

Credit Saison Co., Ltd.

FY2022 Financial Results Briefing

May 15, 2023

Presentation

Moderator: Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. Thank you for taking time out of your busy schedule today to participate in the conference call for the FY2022 financial statements of Credit Saison Co., Ltd.

Present on today's conference call are Representative, Executive President, and COO, Mizuno; Managing Executive Officer, CFO, Baba; and Executive Officer, Kimura.

Baba, Managing Executive Officer, will report on the FY2022 financial results and financial and capital policies for about five minutes, and Mizuno, President, will explain the FY2023 business strategy for about 15 minutes, followed by a Q&A session. The entire meeting is scheduled to last 45 minutes. Please refer to the financial results presentation materials available on our IR site.

Let us begin our explanation. Executive Director Baba, please go ahead.

Financial Results Digest

- In our payment business, in addition to double-digit growth in the card shopping transaction volume and the return of card shopping revolving balance to an upward trend, our finance business as a 2nd pillar expanded steadily, and our global business as a 3rd pillar contributed to income stably. In total, all business segments grew in a steady manner.
- Both revenue and income expanded partly due to unrealized gains on the fair value of funds held while we increased the provision with an eye on the future in order to deal with uncertainties, such as a deterioration in financing that would be caused by the commencement of repayments of effectively interest-free and unsecured loans that were implemented as measures against the COVID-19 pandemic.
- As the business profit target of ¥70 billion for the Medium-term management plan will be achieved a year earlier than planned, profit attributable to owners of parent is expected to reach ¥49 billion, a record high.

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 We plan a dividend increase for three years in a row given that business results are on a firm trend, although there are some temporary factors, etc.

Baba: My name is Baba. Thank you for your cooperation.

Please see page four of the document on the financial slides. A digest of the financial results is available here.

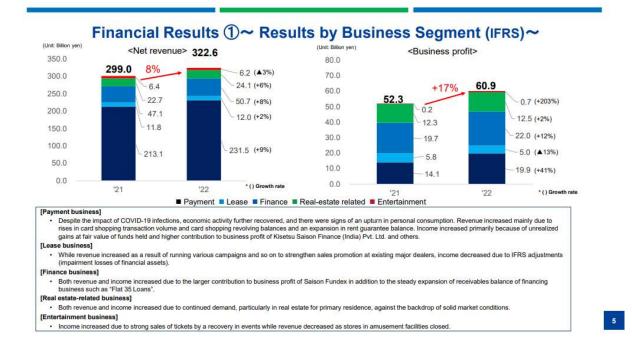
The first point is that our payment, finance, and global businesses are all growing steadily.

Second, given that COVID-19 is gradually calming down and the repayment of the so-called "zero-zero" loans will start, we expect a deterioration in cash flow, so we have increased our allowance for the future this time to cope with the uncertainty. We will explain this in more detail later.

In addition to this, there were valuation gains from the fair value of funds held, et cetera, resulting in an increase in revenue and profit in FY2022, the previous fiscal year.

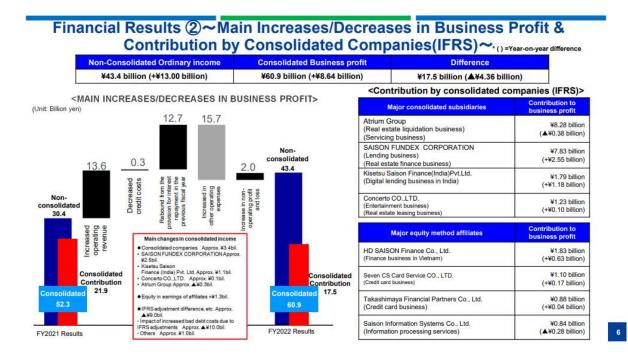
Third, we expect to achieve the consolidated business profit target of JPY70 billion we announced in the medium-term management plan a year ago, one year ahead of schedule, and if we can achieve the announced final profit of JPY49 billion, it will be the highest profit ever.

Regarding the fourth point, we plan to increase the dividend for the third consecutive fiscal year, based on the fact that our business performance has remained strong, despite transitory factors and other factors.



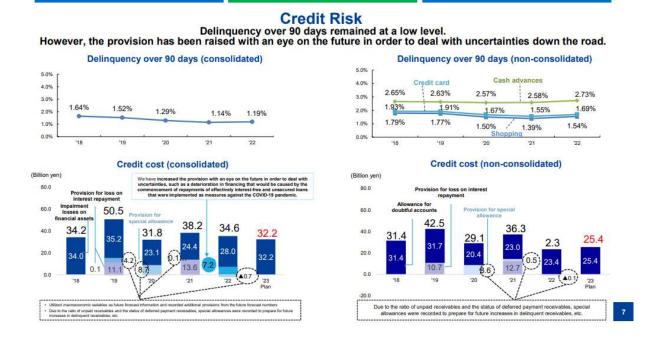
Page five. These are the results for FY2022.

Net revenue increased 8% to JPY322.6 billion, and business income increased 17% to JPY60.9 billion.



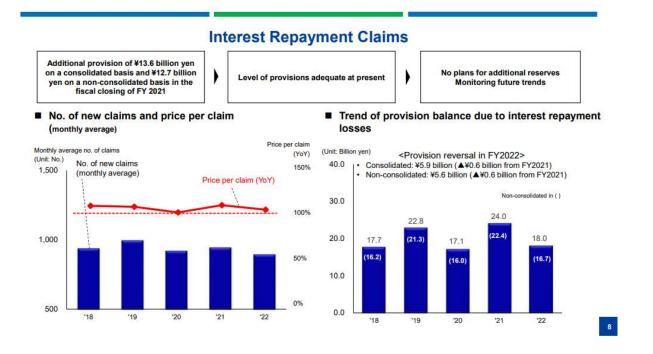
Page six. This is the status of consolidated contributions.

The slide on the right shows the main contributors to the consolidated and equity contributions of each company. Atrium Group contributed JPY8.28 billion on a consolidated basis, Saison Fundex increased by JPY2.55 billion to JPY7.8 billion, and Kisetsu Saison in India increased by JPY1.18 billion to approximately JPY1.8 billion. Both consolidated subsidiaries and equity method affiliates are further increasing their profit contributions.



Page seven. This is the allowance I mentioned at the beginning of this presentation.

The JPY7.2 billion shown on the left-hand side of the consolidated financial statements for FY2022 is an allowance reserved for uncertainties that we accumulated in FY2022. This is the main reason for the discrepancy between the figures announced in Q3 and the actual results.

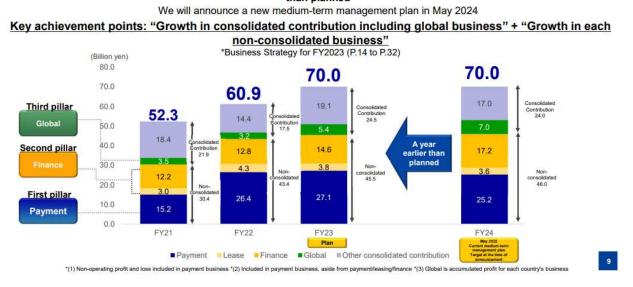


Page eight, interest reimbursement claim.

The graph on the right shows that the amount of reversal in FY2022 has decreased by JPY600 million on both a consolidated and nonconsolidated basis, but the current situation is that the decrease is larger than we had expected.

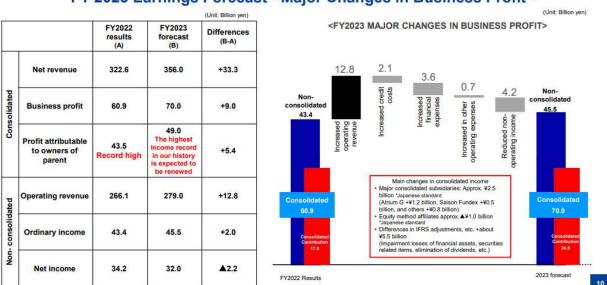
Business Results Forecast for FY2023 - < By Major Business> Business Profit Target (Approximate value)-

The business profit target of ¥70 billion for the Medium-term management plan is expected to be achieved a year earlier than planned



Continued on page nine.

As I mentioned at the beginning of this presentation, we had projected consolidated business profit of JPY70 billion for FY2024 in our forecast for FY2023, but we would like to achieve JPY70 billion in FY2023, one year ahead of schedule, in the current progressing period. In conjunction with this, we plan to announce a new medium-term management plan exactly one year later, in May 2024.



FY 2023 Earnings Forecast - Major Changes in Business Profit -

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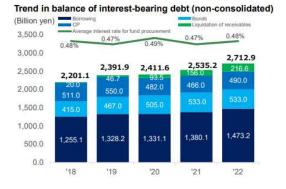
We plan to increase both consolidated and nonconsolidated revenues and profits in our forecast for FY2023.

Although nonconsolidated net income is projected to decrease, this is due to a onetime factor resulting from the sale of strategic shareholdings in the previous fiscal year of FY2022 and would have increased without this factor.

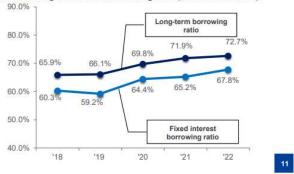
In addition, the consolidated final profit for FY2022 is JPY43.5 billion, which is the highest ever. If we can achieve this JPY49 billion figure for the current fiscal year, we expect to renew our highest profit.

Financial Policy (Structure of Interest-bearing Debt)

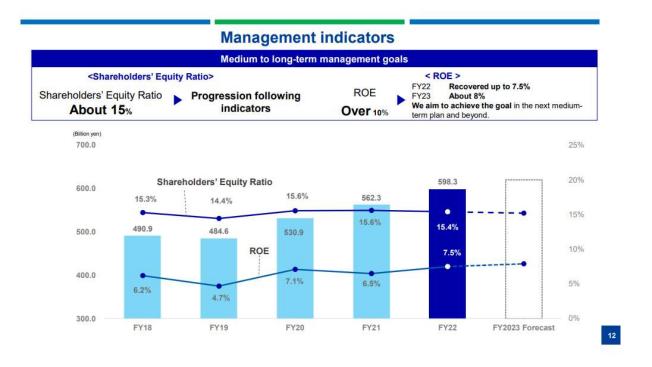
- About a sound financial base
- Credit Rating R&I A+
- Issuance of 20 years bonds, first in card companies June 2017 ¥10 billion, April 2018 ¥15 billion, April 2019 ¥12 billion, January 2021 ¥8 billion, and October 2021 ¥13 billion
- Regarding structure of interest-bearing debt
 Almost 70% of the interest-bearing debt is composed of long-term
- funds
- + Fixed interest rate procurement accounts for about 60% of the total
- Committed credit line, etc., of **480 billion** yen is secured in terms of liquidity facility



Trend in long-term / fixed borrowing ratio (non-consolidated)

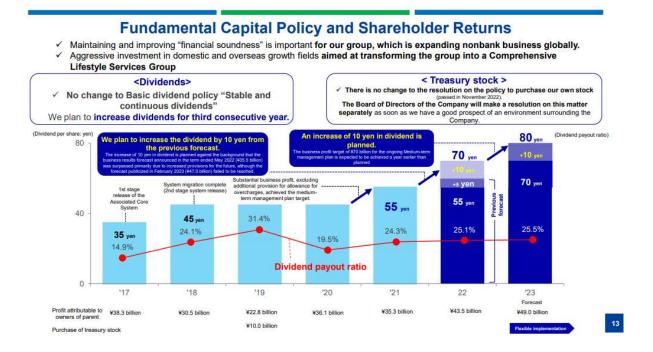


Page 11, Financial Policy. We hope you will read it.



If you turn to page 12, you will see the management indicators.

We will continue to aim for an equity ratio of approximately 15%. We have achieved ROE of 7.5% in the previous fiscal year, FY2022, and we expect 8% in the ongoing fiscal year and ROE of 10% in the next midterm management plan and beyond.



Finally, on page 13, capital policy and shareholder return.

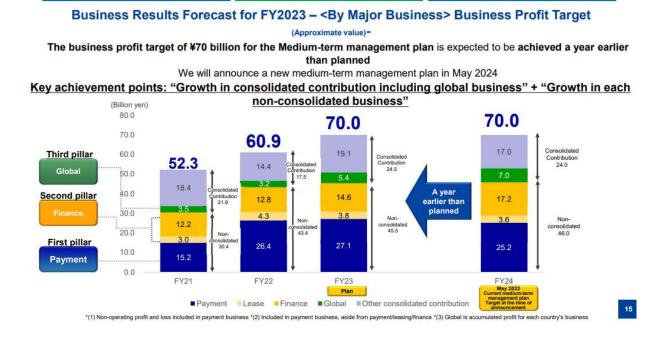
This means that we will continue to maintain our financial soundness and aggressively invest in growth areas in Japan and overseas, as has been our policy to date.

However, as I mentioned, we have increased the dividend for three consecutive years, and at next month's general meeting, we will raise the dividend by JPY10 to JPY70, although we had originally planned to deliver JPY60. We have announced a dividend forecast of JPY80 per share, an increase of JPY10 per share over the previous forecast.

Finally, there is no change in our treasury stock policy, which will be announced as soon as the Company's business environment becomes more promising, based on a separate resolution by the Board of Directors.

That's all I have to say.

Moderator: Thank you very much. We will now move on to the FY2023 business strategy. President Mizuno, please go ahead.



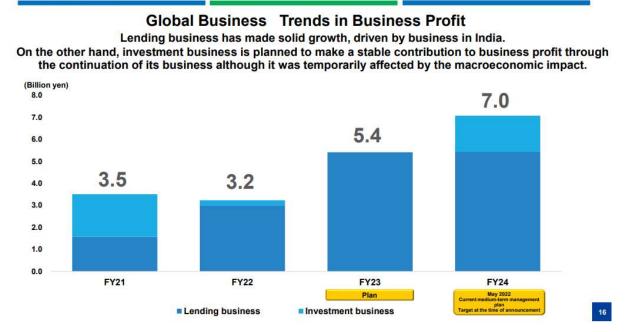
Mizuno: My name is Mizuno. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

I will now explain our business strategy for FY2023, page 15.

Again, as Baba explained earlier, we are planning to achieve the business profit of JPY70 billion in the medium-term management plan in FY2023, one year ahead of schedule.

The growth of the consolidated business, including global business, and the growth of each nonconsolidated business have been very strong. We will complete the announced medium-term management plan in the current fiscal year and start a new management plan in FY2024.

Global



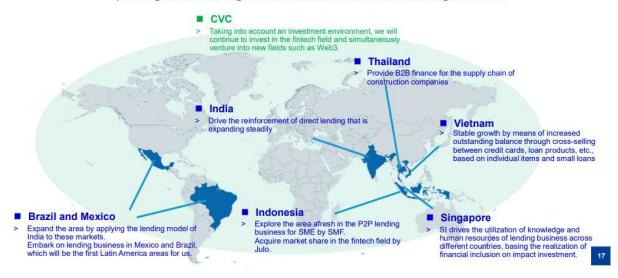
Page 16, in which, again, the performance of the global business is growing very remarkably.

In FY2022, consolidated business profit was JPY3.2 billion, and we expect consolidated business profit of JPY5.4 billion in FY2023. The medium-term management plan calls for JPY7 billion in FY2024, details of which will be explained later.

Global

Status of Global Business Expansion

Under the theme of "(Fin) Tech-led INNOVATION and INCLUSION," we have expanded into seven countries, pivoting on the two legs of investment business and lending business.

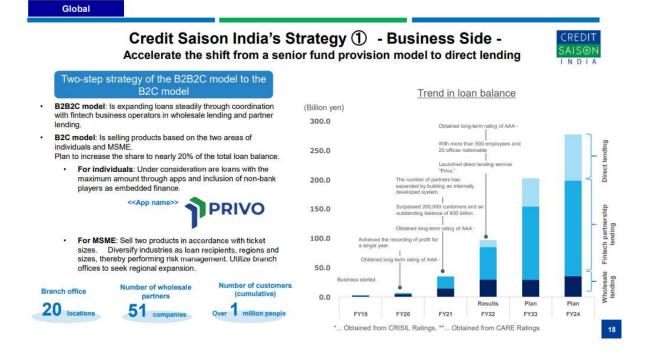


Page 17, the status of our global business development.

We are currently present in seven countries. We are attacking both the investment and lending businesses.

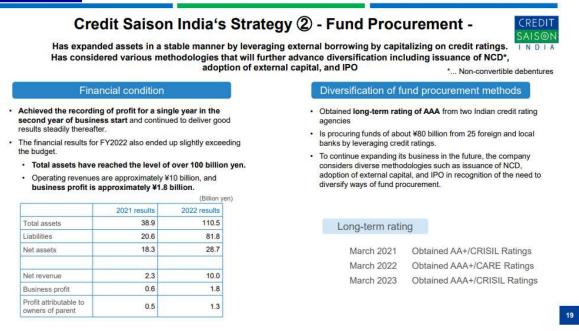
As announced this fiscal year, the establishment of companies in Brazil and Mexico was completed in April, and we are now in the process of starting operations in those countries.

In addition, we are expanding our business in other Asian countries, such as Vietnam, Thailand, Indonesia, and India, including the investment business in Singapore, with a particular focus on the lending business.



Page 18, regarding India, which is growing considerably among them, we started our business in FY2019, and we have already been earning business profits from the following fiscal year.

We have been operating under the B2B2C model until now, but this year, we will finally start the B2C model. I also visited India in April and conducted an inspection tour. This fiscal year, we are planning to expand our current 20 or so branches throughout India to 40 branches and to develop our business in a way that successfully combines real and digital operations.



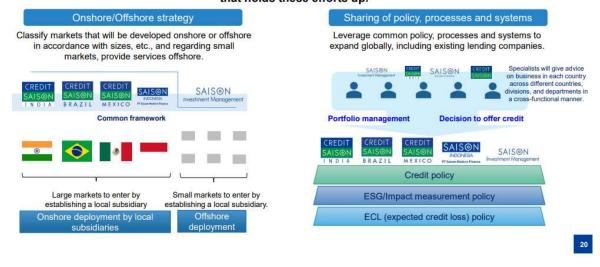
Page 19, status of our funding activities.

As already announced, we are currently considering an IPO for Kisetsu Saison in India.

Currently, we have obtained a long-term rating of AAA from an Indian rating agency, and we are in a position to procure local funds. Based on the current business progress, the current balance of loans receivable is approximately JPY100 billion, and we plan to double this amount this fiscal year. Given the speed of this growth, we decided that it would be best to consider an IPO as well, and we are expanding very steadily here.

Global Lending Business Strategy

Develop business in new markets by applying the India model as a playbook. Share and utilize knowledge and resources that have been nurtured in each country as a robust framework that holds these efforts up.



Page 20, global business strategy. We plan to expand the model developed in India to other countries onshore.

As for Brazil and Mexico, which I mentioned earlier, we have plans to bring the know-how we have cultivated in India to these countries and develop lending in a similar style. We would like to promote the development of this kind to other countries.

Status of Global Business

While expanding the business of lending and investment in each field, steadily develop the system of IHQ to support each business

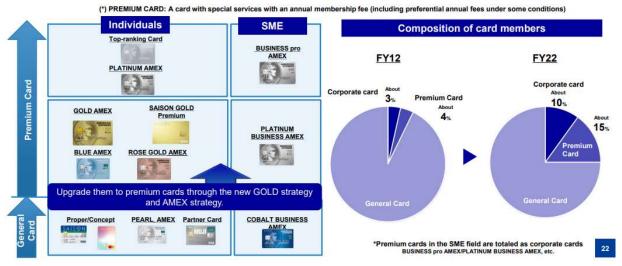


On page 21, we have written about other situations here. We hope you will read it.

Since the establishment of IHQ, we have strengthened our structure and are hoping to successfully create a system that can manage governance and other aspects of the two-sided competition.



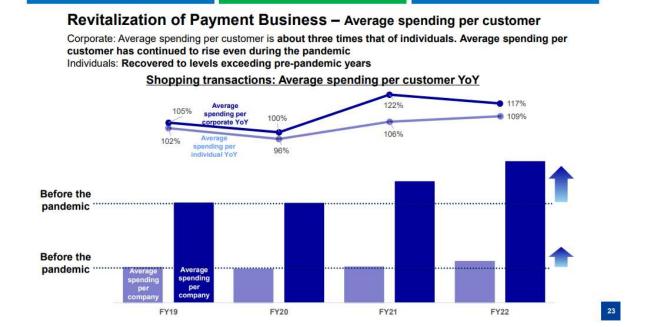
Revitalization of Payment Business - Change to the composition of members The composition of card members has changed due to the new GOLD Card strategy and AMEX strategy. Corporate card and premium card segments on are expanding.



Page 22, payments business, domestic business.

In the payments business, the Premium Card segment, including the new GOLD and AMEX strategies that I have been talking about since last year, as well as corporate cards and cards for SMEs, are growing very rapidly.

In 2022, we have steadily increased the share of corporate cards to approximately 10% and the share of Premium Cards to 15%. Through these efforts, we are aiming to secure a stable revenue base in the payments business.



The next page is the cost per customer section.

Payment

For corporations, it is about three times that of individuals. Even during the pandemic, the unit price has expanded, and I believe that this will be a growth driver for us.

On the other hand, the number of individual customers has also recovered to a level exceeding that of the pre-COVID-19 period, which we believe is a positive result of the Premium Card and GOLD strategy.

Revitalization of Payment Business - Card shopping transaction volume

AMEX share nearly doubled and the corporate share almost tripled by continuously stepping up "Sales expansion of the AMEX brand" and "Expansion of transaction volume in the corporate field."



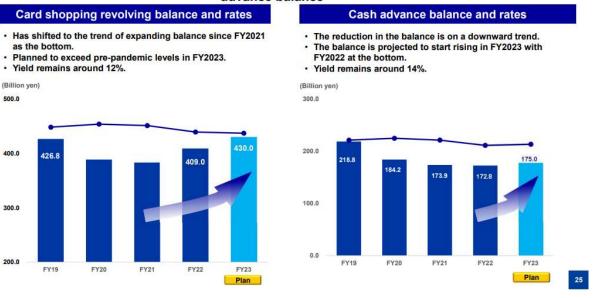
Page 24, the composition of the current shopping transaction volume.

With the expansion of sales of the AMEX brand and the increase in the corporate market share, AMEX's share is now about 40%, about double that of FY2013, and the corporate market share is also about triple. We are committed to finding a winning strategy for distinctive payments, and we believe that our strategy is currently making good progress in this area.

Payment

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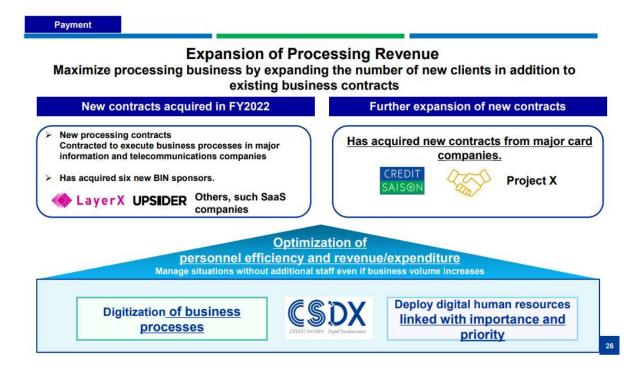
Revitalization of Payment Business - Card shopping revolving balance and cash advance balance



The next page, page 25, is the status of shopping revolving credit.

As for revolving credit, the balance is already recovering after bottoming out in FY2021. We believe that our plan for the current fiscal year is to increase the balance by a little over JPY20 billion, to a total of JPY430 billion.

As for cash advances, we expect that the balance will probably reverse as of May, in fact, at the current time. The plan was to reverse this trend in FY2023, and this situation is now making significant progress.



On page 26, expansion of processing revenues.

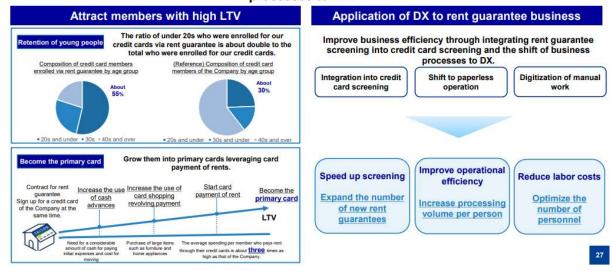
We have one new processing project from October 2022, and this is a very remarkable achievement. In addition, we have been entrusted with new major cards as a result of further expansion of new contracts. Due to confidentiality obligations, we cannot disclose this information yet, but one company is currently working hard on it.

In the processing business, we are aiming to develop the business without using human resources, by digitizing business processes and deploying digital human resources, while replacing tasks that were previously performed by manpower with digital technology as much as possible.

In fact, we are handling this new processing contract, which started in October 2022, without increasing the number of staff, and we intend to increase processing revenues while further improving efficiency.

Integrate Finance x Payment - Rent guarantee Expand revenue through "Integration with payment business" and "Shift of business

processes to DX."

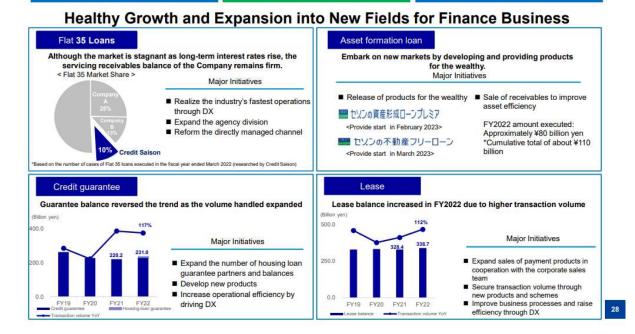


Next, on page 27, is the convergence of finance and payments.

In FY2022, the rent guarantee sector achieved particularly remarkable results. In particular, we believe that we have been able to acquire customers in their 20s and 30s and that we have been able to acquire very high LTV customers, with approximately 55% of our rent-guaranteed customers being in their 20s.

On the other hand, we were ahead of other companies in the rent guarantee business in terms of DX. Therefore, even as the business volume expanded, we were able to deploy a successful combination of paperless, DX, and automated operations without investing in human resources. We intend to spread this horizontally.

Finance

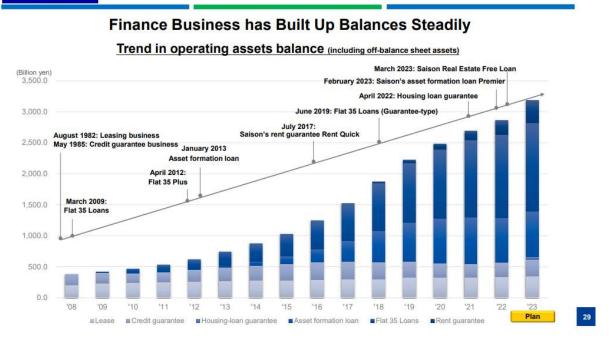


On the next page, page 28, the finance business is experiencing healthy growth and has started to expand into new business areas.

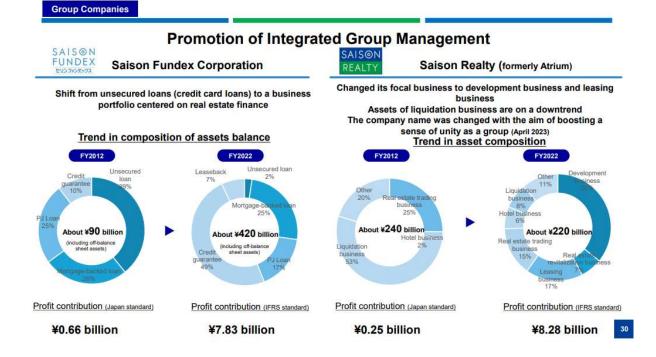
In particular, with regard to asset formation loans, while we have taken steps to improve asset efficiency through the sale of some loans, we are now working hard to change the actual content of the balance by releasing products for high net-worth individuals on the other hand.

In addition, the volume and balance of credit guarantees and leases are reversing after the pandemic in FY2022, so we hope that we can proceed without any slackening.

Finance



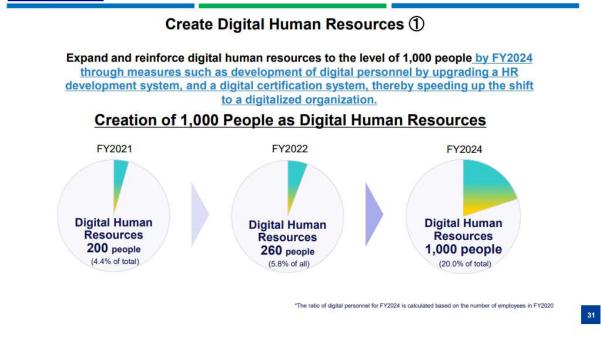
The next page shows the results of the accumulation of balances in the finance business.



As Baba mentioned earlier, we believe that Saison Fundex and Saison Realty have achieved remarkable results in the promotion of integrated group management as described on page 30 of the new medium-term plan.

In particular, with regard to Saison Fundex, first of all, we believe that it has been able to change its business model very successfully by shifting its business portfolio from the old unsecured loans to a focus on real estate finance.

We would like to use this as a successful example to promote this kind of business model change within our group as a whole.



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We believe that DX will support the promotion of these reforms. We have announced our CSDX strategy, which calls for efficient business operations through the creation of digital human resources and the promotion of IT and digitalization, rather than the manpower tactics we used to use in the past.

We have set the goal of creating 1,000 digital human resources in FY2022 as part of our medium-term management plan. We have about two years to go until FY2024, and we hope to increase the number of digital personnel to 1,000 so that we can establish a business structure that can be operated without investing human resources.

Create Digital Human Resources 2 - Taking the Lead and Setting Examples by Top Management -

Aim to deploy, throughout the Company, no-code/ low-code development that enables employees without programming knowledge to build systems. Top management took training as promoters (April 2023).

No-code/low-code development: A technology that enables people to develop systems using apps even if they have no knowledge of IT or programs





Sixteen corporate officers led by Representative, Executive President and COO Mizuno took on the challenge of developing a sample app for notification for change in our products by using a low-code development tool provided by U.S. Microsoft.

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As a part of such efforts, we, as a management team, took the initiative in trying out this DX approach, and almost all of the Board members, including myself, have actually experienced no-code and low-code development.

This year, we would like to accelerate the development of a system that allows DX to be promoted from both the bottom-up and top-down perspectives by establishing a system that allows each division and business unit to develop their own applications, et cetera, on a no-code, low-code basis, rather than just us.

Please read on for sustainability-related information.

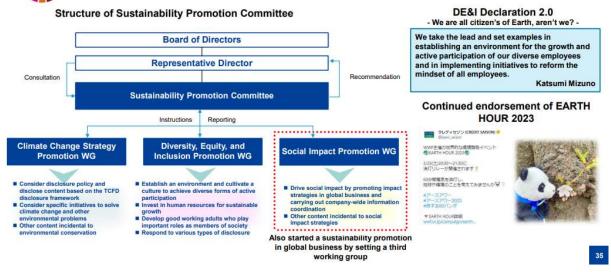


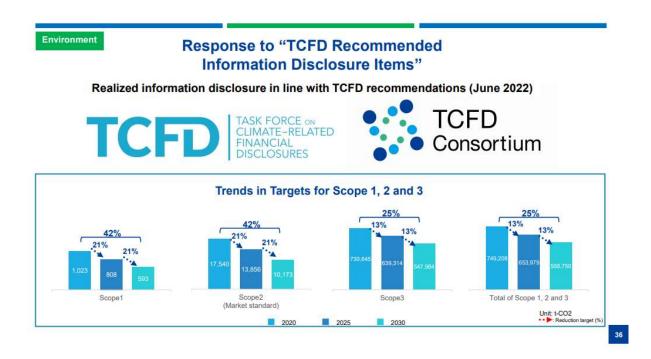
Please read from page 34 onward regarding sustainability-related issues.

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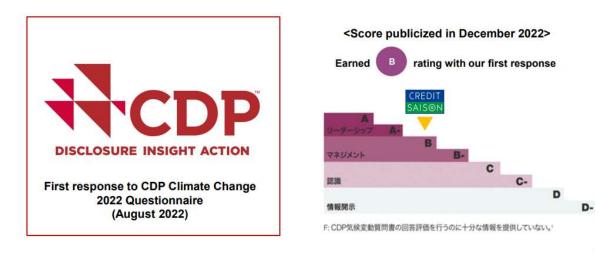
Report on the Activities of the Sustainability Promotion Committee







Response to CDP Climate Change Program







Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

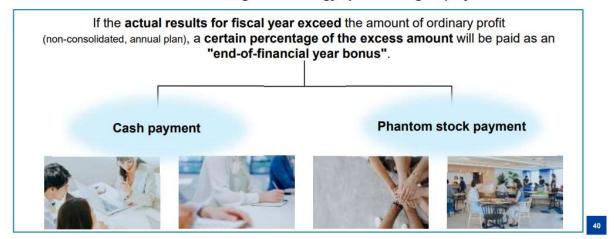
Realized a personnel system that enables diverse human resources to play an active role Since the 1980s, Credit Saison has promoted proactive hiring, enabled female employees to work in a diverse range of positions and posts, and set various systems in place for helping employees to continue working and avoid giving up their careers in the course of their lives. In addition, we continue to update the personnel system, aiming to enable human resources with diverse experience, skills, and values to find it attractive to work at our company and keep playing important roles by capitalizing on their uniqueness. 総合生活サービスグループへの転換 Revised from September 2017: Introduced the "Common Personnel System for All Employees" Revised this time プロフェッショナル人材集団 From April 2023 In September 2022, the System re-revised Partial revision of the personnel system with the goal of achieving a company 多種性 くリスキリング チャレンジ (Credit Saison) where each individual employee can utilize their uniqueness and strengths, enabling diverse human resources to play an active role, and anyone can take on new challenges without fearing failure AIS 健康经常 Diversification of directors, executive officers, and audit and supervisory directors 価値創造 <Ratio of women <Ratio of women <Ratio of women in <Characteristics of diverse utive offic managerial positions> officers> employ Total of directors, execut officers, and audit and supervisory direct Total of general rectors, managers *FY2022 res Broaden areas in which all employees can be Speed up the implementation of management strategies active through the expanded and reinforced Transform the business structure into one that realizes group-wide improvement in productivity system and go for sustainable corporate growth 39

Society

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

-Introduction of end-of-financial year bonus system-

Realization of "third foundation" growth strategy by increasing employee motivation



Society

Financial Education for Next Generations

Education for the Next-Generation and Financial Education "Business Trip Class - SAISON TEACHER - " Hold financial education for children to become independent consumers

Started inviting applications for "Reitaku University Original Credit Card" First digital card in Japan conceived by university students for their own use



<Results> Number of classes held: 335 times/ Numbers of attendees in classes: 15,400 people *Results from December 2019 to March 2022



"Digital Card for Reitaku University students by Reitaku University students"

Initiatives with Reitaku University, with which the Company concluded the "Education Partnership Agreement" in August 2022 Developed an original card that Reitaku University students wanted to have Students of the Faculty of Economics and Business Administration took the lead in

Students of the Faculty of Economics and Business Administration took the lead in marketing, sales, advertising, etc., with the support of our employees in the process up to the issuance of the card.

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Environment Society

Operation of the Akagi Nature Park



 Various fundraising activities through Eikyufumetsu Points and card payments (Emergency fundraising campaign supporting Ukraine)



Donation to the Embassy of Ukraine (52.54 million yen)

赤城自然園 Af

森林セラピー

Contribution to Society

A forest unique to Japan, a country with four beautiful seasons A one-of-a-kind forest

Launched a project for restoration of forests for increasing biodiversity and the CO2 fixation amount

Forest degradation not only invites destruction of ecosystems but also sets off a series of changes, such as difficulty in water supply, occurrences of landslides and other natural disasters, and a decline in CO2 fixation ability, causing massive impacts on our lives.

By regenerating the forest, we aim to improve the carbon dioxide fixation amount and conserve biodiversity.

Supporting Sports and Cultural Activities



Major partner of Japan's national soccer team



Cosponsor of José Carreras' recital in Japan Donations to and support for José Carreras International Leukemia Foundation

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(Reference) Information on Corporate/IR Website and Integrated Report

Issuance of integrated report to enhance disclosure of financial and non-financial information

Received an award at the "International ARC Awards" for two years in a row (FY2021 and FY2022)



"Credit Saison Integrated Report 2022" (Issued in December 2022)



(Reference) Major External Certifications

