Medium-Term Management Plan

From Uncertain Growth to Stable and Perpetual Growth

FY3/2025 - FY3/2027

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Creating as many smiles as possible and extending the circle of happiness even further afield.



Value Creation Story



Last year, we set out to "contribute to society through smiles" by increasing the number of "regular smiles" and "new smiles" with "entertainment stemming from creativity" as the source of our business.



2. Medium-Term Management Plan Progress -Formulating the Next Medium-Term Plan-

Pursuing a Value Creation Story That Will Create a New Sanrio Over the Next 10 Years



Contribute to Society through Smiles



Sanrio brings a smile (entertainment) to every moment and invites our customers to feel close to / be deeply absorbed in Sanrio content.



Sanrio Time



Sanrio Time is to measure the degree of social contribution through smiles. In the past year, it increased by 1.5 times. We will further spread smiles around the world for happiness.



New MTMP is the first step toward this end.

Notes 1: Total hours of time deeply absorbed in Sanrio content = Time spent on search + Time spent on major real-world contact points + Time spent on major digital contact points

2: Time feeling close to Sanrio = Annual unit sales multiplied by the unit hours per category





Review of the Previous MTMP



Achieved V-shaped recovery in the previous MTMP, with record-high profit



[JPY: Billion]

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Review of the Previous MTMP



Factors behind the rapid expansion are "Completion of the 3 pillars" + "Tailwind from external factors"

Completion of the 3 pillars



Corporate Culture Reform

Reinvigoration of management and development of human resources system



Completion of Structural Reform

Elimination of deficits of product sales in North America and Japan and V-shaped recovery



Planting Seeds for Regrowth

New "edutainment" business established and games in preparation

Tailwind from external factors

Post-COVID period

Increased demand after the COVID-19 pandemic in all of North America, China, and Japan

Inbound Foreign Visitors

Increase in both the number of purchasers and unit price increases for inbound foreign visitors

Not relying on tailwinds, but growing on our own





Looking further back in the past, uncertain growth that falls if it rises \Rightarrow history of drastic volatility



Review of the Past



The causes were the narrow scope in "high ratio of Kitty's sales in overseas markets" and "merchandise-centered" value offerings. Especially overseas, there was no foundation to withstand the volatility in boom periods.



Merchandise-centered lineups in the past



Image





To overcome the influence of booms that depend on external factors, we will "change our approach to branding"







To overcome the lack of a mechanism to ensure that the boom is not a one-time event, we will "solidify organizational foundation."

"Change our approach to branding" Investments in global content, and Collaboration with global platformers

Strengthen branding supervision on a global scale Strengthen local design and local creativities in overseas markets



"Develop the foundation"

Human infrastructure

Nurture creators x

global talent

Aggressive finance and governance

Non-continuous investment, and a mechanism to properly measure investment performance





These serve as the engine to perpetually expand global licensing.

Breaking Away from "Volatility"



The achievements from our efforts began to show already in the previous MTMP. Going forward, these efforts will be a key element in achieving the operating profit target in the new MTMP and perpetual growth beyond the years ahead.



Story-based IP FRAGARIA MEMORIES



Scientific design attracting children BUDDYEDDY



Production based on the needs Sanrio Baby



Production based on the needs Enjoy Idol Series



Multi-layered monetization (social tipping) Nyantasia!

Toward a Stable and Perpetual Growth Cycle



In order to eliminate volatility, achieve stable and perpetual growth, and create more smiles, we intend to achieve this within 10 years.





We achieve an operating profit of 40 billion JPY or more ahead of the plan, and further target 50 billion JPY and above.



Notes 1: Contribution profit = Segment profit + Royalty payment to headquarters;

2: Direct operating profit = Operating profit before allocation of headquarters' indirect costs





"Three Approaches" of the New MTMP



From uncertain growth to stable and perpetual growth based on "three approaches"



1st Approach

Review marketing and sales strategies to make Evergreen global IP



We will concentrate marketing and sales investment in English-speaking North America to adopt Evergreen IP in North America. We will aim for contribution profit of 111 million JPY.



1st Approach

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In China, content/marketing collaboration with Alibaba Group and expansion of local design/anti-infringement measures, leading to RMB 500 million in contribution profit



"Three Approaches" of the New MTMP





Expand IP portfolio and monetize in multiple layers



Develop a foundation for global growth



Human capital infrastructure: Nurture global x creative staff

Producers	Creators	Global talent	
Leverage diverse touchpoints to drive IP growth	Expand the "breadth" of creativity to maximize IP creation and development	Build a bridge between local subsidiaries and headquarters in line with global expansion	
Clarify revenue responsibility for each IP	Cooperate with external creators	Strengthen international personnel exchanges	
Design strategic job rotations	Upgrade training programs	Establish replicable career paths	
We will always inves	at in "human capital," our m	ost important asset.	

2nd Approach

Develop a foundation for global growth



We will implement mechanisms for both non-continuous investments and proper measurement of investments on a global scale.

Aggressive Finance	 Take on the challenge of global capital alliances, etc. during the new MTMP To this end, develop investment process and build an investment team's structure
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	 vs: Capital market To ensure transparency of investment performance, fulfill our accountability
	to investors by disclosing ROE and other indicators and through capital allocation policy
	vs: Internal (global)
Governance	 Established the Global Strategy Department to strengthen global governance Introduce overseas target management process (including revision of local subsidiaries' evaluation system)
	 Expedite information gathering from overseas licensees/sales offices (data maintenance)
	Verification function of investment effects of global marketing



A mature market like Japan has limits to growth with current IP. We intend to achieve annual growth of 10% or more, through "expansion of IP portfolio and monetization over multiple layers."



Notes 1: Source: Character Business Yearbook 2023, Yano Research Institute, Ltd. covering the merchandising rights market in the character licensing market. 2: User-Generated x is a generic term that includes user-generated content and user-generated intellectual property.

3rd Approach

To date, Sanrio has focused on the time customer feel close to Sanrio (i.e., merchandise deployment). Through new business, in addition to GMV¹, we will create more time for our customers to be deeply absorbed in Sanrio content.



Notes

1: Gross merchandise volume. It differs from license sales because it is based on top-selling price.

- 2: Lifetime value. Total amount purchased from Sanrio by customers over their lifetime.
- 3: Total hours of time absorbed in Sanrio content = Time spent on search + Time spent on major real-world contact points + Time spent on major digital contact points
- 4: Time engaged deeply with customers = Annual unit sales multiplied by the unit hours per category

5: Monthly active users

3rd Approach

*2024年5月時点の集計値

(MAU*5 x Time experienced)

Edutainment

(Standard usage period x

Number of persons)



Create more time absorbed during the 3 years

of new MTMP



We will further broaden the breadth of creation and production, and expand the breadth of IP portfolio and monetization.



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3rd Approach





We will invest in important new touchpoints that have been missing by taking advantage of our strength, i.e., the ability to create IP.



We will further refine our ability to create IP and return it to global licensing with the new touchpoints.

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Expand IP portfolio and monetize un multiple layers



For games we will team up with partners with an eye on spending to create storybased IP and an immersive experience where users get deeply absorbed in the content. Aim for sales of 10 billion JPY or more in the medium to long term. (target values to be announced at a later date)

To create absorbing experiences and storybased IPs, invest in on our own and work on games

To overcome "merchandise-oriented" approach...

Create absorbing experiences that cannot be produced with merchandise, etc.

Generate story-based IP

With eyes on in-house publishing, multiple game projects in preparation

Co-development of <u>at least 6 projects</u>, starting from major studio Company A and <u>other domestic and overseas development studios</u> with strong track records

Multiple pipelines in preparation (currently)

Casual games

Games in new areas and with new sensations

Global media mix with games as a starting point

Approx. 2 household games for mobile platforms

> Approx. 3 games in multiple areas

Approx. 3 projects with major global companies







In the digital area, we will build a "place" to support creators and create UGX¹ by external creators.

XR Business

3rd Approach

Makes V-Puroland a digital space where people from all over the world can easily enjoy an out-of-the-ordinary experience, and provides live entertainment by Vtubers, shows, and attractions of our own and other companies' IPs, etc.



Web3 Business

Provides a platform where anyone can create their own fan community and develop licensing business



We aim for 5 million annual visitors for V-Puroland and 10 million registered users for the Web3 service by the end of MTMP.

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We consider developing new experience touchpoints through global alliance in place of existing stores.

Create "deep" experience touchpoints beyond goods and products

Sanrio Entertainment Co., Ltd., the operator of Puroland, leads experience development as

an "entertainment lab that creates unparalleled experience value".





In the edutainment/kids' area, we intend to leverage our video production/show know-how and expand into global distribution and kids' parks in Japan and overseas.

Edutainment is a baby/kids' touchpoint that provides experience value at a high level. We aim to realize multi-layered monetization and returns through licensing.



Notes 1: Gross merchandise value

Quantitative Targets and Financial Policy



We will further advance management from a cost-of-capital perspective to achieve market capitalization of 1 trillion JPY.

Quantitative targets	Sales: 135.0 billion JPY					
(FY3/2027)	Operating Profit: 40.0 billion JPY					
Financial discipline (medium to long term)	Reduce business volatility, maintain ROE of 15% or more even in a difficult business environment, and strive to earn above cost of capital over the medium to long term					
	Acquire new domestic credit ratings and control cash and financial base to levels appropriate for an entertainment company					
	In case fundraising becomes necessary in the future, consider the order of priority for fundraising: senior bank loans and straight bonds > hybrid (e.g. subordinated loans and subordinated bonds) > public offerings and convertible bonds with the cost of capital in mind					
Shareholder returns (medium to long term)	Dividend payout ratio of 30% or higher. In the absence of attractive investment opportunities, consider additional shareholder returns, taking into account surplus funds and financial strength					
	Focus on increasing the total shareholder return due to higher share price, in addition to dividends					

Strategic Investment Plan



Invest a scale of ¥30 billion in marketing investments and game development, etc. In addition, set an investment quota of ¥50 billion for M&A and other investments.

Organic investment centered on growth areas

Scale of 30 billion JPY

over the 3 years of our plan

(on a cash-out basis)

- Approx. 10 billion JPY for global content development and other marketing investments
- ✓ Approx. 10 billion JPY for game development and promotional expenses
- ✓ Approx. 3 billion JPY for investment in edutainment/digital areas
- ✓ Approx. 1.5 billion JPY for investment to expand Sanrio+
- Approx. 4 billion JPY for investment in systems to strengthen global management base

Inorganic investments such as M&A and capital alliance



- Consider with priority given to areas related to non-continuous overseas growth and new businesses
- Establish investment criteria and processes, and make investment decisions following stringent investment committee meetings

Capital Allocation Policy



Invest strategically with discipline and achieve stable shareholder returns

	Cash In	Cash Out		✓ Policy to maintain stable dividends
 ✓ Control the levels that are appropriate based on industry characteristics and credit ratings 	Surplus funds		Shareholder Returns	 (dividend payout ratio of 30% or more) ✓ We consider increasing shareholder returns to the extent that growth investments are underutilized.
 ✓ Sustainable growth in operating profit ✓ Control working capital in an appropriate manner 	Operating Cash Flow		Scale of 30 billion JPY in organic investment	
 ✓ 30 billion JPY issued in Dec. 2023, excluding funds used for share buyback 	Approx. 18 billion JPY provided through convertible bond	We consider a 50 billion JPY scale of M&As, etc.	✓ We also consider strategic M&A. However, projects will be subject to strict management by the Investment Committee.	

Non-Financial Targets



"Contributing to society through smiles" will also strengthen our business.



Notes 1: Nakayoku means Getting Along With. It means feeling empathy, being close to me, listening to my problems, putting a smile on my face, etc.

Target KPIs for Achieving "Perpetual Growth"



Although we have achieved record profits, we are neither arrogant nor satisfied. Toward market cap of 1 trillion / operating profit of 50 billion and beyond.

All that remains is implementation.





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