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FY2025 Financial Results

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NIPPON STEEL CORPORATION

Notes on this presentation material

Unless otherwise noted, all volume figures are presented in metric tons.

Unless otherwise noted, all financial figures are on consolidated basis.

Unless otherwise noted, profit represents profit attributable to owners of the parent.

Results of FY2025 and Summary of the 2025 Medium- to Long-term Management Plan Period

- ◆ Meanwhile we have executed planned initiatives, we faced a deterioration in the business environment beyond initial assumptions. We implemented additional measures to overcome these challenges and to support further growth investments. In Japan, we lowered the break-even point by 40% by structural measures for production facilities, revising prices in direct contract-based sales to customers, optimizing the burden of fluctuations in external procurement costs, and by advancing our product mix. In addition, we have achieved a resilient business structure with breadth and depth by maximizing synergies through the reorganization of domestic steel group companies, **deepening and expanding our overseas business** through the acquisition of U. S. Steel and capacity expansion in India, **transforming the raw material “business” from mere procurement, and integrating distribution business into our own business domain.** ⇒P7-16
- ◆ Against this backdrop, **underlying BP for FY2025 reached ¥650.4 bn., exceeding the previous forecast by ¥30.4 bn.** ⇒P4-6

Business Forecasts for FY2026 and Impact of the Middle East Situation

Business Forecasts (excl. Middle East Impact)

In FY2026, as a plan based on business environment prior to war in the Middle East (initial forecasts as of February 2026), we will **secure an underlying BP of ¥700.0 bn. (¥300.0 bn. in H1 and ¥400.0 bn. in H2) or more in a deteriorating environment by leveraging earnings recovery of U. S. Steel.** In particular, for H2 of FY2026, we forecast underlying BP of ¥800.0 bn. or more on an annualized basis, **laying a solid foundation for growth toward a 1-trillion-yen scale**, driven by the expansion in overseas business earnings from FY2027 and beyond. ⇒P18

Middle East Impact

Because **the effects are spreading across the entire world in the globally integrated supply chains, the Middle East has become an important export market for each country**, as its economic scale has expanded significantly, **developments in the region have an extremely broad impact on demand across a wide range of industries.** In particular, the steel industry is a core industry that underpins many other sectors, and among steelmakers, **we offers a particularly broad product lineup and serves an exceptionally wide range of industries.** Furthermore, due to the increasingly global expansion of our operations, **the impact of the Middle East situation on our business performance cannot be comprehensively and reasonably assessed at this time.** ⇒P19

Regarding impacts that are already emerging and can be reasonably anticipated, we **anticipate a negative impact of approximately ¥50.0 bn.** In Q1, FY2026 However, there is no prospect of an end to the situation, and even if the situation is resolved, the negative impact will not be resolved immediately. Accordingly, **the impact of the Middle East situation on our business performance for FY2026, cannot be reasonably quantified at this time and has not been reflected in the forecasts.**

Dividends Forecasts

Although the impact of the Middle East situation on our business performance cannot be reasonably assessed, based on the minimum dividend, which was introduced in the 2030 Medium- to Long-Term Management Plan, **the dividends for FY2026 is expected to be ¥24 per share** at this time. ⇒P21

Agenda

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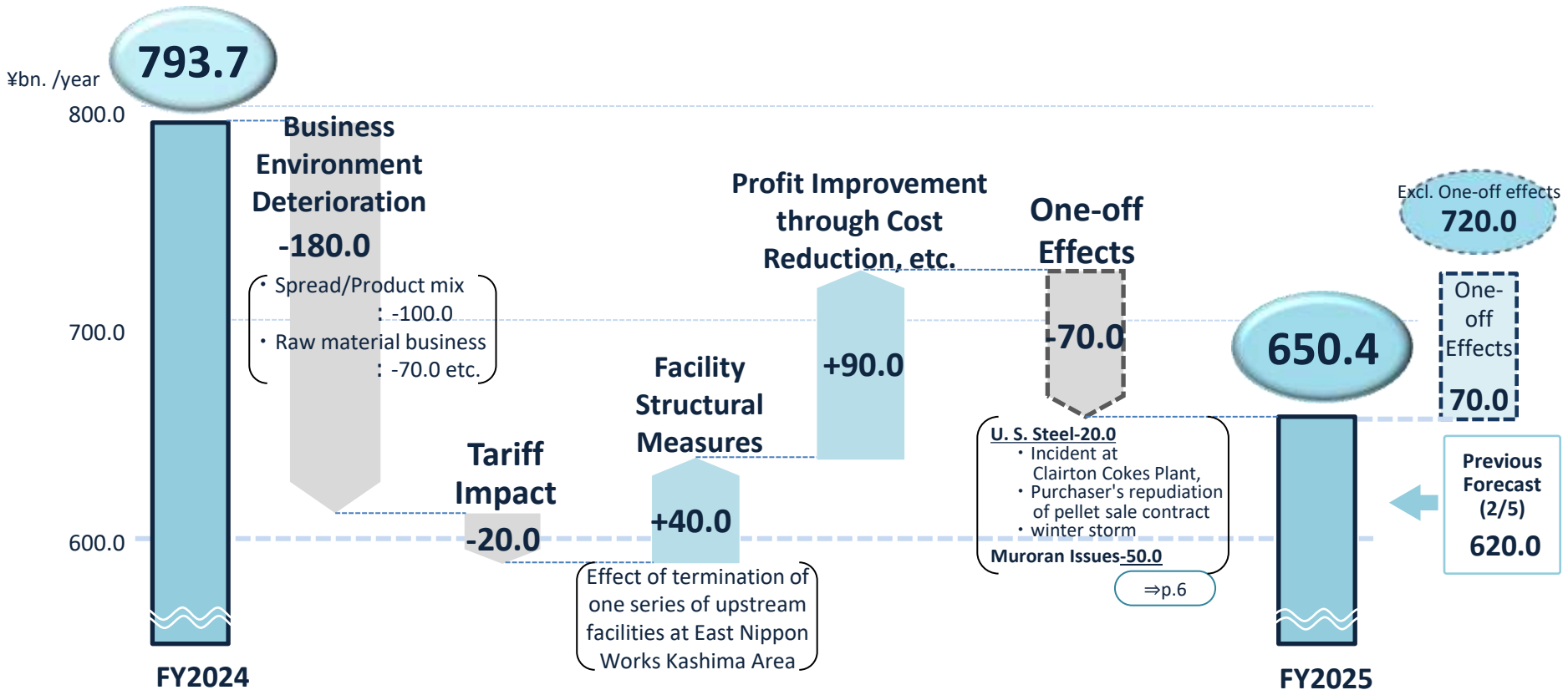
Business Results FY2025 Underlying BP

- ◆ Despite a more challenging environment including tariff impacts, troubles, and one-off effects (-¥70.0bn.), we exceeded the Feb. 5 forecast, supported by cost reductions at domestic works and improvements at group companies. Underlying consolidated BP reached ¥650.4bn. (+¥30.4bn. from previous forecast).
- ◆ In addition to underlying BP improvement (+¥30.4bn.), inventory valuation and FX gains driven by higher raw material prices and yen depreciation (+¥63.7bn.) lifted profit to ¥17.1bn. (+¥87.1bn. from previous forecast).
- ◆ Dividend unchanged from previous forecast: ¥24 per share (to be proposed at the AGM).

| | FY2024 | H1 | Q3 | Q4 | H2 | FY2025 | Change from prev. forecast as of Feb. 5 th | Change from FY2024 |
|--|---------------|------------------|---------|--------------|----------------------|---------------------|--|--------------------------|
| Revenue (¥bn.) | 8,695.5 | 4,635.6 | 2,620.6 | 2,806.8 | 5,427.5 | 10,063.2 | +63.2 | +1,367.7 |
| Excl. U. S. Steel | 793.7 | 323.5 | 170.8 | 161.7 | 332.4 | 656.0 | +36.0 | -137.7 |
| U. S. Steel | — | 22.2 | (18.8) | (8.9) | (27.7) | (5.6) | -5.6 | -5.6 |
| Underlying BP Excl. Inventory val. etc. | 793.7 | 345.7 | 152.0 | 152.8 | 304.7 | 650.4 | +30.4 | -143.3 |
| Inventory valuation etc. | (110.5) | (118.2) | (23.4) | 5.1 | (18.2) | (136.3) | +63.7 | -25.8 |
| Consol. BP (¥bn.) | 683.2 | 227.5 | (128.6) | 157.9 | 286.5 | 514.1 | +94.1 | -169.1 |
| ROS | 7.9% | 4.9% | 4.9% | 5.6% | 5.3% | 5.1% | +0.9% | -2.7% |
| Additional Line Items | (135.2) | (230.3) | (18.7) | (22.1) | (40.8) | (271.2) | -1.2 | -136.0 |
| Profit^{*1} ROE | 350.2 6.9% | (113.3) -4.3% | 68.3 | 62.1 | 130.5 4.9% | 17.1 0.3% | +87.1 | -333.1 |
| Dividend^{*2} | ¥32 | ¥12 | | | ¥12 | ¥24 | - | -¥8 |
| FX (USD/JPY) | 153 | 146 | 153 | 155 | 154 | 150 | - | 3yen app |

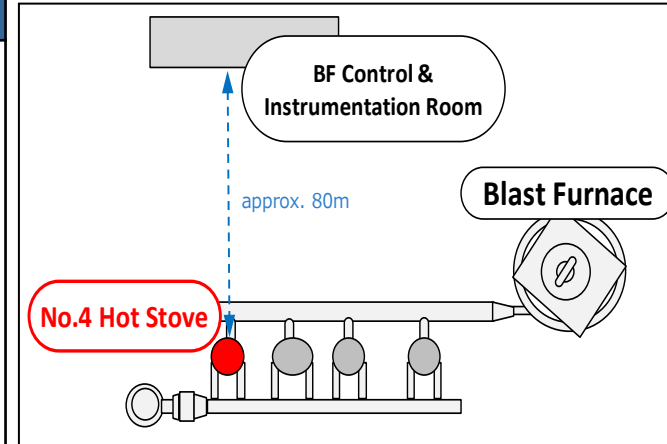
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- ◆ **Structural Measures and Cost Reductions Driving Earnings Improvement:** Fully realized the benefits of structural measures and investments. Addressed declines in production and shipments as structural challenges and promoted reductions in fixed-cost levels.
- ◆ **Deteriorating Business Environment:** The global steel environment remains under sever pressure. In China, a widening supply-demand gap driven by economic slowdown has led to increased exports of low-priced steel due to excess production, weighing on global market conditions.

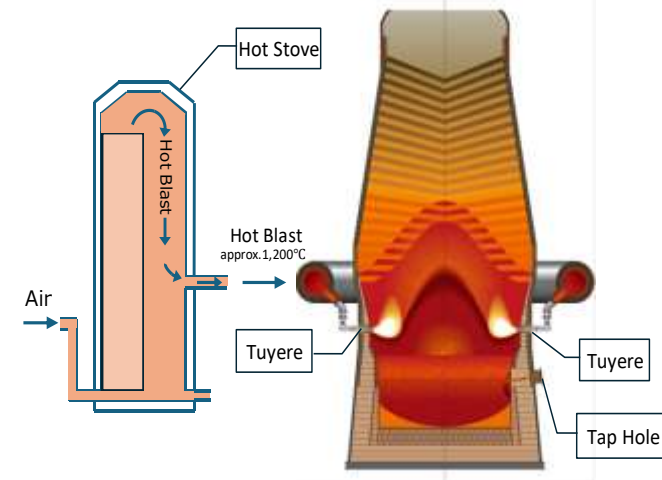


| | Blast Furnace Issue (Occurred in 2025.9) | Hot Stove Issue (Occurred in 2025.12) |
|---------------------------------|--|--|
| Abstract of the Issue | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Occurred on September 10, 2025 <u>Temperature drop inside the blast furnace impeded tapping, leading to suspension of operations.</u> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Occurred on December 1, 2025 No.4 hot stove, equipment supplying hot blast to the blast furnace, was damaged. Refractory materials inside the stove were scattered, causing damage to the BF control and instrumentation room and leading to suspension of operations. No injuries were reported. |
| Status of Actions Taken to Date | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partial hot blast supply to the blast furnace resumed in late September, followed by a return to normal operations in late November. With the understanding and cooperation of customers, the Group ensured stable deliveries by utilizing alternative production at other facilities, including Sanyo Special Steel. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The remaining Hot Stoves No.1–3 were inspected and partially reinforced, confirming that there are no indications of recurrence risk. Hot blast supply to the blast furnace was resumed on April 11, and we are currently working toward stable operations. With the continued cooperation of customers, the NSC Group is responding in a coordinated manner, including through Sanyo Special Steel. |
| Impact on FY2025 Underlying BP | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approx. ¥10.0 bn. (As reported in FY2025 Q3 release) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approx. ¥40.0 bn. (As reported in FY2025 Q3 release) |

【Blast Furnace Area Layout (Bird's-eye View)】



【Overview of the Blast Furnace and Hot Stove】

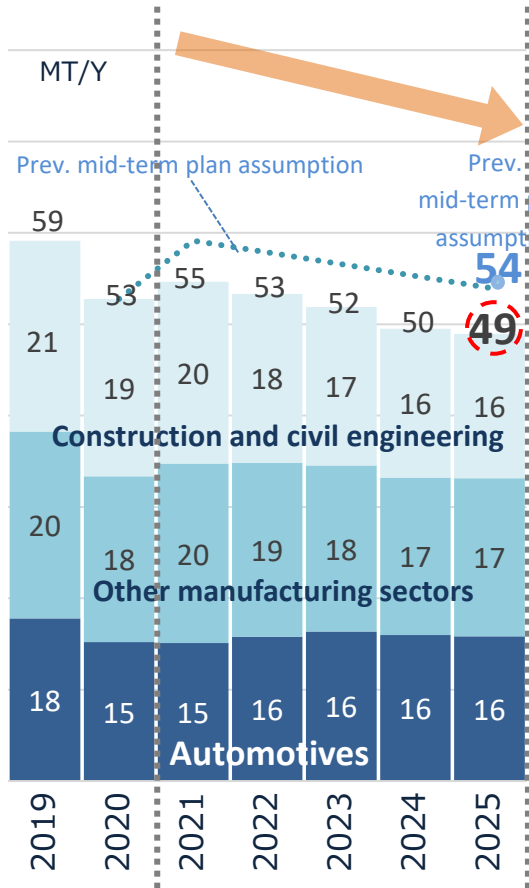


Change of Domestic and Overseas Business Environment

The business environment deteriorated significantly beyond initial mid-term assumptions.

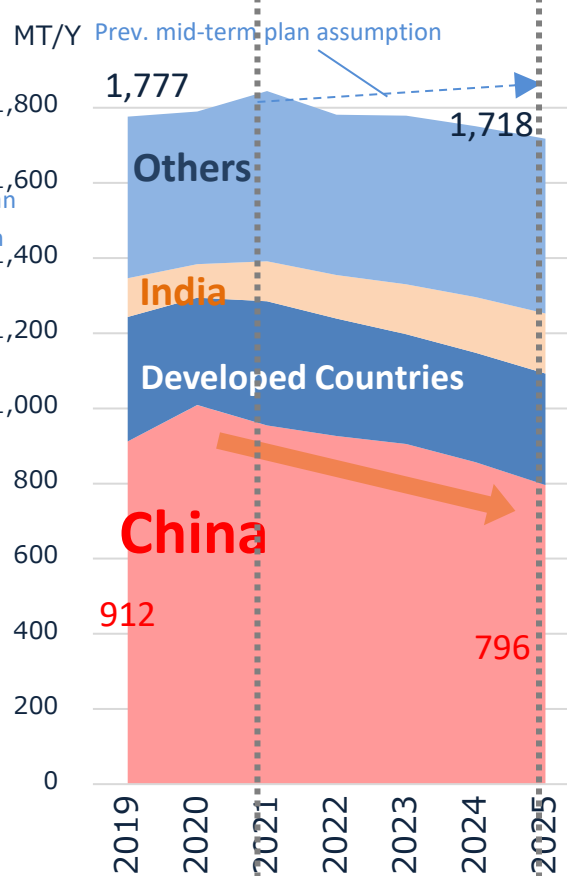
Domestic Steel Demand

<Prev. Assumption>⇒<FY2025>
54mn. t/year ⇒49mn. t/year



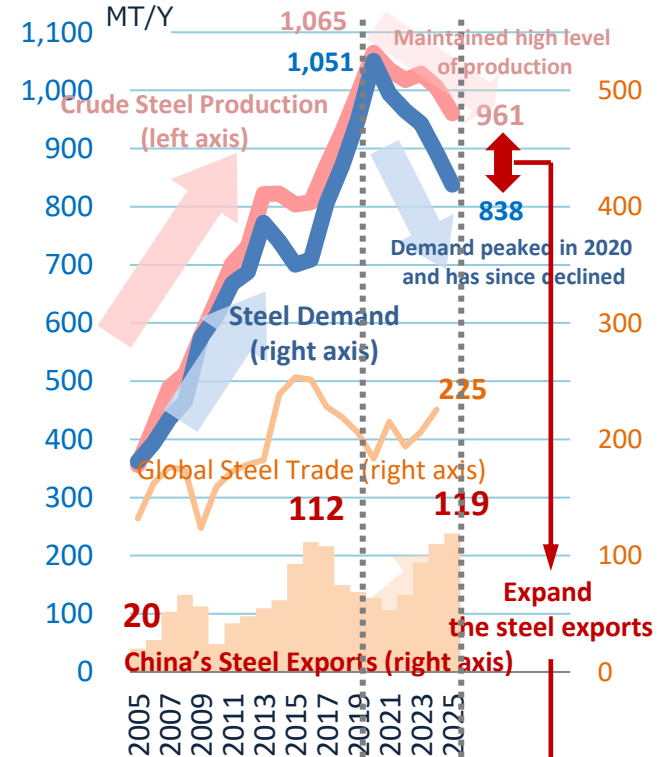
Global Steel Demand

<Prev. Assumption>⇒<FY2025>
Grow moderately ⇒Decline



China's demand/supply, Steel Exports

<Prev. Assumption> ⇒<FY2025>
Exports remained low⇒Reached a record high



ASEAN HRC Steel Spread
<Prev. Assumption>⇒<FY2025>
approx. \$200/t ⇒ approx. \$140/t

Facility structural measures



Total number of BFs

2019 2026.3E
15 ⇒ **10** units -5 units



Crude steel production capacity

50 ⇒ **40** mn. t/Y -20%

Cost reduction : Approx. ¥150.0 bn./Y

Reduction in fixed cost

Additional Initiatives

Spread improvement in direct contract sales

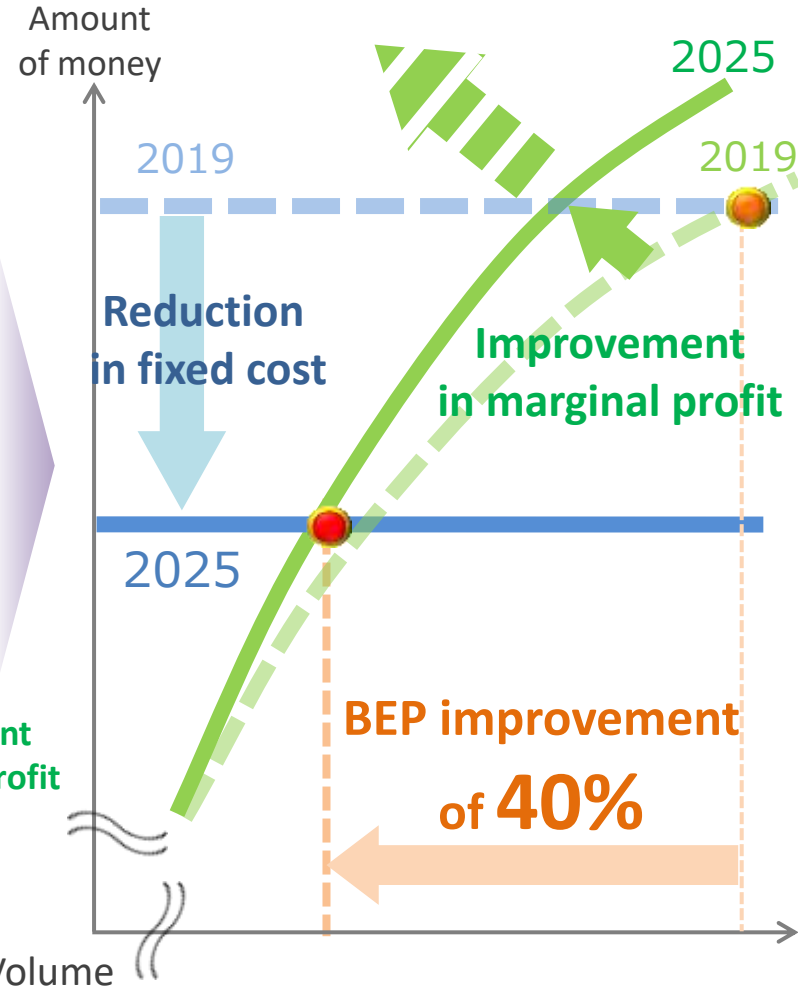
- Reflection in steel prices of our high value-added product qualities and solutions &
- A fair allocation of cost burden for raw materials and commodities

Sophistication of order mix

High-value added products Commodities

High-value added products Commodities

Improvement in marginal profit



Additional Initiatives

(P.8-10) : Measures implemented in addition to the plan in the previous mid- to long-term period(2021~2025)

Strengthening the earnings base on a group basis: Annual synergies of ¥16.0 bn. (FY2025)

Additional Initiatives

Wholly Owned Subsidiary Conversion /Absorption Mergers of Strategic Companies

Enhancing Organizational Resilience through Group Company Integration

<voting rights ownership (%)>

| Category | Project | Timing | |
|---|--|---|--|
| Trading Company | Nippon Steel Trading Subsidiarization and privatization | 2023.4 Subsidiarization 2023.6 privatization | Enhancing commercial strength and creating value via the entire supply chain |
| Specialty Bar /Wire rod | Sanyo Special Steel Wholly Owned Subsidiarization | 2025.4 | Optimization of Production System Reinforcing integration across sales and logistics functions |
| Stainless | NS Stainless Steel Absorption mergers | 2025.4 | Strengthening human resources and enhancing development, sales, and technical capabilities |
| Refractory | Wholly Owned Subsidiarization of Krosaki Harima | 2026.4 | Enhancing collaboration in global expansion, improving cost competitiveness, and developing refractories for EAF |
| Domestic ERW | Business Integration and Reorganization of NS Pipe Pipes for Buildings⇒NS Metal Products Mechanical Pipes⇒Nippon Steel | 2025.4 | Strengthening the business foundation and efficiency while enhancing sales power and optimizing manufacturing structure |
| Mechanical Pipe | NS Finetube NS Katakura Tube • Tsurumi Steel Tube • NS Pipe Finetube <96%> | 2026.1 | Optimization of production in the mechanical tube drawing sector |
| Plate Shearing (Shipbuilding) | TAIYO-SAKAKO CORPORATION Taiyo Shirring/Sakako <77%> | 2022.4 | Strengthening the business base through resource sharing Diversifying the order mix |
| Plate Shearing (Steel Structure/Bridge) | NIPPON STEEL KOBELCO SHEARING CORPORATION NS KOBELCO SHEARING/Fuji Steel Center <55%> | 2025.10 | Streamlining of management Improving operational efficiency |
| bars, wire rods Secondary processing | NS PROCESSING Matsubishi Metal Industry/NS Wire Rods Processing/NS Wire <68%> | 2023.10 | Strengthening sales capabilities / Enhancing product competitiveness Strengthening supply chain resilience and BCP etc. |
| Slag Cement | NS Blast Furnace Slag Cement NS Blast Furnace Slag Cement/NS Cement <90%> | 2026.4 | Strengthening the business foundation and efficiency Enhancing sales power, technical expertise, and product development capabilities |

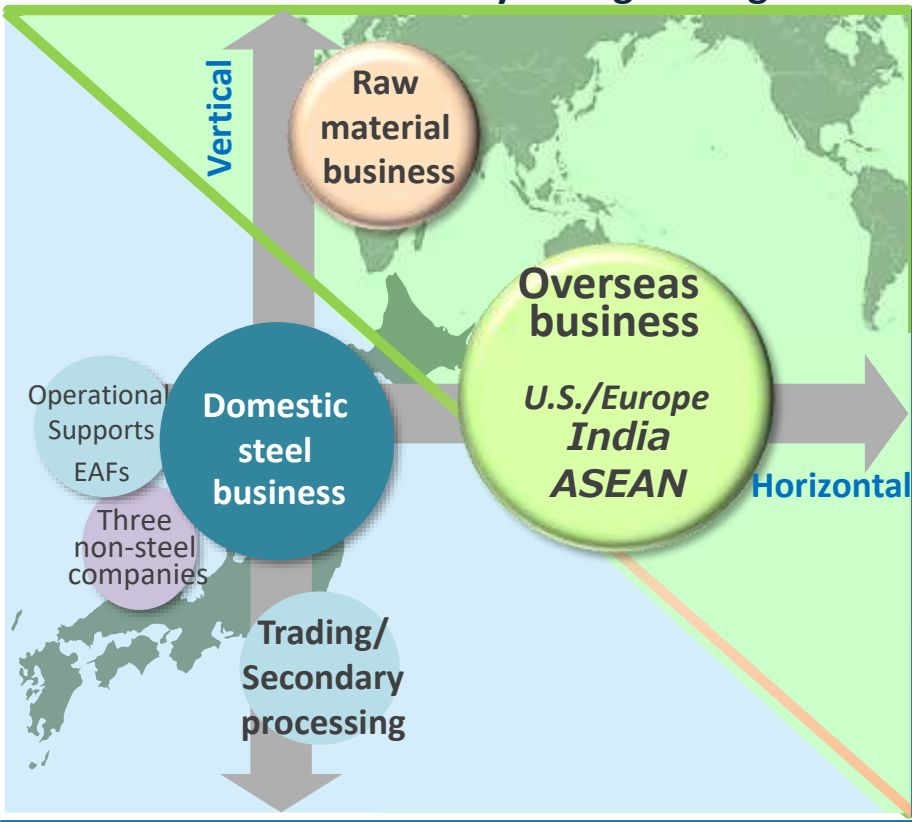
Overseas Business : Developing a Robust Business Structure with Vertical and Horizontal Expansion

Gradual decline in domestic steel demand
 population decrease and challenges in both direct and indirect exports

Expansion of trade measures worldwide
 Long-term downturn in global steel spreads due to supply-demand gap in China

- <Overseas Business> Strengthened our presence in key growth regions as an insider, while divesting from non-core businesses lacking long-term economic rationale
- <Raw Material Business> Building a raw materials business: ensuring stable access to high-quality raw materials and mitigating cost volatility

Steadily strengthening the foundation for sustainable growth



<Major Initiatives>

| | | |
|--|---|--|
| <p>Overseas Business</p> <p>Deepen and expand</p> | <p><i>Less affected by China steel market</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High-grade steel market: U.S./Europe ⇒ U. S. Steel Acquisition (incl. USSK) • Growing: India ⇒ AM/NS India, Capacity Expansion in Hazira Works Land acquisition in Rajayyapeta • Home Market: ASEAN ⇒ Thailand G/GJ Steel Acquisition <p>Major divestments</p> <p>⇒ USIMINAS, BNA etc.</p> | <p>Additional Initiatives</p> <p>Additional Initiatives</p> <p>Additional Initiatives</p> <p>Additional Initiatives</p> |
| | <p>Raw Material Business</p> <p>Vertically-integrated business structure</p> | <p>Raw Material : From procurement to business</p> <p>From a minority investment to an equity-method investment</p> <p>(Coal) Blackwater, EVR JV</p> |

Summary of the 2025 Medium- to Long-term Management Plan (Underlying BP Trend)

Sustained a high level of underlying BP despite conditions being significantly harsher than initially assumed under the mid-term plan

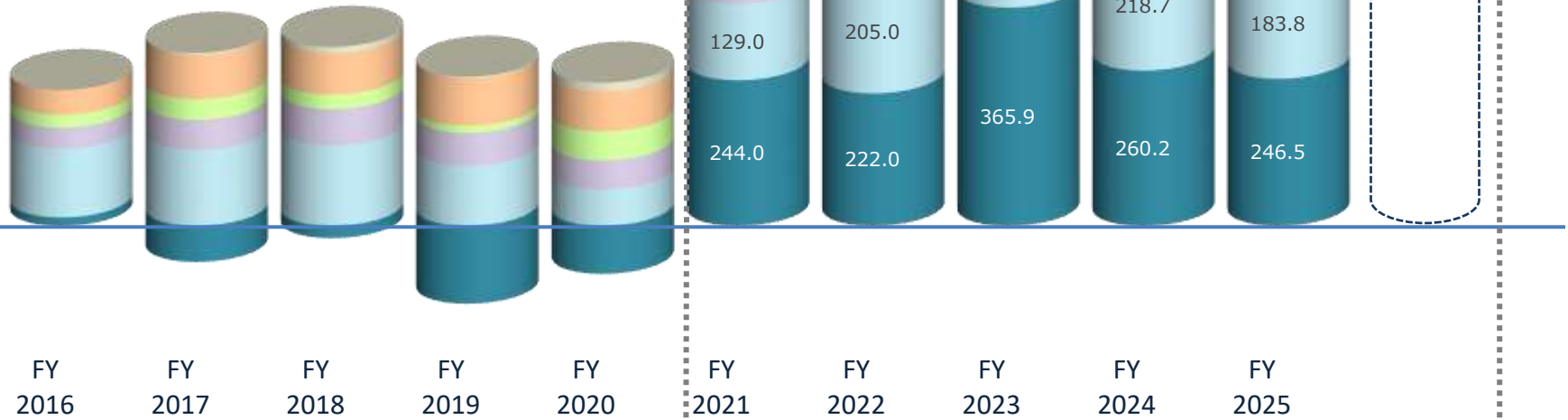
FY2016~2020 average
Approx. ¥200.0bn.

FY2021~2025 average
Approx. ¥760.0bn.

Underlying business profit(¥bn.)

- Raw material business
 - Overseas steel business
 - Three non-steel segments
 - Other group companies
 - Domestic steel business
- Overseas
- Domestic

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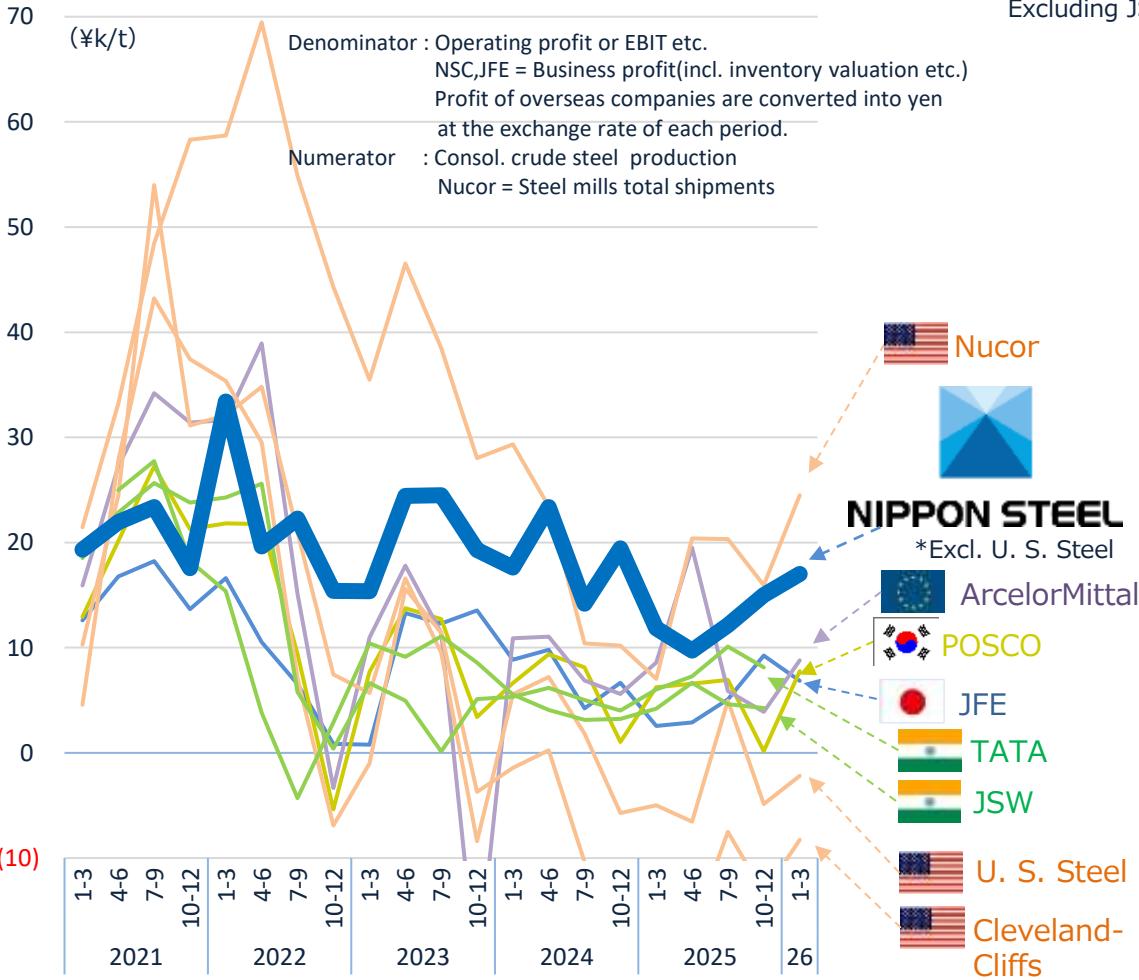


Stable and High Level of Profits Despite Unprecedentedly Harsh Business Environment

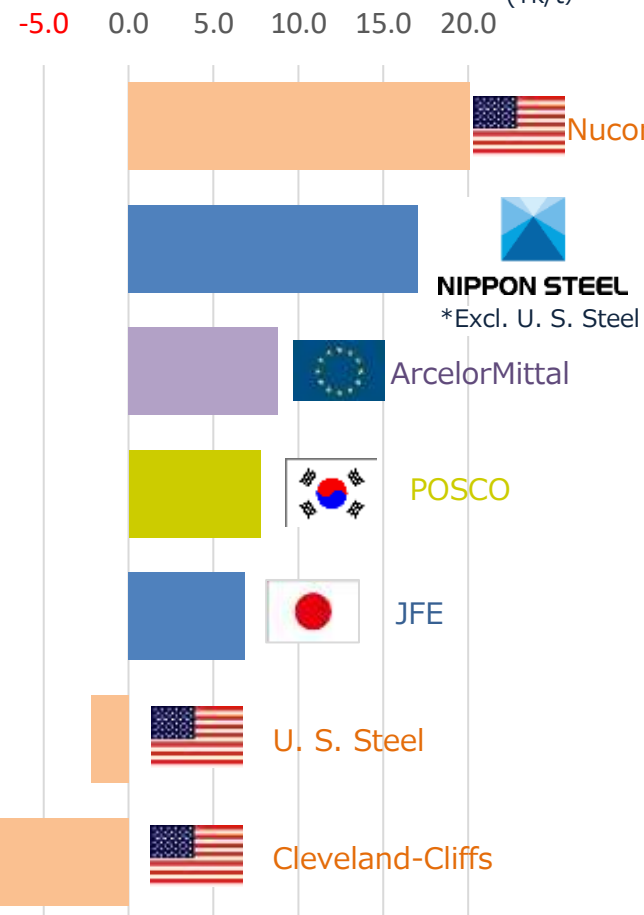
Superior profitability among world-leading steel manufacturers from Apr-Jun 2024

Change in Profit per ton of Crude Steel

Profit per ton of Crude Steel (Jan.-Mar. 2026)



Excluding JSW and TATA, as earnings have yet to be released



Data source : Bloomberg and each company's financial results

Asset Streamlining

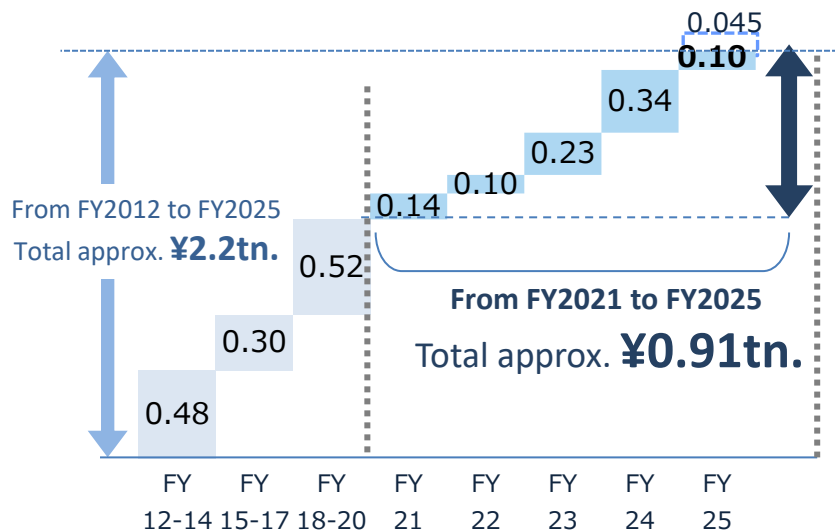
Approx. ¥100.0 bn. in FY2025

Approx. ¥910.0 bn. in 2025 mid-term (from 2021 to 2025)

Asset Streamlining

FY2025 : Approx. ¥100.0 bn.

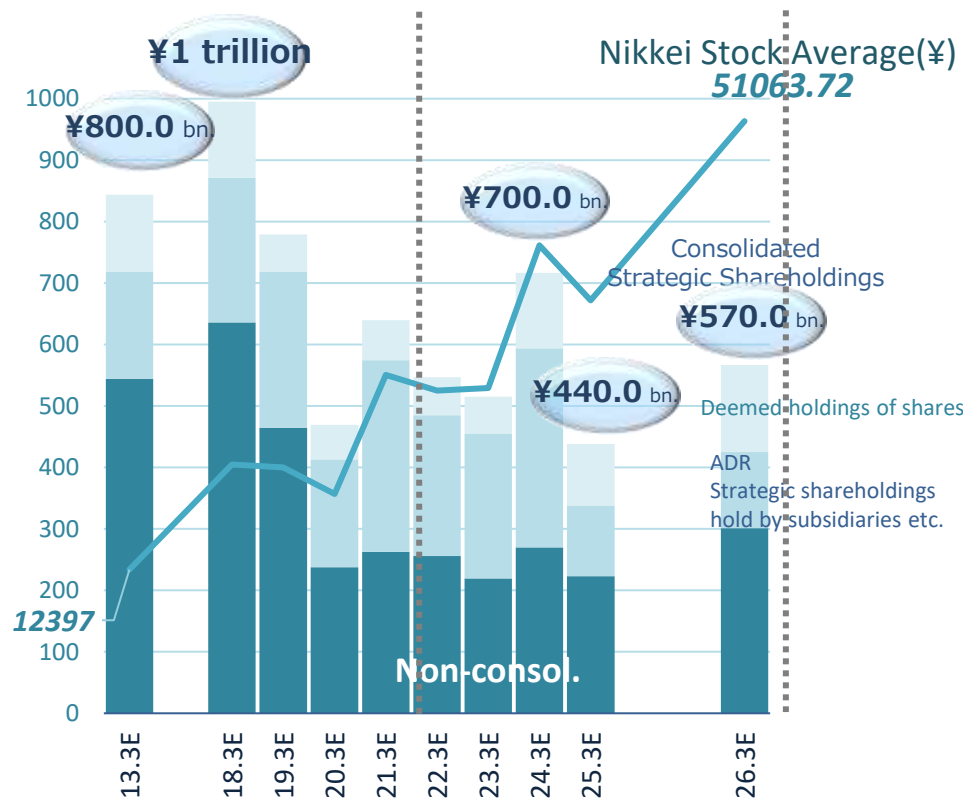
- Sales of equity-method affiliate shares (Part of Nippon Steel Kowa Real Estate) : ¥50.0 bn.
- Sales of strategic shareholdings etc. : ¥50.0 bn.
- [not included] transfer of stake in USIMINAS : ¥45.0 bn.



Consolidated Strategic Shareholdings

Reduced strategic shareholdings by approx. 80% in real terms since FY2013*

*Simple correction for the impact of stock price fluctuations by the Nikkei Stock Average fluctuation



Optimal Financing to Simultaneously Achieve Sound Financials and Improved Shareholder Value

Completion of Permanent Financing Arrangement for the Bridge Loan for the Acquisition of U. S. Steel

Sep. 18, 2025
Yen-denominated hybrid loan
¥500.0 bn
50% capitalization approved

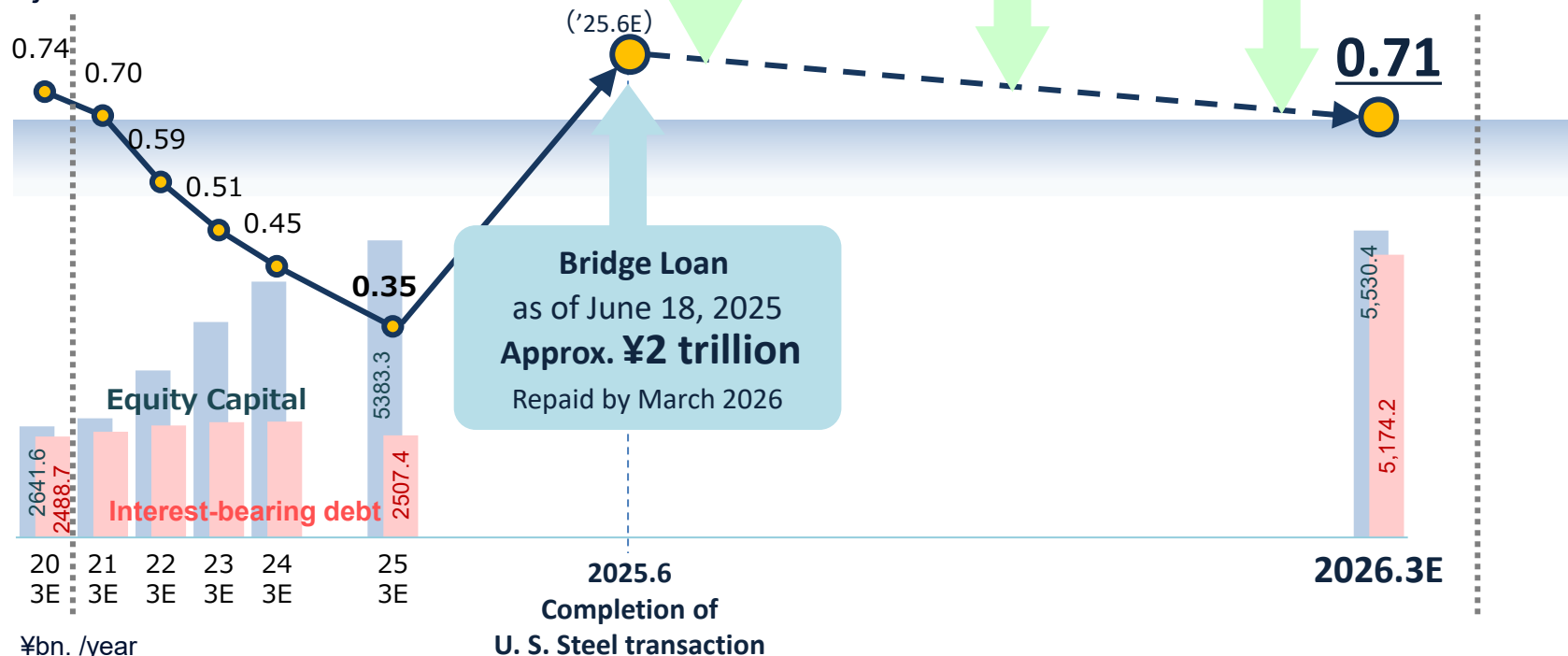
Announced on 2026.2.24
3.12 Payment completed
Convertible Bond
¥600.0 bn.

| | | |
|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Redemption date | 2029.2.14 | 2031.2.14 |
| Conversion price | 730.3yen/share | 737.0 yen/share |
| Redemption amount | 104.16% | 104.1% |
| Amount | 300.0 bn | 300.0 bn. |

Announced on 2026.3.18
JBIC Co-financing
¥900.0 bn.

Japan Bank for International Cooperation
MUFG Bank
Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation
Mizuho Bank
Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank

Adjusted D/E



Key Financial Indicators

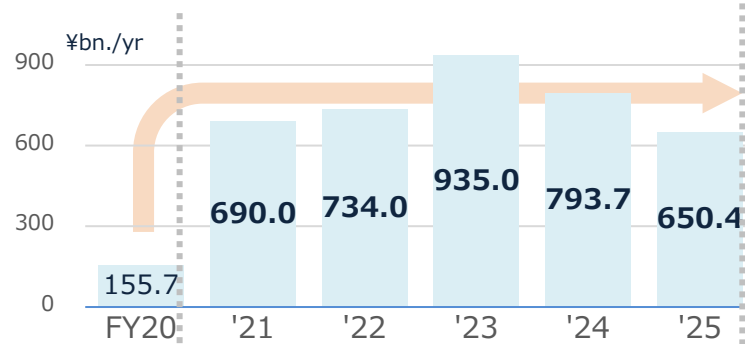
- Temporary decline in profitability and capital efficiency due to a greater-than-expected deterioration in domestic and overseas business environments and the front-loaded implementation of overseas growth strategies and domestic group restructuring investments to achieve profit growth (->(1)(2)(3)(5)(6))
- While maintaining financial discipline through optimal financing (->(4))

| Finance Indicators | 2025 Medium- to Long-term Management Plan | FY2025 | 2030 Medium- to Long-term Management Plan | |
|-----------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|---|-------------------|
| | (1) Underlying BP | Not disclosed | ¥650.4 bn. | ¥1 tn. /Y or more |
| (2) ROS (Return on Sales) | Approx. 10% | 5.1% | Not disclosed | |
| (3) ROE (Return on Equity) | Approx. 10% | 0.3% | Approx. 10% | |
| (4) D/E * (Debt/Equity Ratio) | 0.7 or less | 0.71 | Approx. 0.7 | |
| (5) DEBT/EBITDA * | Not disclosed | 4x | 3.5x or less | |
| (6) Capital & Business Investment | FY2021~2025 ¥3 tn./5yr | FY2021~2025 Approx. ¥7.5tn./5yr | Approx. ¥6 tn./5yr | |

*Adjusted for capitalization, etc.

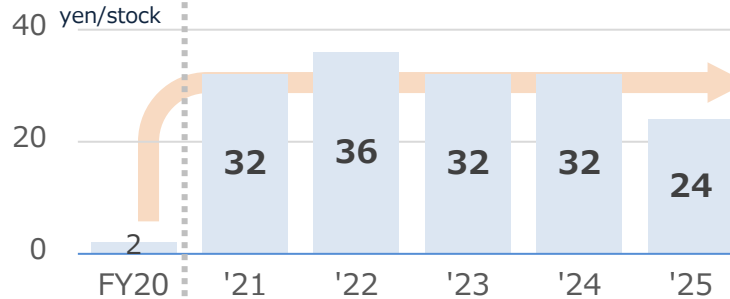
Shareholder Returns and Market Valuation

Underlying BP



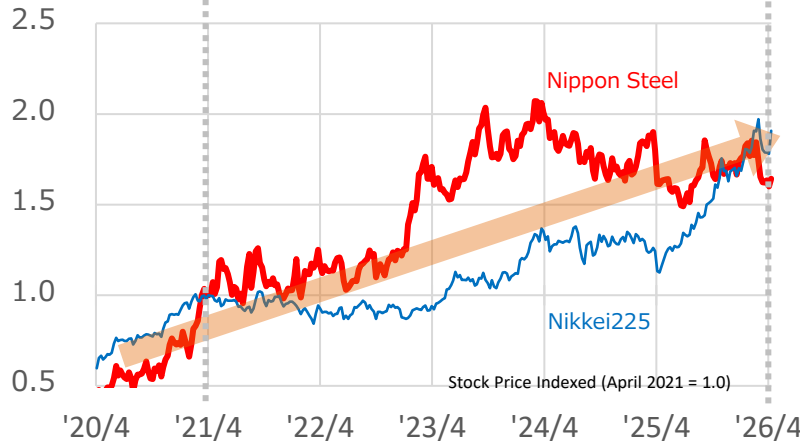
- Establishing a profit structure that ensures stable and high level of profit
- Promoting strategies for further growth

Dividend



- Maintaining a high level of dividends in response to earnings fluctuations, backed by a stable earnings base, in line with the dividend policy (target consolidated payout ratio of 30%)

Stock Price



- Market valuation has improved, supported by a stable earnings base and high level of shareholder returns
- Currently under pressure, reflecting the challenging business environment affecting the steel industry as a whole
- While strengthening the earnings base for future growth

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- U. S. Steel is expected to post a significant increase in underlying BP(+¥106.0 bn. vs. FY2025)
Even excluding U. S. Steel, underlying BP is expected to reach ¥600.0 bn.
- FY2026 forecast for Profit is **¥220.0 bn.** ,reflecting a substantial reduction in one-off, additional line items recorded in FY2025.
- Impact of the situation in the Middle East on FY2026 results cannot be reasonably quantified at this time and is therefore excluded from the forecast =>next page

| ¥bn. | H1 | H2 | FY 2025 | H1(f) | H2(f) | FY 2026(f) | vs. FY2025 |
|---|---------|---------|----------|--|--------------|-------------------------|------------|
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| Profit*1 | (113.3) | 130.5 | 17.1 | 90.0 | 130.0 | 220.0 | +202.9 |
| Dividend (¥/share) *2 | 12 | 12 | 24 | 12 | 12 | 24 | - |
| FX (JPY/USD) | 146 | 154 | 150 | 155 | 155 | 155 | 5 yen dep |

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- Owing to the globalization and functional specialization of supply chains, developments in the Middle East can ripple across the global economy. In addition, as the Middle East has become an increasingly important export market for many countries due to the expansion of its economic scale, these factors are expected to have an extremely significant impact on demand across a wide range of industries.
- In the steel industry, which underpins many other industries, NSC serves an exceptionally broad range of industries and regions, reflecting its diverse product portfolio and global footprint. As a result, the overall impact cannot be comprehensively or reasonably assessed at this point in time.

Expected Impact

(1) Impact on Costs and Production

Rising costs of thermal coal / heavy fuel oil / LNG, electricity, ferroalloys, materials and equipment, petroleum products, as well as higher freight costs driven by elevated energy prices, among others.

Impact on production across the Company and its domestic and overseas group companies, including for example: Suspension of processes such as coating and cleaning. Suspension of testing and analysis due to difficulties in procuring helium. Reduced production resulting from procurement difficulties for naphtha and other inputs, leading to shortages of materials and equipment, among others.

(2) Impact on Steel Shipments and Steel Supply–Demand Balance

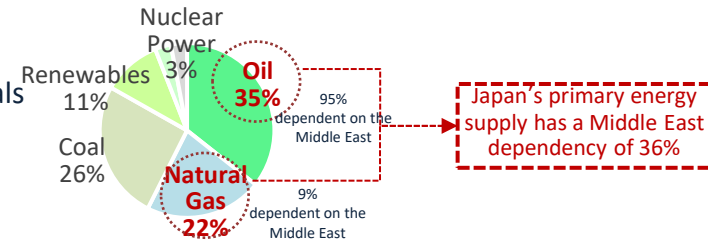
NSC's direct exports, including flat products such as HRC and seamless pipes. Impact on NSC Group arising from reduced production and shipments by customers, including: Declines in exports of automobiles, machinery, and other products destined for the Middle East (i.e., indirect exports of steel products), Reduced demand for steel products due to a slowdown in the global economy, etc. Deterioration of the supply–demand balance resulting from the inflow of Chinese steel products originally destined for the Middle East into other regions.

Impact on Business Profit

As a direct impact on NSC that has already begun to materialize, an impact of approx. -¥50.0 bn. is expected in the Q1.

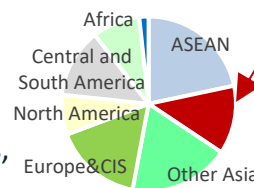
However, as there is no clear outlook for the resolution of the situation, the impact on NSC's full-year FY2026 performance cannot be quantitatively assessed at this time.

Japan's Primary Energy Supply (2022)



Global Steel Trade Volume (231 Mn. t/Y), (2025)

[Steel imports by region]

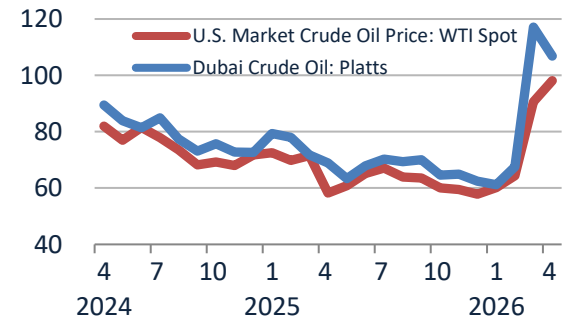


Middle East approx. 29 Mn.t/Y
(approx. 13% of global trade)

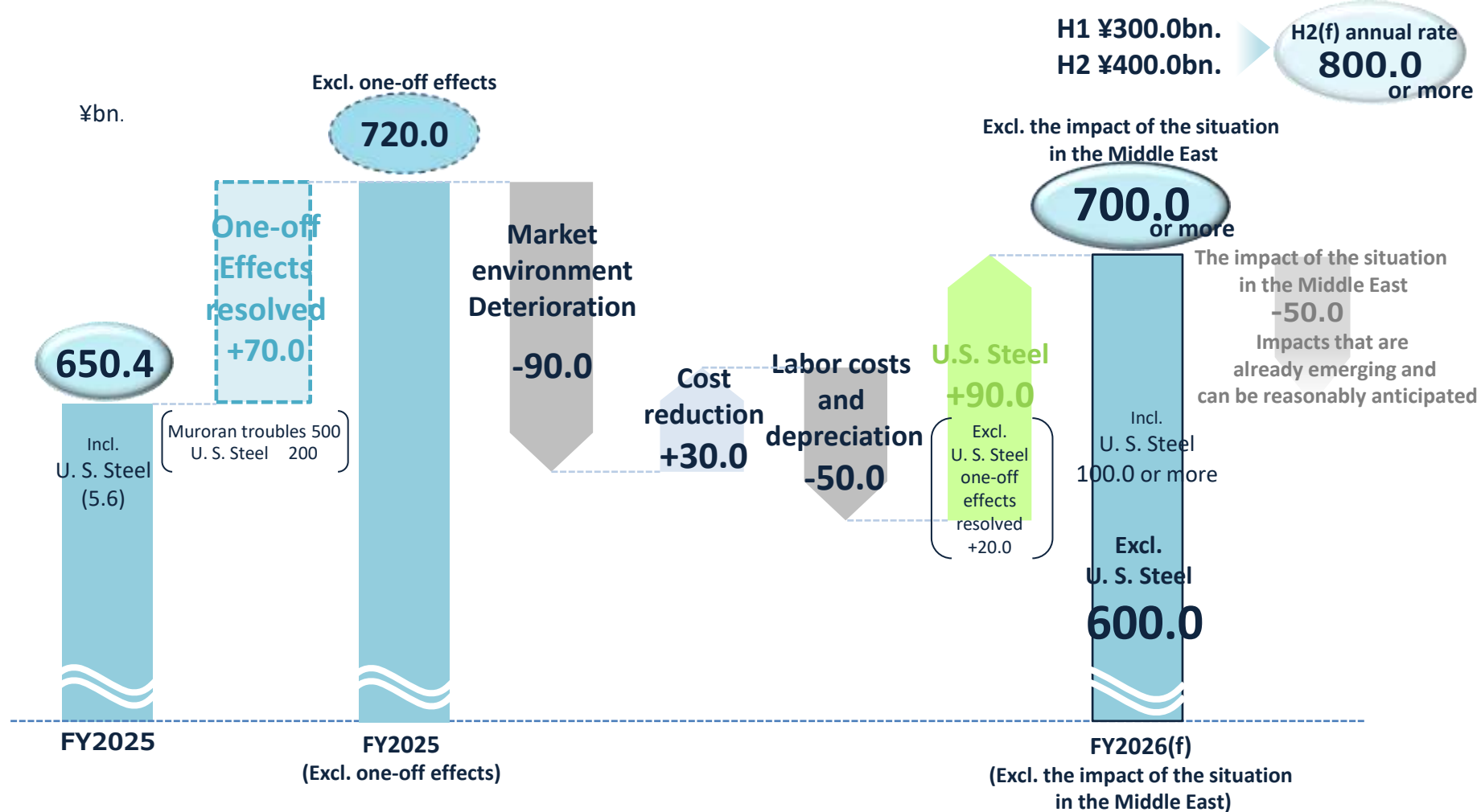
[Major sources of imports]

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|-------------|-----|
| China | 68% |
| Europe&CIS | 10% |
| South Korea | 8% |
| Other Asia | 7% |
| Japan | 6% |

Trends in Crude Oil Prices



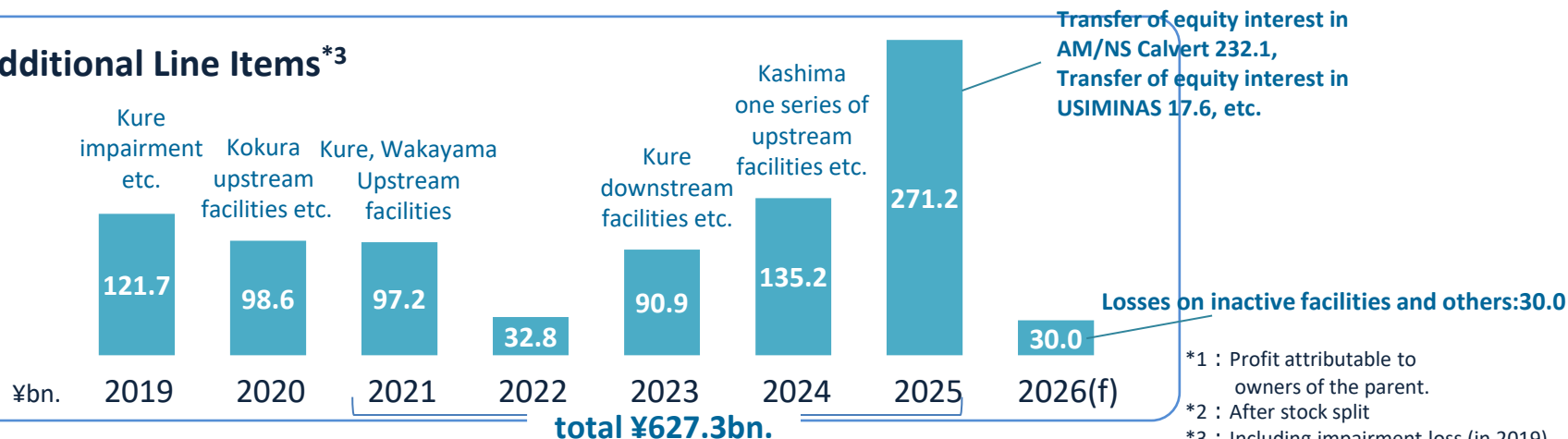
● FY2026(f) Underlying BP : Excluding the impact of the situation in the Middle East, underlying BP is expected to reach ¥700.0 bn., with the H2 projected at an annualized rate of ¥800.0 bn. , of which U. S. Steel is expected to contribute more than ¥100.0 bn.



Large-scale losses on inactive facility have largely run their course by FY2024. Profit for FY2026 is projected to be ¥220.0 bn., reflecting the absence of large-scale losses on inactive facility, while interest expenses are expected to increase due to rising interest rates and other factors.

| ¥bn. | FY 2024 | H1 | H2 | FY 2025 | Excl. One-off effects associated with U. S. Steel transaction FY 2025 | H1(f) | H2(f) | FY 2026 (f) |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|--|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| Consol. BP | 683.2 | 227.5 | 286.5 | 514.1 | Approx. 540.0 | 220.0 | 310.0 | 530.0 |
| Additional Line Items | (135.2) | (230.3) | (40.8) | (271.2) | (39.1) | - | (30.0) | (30.0) |
| Profit*1 | 350.2 | (113.3) | 130.5 | 17.1 | Approx. 270.0 | 90.0 | 130.0 | 220.0 |
| EPS (¥/share)*2 | 70 | -21 | 24 | 3 | Approx. 50 | 17 | 25 | 42 |

Additional Line Items*3



*1 : Profit attributable to owners of the parent.

*2 : After stock split

*3 : Including impairment loss (in 2019)

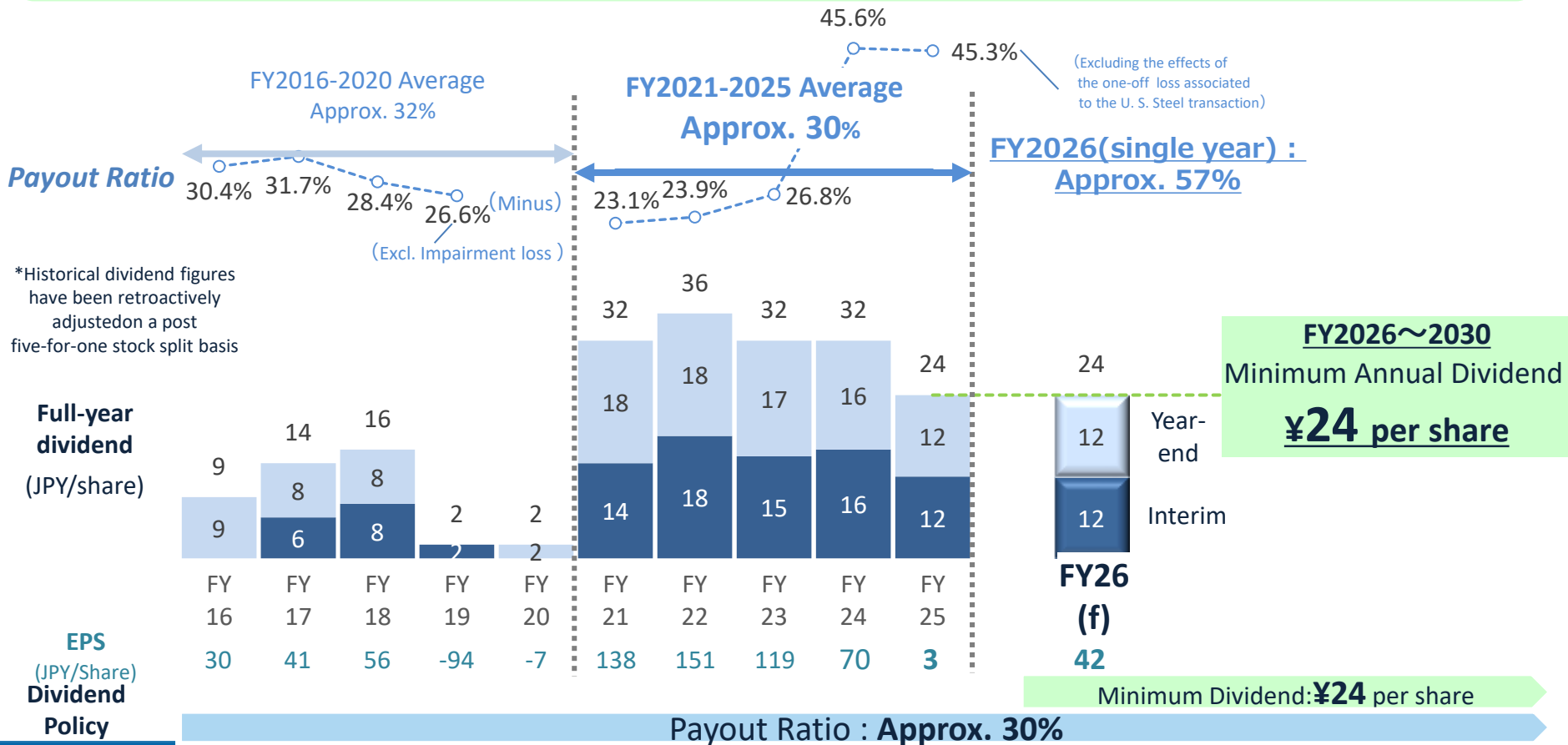
Business Results FY2026(f) Dividend

- **2030 Medium- to Long-Term Management Plan (FY2026–FY2030)**

Maintain the current dividend policy (target payout ratio of approx. 30%) while introducing a **minimum dividend (¥24 per share)**

- **FY2026(f) Dividend**

Although the impact of the Middle East situation on business results cannot be reasonably assessed, based on the minimum dividend level outlined above and other considerations, **a dividend of ¥24 per share is currently planned**



Agenda

1. FY2025 Earnings Summary and Review
of 2025 Medium- to Long-term Management Plan
2. FY2026 Earnings Forecast
- 3. FY2026 Initiatives (Progress Toward the 2030 Midterm Plan)**
 - Domestic Business (Steel Business / Three Non-Steel Segments)
 - Overseas Business (Steel Business / Raw Material Business)
 - Group Management Strengthening
4. Carbon Neutral Vision 2050

Maximizing the Impact of Measures Implemented to Date
and Front-Loading Initiatives under the 2030 Medium- to Long-Term Plan

Domestic

Enhancing profitability through further strengthening of the earnings base

Overseas

Driving significant profit growth through execution of the global growth strategy

Further Accelerating the Enhancement of the Group-wide Profitability

- 1 Further Strengthening the Competitive Advantage of the Domestic Steel Business
- 3 Maximizing Synergies from Group Restructuring

- 2 Enhancing Profitability of Existing Businesses and Further Expanding Scale in Key Overseas Regions

Strengthening the Management Structure toward Establishing a New Local Production for Local Consumption Model

- 4 Operational Reform and Streamlining (Optimization of Domestic Organization and HR Structure)

Achieving Overwhelming Competitiveness through Enhanced Productivity and Strengthened Technological and Sales Capabilities

Promoting operational reform and streamlining

Strengthening the competitiveness of human resources

Agile Allocation of Human Resources

Expanding the Deployment of Domestic Human Resources to Overseas Operations
Strengthening Global Talent Capabilities

Establishing a Strong Competitive Advantage and Restoring Our Position as the World's Best Steelmaker

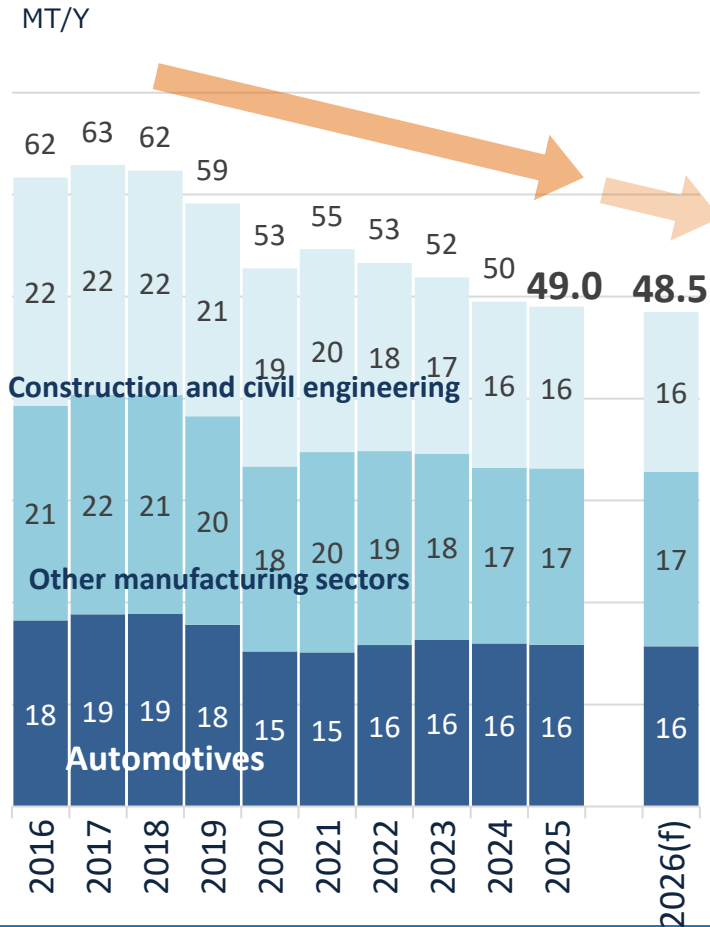
(¥ bn.)

| | H1 | H2 | FY2025 | Change From FY2024 | H1(f) | FY2026 (f) | 2030 Mid- to long- term Management plan |
|---------------------------|---------|--------|--------------|--------------------------|-------|-------------------------|---|
| Consol. BP | 227.5 | 286.5 | 514.1 | -169.1 | 220.0 | 530.0 | |
| ROS | 4.9% | 5.3% | 5.1% | -2.8% | 4.1% | 4.8% | |
| Underlying BP | 345.7 | 304.7 | 650.4 | -143.3 | 300.0 | 700.0 or more | 1,000.0 or more |
| ROS | 7.5% | 5.6% | 6.5% | -2.6% | 5.6% | 6.4% | |
| Domestic | 257.9 | 269.7 | 527.6 | -37.0 | 170.0 | 470.0 | 500.0 or more |
| Domestic Steel Business | 136.6 | 109.9 | 246.5 | -13.7 | 60.0 | 190.0 | |
| Other Group Companies | 80.3 | 103.5 | 183.8 | -34.9 | 75.0 | 185.0 | |
| 3 Non-steel Segments | 36.0 | 54.6 | 90.6 | +17.8 | 37.0 | 95.0 | |
| Overseas | 87.8 | 35.0 | 122.8 | -106.3 | 130.0 | 230.0 | 500.0 or more |
| Overseas Steel Business | 47.3 | (8.9) | 38.4 | -35.4 | 90.0 | 155.0 | |
| Raw Material Business | 40.5 | 43.9 | 84.4 | -70.9 | 40.0 | 75.0 | |
| Inventory valuation, etc. | (118.2) | (18.2) | (136.3) | -25.8 | | | |

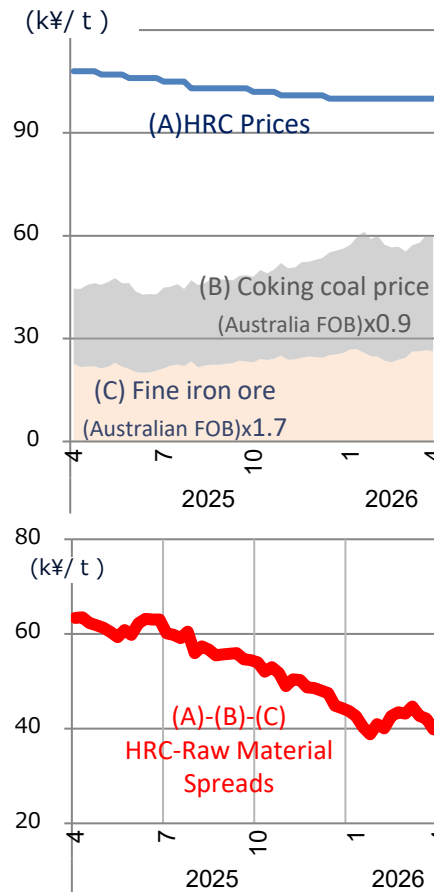
Excl. the impact of the situation
in the Middle East

- ◆ Domestic demand is expected to continue declining.
- ◆ FY2025: Market conditions and margins declined consistently throughout the year
As a result, current spread levels (\approx FY2026 levels) are significantly lower than the previous year's average.
- ◆ Finished auto exports remained generally flat. Continued close monitoring of trends in U.S. auto exports is required.

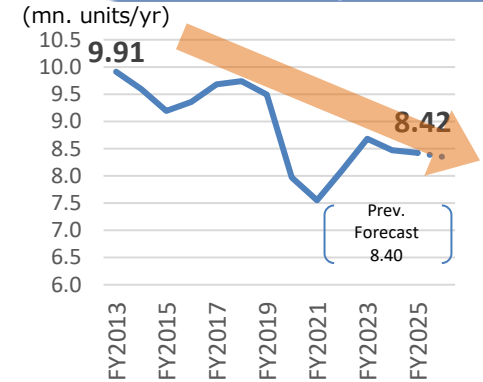
Domestic Steel Demand



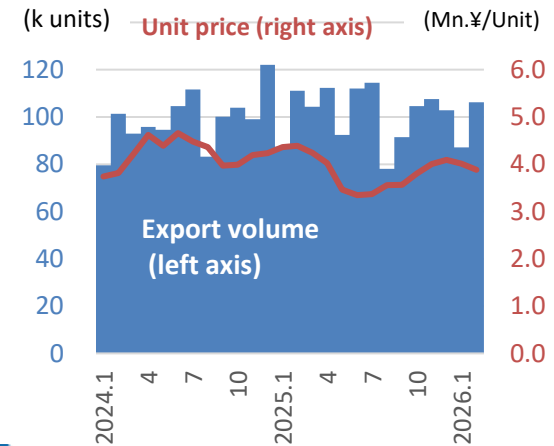
Domestic HRC Prices/Spreads



Finished auto production



Export of finished autos to the U.S.



Thorough Pursuit of Cost Competitiveness

Fully utilizing the established production capacity,
enhancing the competitiveness according to demand sectors and product types

- ◆ Clarify the main role of flat roll production line, and make centralized production to improve efficiency

- ◆ Realizing benefits from capital expenditures (e.g., Nagoya new hot strip mill)
- ◆ Further optimizing production across the group
- ◆ Fundamentally reviewing domestic logistics based on the optimized production system

Automotive Flat Products
Kimitsu/Nagoya /Yawata

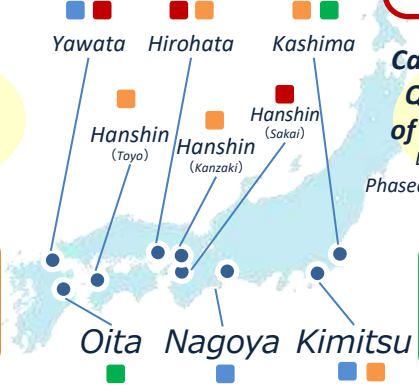
Electric Steel Sheets
Yawata/Hirohata /Hanshin

Nagoya/ Next-Generation Hot-Strip Mill
Decision Made: 2022
Start of operations: 2026

Capacity Expansion and Quality Improvement of Electrical Steel Sheets
Decision Made: 2019~2023
Phased implementation ongoing: 2021~

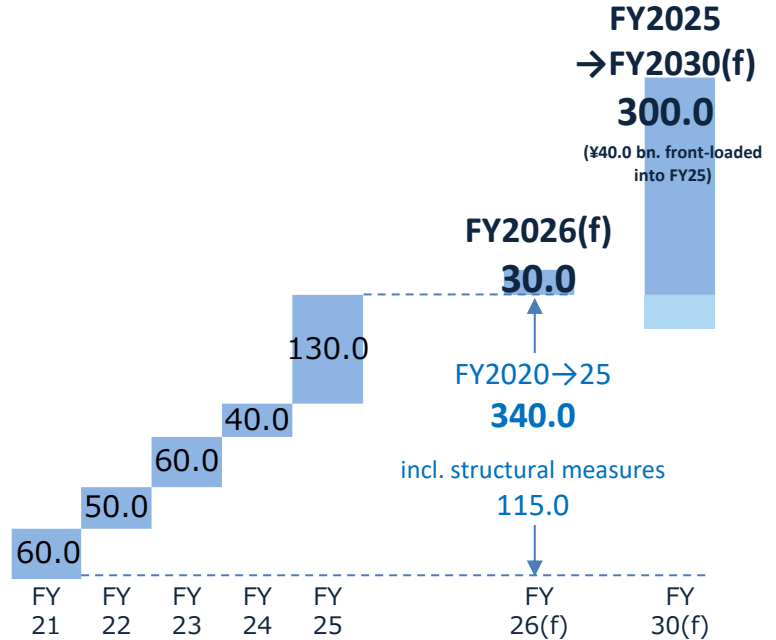
Structural Flat Products
Kashima/Kimitsu /Hirohata/Hanshin

Hot Rolled Coil for Exports
Kashima/Oita



- ◆ Strengthening a cost structure resilient to changes in the external environment
 - Pursuing Technologies for Utilizing Low-Cost Raw Materials and Fuel and Reducing Consumption
 - Developing and Advancing Recycling Technologies
 - Enhancing Labor Productivity
 - Exploring and Demonstrating Advanced Energy
 - Saving Processes Comprehensively, etc.

【Cost reduction by FY (¥bn. /Y)】



Domestic Steel Business

(2030 Mid- to long-term Management Plan)

Enhance the Overwhelming Competitiveness (2)

Develop Comprehensive Solutions

- ◆ Enhance technological leadership by sophisticating of product types and reinforcing solution proposal capabilities
- ◆ Strengthen the supply chain



Next-Generation Automotive Concept Addressing Diverse Needs in Safety, Lightweight Design, Comfort, and Environmental Performance

NSafe®-AutoConcept

Architectural and Civil Engineering Solutions Contributing to Shorter Construction Periods and Reduced Environmental Impact
(ProStruct®: Steel Materials × Application Technologies)



ProStruct®
Open your future
with Structural Steel & Technology

【Co-Creation Result with Mazda Motor Corporation ~ Optimal body structure was developed in a short period of time to reduce weight】

- Our participation from the early stages of automobile development
- Reviewing the entire supply chain to achieve an optimal body structure in a short period of time



- Utilizing our next-generation steel automobile concept*, proprietary analysis technology, and Mazda's model-based development, the weight of steel materials has been reduced by 10% while ensuring vehicle body performance such as rigidity and collision safety.

*NSafe®-AutoConcept ECO3

Topics

Nagoya/Next-Generation Hot-Strip Mill :

(Announced on 8th April 2026)

High-temperature test operation started on 1st April, followed by the start of commercial operation scheduled for August 2026.

- World-leading Load-Bearing Capacity
- Significantly Enhanced Rolling Control and Temperature Control

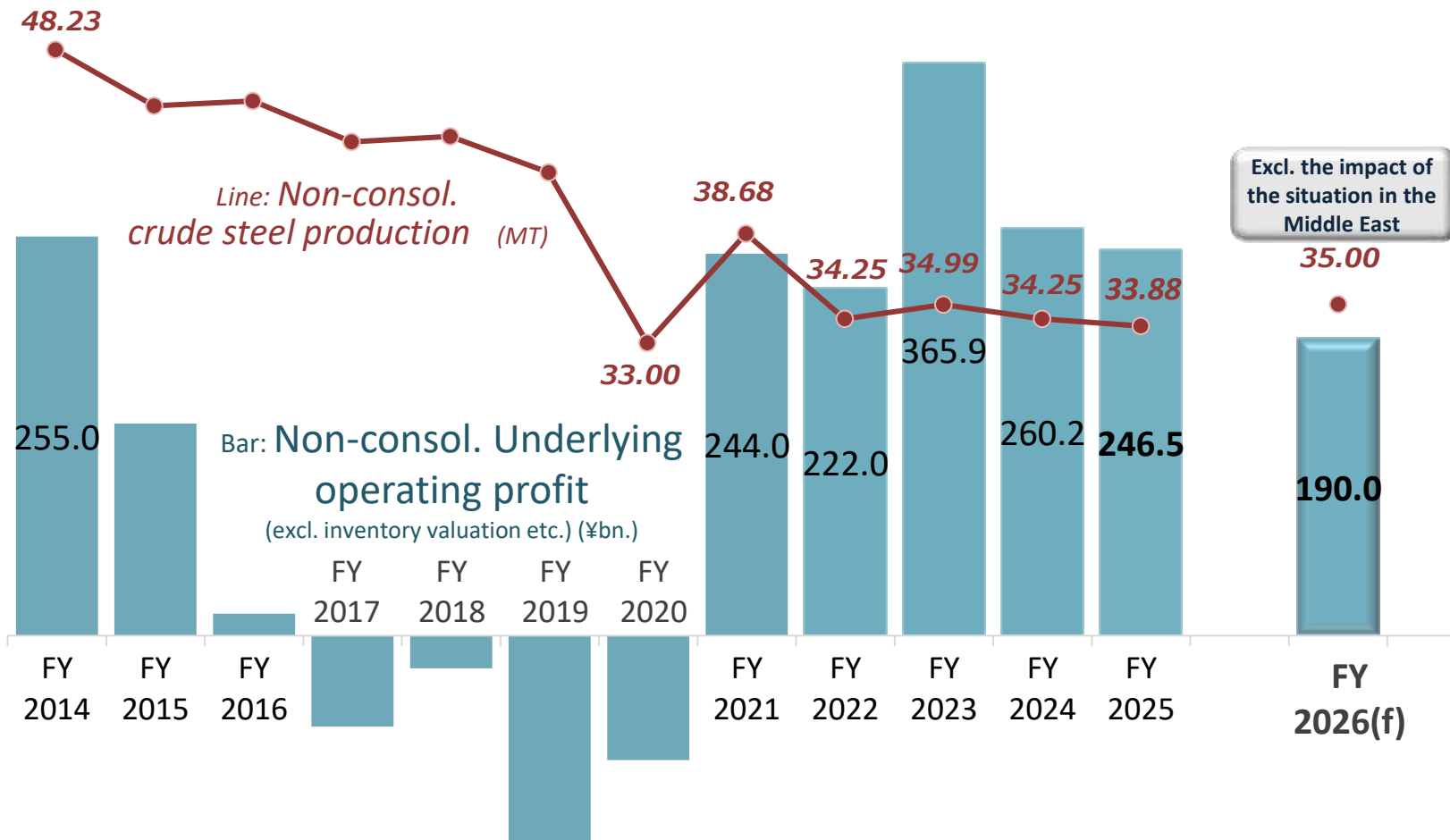
- Nanometer-level Control of Metallurgical Structure
- Stable, High-Volume Production of High-grade Steel, Including Ultra-High-Tensile Steel for Automotive Applications, with Consistent Quality



The first Hot commissioning (in April)

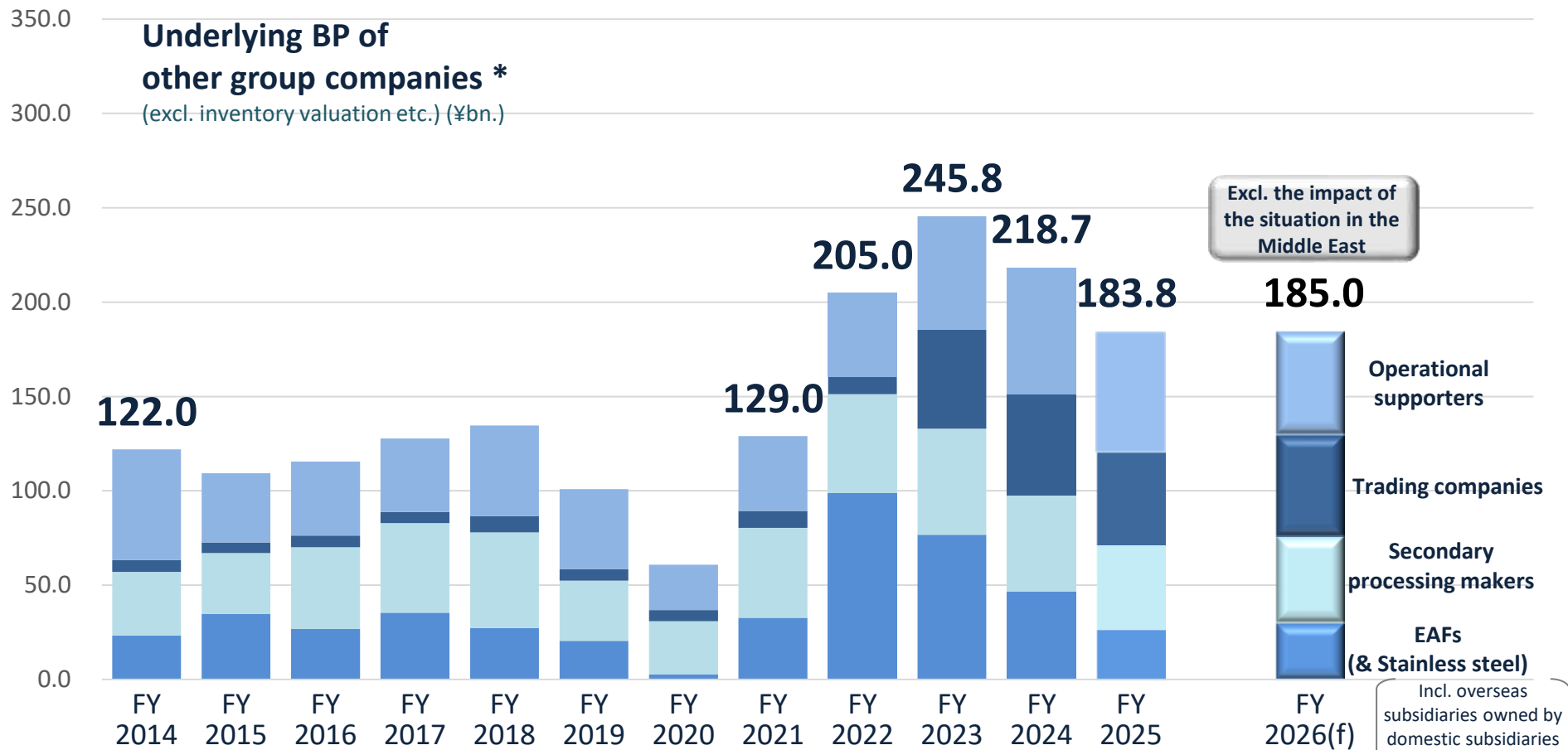
Decision made: May 2022
Capacity: approx. 6MT/Y
Capital Expenditure: approx. ¥270.0 bn.
(Current hot strip mill: scheduled for shut down during FY2026)

- ◆ Established a profitable structure that is not affected by volume decline, amid approx. 30% decline in crude steel production since FY2014.
- ◆ In a Critical Business Environment
 - 1) Further strengthening of the profitable structure with a focus on cost improvement
 - 2) Pursuit of synergies through reorganization of group companies



Before and in FY2019: ex-Nisshin Steel Kure Area and Hanshin Area included

After FY2025 : ex-NS Stainless Steel and ex-NS Pipe included



Consolidation of Tokyo Kohtetsu as a subsidiary under Osaka Steel in Q1 FY2016

Consolidation of Sanyo Special Steel as a subsidiary in Q1 FY2019

Consolidation of Nippon Steel Trading (NST) as a subsidiary in Q1 FY2023

[Stainless steel] In Q1 2025 Merged NS Stainless Steel (-> To Domestic steel business)
 [Secondary processing] In Q1 2025 Dissolution of NS Pipe (-> Mechatubes go to Domestic steel business)

Incl. the group companies and the stainless steel business of former Nisshin Steel

Before and in FY2024: incl. ex-NS Stainless Steel and ex-NS Pipe

Three Non-steel Segments

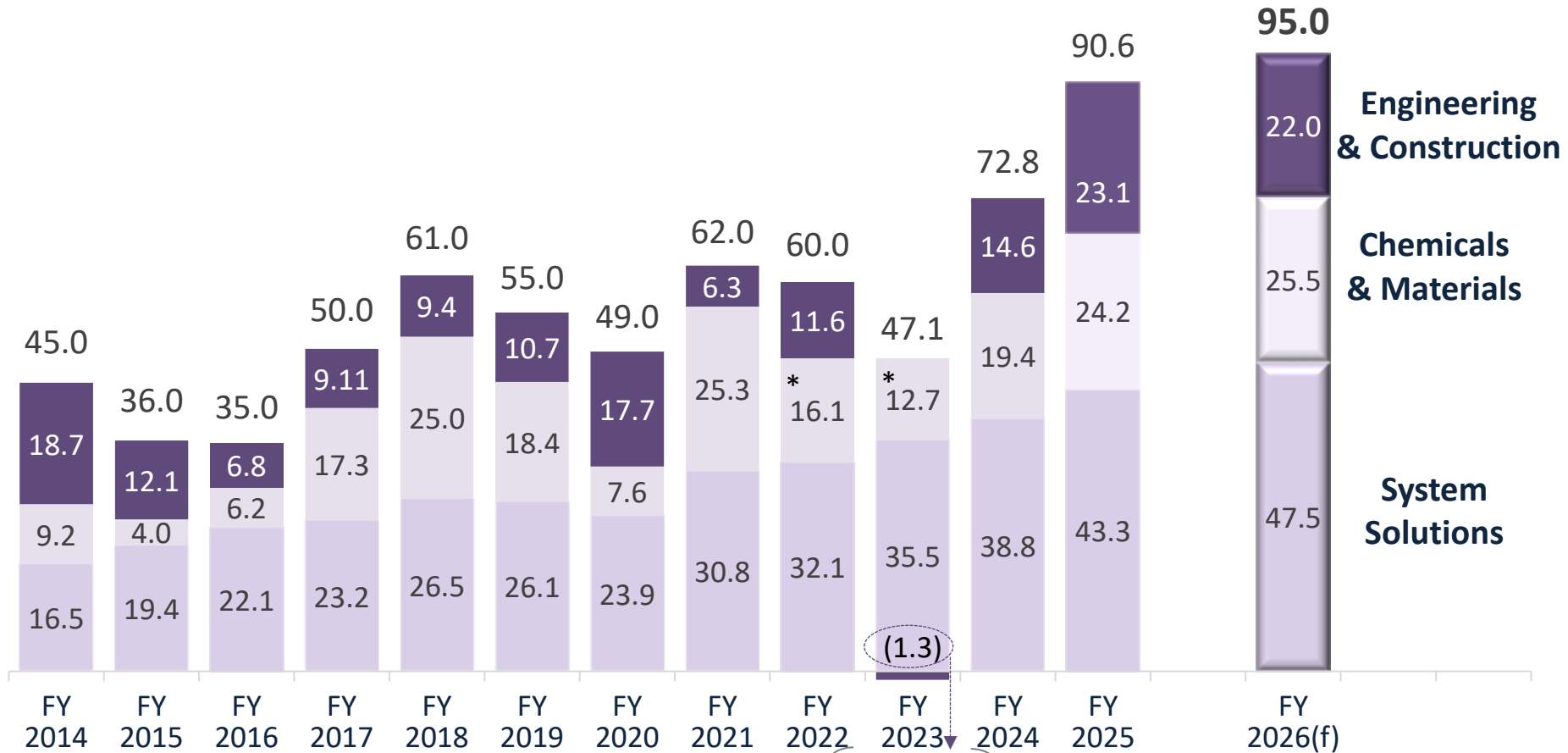
P/L Trend (Underlying Business Profit)

Business Profit of Three Non-steel Segments

(excl. inventory valuation etc.) (¥bn.)

Earnings expansion mainly in growth areas

Excl. the impact of the situation in the Middle East



*excl. inventory valuation from FY2023
 FY2022 (excl. inventory valuation) ¥11.4bn.

Incl. one-off losses on of crane failures on offshore work vessels, etc.

Overseas Business

(2030 Medium- to Long-Term Management Plan)

Contribution of Overseas Business to Achieving ¥1 Trillion / 100 Million Tons

Overseas Business BP

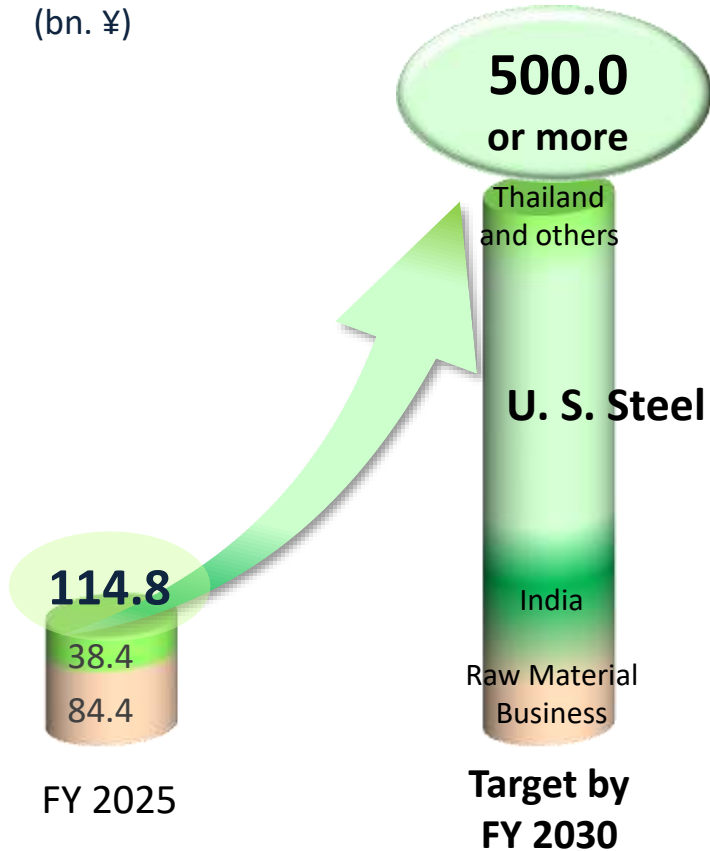
Overseas Steel Business + Raw Material Business

Maximize the investment effect of U. S. Steel and expand capacity at AM/NS India to dramatically increase profit.

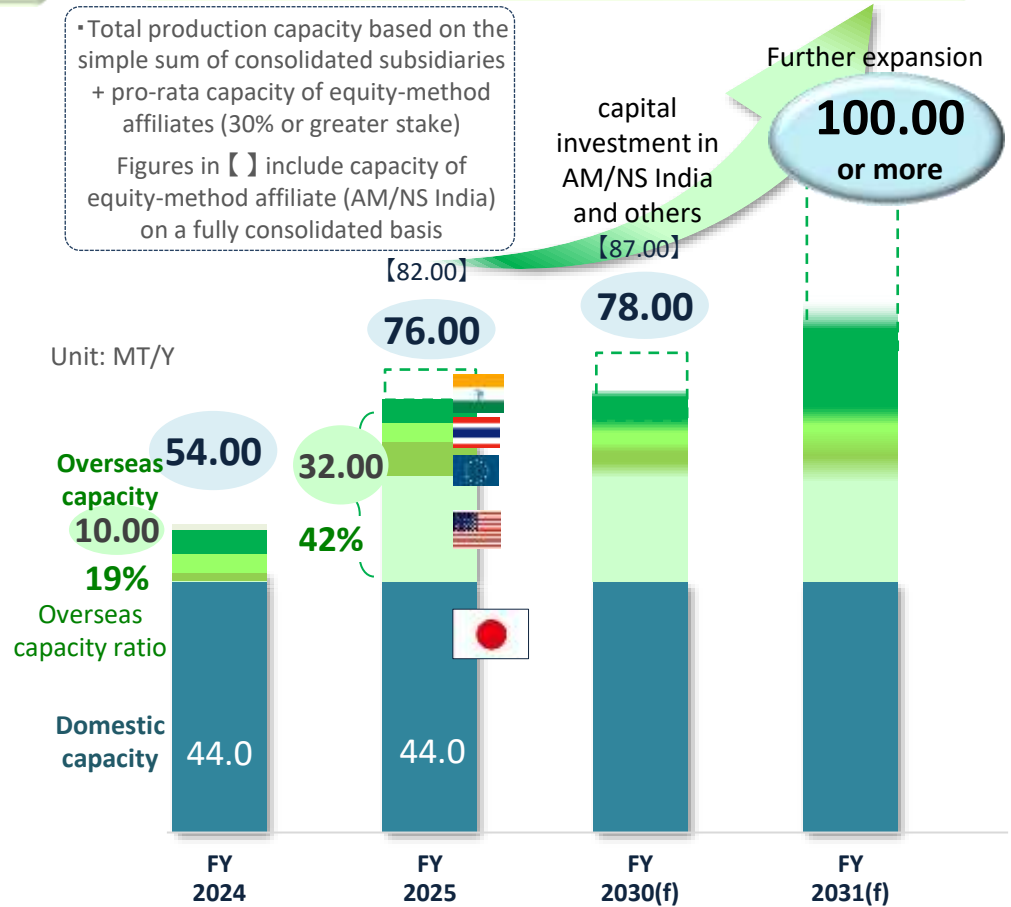
Global Crude Steel Production Capacity

Capture global growth and aim for 100 MT or more of global crude steel production capacity.

(bn. ¥)



Total production capacity based on the simple sum of consolidated subsidiaries + pro-rata capacity of equity-method affiliates (30% or greater stake)
 Figures in [] include capacity of equity-method affiliate (AM/NS India) on a fully consolidated basis



Overseas Business

(2030 Medium- to Long-Term Management Plan)

Large-Scale Growth Investments and Concentration of Management Resources in Four Key Overseas Regions

Strengthening integrated steel production in key regions, the U.S., Europe, India, and Thailand

Overseas Business Strategy

Expansion of overseas manufacturing bases in markets:

With strong growth potential

Suited to Nippon Steel's technology and product strengths

Expand integrated steel mill to create added value from the upstream

Acquire brownfield production bases through M&A

Mature high-grade steel market

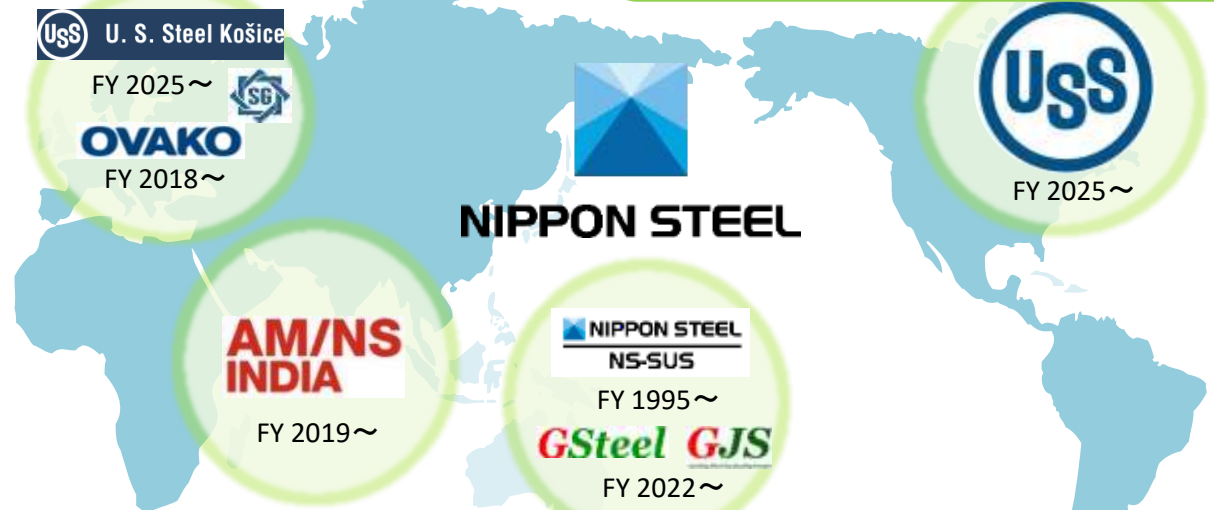
Europe

Direct ownership of integrated ironmaking operation, including flat and long products

Growing high-grade steel market

United States

Execute strategic capital investments to drive U. S. Steel profit growth
Sophistication of Product Types and Cost Competitiveness



High-growth market

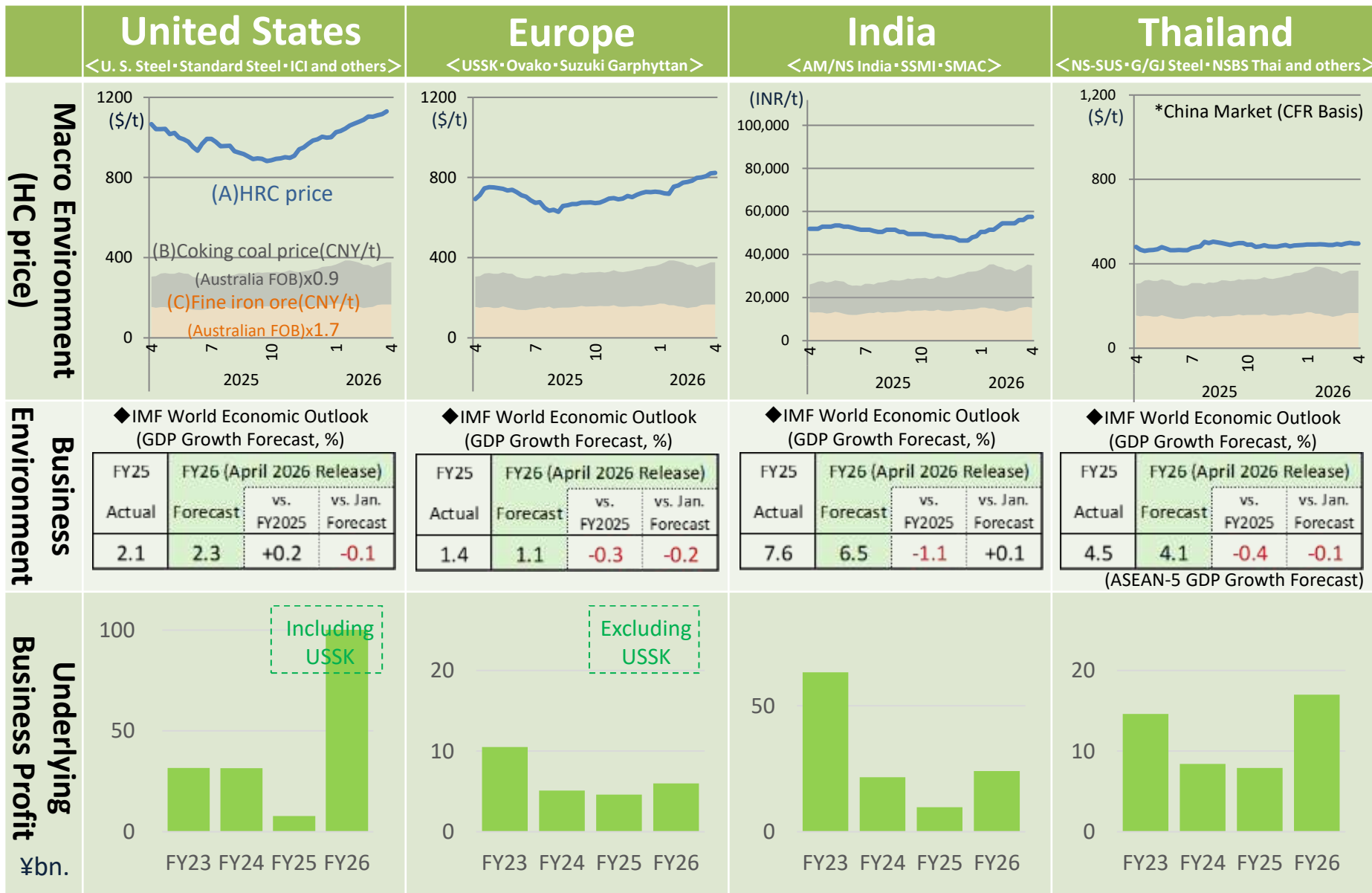
India

Capacity expansion in Hazira
Construction of new integrated steel mill in southern India

Home Market

Thailand

Market share expansion in Thai steel sheet market



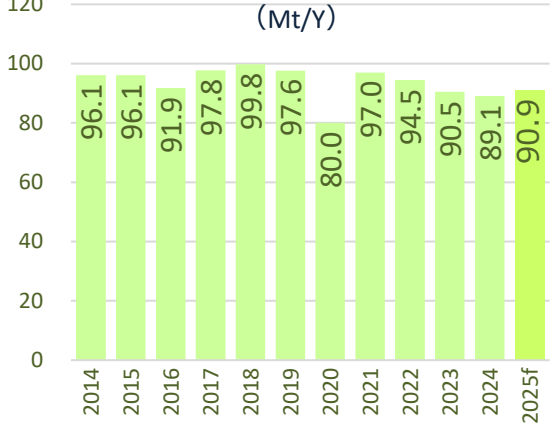
Business Environment



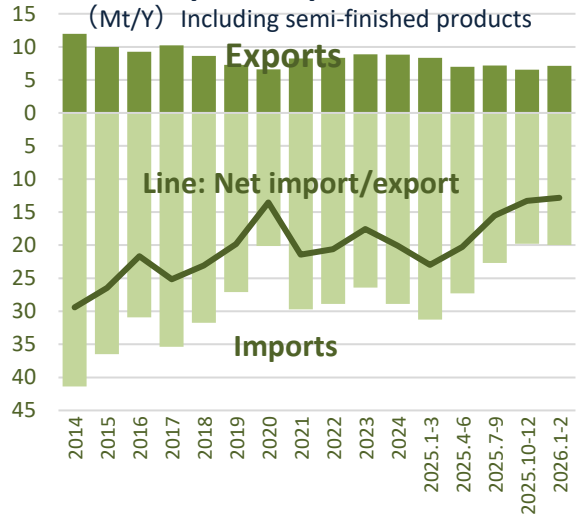
Steel Business Environment in the U.S.

U.S. demand: Demand is stable
U.S. steel exports and imports:
 Both steel exports and imports declined

Steel demand in the U.S.

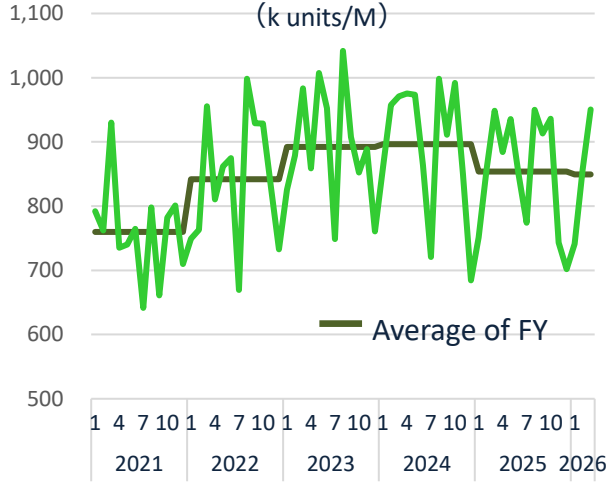


Steel Import/Export in the U.S.

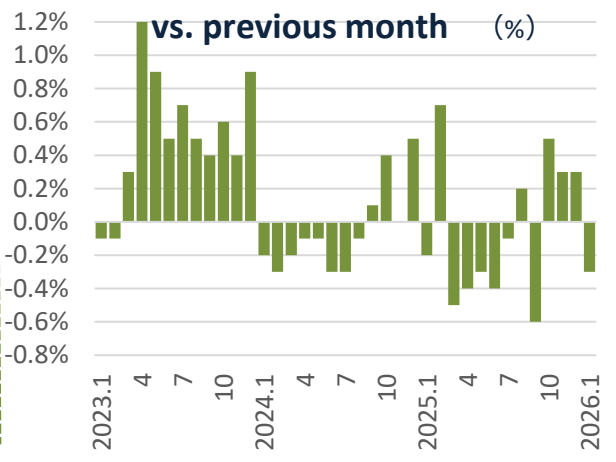


Trends in demand sectors: The automotive sector remains unchanged. In the construction sector, private investment remains weak despite increased data center construction.

Automobile Production in the U.S.



Construction spending in the U.S.



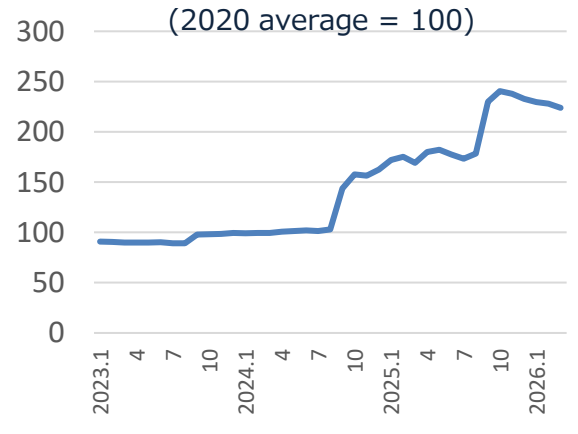
U.S. Market Trends: Prices continue to rise, supported by firm pricing by U.S. domestic mills amid declining steel imports

HRC price in the U.S.



Price trends: Further inflation since the second half of last year

Producer Price Index in the U.S.



FY2026(f): Change vs. FY2025: +¥110.0 billion

◆ One-off Impacts / Non-recurring Items: -¥10.0 billion

FY2025: Resolution of impacts (Cokes plant incident, Purchaser's repudiation of pellet sales contract, severe winter weather): +¥20.0 bn

FY2026: Gary BF relining and strategic investment-related expenses, etc.: -¥30.0 bn

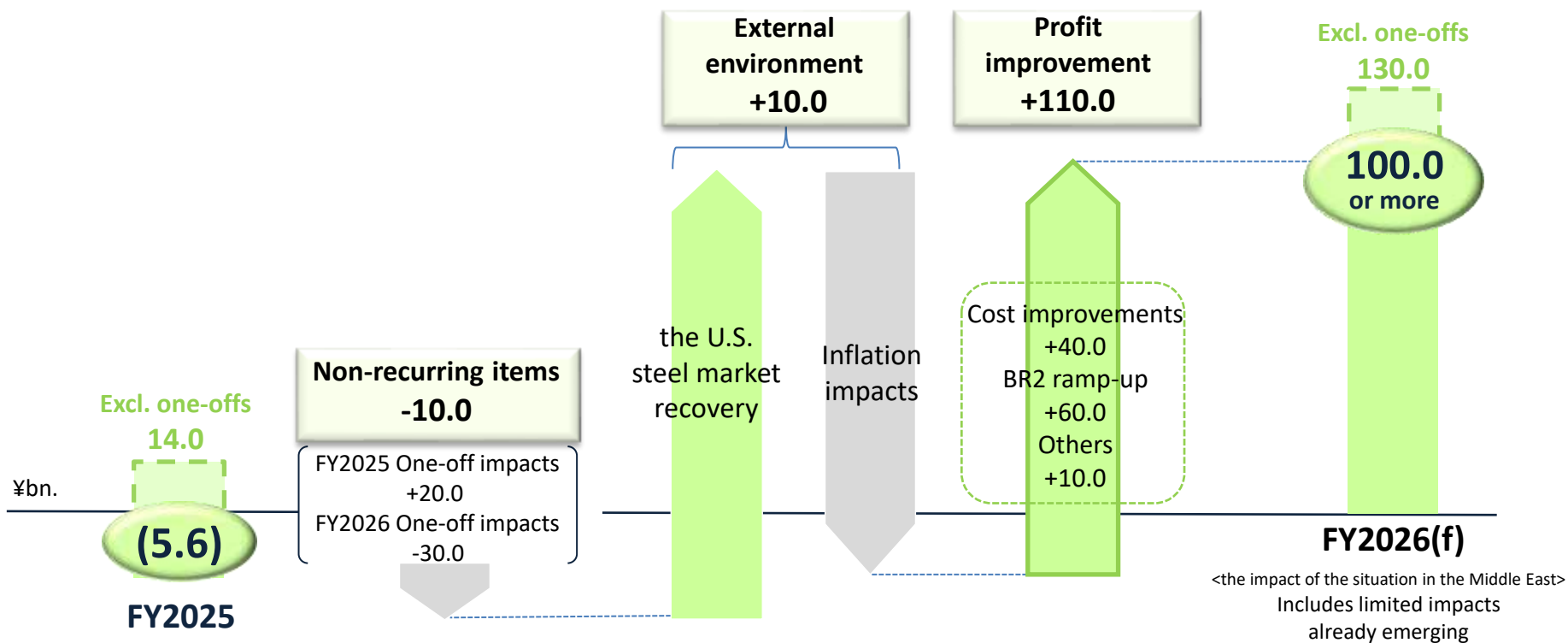
◆ External Environment: +¥10.0 billion

U.S. steel market recovery: +¥120.0 billion,

Inflation impacts (higher procurement costs etc., incl. impact of reduced free CO₂ allocations in Europe): -¥110.0 bn

◆ Earnings Improvement Initiatives: +¥110.0 billion

Cost improvements mainly driven by synergies, and full-year contribution from past investments (e.g., ramp-up of Big River 2), etc.



Overseas Business

(2030 Medium- to Long-Term Management Plan)



Significant Profit Growth at U. S. Steel

Jun. 2025 Closing

Development of the 100-Day Plan

Advancing evaluation of 66 initiatives across 8 pillars

NSC dispatchers (approx. 50, Primarily engineers)

Nov. 2025 U. S. Steel Mid- to Long-Term Management Plan Outlined

FY2026-FY2030

Deployment of our advanced technologies and management resources
Maximization of synergies and acceleration/execution of strategic investments

Expansion of dispatchers to approx. 100 (including short-term assignments)

8 Pillars / 66 Initiatives

Introduction of NSC's Advanced Tech

1. Renewal of production facilities / Enhancement of competitiveness
2. Advance cost competitiveness
3. Improve productivity and quality in relation to existing facilities
4. Enhance steel products (including upgrading downstream facilities)
5. collaboration between North American Flat Roll (NAFR) and Mini Mill
6. Incorporate synergy with NSC
7. Construction of new plant / Expansion of business area
8. Carbon neutrality

Operational Tech

Equipment Tech

Product Tech

Decarbonization Tech

U. S. Steel Mid- to Long-Term Management Plan (Outlined Nov. 4, 2025)

Operational synergies Introduction of our advanced technologies and know-how
260 improvement initiatives

- ◆ Quality improvement
- ◆ Operational improvement (productivity and cost)
- ◆ Fuel cost, yield, and energy efficiency improvements
- ◆ Raw material-related initiatives

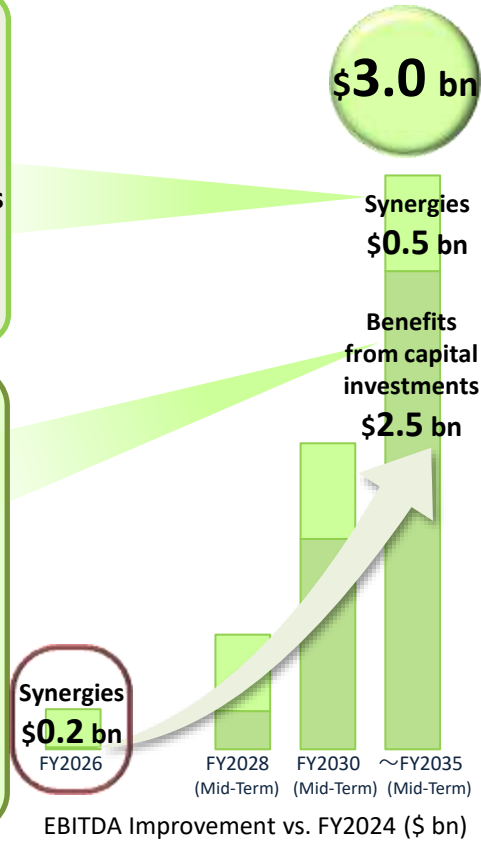
--> Enhancement of cost competitiveness and manufacturing capabilities, etc.

Capital investments Planned large-scale growth investments of over \$ 14 bn (of which \$ 11 bn in the U.S. by the end of 2028)

Realization of investment benefits centered on strategic projects

- ◆ Throughput improvement
- ◆ Energy efficiency improvement
- ◆ Productivity improvement
- ◆ Quality improvement

--> Upgrading product mix, expansion of product offerings, and expansion of supply capacity





Accelerating the introduction of advanced technologies and operational /cost improvements at each site with support from our dispatched technical personnel

Actively driving the mid- to long-term management plan to strengthen manufacturing capabilities and maximize synergies

BF sites <Gary, Indiana / Mon Valley, Pennsylvania>

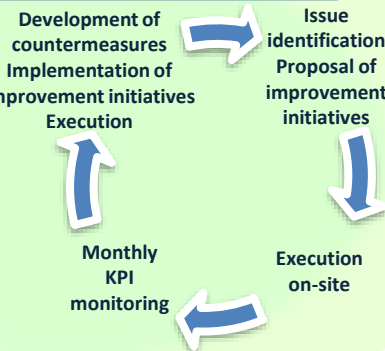
On-site initiatives at Nippon Steel /Introduction of know-how

Integrated Quality Control Management
"Ikkan QC"

Integrated improvement of production and sales
"SEIHAN"

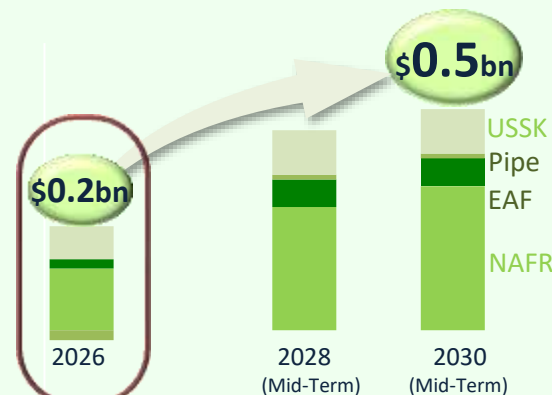
Collaboration with dispatched personnel PDCA for operational and cost improvements

Collaboration between dispatched personnel and on-site teams
Issue identification by site and process
Sequential execution of 260 specific improvement initiatives



Synergy effects

EBITDA Improvement vs. FY2024 (\$ bn)



EAF site <Big River, Arkansas>

Stable production ramp-up of Big River 2

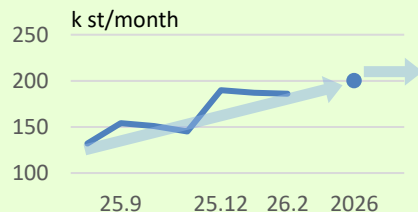
Stabilization of the continuous casting-to-rolling production process

Full annualized ESP production achieved in Feb. 2026

FY2025: 1.4 million st -->FY2026 plan: 2.5 million st

(ESP: Endless Strip Production)

- Contributing to operational and cost improvements through energy saving and high-efficiency production
- Standardization in progress to ensure the implementation of technologies and know-how



BF site <Granite City, Illinois>

Restart of #B BF on 25 March

(Announced Dec. 4, 2025)

New

- In response to Solid demand expected in FY2026
- Considering Gary Works No. 14 BF relining (May-Aug. 2026), etc.

Restart of #B BF (capacity: 1.4 MT/year), which has been idled since September 2023

- Supported by dispatched Nippon Steel personnel for start-up
- Job creation: approx. 400 positions



Strategic Capital Investment Plan

Accelerating efforts to finalize plans and start construction on strategic capital investments across multiple U. S. locations that will contribute to U. S. Steel's profit growth

Cumulative approved projects (as of May 2026)
Approx. **\$3.2 bn.**

Major approved projects (already announced)

BF mill <Gary>

● Upgrade existing hot strip mill

Enabling production of heavy gauge line pipe steel sheets and automotive high-strength steel sheets (announced on Sep. 25, 2025)

Investment: \$0.23 bn.

Completion of work:

Scheduled for FY2026 Q3 (Jul. - Sep.)

● Relining No.14 BF

Secure Production capacity
Long-term Cost efficiencies (announced on Dec. 23, 2025)

Investment: \$0.35 bn.

Construction period: 2026.May-Aug. (100 days)

EAF <Big River> New

● New DRI plant construction

Stable production of high-quality, cost-competitive direct reduced iron (DRI), the primary raw material for EAFs, utilizing owned ore suitable for high-grade pellet production (Execution approved on Apr. 2026)

Investment: \$1.88 bn.

Completion of work: Scheduled for Q1 2029

* DRI: Direct Reduced Iron



BF mill <Mon Valley>

● Install New Slag Recycler

Revenue expansion through slag sales (announced on Sep. 25, 2025)

Investment: \$0.09 bn.

Construction period: 2026 - early 2028

Pipe and Tube mill <Fairfield>

● Install New Premium Thread Line

Cost reduction through in-house thread cutting (announced on Nov. 4, 2025)

Investment: \$0.07 bn.

Major projects under development

<Gary> :Update of steelmaking process and other equipment ->Productivity improvement, Enhance Product flexibility, Quality and Cost improvement

<Gary> :Upgrade of hot strip mill ->Productivity, Quality and Cost improvement

<Mon Valley> :Upgrade of hot strip mill ->Productivity, Quality and Cost improvement, Expansion of high-grade steel manufacturing capabilities

<Fairfield> :Expansion of steel pipe heat treatment facilities -> Expansion of integrated capacity by eliminating bottleneck processes, Expansion of high-value tubular capabilities



Business environment and Performance

[Medium-to Long-term Environment]

- **Steel demand increase** by population growth and industrialization
- No rapid capacity expansion is expected due to difficulty in acquiring land, and the **supply-demand situation will remain tight**
- **High percentage of homegrown products** based on “Make in India” policy

[Current Environment]

- **Continued high level of economic growth and steel demand exceeding the previous year’s level**
- Domestic market conditions have **remained on an upward trend since early December 2025**, supported by solid underlying demand, supply constraints due to maintenance at major mills, and rising raw material costs

[Performance]

- **Jan. –Mar. 2026 domestic shipments remained at a high level**
- **EBITDA +15% vs. Oct.–Dec. 2025 (due to market price improvements)**

Initiatives for Capacity Expansion and Product Sophistication

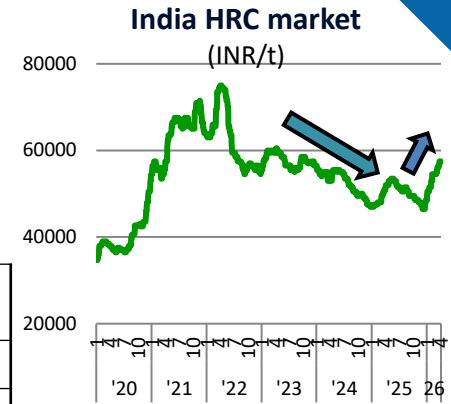
- **Capacity expansion to capture growing steel demand and enhance high-value-added product mix**
Existing plant expansion (Hazira Works)

- Full-scale entry into the automotive market through expansion of steel sheets facility (decided in April 2022), with coating line operation started in July 2025, **pickling and cold rolling line started-up in Apr. 2026**, and **cold rolling and aluminum coating line planned start-up in 2nd half of FY2026**
- Start of supply of corrosion resistant coated steel for construction materials (operation started January 2024)

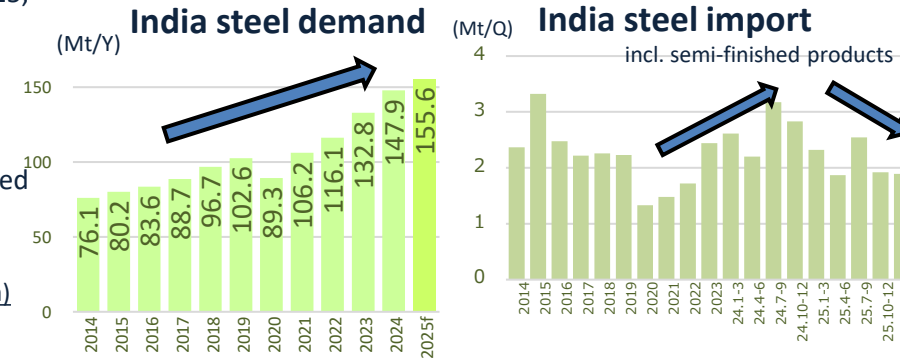
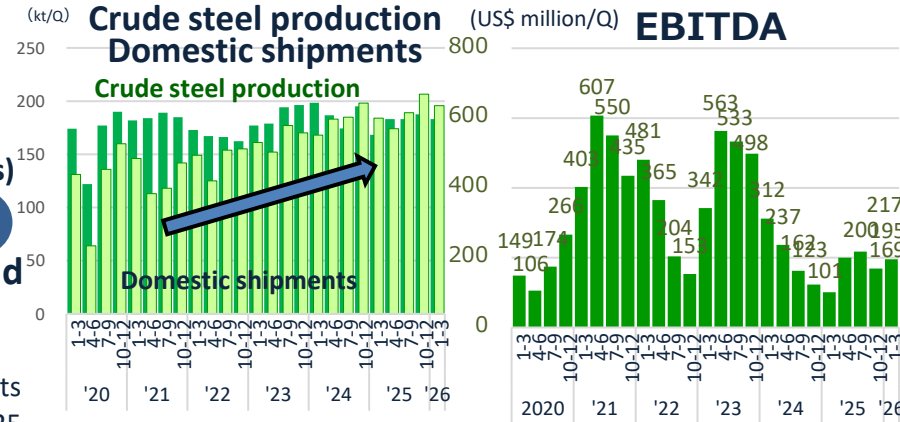
- Under construction for expansion of upstream facilities, hot-strip mill (decided in Sep. 2022) (Scheduled to start operation in 2nd half of FY2026)
 Crude steel capacity approx. +6Mt/Y (approx. 9 → 15Mt/Y)

New integrated steel works (the state of Andhra Pradesh in southern India)

- **Mar. 2026 Environmental approval obtained and land development commenced**Ongoing evaluation of investment plans



| India Indicators | 2024 | 2025 | 2026f |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| GDP growth rate | +6.5% | +7.6% | +6.5% |
| Steel demand | 0.15 bn.t | 0.16 bn.t | 0.17 bn.t |





Groundbreaking Ceremony for Integrated Steel Plant in Andhra Pradesh, Southern India

(Announced on March 24, 2026)

In the presence of a large audience, the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh and the Union Minister of Steel attended the groundbreaking ceremony



Mar. 2026 Environmental approvals obtained; land development commenced following the groundbreaking ceremony

【Overview of integrated ironmaking steel plant site】

- Location: Rajayyapeta, Andhra Pradesh
- Site area: 890 ha (coastal)(vs. Hazira Works: approx. 950 ha / Kimitsu Works: 1,211 ha) Acquisition of a large coastal site owned by the state enables early project start
- Capacity: Approx. **7.0 MT/year crude steel** (Phase I)
- Investment plan: Ongoing review of detailed specifications (facilities, completion timing, etc.)

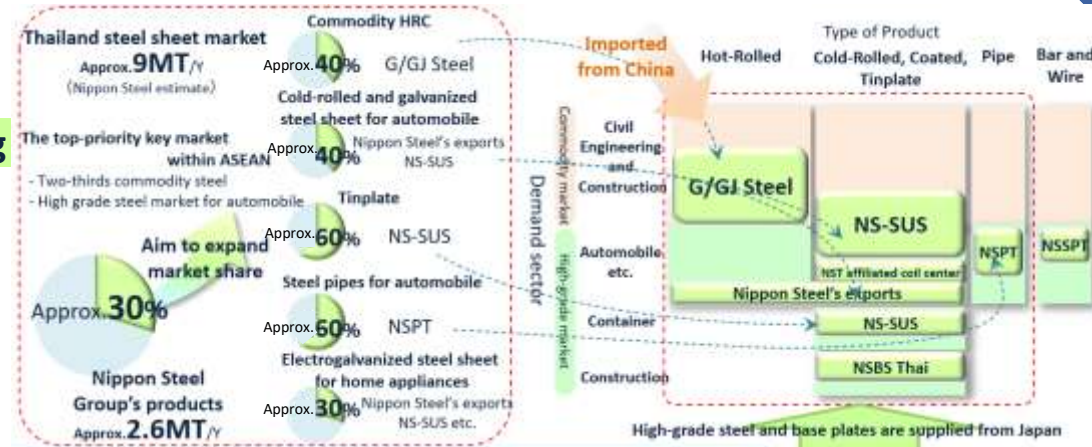
Significant contribution to the Indian government's "Make in India" and "Atmanirbhar Bharat" initiatives

- Providing maximum support, including the deployment of our expertise and know-how, as well as dispatch of technical personnel from investment planning through construction
- Capturing growing demand in the Indian market through this project, in addition to expansion investments at Hazira Works



Strategic positioning of the Thai market within our global operations

The top-priority key market within ASEAN aiming to expand market share by strengthening the entire supply chain, from iron source



Launch of the Thailand Project

- From Apr. 2026 Launch of the Thailand Project as an organization responsible for centrally driving Nippon Steel's overall business in Thailand on a regional basis

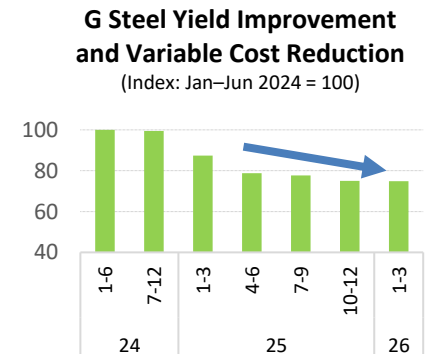
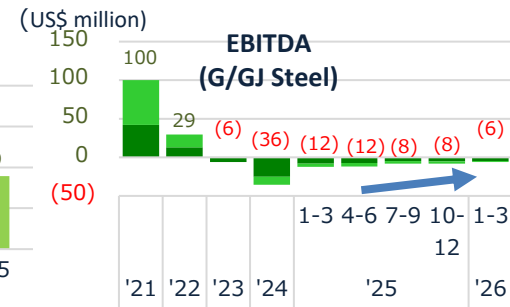
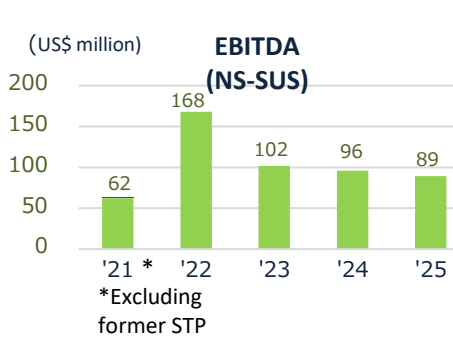
Performance and Initiatives of NS-SUS

- Steady performance** supported by high grade steel demand for automotive, home appliances, and can manufacturing

Performance and Initiatives of G/GJ* Steel

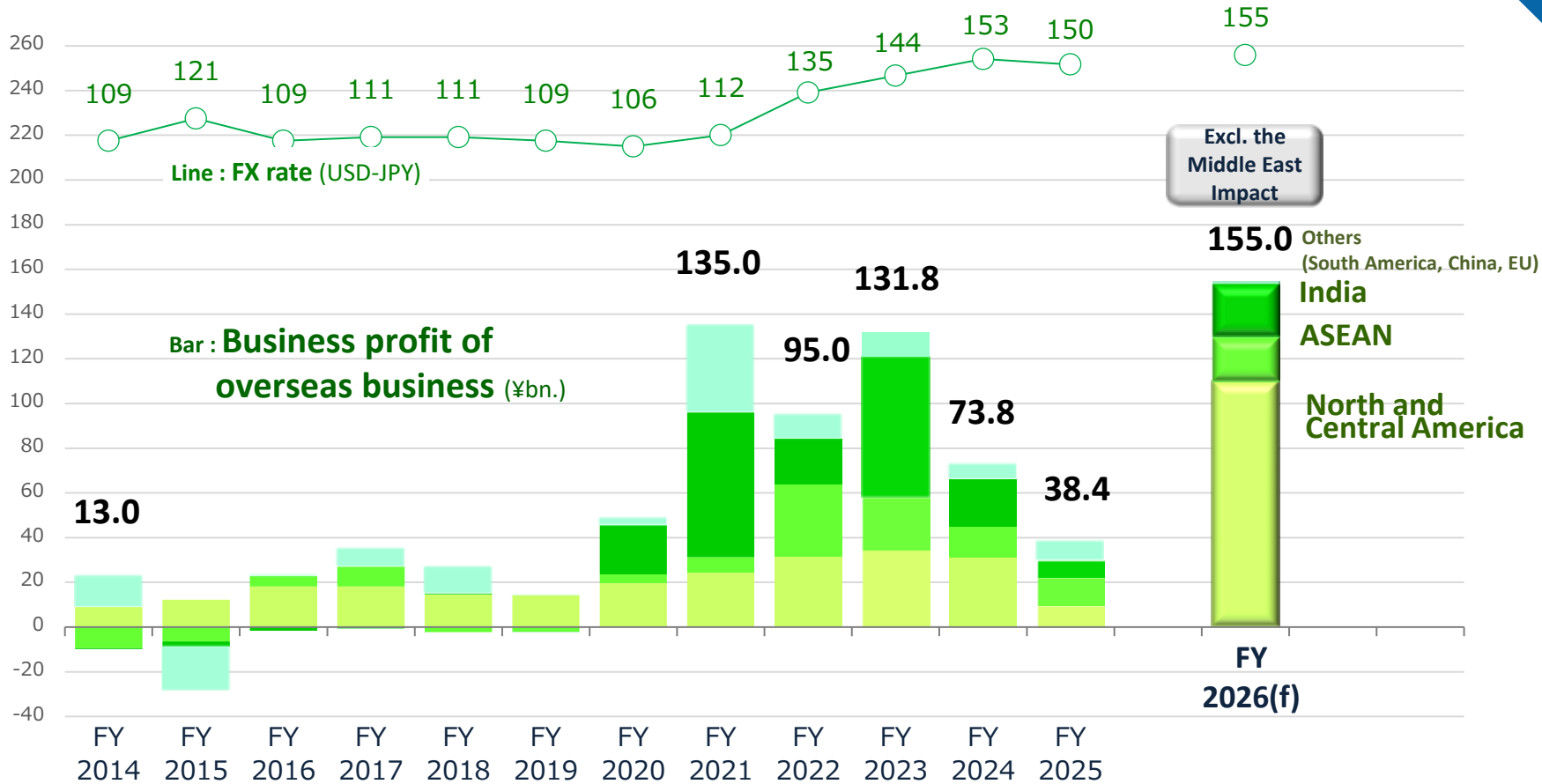
- Challenging business environment continues**, including a significant compression of metal spread
- Profitability is improving**, supported by strengthened Group collaboration in sales and scrap procurement, cost reduction in operations, and volume expansion measures such as trade remedy effects and the start of exports to Europe

*The only integrated EAF hot-rolled mill in Thailand, acquired by Nippon Steel in 2022



Overseas Business

P/L Trend (Underlying Business Profit)



- Equity method consolidation of AM/NS Calvert, Q1 2014

- Equity method consolidation of AM/NS India, Q1 2020

- Consolidation of G/GJ Steel as a subsidiary, Q1 2022

- BNA deconsolidation, Q4 FY2024

- AM/NS Calvert deconsolidation, Q1 FY2025

- Consolidation of U. S. Steel as a subsidiary, Q2 2025

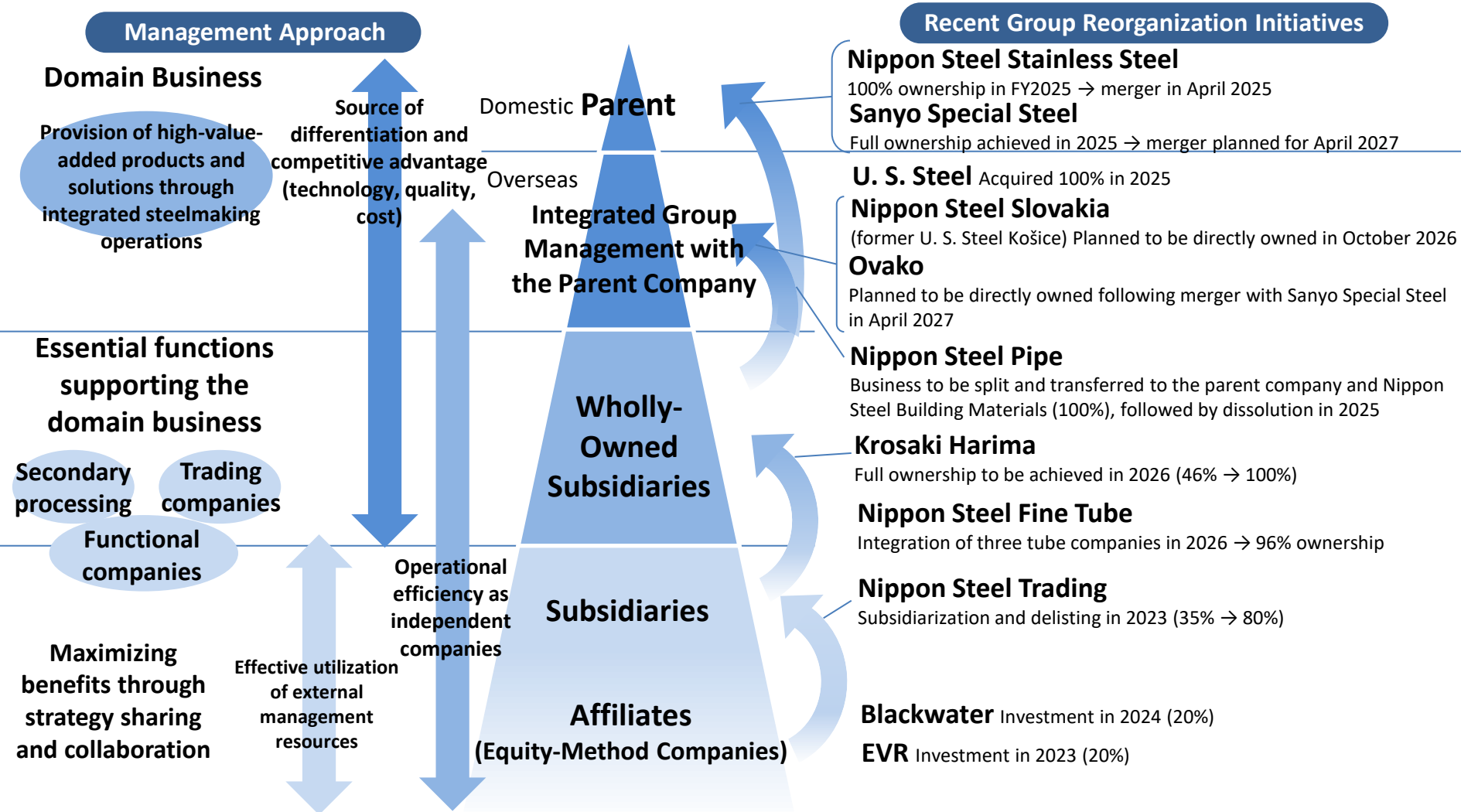
- USIMINAS deconsolidation, Q4 FY2025

Ordinary profit (subsidiaries) + share of profit in investments accounted for using equity method (equity method affiliates), both underlying profit excl. inventory valuation
 Overseas companies other than USS and NS SUS are consolidated Jan. - Dec. results to Nippon Steel's Apr. - Mar.
 NS BlueScope US operations are included in "ASEAN"

Approach to Group Company Management

Establishing a framework to maximize group corporate value across the steel industry supply chain

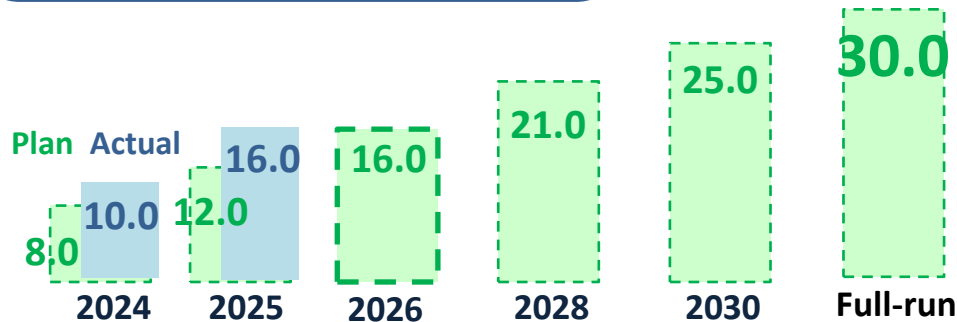
Assessing and implementing the optimal structure for each company based on its strategic positioning, functions, and roles



Maximizing Synergies through Reorganization of Domestic Group Companies

Plan to Fully Realize Benefits of Implemented Initiatives

Total synergies generated from the standalone domestic steel business and steel group companies (¥bn./ year)



Synergies: **¥30.0** bn./ year
(On a full-run basis)
(+¥14.0 bn./year vs. FY2025)

Excludes additional profit contributions
from increased equity stakes

Wholly Owned Subsidiary Conversion /Absorption Mergers of Strategic Companies

Nippon Steel Trading: Subsidiarization and delisting

Sanyo Special Steel: Transition to Wholly owned subsidiaries

NS Stainless Steel: Merger with Nippon Steel

Krosaki Harima: Transition to Wholly owned subsidiaries

NS Pipe: Business integration and reorganization

- Further optimization of production across the Group
- Synergy creation through integration and optimization of product-specific businesses
- Strengthening and optimization of human resources across the Group, and efficiency improvement in technology, product, and process development

- Enhancement of competitiveness, strengthening of procurement and purchasing capabilities, and improvement in productivity through integration of expertise and technological capabilities

Enhancing Organizational Resilience through Group Company Integration

NS Fine Tube:

Integration of NS Katakura Tube ,Tsurumi Steel Tube, and NS Pipe Fine Tube

Establishment of Taiyo Sakako:

Integrated Taiyo Shirring and Sakako

NS KOBELCO Shearing:

Integration of NS KOBELCO Shearing and Fuji Steel Center

NS Processing:

Integration of Matsubishi Metal Industry, NS Wire Rods Processing, and NS Wire

NS Blast Furnace Slag Cement :

Integration of NS Blast Furnace Slag Cement and NS Cement

"Nippon Steel" included in company name is abbreviated as "NS"

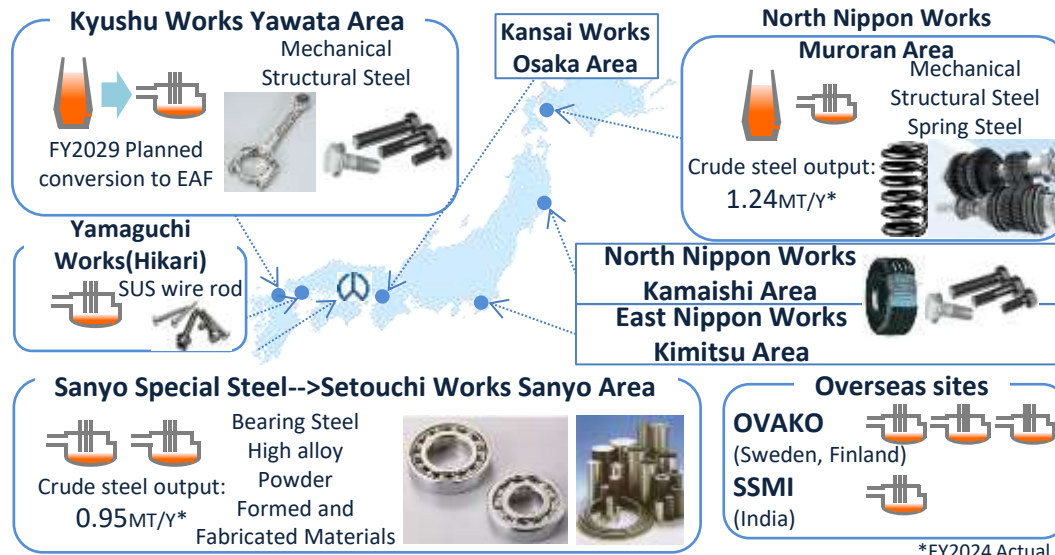
Integration with Sanyo Special Steel Co., Ltd. – Direct Management of the Entire Bars, Wire Rods and Specialty Steel Products Business to Strengthen Competitiveness (Announced on May 13, 2026)

Establishing a Dominant Global Presence in the Bars, Wire Rods and Specialty Steel Products Business through Maximizing Synergies

Swift and Steady Execution of Initiatives under the 2030 Mid- to Long-Term Plan

- ◆ Maximizing synergies through the integration of both companies' existing bars and wire rods businesses, including open-die forging and SUS/titanium products, under a new integrated organization and operating model
- ◆ Establishing a dominant position in Japan in the bars, wire rods and specialty steel segment, including expanding presence in growth sectors such as semiconductors, energy, and aerospace
- ◆ Enhancing the execution of global growth strategies through the integration of both companies' resources
- ◆ Relocation of specialty melting and open-die forging from Kansai Works(Osaka area) to Sanyo Special Steel
- ◆ Further volume expansion and cost reductions through deeper integration of sales, production, and R&D, and the unification of resources
- ◆ Enhanced inter-area collaboration within Setouchi Works

Nippon Steel Group's specialty steel bar and wire rod production sites



- **Integration timing: Apr. 1, 2027 (planned)**
- **Integration method: Absorption-type merger with Nippon Steel as the surviving company**

Cf. History of collaboration with Sanyo Special Steel
 Feb. 2006 Became an equity-method affiliate (15%)
 Mar. 2019 Became a consolidated subsidiary (53%)
 Apr. 2025 Became a wholly owned subsidiary (100%)
 Apr. 2027 (planned) Integration



**Integrated EAF-based
specialty steel bar and
wire rod production site**

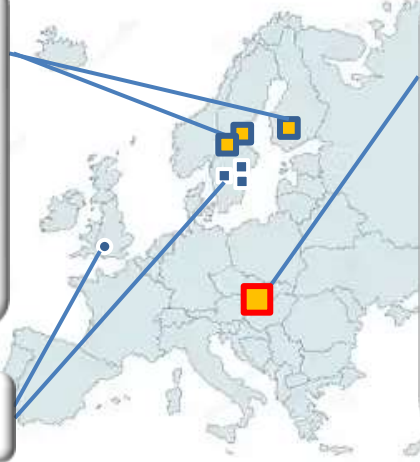
OVAKO

<Sweden / Finland>

Crude steel production capacity
1.0 MT/Y



Special steel bars and wire
(bearing steel)



U.S.S. U. S. Steel Košice



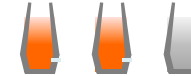
**Integrated BF-based flat steel
production site**

U. S. Steel Košice (USSK)

<Slovakia>

(The Largest steelmaker in Central and Eastern Europe)

Crude steel production capacity **4.5** MT/Y



Product Portfolio: Hot-rolled sheets, cold-rolled sheets,
tinplate, galvanized steel, non-oriented electrical steel
sheet, etc.

Main Customers: Automotive, electrical, container, energy,
and construction sectors

Regions with expected demand growth

Business opportunities in the European market

- The world's third-largest steel demand region*¹
- Protection of regional industries through tariffs, safeguard measures, CBAM, and other policies.--> A market with a high level of regional self-sufficiency
- In Central and Eastern Europe, USSK's main markets*², steel demand is expected to increase in the medium to long term due to factors such as the relocation of customer bases to the eastern regions

Areas where we can leverage our technological and product strengths

Ovako

- World-class technology for high-grade special steel bar and wire
- Leading the way in carbon-neutral steel production

USSK

- Diverse portfolio of sheet products
- Competitive labor costs and Sound facility conditions, etc.

Alignment
with our
overseas
business
strategy

Capture regional demand and drive profit growth through maximizing synergies with Nippon Steel and advancing product types sophistication

*1: Europe = EU27 + U.K.

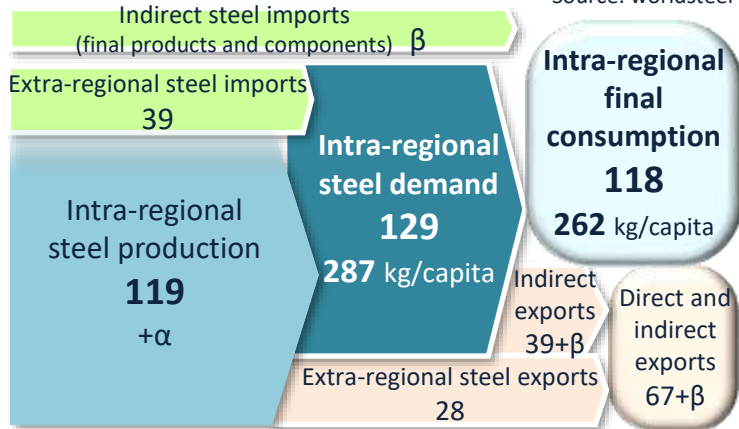
*2: Six key countries: Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Romania, and Austria



A market with strong demand for high-grade steel, where our technological strengths can be effectively leveraged
 A market protected by tariffs, safeguard measures, and CBAM, etc.

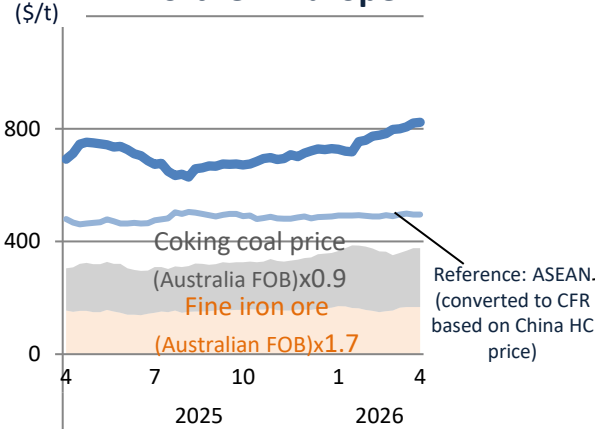
EU steel supply-demand structure (2023)

Source: worldsteel

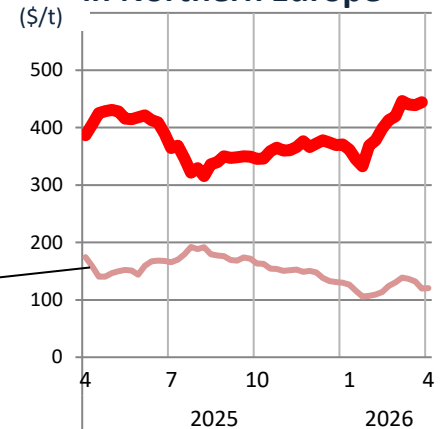


Intra-regional steel trade: approx. 90 mt/year

HC spot price in Northern Europe

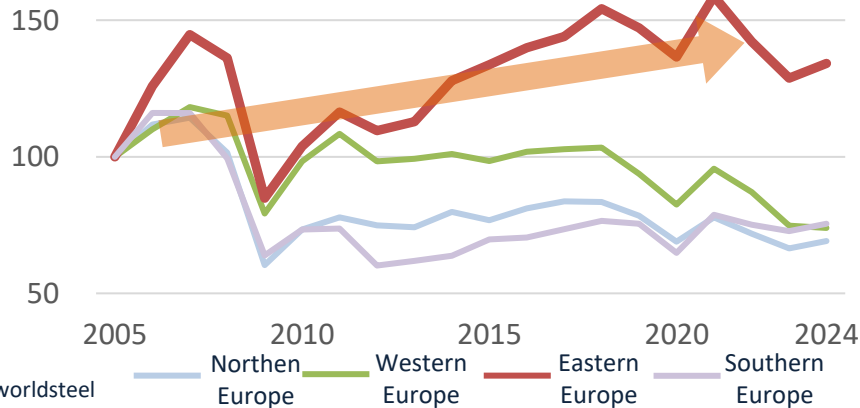


Main raw materials margin in Northern Europe



The share of steel demand is shifting toward Eastern Europe, USSK's core market

Per-capita steel consumption (2005 = 100)



Real GDP growth rate

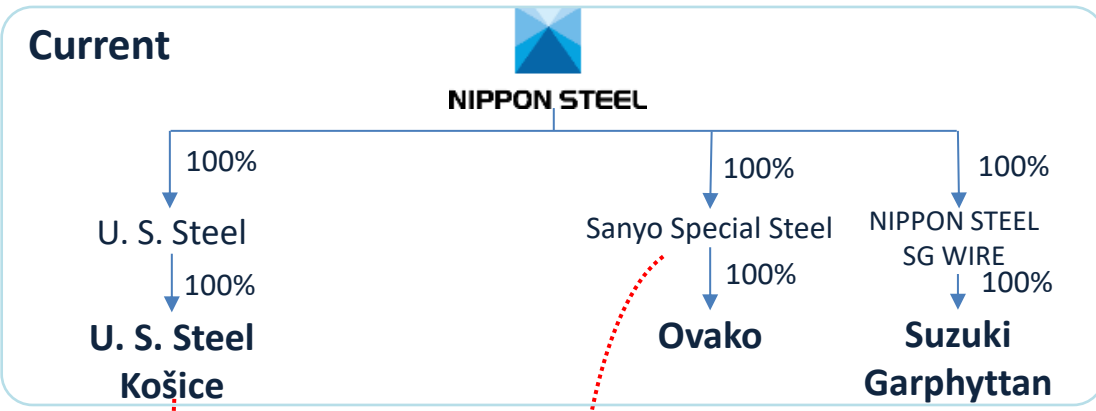
Source: IMF

| CAGR(%) | 2001-2010 | 2011-2020 | 2021-2025 | 2026-2030(f) |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|
| Germany | 0.9 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 1.0 |
| France | 1.3 | 0.4 | 2.6 | 1.0 |
| Italy | 0.3 | -0.9 | 3.1 | 0.7 |
| Spain | 2.1 | 0.0 | 4.3 | 1.8 |
| Poland | 3.8 | 3.2 | 3.8 | 2.7 |
| Czech Republic | 3.1 | 1.7 | 2.1 | 2.0 |
| Hungary | 2.1 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.2 |
| Slovakia | 5.0 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 1.9 |



(Announced on May 13, 2026)

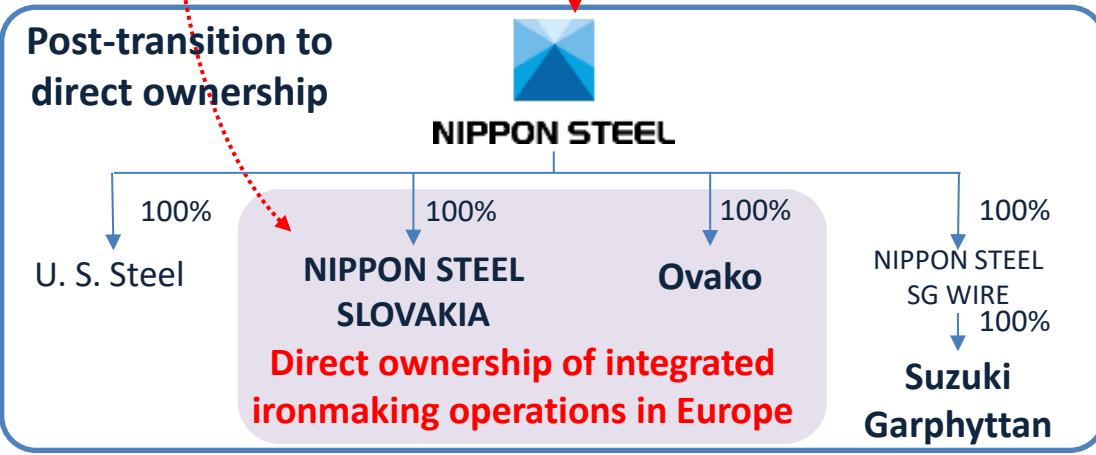
Transition to a direct ownership of integrated ironmaking operations in Europe Strengthening the management and operational structure of our Group in the region



Oct. 1, 2026 (planned)
Transition to a direct ownership structure
Renamed to **NIPPON STEEL SLOVAKIA (NSSK)**

Apr. 1, 2027 (planned)
Integration with Sanyo Special Steel

Strengthening the regional management foundation
Faster decision-making
Leveraging Group management resources



Aiming to develop our European business through the formulation and execution of a growth strategy from a long-term perspective, including maximizing synergies with Nippon Steel, upgrading product mix, and strengthening products and distribution channels

Agenda

1. FY2025 Earnings Summary and Review
of 2025 Medium- to Long-term Management Plan
2. FY2026 Earnings Forecast
3. FY2026 Initiatives (Progress Toward the 2030 Midterm Plan)
 - Domestic Business (Steel Business / Three Non-Steel Segments)
 - Overseas Business (Steel Business / Raw Material Business)
 - Group Management Strengthening
4. Carbon Neutral Vision 2050

Steady efforts to develop and implement innovative technologies and to promote and standardize GX steel

Technology development

Development planning and testing

GI Fund Eligible Project

Hydrogen Reduction in Blast Furnaces : CO2 emission reduction at pilot-scale blast furnace

(Dec. 2024 ▽ 43%→Mar. 2026 ▽ 45%)

Production of Direct Reduced Iron Using Hydrogen :

Commissioning of the Test Reduction Furnace (Mar. 2026), 72-Hour Continuous Hydrogen Reduction Operation Achieved

Predictability of investment recovery

Implementation

EAF conversion

Kyushu Works Yawata Area: Preparatory infrastructure works completed; construction commenced(April 2026)

Setouchi Works Hirohata Area/Yamaguchi Works Shunan Area : Progressing as planned

Creation of economic value from the environmental value (CO₂ reduction)

Additional CEV subsidy* measures for vehicles using GX Steel: Continued application for FY2026(April 2026)

Utilization of GX Steel in public works (incl. local governments)

In the FY2026 National Resilience Annual Plan (draft, April 2026), it was indicated that:

- the policy direction will be clarified through the “MLIT Decarbonization Action Plan for Civil Engineering Works,” and
- active dissemination of pilot projects (from FY2026 onward) will be promoted.

Institutional Standardization

Institutional Standardization

Japan Iron and Steel Federation (JISF) compiled the GX Steel Guideline etc. (Oct. 2025)

Worldsteel Guidelines ver. 1.2 issued(Feb. 2026)

Engaged in efforts to contribute to global standard (ISO/GHG Protocol/SBTi etc.)

Infrastructure

Infrastructure

Hydrogen and ammonia:

Working in collaboration with governments, local governments, and hydrogen supply companies

CCS: In the metropolitan area CCS pipeline project, engineering work

and storage potential assessments are being carried out in advance,

and METI has approved exploratory drilling offshore Kujukuri, Chiba.(Apr. 2026)

Implementa
-tion



EAF Conversion

(High-grade steel production
in large-scale EAF)

EAF Conversion Construction Commencement at Kyushu Works, Yawata Area

(Announced on April 15th,2026)

- Preliminary infrastructure development works have been completed, construction commenced following the groundbreaking ceremony on April 15
- Operations are scheduled to commence in the second half of FY2029



GX Steel

GX steel Adoption Driven by Government Early Demand Creation Initiatives

- Additional CEV subsidy* measures for vehicles using GX Steel Ongoing initiatives in Utilization of GX Steel in public works (incl. local government)
The draft National Resilience Annual Plan 2026 indicates that, with a view to the full-scale implementation in public works projects from FY2030 onward, the government will clarify its policy direction for consideration through the MLIT “Decarbonization Action Plan for Civil Engineering Works”, and will proactively disseminate information on trial projects (from FY2026 onward) and their details.
- OKAMURA CORPORATION’s steel furniture* using Nippon Steel’s GX Steel “NSCarbolex® Neutral” were first adopted by the national government (Ministry of the Environment) (Announced on March 27th,2026)

*OKAMURA allocates the environmental value of NSCarbolex® Neutral to selected products within the company using a mass balance approach based on ISO 22095, and markets them as steel furniture made with 100% GX steel (first initiative in the steel furniture industry).

GX Briefing Session and Site Tour

(March-April, 2026)

- GX briefing sessions were held (for domestic audience: March 25, for overseas audience: May 14)
- GX site tour (Kyushu Works, Yahata Area) conducted on April 15

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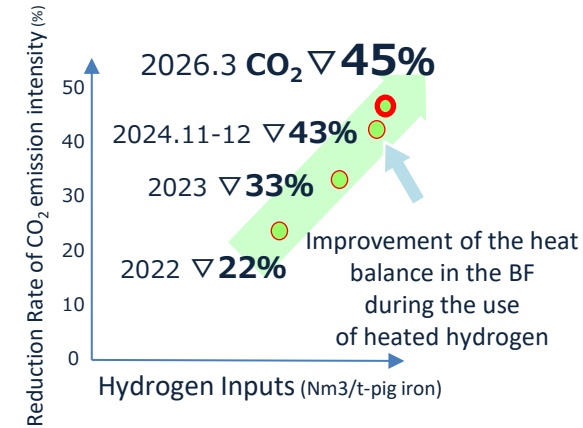


Hydrogen Reduction
in Blast Furnaces

**45% Reduction
in CO₂ Emissions
At East Japan Works,
Kimitsu Area, Pilot-scale BF**

(March 2026)

- In March 2026, confirmed a 45% reduction in CO₂ emissions through hydrogen reduction tests (Super COURSE50) at the Kimitsu pilot-scale BF
- Accelerate development for commercialization into life-size BFs to to achieve target of over 50% CO₂ reduction, including scaling-up initiatives.



Technology
Development



Production of
Direct Reduced Iron
Using Hydrogen

**Start of Operation of
Pilot-scale Shaft
Furnace
Hasaki R&D Center**

(March 2026)

- Completion of construction of the pilot-scale shaft furnace; start of operation in March 2026 Integrated evaluation under a process flow and equipment configuration equivalent to life-size BF (reduction-cooling-briquetting)
- Conducted tests to produce reduced iron from iron ore using hydrogen Achieved 72-hour continuous hydrogen reduction operation
- Pursuing optimal operating conditions going forward



Pilot-scale shaft furnace

- Production Capacity: 1t/h
- Width approx. 80m×200m
- Height approx. 60m
- Cf. commercial plant: approx. 100-150m

**Direct Reduced Iron produced through
hydrogen reduction
at the Hasaki pilot-scale shaft furnace**





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