

### Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2023

## **Financial Results**

May 15, 2023

**UT Group Co., Ltd.** 

Securities Code: 2146 (TSE Prime Market)

Japan's Labor Market and Goals for UT Group

### **UT** group's Mission, Vision and Values



## **UT Group's growth = The sum of vigorous work of its people**



**Diversity** 

According to their own values and life stages,

**Market value** 

develop their skills and careers, and

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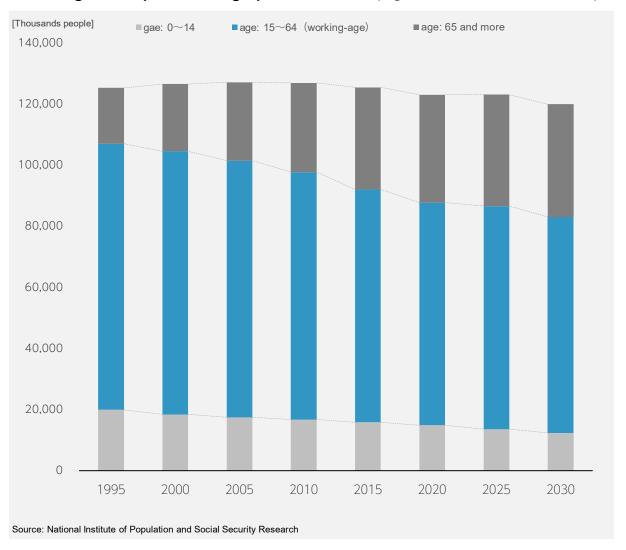
**Engagement** 

keep engaged and empowered on platform of UT Group



### Decrease in working-age population due to declining birthrate and aging population

#### ■ Changes in Japan's demographics structure (Figures after 2025 are estimates)



## "2030 problem"

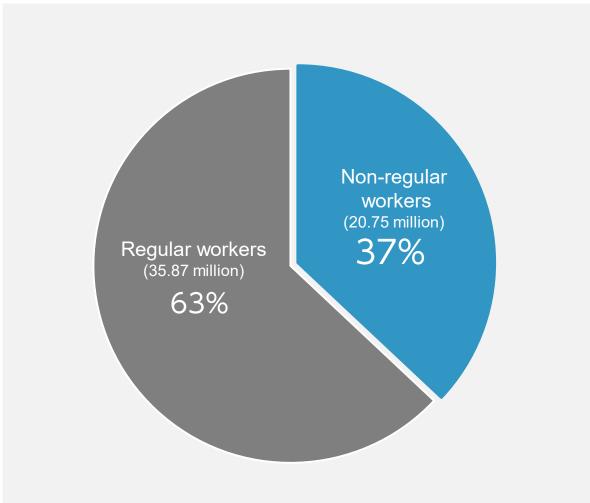
- Elderly to represent 1/3 of Japan's population
- Decrease in working-age population
- Labor shortage of 6.44 million people to the overall labor demand for 70.73 million\* (estimate)

## Worsening labor shortage

Source: "Labour Market Future Estimates 2030" (Persol Research Institute and Chuo University)

## Non-regular workers = 40% of all workers

Regular and non-regular workers in the workforce (excluding executives)



# "Inequality problem for non-regular workers"

- Low level in wages, etc.
- No personnel support system and weak evaluation system
- Few opportunities for education and training
- No foundation for consistent support to their development and career

Hindrance to the diversification of workstyles

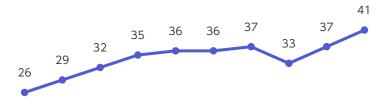
Source: "2022 Version of the Labor Economy Analysis" (Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare)

Note: Non-regular workers: Part-time workers, temporary workers, dispatched/contract/commissioned employees of worker dispatch companies, etc.

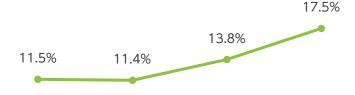
## Outlook for Japan's worker dispatch market



## Expansion of the manufacturing dispatch market







Ten thousand

2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022

### The number of dispatch workers in the workplaces of production process

Source: "The Basic Aggregation of the Labor Force Survey in FY2022" (Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare)

- The use of dispatch workers will be expanded by replacing regular employees and contract employees.
- The use of dispatch workers will also increase in the automotive industry, due to the transformation of the industry structure, driven by the shift to electric vehicles.
- More diversified workstyles will enable more people to choose dispatch work as a workstyle

### 2018 2019 2020 2021 Market share of the 4 major dispatch companies

Source: Calculated by the Company using the following Denominator: The Present Status and Outlook of Human Resource Business 2022" (Yano Research Institute) Numerator: The financial results of four major listed manufacturing dispatch companies.

- Small local dispatch companies face difficulties in hiring, compliance with the Worker Dispatching Act, and business succession.
- There will be more consolidation to major dispatch companies that excel in hiring capabilities and career development support.

#### Service quality improvement

## The labor market in favor of job applicants due to labor shortage

- I couldn't find a company that hires me as a full-time employee.
- 2 I can work at a time that suits me.
- 3 I can make use of my professional qualifications and skills.
- 4 I want to work in a higher paying job.
- 5 The commuting time can be shorter.

#### Why choose to work as a dispatch worker

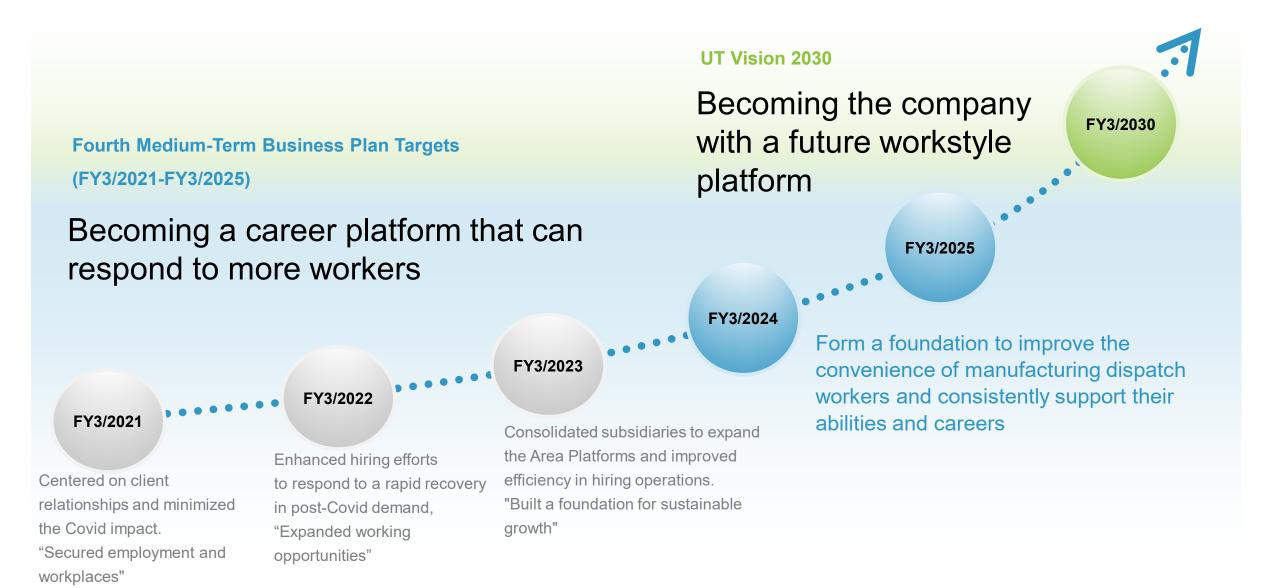
Source: "Summary of the Comprehensive Survey on the Diversification of Employment Formats in 2019" (Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare)

- Dispatch workers will ask for a higher level of convenience to satisfy their diversifying values.
- There is a need for services and career development tailored to each dispatch worker as the use of dispatch workers progresses.

## Pursuit of service quality from the perspective of workers

UT offers career paths and educ. UT's career platform enables its people to Raise establish their own workstyle and career your expertise Leave UT Group Flexibly join or leave Join UT Work Group Become proficient in one job Find a job you want and can start **UT's Career Partner assists you** working right after you apply

## UT Group's platform that supports diversity of workstyle

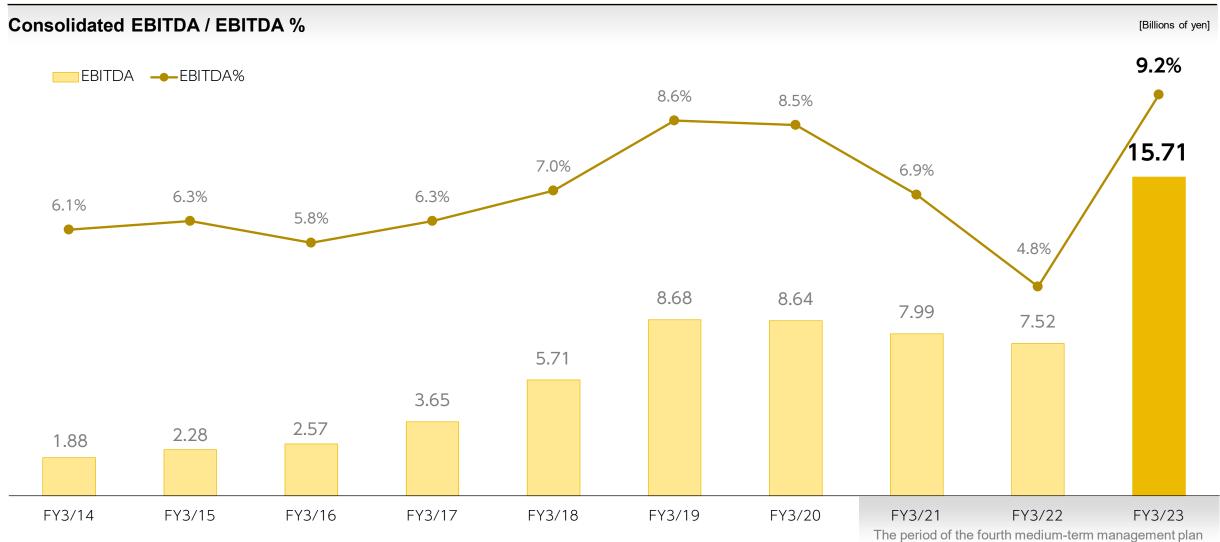


## FY3/2023 Financial Highlights and Outlook



#### FY3/2023 Financial Highlights and Outlook

## ¥15 billion EBITDA, a year ahead of the Med-term Business Plan and more than doubling profits in FY3/2022



Note: EBITDA figures for the fiscal years ended March 31, 2021 and 2022 have been retroactively revised and revised.

Note: EBITDA: Operating profit + depreciation (tangible + intangible assets) + amortization of goodwill + stock compensation expenses

## Built a foundation for medium- to long-term sustainable growth

Sales

¥170.6 billion

+¥13.8bln, up 8.8% y-o-y

#### New record-high sales and

14<sup>th</sup> consecutive years of sales growth since the global financial crisis

- Manufacturing Business: Up 8.0% y-o-y due to a focus on clients with strong demand, despite some softening semiconductor-related demand (in 2H)
- Area Business: Up 14.8% y-o-y due to the development of new locally-based projects

**Gross profit margin** 

19.4%

+1.7pt from 17.7% in FY3/2022

Significant margin increase in the Manufacturing Business

- Deepened business with clients with strong demand in the Manufacturing Business and flexibly allocated resources
- Increased billing unit prices and promoted career changes of operators to SME engineers
- Reduced hiring-related costs

SG&A expenses to sales

(ex. stock-based compensation expenses)

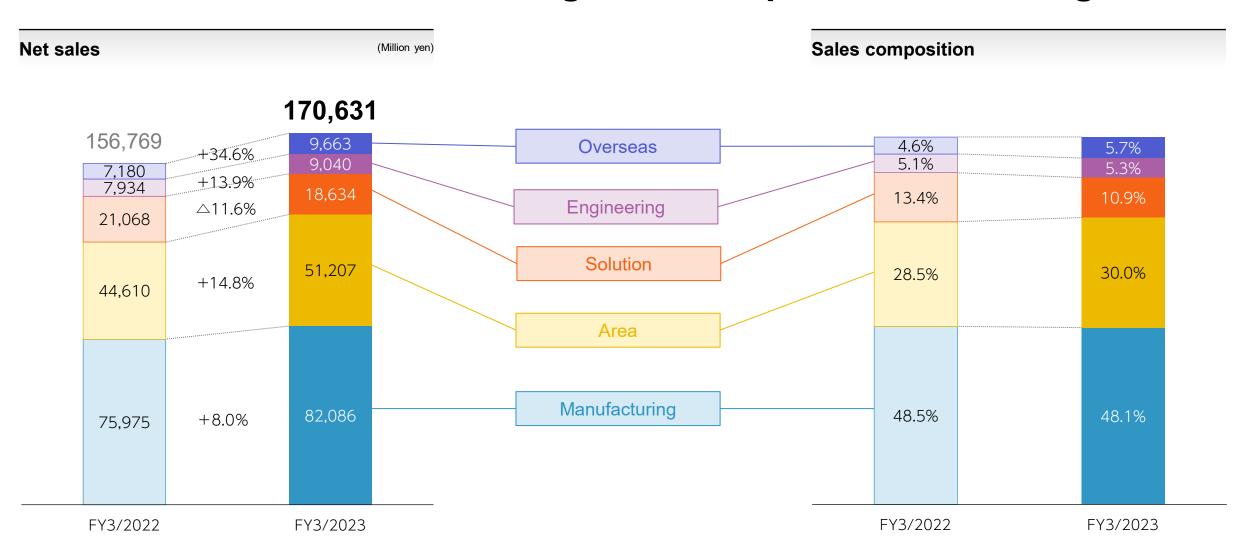
10.9%

2.8pt less than 13.7% in FY3/2022

Organizational restructuring and cost control in line with demand to curb the SG&A expense ratio

- Optimized personnel allocation through subsidiary consolidation and organizational restructuring and improved productivity through standardization and commonization of operations
- Improved the efficiency in hiring and the demand assessment for cost control

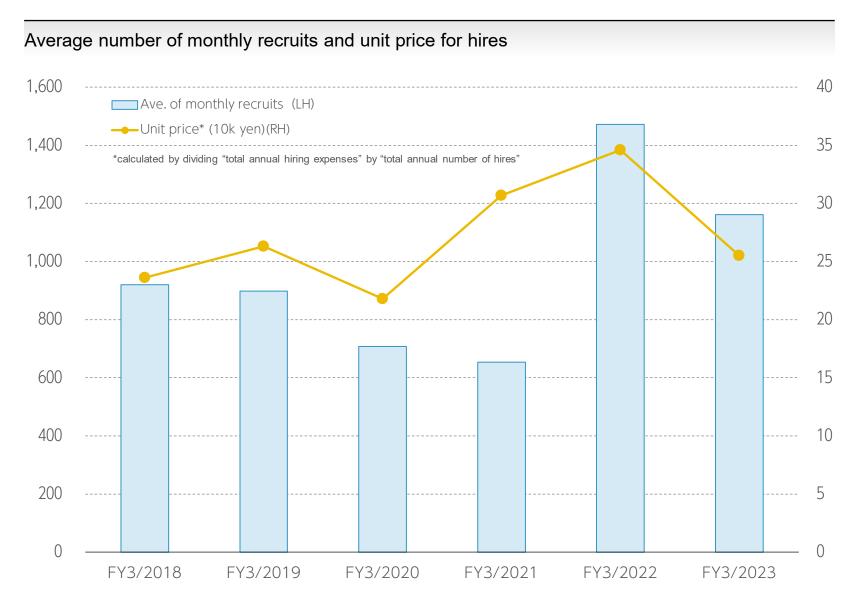
## Net sales increased in each segment except for Solution segment



(note)

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## Efficiently secure the number of hires



Keeping unit price under 300k yen

+

Ave. of monthly recruits 1,160

## Progress in the first three years of the 4th Med-term Business Plan

(FY3/2021 - FY3/2025)

Sales [0.1 Billion yen] **Technical employees (Japan)** 

SG&A expense to net sales ratio

Excluding the impact of stock compensation expenses for FY3/2023

Average hiring cost

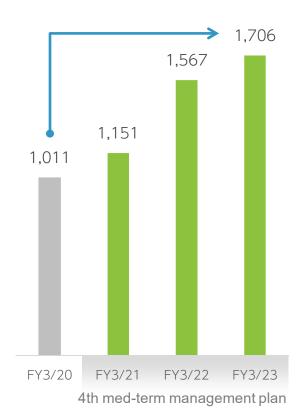
[10k Yen]

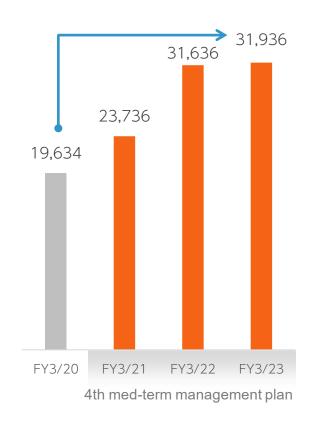
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+12,000

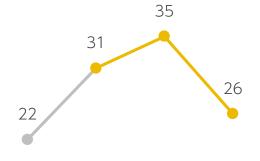
10% level

< ¥300k









FY3/20 FY3/21 FY3/22 FY3/23 4th med-term management plan FY3/20 FY3/21 FY3/22 FY3/23 4th med-term management plan

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## Key measures for the last two years of the 4th Med-term Business Plan (FY3/2021 - FY3/2025)

(2) Retention & growth of tech employees (1) Increase in the number of tech employees Improve cost efficiency in hiring Increase new hires Improve the retention rate and skills of employees Shorten and automate the process from application up to joining the company Diversify hiring channels Develop services to improve the convenience of job seekers and tech employees Enhance the function of owned media to improve the matching accuracy with the workplace Provide educational services and enhance support functions for members Strengthen production of SME engineers Increase and diversify the projects by strengthening sales SG&A expenses to sales Monthly hiring by UT Group Average salary of tech employees 10% level 2,000 new hires 20% increase\*

Targets: ¥25bln EBITDA and 50,000-60,000 tech employees

The target for FY3/2025 compared to FY3/2021

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## FY3/2024 Earnings Forecasts

#### Invest for the future while keeping an eye on demand trends

- O Started the year with the less-than-planned number of tech employees of 31,936
- Manufacturing Business: Control hiring expenses to match demand trends in 1H; and strengthen hiring activities in 2H
- O Area Business: The Business is less susceptible to economic impacts. Will continue to strengthen the development of new projects and expand the staffing
- O Invest in improving the convenience of job seekers and forming a foundation to support their skills and careers on an ongoing basis to achieve the ¥25. billion EBITDA target of the Medium-term Business Plan

[0.1 Rillion yen]

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	FY3/2023		Reference) FY3/2023 Excl. stock-based compensation expenses		FY3/2024		Change	Change %
	Results	% of net sales	Results	% of net sales	Forecasts	% of net sales	amount	
Net sales	1,706	100.0%	1,706	100.0%	2,000	100.0%	+294	+17.2%
EBITDA*	157	9.2%	157	9.2%	164	8.2%	+7	+4.4%
Operating profit	89	5.2%	144	8.5%	144	7.2%	+55	+61.5%
Ordinary profit	88	5.2%	143	8.4%	141	7.1%	+53	+59.6%
Net profit attributable to UT Group	38	2.2%	93	5.5%	90	4.5%	+52	+134.9%
EPS (yen)	94.92	_	232.72	-	222.98	_	+128.06	+134.9%
Ref) Diluted EPS (yen)	90.18	_	_	_	185.98	_	_	_

#### Outlook for the business environment

#### **Demand for semiconductors**

Expect a med-term growth in demand but the softening personnel demand up to 1H

#### **Automotive-related demand**

On the way to recovery but still some uncertainties

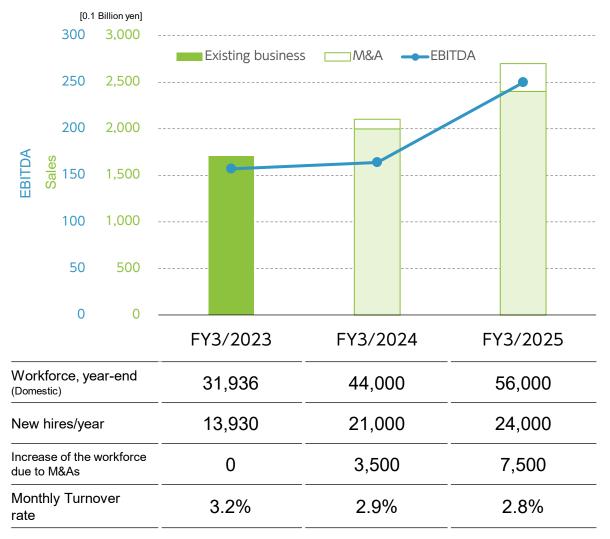
#### Local personnel demand

Upward trend in the job openings-toapplicants ratio in each area Ample room for growth

<sup>\*</sup> EBITDA = Operating profit + Depreciation (Property, plant and equipment, and Intangible assets) + Amortization + Stock-based compensation expenses

### Roadmap for the final two years of the Fourth Medium-term Business Plan

#### Numerical targets for the final two years of the Business Plan



#### Market outlook and UT's basic strategy

Gradual recovery in worker demand by major manufacturers from 2H FY3/2024

Regional worker demand remains firm

Expansion of the manufacturing dispatch market, and progress in consolidation into major dispatch companies



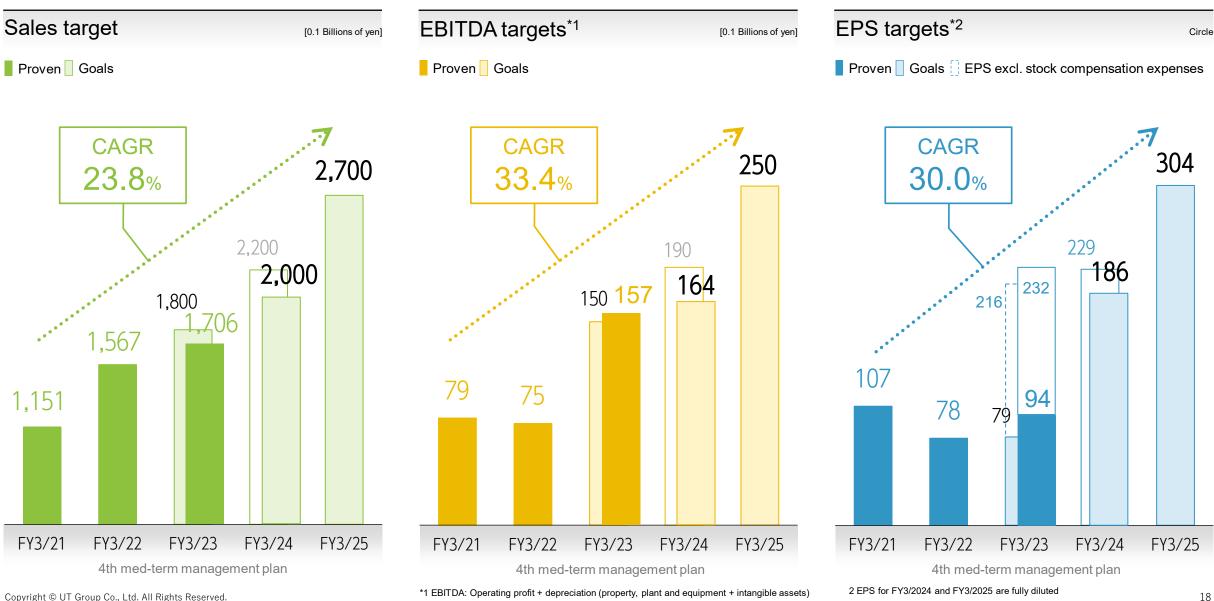
The labor market will be in favor of job seekers due to serious labor shortage



Convenient services to lock in job seekers

M&As to accelerate industry consolidation

### Targets for the final year of 4th Med-term Business Plan remain unchanged



## FY3/2023 Financial Results



## Close scrutiny of demand trend to flexibly respond to changes

Concerns over economic slowdown, driven by raw materials/energy price surges, increase in prices in general, depreciation of the yen, and supply constraint caused by global supply chain disruptions

Decline in consumption and production activities, and stagnant demand for additional workers



Industrial and Commercial Machinery Sector
Electronics Sector

Expect an increase in med-term demand due to increased production capacity. However, some clients suspended or postponed demand for additional workers

Transportation Equipment Sector

The impact of clients' production adjustments, caused by shortage of parts, had little impacts but did not result in strong demand for additional workers

Area Business: Demand trend

Worker demand in each area

The jobs-to-applicants ratio in each area is on an upward trend; UT's share of the areas is low, and there is ample room for growth

Continued to strengthen hiring and allocation to clients with stronger demand for workers from 2Q onwards

Strengthen marketing sales to expand area shares

Made close scrutiny of demand trend by clients and flexibly allocated resources to achieve sustainable growth

## **Summary of Statement of Income**

[million yen]

	FY3/2022		FY3/2023		Y-o-Y change		Ref.) FY3/2023 excl. stock-based compensation expenses	
	Results	% to net sales	Results	% to net sales	Amount	%	Results	% to net sales
Net sales	156,769	100.0%	170,631	100.0%	+13,862	+8.8%	170,631	100.0%
Gross profit	27,770	17.7%	33,101	19.4%	+5,331	+19.2%	33,101	19.4%
SG&A expenses	21,513	13.7%	24,186	14.2%	+2,673	+12.4%	18,624	10.9%
EBITDA	7,502	4.8%	15,714	9.2%	+8,211	+109.5%	15,714	9.2%
Operating profit	6,257	4.0%	8,914	5.2%	+2,657	+42.5%	14,476	8.5%
Ordinary profit	5,954	3.8%	8,834	5.2%	+2,879	+48.4%	14,396	8.4%
Net profit attributable to UT Group	3,140	2.0%	3,831	2.2%	+690	+22.0%	9,393	5.5%
EPS (yen)	77.81	_	94.92	_	+17.11	+22.0%	232.72	_
No. of Tech employees (Domestic)	31,636	_	31,936		+300	+0.9%	31,936	_
No. of Tech employees (Overseas)	13,750	_	13,594	_	-156	-1.1%	13,594	_

(note) EBITDA = Operating profit + Depreciation (Property, plant and equipment, and Intangible assets) + Amortization + Stock-based compensation expenses

### **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

[million yen]

	March 31, 2022		March 31, 2023		Change from the end of the previous FY	
	Results	% to total assets	Results	% to total assets	Amount	%
Current assets	49,748	77.6%	55,784	77.9%	+6,036	+12.1%
Cash and deposits	25,827	40.3%	31,969	44.6%	+6,142	+23.8%
Notes and accounts receivable – trade	21,445	33.5%	21,851	30.5%	+405	+1.9%
Non-current assets	14,359	22.4%	15,846	22.1%	+1,486	+10.4%
Property, plant and equipment	1,411	2.2%	1,309	1.8%	-102	-7.2%
Intangible assets	9,509	14.8%	10,804	15.1%	+1,295	+13.6%
Goodwill	5,731	8.9%	5,414	7.6%	-317	-5.5%
Investments and other assets	3,438	5.4%	3,731	5.2%	+293	+8.5%
Total assets	64,107	100.0%	71,630	100.0%	+7,523	+11.7%
Current liabilities	25,467	39.7%	27,903	39.0%	+2,436	+9.6%
Short-term borrowings and Current portion of long-term borrowings	3,884	6.1%	3,993	5.6%	+109	+2.8%
Non-current liabilities	17,408	27.2%	13,798	19.3%	-3,609	-20.7%
Long-term borrowings	15,990	24.9%	12,400	17.3%	-3,589	-22.4%
Net assets	21,232	33.1%	29,928	41.8%	+8,696	+41.0%
Shareholders' equity	19,592	30.6%	22,454	31.3%	+2,862	+14.6%
Share acquisition rights	600	0.9%	6,161	8.6%	+5,561	+926.0%
Total liabilities and net assets	64,107	100.0%	71,630	100.0%	+7,523	+11.7%
Gross debt/equity ratio	1.0	_	0.7	_		_

#### **Current assets**

Increase in cash and deposits

#### Non-current assets

 Increase in software along with the progress of an investment to system construction

#### **Current liabilities**

- · Decrease in deposits
- Increase in income taxes payable

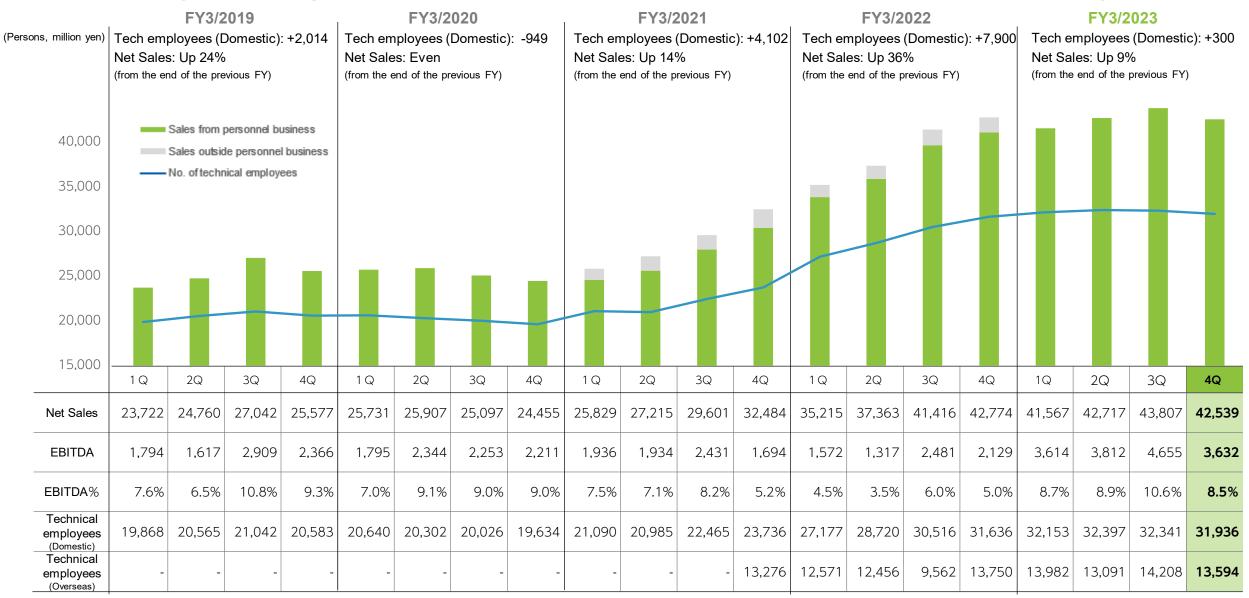
#### Non-current liabilities

· Decrease in long-term borrowings

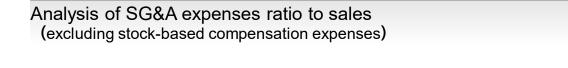
#### Net assets

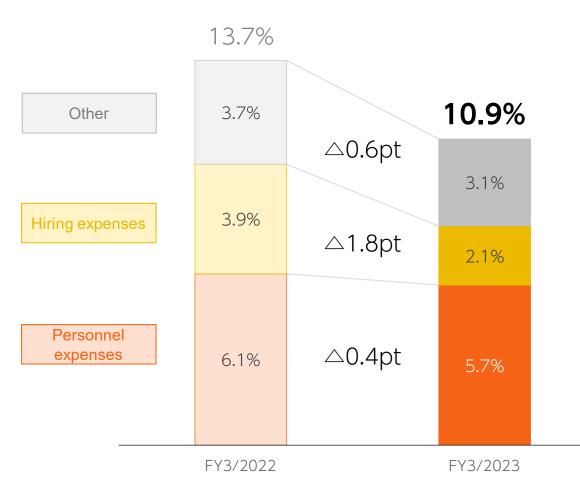
- Dividends paid from retained earnings
- Recognition of net profit attributable to owners of the parent
- Increase in share acquisition rights (¥5,561M)
- Equity ratio 31.8% (30.8% as of March 31, 2022)

## Quarterly Changes in Sales and Number of Technical Employees



## Raising the efficiency of SG&A expenses





# Curbing the SG&A ratio to sales by raising the SG&A efficiency

 $13.7\% \rightarrow 10.9\%$ 

#### Personnel expenses -0.4pt

- Optimizing staffing through reorganization within the Group (Apr. 2022)
- Improving labor productivity by standardizing and communizing administration and other tasks

#### Hiring expenses -1.8 pt

- · Consolidating the Group's database of job opportunities (Apr. 2022)
- Promoting optimal hiring operations
- Made close scrutiny of demand trend by clients and took a cautious stance in spending hiring expenses.

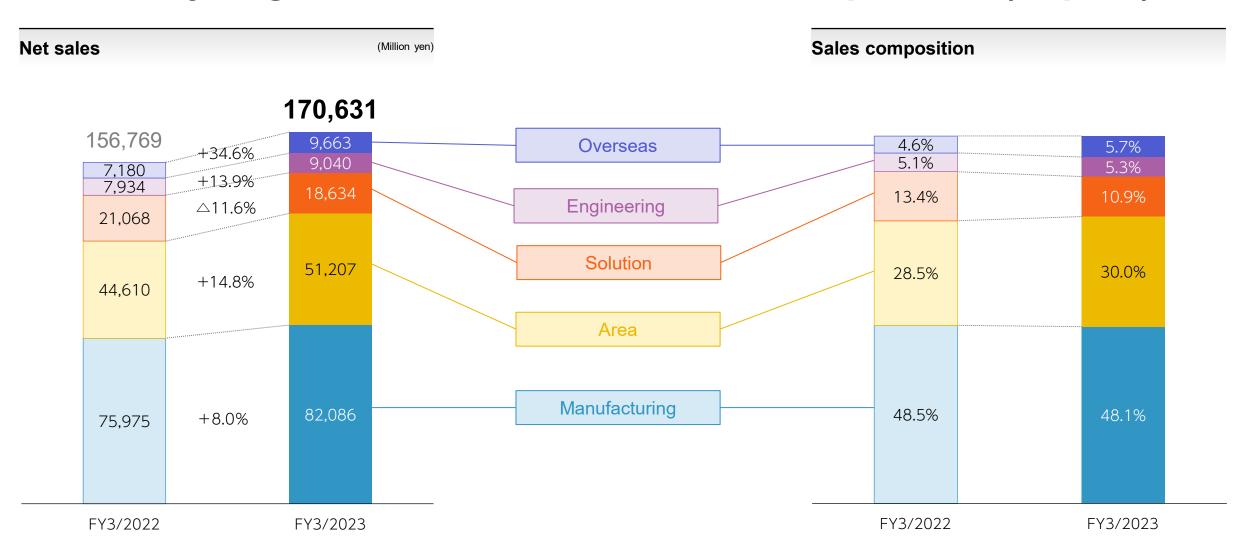
#### Other expenses -0.6pt

· Decreases of commission expenses and amortization of goodwill

## Results by segment



## Results by Segment: Net Sales and Sales Composition (Repost)



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FY3/2022

FY3/2023

## **Net Sales by Segment**



FY3/2022

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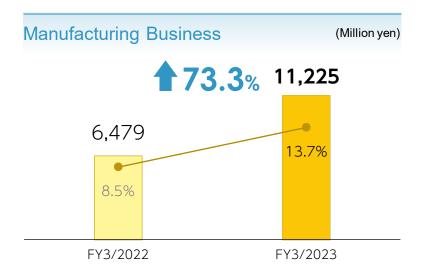
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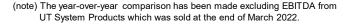
#### Results by segment

## **EBITDA** by Segment

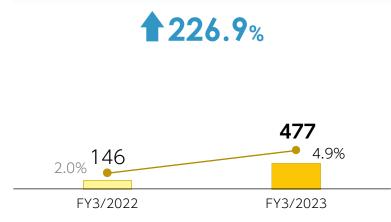












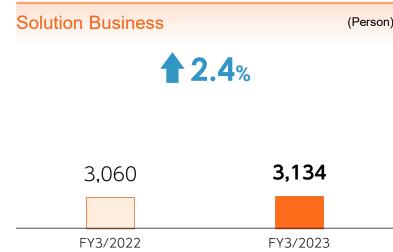
(Million yen)

**Overseas Business** 

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## **Technical employees by Segment**





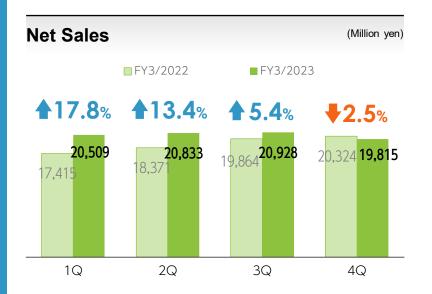




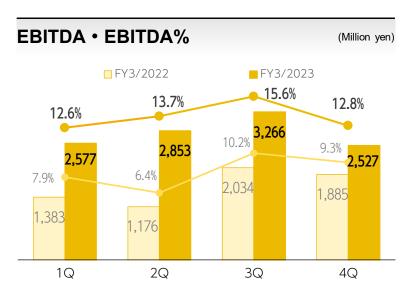
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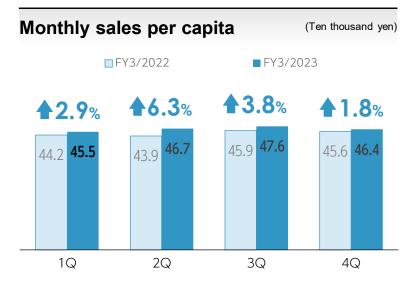
#### **Manufacturing Business**

## **Segment Results**









#### Sales and technical employees

- Focused on clients who had strong demand as demand for workers varied by client.
- Made close scrutiny of demand by client and took a cautious stance in hiring.
- Strong demand up to 4Q FY3/2022 in the "Transportation equipment" came to a halt.

#### **EBITDA**

- Improved gross margin due to reduction in hiring-related expenses (cost), such as cash gift for joining the company, and shift to projects with strong demand.
- Raised the efficiency of SG&A expenses by promoting optimal hiring operations

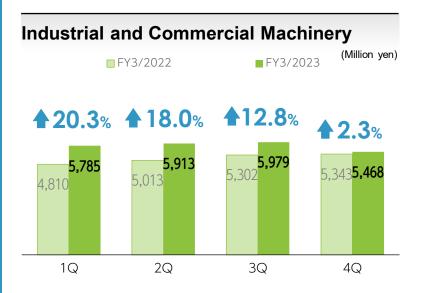
#### Monthly sales per person

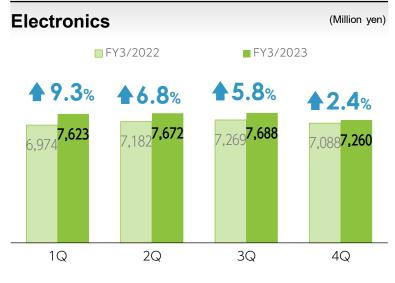
- Benefited from the enhanced sales activities aimed at increasing high-unit-price projects and raising contract unit prices in FY3/2022.
- Since 2Q, the impact of non-operation, such as the suspension of some automobile lines, has been gradually alleviated.

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#### **Manufacturing Business**

## **Net Sales by Subsegment**









# **17.6% 1.4% 28.3% 1.2.0% 238 280 251 354 271 347 277 338**

3Q

4Q

## Industrial and Commercial Machinery Electronics

 The trend to suspend or postpone to satisfy demand for additional workers expanded more in 4Q than in 3Q, mainly due to semiconductor inventory adjustments which began in the fall.

#### **Transportation Equipment**

 In 4Q FY3/2022, sales increased regardless of seasonality, thanks to strong demand for additional workers despite a decrease in operating hours. In FY3/2023, demand for additional workers was not strong throughout the year, and the sales remained at a certain level.

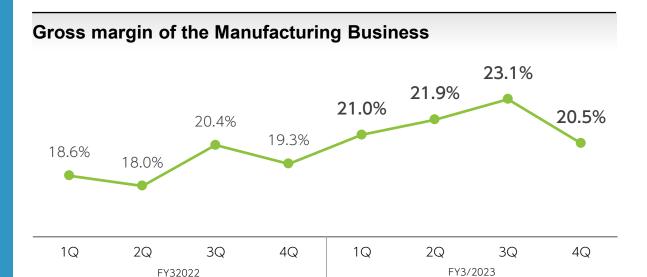
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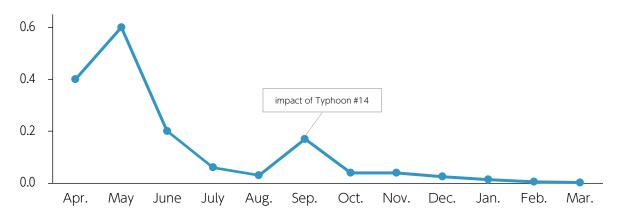
2Q

1Q

## Significant improvement in gross margin



## Impact of the absence of work caused by the automobile production cut, etc. (Loss of Gross Profit)



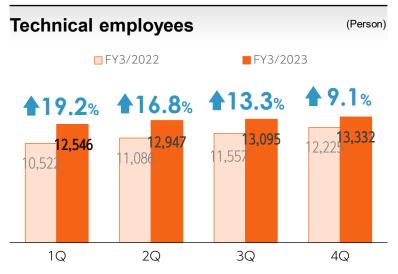
# Significant improvement in gross margin

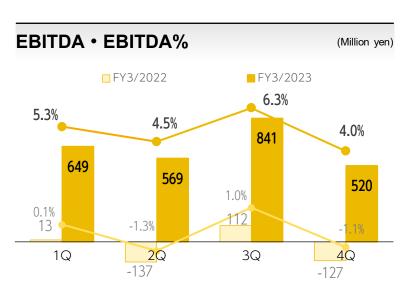
by concentrating on client companies which have strong demand for workers

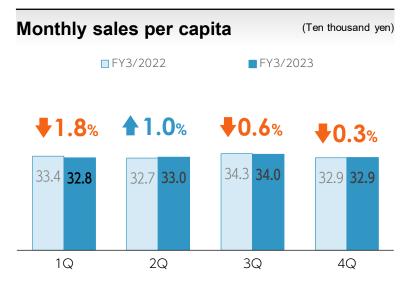
 $19.0\% \rightarrow 21.6\%$  (full year)

## **Segment Results**









#### Sales and technical employees

 The organizational restructuring and strengthening of the sales structure effective April 2022 led to an increase in the number of projects for dispatch workers. This resulted in an increase in the number of tech employees and sales.

#### **EBITDA**

- Some operating companies were affected by automakers' production cut but the enhanced sales activities resulted in an increase in sales and profit.
- The standardization of the business foundation associated with the organizational restructuring led to improve the efficiency in use of SG&A expenses, mainly personnel expenses.

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## Area Business and Manufacturing Business complement each other

■ Different demand by client

Number of dispatched workers per client **Manufacturing Business** Demand of major manufacturers for a large number of workers with high unit prices Long tail **Area Business** Community-based demand all over Japan Number of clients

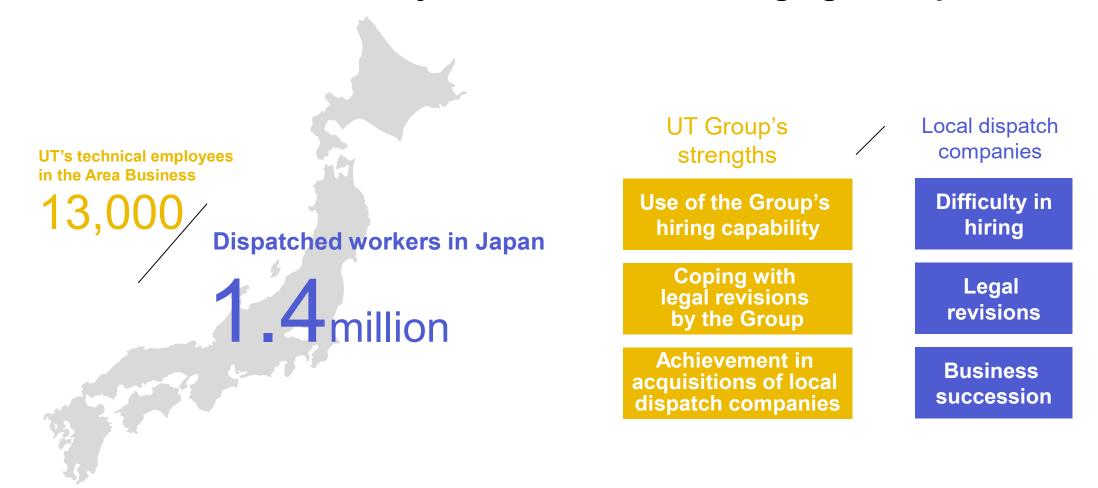
Ensure diversity in work types and expand in areas as a platform

■ Different intention for work by job seeker



Improve the accuracy in matching from the UT Group's base of over 10,000 applicants per month

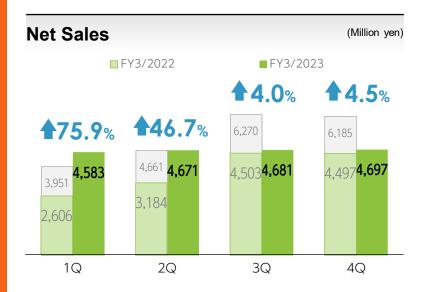
### Area Business creates diverse jobs nationwide; has high growth potential



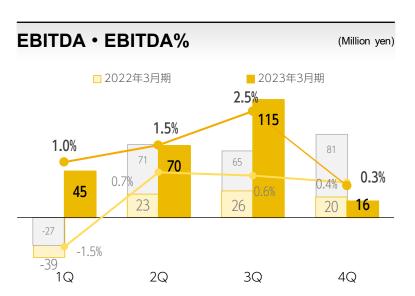
Using UT's strength, UT has ample room for share growth

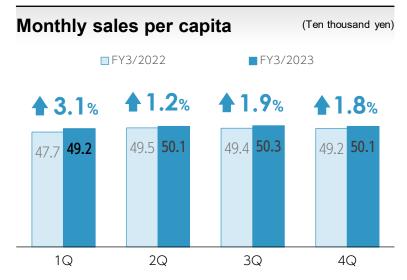
#### **Solution Business**

### **Segment Results**









#### Sales and technical employees

- Sales decreased due to the sale of UT System Products on March 31, 2022.
- The impact of consolidating UT FSAS Crea in October 2021 ended.

#### **EBITDA**

 EBITDA increased due to an increase in technical employees at the existing subsidiaries and increased operations at some dispatched worksites.

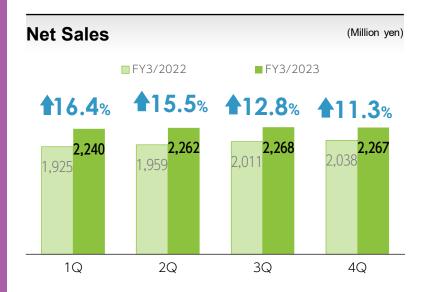
#### **TOPIC**

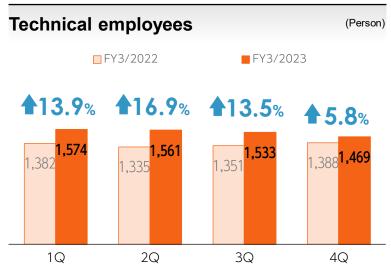
• Sold UT System Products on March 31, 2022. (note) UT Group acquired shares of UT System Products (engaged in sales of information system equipment) as well as UT Toshiba (engaged in general personnel dispatch and outsourced work) from the Toshiba on April 1, 2020. ¥6.27 billion in sales and no technical employee in FY3/2021.

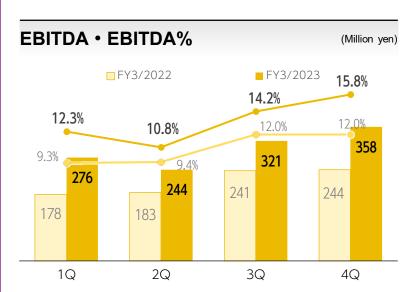
(note) Net Sales and EBITDA excludes impacts of UT System Products which was sold at the end of March 2022. (figures in gray in the graph include the impact). "Monthly sales per capita" is calculated excluding the impacts.

(note) As the segment classification has been changed since Apr. 2022, the year-over-year comparison has been made using the reclassified segment basis for FY3/2022.

### **Segment Results**









#### Sales and technical employees

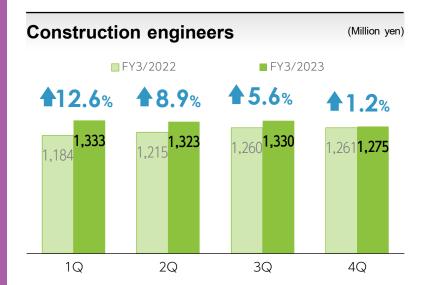
 Sales increased due to favorable order intake for both the construction and IT sectors and a resultant increase in technical employees.

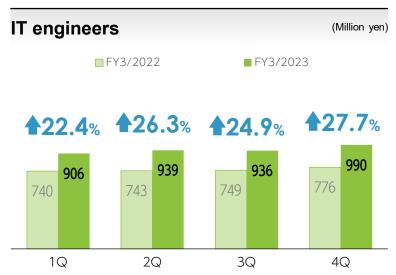
#### **EBITDA**

- The order receiving trend was robust in the construction and IT sectors. Hiring activities were strengthened but the competition to hire was intensified.
- The EBITDA margin increased due to rising operating rates mainly in the construction sector.

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### **Net Sales by Subsegment**





#### Construction engineers

- Demand for engineers was strong mainly for the work of equipment and plant.
- A sense of shortage of engineers was strong and the competition to hire was intensified.

#### IT engineers

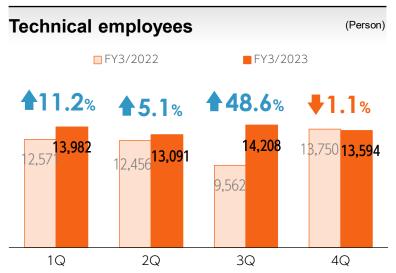
- A portion of (former) design & manufacturing engineers was reclassified as (new) IT engineers.
- Demand for dispatch of engineers with no experience was also strong and the competition was intensified.

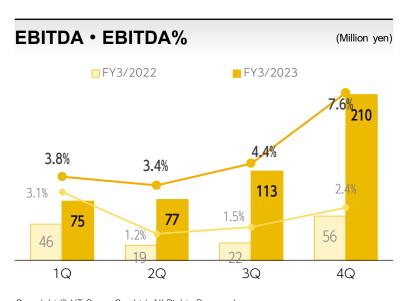
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#### **Overseas Business**

### **Segment Results**







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#### Sales and technical employees

- Demand for personnel increased along with an economic recovery in Vietnam.
- Sales coverage was expanded from the base area in the south region to the north region.
   Made efforts to acquire contracts from Japanese companies in the north region.
- The number of tech employees increased significantly in Vietnam in 4Q FY3/2022, a recovery period from the lockdown. However, in 4Q FY3/2023, the number of employees at year-end decreased slightly due to the impact of sluggish exports by some client companies (manufacturing industries).
- Impact of the change in exchange rate on sales
- +200-million-yen impact for 1Q period
- +350-million-yen impact for 2Q period
- +480-million-yen impact for 3Q period
- +400-million-yen impact for 4Q period

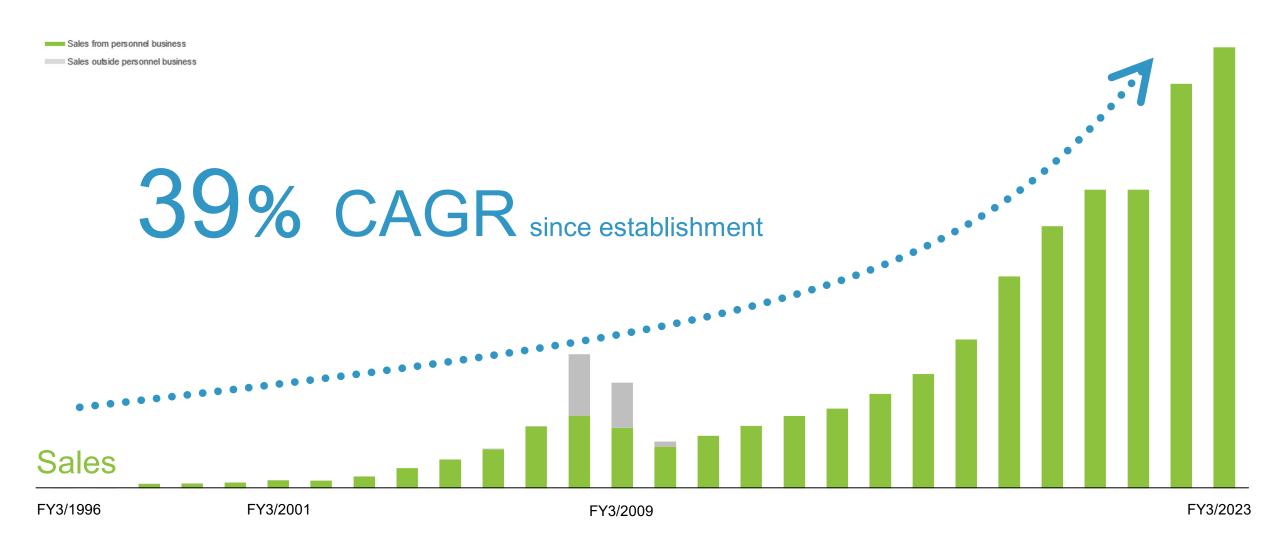
#### **EBITDA**

 The EBITDA margin improved, due to sales increase driven by higher personnel demand and the improved efficiency in use of SG&A expenses.

### **UT Group's Growth Potential**



# Since the establishment (FY3/1996), we've consistently been achieving high sales growth.

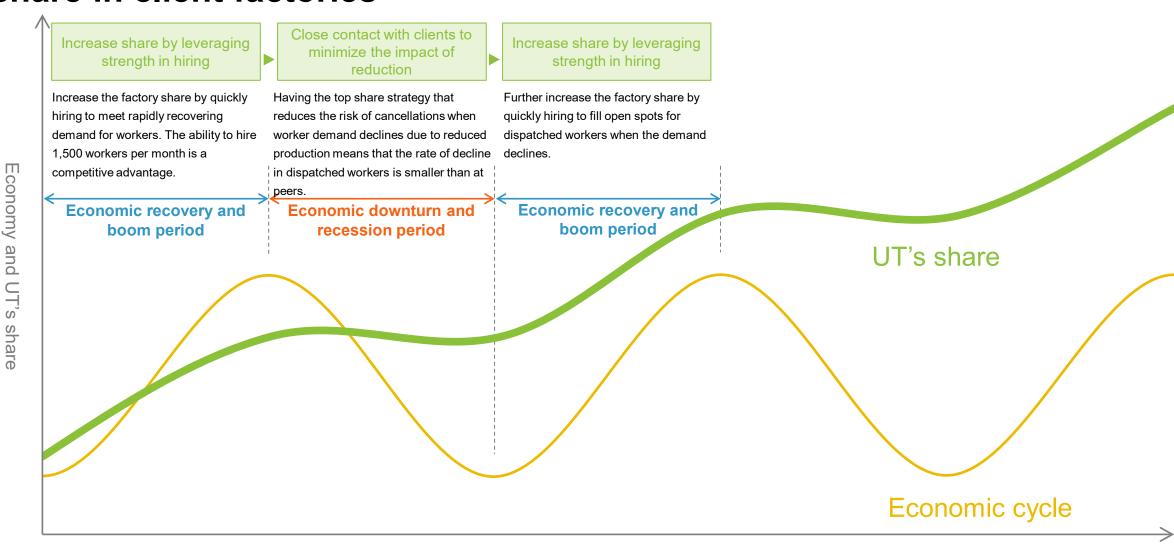


### UT's Growth is less susceptible to economic fluctuations



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# A strategy to capitalize on economic fluctuations and increase market share in client factories



Time

# A strategy to capitalize on economic fluctuations and increase market share in client factories

#### About the top strategy

UT's Manufacturing Business is promoting the strategy, based on the analysis at the time of the global financial crisis that showed that dispatched companies with a higher share in the factory received less cancellation or reduction in dispatched workers.

#### Features of the top-share factories

#### Less cancellation or reduction

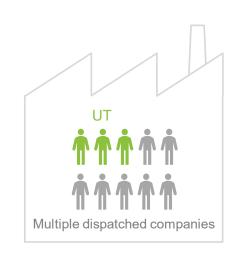
A strong relationship with clients results in receiving a lower impact of cancellations and reductions relative to that of peers.

#### High profit margin

More technical employees in a single factory means higher management efficiency.

Mechanism to expand factory share by the top share strategy

#### Normal production phase



It is difficult to increase UT's dispatched workers because a client factory that normally operates with 10 workers has no further demand for workers.

#### Production reduction phase



If the production volume decreases, the client starts reducing workers from dispatched companies having a lower share. Workers of UT (the top share) are not reduced.

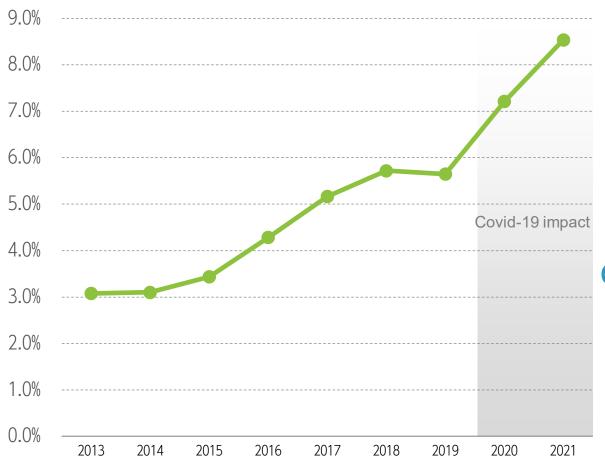
#### Production recovery phase



For normal production, the client needs five workers which had been reduced and the share of UT, which has strength in hiring, will increase.

# A strategy to capitalize on economic fluctuations and increase market share in client factories

The share of UT's technical employees in dispatched workers of production processes in Japan



# Significantly increased market share

by strengthening hiring during a period of recovery in demand

\*Calculated by dividing the number of technical employees by the number of dispatched workers of production processes\*

(\*Source: Basic Data of Labor Force Survey. Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications (2021)

### Expansion of business areas for sustainable growth

#### **Area Business**

Started worker dispatch in local areas to respond to desire of workers who want to work locally. Aggressively acquire companies to expand business scale.

#### **Solution Business**

Started business to support mobilization of personnel by receiving workers from client companies after structural reform.

Supported personnel mobilization of the Panasonic, Fujitsu, Toshiba and Hitachi Groups.

#### Manufacturing Business

Promoted a niche strategy to focus on the semiconductor sector in the 2000s.

After the global financial crisis (around 2008), expansion to other areas including the Transportation Equipment sector, capturing the recovery period.

Acquiring demand for structural reform

Strengthening the business in the Transportation Equipment sector

Developing the business in the Electronics sector

2000 2010 2020

W Outline of accumulated sales since foundation

### Competitive advantage and growth strategies



Business strategy focused on large companies

Demand for large numbers of highly skilled personnel

**Demand in structural reform** 

**Business strategy** focused on local areas

Personnel demand in local areas

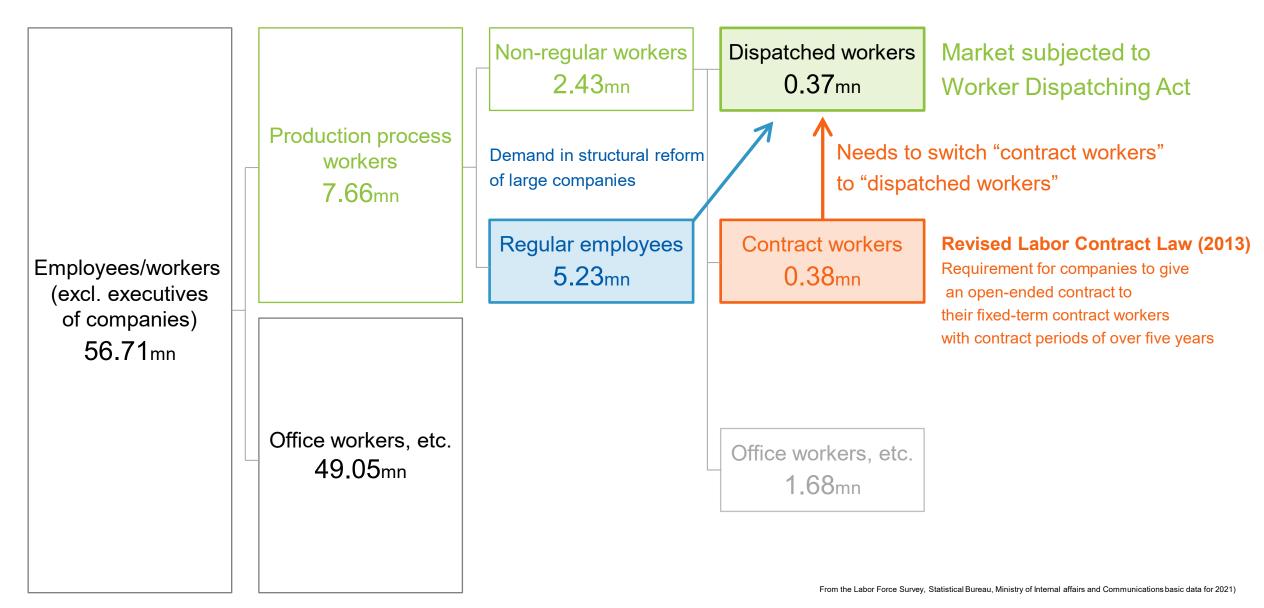
Changes in the environment to encourage use of dispatched workers, rather than regular or contract employees

**Regulation changes** 

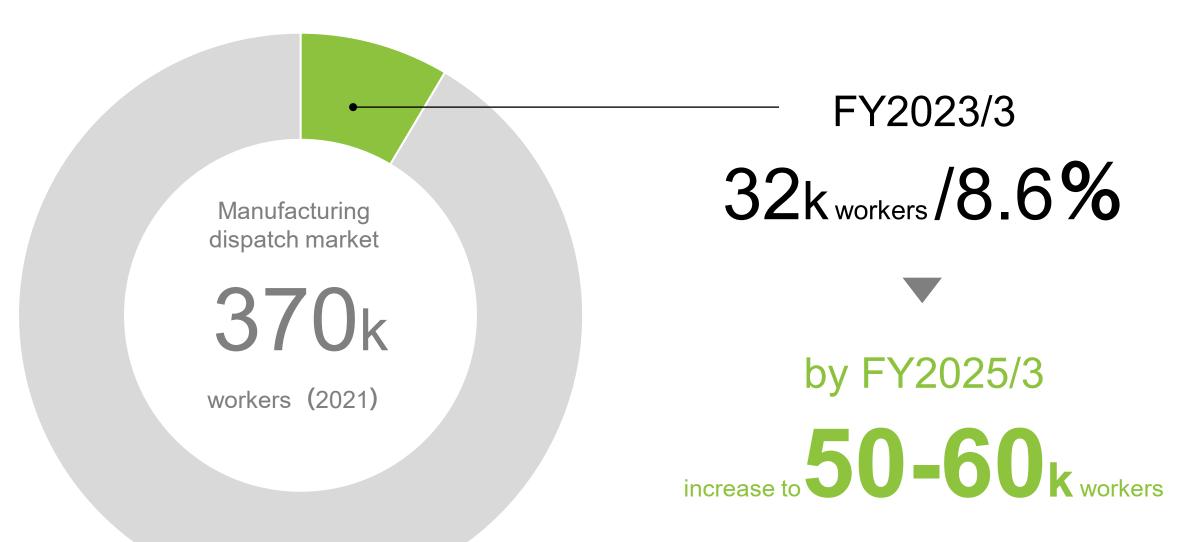
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Difficulty in hiring

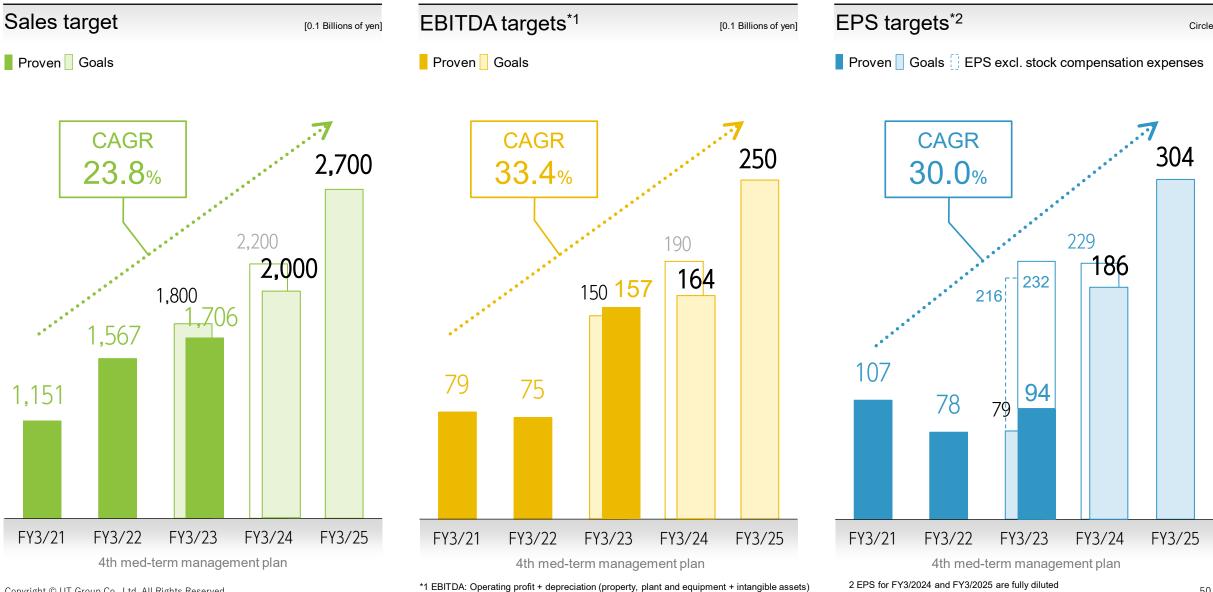
### Demands in structural reform and for switching to dispatched workers are increasing



### UT will lead the market with further increase in market share



### The Target of the 4th Medium-term Business Plan (Repost)

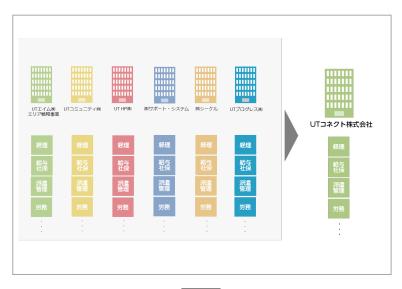


### Three measures to accelerate corporate growth

Enhanced development of highly-skilled personnel at the technology skill development centers for SME engineers



Productivity improvement
by reorganization and standardization
of business infrastructure



Enhanced hiring system by integrating group-wide hiring activities





Average salary of tech employees

20% increase\*

SG&A expenses to sales

10% level



Monthly hiring by UT Group

2,000 new hires

※2021年3月期と比較した2025年3月期の目標

## Appendix



### Newly-consolidated company's contribution

Contribution of newly-consolidated company to 4Q of FY3/2023

	Sub-		Time of	Contribution to FY3/2023				
Business Segment	Segment	Consolidated subsidiary	consolidation	Net Sales (billion yen)	Number of technical employees (2Q-end)			
Solution Business —		UT FSAS Creative Inc Former Fujitsu FSAS Creative Inc.	Oct. 2021 *consolidation impact has already ended.	2.4	872			
Total				2.4				

### **Analysis of SG&A expenses**

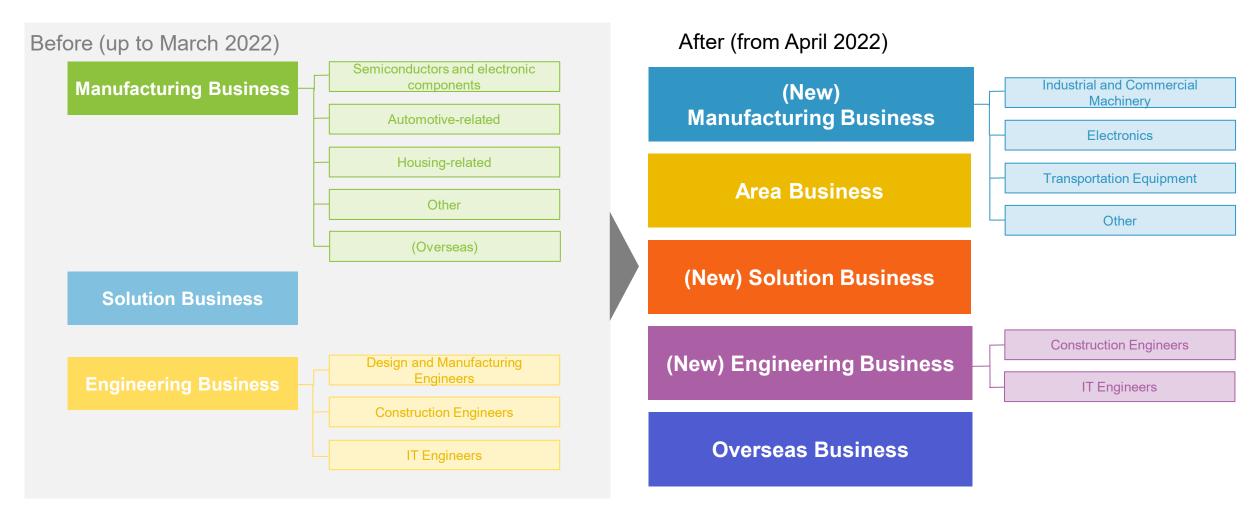
(100 million yen)

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	FY3/2019					FY3/2020				FY3/2021					FY3/2022					FY3/2023					
	1 Q	2 Q	3 Q	4 Q	Full year	1 Q	2 Q	3 Q	4 Q	Full year	1 Q	2Q	3 Q	4 Q	Full year	1 Q	2 Q	3 Q	4 Q	Full year	1 Q	2 Q	3 Q	4 Q	Full year
personnel expenses	1,301	1,409	1,486	1,677	5,873	1,574	1,522	1,530	1,467	6,093	1,665	1,981	1,828	1,837	7,311	2,246	2,362	2,547	2,391	9,546	2,403	2,414	2,393	2, 510	9,720
ratio to sales	5.5%	5.7%	5.5%	6.6%	5.8%	6.1%	5.9%	6.1%	6.0%	6.0%	6.4%	7.3%	6.2%	5.7%	6.4%	6.4%	6.3%	6.1%	5.6%	6.1%	5.8%	5.7%	5.5%	5.9%	5.7%
Hiring expenses	833	993	724	289	2,839	490	527	496	341	1,854	151	267	770	1,218	2,406	1,215	1,608	1,575	1,719	6,117	877	1,041	817	812	3,549
ratio to sales	3.5%	4.0%	2.7%	1.1%	2.8%	1.9%	2.0%	2.0%	1.4%	1.8%	0.6%	1.0%	2.6%	3.7%	2.1%	3.5%	4.3%	3.8%	4.0%	3.9%	2.1%	2.4%	1.9%	1.9%	2.1%
depreciation and amortization of goodwill	140	145	155	161	601	137	139	142	145	563	171	181	218	256	826	309	303	305	307	1,225	267	308	320	327	1,223
ratio to sales	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.5%	0.5%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.8%	0.7%	0.9%	0.8%	0.7%	0.7%	0.8%	0.6%	0.7%	0.7%	0.8%	0.7%
Other	801	879	933	729	3,342	889	841	803	923	3,456	883	831	1,029	1,152	3,895	1,058	1,086	1,196	1,285	4,625	1,083	1,053	990	1,002	4,130
ratio to sales	3.4%	3.5%	3.5%	2.9%	3.3%	3.5%	3.2%	3.2%	3.8%	3.4%	3.4%	3.1%	3.5%	3.5%	3.4%	3.0%	2.9%	2.9%	3.0%	3.0%	2.6%	2.5%	2.3%	2.4%	2.4%
SG&A Expenses	3,075	3,426	3,298	2,856	12,655	3,090	3,029	2,971	2,876	11,966	2,870	3,260	3,845	4,463	14,438	4,828	5,359	5,623	5,703	21,513	4,631	4,817	4,521	4,653	18,624
ratio to sales	13.0%	13.8%	12.2%	11.2%	12.5%	12.0%	11.7%	11.8%	11.8%	11.8%	11.1%	12.0%	13.0%	13.7%	12.5%	13.7%	14.3%	13.6%	13.3%	13.7%	11.1%	11.3%	10.3%	10.9%	10.9%

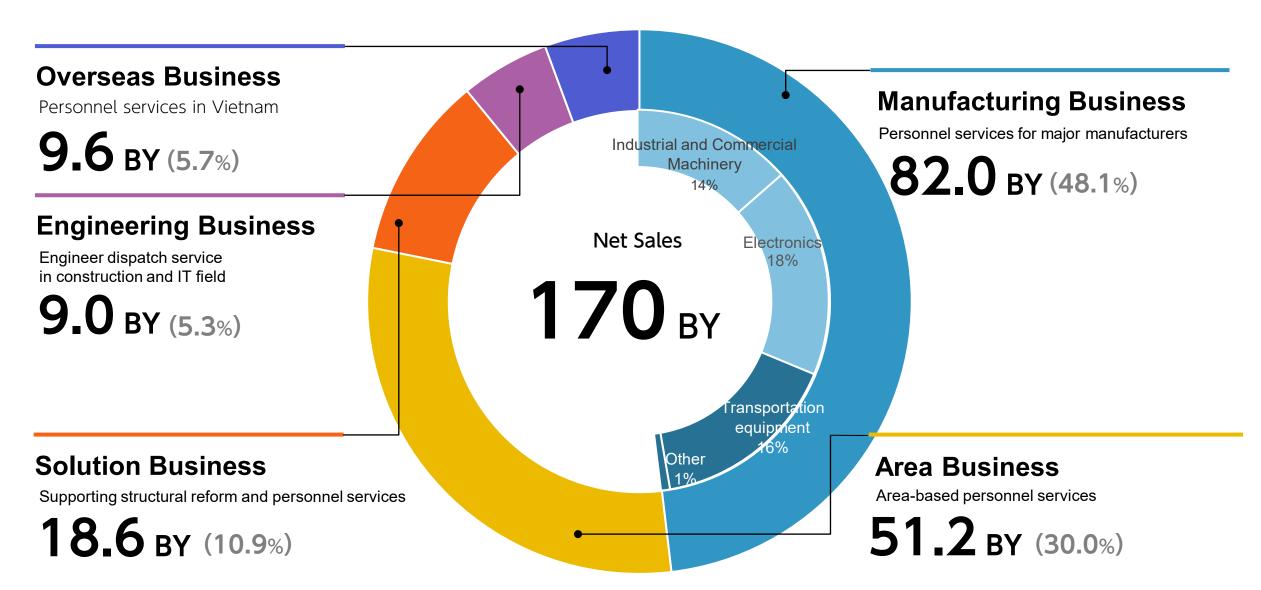
Results for 3Q, 4Q and Full-year of FY3/2023 exclude the stock-based compensation expenses

### **Overview of Segment Reclassification**

O From "Manufacturing Business" centered on the business for major manufacturers, "Area Business" and "Overseas Business" with different business characteristics were separated. And the classification changed to 5 segments.



### Segment composition of FY3/2023

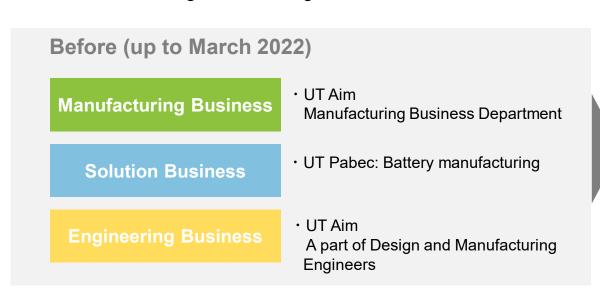


### **Manufacturing Business**

Development and provision of manufacturing workers

### Deepen the One-stop Strategy to provide personnel to large manufacturers

- Enhance competitiveness of the core business of manufacturing dispatch to large manufacturers and use the existing client base to expand into dispatching of manufacturing engineers.
- The semiconductor manufacturing equipment (SME) engineers (previously in the former Engineering Business segment) has been reclassified to the (new) Manufacturing Business segment in order to provide one-stop services to clients of the Manufacturing Business segment.



### After (from April 2022)

UT Pabec was merged to the Manufacturing Business Department of UT Aim.

(New) Manufacturing Business

· UT Aim

### **Area Business**

### Expand the Area Platforms

### **Expand the Area Platform Strategy**

- O Accelerate alliances with and M&As of local dispatch companies to enhance the workplace quality in areas, integrate career platforms, and improve profitability.
- O Local dispatch companies which joined the UT Group were merged to UT Connect (renamed from UT Community) in April 2022. Aim to improve productivity by standardizing the business base.

### Before (up to March 2022)

Manufacturing Business

- UT Aim's Area Strategy Department
- UT Community
- Support System
- · Seekel Holdings
- · Seekel
- UT Progress
- · UT SURI-EMU

**Solution Business** 

· UT HP

### After (from April 2022)

All the companies on the left, excluding UT SURI-EMU, were absorbed to UT Community, which then changed its name to UT Connect.

**Area Business** 

- · UT Connect
- · UT SURI-EMU

### **Solution Business**

Promoting the support for personnel mobilization

### **Expand the Solution Strategy**

- O Promote the support for personnel mobilization and ensure to capture a growing demand for large companies' structural reforms, driven by the changing business environment.
- The segment is mainly consisted of operating companies with minority shareholders to enhance the relationship with large corporate groups.

### Before (up to March 2022)

**Solution Business** 

- · FUJITSU UT
- · UT Toshiba
- · UT FSAS Creative
- · UT MESC
- · UT Pabec
- · UT HP
- UT System Products

### After (from April 2022)

UT Pabec was reclassified to the Manufacturing Business Segment, and UT HP to the Area Business Segment. UT System Products was sold at the end of March 2022.

**Solution Business** 

- · FUJITSU UT
- · UT Toshiba
- · UT FSAS Creative
- · UT MESC

### **Engineering Business**

Development of high-skill engineers

### M&As to expand business base

- Establish a business base by enhancing functions through alliances with major companies and acquisition of engineer dispatch companies.
- SME engineers were reclassified to the (new) Manufacturing Business Segment so as to focus on construction engineers and IT engineers for establishing a business base.

### **Overseas Business**

Establishment of the empowered environment for non-Japanese workers

### M&As to expand business base

O Establish the overseas personnel service business through overseas alliances and M&As, while solidifying a base for the personnel management agency business in Japan.

#### Before (up to March 2022)

#### **Engineering Business**

- UT Aim
   Some of Design and
   Manufacturing Engineers
- UT Construction
- UT Technology

### After (from April 2022)

#### (New) Engineering Business

- UT Construction
- · UT Technology

### Before (up to March 2022)

#### **Manufacturing Business**

- Green Speed Joint Stock Company
- · Green Speed Co., Ltd.
- · Hoang Nhan Company Limited

### After (from April 2022)

#### **Overseas Business**

- Green Speed Joint Stock Company
- · Green Speed Co., Ltd.
- · Hoang Nhan Company Limited

### Performance-linked stock acquisition rights, Stock-based compensation expenses

### Overview of the performance-linked stock acquisition rights

Resolved by the Board of Directors (2020/5/20)

#### Objective

to strengthen our commitment to pursuit of expanding corporate value of the Company in the medium- to long-term.

Total number of stock acquisition rights:

80,592 units (equivalent to 20% of issued shares) \* At the issuance

Conditions for exercise of stock acquisition rights

If any of (A), (B), and (C) below is fulfilled (one time only)

A: EBITDA of ¥15 billion or more in any of FY3/2021-FY3/2024

B: EBITDA of ¥20 billion or more in any of FY3/2021-FY3/2025

C: EBITDA of ¥30 billion or more in any of FY3/2021-FY3/2027

#### Exercise period

May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2028

The exercise condition is a profit growth of 1.7-2.9 times EBITDA in FY3/2020, even though dilution of up to 20% will occur.

#### When to recognize stock-based compensation expenses

As the condition A is supposed to be met in FY3/2023, 5.5 billion yen of stock-based compensation expenses is included in FY3/2023 Earnings Forecasts.

When it is found that the performance conditions are met, the stockbased compensation expenses will be recognized.

Due to the adoption of the accounting treatment of the paid stock option since April 2018, the stock-based compensation expenses are considered as compensation for labor when its performance conditions are achieved and the expenses are to be recorded as expenses (SG&A expenses).

The stock-based compensation expenses of ¥5.5 billion has been recognized as expense for accounting purposes, <u>do not involve cashout</u>, and do not affect cash and deposits.

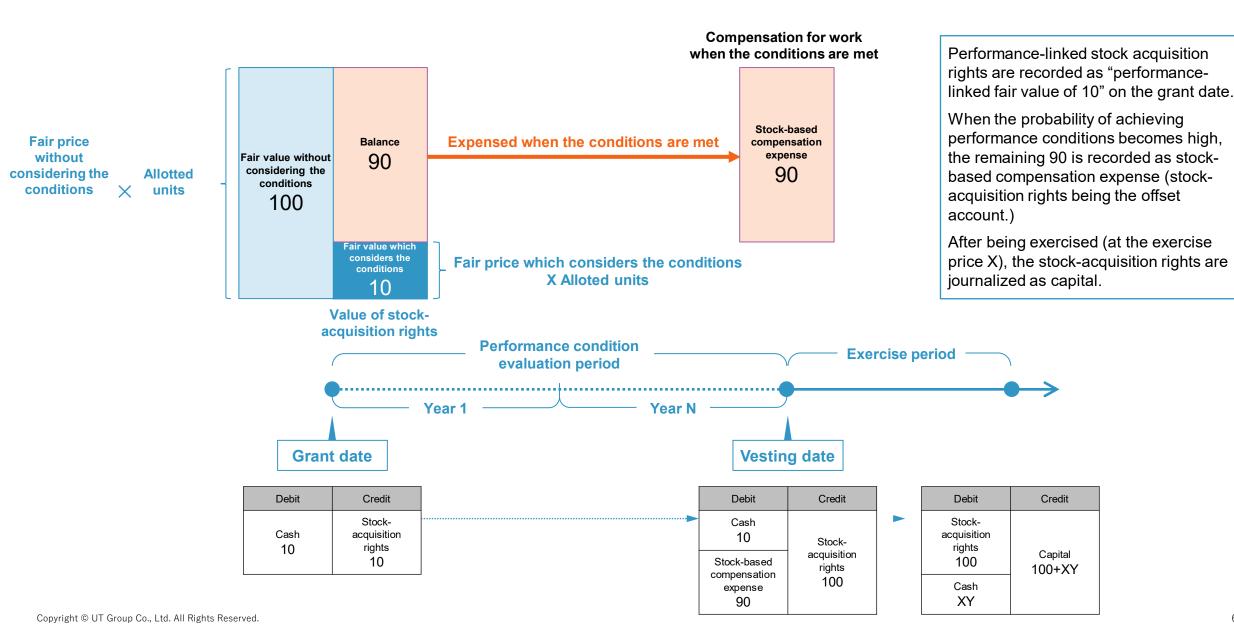
When all the rights are exercised, cash will increase and <u>be transferred</u> to stated capital and additional paid-in capital.

\*\*EBITDA = Operating profit + Depreciation (Property, plant and equipment, and Intangible assets) + Amortization + Stock-based compensation expenses

(Ref.) Accounting treatment of stock acquisition rights without contribution with no performance conditions

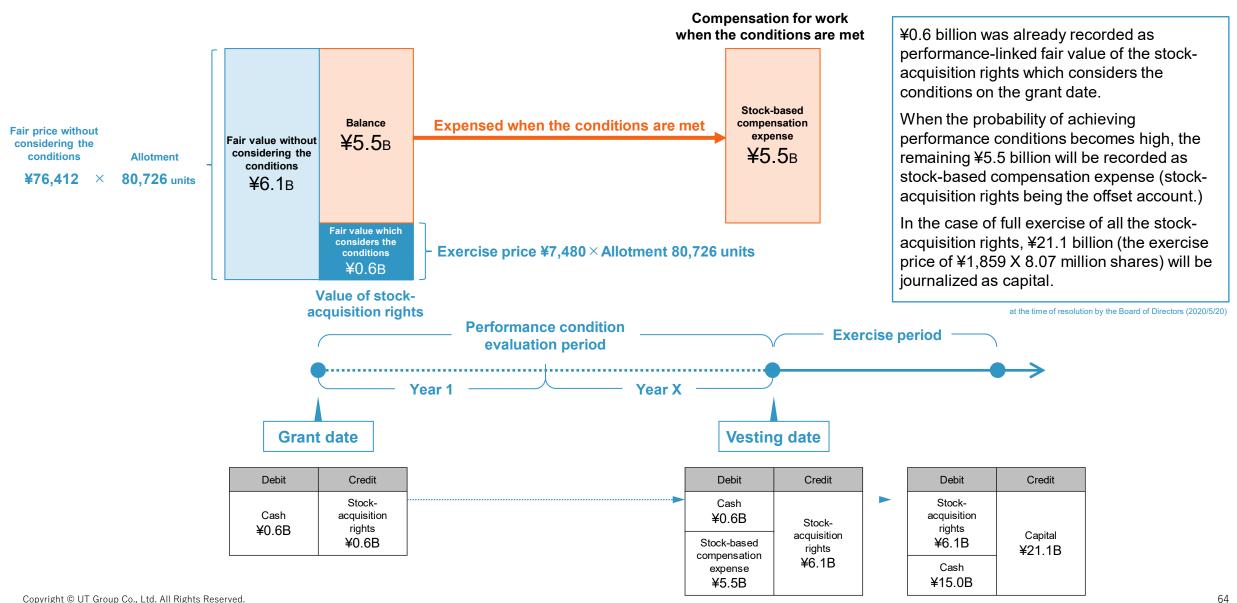
Case of stock-acquisition rights without contribution (Exercise price X and Issued shares Y) **Value of stock-acquisition rights Compensation for work** Stock-acquisition rights are considered as compensation for work and the fair value of 100 is prorated by period from the grant date to the vesting date as stock-based compensation expense (stock-acquisition rights being the offset account.) Stock-based compensation After being exercised, the stock-acquisition rights are journalized as capital. expense 50 Fair value with no **Compensation for work** consideration to performance conditions 100 Prorated fair value of 100 by period Stock-based compensation expense 50 Requisite **Exercise** service period period Year 1 Year 2 **Grant date Vesting date** Debit Debit Credit Debit Credit Credit Stock-Stock-based Stock-Stock-based Stockacquisition acquisition compensation compensation acquisition rights expense rights rights expense Capital 50 50 50 50 100 100+XY Cash XY

### (Ref.) Accounting treatment of performance-linked stock acquisition rights with contribution



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#### [UT Group] Accounting treatment of performance-linked stock acquisition rights with contribution



### Medium-term business objective

### Create a "diversity & inclusion" workstyle platform



### **Growth strategies**

### Prolonged implementation of the COVID-19 prevention measures and economic slowdown Decline in consumption and production activities; depressed demand for personnel Smaller dispatched companies Increase in structural reform Maintain employment to the extent possible and fall into financial distress by large manufacturers minimize a decline in technical employees A new hiring/development base for manufacturers M&As to accelerate industry consolidation Accept workers from large companies One-stop strategy for **Area platform strategy Solution strategy** major manufacturers

Create a "diversity & inclusion" workstyle platform

Measures for economic recovery are expected to produce a V-shaped recovery and enable UT Group to achieve its plans

### Change in business segments corresponding to growth strategies

Segments to promote the growth strategies of the Fourth Medium-term Business Plan

### **Manufacturing Business**

One-stop Strategy to Large Manufacturers

### Development of manufacturing workers into effective workforce

Provide personnel services from hiring of personnel needed by large manufacturers to their retention and development into effective workforce. Aim to expand its share in the client workplace by one-stop provision of personnel, from workers in production process to engineers.

#### **Area Business**

Area Platform Strategy

#### Creation of jobs nationwide

Establish an employment base in various areas of Japan to respond to demand for local jobs. Raise workplace satisfaction and market shares in various parts of Japan by promoting alliances with large companies and acquisition of engineer dispatch companies, and integrate the business base to improve profitability.

#### **Solution Business**

Solution Strategy

### Support to personnel mobilization aimed at enhancing corporate competitiveness

Support personnel mobilization by creating workplaces for excess workers of large corporate groups, which have personnel issues and demand for structural reform.

Segments to establish a business base from a longer-term perspective

### **Engineering Business**

#### **Development of high-skill engineers**

Secure workers with hiring and the use of the intragroup transfer system One UT and develop those with no experience in the construction and IT sectors. Aim to enhance functions and establish a business base through alliances with large companies and acquisition of engineer dispatch companies.

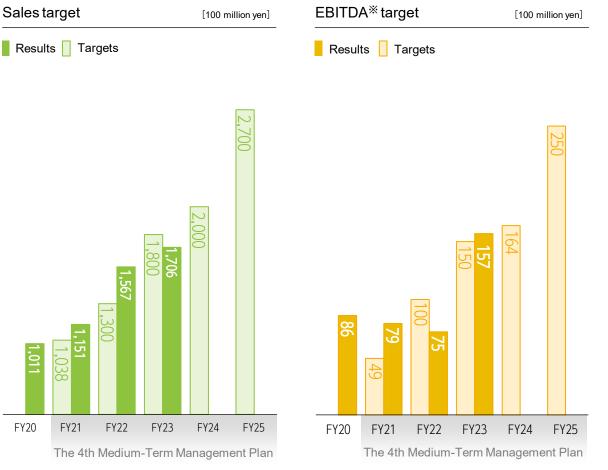
#### **Overseas Business**

### Establishment of the environment for non-Japanese workers to work vigorously

Plan to establish an overseas personnel service business through overseas alliances and acquisition in order to create workplaces where foreign interns in Japan can work empowered back at their home country.

### **Numeric Targets and Commitments**

As sales target for FY3/2023 was realized one year ahead of schedule in FY3/2022, we revised earning targets of FY3/2023 - FY3/2025 (announced May 13, 2022).



We are determined to achieve M&A-driven growth and financial stability, and to ensure return to shareholders.

#### Commitments

#### EBITDA growth rate: 30% or more (CAGR starting from FY3/2021)

The UT Group emphasizes earnings growth as much as sales growth by business expansion. The Fourth Medium-term Business Plan includes strategic M&A activities aimed at formation of a long-term business base. We therefore use EBITDA to show our commitment in earnings growth and set 30% or more CAGR in EBITDA for the period starting from FY3/2021.

#### Total return ratio: 30% or more

The UT Group recognizes return to shareholders as an important management priority. We intend to achieve a corporate growth through strategic investment as well as return to shareholders. We are committed to a total return ratio of 30% or more by dividend payment and share buyback.

#### Gross D/E ratio: 1.0 or less (at the end of FY3/2025)

We intend to achieve both a high growth and a stable financial position by balancing debts with shareholders' equity, which stems from efficient business operation and capital policy.

#### Total return ratio

The total return ratio represents the proportion of shareholder return to net profit. Total return ratio = (Dividends + Shares bought back) / Net profit after tax

#### Gross D/E ratio

The gross debt/equity ratio indicates the ratio of interest-bearing debt to shareholders' equity of the fund

sources of a company. A ratio of 1.0 or less is generally regarded as indicating a healthy financial position.

### **Corporate Outline**

Corporate Outline As of Mar. 31, 2023 Group Companies As of Mar. 31, 2023

Corporate name: UT Group Co., Ltd.

Founded: April 2, 2007

Capital: 680 million yen

Listing: TSE Prime Market (Securities code: 2146)

Representative: President, Representative Director & CEO

Yoichi Wakayama

Location: 1-11-15 Higashi-Gotanda, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo

Number of issued and

outstanding shares: 40,363,067 shares

Number of shareholders: 5.854

**UT** Aim

Manufacturing personnel services

**UT Connect** 

General personnel dispatch and outsourcing

**UT SURI-EMU** 

General personnel dispatch and outsourcing

**FUJITSU UT** 

General personnel dispatch and outsourcing

**UT Toshiba** 

General personnel dispatch and outsourcing

**UT FSAS Creative** 

Office work and IT personnel dispatch and outsourcing of operations system management and help desks

**UT MESC** 

Elevator/escalator manufacturing outsourced work and dispatch of design engineers

UT Technology

IT engineer outsourcing

**UT Construction** 

Construction engineer outsourcing

Green Speed Joint Stock Company

General personnel dispatch and outsourcing in

Vietnam

**UT Life Support** 

Internal benefit program management

**UT Heartful** 

Special subsidiary company

### The Leading Company in Manufacturing Dispatch Industry

#### Creating vigorous workplaces empowering workers.

Adopting the twin customer strategy that identifies both workers and companies as clients,

UT Group transformed the process of manufacturing worker dispatch into a sustainable business model that facilitates growth by both workers and companies.

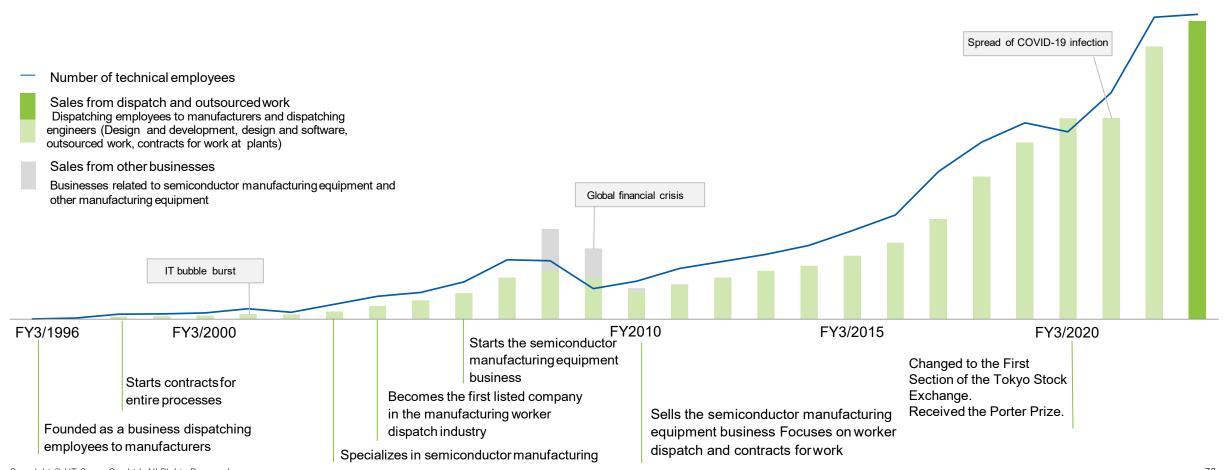
Create a "diversity & inclusion" workstyle platform.

FY3/2023

Domestic Technical employees
31,936

Consolidated sales

¥170.6bn



### **UT Group's Mission and Vision**

#### Mission

### Create vigorous workplaces empowering workers.

UT Group givesopportunities to its entire workforce to take on challenges.

We believe that bravely taking on a challenge to achieve a high goal helps a person growand brings joy to that person. We further believe that such a vigorous work attitude results in a better response to client expectations and in contributing to a better future for Japan.

### Strategy to make workers vigorous and empowered



- Regular employment (open-ended employment)
- Company housing all over the country
- Fulfilling welfare benefits



### Team dispatch and support for career development

- Start-to-finish outsourced production service
- Cultivation of inexperienced employees by teams
- Career consulting



### Developing motivation

- Entry system for positions
- Job change within the group (One UT/STEP UT)
- Engineer development program
- Management training

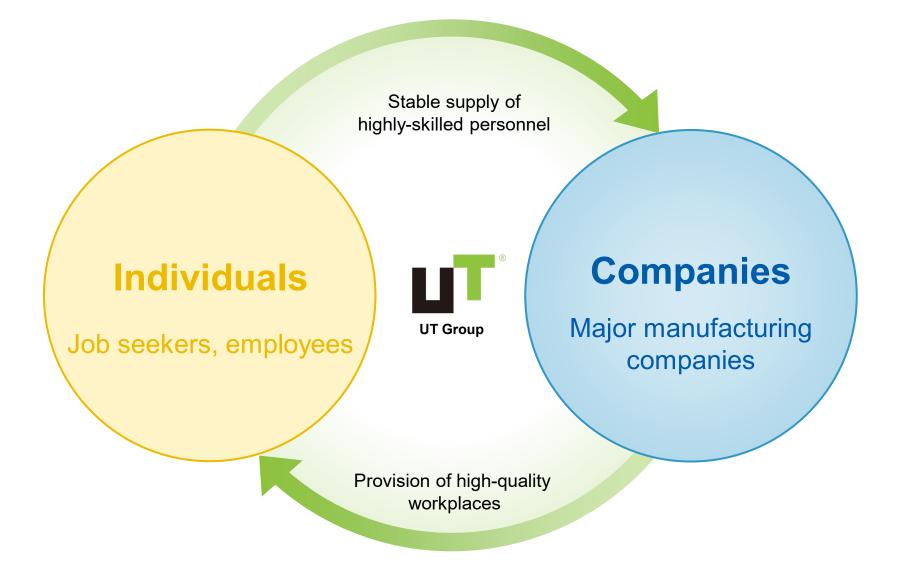


### Share profit from enhanced corporate value with employees

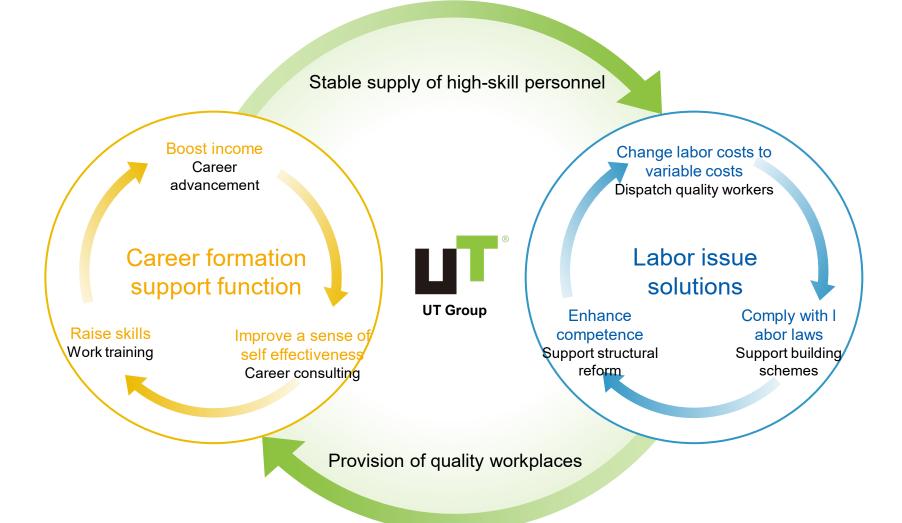
 Measures to encourage employees to become shareholders



# **Twin-Customer Strategy and Career Platform**

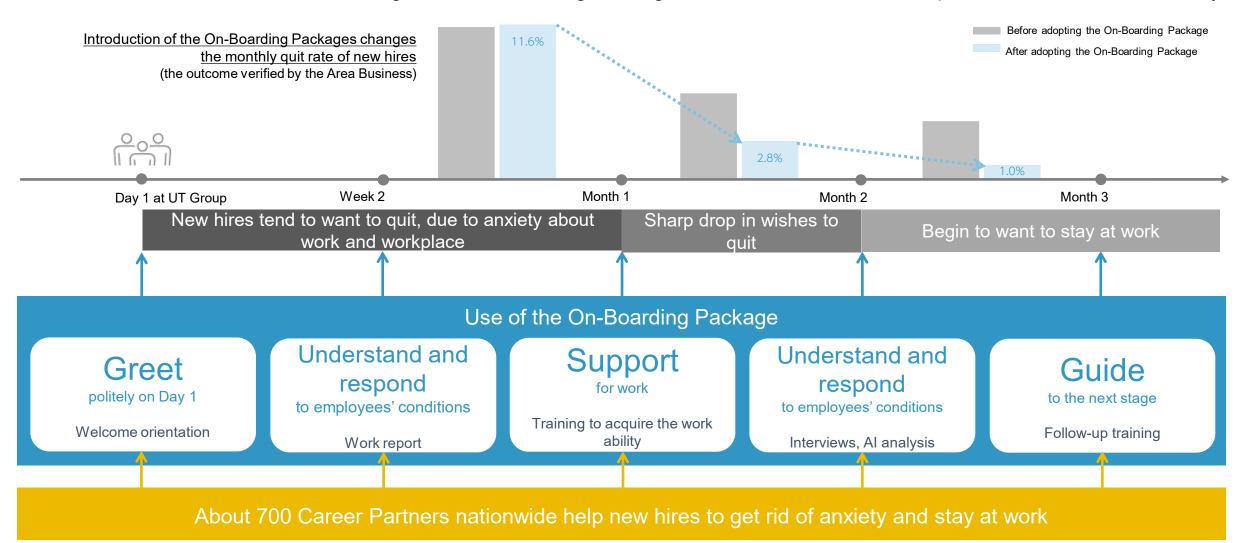


# **Twin-Customer Strategy and Career Platform**



# Restrain new hires from quitting by consistent support for their growth

The Area Business introduces in stages the On-Boarding Package, which removes factors to quit and creates factors to stay



# Enhancement of the systems that enable technical employees to advance their careers

Good Job

A system that allows manufacturing operators and engineers to freely choose a workplace

(Own workplaces can be selected)

One UT STEP UT

A system that supports career changes from manufacturing operators to engineering jobs at Group companies. Provides opportunities to build various careers within the Group.

(Intra-group transfers)

**Next UT** 

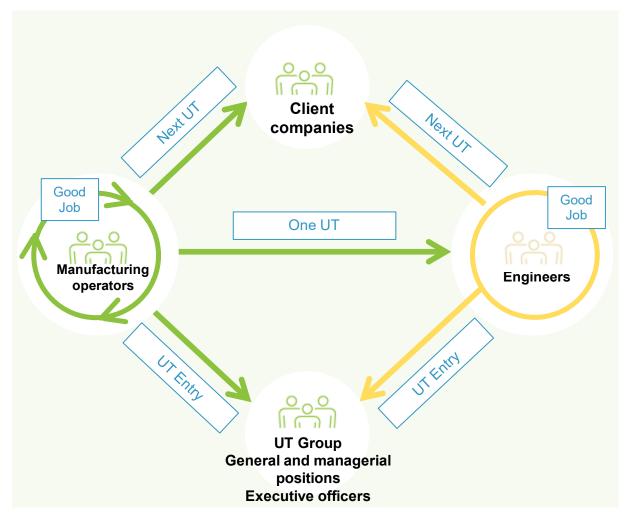
A system that supports the transfer to a client company (mainly major manufacturers). Expand career path options to motivate employees.

(Transfer from UT's dispatched worker status to being a client company's full-time employee)

**UT Entry** 

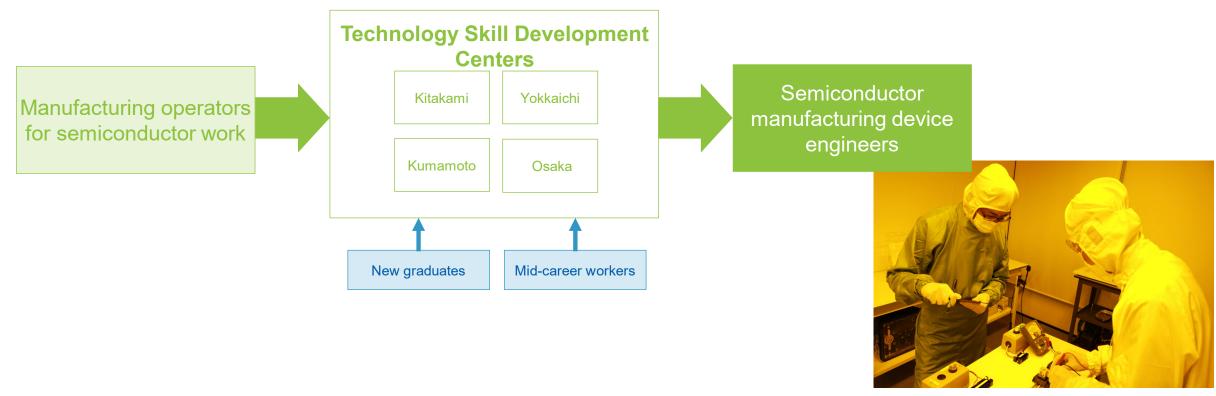
A voluntary nomination system to a manager or an executive. The industry's first system that provides all employees with a fair career opportunity regardless of their years of service, experience, or age.

(Voluntary nomination to the position of a manager or an executive)



# Strongly promote SME engineer development

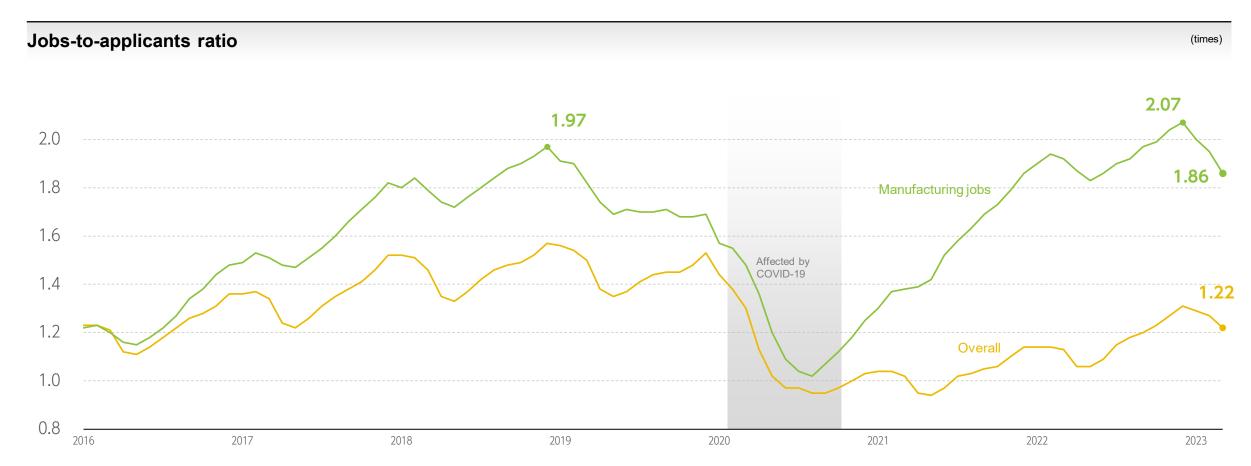
- Established four technology skill development centers for manufacturing engineers in the semiconductor field (Dec. 2020: Kitagami City in Iwate; March 2021: Yokkaichi City in Mie and Kumamoto City in Kumamoto; May 2021 Osaka City in Osaka)
- Targeting to produce 5,000 engineers in FY3/2022 FY3/2025.



Practical training in a clean room

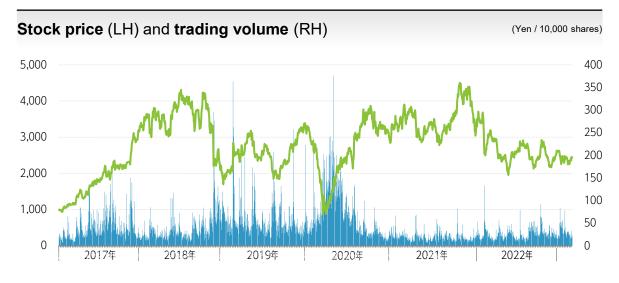
# Tight supply and demand situation in the manufacturing industry due to the labor shortage

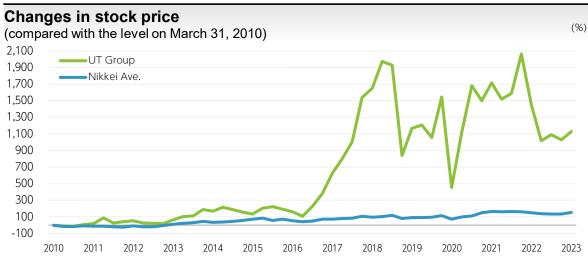
○ The jobs-to-applicants ratio for manufacturing jobs is staying at around the 2.0 level.

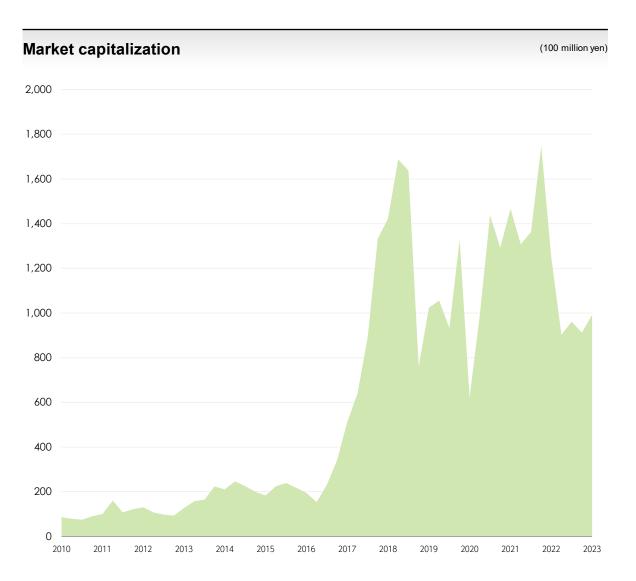


Source: Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, The status of general job placements (seasonally adjusted)

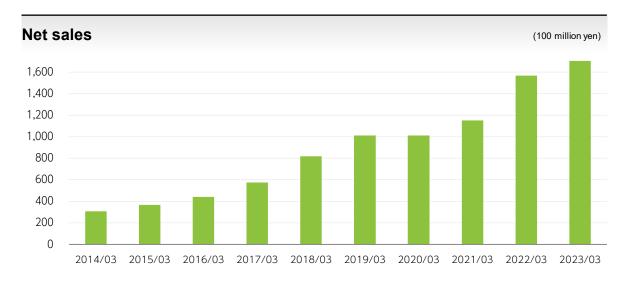
## **Trends of Stock Price**

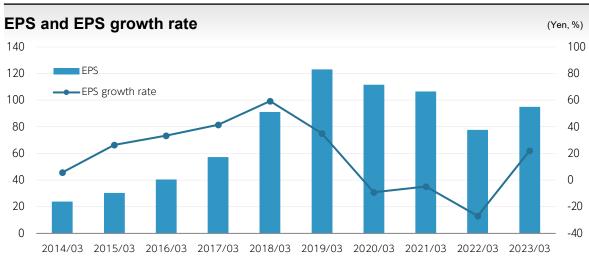


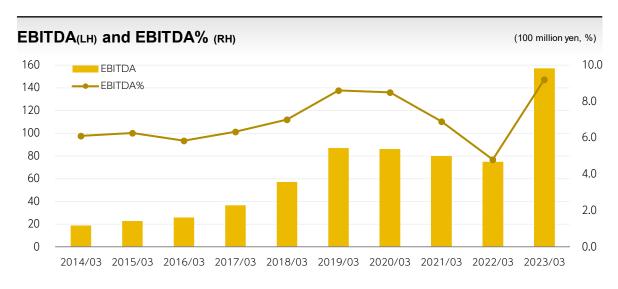


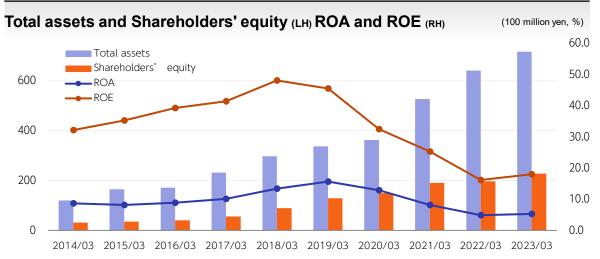


### **Trends of Business Results**









ROA = [Net profit attributable to owners of the parent] / [Total assets] (fiscal year average)
ROE = [Net profit attributable to owners of the parent] / [Shareholders' equity] (fiscal year average)

# **Basic Policy on Shareholders' Return**

#### Basic policy on shareholders' return

UT Group's management aims at establishing a stable financial position and promoting aggressive business development to achieve high growth and ultimately raise sustainable corporate value. UT Group regards returning profits to shareholders as an important management issue and intends to make an appropriate return to shareholders based on a total return ratio of 30% or more by dividends and share buyback, which helps improve capital efficiency, and in consideration of stock price level, business environment, and other factors.

Total return ratio
(Dividends + share buyback) / Net profit≧30%

Total return ratio (million yen)						
	FY3/2018	FY3/2019	FY3/2020	FY3/2021	FY3/2022	FY3/2023
Net profit	3,534	4,968	4,562	4,299	3,140	3,831
Dividends paid	-	2,499	-	2,663	968	-
Amount of share buyback	1,060	-	-	-	-	2,817 (expected)
Total return ratio	30.0%	50.3%	0.0%	62.0%	30.8%	73.6% (expected)

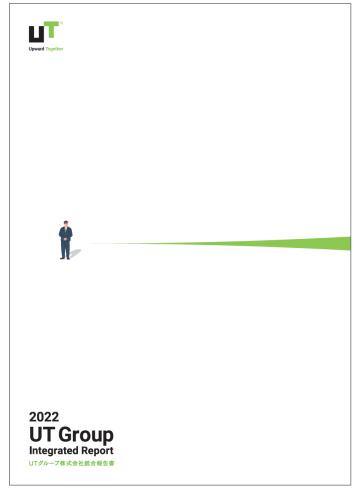
<sup>\*</sup>In light of changes in the business environment and other factors, shareholder return in FY3/2019 was all in the form of dividend payment, including special dividend.

<sup>\*</sup> Shareholder return for March 2020 was postponed in consideration of the impact of the spread of the new coronavirus.

<sup>\*</sup>In FY3/2021, returns to shareholders were entirely in cash dividends. In addition to the ordinary dividend of 30% of net income, a special dividend (equivalent to 30% of net income for FY3/2020, payment of which had been forgone) was paid.

<sup>\*</sup>In FY3/2023, UT Group plans to acquire its own shares in an amount equivalent to 30% of net income attributable to owners of the parent, excluding the stock-based compensation expenses.

# INTEGRATED REPORT 2022 was released (Sep. 2022)



In FY3/2022, when demand for human resources rapidly recovered from the COVID-19 pandemic period, UT Group focused on expanding its market share, creating better workplaces and strengthening hiring activities. These efforts resulted in welcoming many new associates and creating workplaces for more than 30,000 technical employees in Japan.

Amid changes in the macroeconomic environment that cause great anxiety for working men and women, UT Group has stuck to the basic management philosophy it has had since its founding: supporting the stable employment and growth of dispatch workers. We have thereby successfully "created vigorous workplaces empowering people."

In the Integrated Report 2022, we devised ways to convey in a more easily understood manner how we support the stable employment of workers and their growth, by clarifying it within our unique value chain. This is the second year that we produce an integrated report. We hope that the integrated report will be one of the meaningful tools for constructive dialogue with stakeholders and ultimately for increasing our corporate value.

Further information is also available on the Sustainability Part of our website.

Please download the Integrated Report from here:

https://ssl4.eir-parts.net/doc/2146/ir\_material14/197319/00.pdf

# Sustainability Data Book 2023 was released (Mar. 2023)

**UT GROUP Sustainability Data Book 2023** 

UTグループ サステナビリティデータブック

The "UT Group Sustainability Data Book 2023" explains our thoughts, initiatives, indicators, etc. regarding sustainability that are not included in the Integrated Reports. The contents are categorized according to the Company's four key themes, and a wide range of information and data are included so that stakeholders can better understand the Company's activities.

Please download the Sustainability Data Book from here: <a href="https://ssl4.eir-parts.net/doc/2146/ir\_material14/203418/00.pdf">https://ssl4.eir-parts.net/doc/2146/ir\_material14/203418/00.pdf</a>

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