



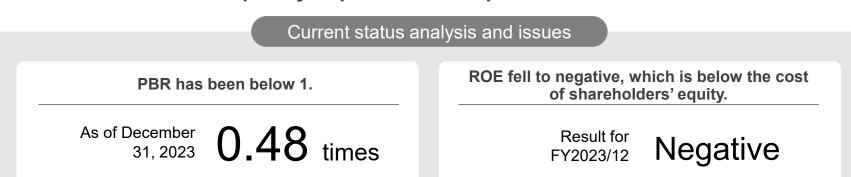
Action to Implement Management that is Conscious of Cost of Capital and Stock Price

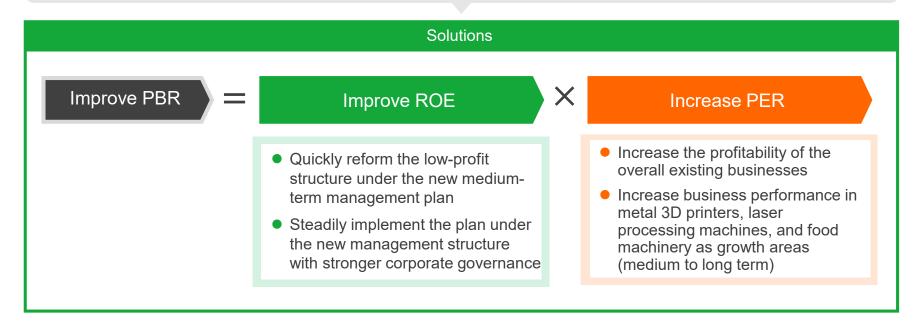
Sodick Co., Ltd.

## **Executive Summary**



We aim to improve PBR by implementing medium- to long-term growth strategies upon implementing structural reforms in the new medium-term management plan to quickly improve our low profit structure.

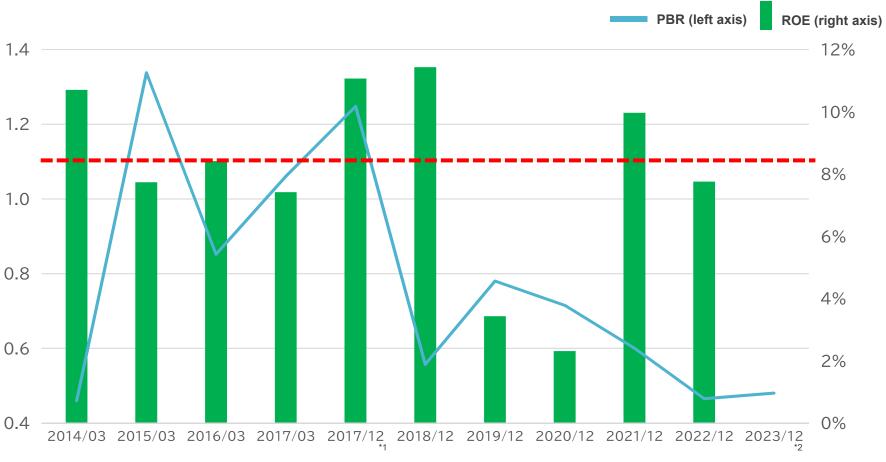




### Trends in PBR and ROE



The Company's PBR has been below 1 since 2018, as the Chinese market, the largest market, has entered a difficult phase while its ROE has also been sluggish.



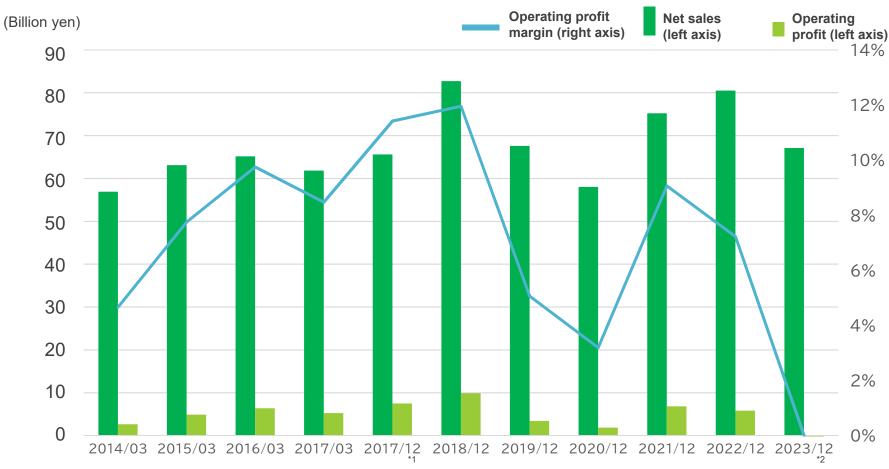
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Based on the past 10 years' business performance trends and operating profit margin, the low operating profit margin is one of the reasons for the low ROE.



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## Assessment of the Current Status and Policies for Improvement



Assessment of the current status

- The Company's average ROE for the past five periods has been stagnant at around 3.5%, and it is necessary to quickly improve the PBR to 1.
- The low operating profit margin is the main reason for the low ROE.

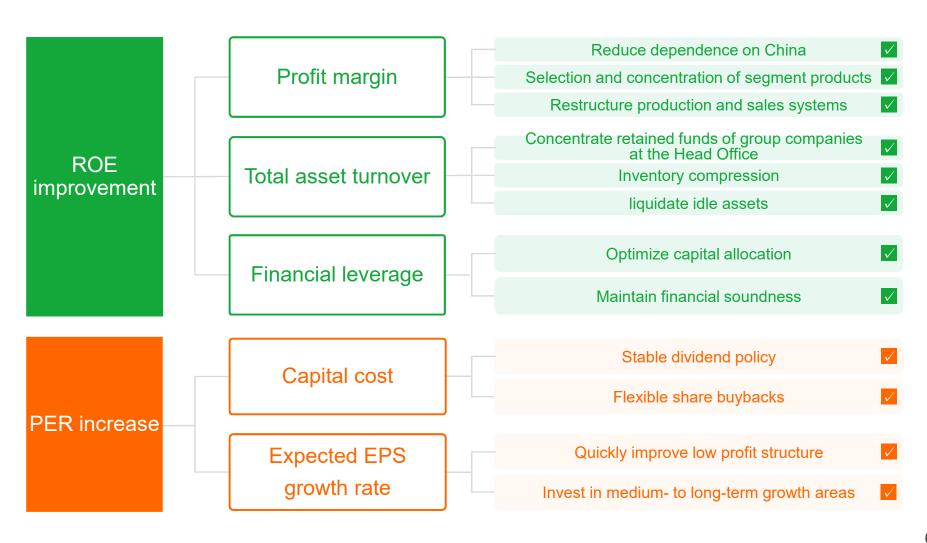
  Amid rapid and drastic external environmental changes including rapid depreciation of the yen since 2022, the company's overall **profitability has** declined due to the modulation of the Chinese market.

Policies for improvement

- Quickly reform the low-profit structure under the new medium-term management plan
- Establish a foundation for future growth by carrying out structural reforms with the main theme of reducing dependence on China, selection and concentration, and restructuring production and sales systems
- Strengthen IR activities to disseminate our growth strategies through financial results briefings and business briefings to improve market valuation



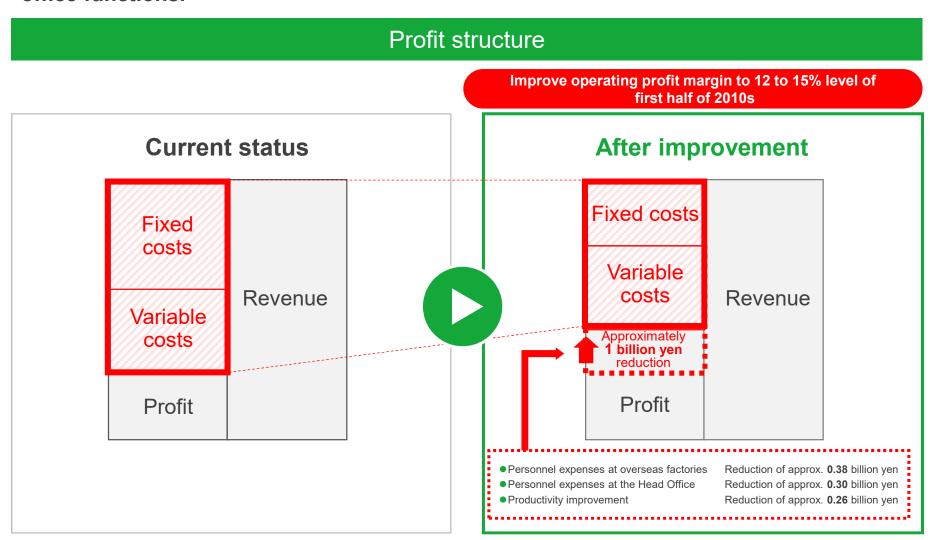
# We aim to improve PBR by increasing ROE and PER through various measures in accordance with the medium-term management plan.



## Improvement of the Profit Structure through Structural Reforms



Increase the operating profit margin to historical levels by optimizing personnel requirements at overseas factories (Suzhou, Amoy, Thailand), improving profitability through the introduction of automation facilities, and reducing overhead costs at head office functions.



## Summary of the Impact of Structural Reforms



## One-time cost

- Personnel reduction at overseas factories: approx. **0.4** billion yen
  - 2023: Approx. 0.26 billion yen
  - 2024: Approx. 0.14 billion yen
- Loss on sale of non-current assets: approx. **0.36** billion yen
  - 2024: Sales of company-owned housing assets
- Impairment losses on non-current assets: approx. 1.03 billion yen
  - 2023: Impairment of manufacturing facilities and goodwill

Total 1.8 billion yen

(Major portion recorded in FY2023)



- Reduction of manufacturing personnel (three overseas factories)
  - Thailand Factory: 132 employees
  - Amoy Factory: 32 employees
  - Suzhou Factory: 34 employees

0.38 billion yen reduction

## Reduction effect

- · Reduction of personnel expenses at the Head Office (implemented in April 2024)
  - Reduction of **0.3** billion yen by reviewing treatment, etc.
- Decrease in depreciation
  - Reduction of **0.26** billion ven by reducing assets

Approx. 1 billion yen per year

(Part of the reduction effect will be realized from fiscal 2025 onward)





	(Unit: billion yen)	FY2023 (Result)	FY2024 (Planned)	FY2025 (Planned)	FY2026 (Planned)
Net sales	Machine tool segment	46.7	49.4	56.5	61.0
	Industrial machinery segment	8.6	9.0	10.1	11.5
	Food machinery segment	6.9	8.1	9.3	11.0
	Other segments	4.9	5.7	6.6	7.2
		67.1	72.2	82.5	90.7
Segment profit (loss)	Machine tool segment	0.7	2.8	5.7	7.5
	Industrial machinery segment	-0.4	0.1	0.5	1.0
	Food machinery segment	8.0	1.0	1.1	1.3
	Other segments	-0.9	0.0	0.2	0.4
		0.2	3.9	7.5	10.2
Company-wide adjustment		-3.0	-2.8	-2.9	-2.9
Total operating profit		-2.8	1.1	4.6	7.3
Ordinary profit		-1.2	1.1	4.6	7.3
Profit		-4.6	0.7	3.5	5.5

## ▼Expected exchange rates during the plan period

Currency	USD/JPY	EUR/JPY	CNH/JPY	THB/JPY
Exchange rate	140.0	157.0	20.0	4.1

## **Financial Targets**



	Indicators	Targets	2023 result
Capital efficiency	ROE (5-year average)	8% or more	3.5%
Financial soundness	Equity ratio	50% or more	57.5%
Shareholder	DOE*1	2% or more*	2.2%
returns	Total return ratio*2	40% or more	*3

<sup>\*</sup> Dividends per share: **27** yen or more (calculated from the average shareholders' equity at the beginning and the end of FY2023/12 x DOE of 2%)

Profit for fiscal year n FY

<sup>\*1</sup> DOE (Dividend on Equity Ratio) = Total dividends / Shareholders' equity (average at the beginning and the end of the period)

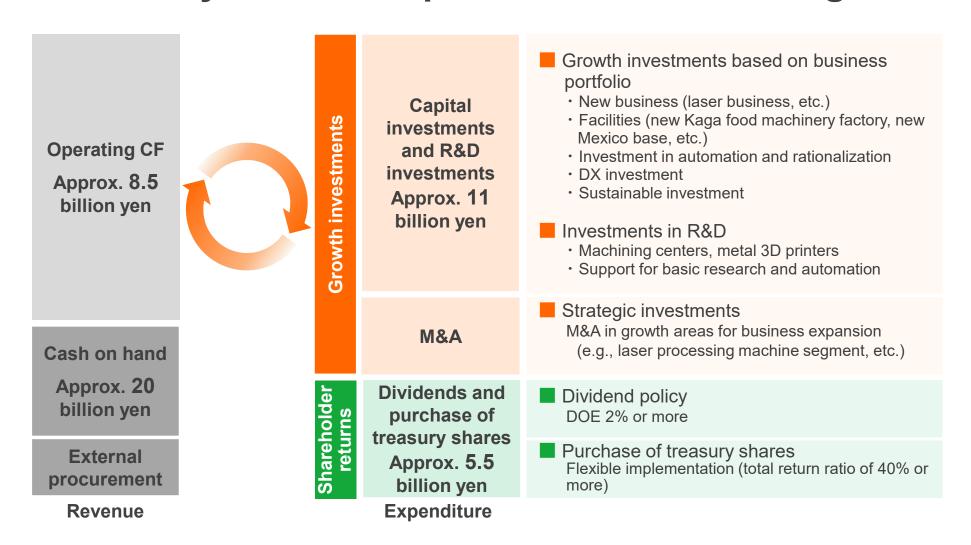
(dividends in *n* FY) + (purchase amount of treasury shares in *n* + 1 FY)

<sup>\*2</sup> Formula for calculating the total return ratio in the Company: Total return ratio =

<sup>\*3</sup> Profit in FY2023 was negative, and the total return ratio was calculated to be negative, which is indicated by a hyphen.



## Proactively allocate capital to investment for growth





# We will promote three non-financial measures to reduce the cost of shareholders' equity

- We will shift to a new management structure with stronger governance to steadily implement structural reforms in the new medium-term management plan.
- We will incorporate management from an investors' perspective while enhancing management transparency through periodical engagement with shareholders.
- We will use renewable energy and reduce CO2 emissions to achieve carbon neutrality. In addition, we will further promote a corporate culture in which diverse employees can work comfortably with a sense of satisfaction.

