### **TOYO TIRES**

# New Medium-Term Business Plan Mid-Term '21 Plan

(FY2021 - FY2025)

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## New Medium-Term Business Plan "Mid-Term '21 Plan"

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## The TOYO TIRE Philosophy



## Our Philosophy (Re-established in January 2017)

## **Company Philosophy**

We will endeavor to continuously improve our products, and create value for everyone who we work with.

#### **Our Mission**

To create excitement and surprise with our products that exceed customer expectations and enriches society.

#### **Our Vision**

Our goal is to be a company that:

- Stays one step ahead of the future through constant technological innovation;
- Drives entrepreneurial and creative spirit through a progressive culture; and
- Shares in the enjoyment felt by everyone involved in our activities.

#### Our Fundamental Values: "The TOYO WAY"

**Fairness** Be fair and selfless in your actions, and benefit society.

**Pride** Take pride in yourself, your work and company, and persevere.

**Initiative** Show initiative in all matters and take ownership of your actions.

**Appreciation** Demonstrate compassion and appreciation for people and society.

Continuously create and innovate by working together to mobilize our corporate

knowledge and capabilities.

**Solidarity** 

management



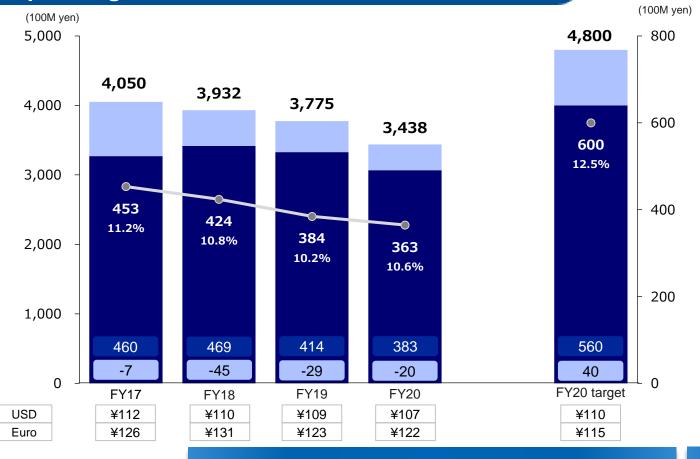
## **Bolstering Ability To Promptly And Flexibly Respond Through Global Collaboration**

**Efficient production made** Promoting sales of priority products Globally unified supply-demand possible by local production management for lower logistic costs for local consumption Europe **Products**, sales Europe Japan **Physical R&D Global Tripolar System Production Enhancing competitive edge** distribution Quality assurance by process of differentiated products for higher CS Japan-R&D Quality Europe-R&D :NA-R&D) **Ability to** Customer satisfaction Cost Service respond to Possessing all R&D functions changes Quality assurance, cutting-edge technology R&D environment & safety **Progressive management Data-driven management for** foundation supporting optimal efficiency/profitability sustainable growth Visualization **Analysis** Digital Corporate Unified



#### TOYO TIRES

#### **Net Sales & Operating Income**



Each bar broken down by: net sales, operating income, and operating profit margin (from top)

Tire net sales (left axis)

DiverTech net sales (left axis)

Operating income (right axis)

Tire operating income

DiverTech operating income

#### Reasons for discrepancies against targets

Tire Business

DiverTech Business Sales shortfall due to deferred production expansion Appreciation of Yen against key currencies

Lower profits due to divestment of industrial chemical product & rigid polyurethane foam businesses

Profit erosion on automobile parts

#### Remedial action

New Serbian plant Improved market/product mix

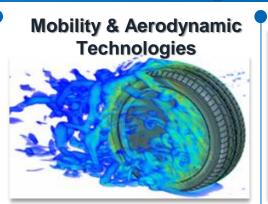
Leveraged links to tire business
Reduced costs by shifting production
centers

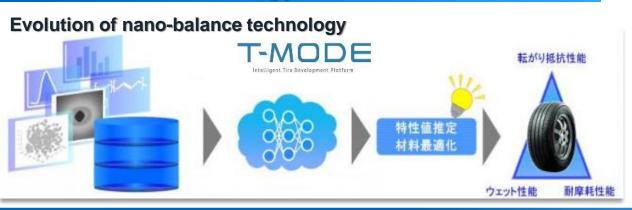
**Technology & Product Strategies** 



## Expand and Develop Products That Combine Foundational Design & Elemental Technology









2017







2019





2020



**PROXES SPORT** 

NANOENERGY M675

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2018

OPEN COUNTRY R/T White Letter

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OPEN COUNTRY A/T<sup>Ⅲ</sup>

OBSERVE GIZ2

## The Mid-Term '17 Plan in Review Brand Strategy



## Adopted New Brand Statement To Globally Promote A Unique World View

#### **Asia Cross Country Rally**

**ESSEN MOTOR SHOW** 



#### **FIA Intercontinental Drifting Cup**





#### Best in the Desert Vegas to Reno



**SCORE BAJA 1000** 









**SEMA SHOW** 

- \*1 Vehicle equipped with Toyo Tires won five straight years through '19
- \*2 Two consecutive years in '18 and '19
- \*3 Three consecutive years up to '19

**Sales and Market Strategy** 



### Refine Uniqueness Through Steady Implementation of Measures in Each Market



#### **North American Market**

#### Market share increased to 5.3%

- 7<sup>th</sup> position in NA (as of 2019)

#### **U.S. Plant: Phase V Expansion**

- 1st step: Production started (Jan. '20)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> step: Operational (Jan. '21)



#### **Japanese Market**

#### Steadily captured growing demand for **SUV tires**

- Released high-value-added off-road tires
- Stimulated demand through strategic partnership

#### **Restructured sales system**

- Launched special project to strengthen the commercial tire service structure



SUV tires as % of our total OE sales ('20 target:50%)

'16: 45% '20: 54%



(in value) '16: 36% (45%)**'20: 38%** 

## (57%)

#### **European Market**

#### Decision to establish new plant in Serbia

- Gained a foothold to build a more flexible global production system

#### **Established R&D center in Germany**

Strengthened fundamental technologies for cutting-edge materials and high-performance tires



#### **Asia Market**

Malaysian Plant: Phase II Expansion (Operational in Apr. '20)

Shored up distributors and sales channels

### **OE Segment Strategy**

Continued with order taking strategy that helped to build on our strengths



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## The Mid-Term '17 Plan in Review Supply Strategy



## Increased Production Capacity After Carefully Evaluating Likelihood of Success

Competitive products to be supplied to the U.S.



Phase V Expansion:
Production started

1st step: 1.2M units\* (Apr. '19~)

2nd step: 0.55M units\*\* (Jan. '21~)

"Quantity based upon Passenger/Light Truck tires produced
"Quantity based upon WLTR tires produced



#### **Serbian Plant**

Passenger Car & Light Truck Tires Decision on new plant 5M units (Apr. '22∼)



#### **Chinese Plant**

Truck and Bus Tires
Increased capacity
70K units (Nov. '19∼)

For sale in China & Japan

Increased supply from Japan and Malaysia to capture robust demand in the U.S.

### **Malaysian Plant**

**Phase II Expansion: Production started** 

1st step: 2.4M units\* (Oct. '19 $\sim$ )

'Quantity based upon Passenger/Light Truck tires produced





## **Japanese Plant**

Truck and Bus Tires
Increased capacity
0.2M units (Sept. '20~)

## The Mid-Term '17 Plan in Review DiverTech Business; Corporate Infrastructure



#### **DiverTech Business**

Established

framework for growth of mobility and other businesses



Focused on the automotive components business

Strategic order taking linked to tire business



Chemical Industrial Products Business [Divested]

Rigid Polyurethane Foam Business [Divested] Flexible Polyurethane Foam Business [Divested] Air Springs for Truck and Bus Business [Divested]

2017

2018

2019

2020

#### **Corporate Infrastructure**

Introduced function-based organizational structure

Strengthened quality of management foundation











- Implemented measures to promulgate new Company Philosophy across Group, stimulated cross-sectional internal communication
- Strengthened corporate governance through organizational changes, establishment of Special Committee, personnel from MC

## 2. The Business Environment



## **Macro Trends Amidst a Period of Unprecedented Turbulence**





#### Significant changes in consumer behavior in the post-COVID-19 era

Mindset

Home bound, budget-minded, avoiding person-to-person contact

Behavior

EC/cashless purchases, changes in requested services



#### Aligning of social & environmental interests with economic interests accelerated

- Prioritization of employee/customer satisfaction increased
- Accelerated trend to align public interest with economic interests through customer-producer collaboration



#### Increase in geopolitical risks

- Decoupling trend continued, including competition for leadership between U.S. and China
- Economic disparities widening due to COVID-19 also aggravate populism



#### **Evolution and accelerated introduction of labor**saving technology

- Digital investment accelerated to make up for slow growth in worker headcount
- Advanced roles for humans as quality/quantity of data increased



#### The global economic outlook remains uncertain, as nations struggle to reopen. Any recovery could be intermittent and uneven across the world.

#### U.S.



Democratic control of gov't should result in further pump-priming. Eyeing interest-rate movements



Return to the Paris Accord on Climate Change. Investing in the environment/infrastructure while tightening environmental regulations



Demand has not returned to pre-COVID-19 levels Shift to EVs accelerated. Demand for SUVs and pick-up trucks growing due to the popularity of outdoor leisure activities



Punitive duties on Chinese imports maintained Anti-dumping tax imposed on imports from four Asian countries

#### Japan



Difficulty with COVID-19 counter-measures and reviving economy

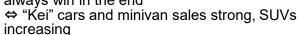


Accelerating measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to virtually zero→ All new cars will be EVs\* in the 2030s



generation turning away from cars → Demand declining gradually, "The strong always win in the end"

Shrinking/aging population, younger





Abnormal weather patterns raising interest in performance of cars Outdoor activities remain popular, "Dressingup" trend increasing

#### **Europe**



Eyeing where "EU without the U.K." will head in terms of politics, economy, and society



Tightening regulations and pursuit of Green Deal investments leading to a circular economy



The ratio of EVs increasing with government subsidies. Development of new technology and next-generation vehicles continue



Decreasing demand stemming from pandemic ⇔ Supply impacted by plant shutdown, etc



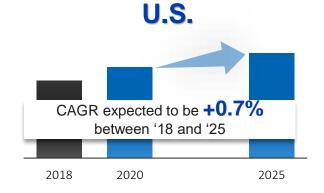
\*EVs (electric vehicles): HV (hybrid), PHEV (plug-in hybrid), EV (electric), FCV (fuel cell), LSEV (low-speed)

## **Market Trends in Automotive & Tire Business**

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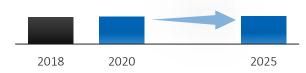
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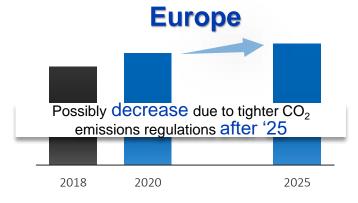




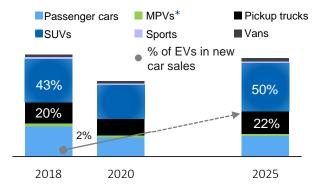
Japan



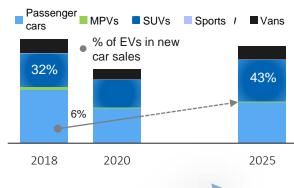




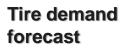
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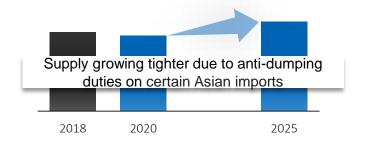


Passenger MPVs SUVs Sports Vans
% of EVs in new
car sales
41%
27%
42%

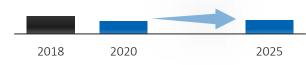


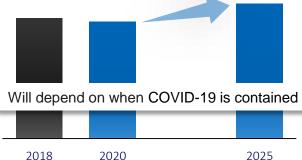
\*MPVs: Multi Purpose Vehicles.













3. Basic Policy for Mid-Term '21 Plan



## The New Toyo Tire: Maximizing Enterprise Value through New Global Strategy

[R&D]

Building a foundation for advancing global technological competitiveness

New corporate stage

[Production]
Established Serbian Plant / Building a balanced global supply foundation

[Sales]

Increased potential customer contact / Improved unique presence in the market

#### [Corporate]

Realized effective coordination among Production, R&D, Sales Established management foundation that drives the growth strategy and strengthens human resources

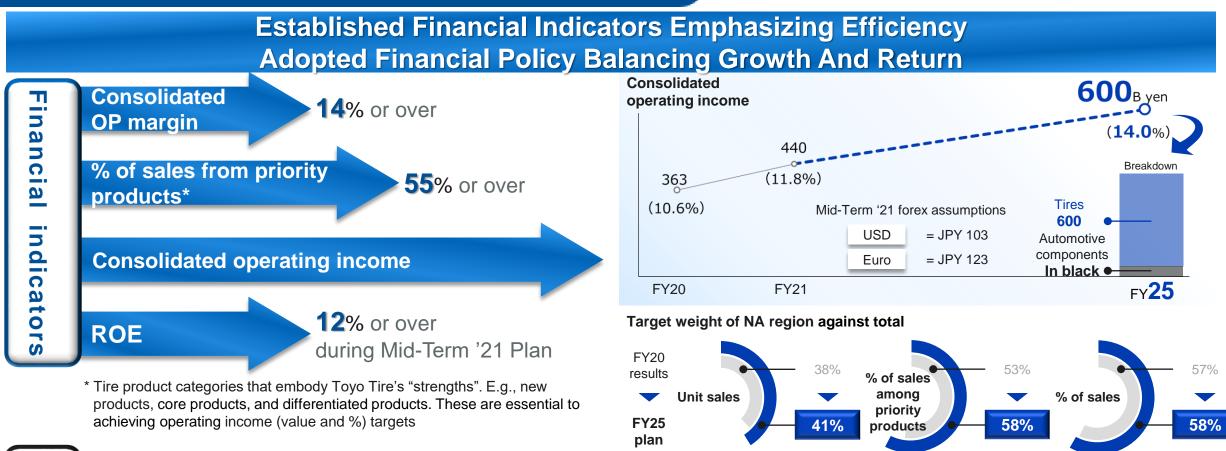
Previous corporate stage (conventional initiatives)

<Corporate>
Strengthened business administration foundation & support functions
Transformed corporate governance & compliance structures

<R&D, Production, Sales> Strengthening areas of expertise Demonstrating uniqueness Shifting to a function-based organization

## Mid-Term '21 Plan Key Performance Indicators





Financial policy

Capex plan

5-year total: 194.0 billion yen (maintenance/replacement of equipment + growth investment)

**Shareholder return** 

Maintaining dividend payout ratio of 30%+; subject to achieving the target ROE

## 4. Growth Strategy

- R&D
- Regions (NA, Europe, Japan, Asia)
- Original Equipment Tires
- Production and Supply
- Our Initiatives for the Solutions Business



Offer "differentiated products" by strengthening unique technology developed through collaboration between the 3 R&D centers in Japan, the U.S., and Europe

#### **Advanced Design**

Achieving multiple performance requirements at a high level



Refining ability to design tire structures and mix materials



Establish technology that allows for visualization of tires behavior

Customer-oriented product development Identifying customer needs for timely product development



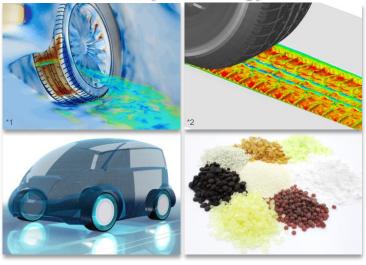


Understanding customer expectations to create products they desire



Timely commercialization through the use of modules

Next-generation
Technology
Building unique next-generation
mobility technology



Developing/finding new materials with lower environmental impact



Establishing unique solutions business

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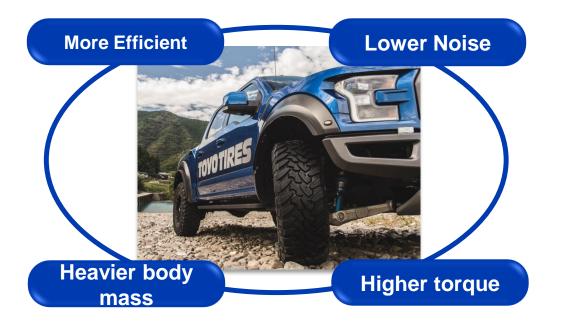
<sup>\*2</sup> For calculation, Dassault Systèms K.K.'s Abagus was used



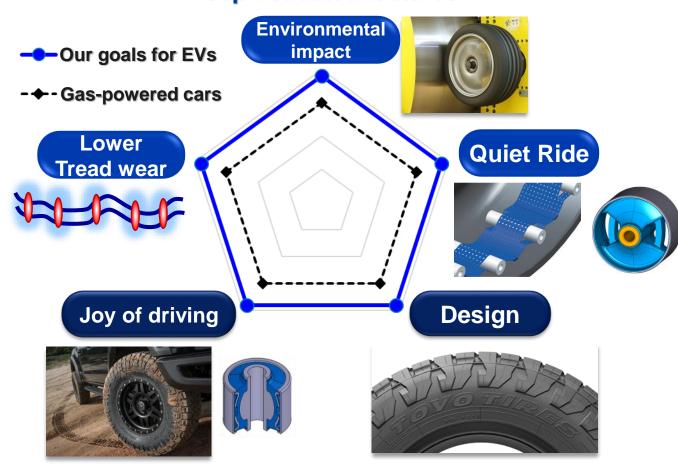
## Offer early adopters our "differentiated products" that incorporate advanced next-generation mobility solutions

In response to rapid rise of EVs develop applicable technologies

**Characteristics of EVs** 



Blending eco-friendly technologies and sophisticated features



## **Growth Strategy: North America**



## Continuous Focus On Introducing Differentiated Products With Enhanced Strengths





N. American sales

**Challenge for** 

5<sup>th</sup> place

(7<sup>th</sup> in 2020)



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Maintaining a dominant position in wide light truck tire segment

Product planning

R&D

Timely introduction of high-value-added products

Kuwana Plant
Capacity

Truc
Inc

Truck and Bus Tires Increased Share



Marketing

U.S. Plant Capacity

Increase

Sendai Plant Exports

Holding company

Production

Sales

Serbian Plant Exports















All-season tires

Sales surging

## Growth Strategy: Europe, Japan, Asia

#### **TOYO TIRES**

### Introducing Pinnacle technology (Europe)





Discovering & tapping into customer preferences (Japan)



Catering to regional preferences to boost sales (Asia excluding Japan)





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**Customer input Strengthen Ties** 

**R&D** for positive differentiation

Focus on priority products

Competitive production/ supply system

#### "Bold hardware reorganization" x "Revolutionary Digitization"



Fast decision-making, flexible strategies



**Optimizing** 

logistics

system

Increase market presence

**Connecting OE** Tires to aftermarket sales

sales network

**Expanding** 

Making full use of local production

**Strengthening** development of region-specific products

#### Sharpen performance / Enhance branding



2020



24 Hours Nürburgring

Dakar Rally 2019

#### Consolidate corporate functions **Digitalize**

sales activities **Optimally realign** sales network

**Innovating** sales foundation

**Focus on priority products** that meet customer expectations

#### Focusing on digital marketing











## **Growth Strategy: Original Equipment Tires**



## Contributing To Progress in Mobility Through A Combination Of Tires and Automotive Components



Ripple effect for the aftermarket tire business

**Brand recognition** 



New sales channels

"Return to OE` brand" demand

Seizing demand for aftermarket tires

Link between tires and automotive components

[Making an impact on the mobility industry]



echnological breakthroughs driven by progress in simulation/evaluation technologies that enhance mobility

Advanced development

Technology exchange

OE information

Higher technological prowess



Trends in automotive technology

Strive for cutting-edge automotive technology

Strengthening approach to strategic models such as SUVs, EVs, and next-generation mobility



## **Growth Strategy: Production and Supply**



## Building A Base For Stable Supply of Tires for the U.S. Market Serbian Plant as Most Cost-competitive Production Center



[Capturing robust demand]
Supplying **2M** units to the U.S.

**U.S. Plant** 

Phase V Expansion: Increased output

2<sup>nd</sup> step: **0.55M** units\* (Jan., '21~)

Wide light truck tires

Further bolstering supply capacity



\*Converted to the number of WLTR tires

Serbian Plant

New plant starts
production
(Apr. '22~)
5M units for passenger cars
and SUVs

30% lower costs (vs. Sendai Plant)

[Local production for local consumption]

Supplying **3M** units to Europe

Silverstone plant to be closed (June '21)

Passenger car tires: -3M units

Japanese Plant

Shift to high valueadded products as the key production base of the Group



Malaysian Plant

Concentrating resources in Malaysia

Enhancing its function as a global supply hub

**Chinese Plant** 

Ramping up capacity for priority products to meet demand in China and Japan



Establishing an **efficient production system** by visualizing/analyzing cross-sectional production/quality data

### **Solutions Business Initiatives**



## Developing a Solutions Business to Offer New Value Using Our Proprietary Sensing Technology

Data from the vehicles

**Gathering** 

**Tire condition** 

[Predicting]

Unique products & services

(Providing)

Wear prediction model



**Developing the model** 

Tire force detection model



**Predictive** technology of tread life

Fleet management

**Accumulated field test** 

(Cooperation with MC affiliates)

Analysis technology of driving data

Tire customization

Unique products

Retread



**Select compound** 

Grip ⇔ Lower fuel consumption

Select design

Aggressive ⇔ Quiet



**Build the platform** 

2023 2021~ 2024 2025 2022



5. Capital and BusinessAlliance withMitsubishi Corporation

## Effect of the Capital & Business Alliance with Mitsubishi Corporation

All numbers represent an increase from corresponding numbers in FY18 on a consolidated operating income basis TOVO TIRES

Effect on value

+10.0B yen

**Shared Mission: Increasing Toyo Tire's Enterprise Value** → Cooperation to Maximize Toyo Tire's Profitability

~FY2020

FY2021~2023

~FY2025

+1.4B yen

- Eliminated MC's **export commission**
- Dissolved all sales JVs; make them whollyowned Toyo subsidiaries
- Reduced insurance premiums, etc.

[Sales] Full-scale sales promotion of industrial tires, etc. to MC's customers

[Logistics] Further reduced costs by reorganizing sales/logistics sites in Japan

Delivering SUV tires as original equipment **Expanding sales channels for service tires** (retail, etc.)

The Middle China East

> Nextgeneration R&D

The alliance will prioritize markets where we can best promote and achieve a high return for our differentiated products

Focusing on projects that could drive growth, such as EV-related technology and digital solutions

**Impact** 

**+6.0**B yen



**Kuwana Plant:** Ramping up capacity for truck/bus tires

(Started production in Sept. '20 → Full-operation in Jan. '21)

U.S. Plant: Phase V Step 2

(Started production in Jan. '21 → Full-operation in Sep. '21)

**Impact** 

**+4.0**B yen



Serbian Plant: New facility to start operation in Apr. '22 (Full-operation in 4Q/23)

★ Mitsubishi Corporation

**TOYO TIRES** Strengthen corporate

governance

+ more

Accelerating Implementation Of Key Projects; Solidifying Management Foundation Personnel from the Two Companies Working Together

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6. Creating Management Foundation to Support Sustainable Growth



## **Creating Management Foundation** to Support Sustainable Growth



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Pursuing our Philosophy; Towards Strengthening our Business Management Infrastructure

## Realizing value creation and sustainable growth by offering solutions to social issues

Global

**'25**~

Long-term perspective Integrated with business

#### Reconfiguring digital/ICT infrastructure



- Developing a digital foundation to achieve higher profitability
  - Upgrading ERP, accelerating the PDCA cycle
- Strengthening data governance
- Realizing diverse work styles

#### Shifting to sustainability management Creating social value through

business

Redefining materiality and raising **'21~** our awareness Established the Sustainability Committee

Integrating business management with sustainability

**Creating social value with business** strategies

Rebuilding the organization, system and infrastructure



- Revitalizing the organization with new HR systems
  - Diverse staff collaborating organically
  - Programs for higher job satisfaction and empowerment "function-based recruitment", Diversity, 360degree evaluation)
- Training system focused on individuality, quality, and competencies

**Shoring up the** financial foundation



#### **Enhancing our efficiency and resilience** to changes in the business environment

- Improving asset efficiency through careful evaluation of business assets and investments
- Achieving and maintaining a healthy level of financial leverage

#### **Emphasis on cash flows**

- Managing funds globally
- Generating more cash and speeding up the cash cycle

## Role of Digital Transformation (DX) to Streamline the Management Foundation



## Supporting Change to the Corporate Culture and Realizing Steady Growth



### **Growth strategies**

**Technology** 

Regions

**Production/Supply** 

#### 3. Increasing value

Products, innovative services, and offered value



**Manufacturing Customer-oriented** products



**Enhanced** maintenance services



Digital channels, info content



**Creating solutions** service



DX

### 2. Improving profitability

Data-driven mgt., higher operational efficiency



Technology / product development **Maximizing ROI** 



**Optimizing supply**demand, inventory and mfg.



Improving sales productivity Varying the pace



**Data-driven** business / profitability mgt.



1. Reinforcing mgt. foundation

> Rebuilding systems, developing digital foundation



Mfg./logistic sites, facility infrastructure



Integrated database **Digital foundation** 



**Global** operations Models/rules



**Global IT** Tighter governance





7. Investment Plan and Shareholder Return

#### **Investment Plan and Shareholder Return**



## Investment Plan and Capital Allocation

## **Basic Investment Policy and Cash Flow Allocation of Mid-Term '21 Plan**

Strategic Investments contribute to growth allocation Control interest-bearing debts Investments needed to achieve Growth future growth over the medium investment to long term Digital-related investment 50% Investment in the markets R&D investments in new fields Investments needed to **Operating** maintain competitiveness of Capital cash flow core businesses expenditure Investments to maintain sustainable growth of existing businesses and to improve productivity 30% Investments to rebuild management foundation Shareholder Continue stable shareholder return returns linked to annual performance 20%

#### Shareholder Return

Basic policy

- Maintain proper balance between investments (to promote future growth) and shareholder dividends
- Pursue performance-linked, stable returns

Dividend policy

Payout ratio: 30% or higher

