



FY2022-2024 Medium-term Management Plan



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I. FY2019-2021 Medium-term Management Plan

1. Group's Basic Policy



Achievement

Ongoing Challenges

- Profitability
 Improvement
 of Domestic
 Business
- •Optimization of Production Structure Shutting / utilizing own facilities, etc.
- Expansion of Growing Businesses

 Building new plants of corrugated containers
 and household papers, biomass power plants, etc.
- Strengthen highly-expected businesses besides optimization

Restructuring across group segments

Expansion of eco-friendly businesses

- Expansion of Overseas Business
- •Expansion of Packaging Business
 Starting up containerboard machine in Malaysia,
 4 corrugated container plants in SE Asia & India
- •Expansion of Disposable Diaper, Thermal Paper and Pulp Businesses

 Further expand overseas business utilizing existing units

M&A, Strategic investment

Synergize group businesses and units

- Promotion of Innovation
- **•Development of Materials and Products**
- Expedite commercialization

Eco-friendly materials & products (Substitutes for plastic, Biomass plastic & film, etc.)

Advancement into medical fields (Establishment of Oji Pharma, Oji Medicinal Plants Laboratory)

Total Solution (Launching auto-packaging system, Domestic integrated production of liquid packaging, etc.)

- Contribution to a Sustainable Society
- Establishment of "Environmental Vision 2050"
 "Environmental Action Program 2030"
- Fixation of Sustainable Business Model

·Execute Action Plans

Convert energy

Expand plantation

Increase renewable energy consumption

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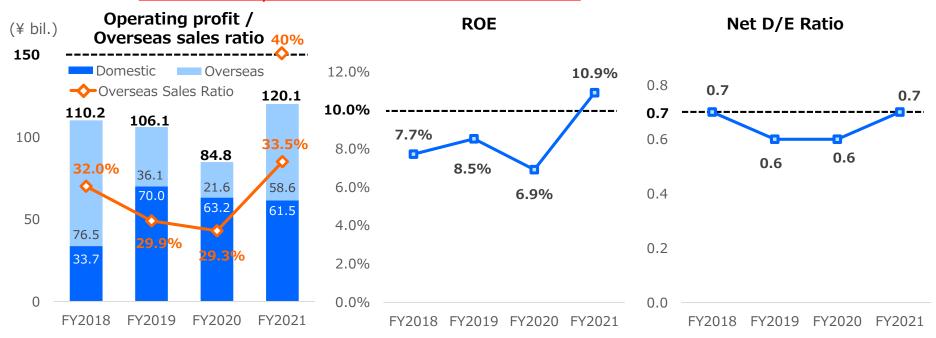
2. Numerical Management Targets



Numerical	FY2021 Results		
Operating profit (consolidated)	More than ¥150.0 billion	Continue stable profit of more than ¥100.0 billion	¥120.1 billion
Overseas sales ratio	40%	Aim for 50% at an early point	33.5%
ROE	10.0%		10.9%
Net D/E Ratio	Status quo*	*FY2018 Result : 0.7	0.7



Record profits were achieved, although some numerical targets were missed due to the impact of Covid-19 and other factors.





II. Long-term Vision

1. Management Policies



Management Philosophy

Creation of Innovative Value

Contribution to Future and the World

Harmony with Nature and Society

Purpose

Grow and manage the sustainable forest,

Develop and deliver the products from renewable forest

And

Oji will bring this world a brighter future filled with hope

The forest grown and managed sustainably not only absorbs and fixes carbon dioxide, but also mitigates floods, cultivates water sources such as water purification and prevents natural disaster in addition to its contribution to biodiversity, healing and health enhancement of people.

The products derived from wood utilizing forest resources are made of renewable materials and able to substitute for plastic, films and fuel derived from fossil resources.

Oji Group will confront global warming and environmental issues, and bring this world a brighter future filled with hope by growing and managing the sustainable forest and by developing and delivering the products utilizing renewable forest resources.



2. Mid-to-Long Term Social Issues / Megatrends



Mid-to-Long Term Social Issues / Megatrends

- **◆Importance of Recycling-oriented Society**
 - ·Climate Change
 - Natural Disaster
 - ·Crisis of Biodiversity
 - •Exhaustion of Resources (incl. food and water issues)
 - Environmental Pollution (Ocean plastic pollution, etc.)
- **♦** Growing Concern on Human Rights
- **◆ Diversified Values and Work Styles**
- ◆Economic maturity and low birthrate & longevity in developed countries, Economic growth and population increase in developing countries
- **♦** Longevity, Growing hygiene awareness from pandemic
- **◆**Technology development, Spread of remote/ non-contact practice from pandemic
- ◆Concern on international political / social risks

The Necessary for OJI Group

- **✓ Fixation of Sustainable Business Model**
 - ✓ Promotion of Green Innovation
- **✓** Strengthened Initiatives for Human Rights
- √ Strengthened Initiatives for Inclusion & Diversity
- √ Expansion & Strengthening of Overseas Business (especially in Southeast Asia)

✓ Further Transformation of Domestic Business Structure

Increasing Demand: Packaging, Household and consumer business Decreasing Demand: Newsprint, Printing & Communication paper

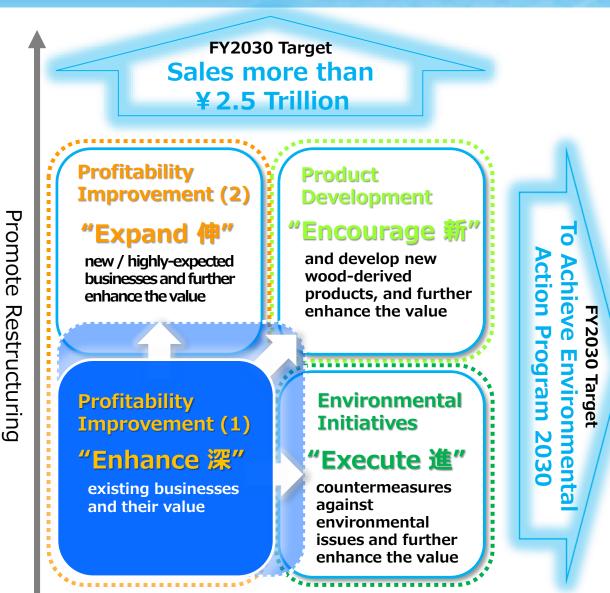
✓ Responsibility for stable procurement of raw materials & stable product supply

3. Group's Basic Policy



Group's Basic Policy "Growth to Evolution"

- 1.Initiatives for Environmental Issues -Sustainability-
- Reduction of Greenhouse Gas
- Expansion of Net Absorption Volume by Forests
- 2.Initiatives for Profitability Improvement -Profitability-
- Enhancement of Existing Businesses
- Expansion of Highly-expected Businesses
- 3.Initiatives for Product Development -Green Innovation-
- Development of Wood-derived Products



4. FY2030 Targets (1) Environmental Action Program 2030



Environmental Action Program 2030



◆ Greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions

At least 70% reduction compared to

FY2018



Abundant forests creation & resource recycling

- Sustainable forest management (Forest recycling)
- Resource recycling (Paper & Water recycling, etc.)



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Challenge for Zero environmental impact

Biodiversity conservation



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Development of trusting relationships with our stakeholders

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- Responsible raw material procurement & manufacturing
- Expansion of products that contribute to a decarbonized society
- Zero environmental incidents & Zero product liability incidents

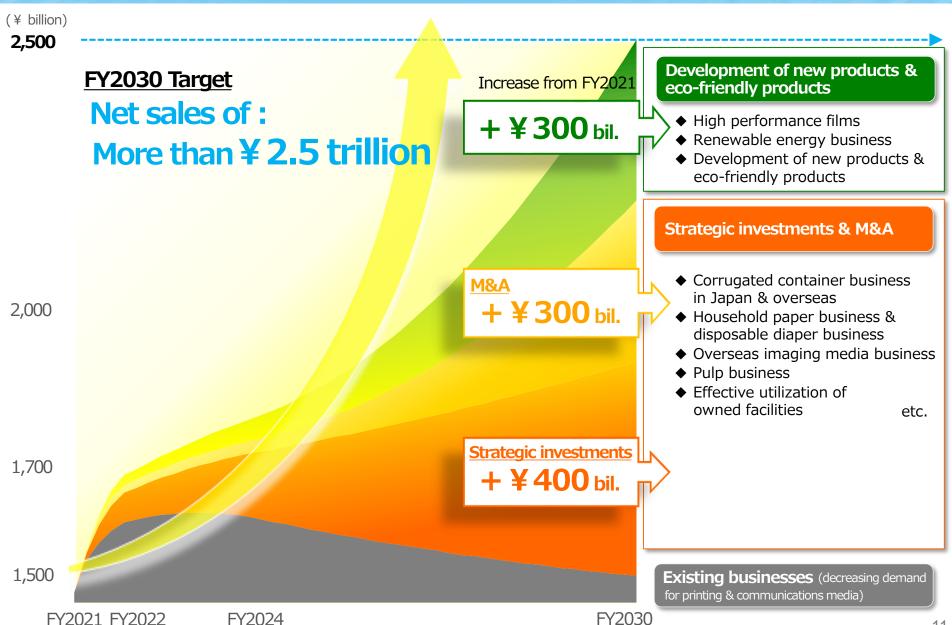


Environmental Vision 2050

Achieving Net-zero carbon & Harmony with nature and society

4. FY2030 Targets (2) Sales Target





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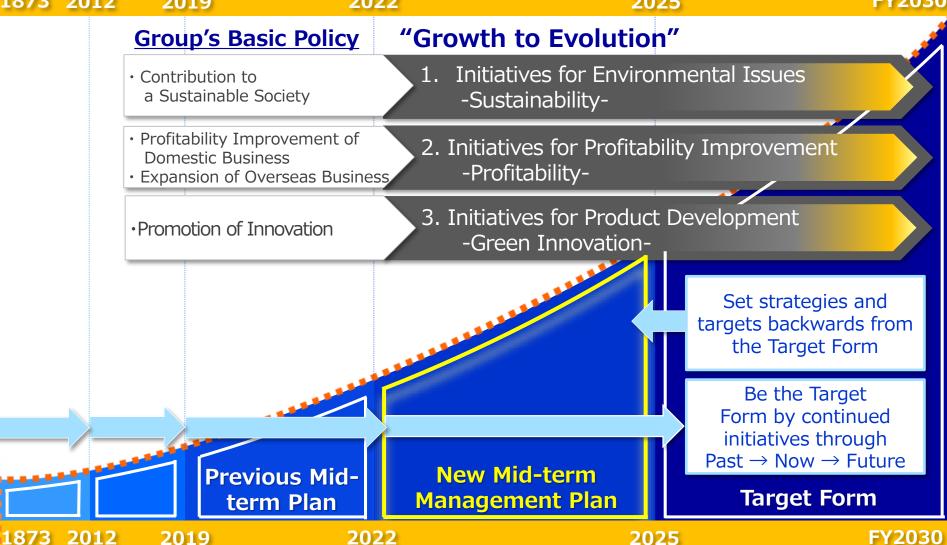


III. FY2022-2024 Medium-term Management Plan

1. Looking ahead to Long-term Vision



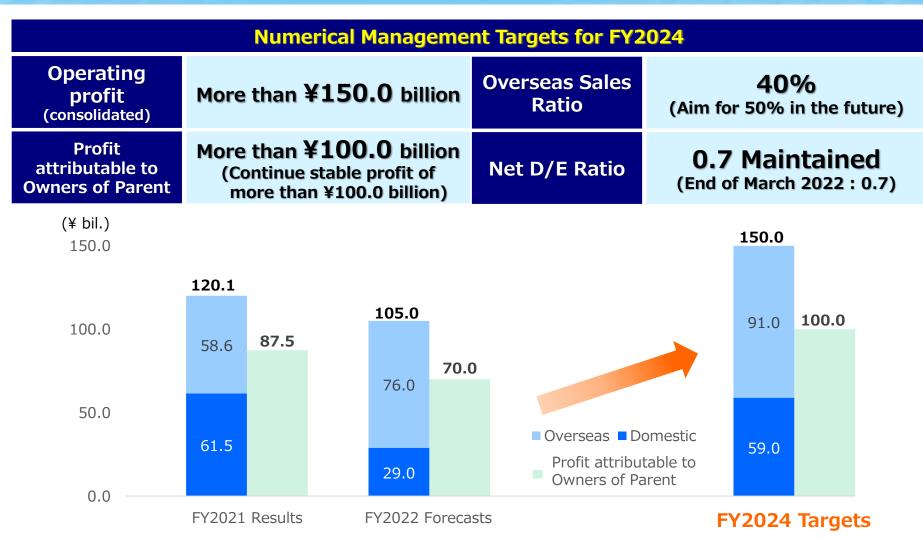
Towards the realization of Management Philosophy and Purpose 2012 2019 2022 2025 FY2030



Towards the realization of Management Philosophy and Purpose

2. Numerical Management Targets [FY2024 Targets]





Assumptions for the Medium-term Management Plan

■ Exchange rates : remains at the same level of FY2022F

 \blacksquare Raw material & fuel prices : remains at the same level of FY2022F

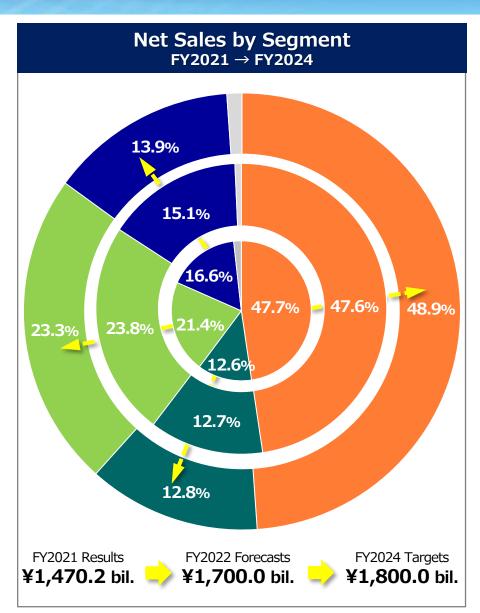
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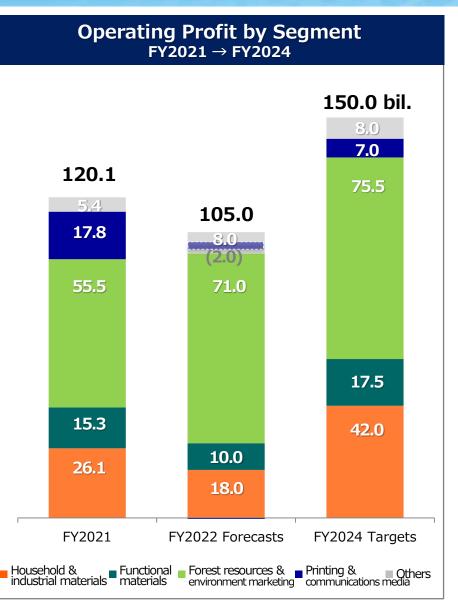
Coal: Australia coal price 300US\$/t
Heavy Oil: Dubai crude oil price 100US\$/bbl.

■ Product prices : remains at the same level of FY2022F

3. Sales and Operating Profit by Segment [FY2024 Targets]







^{*}Sales include inter-segment sales

^{*}Others include adjustment amount

4. Financial & Investment Plan



Financial Plan FY2022-24

 Long-term stable dividend as base policy

 Gradual increase will be considered based on profit/finance status Steady & proper execution of Group's Basic Policy

Save CAPEX at matured segment

Increase CAPEX at growing segment

etc.

Increase CAPEX at environmental fields

Cash flow + ¥ 600 billion

*Assuming D/E: 0.7

Dividend (¥50 bil.)

Upkeep CAPEX (¥150 bil.)

CAPEX to Growing Segments

- Build corrugated container plants in Japan/overseas (Tochigi, Malaysia, Vietnam)
- Install adult disposable diaper machine (Fukushima)
- Install film facilities for next-generation vehicles (Shiga, 2units)
- Install biomass power plant (OJI Green Energy Tokushima)
- Pulp facility improvement (CENIBRA, OjiFS)

CAPEX to cope with Environmental Issues

- Expansion of plantation area
- Conversion of coal boilers to gas
- Installation of solar power equipment

Strategic CAPEX (¥400 bil.)

Under consideration

Executing

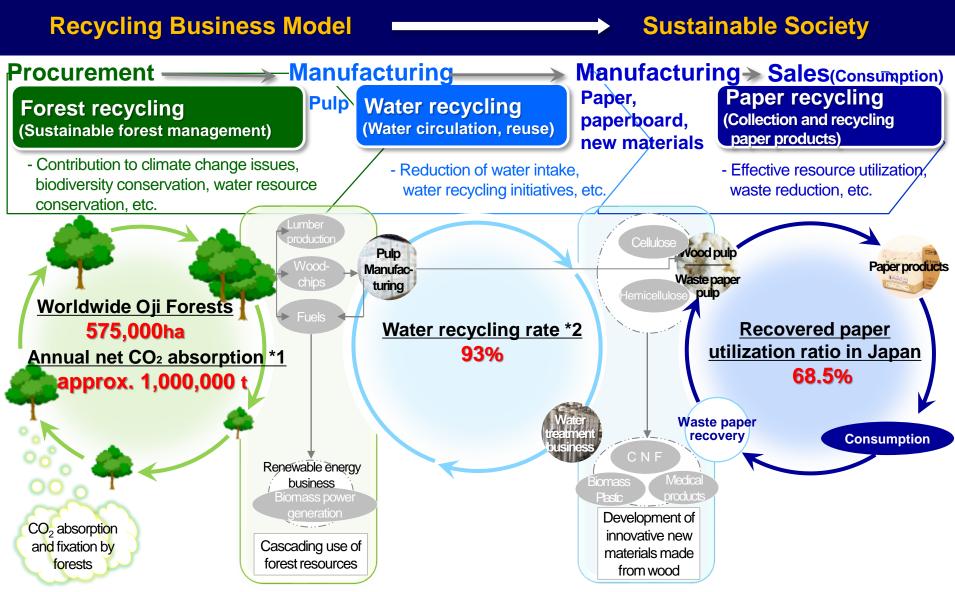
Environmental



IV. Initiatives for Environmental Issues -Sustainability-

1. Sustainable Business Model





^{*1} net CO₂ absorption: annual CO₂ absorption with growth of forests – annual CO₂ emission by harvesting

^{*2} water recycling rate: the amount of water recycled / the amount of water intake

2. Action on Climate Change (1) FY2030 GHG Reduction Target



FY2030 GHG reduction target towards net-zero carbon by 2050

<Reduction of GHG emissions>

20% reduction
compared to FY2018(*1, 2)
= reduction of 1.5 million t-CO₂e

Investment by FY2030

¥ 100 billion

<Expansion of net CO2
 absorption by forests>
50% reduction

compared to FY2018 (*1)

= reduction of 4.0 million t-CO₂e

Investment by FY2030

¥ 100 billion

70% reduction compared to FY2018(*1)



Investment by FY2030

¥ 200 billion in total

^{*1:} Includes CO₂, CH₄, N₂O from renewable fuels and fuels made from waste.

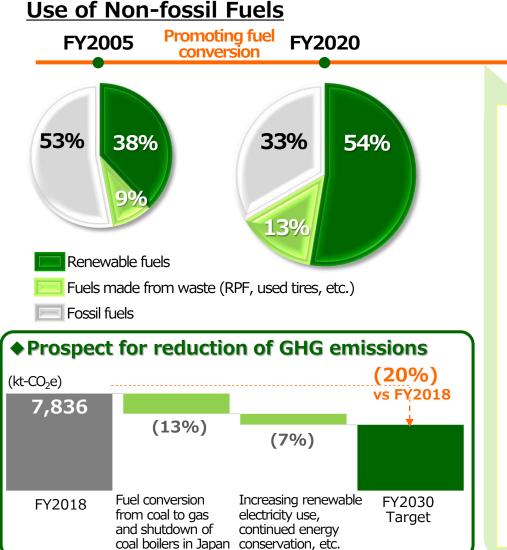
^{*2: 41%} reduction in domestic CO₂ emissions from fossil fuels and purchased energy (compared to FY2013).

2. Action on Climate Change (2) Reduction of GHG Emissions



FY2050

Initiatives towards 2030 and 2050 (1) Reduction of GHG emissions



■ Fuel conversion from coal to gas and shutdown of coal boilers in Japan

FY2030

Examine fuel conversion for 12 of the 15 coal-fired boilers in Japan, except for backup boilers

Zero coal

consumption

■ Increasing renewable electricity use

Install private solar power generation in new plant buildings and plant premises, Introduce biomass power generation, etc.

Oji Container Tochigi Plant
Solar power generation
Startup in
Mar. 2023 (scheduled)



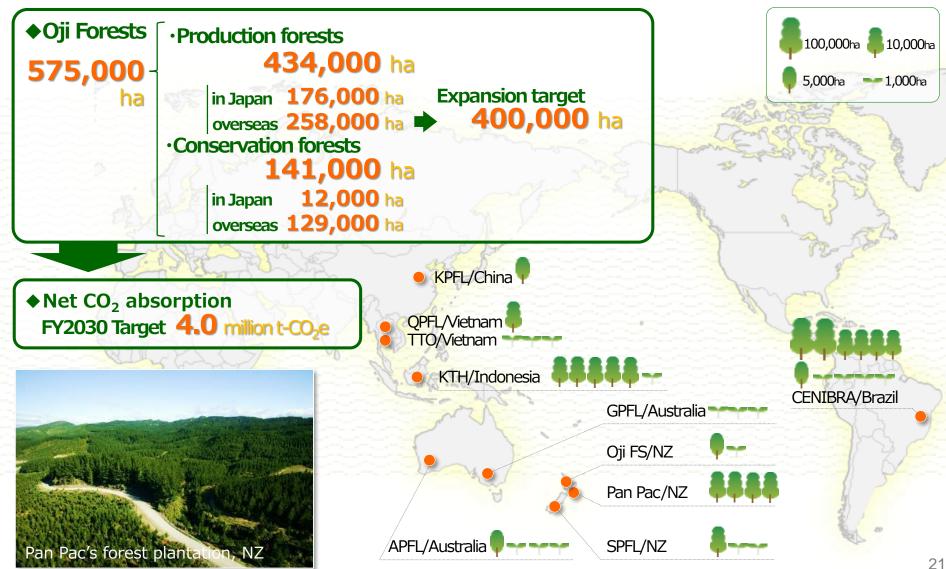
■ Continued energy conservation (Improving energy efficiency)

etc.

2. Action on Climate Change (3) Expansion of net CO2 absorption by forests- 1

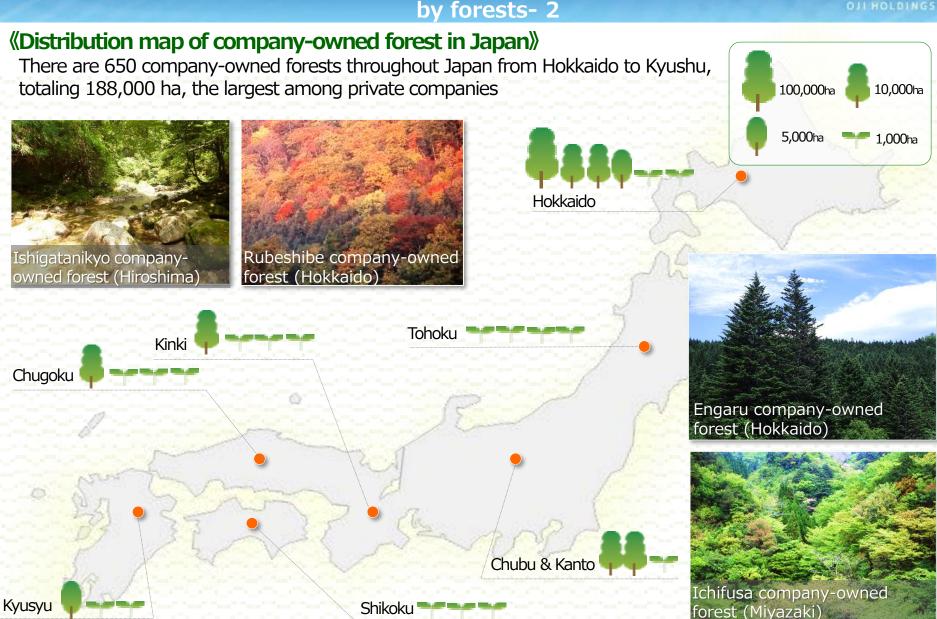


(2) Expansion of net CO₂ absorption **Initiatives towards 2030 and 2050** by forests



2. Action on Climate Change (3) Expansion of net CO₂ absorption by forests- 2





3. Abundant Forests Creation and Resource Recycling



Multifunctional Roles of Forests



Biodiversity conservation

- Species conservation
- •Ecosystem conservation

Recreation

- ·Relaxing time
- Excursion & Sports

Tree planting ceremony for stockholders at Asagiri companyowned forest (Shizuoka)

Culture, education

- ·Contact with nature
- Landscape

resource conservation

- Flood alleviation
- Water purification

Soil conservation

- Prevention of sediment runoff
- ·Wind & snow protection feature

Global environment conservation & provision of comfortable environment

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Forests

CO₂ absorption
 Reduction of climate variability

Wood production

- ·Raw materials for:
 - -paper
 - -building components



Koyagauchi company-owned forest (Kochi)

4. Biodiversity Conservation



Promotion of ecosystem-friendly forest management and protection & cultivation of rare animals and plants

Conservation activities for the endangered fish species "Itou" (Sarufutsu company-owned forest/Hokkaido)

Established "Sarufutsu Itou Conservation Council" with local NPO, administrative bodies, researchers and others.

An area of 2,600 ha including the river zone is designated as a conservation area.



Conservation activities for the rare bird species "Kiwi" (Pan Pac/New Zealand)

Activities with the Ministry for the Environment of NZ, citizen volunteers and other parties.

Pan Pac was awarded Community Corporate Sponsor of the Year at a national kiwi conference held by "Kiwis for Kiwi", a kiwi protection organization in 2019.



Restoration of ecosystems and protection of rare species (CENIBRA/Brazil)

CENIBRA owns one of the largest overseas forest plantations in the Oji Group: approx. 150,000 ha of forest plantations and 100,000 ha of forest reserve area.

The company has been engaged in activities for

breeding "Mutum", an endangered bird species, and returning them to the wild.



"30by30"

Global targets of protecting 30% of land and sea by 2030

The alliance established voluntarily by the Ministry of the Environment of Japan and other government agencies, companies and NPOs, etc.



promotes initiatives aimed at reaching the target across Japan.

5. Harmony with Society



Further promote and practice respect for human rights and contributions to local community and society

Oji Group Human Rights Policy

- 1.Basic Principles
- 2.Human Rights Due Diligence
- 3.Remedy
- 4.Information
 Disclosure and Dialog

We support and respect international norms based on the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights

We continuously work to identify, prevent, alleviate, and remedy negative effects on human rights caused or exacerbated through our business activities and business relationships. We also provide appropriate education to all executives and employees to promote understanding and effective implementation of this policy.

We strive to remedy the situation via appropriate procedures when a negative effect on human rights is discovered

We disclose and report on the progress of our human rights initiatives on our website and elsewhere.

Examples of initiatives of Oji Group

Consideration for rights of indigenous peoples



•Company-owned forest of Oji HD
Support for preservation activities of Ainu
culture in company-owned forests.
Concluded agreements aimed at protecting
the forest and inheriting the cultural succession
and ensuring harmonious co-existence.

Contribution to local community and society



•CENIBRA/Brazil
In cooperation with the local government and departments, CENIBRA provides supports for job creation, qualification acquisition, educational and leisure activities, etc.



•Nepia SODATERASU, company-managed childcare facility The nursery helps employees balance child-care and work and aims to contribute to elimination of children on the waiting list for nursery schools.



V. Initiatives for Profitability Improvement - Profitability-

1. Household and Industrial Materials Businesses (1)



Long-term Goals:

(Industrial materials business)

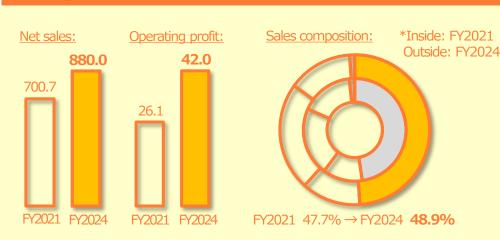
Sales target for FY2030 **¥ 1,250** billion

- ◆ Further expand & enhance packaging business in Southeast Asia, India & Oceania
- ◆ Expand & enhance corrugated container business in Greater Tokyo area, Japan

(Household and consumer products business)

- ◆ Enhance branding & expand sales of **household paper products in Japan**
- ◆ Expand & enhance overseas disposable diaper business

Targets (¥ billion):





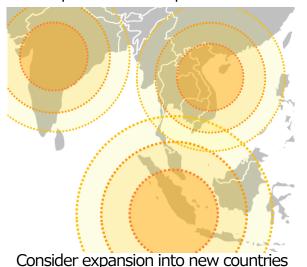
1. Household and Industrial Materials Businesses (2)



Expansion & enhancement of packaging business in Southeast Asia, India & Oceania

<Southeast Asia & India>

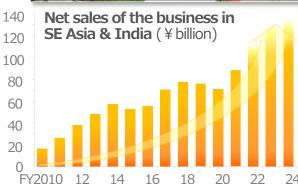
- •Further expand corrugated container business in SE Asia & India, the regions with strong demand
- Utilize the additional containerboard machine to strengthen an integrated production system from base paper to packaging
- Malaysia/new containerboard machine Startup in Oct. 2021 (production capacity 300,000 t → 750,000t)
- SE Asia & India/new corrugated container plants
 Startup of 9th & 10th plants in Malaysia in Jul. & Sep. 2022 (scheduled)
 Startup of 6th & 7th plants in Vietnam in Jul. 2022 & Jul. 2023 (scheduled)



in addition to existing ones and execute

investment without delay





36 units in 7 countries

*Including units under construction

<Oceania>

11 units in 2 countries

Expand sales of plastic alternative products in addition to expanding corrugated container business

- Expand corrugated container business
 - Relocation & startup of Christchurch plant in Jan. 2022
 - \rightarrow Consider further expansion
- Expand sales of plastic alternative products
 Capture growing demand & expand sales of plastic alternative products in NZ & Australia



1. Household and Industrial Materials Businesses (3)



Expansion & enhancement of corrugated container business in Japan

Demand in Japan

- Steady growth under COVID-19 pandemic
- Particularly strong in the Greater Tokyo area

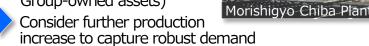
Initiatives

- Construct new corrugated container plants in the Greater Tokyo area
- Build a system for supplying high-quality products in a sustainable & efficient manner by promoting an integrated production system from base paper to packaging

Morishigyo's new plant, one of the largest in Japan (Funabashi, Chiba)

Startup in Jul. 2020

Redeveloped an existing logistic base (utilization of Group-owned assets)



Oji Container's plant to be relocated & established (Utsunomiya, Tochiqi)

Startup in Jan. 2023 (scheduled)

Improve competitiveness by building on the site of a containerboard mill



Expansion of filter business

Expand sales of paper core for energy recovery ventilators (ERV) & filters for air purifiers

- Startup of Nantong Oji Filter in Nov. 2020
- Launch of "Deodorizing filter by application" (Oji Container) in Oct. 2021

Expand & enhance
existing production system,
while developing new products
& cultivating new fields

ERV

The core of the ventilator. Improves air conditioning efficiency with efficient heat exchange through the special base paper medium. (e.q.)

(Comfortable temp. & humidity)

Heat&moisture transfer

Expansion of liquid paper container business

Establish sales of base paper, processed paper & filling machines as a set, and aim to expand business overseas

Outdoor

humidity

- Started JV business with Ishizuka Glass in Sep. 2020
- Started production of milk carton base paper for the first time in Japan in Aug. 2021

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Supplying laminated base paper



Ishizuka Glass

Manufacturing paper containersSales & maintenance of filling machines

1. Household and Industrial Materials Businesses (4)



Branding enhancement & sales expansion of household paper products in Japan

<Increasing market share by improving brand value>

- Brand investment to increase awareness of the nepia brand
- New product planning that anticipates needs based on environmental considerations
- Enhancing marketing functions
- Aim for expansion of market share
- Consider investment to enhance production system

■ Launch of eco-friendly products

Apr. 2022 Kitchen towel & box tissue with sustainable paper packaging

Mar. 2022 Mask made of 80% plant -derived materials



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Kitchen towel

(plastic films → paper packaging)

Box tissue

Mask

(use of paper for outlet portion & outer packaging)

Expansion & enhancement of overseas disposable diaper business

- **Expansion of business in key markets in**China & Southeast Asia>
- China: establish strategic products for each sales channel and actively utilize emerging channels
- Increase presence in the premium market
- Malaysia: enhance sales systems, enhance e-commerce sales



 Indonesia/ new diaper processing machine
 Startup in Feb. 2022.
 The 3rd machine installed to meet strong demand.



Sales activities in Indonesia, Malaysia and China

2. Functional Materials Business (1)



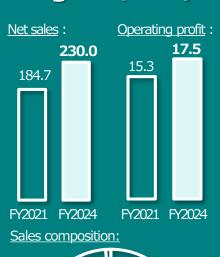
Long-term Goals:

- ◆ Actively develop **high-function and eco-friendly products**
- ◆ Expand global sales of **imaging media business** and enhance competitiveness including printing and converting

Sales target for FY2030

¥400 billion

Targets (¥ bil.):





FY2021 12.6% → FY2024 **12.8%**

Active development of high-function and eco-friendly products

<Expansion of film business>

Expand production system to meet growing demands, especially those for next generation vehicles(*) driven by the shift away from fossil fuels. Aim to contribute to environmental issues and improve profitability.

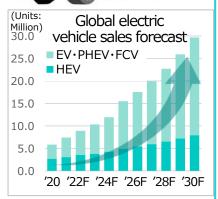


■ <u>Installation of film machines</u> at Oji F-Tex Shiga Mill

1st Machine: startup in Mar.2023 2nd Machine: startup in Nov.2024 (scheduled)

Additional expansion is under consideration





Source: Fuji Keizai "In-depth analysis and research on HEV and EV related markets for 2021"

2. Functional Materials Business (2)



Expansion of global sales of imaging media business

Demand for thermal paper for labels and other applications is expected to grow continuously due to the spread of e-commerce and increasing demand for food products

Invest in facilities to enhance competitiveness and expand into downstream businesses such as printing and converting in order to enhance profitability

<South America>

Production enhancement of thermal paper machine in Brazil

3rd phase of production expansion completed in Jan.2022 Expand sales mainly in North and South America



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<Europe>

Production enhancement of thermal paper machine in Germany Startup in Jan. 2024 (scheduled)



KANZAN **Spezialpapiere**

<Southeast Asia>

Enhancing synergies between base paper business and converting business

Expand business, centered on thermal and adhesive paper business, including acquisition of new unites through M&A and

enhance synergies among units



Upstream: Base paper manufacturing(2 co. in Thailand) Production/sales of thermal paper,

carbonless paper, adhesive paper/film and release paper

Downstream: Printing/converting (2 co. in Malaysia)

Printing/converting of thermal paper, labels, etc.



- (1) Oji Paper (Thailand) Oji Label (Thailand)
- (2) Tele-Paper (M)
- (3) Hyper-Region Labels



3. Forest Resources and Environment Marketing Business (1)



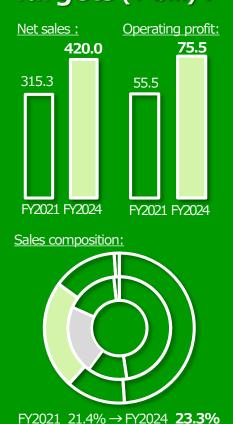
Long-term Goals:

- ◆ Expand & enhance pulp business as a "comprehensive pulp manufacturer"
- ◆ Expand renewable energy and other energy businesses
- **◆** Expand lumber processing business

Sales target for FY2030

¥600billion

Targets (¥ bil.):



Expansion & enhancement of pulp business

<CENIBRA/Brazil>

- Enhance cost competitiveness & sales capabilities, and consider further production increase, upon making it a wholly owned subsidiary in May 2021
- Install most advanced & work-saving manufacturing facilities

<Pan Pac/NZ>

Consider production increase to meet increased demand

<Oji Fibre Solutions/NZ>

- Made it a wholly owned subsidiary in Mar. 2022
- Implement measures to stabilize operations, improve yields, and conserve energy by introducing OJI's know-how and operational management methods

<Dissolving pulp (DP)>

 Consider production increase and sales expansion of DP with growth potential in light of increasing demand for apparel





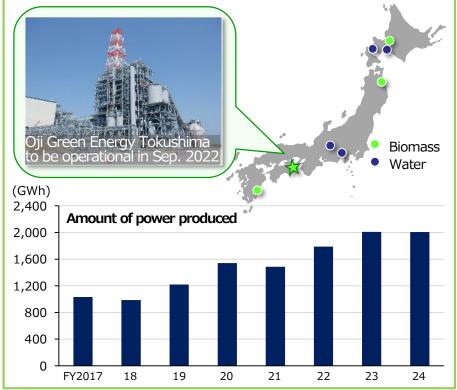
3. Forest Resources and Environment Marketing Business (2)



Expansion of energy business

<Business expansion by leveraging fuel procurement advantages>

- Expand business of renewable energy such as biomass, wind, and solar
- Further enhance our strength in wood fuel procurement by leveraging our existing bases in Japan & overseas and our accumulated knowledge



Expansion of lumber processing business

Utilization & expansion of company-owned forests in Japan>

 Strengthen synergies with Oji Yoshimoto Ringyo acquired in Aug. 2021

- Promote effective utilization of existing company-owned forests through forest road development and promote acquisition of new forests
- Consider using the sites as wind power generation sites





4. Printing and Communications Media Business



Long-term Goals:

◆ Restructure production system & enhance competitiveness through collaboration with other group segments by maximizing the use of assets owned

Sales forecast for FY2030

¥150 billion

Targets (¥ bil.):





Production system restructuring & competitiveness enhancement

<Optimization of production systems across group segments>

Further optimize production system for the entire group by determining future demand trends, and maximizing effective use of pulp manufacturing facilities, boilers, and other assets





 Startup of containerboard production at Oji Paper/Tomakomai Mill

Conversion of one newsprint machine to manufacture containerboard.

Startup in Oct. 2021

Relocation of Oji Materia/Nayoro Mill's specialty liner & specialty paperboard facilities to Tomakomai Mill. Startup in Apr. 2022

■ Startup of household base paper production at Jiangsu Oji Paper (China)

Utilization of existing printing paper & pulp manufacturing facilities (e.g. home-made pulp & boilers, etc.) to build a new household base paper machine.

Startup in 2020



VI. Initiatives for Product Development-Green Innovation-

1. OJI Group's Green Innovation



Creation of innovative value based on a range of core technologies accumulated from paper manufacturing and forestation

Raw wood Refining, Forest tree breeding, etc.

Pulp Nano-fibrillation, Water treatment. etc.

Paper Lamination, Coating, etc.

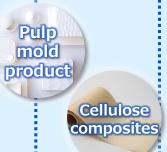
Converting Sheeting, corrugated container manufacturing

Fermentation & polymerization, Chemical synthesis, Film forming, Nano-dot array, etc.

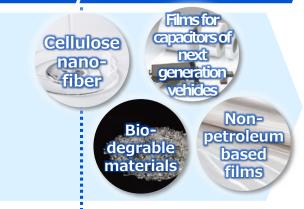


Eco-friendly materials and products

To help solve social issues such as climate change and the problems of marine plastic litter







Entry into medical field

Utilizing our knowledge and know-how for medical care of the future

Total solution

Aiming for

industrial

contribution to

development by

understanding needs and seeds











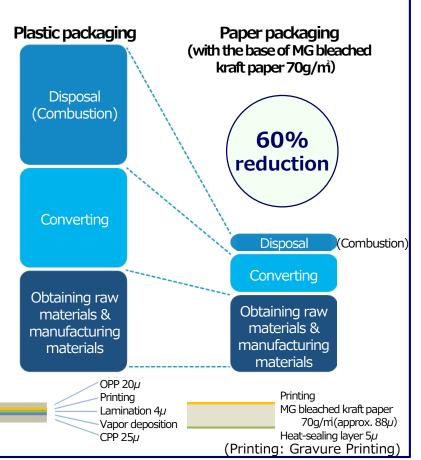


2. Eco-friendly Materials & Products (1)



CO₂ emission reduction rate per 1m of packaging material

- Calculation based on LCA (Life Cycle Assessment) methodology
- CO₂ emissions are calculated by converting greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions such as carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄), and dinitrogen monoxide (N₂O) into CO₂



Paper materials as carbon neutral materials

If approx. 1.35 million tons of the plastic film for packaging used in Japan per year is replaced with paper, approx. 6 million t-CO₂e of CO₂ can be reduced

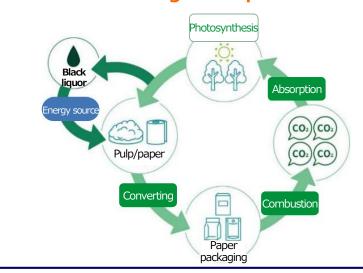


Equivalent to the amount emitted by **710,000 people** in Japan per year (8.5t-CO₂e per person)

- CO₂ produced during combustion is offset by that absorbed during the growing phase of trees
- Black liquor and bark utilized as energy during production



Carbon-neutral materials that do not increase CO₂ in the atmosphere during manufacturing and disposal

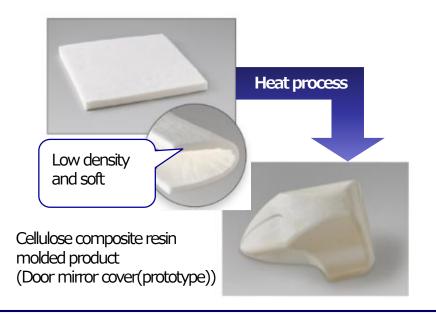


2. Eco-friendly Materials & Products (2)



Cellulose mats

- Unique non-woven fabric manufacturing technology (totally dry system) applied to uniformly disperse cellulose and polyolefin fibers
- Can be molded into three-dimensional shapes with a squeeze, because of its low density and softness
- The consumption of petroleum-based plastics can be reduced by up to 70%
- More resistant to deformation and cracking than plastic
- Assumed practical use in automotive components



SILBIO BARRIER (Packaging material with high barrier properties)

- Lineup with diverse features such as light shielding and transparency
- Adopted as a coffee bean packaging materials (to be launched in summer 2022 (scheduled))





Polylactic acid laminated paper

- Uses plant-derived polylactic acid (PLA), instead of petroleum-based plastics
- Biodegrade under composting conditions without increasing CO₂ in the atmosphere when burned
- Contributes to the reduction of petroleum-based plastics and has heat sealability and water and oil resistance equivalent to conventional laminated paper



2. Eco-friendly Materials & Products (3)



Biomass plastic films

- Alphan G is polypropylene film that contains plantderived polylactic acid (PLA)
- Utilizes raw material resin mixing & film forming technologies, cultivated through manufacturing of thin films for capacitors
- Registered for Biomass mark of Japan Organics Recycling Association

Wood-derived biomass plastic

- Successfully produced polylactic acid from trees obtained through sustainable forest management
- Wood is inedible biomass and less likely to be affected by fluctuations in supply and demand due to the food situations
- Promote technological development for mass production

PLA pellets (prototype)

CNF (Cellulose Nanofiber)

- Can be manufactured using less energy through Oji's unique "Phosphate Esterification Method"
- Expected to be applied in many fields by utilizing its features such as transparency, lightness, durability, resistance to deformation and high viscosity

Phosphate esterification + mechanical treatment



Possible applications



Cosmetics Concrete pump primer (adapted as product)

Automotive components (CNF composites with resin: under development)

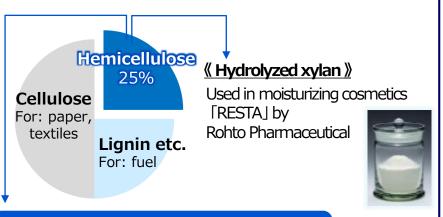
3. Entry into Medical Field



Wood-derived pharmaceutical products

<u>Hemicellulose in</u> <u>Medical and Healthcare Applications</u>

- Hemicellulose, a major wood fiber components, is extracted and refined through the Oji Group's unique technology
- Adopted as a cosmetic raw material.
 Also, Sulfated Hemicellulose is developed as active pharmaceutical components



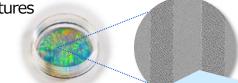
Active pharmaceutical components : Sulfated Hemicellulose

- √ Therapeutic agents for animal arthritis
- ✓ Anticoagulants for human artificial dialysis



Cell culture substrates

 Developed cell culture substrate ND Cell Aligner using nano-dot array technology that fabricates nano-level microstructures



Examples of cell culturing (culturing cardiomyocytes differentiated from iPS cells (human))





※Fluorescent staining: α-Actinin

Cardiomyocyte
cells are oriented
along the stripe
direction

Flat surface substrate Patterned substrate

- Nano-pillar and flat regions interleaved in parallel stripes
- Cells exhibit bioactivity similar to that of in vivo
- Feasibility studies are underway with universities in Japan for use in pharmaceutical development and regenerative medicines



- Established Oji Pharma in Apr. 2020 with the aim of commercializing the medical and healthcare field
- Promote development of wood-derived components as active pharmaceutical components together with domestic and overseas pharmaceutical companies and universities



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