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Presentation

Wakabayashi: Now it's time to begin the DNP, Dai Nippon Printing's sustainability presentation for institutional investors and analysts. I, Wakabayashi of the IR and Public Relations Division, will serve as today's moderator. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Thank you very much for taking time out of your busy schedule today to participate in our online session. Today, we will explain in accordance with the presentation materials. The presentation materials are available on DNP's website in both Japanese and English.

Let me now introduce the contents of today's presentation. President Kitajima and other members will explain our concepts and policies behind sustainable management, reinforcing human capital, enhancing intellectual capital, environmental initiatives, and governance initiatives. This will be followed by a question-and-answer session. Please note that we are scheduled to end the session at 4:00 PM today.

Let me begin with an explanation. First, Mr. Kitajima, President, will explain the concept and policy of sustainable management. Now then, President Kitajima, please begin.

Concepts and Policies behind DNP's Sustainable Management DNP

Brand Statement

Creating future standards

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Kitajima: Hello everyone. I am Kitajima, President. Thank you for attending today's DNP Group sustainability presentation.

Please see page four of the document. The DNP Group strives to realize a better, more sustainable society and a more fulfilling life based on its corporate philosophy of connecting people and society and providing new value.

We are focused on solving social issues, creating new value that meets people's expectations, and making that value something that is always around us, or something we take for granted. This aspiration is reflected in our brand statement, "Creating future standards."

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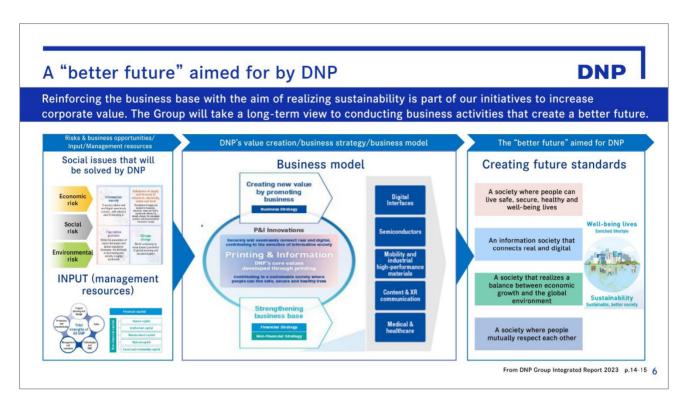
- Healthy societies and economies, and comfortable, prosperous lives are achieved through a sustainable planet.
- With the environment, society, and the economy undergoing rapid changes in recent years, we will create value that mitigates the negative aspects of various risks while amplifying their positive impacts, in order to enhance the sustainability of the environment, society, and the economy.



See page five.

We believe that a healthy society and economy, as well as comfortable and enriched people's lives, are based on a sustainable planet. In recent years, particularly the environment, society, and the economy have been changing rapidly, and the risks, or variables, that affect management have also become increasingly diverse and wide-ranging.

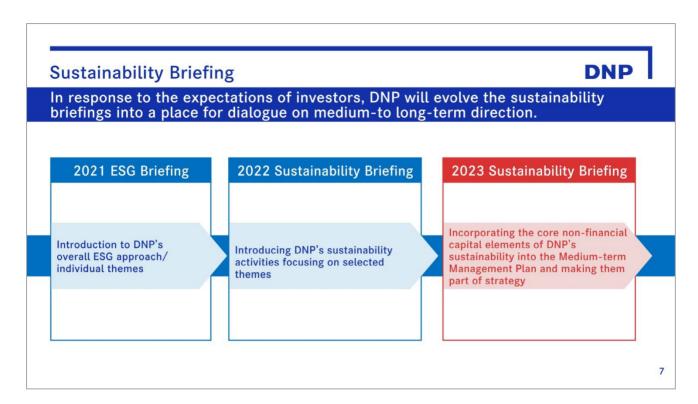
Under these circumstances, DNP itself is taking the initiative in promoting business activities to create a better future. We believe that by managing medium- and long-term risks and reflecting them in our management strategies, we can reduce the negative impact of all risks throughout the supply chain and create value that has a positive impact. By doing so, we will enhance both our corporate sustainability and environmental, social, and economic sustainability.



See page six. This page shows the value creation process that will enable the DNP Group to create a better future.

The business environment in which companies operate has changed rapidly and become increasingly diverse, especially in recent years. It has the potential to fundamentally change the way we work and live. These changes are also stimulating new needs of society and consumers. We not only want to respond to change, but we also want to transform ourselves and make it an opportunity to create new value.

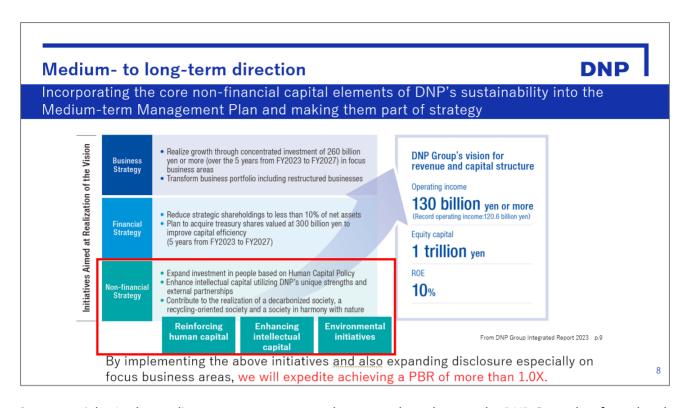
In particular, strengthening the management foundation to achieve sustainability, which is also today's theme, is an essential and important initiative for improving corporate value, and we will promote it in tandem with the creation of new value through the promotion of our business. We will be the agents of change ourselves, bringing together the technology, know-how, and network of all DNP companies to develop business activities to create a better future.



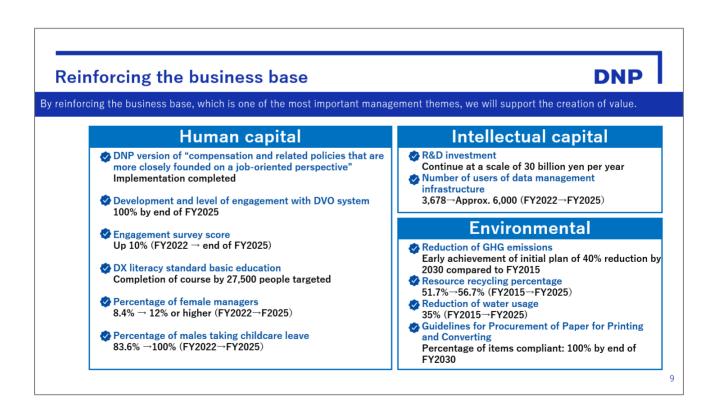
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In addition to our financial results briefings, we have been holding sustainability-related briefings on an ongoing basis since 2021 to promote a deeper understanding of our ESG-oriented management policies and their respective themes.

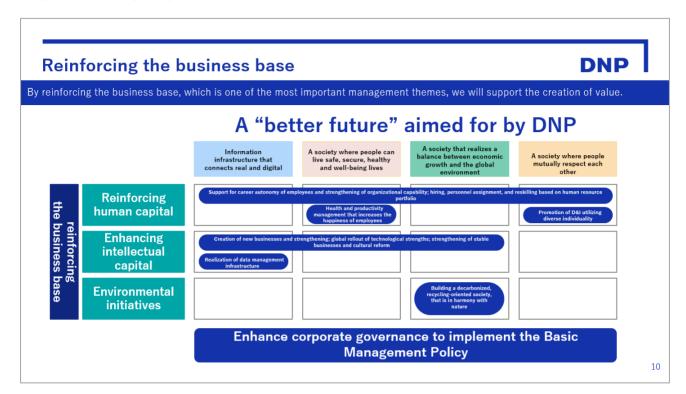
This time, I would like to explain the relationship between the non-financial strategies outlined in our medium-term management plan starting this year and the creation of value that will lead to the future of our company, using a storyline from the perspective of sustainability, and evolve this session into a forum for dialogue with you on medium- to long-term growth.



See page eight. In the medium-term management plan currently underway, the DNP Group has formulated a specific strategy for sustainable value creation with a medium- to long-term perspective. We will incorporate non-financial strategies, which are the cornerstone of our sustainability management, into these efforts, and aim to quickly achieve our ROE target of 10% and P/B ratio of over 1x by integrating our business and financial strategies.



See page nine. This page, although they are only a part of our overall activities, describes our efforts and progress in realizing our goals as specific as possible.



See page 10. From here on, each speaker will explain the human capital, intellectual capital, and the environment, which we consider particularly important among non-financial capital, as well as the governance initiatives that support them.

That is all from me. Thank you very much.

Wakabayashi: Now, Mr. Miya, Senior Managing Director, will explain about reinforcing human capital. Mr. Miya, please begin.

Reinforcing Human Capital



Dramatically increase "human creativity (added value productivity)" globally, based on the Human Capital Policy to clearly connect investment in people to the enhancement of corporate value.

Human Capital Policy

The company respects its employees, and these respected employees drive the growth of the company as well as enriching society.

[Nurturing human capitals who can be active in society (both within and outside DNP)]



Grounded in the Human Capital Policy

Previously announced people-related policies, visions, and declarations, etc.



Integrated and strategic initiatives to strengthen human capital

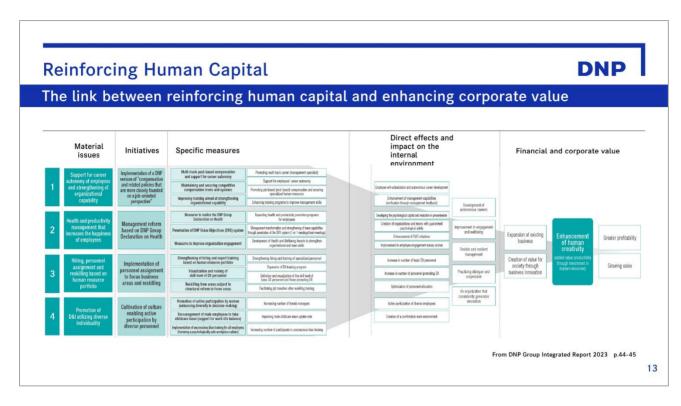
- · Fostering of a better organizational culture
- Accelerate investments in people aimed at contributing to the development of diverse human resources
- Opens the way to further improvements in corporate value

Miya: My name is Miya, Senior Managing Director. I am in charge of the human capital area, and I would like to explain how we are reinforcing our human capital.

Please see page 12 of the document. As we recently announced internally and externally in our new medium-term management plan, DNP is further expanding investment in people based on our human capital policy to clearly link investment in people to increased corporate value and to enhance human creativity on a global basis.

DNP has been restructuring its personnel systems in recent years. Last year, we formulated our human capital policy, which clearly states our universal and basic approach to our employees and is the basis for the restructuring of our personnel systems. Under this policy, we value our employees, and our company grows through the employees we value, and these employees enrich society. This human capital policy reflects the Company's desire for each employee to develop his or her strengths and grow as a person who can be used both internally and externally.

Under this human capital policy, we will unite the human capital policies, visions, and declarations that we have communicated to date and work to reinforce human capital in an integrated and strategic manner to foster a better organizational climate, accelerate investment in people that contributes to the growth of diverse human resources, and further enhance corporate value.

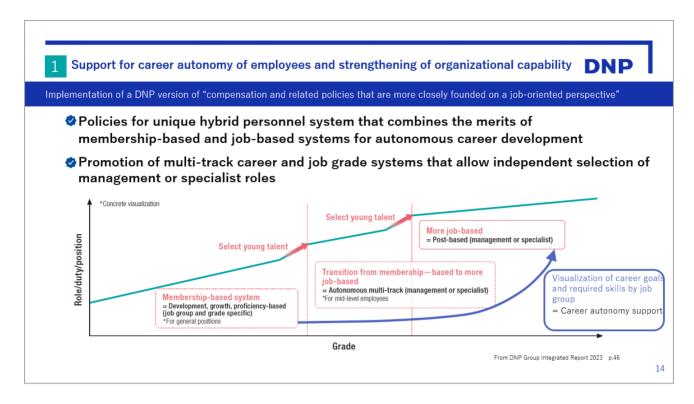


See page 13. This shows the link between enhancing human capital and increasing corporate value. First, we have established four key issues that we will work on to enhance our corporate value.

- 1) Support for career autonomy of employees and strengthening of organizational capability.
- 2) Health and productivity management that increases the happiness of employees.
- 3) Hiring, personnel assignment, and reskilling based on human resource portfolio; and
- 4) Promotion of diversity and inclusion utilizing diverse individuality.

We are then implementing specific measures for each of these important issues. The effectiveness of these measures will be further enhanced through a value relevance analysis of the effects they generate for employees and the effects they have on human creativity, corporate value, and financial value.

In order to promote change that is not an extension of the past, it is important for each employee to chart his or her career more autonomously and develop their strengths. To further support the career autonomy of these employees, we will optimally and effectively invest in people and further strengthen our human capital.



See page 14. Next, I will explain each issue in a little more detail.

First, regarding support for employee career autonomy and strengthening of organizational strength. The DNP Group is developing DNP's version of more job-based compensation and related measures with the main objective of further supporting autonomous career development, so that each and every employee can acquire expertise and skills that are applicable not only within the Company but also outside the Company.

This is DNP's unique hybrid career autonomy policy that leverages the benefits of both membership-based and job-based employment. When employees are young, they move through a membership-based development and growth stage, which includes their own preferences and work experience. Thereafter, they move up to a more post-oriented, job-based stage, which includes autonomous choice of whether they want to become a manager or a specialist.

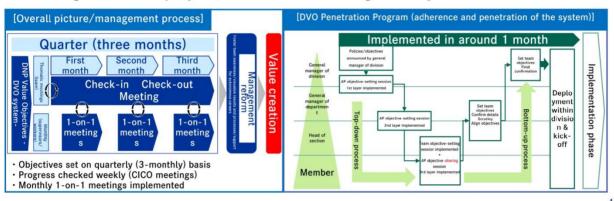
In other words, we encourage our employees to think carefully about their own careers, where they want to go in the future, and to improve themselves and grow while they are still in general employment. As they move up to mid-level executives, they will autonomously pursue managerial or specialist positions, utilizing a multi-track career and job grade system that allows them to autonomously choose between management and specialist positions.

The overall image is that the Company will then support each of these individuals in all stages of their career autonomy.

2 Health and productivity management that increases the happiness of employees DNP

Management reform based on DNP Group Declaration on Health

Promotion of the DVO (DNP Value Objectives) Penetration Program, which was introduced as part of management reforms, to achieve full integration of DVO throughout the company and establish a new management style



See page 15. Next, I will explain the second important issue, the DVO (DNP value objectives) system, as one of the health management measures to enhance employee happiness. See the overall picture on the left, and the diagram of the operational process.

This DVO stands for DNP value objectives system and is a system that incorporates elements of OKR (objectives and key results)—which originated from Intel Corporation in the US and has been adopted by leading companies in Silicon Valley—into our conventional goal management system. It is a new management system that matches DNP's needs, aiming to visualize results and processes, foster a sense of teamwork, and support autonomous careers.

Specifically, we aim to set team goals, narrow them down to priority goals, hold weekly team meetings, and monthly one-on-one meetings to build trust and support autonomous careers, as well as psychological safety in the organization.

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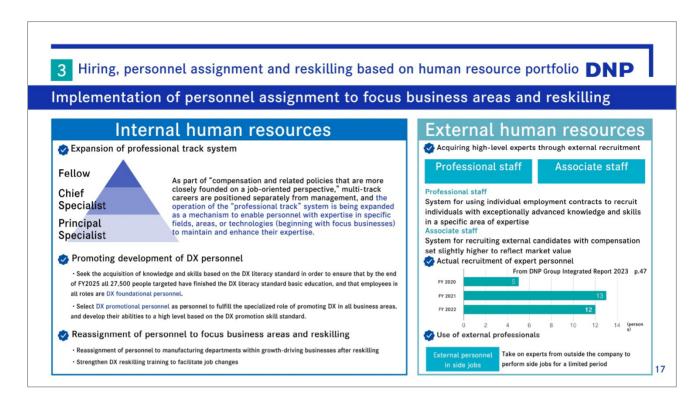


- Health and Wellbeing Awards launched in FY2023 to assess elements other than business profitability.
- These honor outstanding initiatives aimed at the building of a vibrant workplace culture and the strengthening of organizational and team capabilities that are the basis of value creation.
- ♥ A total of more than 1,000 volunteer judges voted to choose the award winners from among the 130 or so entries. 16

See page 16.

Next, with regard to health management that enhances employee happiness, this fiscal year we began awarding commendations that evaluate factors other than business earnings. The award recognizes outstanding initiatives that have led to the creation of a vibrant workplace culture and the strengthening of organizational and team skills, which are the foundation for value creation.

We were able to shine a light on the steady but excellent efforts of the manufacturing division and other divisions that are not easily recognized in terms of sales and other business results, and we believe that the award winners in these divisions also felt pride and joy in their work.



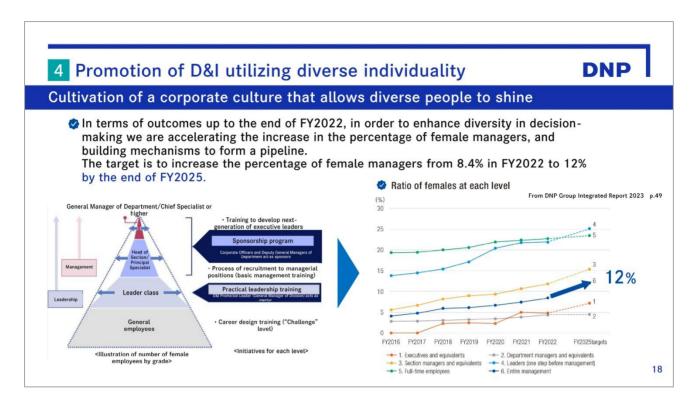
See page 17. The third is recruitment, staffing, and reskilling based on human resource portfolios, as a key issue. The DNP Group has created a human resources strategy in line with its business strategy by creating a human resources portfolio that is classified into several types according to the roles required for each business, the expertise possessed, and management skills.

We examine the excesses and deficiencies of each human resource type to realize our business strategy, and promote recruitment and human resource development with an emphasis on the qualitative aspects of human resources. As a premise for this, as I mentioned earlier, as one of the job-based compensation and related measures, we have prepared a multi-level career system that is separate from management positions. We are expanding and operating a system of specialized positions as a mechanism for personnel with expertise in specific fields, domains, and technologies, including our core businesses, to continue to enhance their expertise.

We are also promoting the development of DX human resources, which will be indispensable in all business domains in the future. By the end of FY2025, 27,500 employees will have completed basic education based on the DX literacy standards, and all employees in all positions are expected to acquire knowledge and skills based on the DX literacy standards as basic DX foundational personnel.

In addition, as human resource reallocation and reskilling in focused business areas, we are reallocating human resources with reskilling training to manufacturing divisions in growth-driving businesses and strengthening DX reskilling training to develop DX human resources. In addition to internal training, we are also actively promoting the use of external high-level experts.

Specifically, in addition to the professional staff system in which a separate employment contract is concluded with a person who has extremely advanced knowledge and skills in a specific field of expertise, the Company will accept outside professional human resources as a form of side employment for a certain period of time. We are actively doing those things as well.

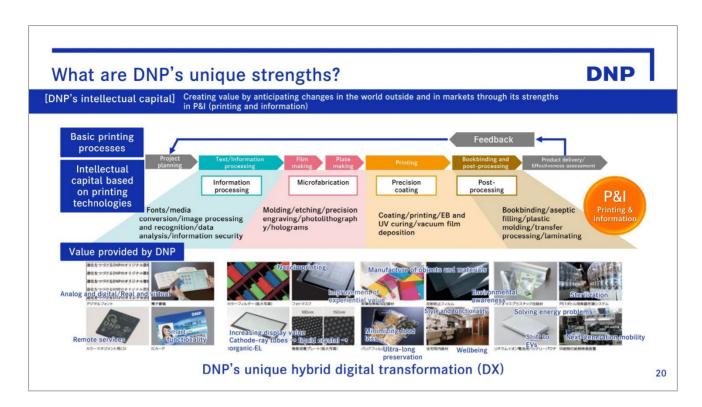


See page 18. The fourth important issue, the promotion of diversity and inclusion that makes the most of diverse individuals, is mainly focused on the promotion of female advancement, promotion of male maternity leave, and training on unconscious bias. Today I will explain about the promotion of women's activities to increase diversity in decision-making.

The figure on the left illustrates our continuous human resource development of female employees. We offer practical leadership training for all female employees at the leadership level, as well as a sponsorship program that involves female employees in managerial positions at the section manager and general manager level, executives from other divisions, and the head of the division to which the woman belongs. After the past two implementations, half of the participants have been promoted. In addition to raising the ratio of female managers to the target of 12% by the end of FY2025, we are charting a path to sustainably increase diversity in decision-making through this systematic approach.

That is all from me. Thank you very much.

Wakabayashi: Thank you very much. Next, Mr. Yamaguchi, Senior Managing Director, will explain how we are strengthening our intellectual capital. Then, Mr. Yamaguchi, please begin.

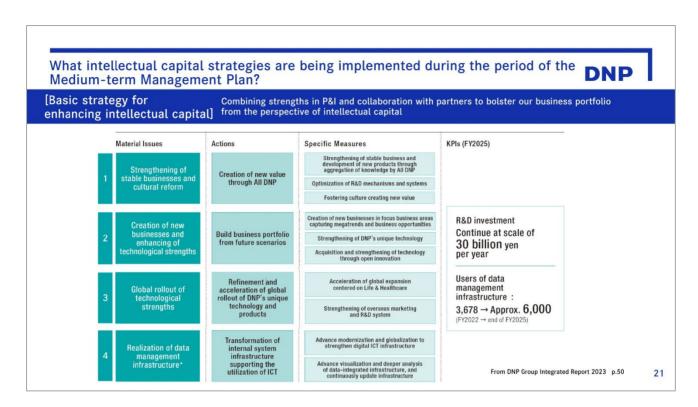


Yamaguchi: I am Yamaguchi, Senior Managing Director. I would like to explain how we are strengthening our intellectual capital.

Please see page 20 of the document. DNP's intellectual capital originates from printing technology and information technology. We are creating value that leads to solutions to social issues through P&I innovation, or combining of printing and information.

As shown in the figure, the basic technology of printing starts with information processing technology, followed by microfabrication technology, precision coating technology, and post-processing technology for commercialization, etc., all of which contain significant intellectual capital and are core competencies that are the source of our company's growth. Through the application and development of these products, we are expanding into the world's top share products and DX business, etc.

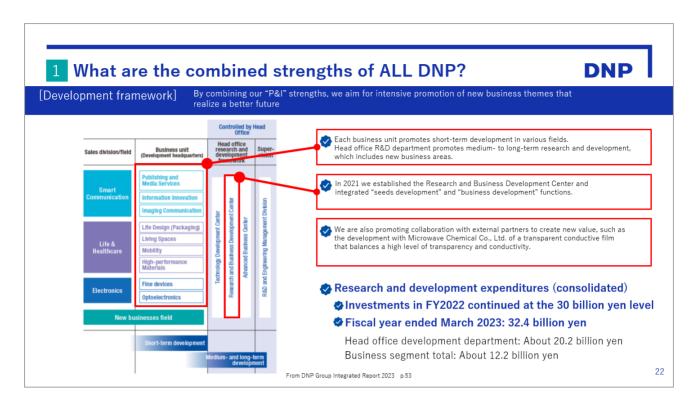
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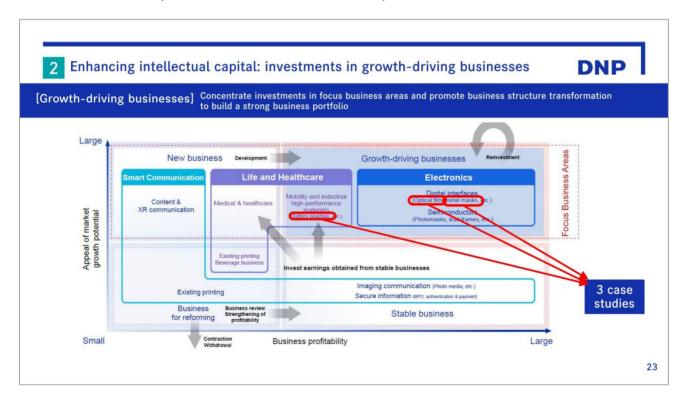
See page 21. The medium-term management plan for the period from FY2023 to FY2025, which started this year, defines four business domains.

Of these, we will promote concentrated investment and strengthening of intellectual capital in focused business areas consisting of growth-driving businesses and new businesses. We will then optimize our business portfolio by strengthening our intellectual capital through collaboration between DNP's strengths and those of our partners and other companies. In particular, we will envision a better future, and using this as a starting point, we will continue to strengthen our proprietary technologies to realize future scenarios.

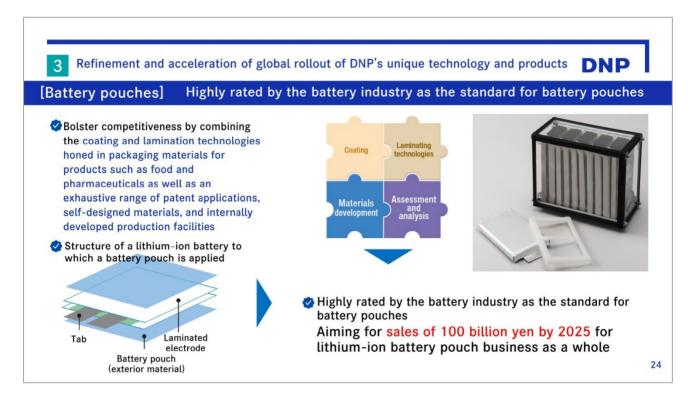
The material issues are listed as 1 through 4 in this table.



See page 22. The dispersed development structure was consolidated into the Research & Business Development Center to enable functional operation of seed development and business development. DNP will open up a new world by collaborating with partner companies that possess DNP's strengths and proprietary technologies. Every year, DNP invests more than JPY30 billion in R&D, and last year the figure was JPY32.4 billion. We plan to invest JPY34 billion this fiscal year as well.



See page 23. As I mentioned earlier, we have defined our focus business areas and will continue to strategically strengthen our concentrated investments and intellectual capital. Here I introduce three of our focused businesses that are growth drivers and have the world's top market share.



See page 24. First, it is a battery pouch.

Around 1990, DNP began developing battery pouches, anticipating that lithium-ion batteries would require lighter weight and higher reliability in the future. The functionality and reliability of the pouches have been highly evaluated, and they have been adopted by Japanese EVs and the world's largest smartphone makers, then expanding to this day.

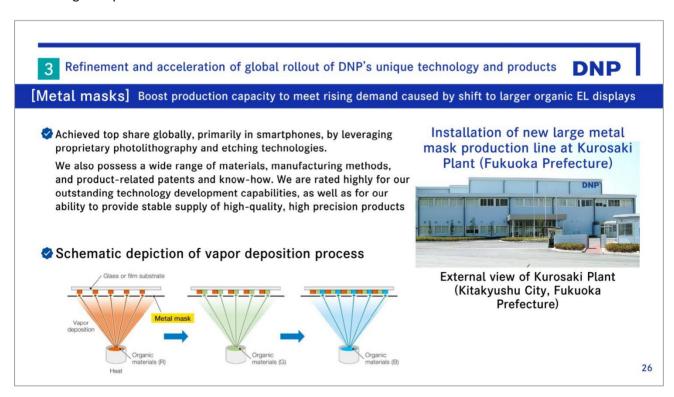
The name "battery pouch" was also popularized by DNP and is highly regarded as a standard in the battery industry. We have over 200 patents and all of our production equipment is made in-house.

We aim to achieve sales of JPY100 billion by FY2025 for the entire lithium-ion battery pouch.



See page 25. In addition, the battery pouch is becoming increasingly globalized, with customers in Korea, China, Europe, and North America.

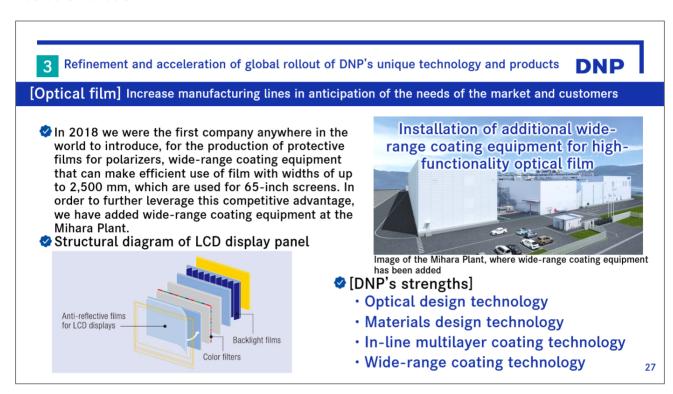
DNP has established four post-processing sites in China and a European site in Denmark this year. Next, we are looking to expand into North America.



See page 26. Next is the metal mask.

The top share in the global market is, above all, metal masks for OLED displays. In response to the need for larger sizes, we have now expanded our large line in Kurosaki, Kitakyushu, to maintain our leading market share. DNP's superior development capabilities, strong strategic patents, and know-how differentiate us from our competitors.

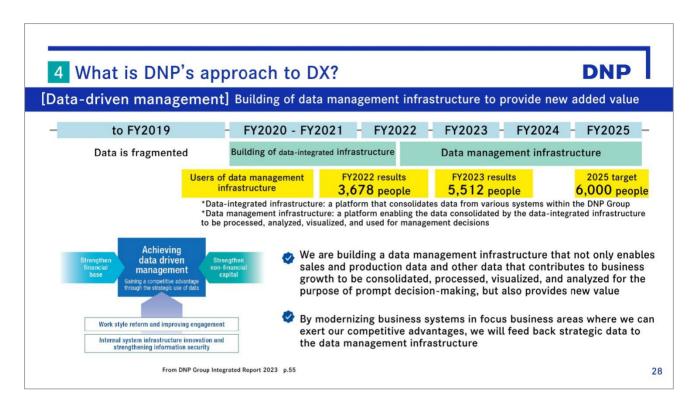
A schematic diagram of vapor deposition process is shown in page 26. One of the main features of this system is that each RGB patterning can be done at the time of vapor deposition if three types of metal masks are available.



See page 27. Next is the optical film.

High-performance optical films for displays have enhanced the performance of displays by preventing surface glare and reflection, and by collecting and diffusing light.

We own many strong patents in Japan and abroad. We are aggressively investing in facilities, and will add a new large-scale facility in Mihara, Hiroshima Prefecture.



See page 28. DNP aims for data-driven management, a management approach that achieves results through decision-making based on a variety of data.

This requires expertise and skills in collecting and analyzing the data to be utilized, and we will secure and nurture personnel skilled in data science. The number of users of the data management infrastructure was 3,678 in the previous fiscal year, but 5,512 were utilizing the infrastructure in H1 of this fiscal year. And our goal is to have more than 6,000 people in FY2025.

DNP

FY2023 - FY2025

Policies aimed at realizing the Medium-term Management Plan

Anticipate
market changes
by reading
megatrends and
expand
focus businesses
in growth areas



Generate value through DX

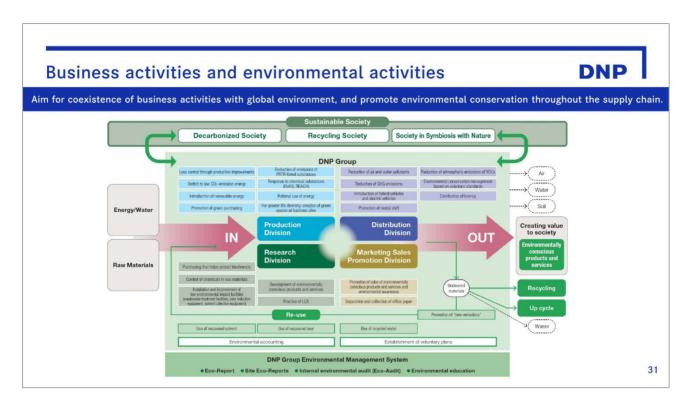
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See page 29. The role of intellectual capital is crucial in the policy for the realization of the FY2023-25 medium-term plan.

In addition to the combination of DNP's unique strengths and strengthening of cooperation with partners, we will aim for a new DNP through value creation by DX.

That is all from me. Thank you very much.

Wakabayashi: Yes, thank you. Mr. Sakata, Corporate Officer, will now explain our environmental initiatives. Mr. Sakata, please begin.

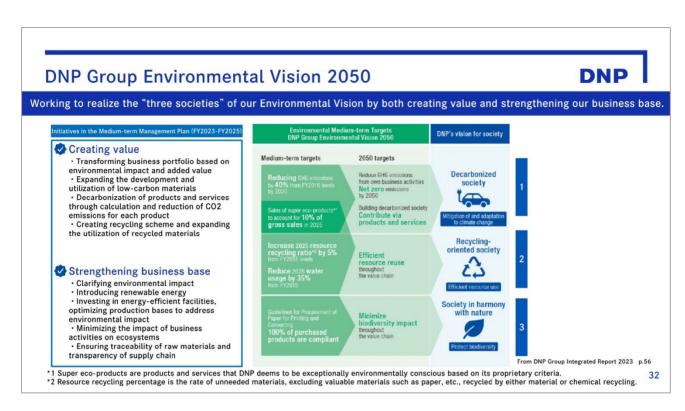


Sakata: I am Sakata, Corporate Officer. I will explain our environmental initiatives.

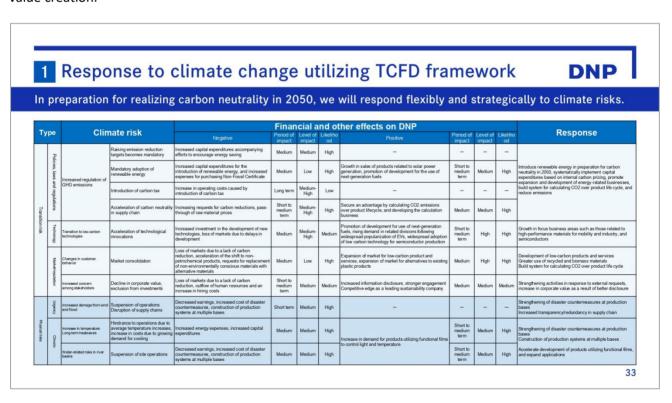
Please see page 31 of the document. The DNP Group always acts in consideration of the symbiosis between its business activities and the global environment.

In recent years, as climate change, marine pollution, and loss of biodiversity have become increasingly serious, DNP has been promoting activities with a strong awareness of the environment throughout its supply chain, from raw material procurement and product design to manufacturing, distribution, disposal, and recycling, with the aim of realizing a sustainable society.

The progress of these activities is summarized in an environmental report, which is published annually, and the opinions of people outside the Company have been reflected in our activities.



See page 32. About three and a half years ago, in March 2020, we formulated the DNP Group Environmental Vision 2050 as our vision of where we want to be in FY2050, and accelerated specific activities to build a decarbonized, recycling-oriented, and nature-harmonious society. We have established medium-term goals and are stepping up efforts to create value and strengthen the management foundation that supports this value creation.

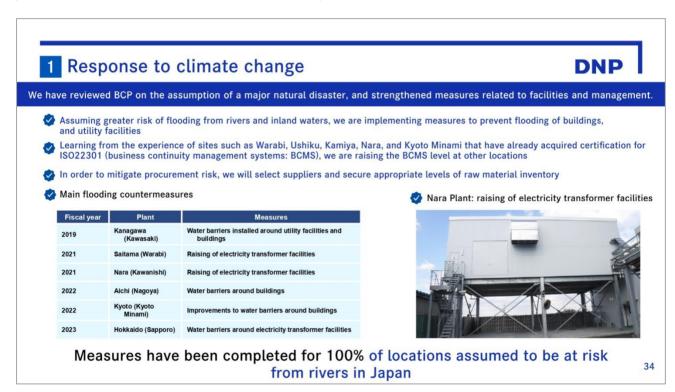


Today, we would like to introduce some specific initiatives to realize these three societies. See page 33.

Regarding the first one, the efforts to realize a decarbonized society, DNP has positioned addressing climate change as one of its key management issues, and is working to build a decarbonized society in order to adapt and mitigate the effects of climate change.

Specifically, we utilize the international disclosure framework provided by the TCFD, or Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures, to identify risks and opportunities related to climate change and to examine strategies. Multiple scenarios are used to assess the qualitative and quantitative financial impact of climate change risks, including the short-term impact on business activities due to shutdowns and supply chain disruptions caused by increased wind and flood damage.

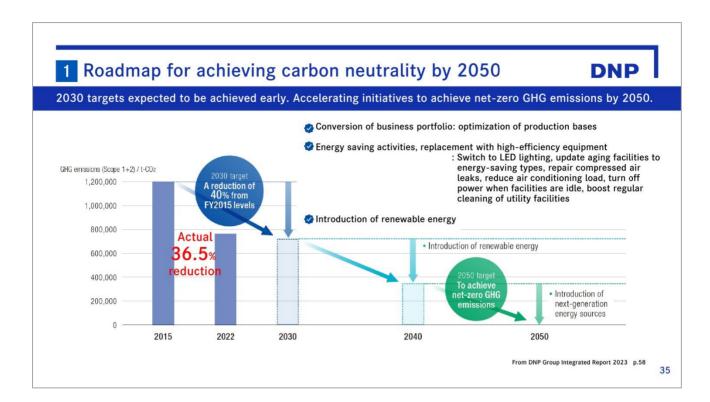
On the other hand, in the medium- to long-term, we envision tighter regulations and an accelerated transition to low-carbon technologies to achieve carbon neutrality in FY2050. We respond flexibly and strategically to these risks and set specific targets to contribute to a decarbonized society through our products and services, as well as to achieve virtually zero GHG emissions in our own business activities.



See page 34.

For short-term risks such as windstorms, floods, and other large-scale natural disasters, we have formulated a business continuity plan (BCP) and are strengthening measures for facilities and management. Specifically, we are implementing inundation countermeasures at sites in Japan where river flooding and other risks are anticipated, and we are also expanding the management systems at each site.

We will continue to build a strong corporate structure that will enable us to quickly restore business activities even in the event of an emergency situation that threatens the survival of our business.

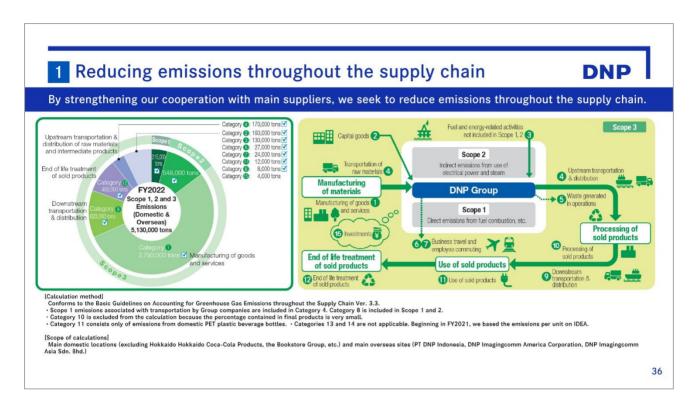


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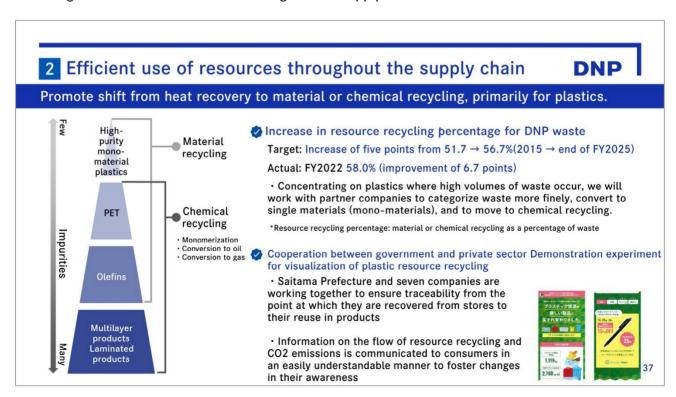
Meanwhile, amid international calls to achieve carbon neutrality by FY2050, the role of companies is becoming even more important and their efforts need to be accelerated.

GHG emissions from business activities are also expected to increase due to mergers and acquisitions and expansion of business operations, especially in focused businesses. In response, we have set a medium-term goal for FY2030, which includes a shift in our business portfolio to reduce environmental impact and increase added value, strengthening energy conservation activities and actively introducing renewable energy.

We have set a target of 40% reduction by FY2030 compared to FY2015, and as of FY2022, we have achieved a 36.5% reduction, exceeding our plan. We are considering further raising the target and will accelerate our efforts to achieve virtually zero GHG emissions in FY2050.



See page 36. We also believe that in order to achieve carbon neutrality, it is important to reduce GHG emissions throughout the entire supply chain. Raw material procurement accounts for about 50% of DNP's supply chain emissions from its business activities. We are currently working with suppliers to develop and utilize low-carbon materials and materials, promote the use of recycled materials, and develop other technologies to reduce GHG emissions throughout our supply chain.



See page 37. In addition, the importance of further promoting resource recycling both domestically and internationally has increased in response to the marine plastic waste problem, climate change issues, and tighter regulations on waste imports from other countries.

Against this backdrop, DNP is working to build a recycling-oriented society while promoting the efficient use of resources. We are working to improve our resource recycling rate, which is the ratio of material and chemical recycling, with a particular focus on plastics, which are the Company's largest source of unwanted materials.

By FY2025, we aim to achieve a 5-point improvement over FY2015, and as of FY2022, we have achieved a 6.7-point improvement, which is also ahead of our plan. In addition, to promote efficient resource recycling throughout the supply chain, we are working with our partners to establish recycling schemes.

We will continue to promote various measures for resource recycling, as well as strengthen communication measures to encourage consumers to take action to reduce their environmental impact and promote efficient use of resources.

3 Protecting and nurturing natural capital

Through the creation of areas of greenery and the sustainable procurement of raw materials, we aim to minimize the impact on biodiversity and achieve harmony with regional ecosystems.

- Growing a new forest in urban area "Ichigaya-no-Mori" (Ichigaya Forest)
 - · We are growing a new forest of varietals native to the region, and as close to natural as possible, as part of the redevelopment of the Ichigaya area.
 - · The area of greenery has been expanded steadily since 2015, and now covers around one third of the site's area (15,000 m2).
 - · In October 2023, it was selected as a "harmony with nature site," as certified by the Ministry of the Environment. It also won the Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Award in the 43rd Urban Greening Prize. Our efforts were rated highly for creating a forest of varietals native to the region, the greening of man-made services using fertile soil, and the structure of active maintenance and management by employees.
- Sustainable raw material procurement

Target: 100% conformance with DNP Group Guidelines for Procurement of Paper for Printing and Converting by FY2030

Actual: FY2022 94%

· In cooperation with suppliers we will confirm the legality of raw materials, and work to ensure traceability.





See page 38.

In building a society in harmony with nature, we are creating green spaces in consideration of local ecosystems and procuring raw materials in consideration of biodiversity.

In creating green spaces, we are taking advantage of the unique characteristics of each of our business sites throughout Japan. In the Ichigaya area (Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo), where our head office is located, we are cultivating the Ichigaya Forest (Ichigaya-no-Mori) as a new urban forest. The forest is close to nature, consisting of local native species, and has been greened in stages since FY2015.



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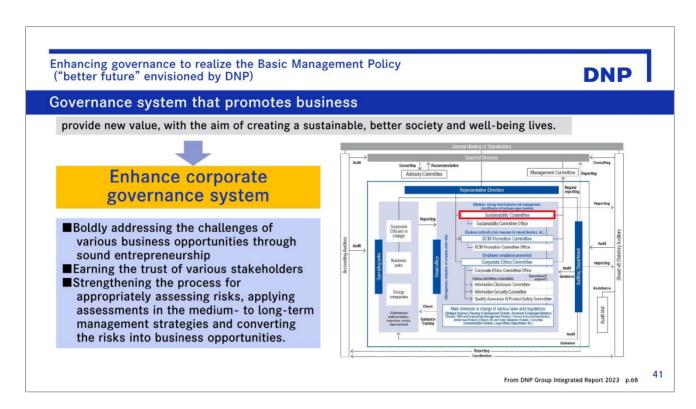
In October 2023, we obtained certification from the Ministry of the Environment as a site in harmony with nature as an area where biodiversity is conserved. In the same month, the Company won the Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Award in the 43rd Urban Greening Prize in recognition of its soil-based greening on artificial ground and the proactive maintenance and management system of its employees.

Please return to page 38 of the document. On the other hand, in the procurement of raw materials, we established guidelines in 2012 for the procurement of paper, which is highly dependent on and impacts the ecosystem, with the aim of maintaining sustainable forest resources, and we are promoting the procurement of sustainable raw materials by actively using forest certified paper and understanding the production and procurement process.

We will continue to aim to minimize the impact of our business activities on biodiversity and harmonize them with local ecosystems throughout our supply chain.

That is all from me. Thank you very much.

Wakabayashi: Yes, thank you very much. Now, Mr. Hashimoto, Managing Director, will continue with an explanation of our governance initiatives. Mr. Hashimoto, please begin.



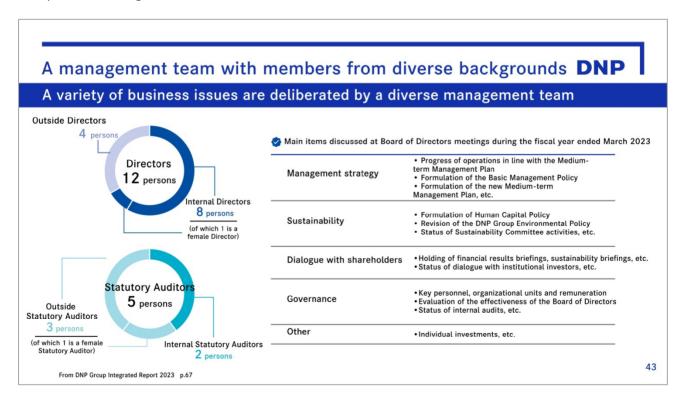
Hashimoto: I am Hashimoto, Managing Director. I will explain our governance initiatives.

See page 41 of the document. In February of this year, we announced the DNP Group's Basic Management Policy. Naturally, I think the important thing will be the early realization of the goals set forth in this policy. To this end, we consider the enhancement of corporate governance to be indispensable.

Our governance structure is shown on the right side of your handout. In order to boldly address the challenges of business opportunities and earn the trust of stakeholders, we believe it is necessary to establish a process to assess risks, reflect them in management strategies, and turn into opportunities.

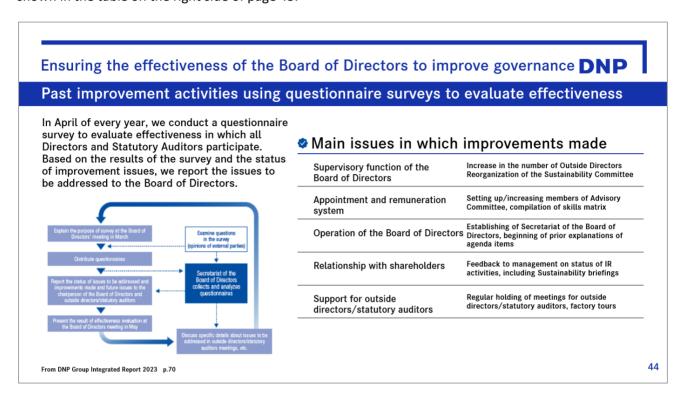
To this end, last April we strengthened and reorganized the structure of the Sustainability Committee. Chaired by the President, the committee also manages various risks throughout the Company in cooperation with the Corporate Ethics Committee and the BCM Promotion Committee.

While it is important to enhance governance, we believe that it is also important to ensure the diversity of the Board members for this purpose. As I mentioned earlier, we have compiled a list of skills that we believe are important to realize the DNP Group's Basic Management Policies we announced in February, and based on this list, we have created a skills matrix to determine the Board members. Based on this matrix, we have created a management team with diverse backgrounds that can contribute to the achievement of the DNP Group's Basic Management Policies.



See page 43. We have confirmed that the current Board members have a good balance of skills that are important for the promotion of the new medium-term management plan, as shown in the skills matrix that you have just seen. In addition, we have four(4) outside directors out of twelve(12) directors, and we promote discussion of all angles at the Board of Directors meetings.

The main items discussed at the Board of Directors meetings for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2023 are shown in the table on the right side of page 43.



Please see page 44.

The Board of Directors' meetings are very limited in terms of time, and since important management matters are discussed in a variety of ways, improving the effectiveness of the Board of Directors is an extremely important theme.

Every year, we conduct a questionnaire survey of all directors and statutory auditors to assess the effectiveness of the Board of Directors, identify issues, and work to improve them. We also hold meetings of outside directors and outside statutory auditors to discuss such issues in these meetings, and report back to the Board of Directors on the order of priority and what needs to be done first.

The main issues that have been improved so far are shown on the right side of page 44.



Outside Director expectations for the Board of Directors

DNP

Initiatives for 2023 based on the results of the evaluation of effectiveness

- Ensure sufficient time for deliberations by the Board of Directors
- Deep discussions of management issues based on social changes that are not tied to individual projects





Outside Director Yoshiaki Tamura

Outside Director Hiroshi Shirakawa

Initiatives for the current fiscal year (from the 2023 evaluation result of effectiveness for the Board of Directors)

Further measures for progress at the Board of Directors meetings

Standardization of meeting material formats to secure time for deliberations and enhancement of content of prior explanations given before meetings, etc.

Further enhancing communication between management and outside officers to enhance the effectiveness of the Board of Directors

Status of DNP' business operations and content of dialogues with shareholders, etc.

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Regarding these efforts to improve the effectiveness of the Board of Directors, this year's Integrated Report 2023 includes a dialogue between outside directors Mr. Tamura and Mr. Shirakawa, which we hope you will later look over the report.

As I explained earlier, we have listened to the opinions of outside directors and outside statutory auditors and, as one of our priority issues for FY2023, we will make further efforts to improve the progress of Board meetings, which we have been doing in various ways in the past.

In addition, there is inevitably an information gap between internal and outside directors. As part of our efforts to resolve this issue and to enhance the effectiveness of the Board of Directors, we have decided to further promote communication and to plan factory tours for outside directors and outside statutory auditors to gain a better understanding of the characteristics of DNP's various business operations.

The entire management team will work diligently to address these management issues and strive to achieve a Board of Directors that contributes to sustainable management.

That is all from me. Thank you very much.

Wakabayashi: That's all for each section.

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