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Consolidated Financial Results

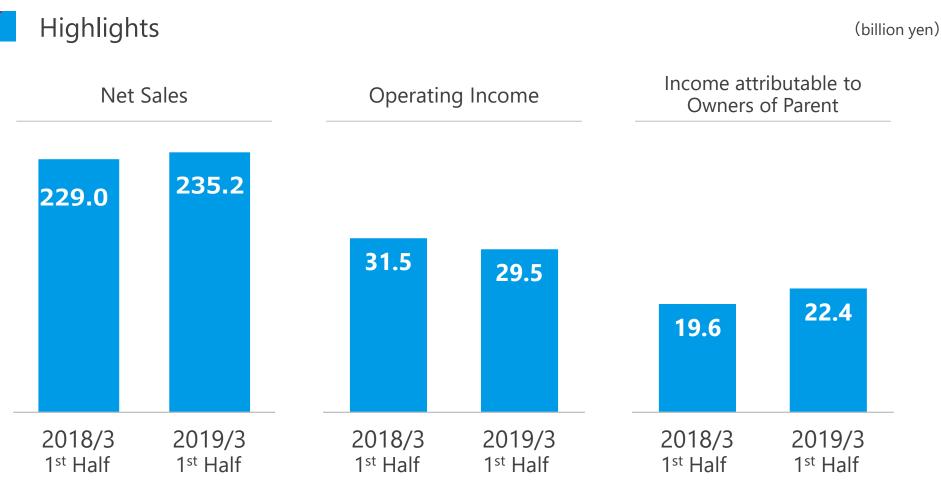
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- Increase in Net Sales, due mainly to an increase in sales volume of Organic Chemicals and Plastics, as well as the revision of selling prices.
- Decrease in Operating Income, due mainly to impact of rising raw material and fuel prices, as well as an increase in R&D costs.



Operating Results

| | | | (billion yen) Prices of Raw Mate | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| | 2018/3 1 st Half | 2019/3 1 st Half | Change | Rate of change | rnces of Nav | 2018/3 | |
| Net sales | 229.0 | 235.2 | +6.2 | +2.7% | Methanol | 1 st Half | |
| Gross profit | 69.9 | 69.7 | -0.3 | -0.4% | Asian spot | 295 | |
| Operating income | 31.5 | 29.5 | -2.0 | -6.3% | price (USD/ton) | | |
| Non-operating income and expenses | 1.7 | 2.7 | +1.1 | +65.0% | Crude oil Dubai | 50 | |
| Ordinary income | 33.1 | 32.2 | -0.9 | -2.7% | (USD/bbl.) | | |
| Extraordinary income and losses | 0.0 | 2.9 | +2.8 | +5841.7% | Domestic Naphtha | 37,600 | |
| Income before income taxes | 33.2 | 35.1 | +1.9 | +5.7% | (JPY/kI) | | |
| Income attributable to owners of parent | 19.6 | 22.4 | +2.8 | +14.4% | <u>Exchange ra</u> | <u>te</u> | |
| Operating income | 13.8% | 12.5% | -1.3% | | | 2018/3 1 st Half | |
| ratio (%) | 13.070 | 12.570 | 1.570 | | USD/JPY | 111 | |

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|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | 2018/3 1 st Half | 2019/3 1 st Half | | | | | |
| Methanol Asian spot price (USD/ton) | 295 | 403 | | | | | |
| Crude oil Dubai (USD/bbl.) | 50 | 73 | | | | | |
| Domestic Naphtha (JPY/kI) | 37,600 | 50,850 | | | | | |

| | 2018/3 1 st Half | 2019/3 1 st Half |
|---------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| USD/JPY | 111 | 110 |



Net Sales and Operating Income by Segment

| | Net Sales a | na oper | | | , segme | | (billion yen) | Compos | ition ratio |
|---|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|---------|----------|---------------|--------|-------------|
| N | et Sales | 2018/3 | 2019/3 | Change | Rate of | Ana | / | | |
| | | 1 st Half | 1 st Half | <i>J J J J</i> | change | Quantity | Prices | 25% | 24% |
| | Cellulosic Derivatives | 45.1 | 42.0 | -3.0 | -6.7% | -1.4 | -1.7 | 25% | 2470 |
| | Organic Chemicals | 39.1 | 45.1 | +6.0 | +15.4% | +1.7 | +4.3 | | |
| | Plastics | 83.7 | 89.6 | +5.9 | +7.0% | +4.0 | +1.8 | 37% | 38% |
| | Pyrotechnic Devices | 58.1 | 55.5 | -2.6 | -4.4% | -2.8 | +0.2 | 170/ | 100/ |
| | Others | 3.0 | 3.0 | -0.1 | -2.2% | -0.1 | - | 17% | 19% |
| | Total | 229.0 | 235.2 | +6.2 | +2.7% | +1.5 | +4.7 | 20% | 18% |

* Total price impact +4.7 includes Exchange rate impact -1.0.



| Operating Income | | 2018/3 | 2019/3 | Channel | Rate of | | Analysis | | Composit | ion ratio |
|------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|---------------|------------|-------------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| U | | 1 st Half | 1 st Half | Change | change | Quantity | Prices | Other | | |
| | Cellulosic Derivatives | 11.0 | 8.6 | -2.4 | -22.2% | -0.2 | -2.7 | +0.5 | 30% | 26% |
| | Organic Chemicals | 3.6 | 7.1 | +3.5 | +95.5% | +0.8 | +2.2 | +0.4 | | |
| | Plastics | 12.1 | 11.9 | -0.3 | -2.1% | +0.7 | -2.0 | +1.1 | 31% | 32% |
| | Pyrotechnic Devices | 11.6 | 9.8 | -1.8 | -15.7% | -1.4 | +0.1 | -0.5 | | |
| | Others | 0.3 | 0.2 | -0.1 | -19.2% | -0.1 | - | - | 9% | 19% |
| | Corporate and eliminations | -7.2 | -8.1 | -0.9 | -12.0% | - | - | -0.9 | 28% | 23% |
| | Total | 31.5 | 29.5 | -2.0 | -6.3% | -0.1 | -2.5 | +0.7 | 2018/3 1H | 2019/3 1H |
| | | | ~ | Total prico im | nact 2 E incl | udae Eveba | ngo rato im | nact 0.4 | 2010/310 | 2013/3 10 |

*Total price impact -2.5 includes Exchange rate impact -0.4.



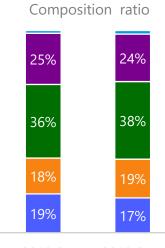
| Forecast (billion yen) | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|----------------------|--------|----------------|--|-------------------------------|
| | 2018/3 (Results) | 2019/3 (Forecast) | Change | Rate of change | | 2019/3 (Initial forecast)* |
| Net sales | 463.0 | 479.0 | +16.0 | +3.5% | | 478.0 |
| Operating income | 58.9 | 54.0 | -4.9 | -8.4% | | 51.0 |
| Ordinary income | 61.1 | 58.0 | -3.1 | -5.1% | | 53.0 |
| Income attributable to owners of parent | 37.1 | 40.0 | +2.9 | +7.9% | | 37.0 |
| Operating income ratio(%) | 12.7% | 11.3% | -1.5% | | | *Announced on Ma |

| Prices of Raw Materials | | Exchange rate | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------|-----------------|------------------|
| | 2018/3(Results) | 2019/3(Forecast) | | 2018/3(Results) | 2019/3(Forecast) |
| Methanol Asian spot price(USD/ton) | 338 | 382 | USD/JPY | 111 | 110 |
| Crude oil Dubai (USD/bbl.) | 56 | 72 | | | |
| Domestic Naphtha (JPY/kI) | 41,950 | 51,425 | | | |



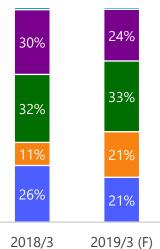
Forecast - Net Sales and Operating Income by Segment -

| 01 | (billion yen) | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--------|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Net Sales | | 2018/3 (Results) | 2019/3 (Forecast) | Change | Rate of change | | | | | |
| | Cellulosic Derivatives | 89.1 | 82.7 | -6.4 | -7.2% | | | | | |
| | Organic Chemicals | 82.0 | 91.7 | +9.7 | +11.8% | | | | | |
| | Plastics | 168.3 | 183.7 | +15.4 | +9.2% | | | | | |
| | Pyrotechnic Devices | 117.2 | 112.7 | -4.5 | -3.8% | | | | | |
| | Others | 6.4 | 8.2 | +1.8 | +28.2% | | | | | |
| | Total | 463.0 | 479.0 | +16.0 | +3.5% | | | | | |



2018/3 2019/3 (F)

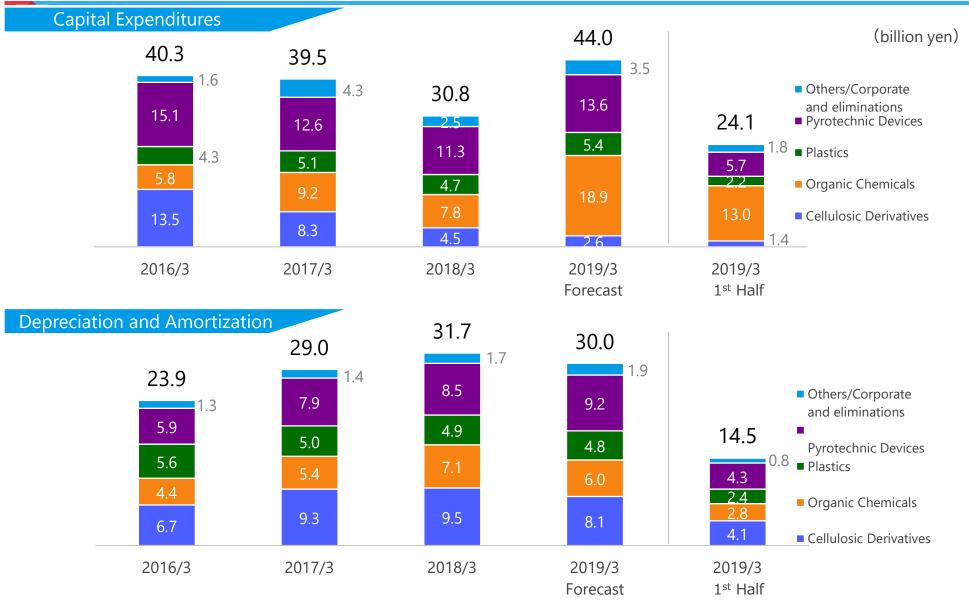
Composition ratio



| Operating Income | | 2018/3 (Results) | 2019/3 (Forecast) | Change | Rate of change |
|------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--------|-------------------|
| | Cellulosic Derivatives | 19.4 | 14.6 | -4.8 | -24.6% |
| | Organic Chemicals | 7.9 | 14.9 | +7.0 | +88.2% |
| | Plastics | 23.3 | 23.1 | -0.2 | -0.7% |
| | Pyrotechnic Devices | 22.2 | 16.9 | -5.3 | -23.8% |
| | Others | 0.8 | 0.6 | -0.2 | -20.3% |
| | Corporate and eliminations | -14.5 | -16.1 | -1.6 | -10.9% |
| | Total | 58.9 | 54.0 | -4.9 | -8.4% |

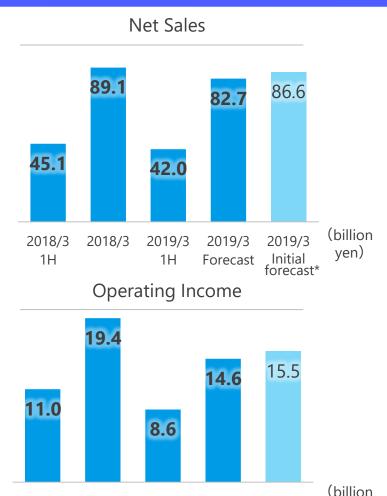
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Cellulosic Derivatives



Net Sales -3.0 billion yen (Exchange rate impact -0.3 billion yen)

(Cellulose Acetate : Flat)

- Slightly decrease in sales volume for LCD film application
- Increase in sales volume for other applications

(Acetate Tow for Cigarette Filters : Decrease)

- Softening of the market
- Decrease in sales volume due to shipment of some products ahead of schedule and other factors

Operating Income -2.4 billion yen

Decrease due mainly to the negative impact of rising raw material and fuel prices and the softening of the market on acetate tow for cigarette filters.

2019/3 Forecast

- Decrease in Net Sales and Operating Income
- Cellulose acetate: Decrease in sales volume for acetate tow for cigarette filters application and other applications
- Acetate Tow for Cigarette Filters: In world-wide glut, but fullcapacity operation will be maintained. Flat in sales volume, decline in selling price

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2019/3

*Initial forecast was announced on May 10, 2018

2019/3

Forecast Initial forecast*

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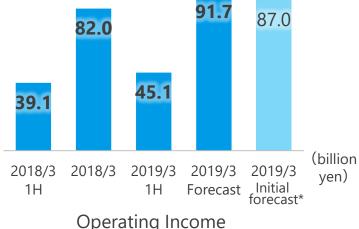
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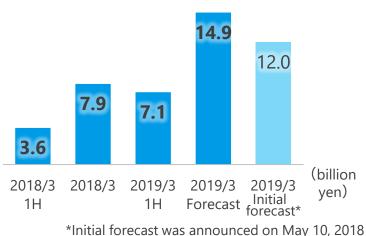
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Organic Chemicals

Net Sales





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Net Sales +6.0 billion yen (Exchange rate impact -0.1 billion yen)

(Acetic Acid : Increase)

■ Solid demand and an upward trend in the market (Organic Chemicals : Increase)

Increase in sales volume. Upward trend in the market.
(Performance Chemicals : Increase)

Recovery from the fire at the peracetic acid plant in the previous fiscal year

- The revision of selling prices following the rise in raw material and fuel prices
- Solid demand for some products in cosmetics / health care

(Chiral Separation business : Increase)

- Increase in column and chiral stationary phase (CSP) sales.
- Growth of new business in India.

Operating Income +3.5 billion yen

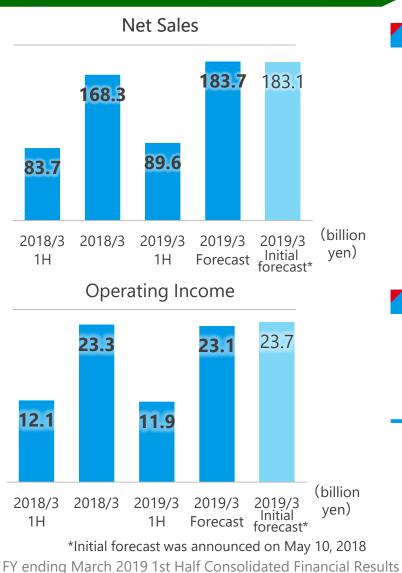
Increase due mainly to the increase in sales volume and a positive impact of the revision of selling prices following the rise in raw material and fuel prices.

2019/3 Forecast

- Increase in Net Sales and Operating Income
- Upward trend in Acetic acid market
- Increase in sales volume
- The revision of selling prices following the rise in raw material and fuel prices
- Recovery from the fire at the peracetic acid plant in the previous fiscal year



Plastics



Net Sales +5.9 billion yen (Exchange rate impact -0.4 billion yen)

(Engineering Plastics business : Increase)

- Increase in sales volume resulting from increased demand for automobile parts and progress in new parts adoption
- The revision of selling prices following the rise in raw material and fuel prices

(Plastic Compound business : Increase)

The revision of selling prices following the rise in raw material and fuel prices

(Plastic Processing business : Increase)

Increase in film sales

Operating Income -0.3 billion yen

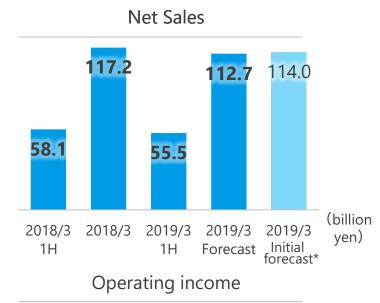
 Slightly decrease due mainly to a rise in raw material and fuel costs, despite an increase in sales volume

2019/3 Forecast

- Increase in Net Sales / Slightly decrease in Operating income
- Engineering Plastics: Increase in sales volume due to growing demand
- Operating income will slightly decrease due to rising raw fuel costs and increased costs for future growth



Pyrotechnic Devices



Net Sales -2.6 billion yen (Exchange rate impact -0.2 billion yen)

(Automobile Safety Parts business : Slightly decrease)

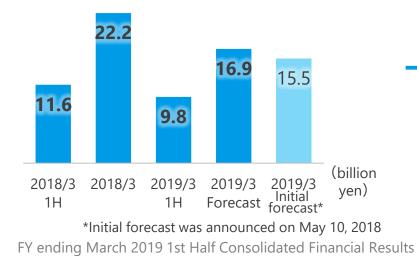
- Increase in inflator sales volume
- Change in sales product mix

(Aerospace & Defense business : Decrease)

 Decrease in volume of some products procured by the Ministry of Defense

Operating Income -1.8 billion yen

Decrease due mainly to the impact of the change in sales product mix



2019/3 Forecast

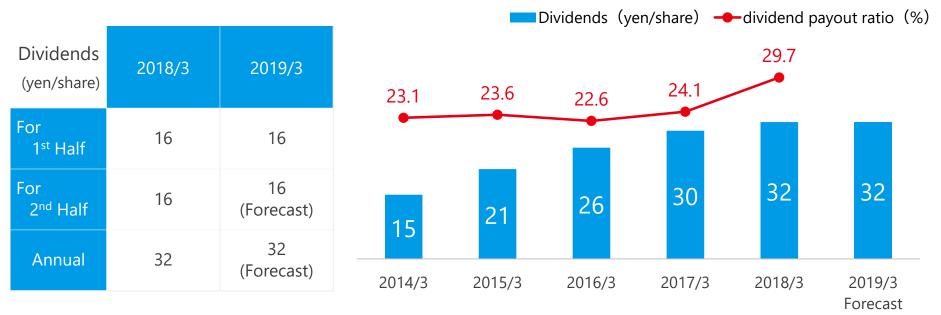
- Decrease in Net Sales and Operating Income
- Increase in sales volume of inflators
- Decrease in operating income mainly due to change in sales composition
- Increase in R&D costs for future growth and costs for strengthening of business foundations, such as assuring product safety and quality control



Return to Shareholders

FY ending March 2019

- Interim dividends : 16 yen per share / Forecast of Annual dividends : 32 yen per share (No change from last announcement)
- Purchase of own stocks for 8.3 million shares in the funds of 10 billion yen. (Period of purchase: From May 2018 to March 2019)

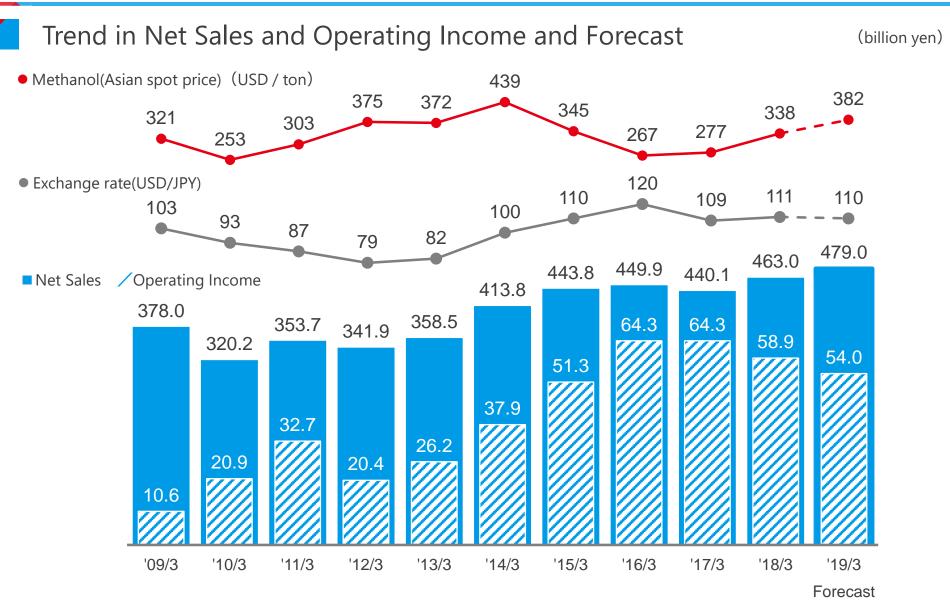




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Consolidated Balance Sheet

(billion yen)

| | Mar. 31, 2018 | Sep. 30, 2018 | Change | Remarks |
|---|---------------|---------------|--------|--|
| Total current assets | 349.2 | 342.2 | -7.0 | |
| Cash, deposits and short-term investment securities | 129.3 | 108.1 | -21.1 | |
| Notes and accounts receivable-trade | 93.3 | 94.7 | +1.4 | |
| Inventories | 109.3 | 120.8 | +11.5 | |
| Other | 17.4 | 18.5 | +1.1 | |
| Total non-current assets | 291.1 | 304.5 | +13.4 | |
| Property, plant and equipment | 184.0 | 195.6 | +11.5 | Acquisition+23.1, Depreciation-13.6, Others+2.0 |
| Intangible fixed assets | 8.6 | 11.0 | +2.4 | |
| Investments and other assets | 98.4 | 97.9 | -0.5 | |
| Total assets | 640.3 | 646.7 | +6.4 | |
| Liabilities | 226.7 | 217.5 | -9.2 | |
| Interest-bearing liabilities | 99.7 | 90.3 | -9.4 | Bonds-10.0, Interest-bearing liabilities ratio 14.0% |
| Other | 127.0 | 127.2 | +0.2 | |
| Total net assets | 413.5 | 429.2 | +15.6 | Capital adequacy ratio 61.8% |
| Total liabilities and net assets | 640.3 | 646.7 | +6.4 | |



Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

(billion yen)

| | 2018/3 1 st Half | 2019/3 1 st Half | Change |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|
| Cash flows from operating activities | 29.7 | 26.9 | -2.8 |
| Cash flows from investing activities | -20.6 | -24.1 | -3.5 |
| Free cash flows | 9.1 | 2.8 | -6.3 |
| Cash flows from financing activities | 17.9 | -25.0 | -42.9 |
| Other | 1.1 | 0.6 | -0.5 |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 28.1 | -21.6 | -49.7 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | 124.4 | 106.7 | -17.7 |



Quarterly Results for Net Sales and Operating Income

(billion yen)

| Net Sales | | FY ended N | FY ending March 2019 | | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| INEL Sales | 1 st Quarter | 2 nd Quarter | 3 rd Quarter | 4 th Quarter | 1 st Quarter | 2 nd Quarter |
| Cellulosic Derivatives | 22.1 | 22.9 | 22.8 | 21.2 | 19.9 | 22.1 |
| Organic Chemicals | 19.6 | 19.5 | 20.5 | 22.5 | 22.7 | 22.4 |
| Plastics | 41.2 | 42.5 | 43.4 | 41.1 | 44.1 | 45.4 |
| Pyrotechnic Devices | 28.0 | 30.1 | 28.4 | 30.7 | 27.3 | 28.2 |
| Others | 1.3 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 1.4 | 1.5 |
| Total | 112.3 | 116.8 | 116.7 | 117.3 | 115.5 | 119.7 |

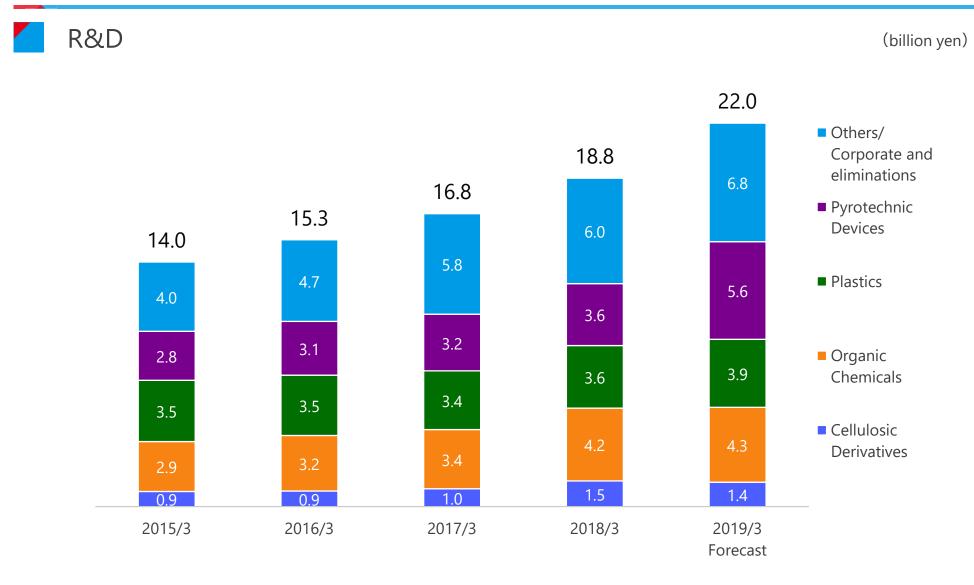
| Operating | | FY ended N | FY ending March 2019 | | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Income | 1 st Quarter | 2 nd Quarter | 3 rd Quarter | 4 th Quarter | 1 st Quarter | 2 nd Quarter |
| Cellulosic Derivatives | 5.5 | 5.5 | 4.7 | 3.7 | 3.9 | 4.7 |
| Organic Chemicals | 2.1 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 3.8 | 3.3 |
| Plastics | 5.7 | 6.4 | 5.5 | 5.6 | 5.9 | 6.0 |
| Pyrotechnic Devices | 6.0 | 5.6 | 5.7 | 4.8 | 5.0 | 4.8 |
| Others | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Corporate and eliminations | -3.6 | -3.6 | -3.2 | -4.1 | -4.0 | -4.1 |
| Total | 15.8 | 15.7 | 14.6 | 12.8 | 14.7 | 14.8 |



| Mod | Modification of Financial Forecast (FY ending March 2019) | | | | | | | (billion |
|------------|---|------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------|----------|
| | | Announcement on May 10, 2018 | | Announcement in this time | | | Change | |
| | | 1 st Half | 2 nd Half | Total(A) | 1 st Half | 2 nd Half | Total(B) | (B)-(A) |
| | Cellulosic Derivatives | 43.1 | 43.5 | 86.6 | 42.0 | 40.7 | 82.7 | -3.9 |
| | Organic Chemicals | 43.0 | 44.0 | 87.0 | 45.1 | 46.6 | 91.7 | +4.7 |
| | Plastics | 90.6 | 92.5 | 183.1 | 89.6 | 94.1 | 183.7 | +0.6 |
| | Pyrotechnic Devices | 55.1 | 58.9 | 114.0 | 55.5 | 57.2 | 112.7 | -1.3 |
| | Others | 3.2 | 4.1 | 7.3 | 3.0 | 5.2 | 8.2 | +0.9 |
| Net sales | Net sales | | 243.0 | 478.0 | 235.2 | 243.8 | 479.0 | +1.0 |
| | Cellulosic Derivatives | 8.5 | 7.0 | 15.5 | 8.6 | 6.0 | 14.6 | -0.9 |
| | Organic Chemicals | 6.0 | 6.0 | 12.0 | 7.1 | 7.8 | 14.9 | +2.9 |
| | Plastics | 12.0 | 11.7 | 23.7 | 11.9 | 11.2 | 23.1 | -0.6 |
| | Pyrotechnic Devices | 7.9 | 7.6 | 15.5 | 9.8 | 7.1 | 16.9 | +1.4 |
| | Others | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.6 | -0.2 |
| | Corporate and eliminations | -8.2 | -8.3 | -16.5 | -8.1 | -8.0 | -16.1 | +0.4 |
| Operating | Operating income | | 24.5 | 51.0 | 29.5 | 24.5 | 54.0 | +3.0 |
| Ordinary i | Ordinary income | | 25.5 | 53.0 | 32.2 | 25.8 | 58.0 | +5.0 |
| Income at | Income attributable to owners of parent | | 18.0 | 37.0 | 22.4 | 17.6 | 40.0 | +3.0 |
| (ref.) Ex | change rate USD/JPY | 110 | 110 | 110 | 110 | 110 | 110 | |

6. References





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Assumptions

| | | FY ended March 2018 | | FY ending March 2019 | | |
|----------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| | | 1 st half (Results) | 2 nd half (Results) | 1 st half (Results) | 2 nd half (Forecast) | |
| Exchange rate (USD/JPY) | | 111 111 | | 110 | 110 | |
| Raw Materials | Methanol Asian spot price (USD/ton) | 295 | 380 | 403 | 360 | |
| | Crude Oil ^{Dubai} (USD/bbl.) | 50 | 62 | 73 | 70 | |
| | Domestic Naphtha (JPY/kl) | 37,600 | 46,300 | 50,850 | 52,000 | |



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