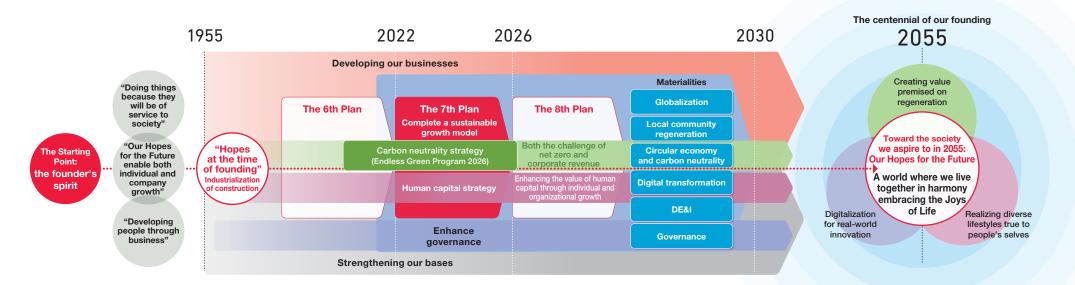
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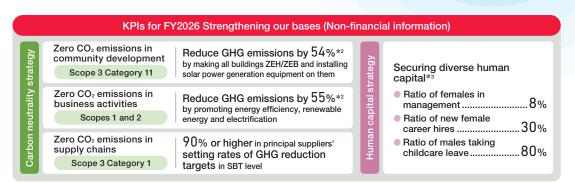
■ Materialities and Specification Processes

Roadmap to the Centennial Anniversary of Our Founding—Road to 2055

With our founder's spirit as a starting point, we have achieved sustainable growth by always looking to what lies ahead and believing in Our Hopes for the Future. We will work to implement the 7th Medium-Term Management Plan with an awareness of materiality over the medium- to long-term, and aim to realize Our Hopes for the Future by expanding the areas where the three actions overlap.



KPIs for FY2026 Developing our businesses (Financial information)		
Net sales	¥ 5.5 trillion	ROE 13% or higher
Operating income*1	¥500billion	Dividend payout ratio 35% or higher and dividend per share of ¥130 or more
Net income attributable to owners of the parent	¥340billion	Debt-equity ratio Around 0.6 times

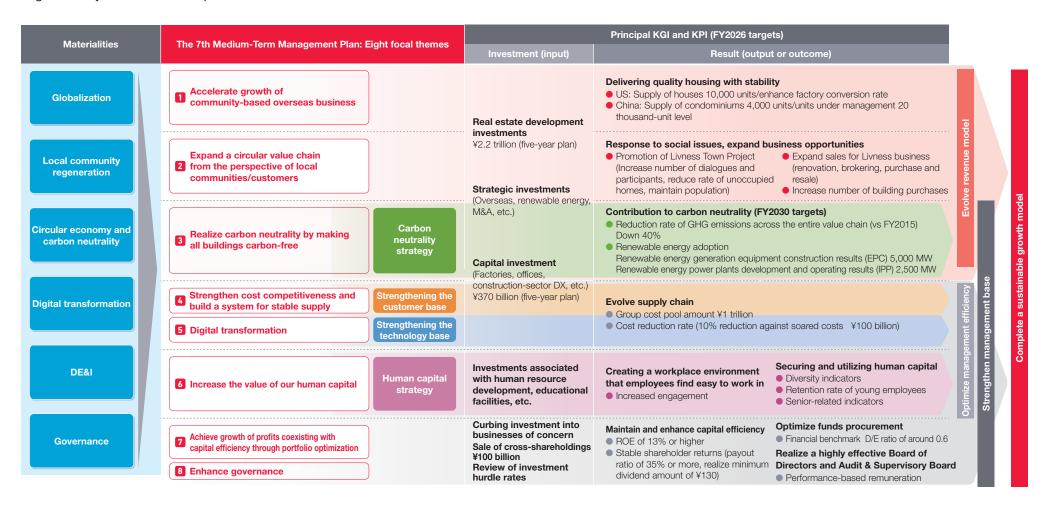


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Materialities and the 7th Medium-Term Management Plan

Environment

Taking materialities into account, under the 7th Medium-Term Management Plan, we uphold three management policies: Evolve revenue model, Optimize management efficiency, and Strengthen management base. These policies are the foundation upon which we tackle eight focal themes toward maximizing corporate value with a view to growth beyond the 8th Plan period.



Society

■ Materialities and Specification Processes

Processes for Specifying Materialities

In order to bolster the value creation process cycle, when we formulated Our Hopes for the Future, we identified materialities, or priority issues, in consideration of their degree of importance to our business (opportunities and risks) and their social significance and impact based on the needs and expectations of society, while also taking into account the opinions offered by experts.

We continued to consider KGI/KPI for materialities in fiscal 2022 in light of the level of action to be taken under the 7th Medium-Term Management Plan.

STEP 1

Understanding and organization of issues, clarification of key issues In light of changes in society (megatrends), members led by division heads discussed the elements necessary to realize Our Hopes for the future, and compared them with various international norms, trends in major evaluation organizations, and the policies of industry associations. Keeping in mind three actions to be taken to realize Our Hopes for the Future, we clarified a total of 112 issues as a result of having considered their relevance to business (opportunities and risks), as well as social significance and impact in light of society's demands and expectations. From these, we have consolidated and organized them into 18 key issues, targeting around 2030. These 18 key issues were separately confirmed with young employees and others who will bear responsibilities in the future. The final decision was confirmed at management meetings and other meetings led by senior management.

Environment

STEP 2

Confirmation of validity

All 112 issues clarified in STEP 1 were evaluated for validity, which also covered specific processes for materialities, through dialogue with external experts, including investors and sustainability management specialists. In addition, we have reinforced the issues by receiving opinions that take a long-term and global perspective considering the latest insights.

STEP 3

Specification of materialities

The Company categorized and organized the study's results, which were approved by the Board of Directors in May 2022 as materialities that the Group should prioritize.

STEP 4

Reflecting to the Basic Policy KGI/KPI (P009) for materialities were formulated based on the basic policy of the 7th Medium-Term Management Plan, and the corresponding policy for each theme was decided and formulated at a Board of Directors meeting held in April 2023, taking into consideration the level of Company efforts.

These indicators are also being used as targets for the 7th Medium-Term Management Plan to promote initiatives.

18 key issues Materialities (1) Carbon neutrality for individuals, communities, and people's lifestyles Circular economy and (2) The challenge of preventing any net loss to biodiversity carbon neutrality (3) Sustainable use of resources and conservation of water resources through a circular economy management to achieve regeneration (4) Providing fulfilling lifestyles that account for diverse ways to live Globalization (5) Creation of sustainable communities in light of transformation to the structure of industry **Develop community-based** (6) Overseas development of community-based methods for solving social issues businesses aimed at solving social issues overseas (7) Strengthening global human capital **Local community** (8) The pursuit of job satisfaction and wellbeing regeneration Deepen societal issue (9) Transformation into an organization where employees who have diverse solutions businesses in Japan characters can aim to achieve "Our Hopes for the Future" (10) Foster human capital that can stand on their own DE&I (11) Offer a new customer experience through a fusion of digital and real worlds Foster organizational culture that welcomes diverse values and uses them (12) Endeavoring to create added value by evolving business processes in value creation (13) Building a data-connected co-creation platform with business partners Digital transformation (14) Creation of an environment that supports employees to fulfill their potential Maximize use of digital technologies (15) Establishment of a sustainability structure to realize Our Hopes for the Future in 2055 for lifestyle innovation (16) Review of investment approach to enhance long-term corporate value Governance (17) Respect for human rights across the entire value chain Governance (18) Nurturing the next generation of management talent to create the future

^{*} Issues included in the key themes of the 7th Medium-Term Management Plan are marked with an asterisk (*)