		

### **Expansion of Frozen Food Businesses**

- The trends of "time-saving, easy cooking, ready to eat" have been accelerated by the rising ratios of single-persons, dual-income households, changing dietary patterns caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, etc. We believe that steady demand for frozen foods will continue since these trends are not likely to revert.
- We will implement the following measures through our various sales channels and generate ordinary profit of 300 million yen from frozen foods businesses.

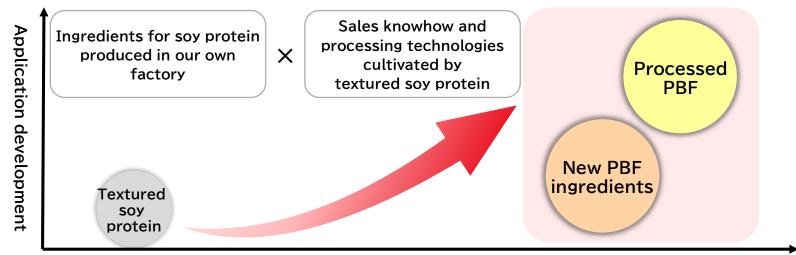


### **Challenge to New Businesses**

Promote new businesses that will serve as a foundation for future earnings by strengthening research and development of new value-added products.

#### ① Plant-based food (PBF) business

We will capture the growing demand of PBF in Japan and overseas by developing new ingredients and applications and following people's growing interest in PBF due to their environmental awareness and health consciousness.



Ingredients development and establishment of manufacturing technologies

#### **②** Fine chemicals business

Strengthen health food and cosmetics fields by developing functional ingredients derived from rice, soybeans, and sunflowers

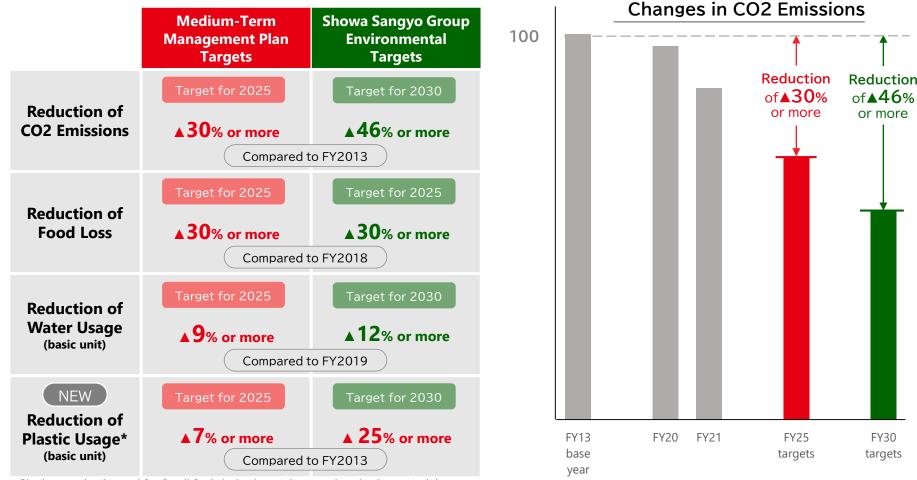
#### **③** Oleochemical business

Promote the **oleochemical** business by utilizing by-products generated in the manufacturing process of rice bran oil and sunflower oil.

## Key Strategy 3. Reducing Burden on the Environment

## **Reducing Burden on the Environment**

- We have set medium-term environmental targets to ensure the achievement of longer-term "Showa Sangyo Group Environmental Targets". We also added a new reduction target for plastic usage to accelerate our environmental initiatives.
- Formulate a roadmap for achieving carbon neutrality during the Medium-Term Management Plan 23-25.

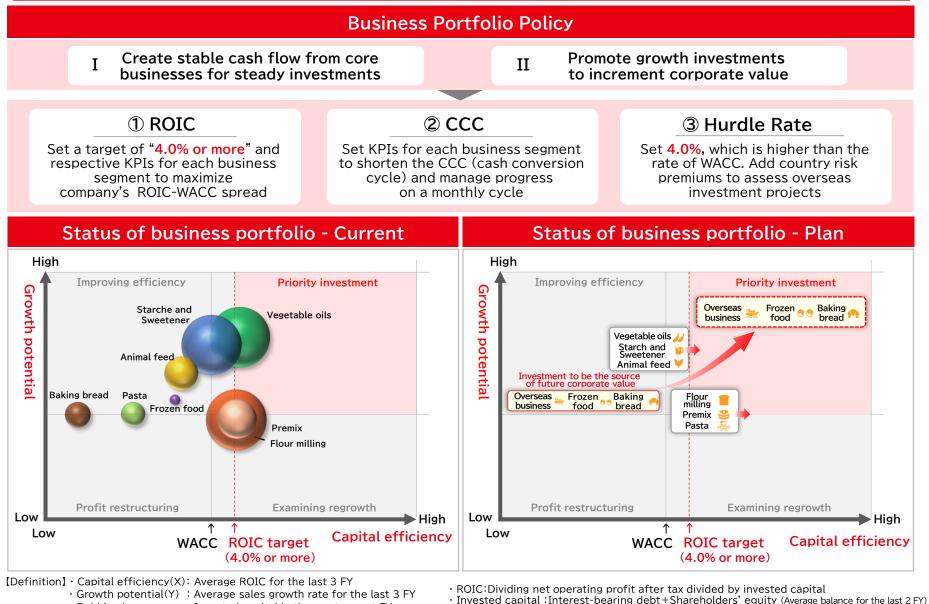


\*Single-use plastic used for fossil fuel-derived containers and packaging materials

## Key Strategy 4. Rebuilding Our Platform

### **Business Portfolio Strategies**

Deepen our ustainability management



• Bubble size : Invested capital in the most recent FY

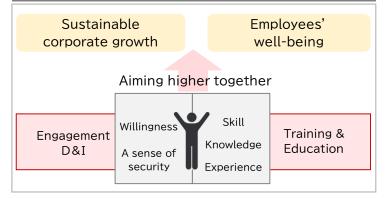
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### Human Capital Management

### Human Capital for SHOWA Group;

- Human resource is the most important management capital for achieving sustainable growth
- We continuously make strategic investments in human capital to increase stakeholder value
- We activate human resource to a maximum degree for our sustainable growth and employees' well-being

#### Human Capital Management Cycle

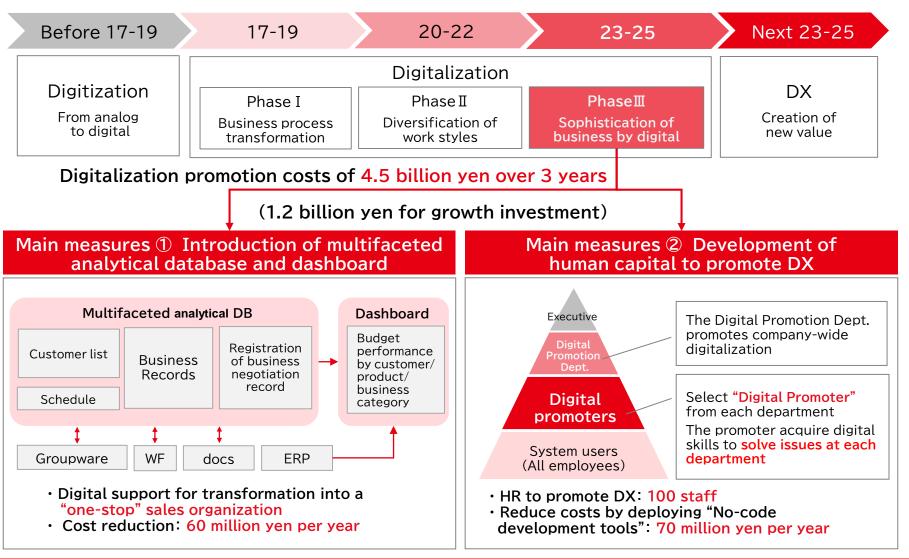


KPI

<ol> <li>Drastic promotion of D&amp;I</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>[Transform into an organization to take full advantage of our diversity activities]</li> <li>Set up a centralized D&amp;I team to carry out measures based on our Diversity Management Declaration</li> <li>Promote health management and foster an organizational culture to pursue high individual and organizational performance in addition to ensuring diversity</li> </ul>	Proportion of women in management positions: Above 10% in fiscal 2025
② Strategic investment in human capital	<ul> <li>Promoting strategic investment and enhancing human resource management ]</li> <li>Systematically rotate the cycle of employee placement, training &amp; education, and evaluation to improve our human resource management in line with HR planning based on our business strategies, while respecting individual career development</li> </ul>	Investment in Reskilling: More than double in fiscal 2025 (vs. 2021)
③ Improvement of employee engagement	<ul> <li>[ Transform into a highly engaged organization]</li> <li>Work on improving the engagement score with the recognition that the score is a comprehensive indicator of human capital management</li> <li>Strive to reinforce sustainable value of human capital by transforming into a highly engaged organization</li> </ul>	Engagement Score: Target score to be announced in the next couple of years

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### Accelerate digitalization and establish promotional organization for Digital Transformation (Rolling out in stages: "Digitization" --> "Digitalization" --> "DX")



#### Steadily promote our RD&E strategy by restructuring the Technical Division.

"Synthesis of Market-in and Product-out"				
	Integrate [Research and Development Division] and [Engineering Division] to enhance product development in line with our business strategies			
Technical Planning Dept.	<ul> <li>Strengthen business planning capabilities by formulating strategies for technical aspects and intellectual property.</li> <li>Promote optimization of business portfolio and expansion of business fields through cooperation with the "Business Planning Dept."</li> </ul>			
Research & Engineering Dept.	•Enforce our research and development framework by creating a new organization that covers everything seamlessly from basic research to production technologies.			
Development Dept.	•Enhance interface between our customers and sales force by establishing a new division, "Solution Development Group".			
Evolution of the Grain Solution		Promotion of Differentiation Strategies	Expansion of Our Business Fields	
<ul> <li>Strengthen product development capabilities by enforcing interface between customers and sales force and developing unique technologies.</li> <li>Improve our ability to respond to customer needs by utilizing digital</li> </ul>		Strengthen the development of value-added products in line with our business strategies.	<ul> <li>Promote PBF business</li> <li>Promote fine chemical business and oleochemical business</li> </ul>	
		Development of our own value- added premixes based on premix technology, modified starch technology and processed oil and	<ul> <li>Strengthen agribusiness</li> <li>Strengthen research and development of new materials and value-added materials</li> </ul>	

#### Establishment of Production Technologies to Ensure Implementation of Key Strategies

fat technology.

Establishment of production technologies in new business fields Promotion of smart factories utilizing digital technologies ■Introduction of energy-saving production processes and promotion of eco-friendly packaging design

technologies.

■Reduce costs through production improvement activities (Total reduction of ¥1 billion over the next three years)

value-added materials

## Key Strategy 5. Enforcing Stakeholder Engagement

## Enforcing Stakeholder Engagement

Deepen our sustainability management

- Increase transparency and earn trust from stakeholders by disclosing information appropriately
- Promoting two-way communication to meet stakeholders' expectations and requests

#### **Employees**

#### Drastic promotion of diversity and inclusion ("D&I")

- Acting on agenda items under our "Diversity Management Declaration" and "Health Declaration"
- Collecting feedback from employees, holding forums, networking, etc.

#### Promotion of strategic human capital development -

- Carrying out new personnel framework (implementation of quarterly interviews between superiors and subordinates, etc.)
- Making the best use of self-assessment system (once a year)

#### •Enhancement of employee engagement

- Conducting engagement surveys (once a year)
- Enhancement of inner branding
- ·Maintaining sound worker and employer relations
- Providing regular opportunities for dialogue between workers and employers

#### Shareholders & Investors

#### •Continuous and stable profit distribution

- Stable dividends over the long term

#### •Strengthening IR for individual shareholders and domestic and overseas institutional investors

- IR promotions in line with equity and shareholder strategies
- Collecting feedback from shareholders, posting of communications to shareholders
- IR meetings (financial results briefings, briefings for individual investors, etc.)
- Enhancement of disclosure in English, such as financial statements
- Improvement of quality of the Integrated Report
- Providing opportunities for communications with our top management

#### **Customers & Clients**

- •Evolving sales divisions into those that can enhance business synergies
- Transform our sales departments into "one-stop" sales models
- Acting on agenda items under "Customer Oriented Declaration"
- Providing safe and high-quality products
- Promoting dialogue via customer support center and developing products by listening to customers' feedback
- •Enhancement of sustainable procurement
- Collecting feedback from and holding meetings with value chain customers
  - (Human rights, conservation of the environment, labor conditions, etc.)
    - Supply chain management
      - •Strengthening external posting
      - Pro-active postings via newly established official SNS
      - Renewal of corporate web site

#### Environment& Community & NGO & NPO

#### •Implementing "Sustainability Basic Policy"

- 1) Contributing to a decarbonized society
- 2) Efficient use of water resources
- 3) Reduction of food loss

### •Endorsement of domestic and international environmental initiatives

- Information disclosure in line with TCFD recommendations
- •Social contribution and interaction in our regional business sites
- Promote education using grains
- Providing food in cooperation with NPOs
- Donations through WFP and Food Bank



### Non-financial KPIs

Environmental Targets	FY2025 Target	FY2030 Target	Human Capital Management	FY2025 Target
Reduction of CO2 Emissions	▲ <b>30% or more</b> Compared	▲46% or more to FY2013	Drastic promotion of D&I	Proportion of women in management positions: Above 10% in fiscal 2025
Reduction of food Loss	▲30% or more Compared	▲ <b>30% or more</b> to FY2018	Strategic investment in	Investment in Reskilling: More than double in fiscal
Reduction of water usage (basic unit)	▲9% or more	▲ <b>12% or more</b> to FY2019	human capital	2025 (vs. 2021)
Reduction of plastic usage (basic unit)	<b>A 7% or more A 25% or more</b> Compared to FY2013		Improvement of employee engagement	Engagement Score: Target score to be announced in the next couple of years
Digital Strategies	FY2025 Target		RD&E Strategy	FY2025 Target
Digitalization promotion	<ul> <li>Digitalization promotion costs of ¥4.5 billion over 3 years (¥1.2 billion for growth investment)</li> </ul>		Expansion of our business fields	<ul> <li>Strengthen R&amp;D in frozen food businesses and new business fields</li> <li>Improve production technology of overseas production bases</li> </ul>
Introduction of multifaceted analytical DB and Dashboard	<ul> <li>Sales transformation through effective use of customer information</li> <li>Cost reduction: ¥60 million per year</li> </ul>		Utilization of IT/AI technology	<ul> <li>Promotion of smart factories utilizing digital technologies</li> </ul>
Development of HR to promote DX	<ul> <li>•HR to promote DX: 100 staff</li> <li>•Cost reduction by deploying</li> <li>"No-code development tools":</li> <li>¥70 million per year</li> </ul>		Cost reduction	•Cost reduction through productivity improvement actions Total reduction: ¥1 billion over the next three years

# APPENDIX

### Strength of Our Group - Source of Value Creation -

Evolution of our Grain Solution

Our high level and extensive expertise in various grains is the source of our Group's strength. We deal with a wide variety of grains and have full knowledge of each grain's unlimited potential. As a professional "Grain Solution Company", we will provide solutions to our customers' requests and needs.



\* Based on our survey

launch of Tempura flour

food recycling ※ non-group basis

medical crystalline glucose % Based on our survey

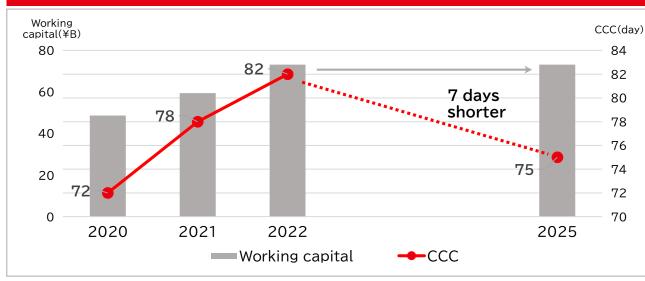


### **Materialities List**

	Materialities	Priority themes	Related opportunities and risks ○ Opportunity ● Risk	Related Key Strategies			
C	Contribution to society through our food businesses						
1	Supply safe, secured and high-quality foods	Expansion of customer base Ensuring safe, secure, and stable supplies Maintaining stable operations	ODiverse and numerous customer contacts OEarning customer trust through safe, secure, and stable supplies ●Loss of customer trust due to product accidents	Strengthening Our Core businesses     Senforcing Stakeholder Engagement			
2	Contribute to consumers' health and diversifying needs	Contribution to human's health Contribution to diversifying needs	<ul> <li>ODiversified customer needs (health, time saving, convenience)</li> <li>OAcquisition of market competitiveness by launching eco-friendly products</li> <li>OCreation of new markets by utilizing new materials</li> <li>Loss of growth opportunities due to shrinking domestic market in our core businesses</li> </ul>	Expansion of Our Business Fields			
Р	reserve the earth that p	roduce grains and the globa	l environment				
3	Consideration for the environment	Responding to climate change Consideration for biodiversity	OCost reduction through energy-saving and reduction of food loss Inadequate grain procurement due to climate change Loss of trust due to delayed response to environmental issues	Reducing Burden on the Environment			
Р	romote engagement wit	th stakeholders					
4	Utilization of human capital	Health and productivity management Promotion of D&I Human capital development	Olmproving productivity by improving job satisfaction ODecrease in turnover rate, secure superiority in opportunities to recruit Difficulty in hiring and increase in turnover rate due to delay in response	Rebuilding Our Platform     Enforcing Stakeholder Engagement			
6	Harmonious association with local communities	Promotion of CSR activities (food donation, etc.)	OGaining fans • Loss of trust due to lack of interaction with local communities	Enforcing Stakeholder Engagement			
6	Cooperation with stakeholders in our supply chains	Enhancement of sustainable procurement Optimization of logistics system	OCost reduction through efforts across the supply chain • Logistics failure due to delay in responding to social issues • Loss of customer trust due to inability to procure raw materials	Enforcing Stakeholder Engagement			
T	Enhance credibility with our stakeholders	Business management upgrade Promoting digitalization Strengthening IR activities Risk Management and compliance	<ul> <li>OImprove productivity and reduce costs through business management upgrades</li> <li>Loss of social trust due to violation of laws and regulations</li> <li>Occurrence of opportunity loss and unexpected loss due to negligence in IT/digital investment</li> <li>Lower evaluation from investors due to insufficient disclosure</li> </ul>	Rebuilding Our Platform     Enforcing Stakeholder Engagement			

## Shortening of CCC (Cash Conversion Cycles)

#### Working capital amount, CCC results, KPIs in fiscal 2025



#### FY20-22 results

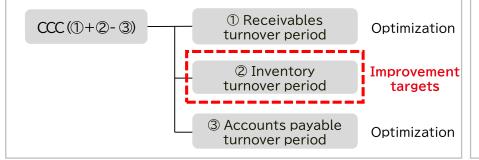
Both working capital amount and CCC increased due to the sharply increased prices of raw material grains, high energy prices, and increase of the number of Group companies

#### FY25 KPI

Shorten the duration of CCC by 7 days (vs. 2022) and try to control the increase of working capital near to zero

#### Improvement of CCC

Target to reduce "inventory turnover period" among CCC's three components and implement reduction measures by each business segment



#### Introduction of monthly CCC control

•Disclose CCC results to employees on a monthly cycle, and promote CCC control

• Promote cash flow management by managing the progress of the action plan on a monthly basis and disclosing the impact of inventory reduction on CCC and working capital (in addition to conventional inventory quantity and inventory ratio management)



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