

Chikaranomoto Holdings Co., Ltd.

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Q2 FY2018-19 Financial Results Briefing

(Supplementary Explanation Material for Financial Results 2nd Quarter of Fiscal Year Ending 31 March, 2019)

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Consolidated P&L



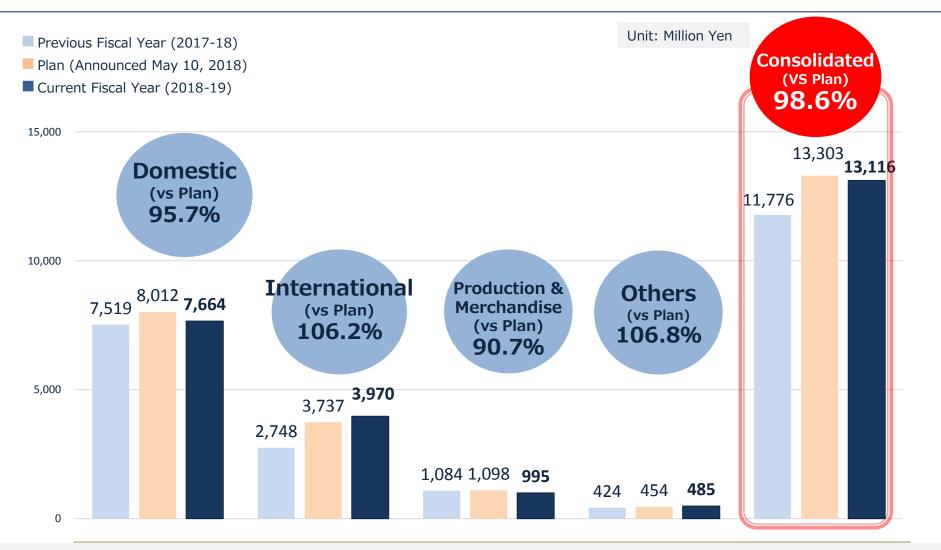
Unit: Million Yen

	Current FY Q2 Result	Current FY Q2 Plan (May 10)	Previous FY Q2 Result	Vs Plan (May 10)	Vs Previous FY
Revenue	13,116	13,303	11,776	-1.4%	+11.4%
Gross Margin	9,437	-	8,385	-	+12.5%
SG&A Expenses	9,044	-	8,019	-	+12.8%
Operating Income	393	438	366	-10.2%	+7.4%
Ordinary Income	410	421	409	-2.6%	+0.2%
Pre-Tax Income	399	-	413	-	-3.4%
Profit Attributable to the Company	384	361	362	+6.3%	+6.0%

Despite the shortfall against the plan, revenue and income both improved compared to the previous year

Revenue by Segment





Domestic slightly below plan, whereas International exceeds.
Consolidated results roughly in line with the plan.
Revenue increase from the previous year by more than 10%.

Financial Highlights for FY2018-19 Q2 (Revenue)

Domestic Operations

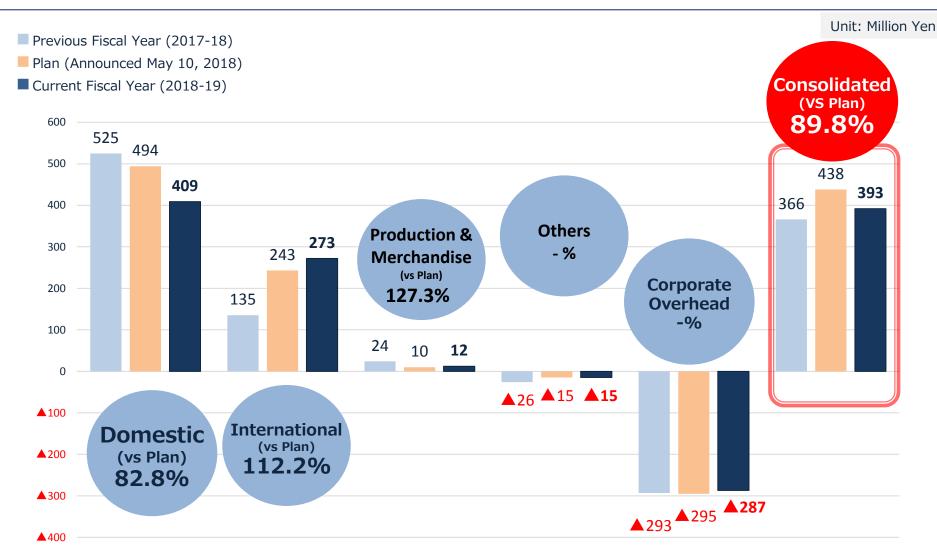
- New stores opened on schedule
- Strengthening of store-level labor and renovation during Q1 and Q2 to increase the number of seats had positive effect on the existing store sales
- The 33rd anniversary in October to trigger improved store visits at existing stores, and to re-enforce store performance

International Operations

- All areas showing signs of solid growth especially for existing stores
- Some delays on new store openings in company-owned territories but expected to recover in Q3 and Q4
- Licensed areas opening more stores than planned

Income by Segment





Despite significant increase from International segment, consolidated income fell slightly short (90%)

Financial Highlights for FY2018-19 Q2 (Income by Segment)



Domestic Operations

- Closure of non-performing stores and re-planning of new stores.
 Impairment charges booked (total 8 stores during Q1+Q2)
- Store margin improving helped by staff retention rate and store level operation
- Continuing logistics restructuring

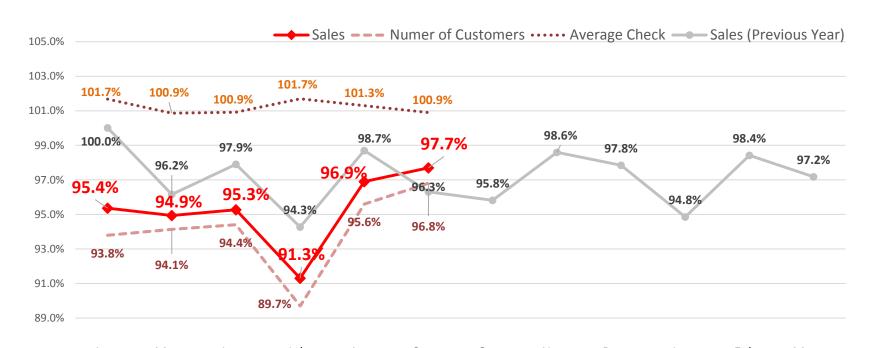
International Operations

- Delayed opening of 3 stores in the West Coast of the USA, led to loss of revenue and pre-opening expenses of roughly JPY100 million. This was off-set by improved profitability in other areas
- Growth rate of 101.9% compared to the previous year, maintaining high rate of growth.

<Domestic> Year-Over-Year of Existing Stores Compared to the Previous Fiscal Year



□ FY2018-19 Year-Over-Year of Sales/Number of Customers/Average Check

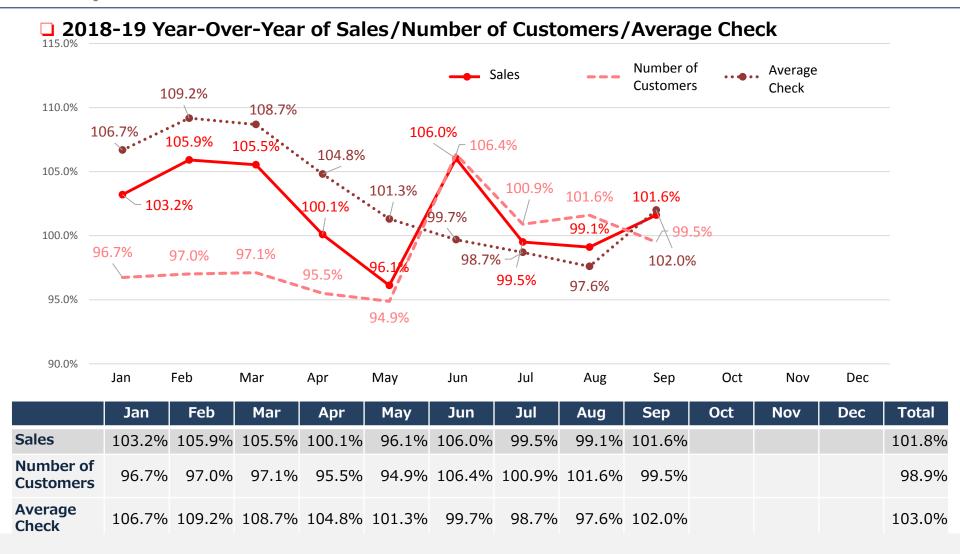


	Apr	iviay	Jun	Jui	Aug	Sep	Oct	NOV	Dec	Jan	reb	iviar	
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Sales	95.4%	94.9%	95.3%	91.3%	96.9%	97.7%							95.2%
Number of Customers	93.8%	94.1%	94.4%	89.7%	95.6%	96.8%							94.1%
Average Check	101.7%	100.9%	100.9%	101.7%	101.3%	100.9%							101.2%

Allotment, training of store staff, and increased number of seats resulted in improved customer count

<International> Year-Over-Year of Existing Stores Compared to the Previous Fiscal Year





All the regions are showing positive growth, and with new stores opening, became a driving force for group's overall performance.

Consolidated Balance Sheet



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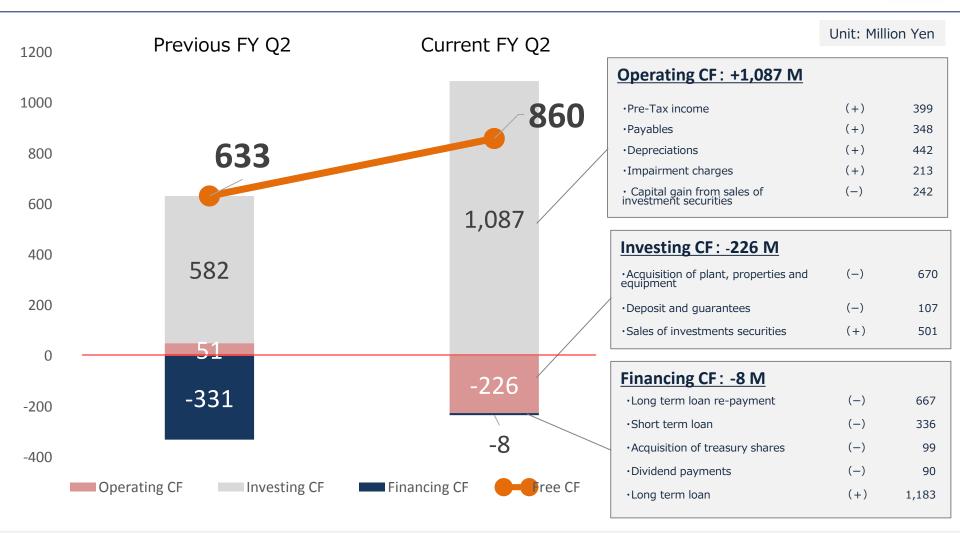
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		End of March 2018	End of September 2018	Unit: Million Yen GAP	AssetsCash & depositsLeas & guarantee
Cu	rrent Assets (cash and deposits)	4,981 (3,064)	5,787 (3,971)	+806 (+907)	deposits • Deferred tax assets
	Tangible Fixed Assets	7,016	7,051	+35	 Divesture of investment securities
	Intangible Fixed assets	155	207	+52	■Liabilities
	Investments & Others	3,147	2,886	-266	· Interest-bearing loans
No	on-Current Assets	10,319	10,146	-178	· Accounts payable
То	tal Assets	15,300	15,933	+632	 Asset retirement obligations
To	tal Liabilities	10,580	11,296	+716	■ Net Assets
	Equity	3,642	3,856	+214	· Retained earnings
	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	606	356	-249	Treasury shareValuation of securities
	Non-controlling interest	471	423	-47	 Dividends payment from retained earnings
То	tal Net Assets	4,720	4,637	-83	 Foreign-exchange adjustment
То	tal Liabilities and Net Assets	15,300	15,933	+632	· Minority Interest

Equity ratio 26.4% (End of FY2018 27.8%)

Consolidated Cash Flow





Compared to the previous year Free Cash Flow increased by 35.8%

Number of stores (Q2 results / Plan)



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FY 2018-19	FY 2018-19
new stores	Total planned
Up to Q2	new stores
11	22

International

FY 2018-19	FY 2018-19
New stores	Total planed
Up to Q2	new stores
13	33

Domestic stores opened as scheduled.
Despite delays in fully owned international areas, licensed stores exceeded the target.

Geography of Stores

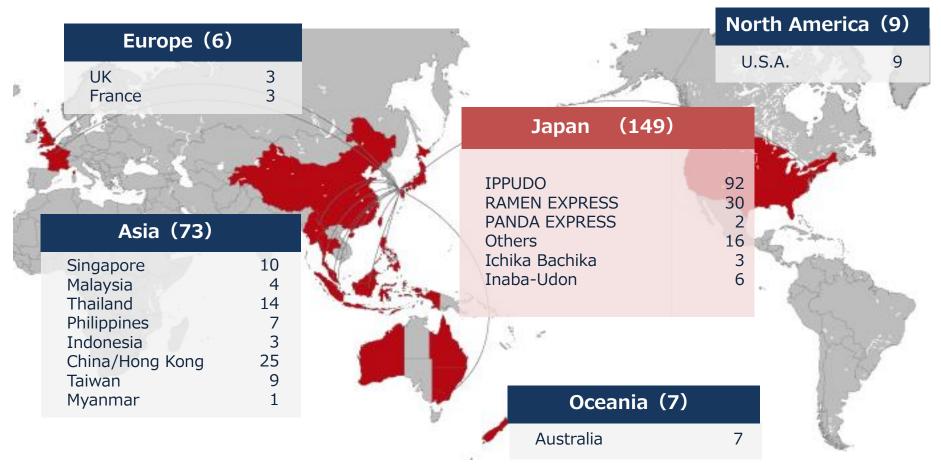


(as of Sept, 2018)

244 stores in 13 countries and regions

(+20 stores since end of previous FY)

Domestic 149, International 95







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New Store Openings



2018	July	August	Sept.
Domestic (4 Stores)	IPPUDO Narita International Airport Store IPPUDO Toyohashi Store		IPPUDO ekie Hiroshima Store RAMEN EXPRESS Hakata Ippudo LaLaport NAGOYA minato AQULS Store
	Gurney Plaza Store,	Central Rama IX Store,	Shenzhen SCP World
	Malaysia	Thailand	Plaza Store, China
Inter-	Vertis North Store,	Don Mueang Airport	Central World Store,
	Philippines	Store, Thailand	Thailand
national	Rockwell Store,	SHOWTIME Wenxin	
(9 Stores)	Philippines	Store, Taiwan	
		The Mall Bangkae Store, Thailand	

Mid-term dividends



	Declared dividends	Projected dividends (end of the fiscal year)	Total for the fiscal year
Record date	30 September, 2018	31 March, 2019	_
Dividend per share	4.00 yen	4.00 yen	8.00 yen
Total amount of dividend payments	93 million yen	_	_
Effective date	4 December 2018	_	_

Mid-term dividend of 4.00 yen per share, end-of-term dividend forecast of 4.00 yen per share. Dividend payout ratio of 28.00% (as per revised plan)

IPUUDO 33rd Anniversary, October 16





33 stores offered bowls of ramen free-of-charge. Internationally, many stores offered some form of gratitude towards our customers.

Re-focusing on IPPUDO



Change of representative director of Chikaranomoto Company, operating company of domestic IPPUDO stores (effective 1 January, 2019)

The representative director of Chikaranomoto Holdings, Shigemi Kawahara, the founder of IPPUDO, will be entitled to directly manage the operating company to achieve faster and more customer oriented decisions.

Cancellation of establishment of a joint venture company

Cancellation of forming of a joint venture with "Ore Company" which operates "Yamamoto no Hamburg restaurants"



Resolved focus on IPPUDO business





FY 2018-19 Revised Plan (Consolidated Profit and Loss)



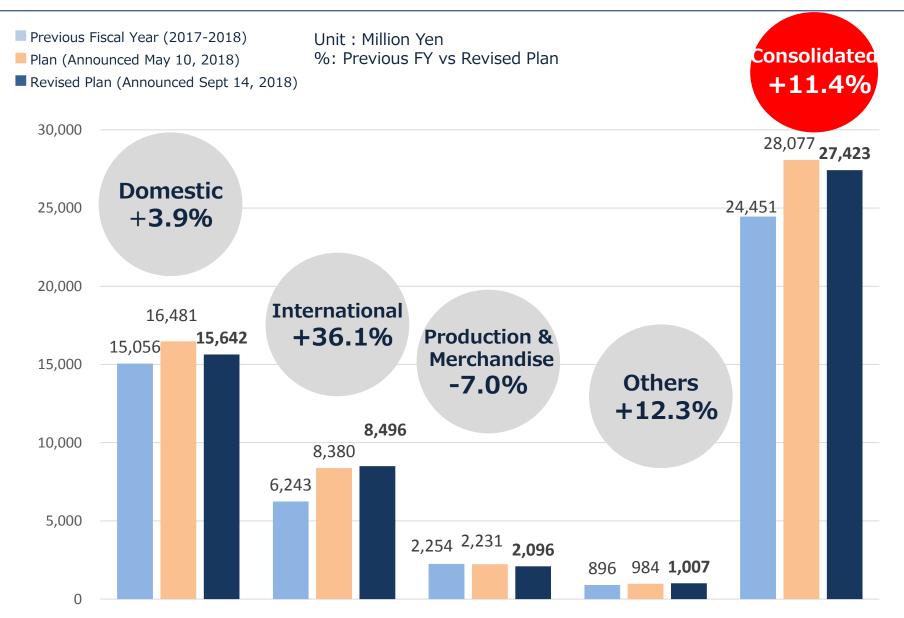
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	Current FY	Current FY		Revised Plan	
	Original Plan (May 10)	Revised Plan (Sept 14)	Previous FY Result	Vs Original Plan	Vs Previous FY
Revenue	28,077	27,243	24,451	-3.0%	+11.4%
Operating Income	1,150	1,012	905	-12.0%	+11.8%
Ordinary Income	1,100	985	872	-10.4%	+13.0%
Income attributable to the Company	740	668	634	-9.7%	+5.3%

Revised forecast for existing store sales from 100% to 97% (September 14, 2018)

FY2018-19 Plan (Revenue)





FY2019 Plan (Income by Segment)



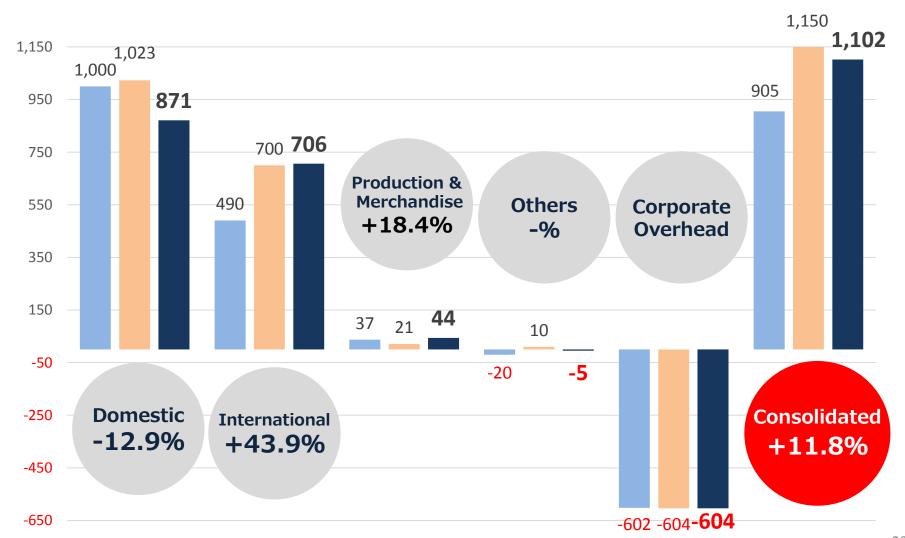
Previous Fiscal Year (2017-2018)

Plan (Announced May 10, 2018)

Unit: Million Yen

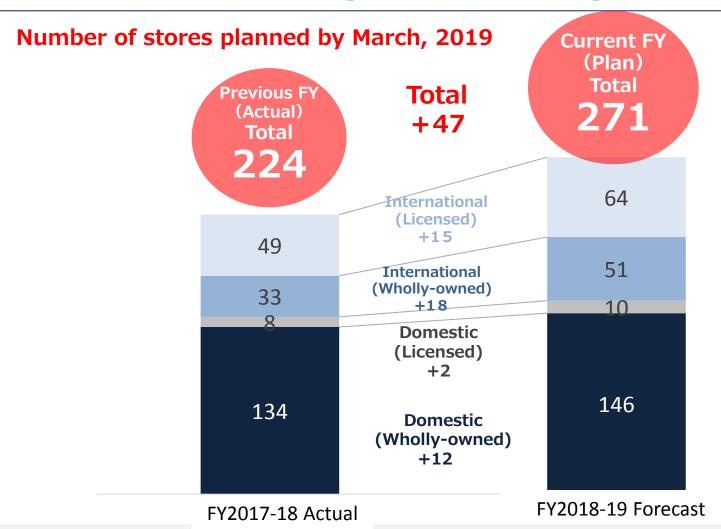
%: Previous FY vs Revised Plan

Revised Plan (Announced Sept 14, 2018)



FY2018-19 Plan (Store Count)





Net increase of 47 stores overall, 271 in total Japan: 14 net increase (22 new stores (21 owned, 1 licensed) 8 closure/transfer) International: 33 net increase (all new stores (18 owned, 15 license, no closures))





Corporate Vision and Philosophy



Vision

Keep Changing to Remain Unchanged



Founding philosophy

We aspire to be a group of people continuously creating new values. We will communicate those values to the whole world through Smile and Arigatou, the highest forms of human communication.

Corporate Profile



Chikaranomoto Holdings Co., Ltd. [Ticker #: 3561]

Address Qiz TENJIN 801B, 1-14-45, Daimyo, Chuo ward, Fukuoka city, Fukuoka, Japan

Date of **Establishment**

30th October, 1986

1,250,180,000 JPY (The number of issued shares : 23,476,400 shares) Capital Stock

Fiscal Term March

Number of Employee

70 (consolidation 611) XExcluding temporary employee

List of Directors

Representative Director, Chairman and President Shigemi Kawahara Managing Director and CFO Shinichi Kasuya Toshiyuki Kiyomiya Director Yoshiharu Harada Director Hidehiko Nishihama Director Katsushi Kaneko Director (Independent) Yasuyoshi Suzuki Director (Audit Committee) Director (Audit Committee, Independent) Tetsuya Tsuji Shinji Tanabe Director (Audit Committee, Independent)

Signature Products





Shiromaru Classic

Keeping in line with the founding recipe, the *Classic* soup is cooked for over 18 hours and a day of maturation, silky yet high in flavors and fragrance. Ultra-thin noodles, typical of Hakata, accentuates this IPPUDO product.



Akamaru Modern

A modern take on the *Classic, Akamaru* adds a slightly spicy *Miso* paste and fragrant oil, to give the senses a gentle kick. Slightly thicker noodles match perfectly with a bowl full of flavors.

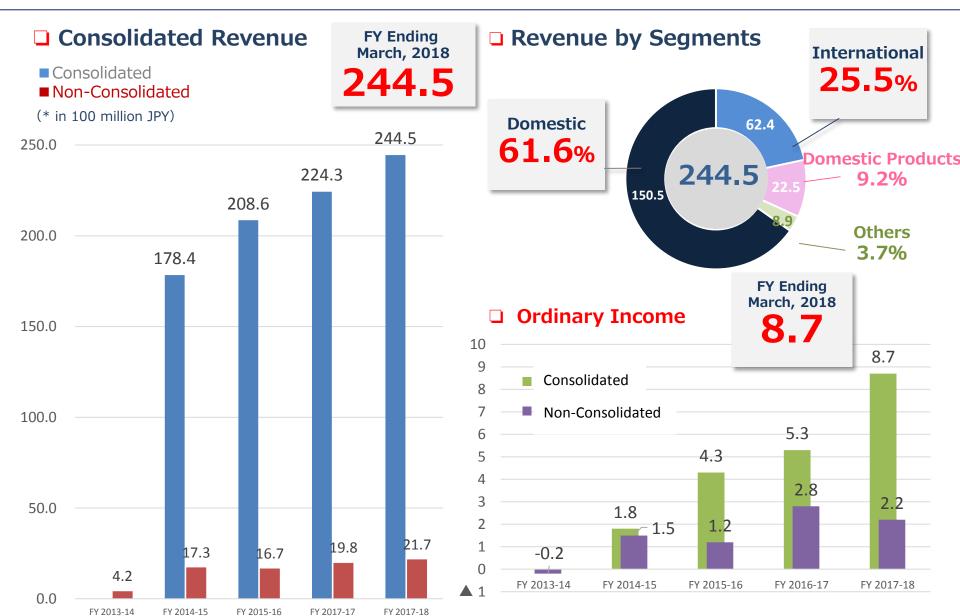


Karaka

Based on the same silky *Tonkotsu* soup, it comes with bold spices such as *Tobanjan*, *Tenmenjan* and *Sansho* peppers. Finished with *Rayu* spicy oil, this one is not for the fainthearted.

Historical Performance





YEAR 2025



【Our vision】

Keep Changing to Remain Unchanged

[Our mission]

Japanese Wonder To The World

Domestic 300 stores **International** 300 stores



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