

FY2024-2026

A New Path toward Sustainable Growth

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#### Introduction

The Kumagai Gumi Group has developed its Mid-term Management Plan (FY2024-2026), beginning from FY2024.

This plan follows the long-term vision and the management policy set out in the previous Mid-term Management Plan (FY2021-2023), geared toward 2030 and beyond. It represents the Kumagai Gumi Group's efforts to realize a society in which **limited resources are recycled and people, society, and nature continue to prosper.** 

Although the financial targets set out in the previous plan were not achieved to satisfaction, the Group has reaffirmed its basic policies of boosting the construction business, accelerating peripheral businesses, and enhancing the management base. It is aiming for a consolidated ordinary income of 30 billion yen by FY2026, and consolidated ordinary income of 50 billion yen in FY2035 under the long-term vision.

The Kumagai Group aims to prioritize customers, factoring in a "Quality for Happiness," and as a player in the construction service industry providing essential services to the public, it will sincerely face social issues of both today and the future, striving to realize its vision for society.

# Review of the Previous Mid-term Management Plan (FY2021-2023): Financial Targets

- Consolidated sales and consolidated recurring income did not reach the targets due to a slowdown in the progress of major construction projects.
   and rising material prices.
- ROE remained low as profits did not reach estimated heights.
- Dividends of JPY120 per share (FY2021) and JPY130 per share (FY2022) were paid out in line with the policy of stable shareholder returns. A dividend of JPY130 per share will be paid for FY2023.
- JPY10 billion worth of treasury shares were retired during the plan period.

# Slogan

#### **Proactive Measures for Sustainable Growth**

Looking ahead to 2030 and beyond, the first step toward realizing our long-term vision:

#### Four Basic Policies

#### **Boosting Construction Contract Business**

Strengthen and improve efficiency to increase profitability by strengthening our core business of construction contracts.

#### **Enhancing Construction Peripheral Businesses**

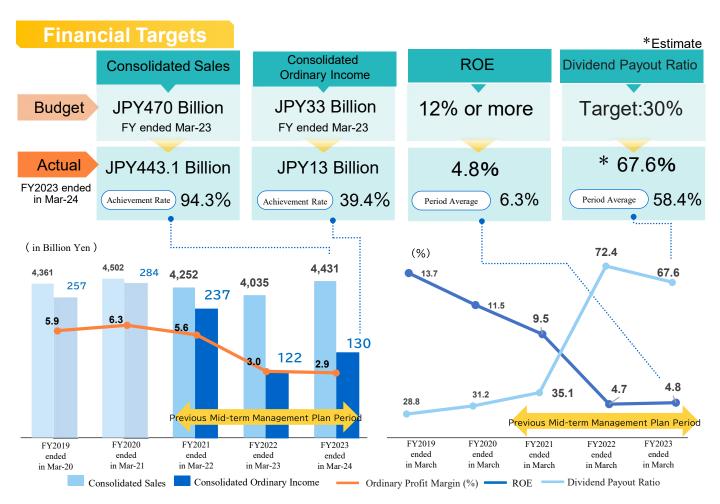
Create a solid income stream through prioritizing growth of construction-related peripheral businesses.

#### Developing New Business Fields

Create business opportunities to increase adaptability by targeting the development of areas that can contribute to the realization of the society we aspire to.

#### Strengthening the Management Capability

Further strengthen the ability to execute specific projects in accordance with our business plan.



# Review of the Previous Mid-term Management Plan (FY2021-2023): Non-financial Targets





- We worked to achieve our CO2 emissions (Scope 1 and 2) targets through the active use of green power.
- Target mixed waste emission achieved through the active promotion of 3R activities.
- In FY2024, we will establish the Green Innovation Group within the Corporate Strategy Headquarters to incorporate environmental initiatives into our management strategy.



- Safety frequency rate fell short of the target due to an increase in accidents resulting in lost time. In FY2024, we will
  convert/restructure the Safety, Quality & Environment Division into the Safety Headquarters to further strengthen the
  safety management system.
- The goal for employees' overtime working hours was achieved through promoting the Action Plan for Workplace Reform and leveraging digital technology to improve business processes in our workplace. We will continue our efforts to reduce overtime work.



# Governance

• There were no serious legal or regulatory violations.

ESG Perspective	Evaluation index	Target	FY2021 Actual	FY2022 Actual	FY 2023Actual
	CO2 emission reduction rate (Scope 1& 2) in FY2030 compared to FY2019	▲25%	<b>▲</b> 17.3%	<b>▲</b> 12.2%	In Progress*
Е	Mixed waste emission rate (total mixed waste emissions as a percentage of total construction waste emissions)	2.0% or less	1.8%	1.9%	1.3%
C	Safety frequency rate (number of deaths and injuries due to work-related accidents per million total actual working hours)	0.5 or less	0.63	0.69	0.98
5	Amount of Employees' overtime working hours (average number of overtime hours per month)	30 hours or less	25.5 hours	21.4 hours	19.7 hours
G	Number of serious violations of laws and regulations (including administrative penalties and administrative actions)	0	0	0	0

\*The final calculation will be available in June 2024.

# **Review of Mid-term Management Plan: Summary**



- Low-profit construction projects commissioned under the harsh environment of the COVID-19, slowdown in investment progress, and soaring construction material prices, and delivery delays caused by the situations in Russia and Ukraine also affected construction progress, resulting in lower sales and profit.
- Although ESG initiatives were promoted throughout the company, the failure to achieve the safety frequency ratio target and the incident of inaccurate report, such as the Hokkaido Shinkansen Yotei Tunnel (Arishima) and Others Project—became a major point for reflection and of regret. In FY2024, we will improve our safety system and further strengthen our management abilities for the safety and quality of our projects.
- We have actively taken profit recovery measures, and although the impact from the previous years is likely to remain even in FY2024, we will see a full-fledged recovery from FY2025.

#### Improvement of the Construction Contracting Business in Performance and Efficiency

**Domestic Civil Engineering:** Sales did not increase due to slowdowns in the progress of large-scale construction projects, which led to more work. Although profits were low, gross profit on completed projects is on a recovery trend due to stricter pre-order screening and the establishment of an organization specializing in cost control.

**Domestic Construction:** We successfully completed the projects within the specified periods that were comissioned during the time of intense competition of the coronavirus pandemic and post-Tokyo Olympics. Due to difficulties in securing equipment subcontractors and the rapidly rising prices of construction materials and equipment, these projects were not profitable. We have come to realize the need to pass on rising costs to prices, and there is a recovery trend in ensuring profitability at the outset of a project. Future sales and profits can be expected.

Overseas Construction: In the construction business in Taiwan, there has been high demand for large-scale construction projects including a landmark building, and both sales and profits have been trending steadily. We have been commissioned for a large-scale civil engineering work (sewage construction in Indonesia) for the first time in 15 years. We will continue to increase orders for civil engineering and construction work throughout Asia.

#### **Evolution of Construction Peripheral Businesses**

- Due to changes in the social environment and lack of resources for executing growth strategies, actual investments during the period fell short of the JPY 40 billion target.
- The launch of the following peripheral businesses has been completed, and progress has been made in our efforts to diversify revenue sources from a medium- to long-term perspective. This includes real estate development, technological product manufacturing and sales of Black Bark Pellets, sale of cotter-type fittings, and renewable energy businesses such as SEP vessel ownership and the litate biomass power generation project.
- \*See page 17 for details on collaboration with Sumitomo Forestry.

#### **Development of New Business Areas**

The Company launched the New Business Creation Project and selected multiple projects for commercialization. Among these, we have started capital investment and demonstration experiments related to smart primary industries.

#### **Reinforcement of Management Base**

- Establish a digital transformation promotion system, renovate the existing core system, and promote standardization of information and communication technology at workplaces.
- Promote development of environmentally-friendly technologies. We have commercialized medium- and large-scale wood construction technologies in cooperation with Sumitomo Forestry.
- Regarding the 'new normal,' we have implemented various changes to work structure. (e.g. the flextime system at workplaces, staggered work hours, and telework)

# The New Mid-term Management Plan (FY2024-2026): Addressing the Current Issues

# Social Background

- Shortage of labor force and shrinking domestic demand due to population decline, falling birthrate, and aging population
- Increasing social demands for realizing a carbon-neutral society
- Risk of economic downturn and uncertainty in price trends due to increased geopolitical risks such as the war in Ukraine, the U.S.-China conflict, and the situation in the Middle East
- Improvement of earning potential, including wage hikes through public-private collaboration. Expectations for economic growth led by private demand due to the boosting of corporate capital investment.

Issues To Be
Addressed by
Construction Company

**Promotion of Construction Businesses** 

Environmentally-friendly Market Initiatives and Technologies **Business Portfolio Optimization** 

**Ensure a Continuous Construction Workforce** 

- Construction investment in the Tokyo metropolitan area is expected to be on the same scale as in previous years.
- Expansion of the maintenance and repair market backed by increased stock
- Expanding markets related to disaster prevention/mitigation, national resilience, and major infrastructure renewal
- Domestic construction investment remains flat at the same scale as the previous years.
- Economic growth in overseas regions where populations are expected to grow

**Market Environment** 

Slogan for the Mid-term Management Plan (FY2024-2026)

# A New Path toward Sustainable Growth

Thoroughly strengthen earning power and customer appeal, while accelerating peripheral businesses, aiming for the management with multiple income streams.



Under the Group Vision, we will steadily implement our long-term management plan.

# **Group Vision**

What the Kumagai Group Aims to Be

# **Long-term Vision**

Management Policy in the Next 10 Years

# **Mid-term Management Plan**

Policies, Strategies, and Goals for FY2024 - FY2026

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#### **Universal Thoughts**

Enhance our unique on-site versatility\*<sup>1</sup> Create our unique value called *Quality for Hapiness*\*<sup>2</sup> and continue to support customers and society going forward.

- \*1. The onsite power produced by combining superior technical skills and excellent human capabilities.
- \*2. In addition to the external and functional quality of the building, we provide high quality that ensures the continued satisfaction of the people who gather and use the building. We provide Quality for Happiness at every stage from sales, design, and construction to the after-sales service stage.

#### **Roles to Play**

Contribute to creating a society in which limited resources are recycled and people, society, and nature can continue to prosper. To be a highly sought after leader in the construction industry.

#### **Basic Policies**



Strengthening construction business



Accelerating peripheral businesses\*3



Enhancing management base

<sup>\*3</sup> Creation of new businesses included.



◆ We have set numerical targets for the five financial indicators during the plan period.

**Consolidated Sales** 

(FY2026 ending in March-27)

JPY500 billion

**Consolidated Income** 

(FY2026 ending in March-27)

JPY30 billion

The Mid-term Management Plan Financial Targets and Indicators

**ROE** 

(FY2026 ending in March-27)

10% or more

**Equity Ratio** 

(FY2026 ending in March-27)

Approx. 45%

Striving to balance financial soundness and capital efficiency

Dividend Payout Ratio

(FY2026 ending in March-27)

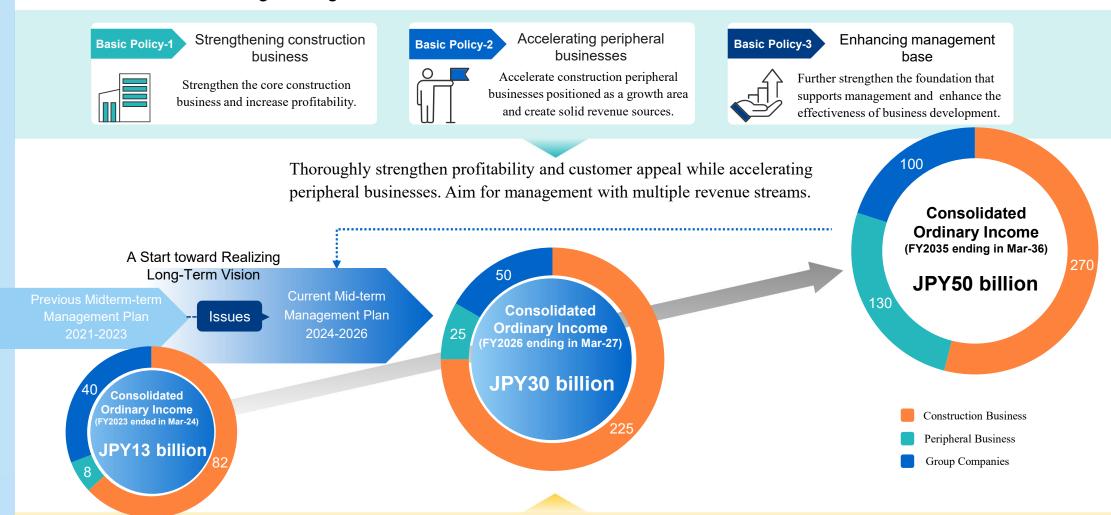
Approx. 40%

Our basic policy is to return profits in a reasonable and stable manner.

# Mid-term Management Plan Overview: Roadmap to Realizing Our Vision for the Future

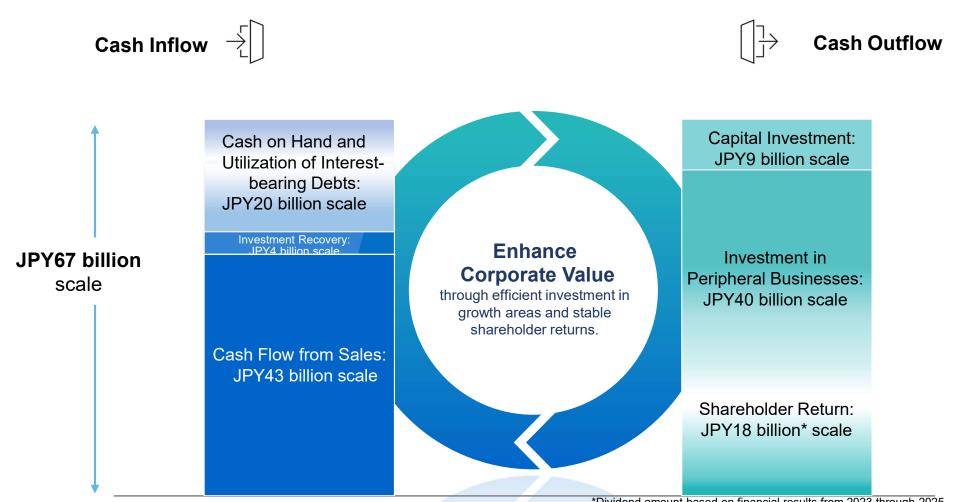


◆ The Kumagai Gumi Group will work under three new basic policies in the next three years in order to build a solid framework for realizing its long-term vision.



- Profitability estimated at the time of receiving orders will improve significantly from FY2023 onward. The positive impact on business performance will be seen by FY26. The negative impact of unprofitable construction works is expected to be mostly resolved by the end of FY2024.
- Investment returns in the peripheral business will be realized during the Plan period. We will continue to strengthen our strategy review and monitoring functions to accelerate the positive impact of investment.

- In order to enhance corporate value, we strive to optimize capital efficiency while maintaining financial integrity with an equity ratio of approximately 45%. Our basic policy is to consistently and reliably return profits to shareholders.
- We are targeting a payout ratio of 40%, but will flexibly consider additional returns, including the purchase of treasury shares, depending upon changes in the business environment and the progress of individual business strategies and investments.



\*Dividend amount based on financial results from 2023 through 2025. Dividends for the last year of the plan (FY2026) are not included.

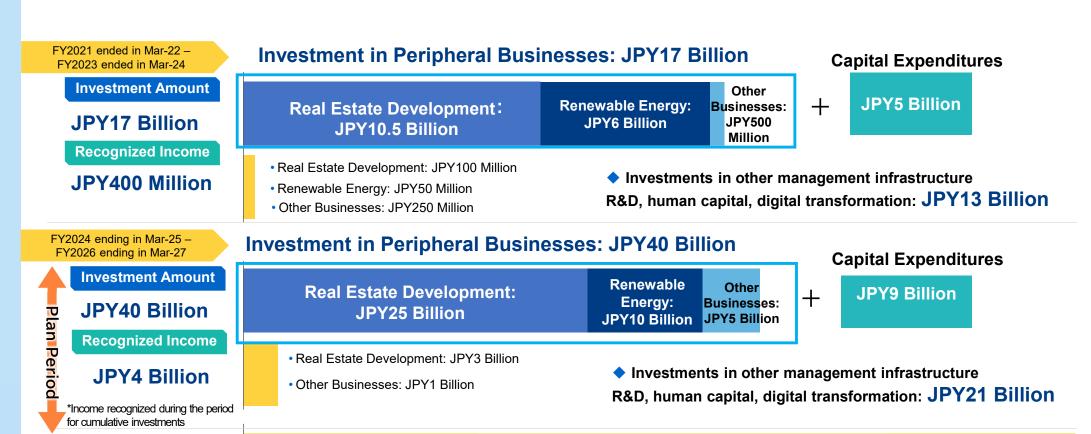
FY2027 ending in Mar-28 – FY2035 ending in Mar-36

# Mid-term Management Plan (FY2024-2026): Investment Portfolio



- We plan to invest JPY40 billion in peripheral businesses and JPY9 billion in capital expenditures during the plan period.
- Returns from the previous investment will be partially realized during the period.
- An Investment Strategy Committee chaired by the Kumagai Gumi president will be set up as a management council starting in FY2024 to study, formulate, and monitor company-wide investment strategies, while inviting outside advisors as committee members who can provide guidance.
- Investments will also be expanded in order to enhance the management infrastructure.(See p.24 p.26)

annual income of JPY13 Billion by FY2035.



To realize our long-term vision, we will continue to invest even beyond the plan period, and will aim for an

# **Business Strategy**



#### Basic Policy-1

#### Strengthening construction business

Reinforce our core construction business and increase profitability.



#### Basic Policy-2

#### Accelerating peripheral businesses

Accelerate construction peripheral businesses positioned as growth areas and create solid sources of earnings.



#### Basic Policy-3

#### **Enhancing management base**

Further strengthen the foundation that supports management and increase business development efficiency.

#### Domestic Civil Engineering Business

- Major Infrastructure Renewal/Improvement
- · Renewable Energy
- Prevention/Mitigation, National Land Resiliency
- Resource Circulation

#### **Domestic Building Construction**

- Environmentally Friendly Building
- Various Plants
- Medium- and Large-scale Wooden Construction
- Urban Redevelopment
- Data centers

#### Overseas Construction

- Infrastructure Development in Southeast Asia
- Commercial Facilities in Vietnam
- Construction Business in Taiwan

#### Real Estate Development Business

- · General Real Estate Investment
- Diversified Real Estate Investment
- Development Projects in Europe, U.S., and Southeast Asia
- · Reginal Revitalization Projects in Japan
- The Iidabashi Redevelopment Project in Tokyo

#### Renewable Energy Business

- Offshore Wind Power Generation using SEP vessels(Construction, Operations, and Maintenance)
- Overseas Power Generation Projects

#### **Technological Products Business**

- · Decarbonized Biomass Fuel Production and Sale
- Cotter-type joint Sale

#### New Business Creation and Other Businesses

- · Environmentally Friendly Hybrid Agriculture
- Renewable Energy Source Sharing & EMS Package Businesses
- Domestic PPP/PFI Projects
- Road Tunnel MOM Projects

#### Research and Technology Development

- Innovate construction technology to create a prosperous society, and develop human resources
- Further enhance construction technology through digital and robot technology
- Develop environmentally friendly technologies to help realize a sustainable society

#### Human Capital Infrastructure

- Maximize Human Resource Value
- Boost Organizational Power

#### Digital Transformation

- Digital Experts Management
- Streamline Construction Management
- Digital Solutions

# **Strengthening Construction Business: Domestic Civil Engineering**

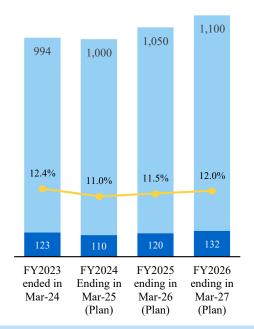


# **Market Trends**

- Both public and private investment remained strong due to recovery in capital investment.
- Solid investment in highway renewal projects.
- Increase in maintenance projects for aging infrastructure facilities.
- Expansion of renewable energy-related markets toward carbon neutrality.

#### Targeted Numbers (in Billion Yen)

- Sales
- Gross Revenues from Completed Construction Contracts
- Profit Margin



### **Our Strengths**

- Utilization of various technologies in existing construction types, including tunnels and shield tunneling.
- 2. Extensive construction experience in large-scale toll road renewal projects. (e.g. The Cotter Slab Method)
- 3. Disaster recovery-related technologies, including unmanned construction and ICT technologies.
- High-precision underwater positioning system such as Aqua Marionette Technology.
- Roboticization initiatives for mountain tunnels, including remote robot and automatic spraying machine systems.

#### **Focus Areas**

- Major Infrastructure Renewal
   e.g. Large-scale toll road renewal and infrastructure facilities
- 2. Renewable Energy e.g. Hydroelectric power, onshore and offshore wind power
- 3. Disaster prevention/mitigation and national land resilience e.g. Disaster restoration and watershed flood control construction
- Resource Recycling
   e.g. Industrial waste disposal site and biomass power generation

#### **Priority of Implementation**

1. Improve Order System

Reinforce company-wide bidding system to increase commissions for public works projects.

2. Improve Profit Margin

Target profit of 12% through thorough cost estimation at the time of bidding and formation of a design review team.

- 3. Strengthen the Design Department for Floor Slab Replacement Work Reinforce the design division through M&A, etc.
- Approach to Renewable Energy Projects
   Establish the preliminary study method and system for EPC projects.

#### 5. Promote Digital Transformation

Differentiate from competitors by actively developing unmanned construction technologies.

6. Reform Production Processes

Create a new system to focus on safety and quality control by shifting on-site peripheral work into in-house work.

Pass on Knowledge and Skills Systematically
 Promote knowledge management by training and developing

curriculum to enable workers to acquire the knowledge and skills of a foreman after 10 years with the company.

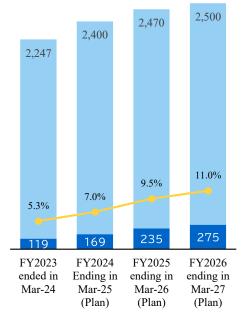
Strengthen Relationships with Subcontractors
 Secure a stable supply of construction workers and work load.



Sanda Station C Block Area Type 1 Urban Redevelopment
Project Hyogo Prefecture, Japan

#### Targeted Numbers (in Billion Yen)

- Sale
- Gross Revenues from Completed Construction Contracts
- Profit Margin



### **Market Trends**

- Housing market: steady growth, especially in the Tokyo metropolitan area
- Healthcare-related markets: restructuring and expansion of local healthcare systems
- E-commerce market: increased investment in logistics facilities due to the "logistical issues in 2024"
- Accommodations market expansion due to recovery of inbound travel demand
- Data center market: high volume data processing capacity and increased investment in data centers
- · Markets related to decarbonization and carbon neutrality due to growing social consciousness regarding recycling

### **Our Strengths**

- Versatility based on our extensive track record in a wide range of markets
- 2. A wealth of experience in medical facilities, high rise residences, and educational facilities
- 3. Initiatives for medium- and large-scale wooden construction geared toward carbon neutrality
- 4. High special order/design-build ratio
- 5. Business alliance with Sumitomo Forestry
- 6. Strong collaboration between our civil engineering and building departments

#### **Focus Areas**

- 1. Environmentally Friendly Building
- 2. Various Plants
- 3. Medium- to Large Scale Wooden Buildings
- 4. Urban Redevelopment
- 5. Data Centers

#### **Priority of Implementation**

#### 1. Recovery of profitability

Eliminate low-profit construction work by carefully examining estimates and contract conditions.

Early setup of a construction system using front loading at the sales stage. Ensure profit by strict cost management, guidance and support after the start of construction.

#### 2. Enhancement of company-wide comprehensive capabilities

Step up collaboration and management of a company-wide system that integrates sales, design, and construction.

**3.** Strategic acquisition of markets and clients to enhance expertise Increase track records in ZEB, DC, medium/large-scale wooden buildings, public facilities (environment, waste treatment facilities, funeral halls) by further strengthening proposal capabilities.

# 4. Development of technologies that contribute to a recycling-oriented society

Efforts to develop environmentally friendly construction technology, building sophistication technology, and competitiveness enhancement technology

# 5. Initiatives toward next-generation comprehensive earthquakeresistant technology

Develop high-standard building technology with further consideration for earthquake resistance and habitability.

# **Strengthening Construction: Business Overseas Construction**

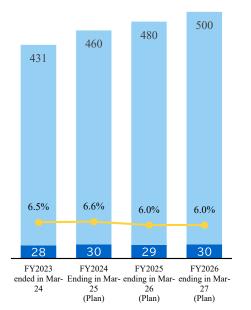


### **Market Trends**

- Infrastructure exports to Southeast Asia for SDGs' purposes are on the rise.
- Increase in commercial facilities in Vietnam where a demographic bonus is expected.
- Active investment in gasoline, EV, and biogas-related businesses in India.
- Expansion of the real estate development market in the Asian region.

#### Targeted Numbers (in Billion Yen)

- Sales
- Gross Revenues from Completed Construction Contracts
- Profit Margin



### **Our Strengths**

#### 1. 【Civil Engineering 】

Infrastructure development capabilities using shield and propulsion technologies

#### 2. **Building Construction**

Technical capabilities honed through experience in constructing super high-rise buildings, large-scale shopping centers, and high-end residential buildings

Unparalleled brand power in Taiwan

#### **Focus Areas**

- . Infrastructure Development in Southeast Asia
- 2. Shopping Mall Development in Vietnam
- 3. Construction Business in Taiwan

#### **Priority of Implementation**

#### [General]

- Develop and penetrate overseas markets in preparation for shrinking domestic market
- 2. Increase the skill of overseas staff by training them in Japan.

#### [Civil Engineering]

- Reinforce the existing construction system:
   Reinforce the construction system for ODA projects in Indonesia
- Establish New Construction Systems:
   Establish construction systems in the Southeast Asia (other than Indonesia)

#### [Building Construction]

1. Reinforcement of Construction System

Reinforce construction system for commercial facility projects in Vietnam.

Strengthen partnerships with local construction companies in Vietnam.

Further strengthen sales and construction systems for high-end condominiums in Taiwan.

Initiatives for sustainable landmark projects in Taiwan

Real Estate Development Business



Iwaki Station Namiki Street Area Type 1 Urban Redevelopment Project

# The lidabashi Redevelopment Project



Hoa Lanh Township Development Project, Vietnam

Investment Amount during the Mid-term Plan Period

**JPY25** Billion

Estimated Income during the Mid-term Plan Period\*

**JPY3** Billion

\* Estimated income from cumulative investments recognized during the period

#### **Domestic Real Estate**

#### General Real Estate Investment

• We plan to participate in construction projects for future redevelopment projects as well as generate rental income from real estate investments, mainly in the Tokyo metropolitan and the Kansai areas.

#### Regional Revitalization Projects

• Full-scale efforts will be made for the redevelopment, management and operation of Katsuyama Dinosaur Forest (Nagaoyama Comprehensive Park) in Fukui Prefecture (Park-PFI project).

#### Diversification of Real Estate Investment

Diversify real estate investments by utilizing non-recourse loans and collaborating with other companies.

#### We are actively promoting redevelopment projects around Iidabashi Station.

In the Shimomiyabi-cho district, where we are participating as a project partner, the "Shimomiyabi-cho District Urban Area Redevelopment Preparation Association" was established. In April 2023, we further established the "Iidabashi Station Area Infrastructure Development Policy", and the momentum for redevelopment is growing.

We have also begun preparatory activities for the establishment of a council in the Agaba she district, and individual.

We have also begun preparatory activities for the establishment of a council in the Ageba-cho district, and individual explanations to all rights holders have begun.

#### **Overseas Real Estate**

Participation in real estate development projects in Europe, the U.S., and Southeast Asia, leveraging our alliance with Sumitomo Forestry.

#### The Hoa Lanh Township Development Project, Vietnam

• The township development will be launched in collaboration with Sumitomo Forestry, NTT Urban Development, and Kim Oanh Group, a major local real estate developer.

#### Real Estate Fund Investment

• We plan to participate in profitable projects and development projects in Southeast Asia, which is experiencing remarkable growth, and in Europe and the United States, where environmental awareness is high.

# Accelerating Peripheral Businesses: Renewable Energy, Tech Product, and New Business Creation



# Renewable Energy



Tech Products Business



New Business Creation



Investment Amount during the Mid-term Plan Period

**JPY10** Billion

Estimated Income during the Mid-term Plan Period\* \*Estimated income from cumulative investments recognized during the period

Entry into Offshore Wind Power Generation Business using our owned SEP vessels – Construction, and Operations & Maintenance

The operation is scheduled to begin in the fall of 2025. This machine is capable of accommodating 15MW-class super-large wind turbines, and can be installed at great depths below sea level due to its long legs, which allows for construction work in deep water in both fixed and floating fields.

 A large-scale investment in the construction of large SEP vessels is expected to boost earnings in FY2027 and beyond. We will also aim for synergy with orders for offshore wind power construction projects.

#### Overseas Power Generation Business

• Aiming to participate in renewable energy power generation projects such as offshore wind and solar power, mainly in the Southeast Asia.

Investment Amount during the Mid-term Plan Period

**JPY4** Billion

Estimated Income during the Mid-term Plan Period

JPY800 Million

#### Production and Sales of Decarbonized Biomass Fuels

- Since 2023, we have been working on a business of manufacturing and selling "Black Bark Pellet" (BBP, domestic bark wood raw materials).
- We aim to make a decarbonized society with reduced CO2 emissions, and contribute to a stable power supply by revitalizing the domestic forestry industry and using co-fired materials for coal-fired power generation.

We also aim to diversify our earnings by exporting our semi-carbonization technology to other countries.

#### Cotter-type Joints Sales Business – cumulative sales reached 10,000 by 2023

• In collaboration with our partner companies, we have started selling "cotter-type joints" used in the cotter slab construction method, which is our specialty, in expressway renewal construction. We will further promote and expand the sales of this product to large-scale expressway renewal and repair projects carried out by companies like NEXCO East, Central, and West.

Investment Amount during the Mid-term Plan Period

**JPY1** Billion

Estimated Income during the Mid-term Plan Period<sup>3</sup>

JPY200 Million

#### Environmentally Friendly Hybrid Agriculture

 We will promote an environmentally friendly hybrid agriculture business that combines aquaponic and algae culture, i.e. land-based aquaculture and hydroponic cultivation.

#### Renewable Energy Power Supply and EMS Package Business

 We will participate in the project to build an energy management system (EMS) by supplying power derived from renewable energy and utilizing PPA, storage batteries, etc.

#### Domestic PPP/PFI Projects

 We will continue to participate in PPP/PFI projects with the aim of contributing to the construction business.

#### Road Tunnels MOM Projects

- Kumagai Gumi operates four road tunnel management, operations, and maintenance (MOM) projects in Hong Kong.
- Leveraging our experience in the MOM business and tunnel construction, we will further expand and develop our infrastructure MOM business in Hong Kong.

#### **Overall Summary**

Since the start of the business and capital alliance in 2017, we have built up experience focusing on medium- and large-scale wooden construction projects and environmentally friendly real estate investments.

During this period, we have expanded the medium- to large-scale wooden construction business, the main target of our alliance, halfway toward our goal. We have primarily considered cost competitiveness, including the effects of what is called "wood shocks" and inflation, as well as compliance with regulations regarding fire proofing and earthquake resistance. (\*1)

Meanwhile, social expectations for the active use of wood resources and the spread of wooden buildings are increasing year by year as a path toward a decarbonized society. Based on the cooperative achievements in other business fields that we have gradually built up, we are now at a stage where further proactive collaboration is necessary.

\*1 Wooden construction rate in 2018: 47.0% for the overall building market, 14.1% for low-rise nonresidential (3 floors or less), and 0.06% for mid-rise buildings (4 floors or more). Wooden construction rate in 2022: 45.5% in the overall building market, 14.0% in low-rise non-residential buildings (3 floors and below), and 0.08% in mid-rise buildings (4 floors and above). Source: Statistical Survey of Construction Starts 2022 by Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism

#### Summary by Division

#### • Lignification and Green Building Projects

Marketing the two types of value-added proposals: the "with TREE" brand, mediumto large-scale wooden buildings, and environmentally friendly green architecture, we won collaborative projects by leveraging the strengths of both companies.





#### Renewable Energy

We established a company to manufacture and sell "Black Bark Pellets\*2" and started construction of a manufacturing plant.

\*2 Biomass fuel made from bark wood (tree bark)WE

#### Overseas Business

We invested in development projects and real estate funds in the U.S. and Indonesia.

#### • Joint Research and Development

We developed the "KS Wood Buckling Restrained Brace".

We developed "PRISM", a generic type of design technology.

#### Joint Achievements (over the past six years)

Orders Received\*3 JPY97 billion

Sales JPY71 billion

\*3 Includes projects which both companies were involved in from the design stage and contributed to the orders received by our Group companies.

Gross Profit from Completed Construction

Gross Profit from JPY4.4 billion

Amount Invested\*4 JPY7.3 billion

\*4 Our investment in the project in which both companies participate.

# Alliance with Sumitomo Forestry: Achievements Made Since Our Business and Capital Alliance



	Joint Efforts	Joint Achievements
Lignification and Green Building Projects  Cumulative Orders	Launch of the "with TREE" Brand with TREE	<ul> <li>Jointly launched a medium- to large-scale wooden construction brand in March 2021.</li> <li>         → As a result, together we won several wooden construction contracts, including the H¹ (series of office buildings and public facilities, through JV formation and cooperation in material procurement.</li> </ul>
Received  JPY97 Billion	Introduced "One Click LCA" CO2 Calculation Software	<ul> <li>Visualizing the benefits of reducing environmental impact and receiving orders for joint projects.</li> </ul>
Cumulative Sales  JPY71 Billion	Value-added Proposals for Building Green	<ul> <li>We jointly made environmentally value-added proposals for building design and green space planning by our architectural design and construction professionals and green planners.</li> <li>As a result, we won orders for environmental green building projects for residences, university facilities and office buildings (PREX series) through our joint efforts.</li> </ul>
Accumulated Investment  JPY300 Million  Local Energy System	Local Energy System Corporation, a business operating company, set up for production and sales of "Black Bark Pellets" (BBP)	<ul> <li>The operating company was established in May 2023 and upon the construction of their first plant, located in Saijo City, Ehime Prefecture, began to manufacture BBP (Black Bark Pellet). The raw material, will be procured mainly from Sumitomo Forestry Forest Service Co., Ltd.</li> <li>BBP is also used as co-firing material for coal-fired power plants to reduce CO2 emission</li> </ul>
Lovel Energy dystem	Study on Biomass Power Generation in Japan	<ul> <li>Due to lack of profitability after a detailed review, it was decided not to commercialize the proposed project.</li> </ul>
Overseas Business Accumulated	Structure ESG-friendly real estate and wood building development projects in the U.S., Australia and Europe	<ul> <li>Kumagai Gumi invested in the ESG-friendly real estate fund structured by Sumitomo Forest and Crescent Communities.</li> <li>We also participated in the development project of an ESG-friendly wooden rental office in Dallas, U.S.</li> </ul>
JPY7 Billion  © Crow Hicking Development	Joint participation in development projects in Southeast Asia - Indonesia and Vietnam	• We jointly participated in commercial complex development projects in Indonesia.
Joint Research and Development	Joint Development of "KS Wood Buckling Restrained Brace"	• The KS wood buckling-restrained brace reinforces a steel core using a combination of LVL and plywood to provide stable deformation performance without loss of bearing capacity even in compression, achieving seismic performance equivalent or superior to that of conventional buckling-restrained braces.
	Development of general-purpose design technology for high-rise wooden buildings to increase demand for wood (PRISM).	<ul> <li>Building Research Institute, (National R&amp;D Agency) has contracted Sumitomo Forestry to prepare a primary design example of a glued laminated timber structure using a wooder frame construction method with buckling-constrained braces. Kumagai Gumi will collaborate on this task.</li> </ul>
	Research on labor saving through automation of forestry machinery systems (the operations of this systems will be applied on the moon)	<ul> <li>Conducted study and conceptual design of an unmanned and automated overhead line collection system by integrating forestry technology, unmanned construction technology, plant and temporary construction engineering, and winch technology.</li> </ul>



# Policies

- In the medium- to large-scale wooden construction business, Kumagai Gumi aims to further increase orders by leveraging the knowledge and project proposal capabilities it has accumulated through its collaboration with Sumitomo Forestry, as well as Sumitomo Forestry's brand power in wooden construction.
- We also aim to expand our business domain both by continuing to invest in overseas real estate development, which is one of Sumitomo Forestry's fortes, and by considering participation in environmentally friendly real estate businesses in Japan.
- Construction
- Strive to further reinforce the two pillars of our alliance: the "with TREE" brand, and environmentally green building construction.
- Strengthen proposals for various CO<sub>2</sub> reduction technologies to meet customer needs.

The Kumagai Gumi Group
Three-Year Goals

Orders Received

Medium- and large-scale wooden buildings,

Net Sales

Net Profit from Completed Projects

sustainable buildings, and others.

JPY120 Billion

**JPY100** Billion

JPY9 Billion\*1

\*1 Aim for a profit margin of 9% or more.

Investment

- Continued investment in overseas real estate development businesses and domestic real estate development business.
- Establishment of "Black Bark Pellet Business" base, manufacturing and sales business.
- Participation in overseas renewable energy projects.

The Kumagai Gumi Group

Amount Invested

Recognized Revenue during the Plan Period \*2

Three-Year Goals

**JPY10** Billion Scale

**Approx. JPY3 Billion** 

\*2 Revenue recognized during the period on the cumulative investments.

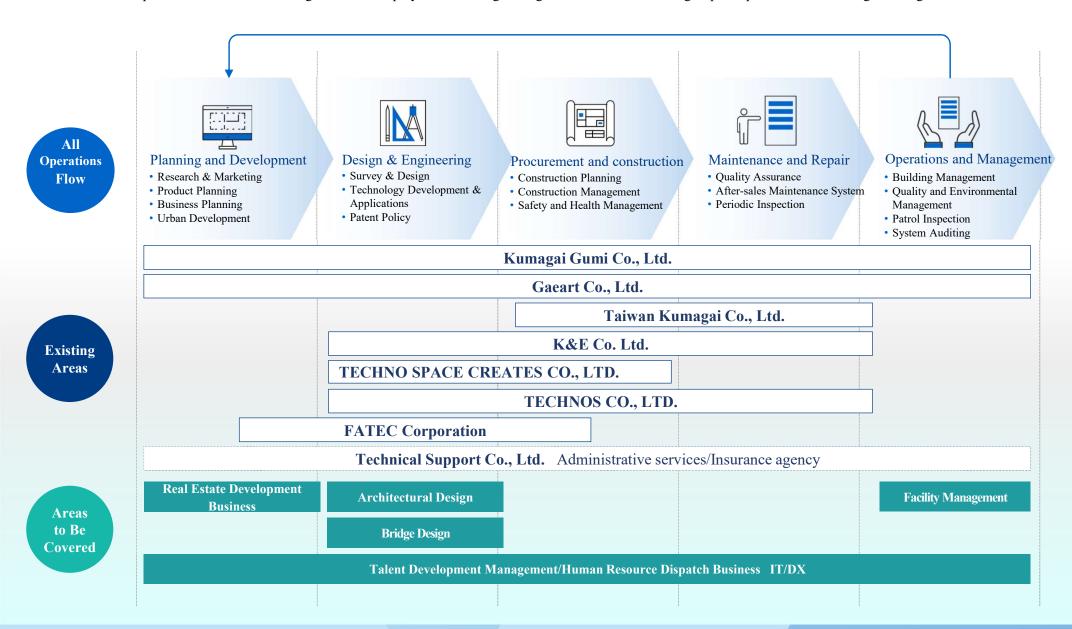
Technological Development

• Promote technological developments that can help create a decarbonized society, including the development of wood-based construction technologies.

# **Group Strategy**



• Enhance the potential of the entire Kumagai Gumi Group by further strengthening collaboration within its group companies and enhancing it through M&As and other means.



# **Strategy by Group Company: Policies and Priority Measures**

Group Companies	Policies and Priority Measures		Group Companies	Policies and Priority Measures		
MATCH 株式会社 <b>ガイアート</b> Gaeart Co., Ltd.	Receive orders for large-scale construction projects.	Take measures to improve our corporate rating score. Enhance technical proposal capability and cost estimation accuracy. Bolster technical sales force and expand our client base. Strengthen technical sales geared toward consultants. Proactive involvement in industry-government-academia collaboration.	Taiwan Kumagai Co., Ltd.	Bolster Sales Force	Refine order-taking capabilities. Establish the front-loading system. Proactive information dissemination, leveraging the superiority of the "Huacuma" brand.It's not grammatically wrong, but I'm not sure what kind of information they're disseminating or what their brand is superior.	
Manufacturing and sale of road paving and asphalt mixtures	Create and manage sales offices more efficiently.	Improve our office environment for more efficient construction management. Ensure an appropriate level of construction gross profit. Assert control over valuation requirements.	Taiwan Construction Projects	Strengthen On-site Versatility	Restructure training programs. Quality assurance through enhanced inspections and feedback of inspection results.	
	Further promote outside sales of our original products.	*Secure sales from large-scale projects through integrated. engineering, construction, and operations efforts. *Enhance collaboration among the group companies. *Devise a program for the sale of proprietary product technologies.		Secure and Develop Human Resources	Pass on skills and expertise to the new generation and improve employee training. Raise the level of employees through active participation in outside training programs. Enhance employee engagement through institution-wide improvements.	
<b>K&amp;&amp;</b> ケーアンドイー 株式会社	Bolster Sales Force	Set up a system for receiving special orders for large-scale construction work.  Restructure strategies to win contract orders.  Consider M&A opportunities and differentiate from competitors.	FATEC	Bolster Sales Force	Expand trading company functions within the Kumagai Group.     Promote public relations using advertising media.     Earn official certifications and accreditations for proprietary products.	
K&E Co. Ltd.		Consider M&A opportunities and differentiate from competitors.	FATEC Corporation	Secure and Develop Human Resources	•Employee training to achieve management goals. •Improve productivity and employee retention rates.	
Building and Facility Renovation	Secure and Develop Human Resources	Restructure training programs.  Implement policies to enhance employee.	Technology Trading Company	Commercialize new technologies and products	Establish a business scheme for KMLA Sensor.     Expand sales of materials for cotter slab construction method.     Identify and commercialize new products.	
	Creation of New Businesses	*Collaboration among the Group Companies beyond boundaries.     *Consideration of entering the FM business through M&A.	TECHNO TECHNO SPACE CHEATES CO.LITO	Secure and Develop Human Resources	Shorten the training period by reviewing preexisting training methods. Training and education for managers.	
Fクノス株式会社	Dofina Uniqueness	• Develop new products such as construction survey automation and wood structure support.	TECHNO SPACE CREATES CO., LTD.	Human Resources	· Create an adaptable system.	
TECHNOS CO., LTD.	Refine Uniqueness and Originality  Develop new construction methods for bridge slab dismantling technology and core materials construction accuracy control system.  Become carbon neutral.  Promote cross-industrial alliances.	Construction Drawing Education Business	Improve Profitability	Promote labor savings through the development of operational manuals.     Increase orders received by supporting multiple BIM softwares.		
Construction materials and equipment manufacturing Environmental Business	Increased Productivity	Reduce fixed cost through standardization, automation, and information technology.  Improve profitability by further encouraging collaboration among	TSD TECHNICAL SUPPORT	General	Expand the scope of outsourcing.     Recommend insurance products that contribute to construction insurance and welfare program.	
Civil Engineering Renewal	ering Renewal Productivity group companies.  • Visualize operations through the use of information technology.		Technical Support Co., Ltd.	Human Resource Development	•Expand employee education, including training and seminars. •Shape the next generation of leaders.	
	Secure and Develop Human Resources	Strengthen public relations and recruiting activities Ensure long term excellence through expert training by craftsmen. Assist employees in obtaining professional development certifications.	Administrative Work Insurance Agent	Practical Aspect	Support for systems implementation and workstyle reform.  Expand operations and continue new business initiatives.  Explore new forms of insurance contracts.	

# Reinforcement of the Management Base: Research and Technology Development

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Research & **Technology** development

- Deepen construction technology and develop human resources to realize a prosperous society.
- Promote digital and robotic technologies geared toward advancing construction capabilities.

• Develop environmentally friendly technologies that can help create a sustainable society.

**Investment Amount:** Research and Technological Development JPY10 Billion Scale \* during the Plan Period

\* JPY2.5 billion for capital expenditures included

Now (2024)

#### Near Future

- Human Resource Development and Effective Deployment
- · Accumulation and Transfer of Group Knowledge and Skills
- Collaboration with Outside Organizations
- 1. Construction Technology that Contributes to Society **Deepening Existing Domains**
- · Building construction methods; Foundations
- · Civil engineering methods; disaster prevention technology
- Material development, ZEB/ Building sound environments
- 2. Digitalization and Robotization **Explore Existing Areas**
- · Inspection technology;
- BIM/CIM · Remote control: optimization
- 3. Decarbonized Society **Explore Existing Areas**
- · Medium- to large-scale wooden construction and methods
- Tree-planting greening

- 1. × 2. = Construction Technology Innovation through Digital Transform-
- · Construction automation (by AI and robots)
- → Improved productivity and safety

ation -- Developing New Areas

- · Quality control automation (by AI and robots) - improved accuracy, information sharing and utilization
- Mobility support (use of wireless power feeder boards)
- → Transportation revolution; contribution to GX
- · Data science (utilization of risking)
- → advanced information gathering/analysis and application
- · Strengthen BIM collaboration (BIM design, BIM cost estimation, BIM production, and BIM -FM)
- 3. A De-Carbonized Society **Exploring New Fields of Business**
- · Algae (utilization of innovative ingredients)
- GX technology (utilization of storage batteries and energy fields)

#### Strengthen the foundation for technological development

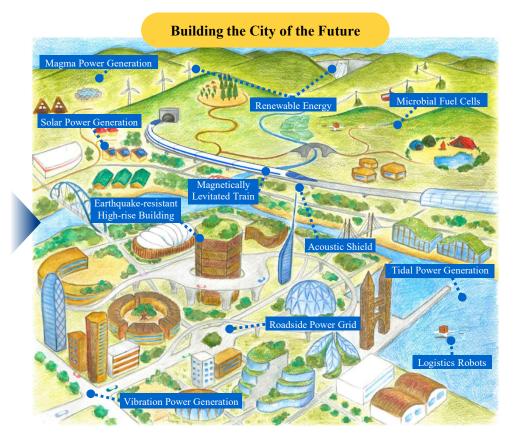
- Strengthening the technology research institute's functions
- · Secure and develop data science professionals

# Distant Future (2050)

The Future We Seek through Technological Development

> Realization of carbon neutrality Realization of a sustainable society company that develops with society in a sustainably way

Toward A Safe and Secure Society





• We will expand investment in human resources, which is the source of sustainable growth and the core of our business activities, in order to maximize the value of our human resources in terms of both quantity and quality, and to build a human capital base that contributes to the enhancement of our corporate value.

**Financial Targets** 

Investment Amount\*:
Human Resource Development
during the plan period

JPY 6 Billion Scale

\*Investment in new policy measures.

# Increase in Corporate Value

Step up Recruitment Efforts

Create a Sustainable Workforce

Strengthen Human Resource Development

**Shape the Next Generation** 

Promote Female Employee Engagement

**Increase Ratio of Female Managers** 

Maximize
Human Capital Value

Improve Organizational Ability

Promote Diverse Work Styles

**Work-life Balance** 

Reduce Overtime

**Increase Labor Productivity** 

Create a Wellness Environment

Well-being through Healthy Management

Improve Compensation for Employees

**Increase Motivation** 

Enhance Employee Engagement

Non-financial Targets

Improve Ratings\*

<sup>\*</sup> Motivation Cloud by Link and Motivation Inc.

# **Enhancement of the Management Base: Digital Transformation Strategy**



Kumagai Gumi designated April 2019 as its first year of digital transformation, and has been promoting its 2021-2023 Digital Transformation Strategy.

We have developed a Digital Transformation Strategy for 2024-2026, which aims to improve operational efficiency, improve productivity, solve social issues, and create new value by developing advanced digital experts, transforming our business to be more data-centric, reinforcing our digital infrastructure, updating new core systems, and utilizing AI technology.

Investment Amount:
Digital Transformation
during the Plan Period

JPY8 Billion Scale\*

\* JPY1 billion for capital expenditures included

# **Enhance**

our technical and workforce capabilities, and original onsite versatility through digital transformation.



# Digital Experts Management

- Increase digital literacy of all employees.
- Train and place advanced digital experts.
- Recruit IT talents proactively and increase digital experts.

# Enhance Business Efficiency

- · Renew and establish core systems
- Develop telecommunications infrastructure
- · Reinforce security
- Diversify data collection methods and make rules.

# Establish to Use Digital Infrastructure

- Promote use of the KDS.
- · Promote use of generative Al.
- Use no-code tools, RPA, and BI.

# Create

a "happiness quality" that utilizes digital technology to respond to user feelings.



#### **BIM/CIM**

- Shift to consistent use of BIM/CIM operations
- Establish front-loading.
- Combine real-world data and BIM/CIM data.

# **Improve Construction Management Efficiency**

- Actively use ICT tools at worksite offices.
- Diversify construction management with the use of remote monitoring.
- Digitalize to control the quality and execution of finished products.

# Automation & Autonomy of Manufacturing

- Develop robots and Al in phases and put them into practical use.
- Promote digital fabrication.
- Expand the scope of unmanned and remote-control construction.

# **Support**

customers and society through digital technology that transcends the times.

# Utilize Digital Twin Technology

- For structural simulation and analysis
- For real-time sharing of project progress
- For operations and data application in completed projects

# **Digital Solutions**

- Reinforce sales force organization
- Life cycle management proposal
- Ecosystem Formation

# Technological Development

- Develop environmentally friendly technologies and practical application
- Develop disaster prevention/recovery technologies for proposal
- Develop digital technology products for sale and increase profitability

<sup>\*</sup>It stands for Kumagai Gumi Deep Smarts, a system that stores current and past worksite data in the cloud and makes it available to everyone.

# **ESG Initiative Policy - Key Issues and Specific Issues**

As of May 2024, we have revised the key issues and reviewed specific issues.

	Key Issues	Specific Issues	SDGs
Е	Response to Climate Change Risks	Accomplishment of carbon neutrality. Further increase renewable energy business.	7 ATTOROMULE AND 13 CHANTE CHEATERINT ACTION
	Promote Environmentally Friendly Business	Accomplishment of zero emissions. Boost wooden construction business. Development of environmentally friendly technologies. Accomplishment of Nature Positive.	14 LIFE SELON HATER  15 LIFE ON LAND  THE SELON HATER  15 LIFE ON LAND
S	Creating the well-being workplace For all employees	Human capital management. Handing down skills and technologies Promotion of DX. Achieve work-life balance. Promotion of diversity and inclusion. Securing skilled workers in the construction industry. Create an environment of wellness. Occupational Health & Safety	3 GOOD HEALTH A QUALITY EDUCATION  4 QUALITY EDUCATION  5 CHOICE S DECEMBER AND S DECEMBER AND SECONDARY INCOMPLETED S AND DEMANDATION  9 AND INFRASTRUCTURE  11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND DEMANDATIES
	Achievement of Sustainable Communities	Ensure quality and integrity in manufacturing Attractive communities development.  Development of resilient social infrastructure. Initiatives to solve social issues. Initiatives for emergencies such as natural disasters.	17 PARTHESHIPS PRINTEGOLIS
G	Enhancing of Corporate Governance	Strengthening compliance. Strengthening risk management. Improvements of the effectiveness of the board of directors. Respect for human rights.	12 REPONSER: CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION AND PRODUCTION OF THE PRODUCTION INSTITUTIONS INSTITUTIONS INSTITUTIONS
	Proactive Relationships with Multi- stakeholders	Strengthening customer satisfaction. Strengthening supply chain management. Strengthening information disclosure. Active dialogue with investors	17 PARTNERSHIPS PORTNE COLLS

# **Indicators and Targets for Major Efforts to Address Specific Issues**

	Efforts and Specific Actions in Business	Indicators
1.	Activities to reduce CO2 emissions	Reduction Rate for Scope 1+2 Reduction Rate for Scope 3 (FY 2019 Standard)
2.	Enhance of renewable energy business.	The number of initiatives in the renewable energy business.
3.	Mixed waste reduction	Total mixed waste discharge rate
1	Strengthening R&D carbon neutrality	The number of new R & D initiatives
т.		(New projects begun)
1.	Annual hiring plan achievement Increase employee engagement	The number of new graduates hired Engagement rating
2.	Balance work and private life; Efforts to efficiency and standardization operations	Encouraging the use of paid time off; The number of work overtime.
3.	Action plan for supporting women's engagement at work place.	Rate of new female managers; Rate of men taking paternity leave
4.	Improvement of safety management standards	Frequency rate
1.	Establishment of internal and external systems to prevent legal violations	The amount of serious legal violations
2.	Evaluate and improve the effectiveness of the Board of Directors	Evaluations by internal and outside experts
3.	Initiatives to prevent and mitigate human rights risks	Conduct human rights due diligence
4.	Proactive dialogue with institutional investors, etc.	The number of participants in meetings and financial results presentations
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Targets during the Plan Period
Scope 1+2: 42% reduction Scope 3: 25% reduction (Target for FY2029)
10 or more in Japan; 4 or more in other countries
2% or less each FY
6 or more
Review each fiscal year Rating: BB
8 days off in a 4-week(on-site) each FY 30 hours or less each FY
7% or more each FY 70% or more each FY
0.5 or less each FY
0 cases
Improved evaluation
Expansion of target companies
10% increase from the previous year

# **Participation in Outside Evaluations and Initiatives**

### **Environment**



Signed and joined UN GLOBAL COMPACT



Endorsement of recommendations by Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD)



Certified as an SBT Initiative Company



A- List for CDP Climate Change Division



Selected as a Supplier Engagement Leader of the CDP Supplier Engagement Assessment



Selected as a constituent of the

Joined the international initiative RE100



Certified as an ECO FIRST company



Joined Japan Climate Leaders Partnership (JCLP) as a supporting member



Registered as a ZEB developer



Registered as a ZEH developer

S&P/JPX Carbon Efficient Index

Endorsed the Keidanren (Japan Business Federation) Declaration of Biodiversity Initiative

# **Diversity**



Earned the third highest level of Eruboshi certification



Awarded "Silver" in the PRIDE Index for LGBTO Initiatives



Certified as an Excellent Corporation for Health Management 202 in the large corporation division.



Certified as a "Company Supporting Child-Rearing" (Kurumin Certification)



Selected as a Nadeshiko brand.



Selected as one of the 100 New Diversity Management Companies.



**FTSE Blossom** Japan Sector Relative Index

Selected as a component of the FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index



Digital Transformation

Selected as a "DX Certified Business" by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry



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