



**KOSÉ Corporation** 

# **Results of Operations**

Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2020

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# 1. FY03/2020 Results of Operations

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2. VISION2026 Progress Report and Upcoming Initiatives
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# The Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic and KOSÉ's Responses



Our highest priority is the safety of customers, business partners and employees Lockdowns and requests to stay home are impacting KOSÉ's businesses in each country

#### **Customers (Sales activities at stores)**

- Suspension of touch-ups for customers and asking people to try a product
- Strict requirement for the use of masks and hand sanitizer
- Suspension of sending beauty consultants to stores
- Continuing customer consultation services in order to respond to all customer questions and concerns

### **Employees/Offices**

- Creating a teleworking infrastructure to enable working from home
- Staggered working hours by using the "super-flex" system
- Encouraging salespeople to go directly to and from home for sales calls
- Other than managers, all Japanese personnel on foreign assignments returned to Japan

#### Impact on business operations

Some stores have closed or shortened the operating hours of KOSÉ sales counters

- Japan: Downturn in sales to foreign tourists
- Asia: Big increase in e-commerce sales in China
- North America/Europe: Temporary closing of stores of large retail chains; shift of sales to ecommerce

#### Other activities

- Distribution at no cost of alcohol hand sanitizers (more than 30,000) to nursery schools and other facilities
- Subsidiary in China donated 1 million yuan for local COVID-19 activities and donated 10,000 masks to a medical organization



# Sales and earnings decreased as growth in Asia did not offset decline in Japan Net sales: ¥327.7 billion (down 1.6% YoY) Operating profit: ¥40.2 billion (down 23.2% YoY)

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Net sales: ¥251.8 billion (down 1.2% YoY) Operating profit: ¥44.6 billion (down 13.1% YoY)

- ✓ High prestige: Higher DECORTÉ and INFINITY sales, lower ALBION and Tarte sales
- ✓ Prestige: Higher ESPRIQUE sales, lower SEKKISEI sales

#### Cosmetaries

Net sales: ¥71.9 billion (down 3.6% YoY) Operating profit: ¥200 million (down 95.8% YoY)

- ✓ Increase in sales of hair care and skin care products: STEPHEN KNOLL, BIOLISS, GRACE ONE
- ✓ Lower sales of CLEAR TURN and VISÉE (End of RIMMEL licensing agreement on Oct. 31, 2018)

#### Japan

Net sales: ¥222.5 billion (down 7.3% YoY)

Sales to foreign tourists in Japan: ¥17.0 billion (down 37.3% YoY)

- ✓ Sales to foreign tourists in Japan decreased because of expansion of Asia and duty-free store sales channels
- ✓ Sales of major brands decreased because of a drop-off in sales following the upturn in demand prior to the October 2019 consumption tax hike
- ✓ Slowdown in 4Q performance due to the COVID-19 crisis

#### Asia

Net sales: ¥64.3 billion (up 25.0% YoY)

✓ Strong sales growth primarily due to higher sales in China and at duty-free stores in South Korea



# Earnings were below both the previous fiscal year and revised plan due to lower sales and higher selling and administrative expenses

		FY03/2018		FY03/2018 FY03/2019 FY03/2020		2020	YoY ch	nange	
		Amount (billion yen)	Ratio to net sales (%)	Amount (billion yen)	Ratio to net sales (%)	Amount (billion yen)	Ratio to net sales (%)	(billion yen)	(%)
N	et sales	303.3	100.0	332.9	100.0	327.7	100.0	(5.2)	(1.6) *note
	Cost of sales	81.5	26.9	88.6	26.6	88.7	27.1	+0.0	+0.1
	SG&A expenses	173.4	57.1	191.9	57.7	198.7	60.7	+6.8	+3.5
0	perating profit	48.4	16.0	52.4	15.7	40.2	12.3	(12.1)	(23.2)
0	rdinary profit	48.5	16.0	53.9	16.2	40.9	12.5	(13.0)	(24.2)
	rofit before income axes	48.2	15.9	54.9	16.5	40.3	12.3	(14.5)	(26.5)
	rofit attributable to wners of parent	30.6	10.1	37.0	11.1	26.6	8.1	(10.3)	(27.9)
Net income per share		536.63	3 yen	648.71	yen	467.76	yen	(180.9	5) yen

(annou	plan Inced on 31, 2020)
(billion yen)	(%)
(8.2)	(2.5)
-	-
-	-
(4.7)	(10.6)
(5.1)	(11.2)
-	-
(3.3)	(11.1)
(58.1	5) yen

Note: Net sales decreased 0.5% YoY after excluding the effects of changes in foreign exchange rates.

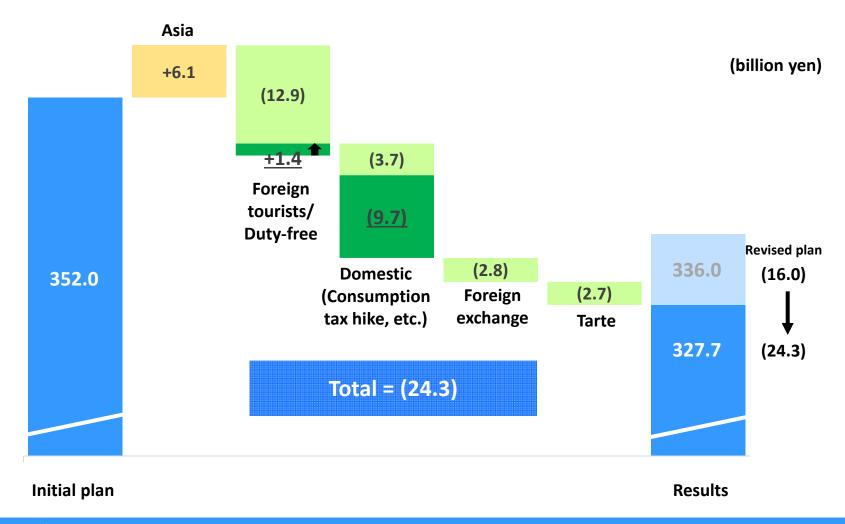


Deterioration in the cost of sales ratio due to slowing sales growth and higher cost of manufacturing Higher SG&A expenses due to marketing expenditures and an increase in beauty consultant remuneration

			FY03/2	2018	FY03/2	2019	FY03/2	2020	YoY cha	ange
			Amount (billion yen)	Ratio to net sales (%)	Amount (billion yen)	Ratio to net sales (%)	Amount (billion yen)	Ratio to net sales (%)	(billion yen)	(%)
C	ost of sales		81.5	26.9	88.6	26.6	88.7	27.1	+0.0	+0.1
S	G&A expenses <significant acco<="" td=""><td>unts&gt;</td><td>173.4</td><td>57.1</td><td>191.9</td><td>57.7</td><td>198.7</td><td>60.7</td><td>+6.8</td><td>+3.5</td></significant>	unts>	173.4	57.1	191.9	57.7	198.7	60.7	+6.8	+3.5
		Sales promotion	55.3	18.3	61.4	18.5	65.4	20.0	+4.0	+6.5
	Selling expenses	Advertising	20.0	6.6	23.4	7.0	21.4	6.6	(2.0)	(8.5)
		Freightage and packing	11.7	3.9	14.0	4.2	15.2	4.6	+1.2	+8.6
	Subt	otal	87.1	28.7	98.9	29.7	102.1	31.2	+3.2	+3.2
		Personnel	54.3	17.9	57.0	17.1	59.2	18.1	+2.1	+3.8
	General and	Others	23.4	7.7	26.8	8.1	27.0	8.3	+0.2	+0.9
	administrative expenses	R&D	5.3	1.8	5.3	1.6	6.2	1.9	+0.9	+16.8
	,	Depreciation	3.1	1.1	3.7	1.1	4.0	1.2	+0.2	+7.7
	Subt	otal	86.3	28.5	93.0	27.9	96.6	29.5	+3.6	+3.9

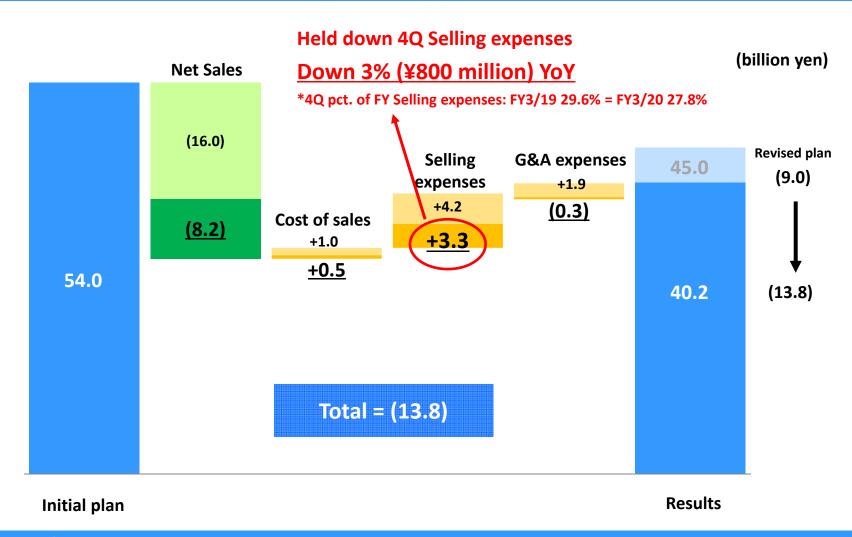


Sales were lower than the revised plan due to a big impact of COVID-19 in Japan during the fourth quarter in addition to lower sales to foreign tourists





Operating profit was lower than the revised plan due to a big slowdown in the fourth quarter growth although Selling expenses decreased to offset sluggish sales growth





# Cosmetics performed well until losing momentum in the fourth quarter Cosmetaries earnings were down significantly

**Net Sales by Segment (sales to third parties)** 

Segment	FY03/2018	FY03/2019	FY03/2020	YoY change	YoY change		are 6)
	Amount (billion yen)	Amount (billion yen)	Amount (billion yen)	(billion yen)	(%)	FY03/ 2019	FY03/ 2020
Cosmetics	229.6	254.9	251.8	(3.0)	(1.2)	76.6	76.9
Cosmetaries	71.3	74.6	71.9	(2.7)	(3.6)	22.4	21.9
Other	2.4	3.3	3.9	+0.5	+15.3	1.0	1.2
Total	303.3	332.9	327.7	(5.2)	(1.6)	100.0	100.0

Vs plan (announced on January 31, 2020)					
(billion yen)	(%)				
(5.6)	(2.2)				
(2.5)	(3.5)				
(0.0)	(2.1)				
(8.2)	(2.5)				

**Operating Profit by Segment (before elimination)** 

Sagment	FY03/2018	FY03/2019	FY03/2020	YoY change	YoY change	Operatin (%	
Segment	Amount (billion yen)	Amount (billion yen)	Amount (billion yen)	(billion yen)	(%)	FY03/ 2019	FY03/ 2020
Cosmetics	46.3	51.4	44.6	(6.7)	(13.1)	20.2	17.7
Cosmetaries	5.8	5.0	0.2	(4.8)	(95.8)	6.7	0.3
Other	1.0	1.5	1.2	(0.2)	(16.5)	37.3	28.4
Adjustment	(4.8)	(5.5)	(5.9)	(0.3)	-	-	-
Total	48.4	52.4	40.2	(12.1)	(23.2)	15.7	12.3



# Big fourth quarter declines in sales of major brands Overseas growth of DECORTÉ offset decline in Japan

	FY03/2019								
	YoY o	han	ges in sales, %	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q		
Со	nsolic	lated	d sales	+13.8	+8.9	+10.1	+6.6		
	Cos	meti	CS	+14.6	+11.8	+12.5	+5.8		
		Hig	gh prestige	+11	+4	+2	+2		
			DECORTÉ	+35	+17	+13	+7		
			ALBION	+4	(2)	+1	(1)		
			Tarte	+5	+4	(3)	(1)		
	Prestige *		estige *note	+24	+32	+40	+14		
Cosmetaries		+11.1	+1.0	(0.5)	+7.7				
	COSMEPORT		+10	+3	+2	+20			
			Other	+13	(1)	(3)	(10)		

		FY03/2020	0	
1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q-4Q
+1.6	+10.6	(9.9)	(7.5)	(1.6)
+3.9	+13.5	(11.9)	(8.3)	(1.2)
+8	+16	(8)	(6)	+2
+28	+37	(3)	(5)	+13
(1)	+10	(12)	(10)	(3)
±0	+1	(15)	+5	(2)
(12)	+5	(26)	(16)	(13)
(8.1)	+0.2	(2.3)	(4.6)	(3.6)
(8)	+6	+9	(6)	(0)
(8)	(8)	(16)	(1)	(8)

Note: Starting in FY03/2020, sales of overseas subsidiaries (except Tarte) that were previously included in the prestige category are categorized based on brands.



# Significant growth of sales in Asia increased the ratio of overseas sales to 32.1% (+4.2 percentage points)

Area	FY03/20	18	FY03/2019		FY03/2020		YoY change	YoY change
Alea	Amount (billion yen)	Ratio to net sales (%)	Amount (billion yen)	Ratio to net sales (%)	Amount (billion yen)	Ratio to net sales (%)	(billion yen)	cnange (%)
Japan	227.8	75.1	240.2	72.1	222.5	67.9	(17.6)	(7.3)
Asia	35.2	11.6	51.4	15.5	64.3	19.6	+12.8	+25.0
North America	36.9	12.2	37.5	11.3	35.8	11.0	(1.6)	(4.4)
Other	3.3	1.1	3.7	1.1	4.9	1.5	+1.1	+30.5
Total	303.3	100.0	332.9	100.0	327.7	100.0	(5.2)	(1.6)
Overseas sales	75.5	24.9	92.7	27.9	105.1	32.1	+12.3	+13.3

[New Sales Channels] Consolidated sales composition ratio (1Q-4Q, %)

<EC> 7.3% (Previous year: 6.3%)

<Travel retail> 9.8% (Previous year: 7.2%)

- <New sales channels total> 17.1% (Previous year: 13.5%)



Big sales decline in the fourth quarter due to the COVID-19 outbreak in addition to a drop in sales after the consumption tax hike and lower sales to foreign tourists

#### Sales in Japan (billion yen, %)

	Results	YoY change (amount)	YoY change (%)
1Q-4Q	222.5	(17.6)	(7.3)
Sales to foreign tourists	17.0	(10.1)	(37.3)
1Q	56.5	(3.1)	(5.3)
Sales to foreign tourists	6.5	(1.3)	(16.7)
2Q	63.2	+4.3	+7.4
Sales to foreign tourists	4.9	(1.6)	(24.6)
3Q	53.5	(9.2)	(14.8)
Sales to foreign tourists	4.0	(2.6)	(39.4)
4Q	49.2	(9.6)	(16.3)
Sales to foreign tourists	1.6	(4.6)	(74.2)

#### **Market Trends**

- Low-single-digit growth of cosmetics sales in Japan
- Big 4Q drop in sales to foreign tourists because of COVID-19
- COVID-19 made people stay home and closed department stores and other stores, mainly in big cities

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Overall	<ul> <li>Sales started recovering in Dec. after the drop due to the consumption tax hike but then began declining because of COVID-19</li> <li>Lower sales to foreign tourists mainly due to China's new e-commerce law and the yen's strength</li> </ul>
Channels	<ul><li>Sales down in major channels, particularly at department stores</li><li>Slow sales at duty-free stores in Japan</li></ul>
Brands	<ul> <li>Strong sales of INFINITY, ESPRIQUE and hair care brands</li> <li>Big downturns in sales of major brands such as DECORTÉ, ALBION and SEKKISEI</li> </ul>



### Sales continue to grow in Asia led by sales in China and South Korea duty-free stores

#### Sales in Asia (billion yen, %)

	Results	YoY change (amount)	YoY change (%)
1Q-4Q	64.3	+12.8	+25.0
1Q	14.8	+4.1	+38.4
2Q	16.4	+3.9	+31.9
3Q	15.6	+2.1	+15.9
4Q	17.3	+2.6	+17.8

<YOY growth of subsidiaries in China and Korea>

KOSÉ CHINA: +38%(JPY)/+46%(CNY) KOSÉ KOREA: +47%(JPY)/+58%(KRW)

#### **Market Trends**

China	<ul><li>High-single-digit sales growth for all consumer goods (JanDec.)</li></ul>
	Cosmetics sales growth rate slightly over 10% (Jan Dec.)
South Korea	<ul> <li>Duty-free sector sales were up about 20% (Jan Dec.)</li> <li>The cosmetics market is continuing to split into two categories of brands</li> </ul>
Taiwan Hong Kong	<ul><li>Taiwan: The number of individual tourists from China decreased</li><li>Hong Kong: Extended disruptions caused by</li></ul>
KOSÉ	demonstrations
China	<ul> <li>DECORTÉ was a major source of growth</li> <li>Department store counters (end of Dec. 2019): 27 stores</li> <li>vs. 18 one year earlier</li> <li>E-commerce is about 65% of sales with about 1.7x growth</li> </ul>
China South Korea	Department store counters (end of Dec. 2019): 27 stores vs. 18 one year earlier



### Higher sales in Europe and other regions not enough to offset North America decline

# Sales in North America and Other Regions (billion ven. %)

(Sillion yell)	Results	YoY change (amount)	YoY change (%)
1Q-4Q	40.8	(0.4)	(1.2)
1Q	10.2	+0.2	+2.5
2Q	9.3	+0.1	+1.9
3Q	9.0	(1.5)	(14.2)
4Q	12.1	+0.5	+5.0

#### **Market Trends**

- U.S. prestige makeup market remained challenging with YoY high-single-digit sales decrease in 2019 (Jan.-Dec.)
- Lower market trend continued in the fourth quarter of 2019 (Oct.-Dec.)

#### **Tarte**

Overall	<ul> <li>Sales: (1Q-4Q, *Global, including Asia)</li> <li>Current fiscal year: ¥40.8 billion (Previous fiscal year: ¥41.6 billion)</li> <li>Europe sales growth was not enough to offset lower U.S. sales</li> </ul>
USA	<ul> <li>Offline and online sales were in line with the overall market</li> <li>Core Palette sales decreased while concealer and mascara posted higher sales</li> </ul>
Europe	<ul> <li>Sales at Sephora stores started in March</li> <li>Close to reaching the FY03/2020 goal of expanding sales to 100 stores in five countries</li> </ul>



# Inventories are increasing but quick assets remain high Equity ratio is exceeded 70% due to an increase in non-current assets, mainly plant machinery and equipment

		As of March	31, 2018	As of March	31, 2019	As of March	Change	
		Amount (billion yen)	Share (%)	Amount (billion yen)	Share (%)	Amount (billion yen)	Share (%)	(billion yen)
Curre	nt assets	187.1	69.2	205.2	68.4	204.4	66.2	(0.8)
	Quick assets	133.3	49.3	139.1	46.4	135.9	44.0	(3.2)
	Inventories	50.9	18.8	60.7	20.2	61.4	19.9	+0.6
Non-	current assets	83.2	30.8	94.9	31.6	104.1	33.8	+9.2
	Property, plant and equipment	48.0	17.8	56.8	19.0	66.0	21.4	+9.1
	Intangible assets	16.3	6.1	15.6	5.2	14.7	4.8	(0.8)
	Total assets	270.3	100.0	300.1	100.0	308.6	100.0	+8.4
Curre	nt liabilities	62.7	23.2	66.1	22.0	59.6	19.3	(6.4)
Non-	current liabilities	8.9	3.3	9.2	3.1	8.7	2.8	(0.4)
	Total liabilities	71.7	26.5	75.3	25.1	68.4	22.2	(6.9)
	Total net assets	198.6	73.5	224.8	74.9	240.2	77.8	+15.3
	Shareholders' equity	184.0	68.1	208.8	69.6	223.6	72.5	+14.8
Tota	l liabilities and net assets	270.3	100.0	300.1	100.0	308.6	100.0	+8.4

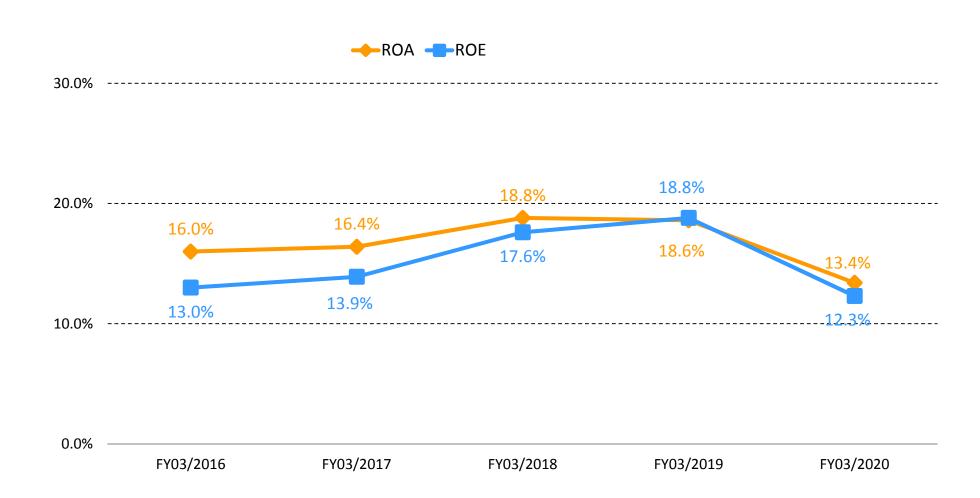


### **Operating cash flow increases**

### Proactively invested for the expansion of manufacturing facilities and a new plant

	FY03/2018	FY03/2019	FY03/2020	YoY change	
	Amount (billion yen)	the state of the s		(billion yen)	
Cash flows from operating activities	+34.9	+32.9	+37.0	+4.1	
Cash flows from investing activities	(10.3)	(20.6)	(19.0)	+1.6	
Cash flows from financing activities	(16.4)	(10.4)	(11.4)	(1.0)	
Change in cash and cash equivalents	+8.2	+0.3	+6.0	+5.6	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	55.6	63.8	64.2	+0.3	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	63.8	64.2	70.2	+6.0	
Capital expenditures	10.0	18.5	19.2	+0.7	
Depreciation	6.9	8.0	8.8	+0.8	





ROA = (Operating profit + Interest and dividends) / Total assets (average at beginning and end of year) X 100
ROE = Profit / Shareholders' equity (average at beginning and end of year) X 100



# Forecast lower sales and earnings in FY03/2021 due to expected continuation of the COVID-19 impact on economies

#### No decision at this time about the FY03/2021 dividend

Countries are enacting lockdowns, requesting people to stay home, restricting travel and taking other actions to combat the COVID-19 pandemic. These actions are restricting the movements of consumers, reducing opportunities to make purchases, and limiting business activities. Furthermore, there are concerns that the negative impact on consumer sentiment as well as on jobs and personal income will cause a long-term economic slowdown. This uncertain outlook makes it difficult to determine reliable business segment forecasts at this time.

							(yen)	interim dividend	a aiviaena
FY03/2020		FY03/2020 FY03/2021		YoY		200	Payout ratio (%)	190	
Amount (billion yen)	Ratio to net sales (%)	Amount (billion yen)	Ratio to net sales (%)	change (billion yen)			200	180	40.6
327.7	100.0	286.6	100.0	(41.1)	(12.	5)	150	148	95
40.2	12.3	17.2	6.0	(23.0)	(57	2)		110	
40.9	12.5	18.2	6.4	(22.7)	(55	5)	100		
26.6	8.1	12.5	4.4	(14.1)	(53	2)		63 29.0	
467.7	6 yen	219.1	3 yen				50	37	7 95
				Currency	Actual			63	
	19.2		24.3	dollar/Yen	109	107		47	
				Chinese yuan/Yen	15.8	15.2	0		
	0.0		11.9	Korean won/yen	0.09	0.09		FY03/2017 FY03/2018 FY03/2019	FY03/2020 (schedule)
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Shinichi Mochizuki, Senior Executive Officer & CFO

2. VISION2026 Progress Report and Upcoming Initiatives
Kazutoshi Kobayashi, President & CEO



## Become a company with exceptional customer loyalty

- A portfolio filled with extremely appealing brands -

A company people envy · · · · · · · · A company everyone knows, envies and gives due respect

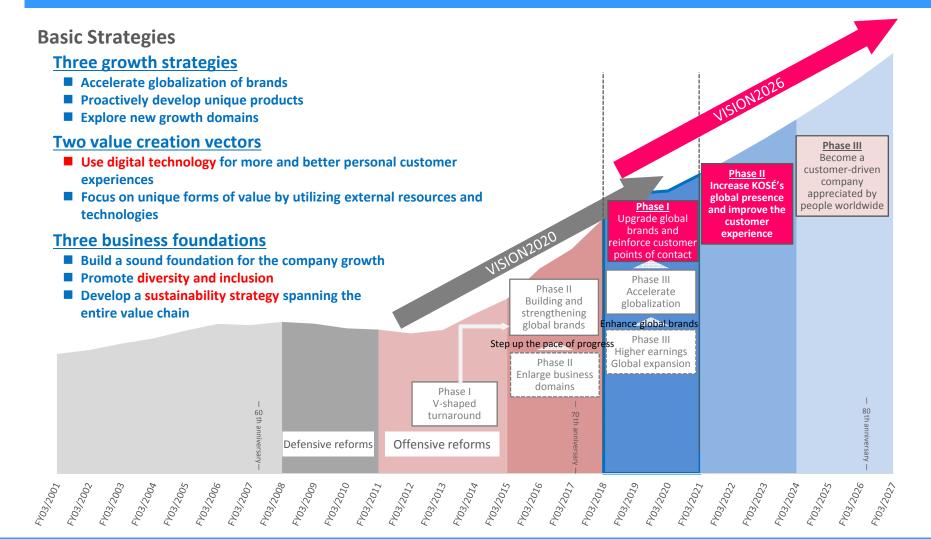
A company like no other ..... A distinctive company that is imbued with originality and similar to no other company

A company people need · · · · · · · · · · · · A company that customers cannot live without, resulting in high ratios of repeat purchases and long-term customers

# Become a company with a global presence



### Become a company with a global presence





# FY03/2027 Performance Targets

**Net Sales** 

¥500 billion

**Operating Margin** 

16% or more

**ROA** 

**18**% or more

**ROE** 

15% or more

**Overseas Sales Ratio** 

-Initiatives to heighten KOSÉ's global presence-

**35**% or more **→ 50**% or more

FY03/2020: 32.1%

**E-commerce/TR Sales Ratio** 

-Initiatives to target the increasingly diverse preferences of consumers-

**15**% or more **→ 25**% or more

(E-commerce: 7% or more; TR: 18% or more)

FY03/2020: 17.1%

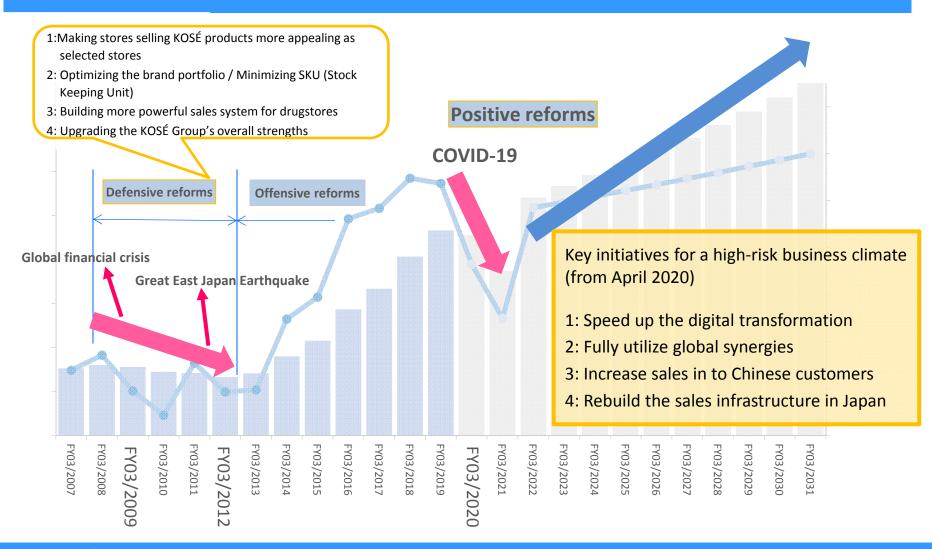
### **Global Benchmarks**

**Euromonitor Premium Beauty and Personal Care Ranking** 

Moving up to the top 8 in the world ranking



Use know-how gained during past crises to transform this crisis into opportunities and reach the 2026 sales goal of ¥500 billion





# Due to the sudden change in market conditions, a clear focus on steps needed for faster growth accompanied by rigorous actions to accomplish goals

#### Three growth strategies

Accelerate globalization of brands
Proactively develop unique products
Explore new growth domains

#### Two value creation vectors

Use digital technology for more and better personal customer experiences

Focus on unique forms of value by utilizing external resources and technologies

#### Three business foundations

Build a sound foundation for the company growth

Promote diversity and inclusion

Develop a sustainability strategy spanning the entire value chain

#### Speed up the digital transformation

- Use Maison KOSÉ to reinforce brand development activities and provide new experiences for customers
- Establish the KOSÉ Beauty Platform and accelerate e-commerce growth in Japan and other countries
- Establish and reinforce the internal framework for using digital technologies

#### Fully utilize global synergies

- More KOSÉ-ALBION know-how sharing and cooperation for overseas growth
- More KOSÉ-Tarte know-how and resource sharing and joint activities

# Target Chinese customers and expand travel retail business

- Start Tmall sales of COSME DECORTE AQ and SEKKISEI MYV/Make ALBION stronger
- Expand travel retail operations on a global scale

# Reinforce current operations in Japan and create new value

- Structural transformation to improve profitability in Japan
- Create distinctive forms of value by combining existing business strengths with external resources (Open innovation/Beauty salon market and Pharmaceutical market)



# Online/offline customer experiences by utilizing Maison KOSÉ and KOSÉ Beauty Platform

#### **Experiences possible only online**

Online counseling with the same high quality as at stores and extensive content for precisely meeting customers' needs

March 2020

Start of employee content distribution

→ Beauty consultants use Maison KOSÉ to post make-up pictures and skin care product information. Strengthening ties with ecommerce and the online provision of product information.





April & May 2020 #Stay Home Campaign

→ Temporarily increased the number of brands on KOSÉ's e-commerce site as people stay at home because of the COVID-19 crisis. DECORTÉ generated a very strong positive response.

On/offline linkage for strong ties with customers



#### **Experiences possible only offline**

Stores are a place for new communications where digital technology and hands-on experience converge. In a quest for next-generation beauty experiences, we provide innovative services that cover a broad spectrum of customers' needs.







December 2019

Opened Maison KOSÉ Ginza

Visual merchandising (VMD) encompassing many brands for more convenience, sales of Tarte products in Japan, and the use of digital technology to create a variety of experiences involving beauty



# Overcoming challenges and aiming for more growth through the borderless sharing of resources to enable every company to use all of its strengths

#### **ALBION**

- Build a stronger organization for overseas operations and strengthen activities involving Tmall
- Concentrate on increasing the number of customers in Japan
- Enlarge and upgrade manufacturing, the key to creating products = A new factory will start operating in August

#### **Tarte**

- Continue marketing activities focused on this brand's core identity
- Maintain and increase the market shares of core categories
- Sell products in more areas (Europe)

### KOSÉ COSMEPORT

- Focus resources on making softymo and SUNCUT® the next flagship brands along with CLEAR TURN
- Establish this brand in Asia, using China as the base, and strengthen sales activities in Asia

#### Using anniversary years of two KOSÉ major brands to step up global brand building activities





DECORTÉ reaches its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary





雪肌精

SEKKISEI reaches its 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary



# An even more powerful brand strategy for China and stronger and more expansive travel retail operations

#### <China>

- In addition to current Beijing and Shanghai operations, target southern China, which has excellent growth prospects, by reinforcing strategic actions in this area
- Accelerate digital strategy
   Increase activities for cooperation with the Alibaba Group
   Substantial online advertising expenditures (An increase of 80% YoY in FY03/2021)
- Sales channel structural reforms
   More department store counters
   Faster addition of SEKKISEI areas at Sephora stores in China



#### <Travel retail>

- New alliances with global retailers
  - Consider alliances with new business partners and development of/expansion to new regions (Europe, Middle East)
  - Stronger relationships with major duty-free retailers
- Establish KOSÉ Travel Retail Co., Ltd.

Create synergies between duty-free business targeting duty-free stores, in-flight sales and other activities and the amenity products business (in-flight, hotels)





Structural transformation to improve profitability in Japan and creation of distinctive forms of value by combining existing business strengths with external resources

#### Reorganization of existing business in Japan

- Reorganize operations to build a more powerful sales infrastructure in Japan
- More KOSÉ global sales counters to strengthen the appeal of KOSÉ brand value
- Even stronger ties among brands and creation/development of "star products" for every brand



#### **Cooperation with external partners**



■ July 2019 Established a jointly owned company

■ The goal is to use the value of both companies to produce and sell consumer healthcare products that help people maintain healthy skin (Negotiations have started with retailers and sales are to begin in fall 2020)

Skin care pharmaceuticals

New activities in FY3/2020



- Dec. 2019 KOSÉ selected Sunshine Delight at the Demo Day of the KOSÉ accelerator program, which aims to use external partners for the joint creation of new forms of value
- Plan to start demonstration trials in FY03/2021 for commercialization of Sunshine Delight in FY03/2022
- One goal is contributing to the Sustainable Development Goals through this UV project for protecting the skin and overall health from UV rays

Sunscreen for nursery schools

Ongoing ioint activities **Panasonic** 

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Personalized skin evaluation

Skincare and makeup products for hair salons

CASIO

**CIMDR** 

Nail printer

**Quantum computing** 

# KOSÉ Sustainability Plan



### **KOSÉ Sustainability Principles**

# Creating Beauty in a Sustainable World

The KOSÉ Sustainability Plan was announced in April 2020.

There are themes: activities for people and activities for the Earth.

# For people

### **Activity themes**

For the Earth

- A source of adaptable products and services
- Use the theme of beauty to help solve environmental issues

■ Support for a beautiful, healthy and happy life

■ Environmental programs where KOSÉ operates

■ Help create a world with true gender equality

■ Lower the overall environmental impact of business operations

























### **Fundamental Policy**

### Mind to Follow the Right Path

#### **Primary categories**

■ Sound corporate governance

■ Respect for human rights

■ Human resource development

■ Business operations with transparency and fairness

Quality that gives people complete confidence

■ Highest priority for customers

About KOSÉ Sustainability Plan URL https://www.kose.co.jp/company/ja/content/uploads/2020/04/kose\_sustainability\_plan20200430.pdf



# The fiscal year end of KOSÉ will change from March 31 to December 31 One more step for the globalization of the KOSÉ Group

#### Purpose

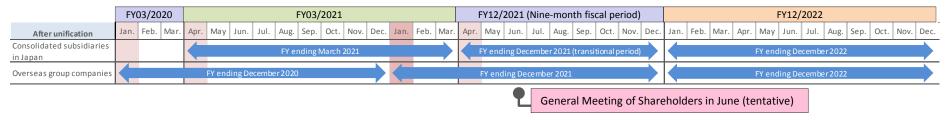
Unifying KOSÉ's fiscal year with the financial periods of overseas consolidated subsidiaries will support the unified operation of businesses worldwide and facilitate the timely and proper disclosure of financial and other corporate information. This is expected to improve the transparency and quality of KOSÉ's management.

Fiscal Year Change and Timing

Current fiscal year end: March 31 (until March 31, 2021)

New fiscal year end: December 31 (from December 31, 2021)\*

\*The initial period ending December 31, 2021 will be a transitional nine-month fiscal period.



Note: The change in the fiscal year end will require the approval of an amendment to the Articles of Incorporation at the 79th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders to be held in June 2021.