# Financial Results for Q3 Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2021

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NEC Corporation

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- \* Net profit/loss refers to net profit/loss attributable to owners of the parent for the same period.
- \* As stated in the July 21, 2020 announcement, "NEC to Revise Operating Segments", NEC has revised its operating segments from Q1, FY21/3. Figures for the corresponding period of FY19/3 or FY20/3 have been restated to conform with the new segments.



## I . Financial Results for Q3, FY21/3

#### Summary of Financial Results for Q3

#### Revenue

<YoY>
9 months -6.0%
Q3 +0.4%

9 months: Decreased due to market deterioration

Q3: Turned to positive recovery growth supported by solid orders from Q2

(Driven by 5G and GIGA school project)

# Adjusted Operating Profit

<YoY>
9 months +6.4 billion Yen
Q3 +32.7 billion Yen

#### 9 months: Increased, including special countermeasures

Q3: Increased, even excluding special countermeasures

## Adjusted Net Profit

<YoY>
9 months +6.8 billion Yen
Q3 +24.5 billion Yen

Increased due to increase in adjusted operating profit

## Summary of Financial Results for Q3, FY21/3

(Billions of Yen)

	1H <6 months>			Q3 <october december="" to=""></october>			9 months <april december="" to=""></april>		
	FY20/3	FY21/3	YoY	FY20/3	FY21/3	YoY	FY20/3	FY21/3	YoY
	Actual	Actual	101	Actual	Actual	101	Actual	Actual	101
Revenue	1,449.0	1,315.0	-9.2%	726.6	729.4	+ 0.4%	2,175.6	2,044.4	-6.0%
Operating Profit	46.9	20.0	-26.9	31.1	62.4	+ 31.4	77.9	82.4	+ 4.5
% to Revenue	3.2%	1.5%		4.3%	8.6%		3.6%	4.0%	
Adjusted Operating Profit	55.4	29.0	-26.3	35.3	68.0	+ 32.7	90.6	97.0	+ 6.4
% to Revenue	3.8%	2.2%		4.9%	9.3%		4.2%	4.7%	
Income before Income Taxes	46.1	19.4	-26.8	32.7	66.4	+ 33.7	78.8	85.8	+ 6.9
Net Profit	29.2	11.0	-18.2	20.0	43.5	+ 23.5	49.2	54.5	+ 5.3
% to Revenue	2.0%	0.8%		2.8%	6.0%		2.3%	2.7%	
Adjusted Net Profit	34.3	16.6	-17.7	22.6	47.1	+ 24.5	56.9	63.7	+ 6.8
% to Revenue	2.4%	1.3%		3.1%	6.5%		2.6%	3.1%	
Free Cash Flows	55.6	29.7	-25.9	-6.4	-137.9	- 131.5	49.2	-108.2	-157.4
Note: USD / JPY Average Exchange Rates (Yen) EUR /JPY	109.26 122.66	107.19 120.34	[	108.16 119.31	105.15 124.04		108.89 121.54	106.51 121.57	

## Financial Results for by Segment

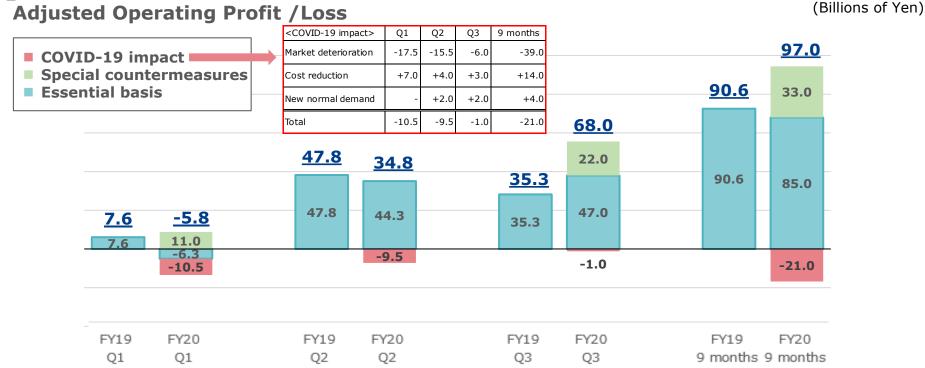
(Billions of Yen)

		1H <6 months>			02.40=	Q3 <october december="" to=""> 9 months <april december="" to=""></april></october>				
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		FY20/3 Actual	FY21/3 Actual	YoY	FY20/3 Actual	FY21/3 Actual	YoY	FY20/3 Actual	FY21/3 Actual	YoY
Public	Revenue	207.2	177.1	- 14.5%	108.7	97.1	- 10.7%	316.0	274.2	- 13.2%
Solutions	Adjusted Operating Profit	9.9	4.6	- 5.3	8.0	6.8	- 1.2	17.9	11.4	- 6.5
Solutions	% to Revenue	4.8%	2.6%		7.4%	7.0%		5.7%	4.2%	
Public	Revenue	299.2	281.6	- 5.9%	166.0	178.9	+ 7.8%	465.2	460.5	- 1.0%
Infrastructure	Adjusted Operating Profit	24.2	16.6	- 7.7	18.1	18.7	+ 0.6	42.4	35.3	- 7.1
Illiastructure	% to Revenue	8.1%	5.9%		10.9%	10.5%		9.1%	7.7%	
	Revenue	288.2	238.1	- 17.4%	120.9	116.3	- 3.8%	409.1	354.4	- 13.4%
Enterprise	Adjusted Operating Profit	25.2	18.0	- 7.3	11.0	8.2	- 2.8	36.3	26.2	- 10.1
	% to Revenue	8.8%	7.5%		9.1%	7.1%		8.9%	7.4%	
Network	Revenue	214.4	225.5	+ 5.2%	108.3	140.3	+ 29.5%	322.7	365.8	+ 13.4%
Services	Adjusted Operating Profit	9.1	6.2	- 2.9	4.7	13.7	+ 9.1	13.8	19.9	+ 6.1
Sei vices	% to Revenue	4.3%	2.7%		4.3%	9.8%		4.3%	5.4%	
	Revenue	243.3	219.3	- 9.9%	123.0	105.9	- 13.9%	366.2	325.2	- 11.2%
Global	Adjusted Operating Profit/Loss	1.1	- 3.3	- 4.4	0.5	11.4	+ 10.9	1.6	8.1	+ 6.5
	% to Revenue	0.5%	-1.5%		0.4%	10.8%		0.4%	2.5%	
	Revenue	196.7	173.4	- 11.8%	99.7	91.0	- 8.8%	296.4	264.4	- 10.8%
Others	Adjusted Operating Profit	13.9	7.2	- 6.7	9.2	2.4	- 6.8	23.1	9.6	- 13.5
	% to Revenue	7.1%	4.1%		9.2%	2.6%		7.8%	3.6%	
Adjustment	Adjusted Operating Profit/Loss	- 28.1	- 20.2	+ 7.9	-16.2	6.7	+ 23.0	-44.3	-13.4	+ 30.9
	Revenue	1,449.0	1,315.0	- 9.2%	726.6	729.4	+ 0.4%	2,175.6	2,044.4	- 6.0%
Total	Adjusted Operating Profit	55.4	29.0	- 26.3	35.3	68.0	+ 32.7	90.6	97.0	+ 6.4
	% to Revenue	3.8%	2.2%		4.9%	9.3%		4.2%	4.7%	

## Quarterly Adjusted Operating Profit / Loss Status

Significantly reduced from the impact of COVID-19

Profit excluding special countermeasures increased in Q3

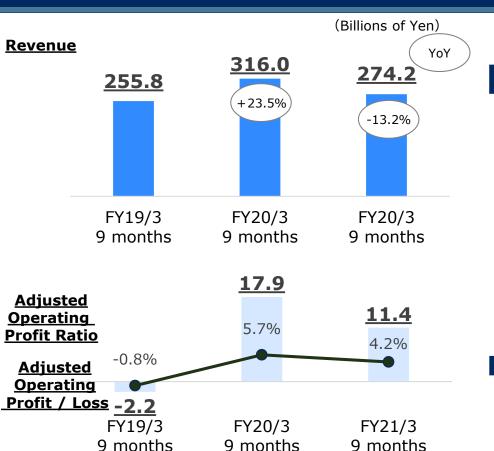


## NEC Order Trends (Including hardware)

(YoY)	FY21/3 Q1	Q2	Q3 Notes	9 months
Public Solutions	-31%	-12%	-5% Solid for local government	-18%
Public Infrastructure *Excluding Japan Aviation Electronics Industry (JAE)	+9%	+41%	+20% GIGA School project contributed	+22%
Enterprise	-21%	-3%	+5% Turned to positive grow	-7%
Network Services	+1%	+26%	+48% 5G base stations ramp	up +24%
Global	+75%	+38%	-27% Deconsolidation of Dis	+27%
Total	-5%	+10%	+5%	+3%
Ref.) Hardware*  Hardware (excluding I	-36% PCs) <sub>-29%</sub>	-8% -24%	-1% +6%	-16% -17%

\* Products handled by System Platform Business Unit

#### **Public Solutions Business**



#### 274.2 (-13.2%) Revenue

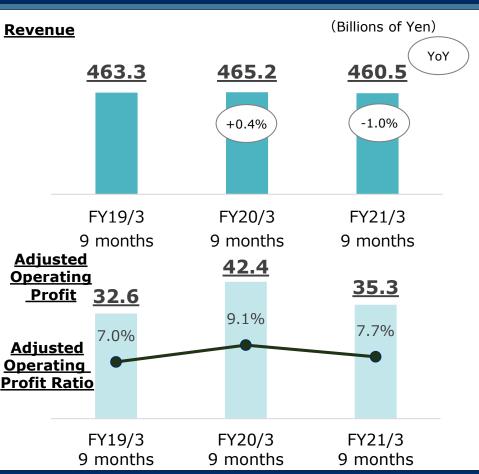
 Decreased due to decline in healthcare and local industry as well as fall in demand for business PC replacement although firefighting / disaster prevention areas were solid

#### Adjusted Operating Profit / Loss 11.4 (-6.5)

Decreased due to decline in revenue

<sup>\*</sup> Figures in parentheses are compared to the previous year

#### Public Infrastructure Business



#### Revenue 460.5 (-1.0%)

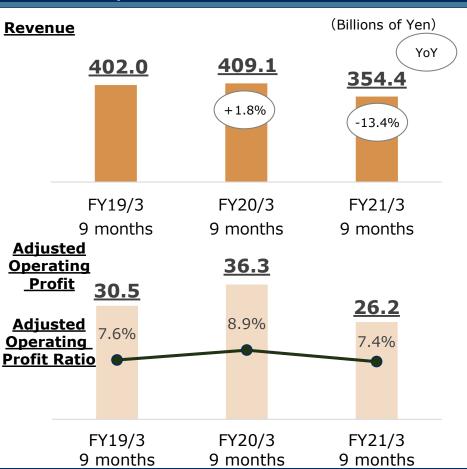
- Increased in NEC Corporation due to increase in IT services for central governments and PCs for educational institutes with "GIGA school project"
- Decreased in a consolidated subsidiary

#### Adjusted Operating Profit 35.3 (-7.1)

- Increased in NEC Corporation due to the increased sales and improvement of unprofitable projects
- Decreased in a consolidated subsidiary

<sup>\*</sup> Figures in parentheses are compared to the previous year

## **Enterprise Business**



#### **Revenue 354.4** (-13.4%)

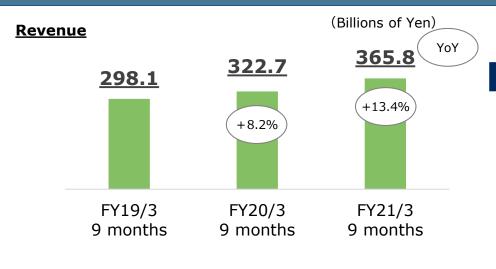
 Decreased due to declines in large projects compared to the previous year and demand for business PC replacement as well as restraint of corporate IT investment in manufacturing, retail and service industries

#### Adjusted Operating Profit 26.2 (-10.1)

Decreased due to decline in revenue

\* Figures in parentheses are compared to the previous year

#### **Network Services Business**



#### **Revenue 365.8** (+13.4%)

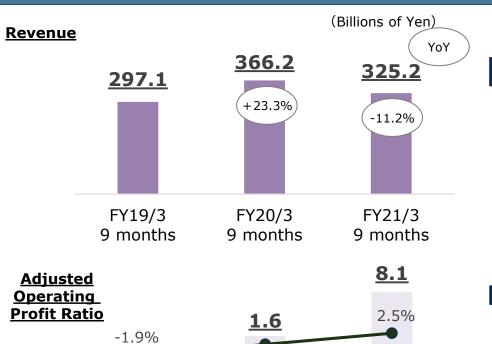
- Increased due to increase in mobile network and fixed wired network in light of 5G introduction
- Shipment of 5G base stations significantly increased from Q3



#### Adjusted Operating Profit 19.9 (+6.1)

- Increased due to increase in revenue
  - \* Figures in parentheses are compared to the previous year

## Global Business



0.4%

FY20/3

9 months

FY21/3

9 months

#### **Revenue 325.2** (-11.2%)

 Decreased due to a decline and the deconsolidation of Display and a fall resulting from the termination of a part of KMD businesses despite an increase in Submarine Systems

#### Adjusted Operating Profit / Loss 8.1 (+6.5)

 Increased due to improvement of profitability in the Service Provider and an increase in revenue in Submarine Systems

Adjusted

Profit / Loss

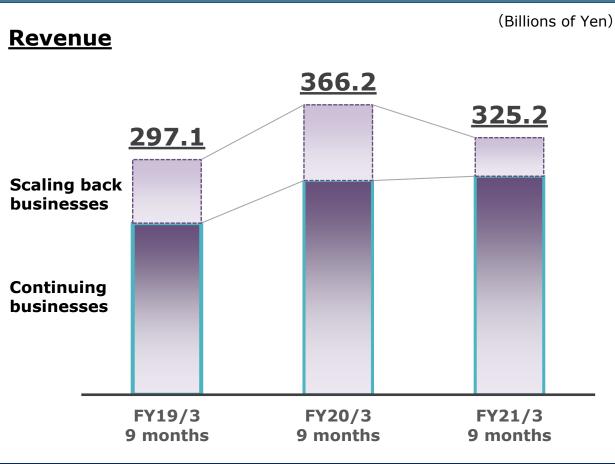
**Operating** 9 months

<u>-5.5</u>

FY19/3

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## Global Business status



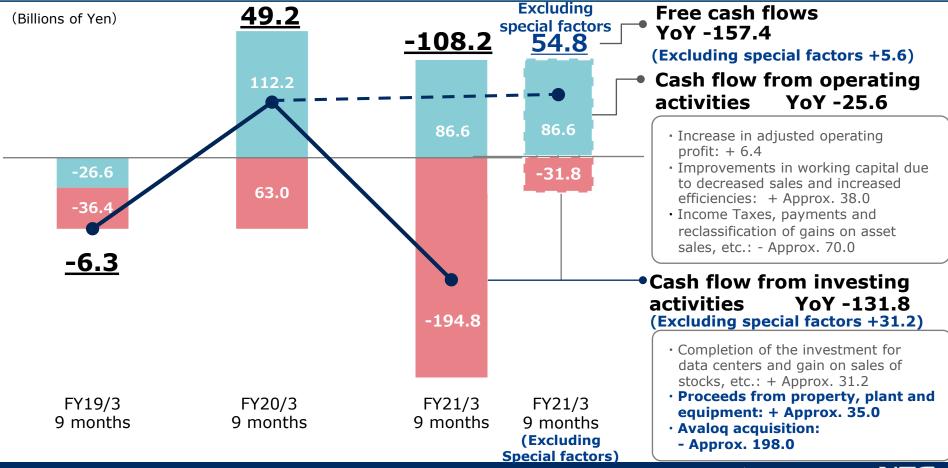
#### Scaling back businesses

- Energy
- Display
- •A part of KMD: the terminated business anticipated at the time of acquisition (\*)

#### **Continuing businesses**

- Safer Cities (except above \*)
- Service Provider
- Wireless Backhaul
- Submarine Systems

#### Free Cash Flows



## II. Financial Forecasts for FY21/3

## Financial Forecasts Summary

## No change in FY21/3 full-year forecasts

(Billions of Yen)

		Full Year				
		FY20/3	FY21/3	YoY		
		Actual	Forecasts	101		
Reve	nue	3,095.2	3,030.0	- 2.1%		
Operatin	g Profit	127.6	150.0	+ 22.4		
	% to Revenue	4.1%	5.0%			
Adjusted Operating Profit		145.8	165.0	+ 19.2		
	% to Revenue	4.7%	5.4%			
Net P	Net Profit		90.0	- 10.0		
	% to Revenue	3.2%	3.0%			
Adjusted N	Net Profit	111.2	99.0	- 12.2		
	% to Revenue	3.6%	3.3%			
		477.0	450.0	27.0		
Free Cash Flows		177.8	150.0	- 27.8		
Dividend per Share (Yen)		70	80	+ 10		
Note:	UCD / IDV	109.05	105.00			
Average Exchange Rates (Yen)	USD / JPY EUR /JPY	121.37	120.00			

		Full Year				
		FY20/3 Actual	FY21/3 Forecasts	YoY		
Public	Revenue	478.4	450.0	- 5.9%		
Solutions	Adjusted Operating Profit	34.2	40.0	+ 5.8		
Solutions	% to Revenue	7.2%	8.9%			
Public	Revenue	678.8	675.0	- 0.6%		
Infrastructure	Adjusted Operating Profit	64.2	62.0	- 2.2		
Illiastructure	% to Revenue	9.5%	9.2%			
	Revenue	549.8	560.0	+ 1.9%		
Enterprise	Adjusted Operating Profit	52.1	60.0	+ 7.9		
	% to Revenue	9.5%	10.7%			
Network	Revenue	482.7	480.0	- 0.6%		
Services	Adjusted Operating Profit	30.6	32.0	+ 1.4		
Services	% to Revenue	6.3%	6.7%			
	Revenue	493.1	455.0	- 7.7%		
Global	Adjusted Operating Profit/Loss	- 3.2	22.0	+ 25.2		
	% to Revenue	-0.6%	4.8%			
	Revenue	412.6	410.0	- 0.6%		
Others	Adjusted Operating Profit	24.4	15.0	- 9.4		
	% to Revenue	5.9%	3.7%			
Adjustment	Adjusted Operating Profit/Loss	- 56.5	- 66.0	- 9.5		
	Revenue	3,095.2	3,030.0	- 2.1%		
Total	Adjusted Operating Profit	145.8	165.0	+ 19.2		
	% to Revenue	4.7%	5.4%			

\*Forecasts as of January 29, 2021

## Addressing changes caused by the spread of COVID-19

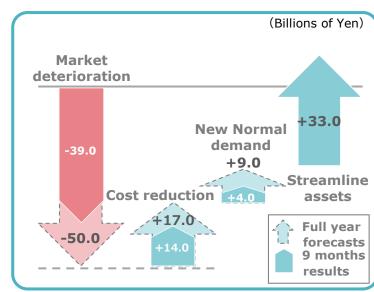
The impact of market deterioration by COVID-19 is decreasing (As of Oct 2020: Approx. -65.0 billion Yen → As of Jan 2021: Approx. -50.0 billion Yen)

#### Cost reduction

- Transform to a new cost structure to meet remote environments
- Cost reduction became smaller compared to the company forecasts as businesses in Network services and Pubic infrastructure expanded

#### New Normal demand\*

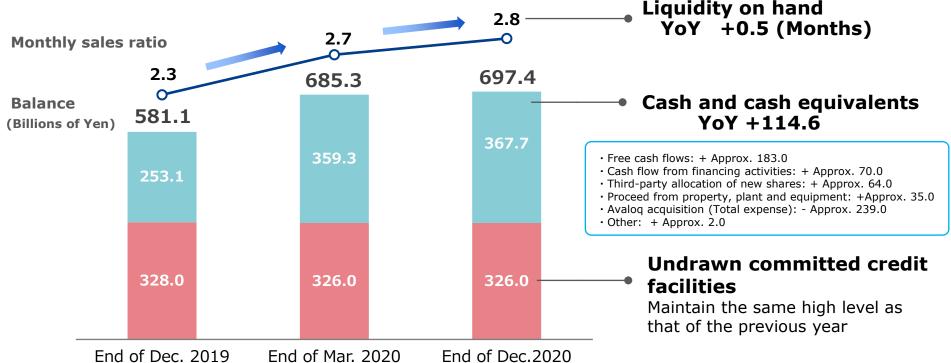
 Track record expanding in 5G and digitalization in government and finance for next year and beyond



<sup>\*</sup> Contactless solutions, remote-work solutions (excluding PC), and educational solutions expanded by the spread of COVID-19

## Cash Management: Liquidity Status

Continue to thoroughly secure liquidity after completing the acquisition of Avalog. Maintain investment capability by asset sales, etc. to continue growth investments



### Topics: The Completion of NEC's Acquisition of Avalog Group AG

## Completed the acquisition of Avaloq

 Closed the acquisition in December and will contribute to NEC's financial results from Q4, FY2020

## Accept investment from JICT\*

 Investment amount is planned to be 300 million Swiss France (35.0 billion Yen\*\*) after February 2021

\* JICT: Fund Corporation for the Overseas Development of Japan's ICT and Postal Services Inc.

<sup>\*\* 1</sup> Swiss Franc = 115 Yen

## Topics: 5G

#### Japan: 5G networks are significantly expanding

- Base stations : NEC started to ship 5G base station Central Units (CU) in large volume as well as Radio Units (RU)
- Core networks: NTT Docomo and Rakuten Mobile adopted NEC's **5G** core network

### International: Enhance activities for global expansion

- U.K. : Established the Global Open RAN Center of Excellence (CoE) and participating U.K. government-led 5G Open **RAN** trial
- Germany: Selected by Telefónica Germany as system integrator for Open RAN pilot

#### Topics: Initiatives for the Digitalization of Governmental services

### Aggressively participate in advanced projects

- Provide solutions for educational institutes with "GIGA school project"
- Selected by the Japanese government as a managed services provider for the second common government platform

### **Enhance proposal and implementation structure**

- Make proposals to governments on usages of the "My Number Card"\*
- Provide "NEC Cloud IaaS" compliant the Japanese government's new evaluation system, "ISMAP"\*\*
- Established the internal cross-over implementation structure

<sup>\*</sup> My Number Card: ID number issued to all residents of Japan used for taxation, social security and disaster response purposes \*\* ISMAP: Information system Security Management and Assessment Program

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NEC creates the social values of safety, security, fairness and efficiency to promote a more sustainable world where everyone has the chance to reach their full potential.

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Financial Results for the Nine-Month ended December 31, 2020 (Appendix)

## Adjustments to Operating Profit

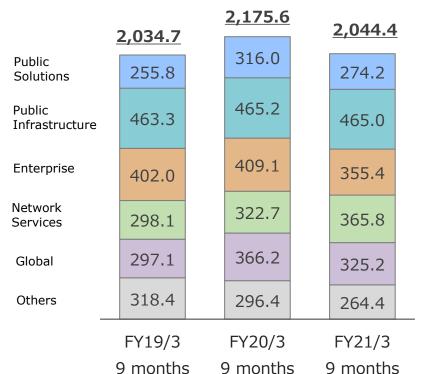
(Billions of Yen)

	FY20/3			FY21/3			YoY		
	1H	3Q	9 months	1H	3Q	9 months	1H	ЗQ	9 months
Operating Profit	46.9	31.1	77.9	20.0	62.4	82.4	-26.9	+31.4	+4.5
Adjusted items	8.5	4.2	12.7	9.1	5.6	14.6	+0.5	+1.4	+1.9
Amortization of intangible assets through acquisition	8.3	4.2	12.5	9.1	4.7	13.7	+0.7	+0.5	+1.2
M&A related expenses	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.9	0.9	-0.2	+0.8	+0.6
Adjusted Operating Profit	55.4	35.3	90.6	29.0	68.0	97.0	-26.3	+32.7	+6.4

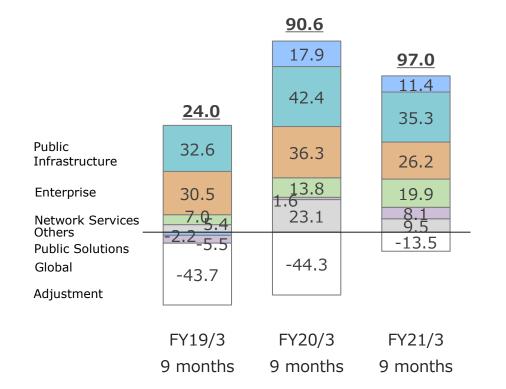
## Financial Results by Segment (three-year transition)

(Billions of Yen)

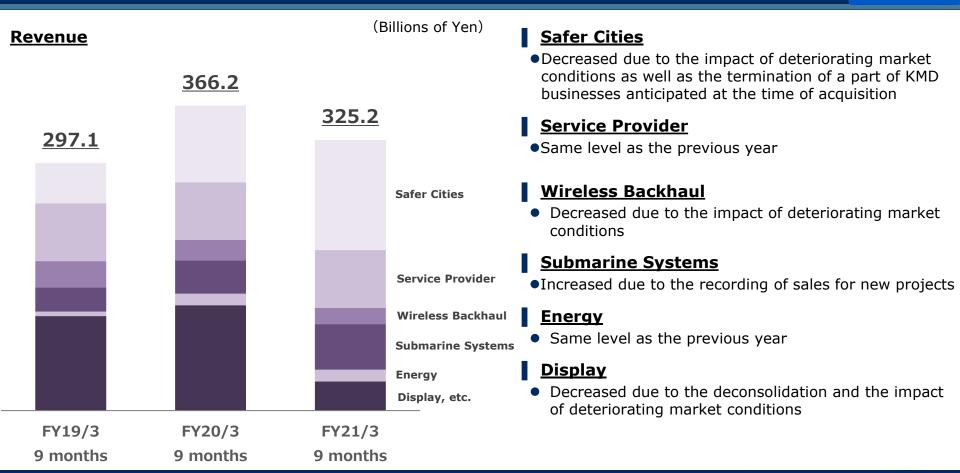




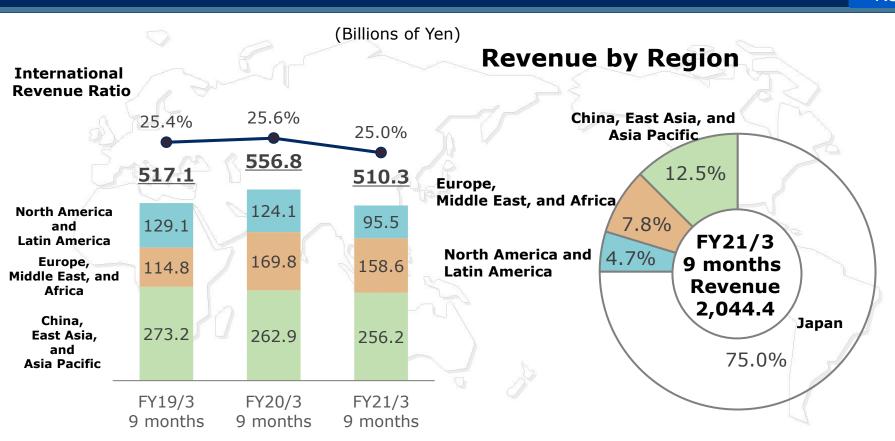
#### **Adjusted Operating Profit**



## Global Business



#### International Revenue



\*Revenue is classified by country or region based on customer locations

## Adjusted Net Profit Change (Year on Year)

(Billions of Yen)



FY20/3 56.9

Adjustment	+30.9
Global	+6.5
Network Services	+6.1
Others	-13.5
Enterprise	-10.1
Public Infrastructure	-7.1
Public Solutions	-6.5

Others +2.9

Income taxes -1.8 -0.2Others

63.7

## Financial Position Data

(Billions of Yen)

	End of March 2020	End of December 2020	Variance from end of March 2020
Total assets	3,123.3	3,343.9	+ 220.6
Total equity	1,114.5	1,255.7	+ 141.1
Interest-bearing debt	675.4	833.6	+ 158.2
Equity attributable to owners of the parent	910.7	1,049.4	+ 138.8
Ratio of equity attributable to owners of the parent (%)	29.2%	31.4%	+ 2.2pt
D/E ratio (times)	0.74	0.79	- 0.05pt
Net D/E ratio (times)	0.35	0.44	- 0.09pt
Cash and cash equivalents	359.3	367.7	+ 8.5

- 67.1

+287.7

#### **Current Assets**

1,631.8

Decreased due to the collection of trade and other receivables

despite increased inventories

Increased due to an increase in goodwill resulting from acquisition of Avalog Group and an increase in other financial assets resulting from the rising market value of equity securities.

**Non-current Assets** 

1,712.1

## Liabilities 2,088.2

(Billions of Yen)

Compared to end of March 2020

+79.5

Increased due to an increase in interest-bearing debt from issuance of commercial paper, etc.

**Total Assets** 

3,343.9

(+22<mark>0.6 compared to end of March 2020)</mark>

+141.1

Increased due to the execution of issuance of new shares by way of third-party allotment to NTT and the increase in other components of equity resulting from the rising market value of equity securities and the recognition of net profit.

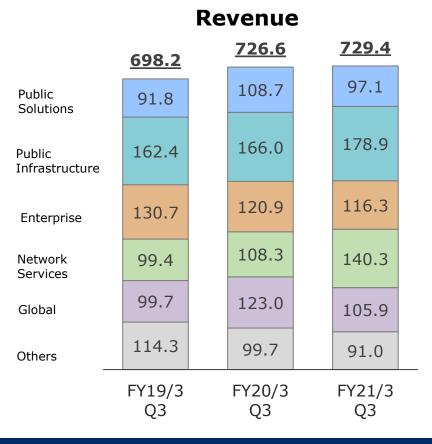
**Equity** 

1,255.7

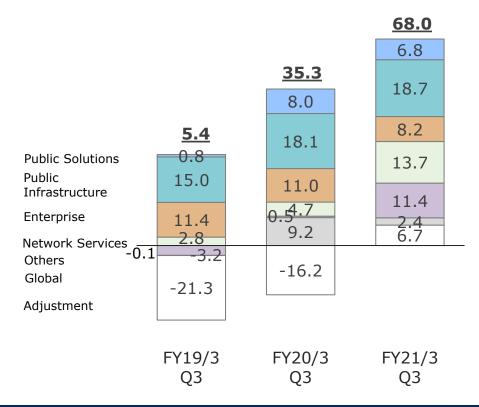
Financial Results for 3Q, FY21/3 (Appendix)

## Financial Results by Segment (three-year transition)

(Billions of Yen)



#### **Adjusted Operating Profit**



#### **Public Solutions Business**



#### Revenue **97.1** (-10.7%)

 Decreased due to fall in demand for business PC replacement

#### Adjusted Operating Profit 6.8 (- 1.2)

Decreased due to decline in revenue

\* Figures in parentheses are compared to the previous year

#### Public Infrastructure Business



#### **Revenue 178.9** (+7.8%)

 Increased due to an increase in PC under "GIGA school project"

#### Adjusted Operating Profit 18.7 (+0.6)

 Increased due to an increase in revenue

\* Figures in parentheses are compared to the previous year

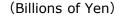
# **Enterprise Business**



8.7%

FY19/3

Q3

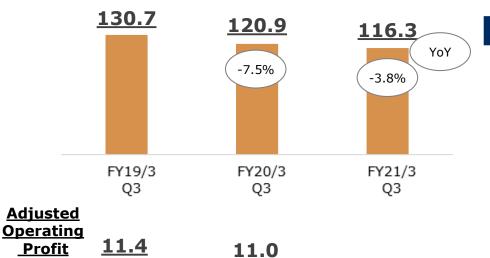


8.2

7.1%

FY21/3

Q3



9.1%

FY20/3

Q3

## **Revenue 116.3** (-3.8%)

 Decreased due to declines in demand for business PC replacement compared to the previous year as well as restraint of corporate IT investment in manufacturing, retail and service industries

## Adjusted Operating Profit 8.2 (-2.8)

Decreased due to decline in revenue

\* Figures in parentheses are compared to the previous year

**Adjusted** 

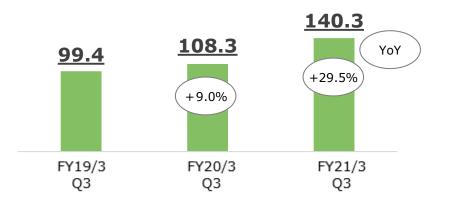
Operating

**Profit Ratio** 

## Network Services Business

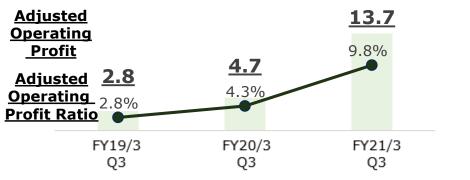


(Billions of Yen)



## **Revenue 140.3** (+29.5%)

 Increased due primarily to increase in mobile network and fixed wired network areas driven by 5G deployment



### **Adjusted Operating Profit 13.7 (+9.1)**

 Increased due to an increase in revenue

\* Figures in parentheses are compared to the previous year

# Global Business



#### Revenue **105.9** (-13.9%)

 Decreased due to deconsolidation of Display business

## Adjusted Operating Profit 11.4 (+10.9)

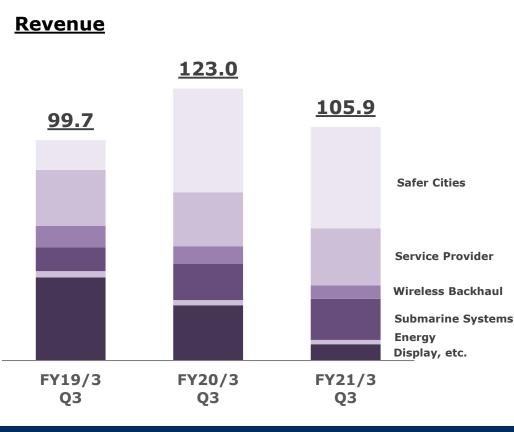
 Increased due to improvement of profitability in Service Provider and an increase in revenue in Submarine **Systems** 

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<sup>\*</sup> Figures in parentheses are compared to the previous year

# **Global Business**

(Billions of Yen)



#### **Safer Cities**

 Decreased due to the impact of deteriorating market conditions as well as the termination of a part of KMD businesses anticipated at the time of acquisition

#### <u>Service Provider</u>

Same level as the previous year

#### <u>Wireless Backhaul</u>

 Decreased due to the impact of deteriorating market conditions

#### Submarine Systems

Increased due to the recording of sales for new projects

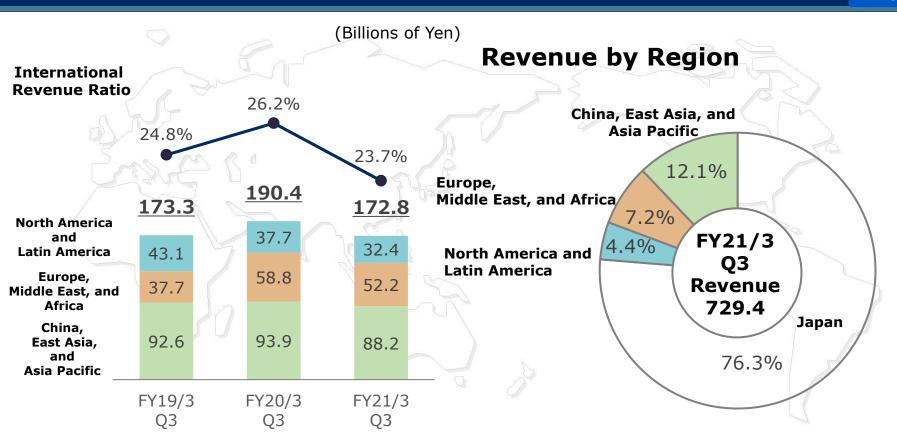
#### <u>Energy</u>

Same level as the previous year

#### <u>Display</u>

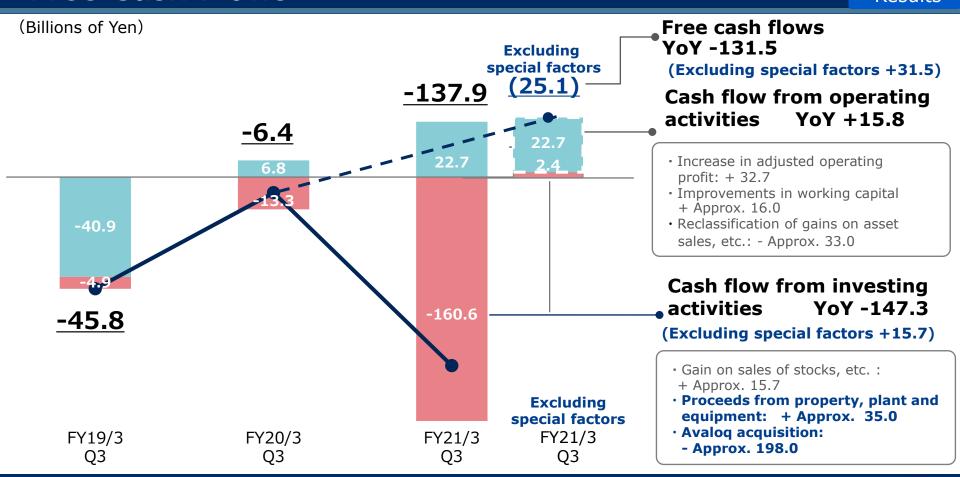
Decreased due to the deconsolidation

# International Revenue



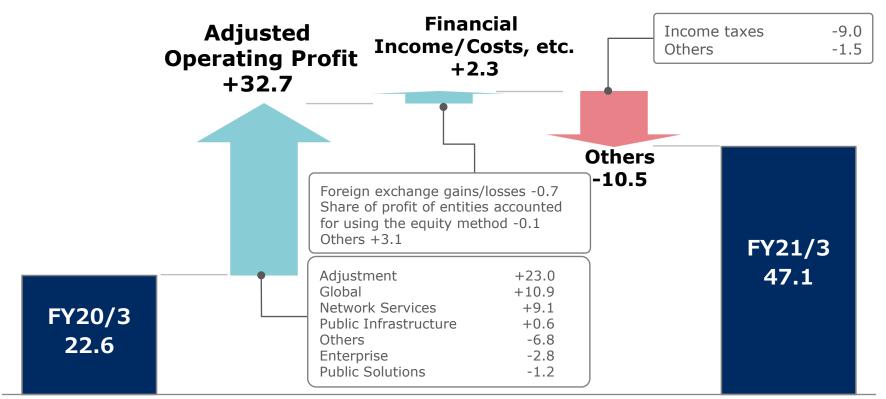
\*Revenue is classified by country or region based on customer locations

## Free Cash Flows



# Adjusted Net Profit Change (Year on Year)

(Billions of Yen)



Financial Forecasts for F21/3 (Appendix)

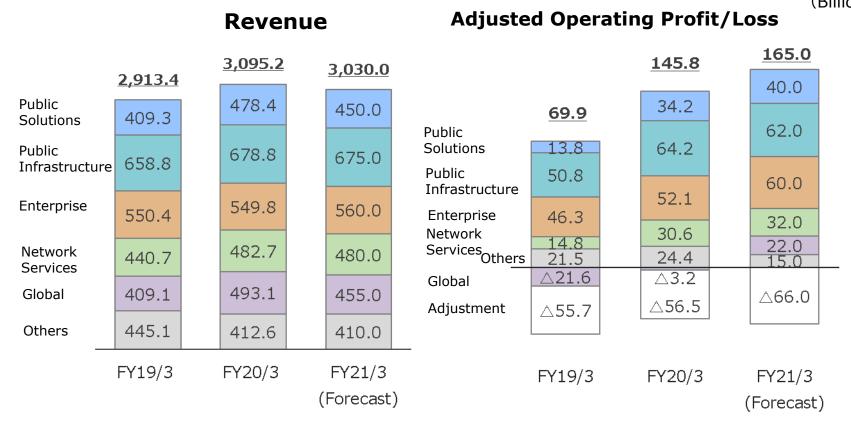
# <Ref.> Adjustments to Operating Profit

(Billions of Yen)

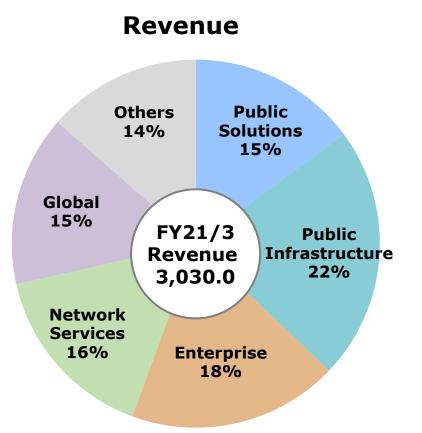
	FY20/3 Actual	FY21/3 Forecasts	YoY
Operating Profit/Loss	127.6	150.0	+22.4
Adjusted items	18.2	15.0	-3.2
Amortization of intangible assets through acquisition	17.0	n/a	n/a
M&A related expenses	1.2	n/a	n/a
Adjusted Operating Profit/Loss	145.8	165.0	+19.2

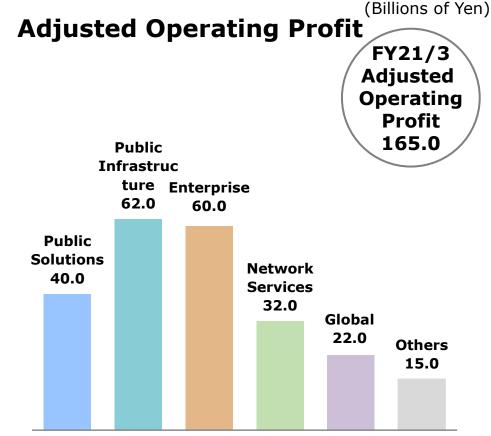
# Financial Results / Forecasts by Segment (three-year transition)

(Billions of Yen)

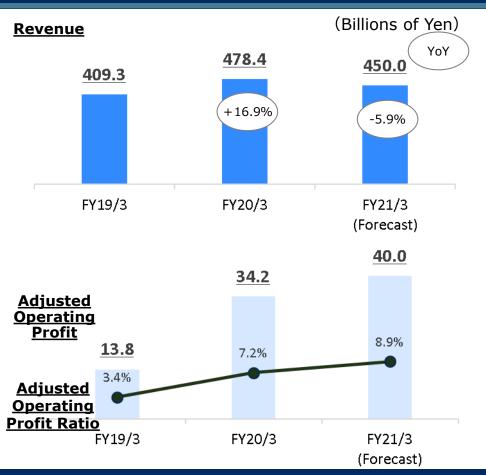


# Financial Forecasts by Segment





## **Public Solutions Business**



## **Revenue 450.0** (-5.9%)

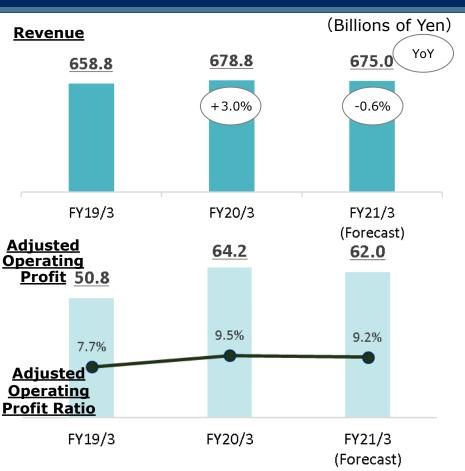
 Decrease due to decline in business PCs and IT services for local governments and healthcare, despite increase in disaster prevention and traffic control systems

#### Adjusted Operating Profit 40.0 (+5.8)

 Increase due to improved profitability and a decrease in one-time costs recorded in the previous fiscal year

<sup>\*</sup> Figures in parentheses are compared to the previous year

# Public Infrastructure Business



### Revenue

675.0 (-0.6%)

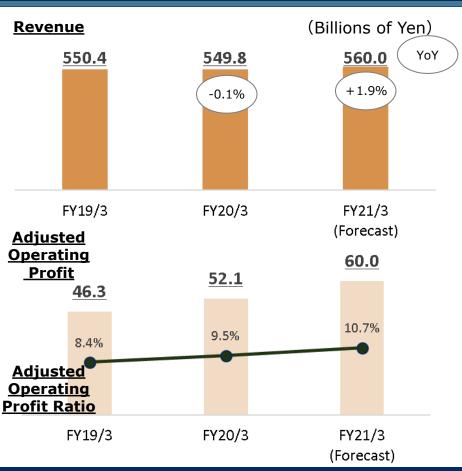
Slightly decrease

#### Adjusted Operating Profit **62.0** (-2.2)

Decrease due to decline in revenue

\* Figures in parentheses are compared to the previous year

# **Enterprise Business**



### Revenue

**560.0** (+1.9%)

Slightly increase

## Adjusted Operating Profit 60.0 (+7.9)

 Increase due to preventing the recurrence of unprofitable projects and improved cost efficiency

\* Figures in parentheses are compared to the previous year

# Network Services Business



#### Revenue **480.0** (-<u>0.6%)</u>

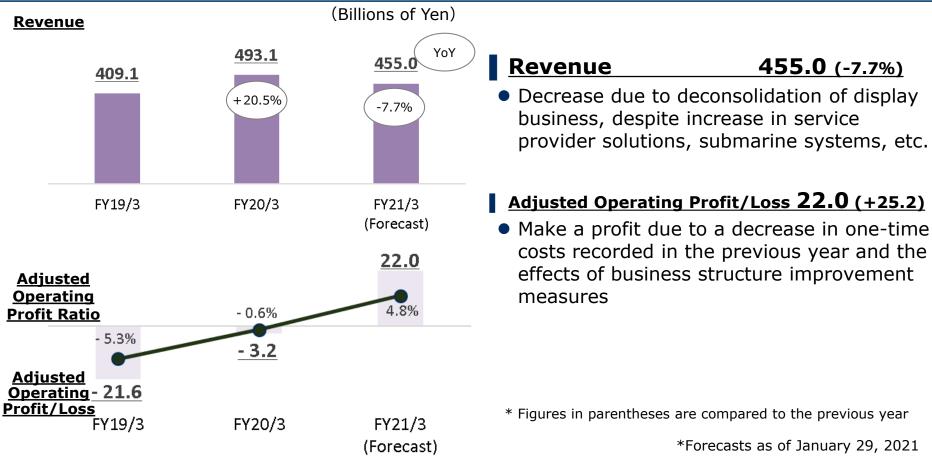
 Maintain the same level as the previous year with an increase in fixed network and mobile network, despite one-time large projects in the previous year

#### Adjusted Operating Profit 32.0 (+1.4)

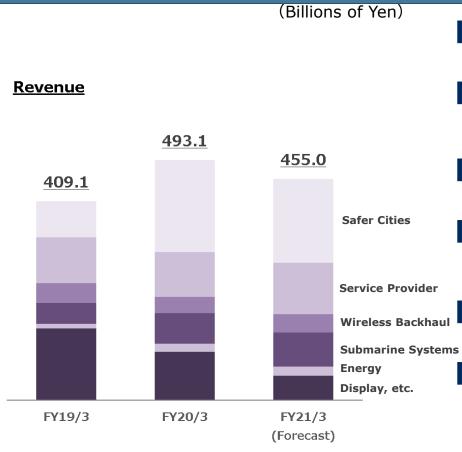
 Increase due to rise in 5G related investments as well as an increase in mobile network sales

<sup>\*</sup> Figures in parentheses are compared to the previous year

## **Global Business**



## Details of Global Business



#### **Safer Cities**

Maintain the same level as the previous year

### **Service Provider**

 Increase in sales for both software services and optical IP systems

#### Wireless backhaul

Increase in sales due to expansion of service business

#### **Submarine systems**

 Increase in sales due to contribution of orders received in previous year

#### **Energy**

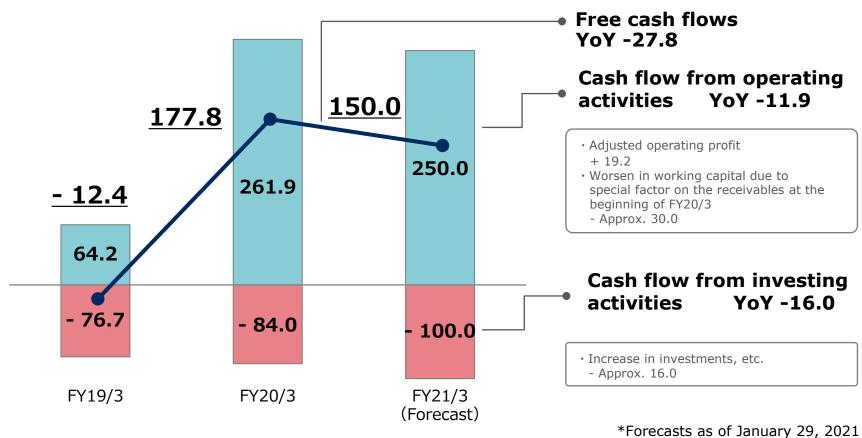
Maintain the same level as the previous year

#### **Display**

 Decrease in sales due to deconsolidation by forming a joint venture with Sharp Corporation

## Free Cash Flows

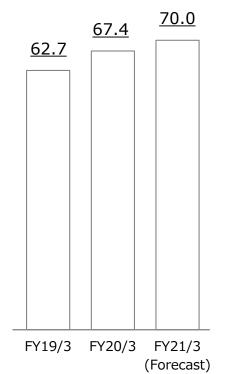
(Billions of Yen)



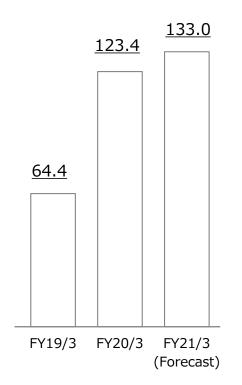
# Capital Expenditure, Depreciation and R&D Expenses

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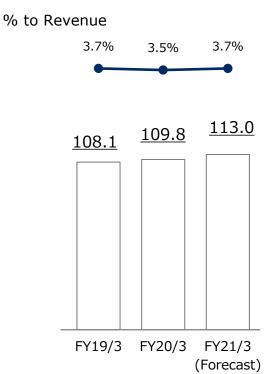
#### **Capital Expenditure**



### **Depreciation**



#### **R&D Expenses**



<sup>\*</sup> Depreciation in FY19/3 does not include the impact of applying IFRS 16 Lease

## Cautionary Statement with Respect to Forward-Looking Statements

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The factors that may influence the operating results include, but are not limited to, the following:

- adverse economic conditions in Japan or internationally;
- · foreign currency exchange and interest rate risks;
- · changes in the markets in which the NEC Group operates;
- · the recent outbreak of the novel coronavirus;
- · potential inability to achieve the goals in the NEC Group's medium-term management plan;
- · fluctuations in the NEC Group's revenue and profitability from period to period;
- · difficulty achieving the benefits expected from acquisitions, business combinations and reorganizations;
- · potential deterioration in the NEC Group's relationships with strategic partners or problems relating to their products or services;
- · difficulty achieving the NEC Group's growth strategies outside Japan;
- · potential inability to keep pace with rapid technological advancements in the NEC Group's industry and to commercialize new technologies;
- intense competition in the markets in which the NEC Group operates;
- · risks relating to the NEC Group's concentrated customer base:
- difficulties with respect to new businesses;
- potential failures in the products and services the NEC Group provides;
- potential failure to procure components, equipment or other supplies;
- difficulties protecting the NEC Group's intellectual property rights;
- · potential inability to obtain certain intellectual property licenses;
- the NEC Group's customers may encounter financial difficulties;
- · difficulty attracting, hiring and retaining skilled personnel;
- · difficulty obtaining additional financing to meet the NEC Group's funding needs;
- potential failure of internal controls;
- · potentially costly and time-consuming legal proceedings;
- risks related to regulatory change and uncertainty;
- · risks related to environmental laws and regulations;
- · information security and data protection concerns and restrictions;
- potential changes in effective tax rates or deferred tax assets, or adverse tax examinations;
- · risks related to corporate governance and social responsibility requirements;
- · risks related to natural disasters, public health issues, armed hostilities and terrorism;
- · risks related to the NEC Group's pension assets and defined benefit obligations; and
- · risks related to impairment losses with regard to goodwill.

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