



Briefing on Consolidated Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2019

PERSOL HOLDINGS CO., LTD.
15 May 2019

FY March 2019: Consolidated Results Summary

Sales grew +28.2% due to stable growth amongst existing businesses and M&A contributions, and achieved a new record for sales in a given financial year.

Business drivers: Japan domestic temp & placement businesses, PERSOLKELLY overseas operations.

(Unit: JPY million)

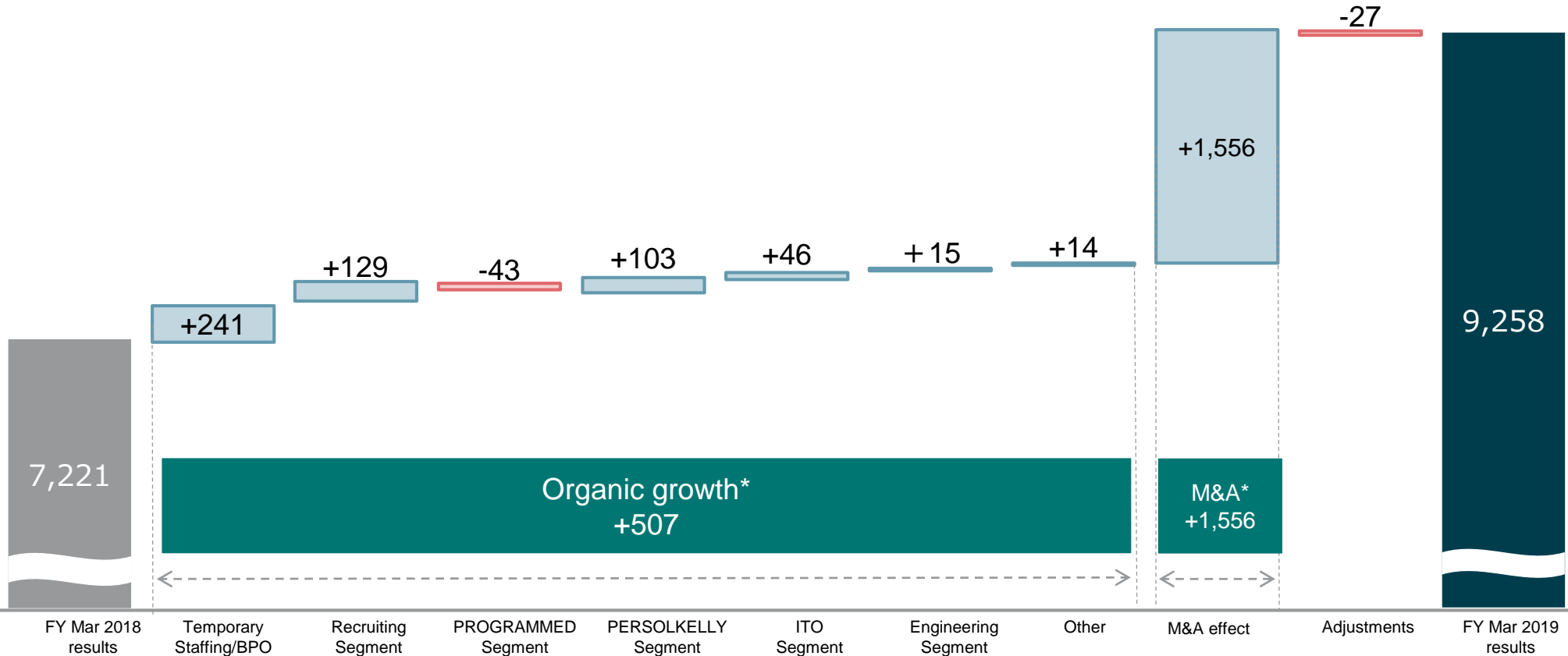
	FY Mar 2018		FY Mar 2019			FY Mar 2019 Results Forecast	
	Full Year	Ratio (%)	Full Year	Ratio (%)	Growth (%)	Full Year	Achievement rate (%)
Net Sales	722,183	100.0	925,818	100.0	+28.2	940,000	98.5
Gross profit	167,438	23.2	206,517	22.3	+23.3	-	-
EBITDA*	48,026	6.7	59,972	6.5	+24.9	56,500	106.1
Operating Profit	36,068	5.0	44,111	4.8	+22.3	42,500	103.8
Net Profit Attributable to Owners of Parent	7,769	1.1	24,361	2.6	+213.5	21,800	111.7

*Figures are rounded down (as with following pages) *EBITDA = Operating Profit + Depreciation + Amortization of Goodwill (as with following pages)

FY March 2019: Sales Analysis

Existing business organic growth of +7.0% together with the PROGRAMMED M&A contribution resulted in sales growth of +28.2%.

(Unit: JPY 100 million)



*M&A target companies
(Figures in brackets indicate date (YY/MM) that contribution to consolidated results commenced)

*M&A effect
* Organic growth (or existing businesses)

*Business Process Outsourcing (BPO), IT Outsourcing (ITO) (Identical with following pages)

:Programmed Maintenance Services Limited (Jan 2018), Avanti Staff (Jan 2019)

: Indicates the net increase of funds due to M&As (Values are prior to eliminations of internal transactions).

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FY March 2019: Sales by Segment

Demand continued to be healthy, and sales grew in each segment.

(Unit: JPY million)

	FY Mar 2018	FY Mar 2019		FY Mar 2019 Results Forecast	
	Full Year	Full Year	Growth (%)	Full Year	Achievement rate (%)
Temporary Staffing/BPO	481,071	509,538	+5.9	520,000	98.0
Recruiting	72,841	85,826	+17.8	84,000	102.2
PROGRAMMED*	54,512	201,476	-	215,000	93.7
PERSOLKELLY	65,774	76,106	+15.7	68,000	111.9
ITO	28,988	33,644	+16.1	33,000	102.0
Engineering	27,795	29,357	+5.6	30,000	97.9
Other	4,339	5,751	+32.5	5,000	115.0
Adjustments	-13,140	-15,883	-	-15,000	-
TOTAL	722,183	925,818	+28.2	940,000	98.5

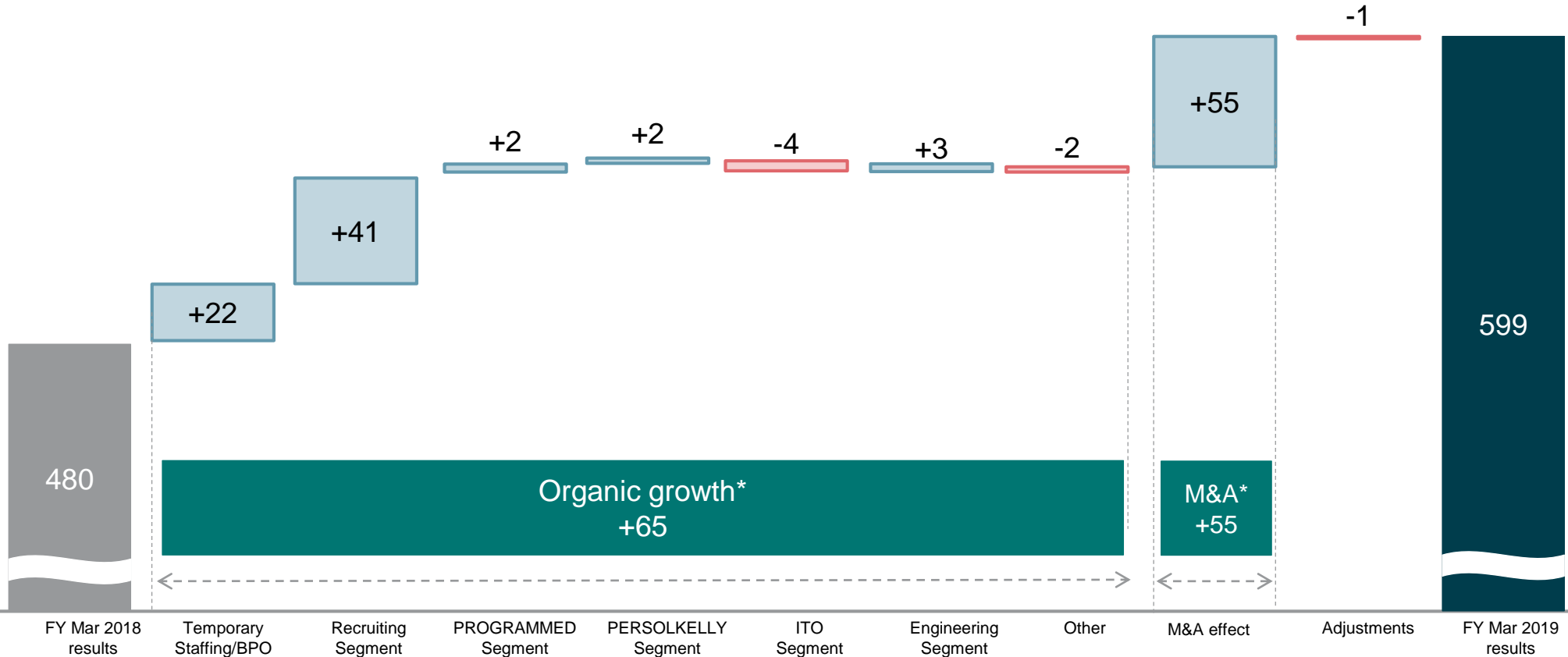
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FY March 2019: EBITDA Analysis

Existing business organic growth of +13.7% together with the PROGRAMMED M&A contribution resulted in EBITDA growth of +24.9%.

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FY March 2019: EBITDA by Segment

Temporary Staffing/BPO and Recruiting Segments driving organic growth.

(Unit:JPY million)

	FY Mar 2018	FY Mar 2019		FY Mar 2019 Results Forecast	
	Full Year	Full Year	Growth (%)	Full Year	Achievement rate (%)
Temporary Staffing/BPO	25,590	27,925	+9.1	27,700	100.8
Recruiting	14,274	18,382	+28.8	16,900	108.8
PROGRAMMED*	1,054	6,721	-	6,500	103.4
PERSOLKELLY	1,094	1,348	+23.2	1,200	112.4
ITO	2,930	2,490	-15.0	2,100	118.6
Engineering	2,982	3,367	+12.9	3,100	108.6
Other	-254	-476	-46.7	-200	-
Adjustments	353	213	-	-800	-
TOTAL	48,026	59,972	+24.9	56,500	106.1

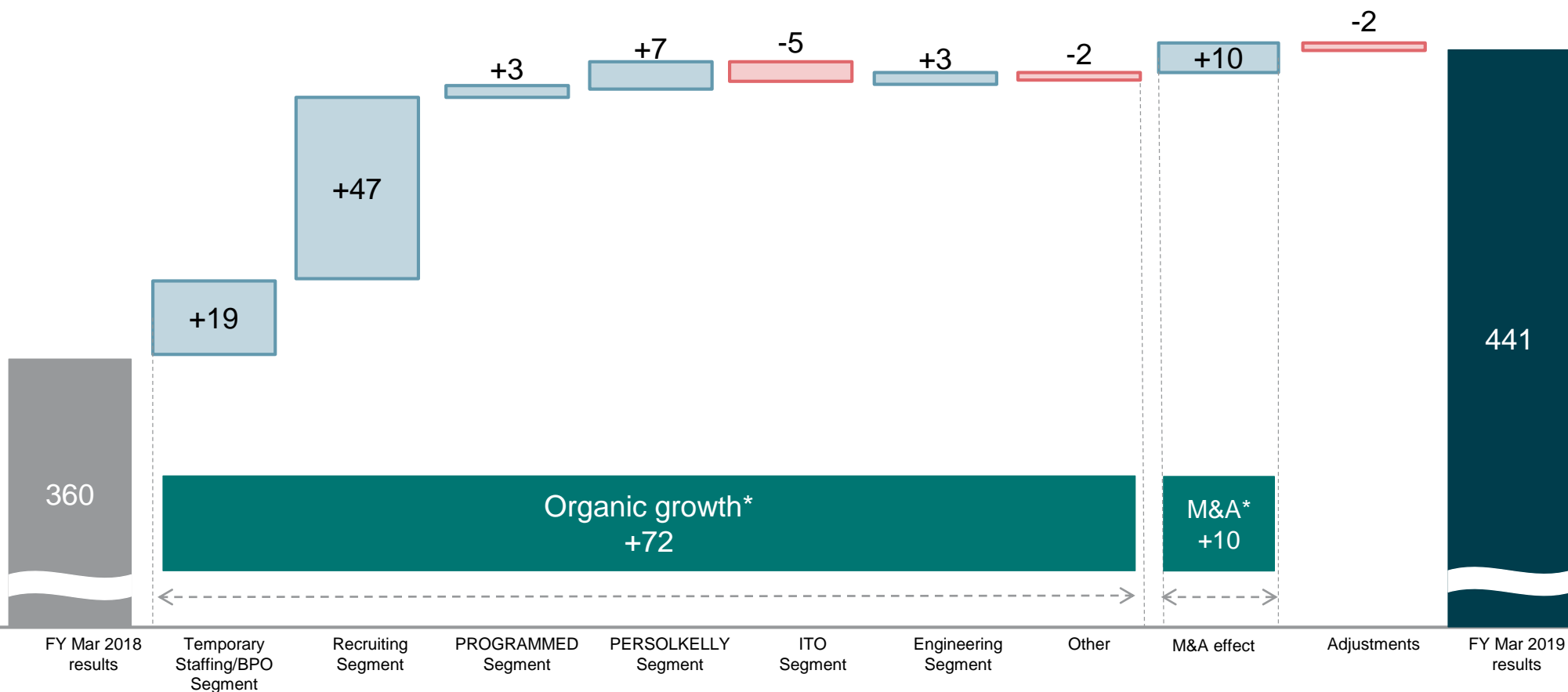
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FY March 2019: Analysis of Operating Profit

Existing business organic growth of Temporary Staffing/BPO and Recruiting led to grow +22.3%.

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FY March 2019: Operating Profit by Segment

Temporary Staffing/BPO and Recruiting Segments driving organic growth.

(Unit:JPY million)

	FY Mar 2018	FY Mar 2019		FY Mar 2019 Results Forecast	
	Full Year	Full Year	Growth (%)	Full Year	Achievement rate (%)
Temporary Staffing/BPO	22,122	23,991	+8.5	23,900	100.4
Recruiting	10,810	15,555	+43.9	14,300	108.8
PROGRAMMED*	-507	841	-	1,100	76.5
PERSOLKELLY	-190	548	+388.6	700	78.4
ITO	2,263	1,702	-24.8	1,500	113.5
Engineering	2,365	2,762	+16.8	2,700	102.3
Other	-322	-558	-42.3	-250	-
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FY March 2019: Consolidated Balance Sheet

(Unit:JPY million)	End of FY Mar 2018		End of FY Mar 2019		
	Results	Ratio (%)	Results	Ratio (%)	Increase/ Decrease
Assets	402,336	100.0	370,839	100.0	-31,496
Current Assets	230,552	57.3	209,845	56.6	-20,707
(Cash and deposits)	89,624	22.3	69,029	18.6	-20,595
Non-current Assets	171,783	42.7	160,994	43.4	-10,789
(Trademark rights/goodwill)	113,265	28.2	101,832	27.5	-11,433
Liabilities	242,343	60.2	199,914	53.9	-42,429
Current Liabilities	217,102	54.0	144,919	39.1	-72,182
(Loans payable within one year)	89,928	22.4	15,045	4.1	-74,882
Non-Current Liabilities	25,241	6.3	54,995	14.8	29,753
(Long-term loans payable)	15,713	3.9	25,748	6.9	10,035
(Bonds)	-	-	20,000	5.4	20,000
Net assets	159,992	39.8	170,925	46.1	10,932
Equity capital	145,537	36.2	155,593	42.0	10,055
(Capital stock)	17,467	4.3	17,479	4.7	12
(Capital surplus)	20,182	5.0	20,396	5.5	213
(Retained earnings)	105,993	26.3	125,677	33.9	19,683
Non-controlling interests	14,455	3.6	15,331	4.1	876

<Trademark rights/goodwill>
Decreases due to amortization/forex rates.

**<Current assets/Current liabilities/
Non-current liabilities>**
Repayment of short-term loans partially by cash, and refinancing the balance by long-term loans and corporate bonds. (Long-term conversion)

<Retained earnings>
Increases due to increased profit.

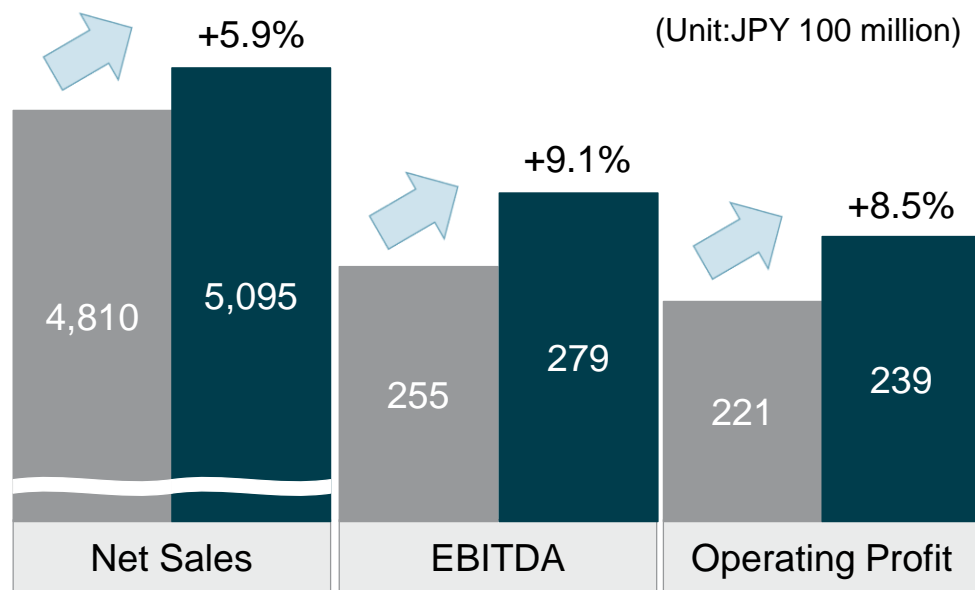
**Partial revision of "Accounting standards pertaining to Tax Effective Accounting" have been applied since 1Q in FY2019. Results were re-released after the results at the end of the previous FY were recalculated.

FY Mar 2019: Consolidated Cash-flow Statement

(Unit: JPY million)	FY Mar 2018	FY Mar 2019		Major change
	Full Year	Full Year	Change	
Cash flow from operating activities	35,003	42,353	7,350	<div> <div>Increase in profit and</div> <div>Change in notes / accounts receivable – trade and operating debt</div> </div>
Cash flow from Investment activities	-66,732	-15,141	51,591	<div> <div>Decrease in overseas large-scale M&A</div> </div>
Cash flow from finance activities	50,186	-48,165	-98,351	<div> <div>Decrease in short-term debt and increase in long-term debt and bonds due to refinancing of the short-term debt</div> </div>
Increase (decrease) in cash & cash equivalents	20,184	-20,596	-40,780	
Balance of cash & cash equivalents etc. at end of period	89,566	68,969	-20,596	

FY March 2019: Business Results Trends by Segment:

① Temporary Staffing/BPO Segment



FY Mar 2019 Highlights

- Temporary labor demand remains at high levels in Japan with work-style reforms, and chronic labor shortages as a backdrop.
- Sales increased due to strong demand despite the impact of revisions to Japan's labor laws
- Costs associated with merging subsidiaries increased however, direct hiring by clients in response to revisions to Japan's labor laws resulted in growth in placement fee revenues. Also, revenues improved due to billing rate increases. (If subsidiary merger costs did not have to be included, the operating profit ratio would have been 5.1%.)
- The acquisition of Avanti Staff Corporation commenced being reflected in the results from 4Q.

(Unit: JPY million)

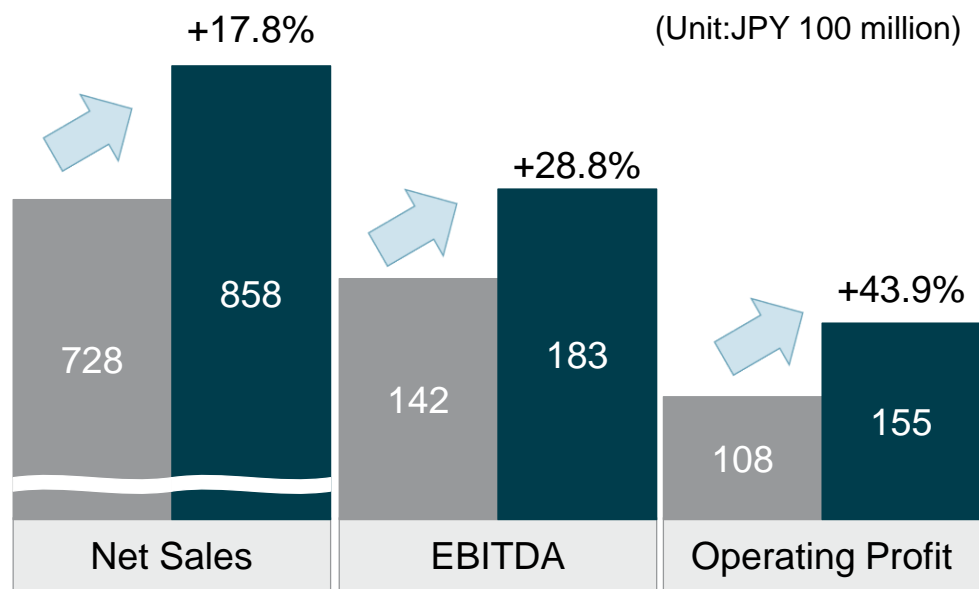
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EBITDA Margin (%)	5.3	5.5	-	5.3	-
Operating Profit	22,122	23,991	+8.5	23,900	100.4
Operating profit ratio (%)	4.6	4.7	-	4.6	-

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FY March 2019: Business Results Trends by Segment

② Recruiting Segment



FY Mar 2019 Highlights

- Demand from client companies continued to be healthy, with the placement business driving the results.
- Proactive investments had to be made into advertising and headcount in response to robust demand which in turn resulted in substantial sales and profit growth.
- A decline in goodwill amortization also contributed to an improvement in profitability due to the booking of the amortization impairment in the "an" business during the previous 4Q period.

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Operating profit ratio (%)	14.8	18.1	-	17.0	-

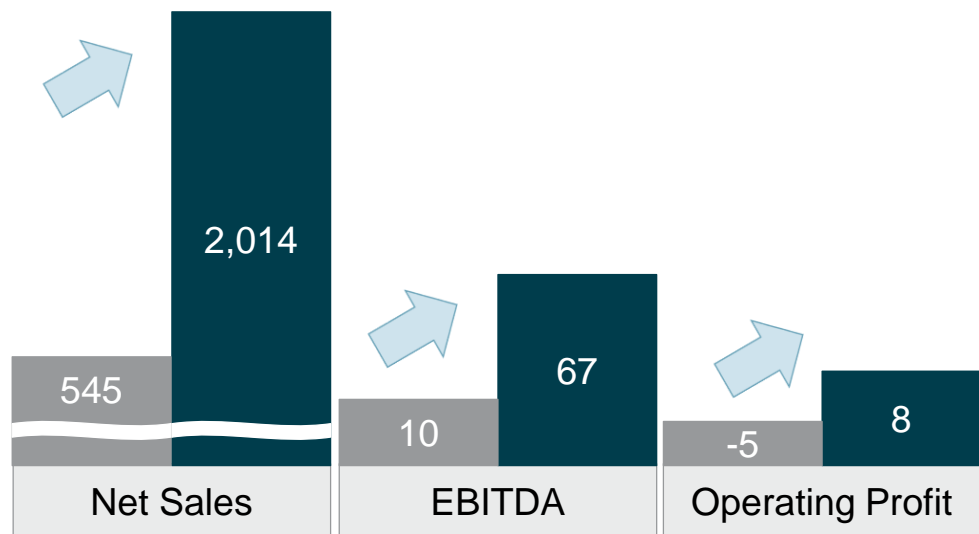
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FY March 2019: Business Results Trends by Segment:

③ PROGRAMMED Segment

(Unit:JPY 100 million)



FY Mar 2019 Highlights

Staffing Business:

- Blue collar labour demand weakened in manufacturing, industrial, logistics and retail sectors due to continuing globalisation, online sales and automation impacts, however, profits were steady due to reductions in overhead expenses
- Mining sector remains strong as production expands
- Large contract ended in FY18

Maintenance Business:

- Some reduction in government expenditures compared to prior year leading to lower revenue but profit remained steady
- Work in hand and sales pipeline increased through out the year
- New contracts secured in airport and public housing

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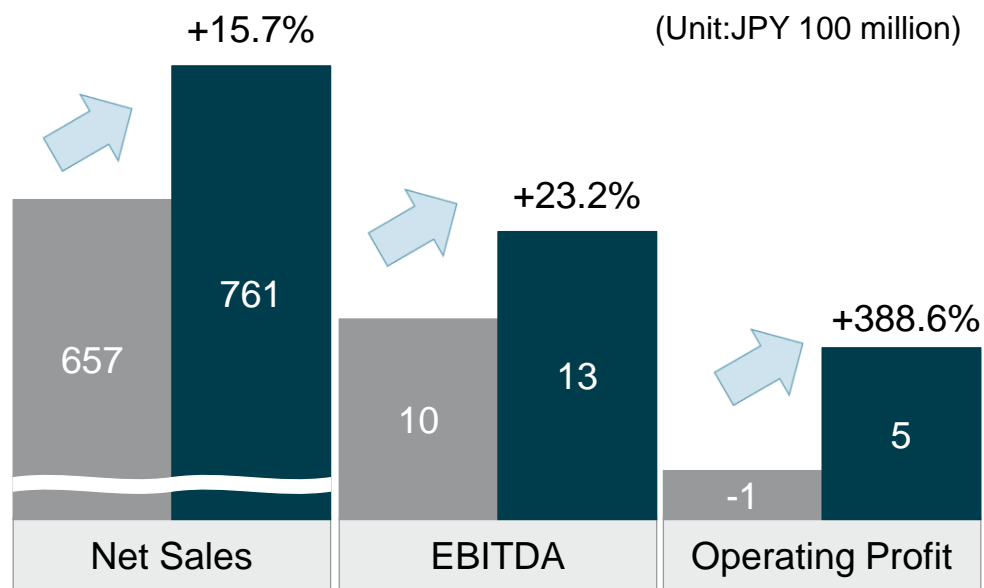
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EBITDA Margin (%)	-	3.3	-	3.0	-
Operating Profit	-507	841	-	1,100	76.5
Operating profit ratio (%)	-	0.4	-	0.5	-

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FY March 2019: Business Results Trends by Segment:

④ PERSOLKELLY Segment



FY Mar 2019 Highlights

- Sales growth was due to a backdrop of continued favorable market conditions in APAC countries. Operating profit successfully turned to the black mainly led by the Singapore and China placement business.
- Proactive investments were made that targeted necessary productivity improvements: Achievement rate of strengthening of deployments of personnel needed to handle robust demand, as well as implementation of common systems in each branch.

(Unit:JPY million)

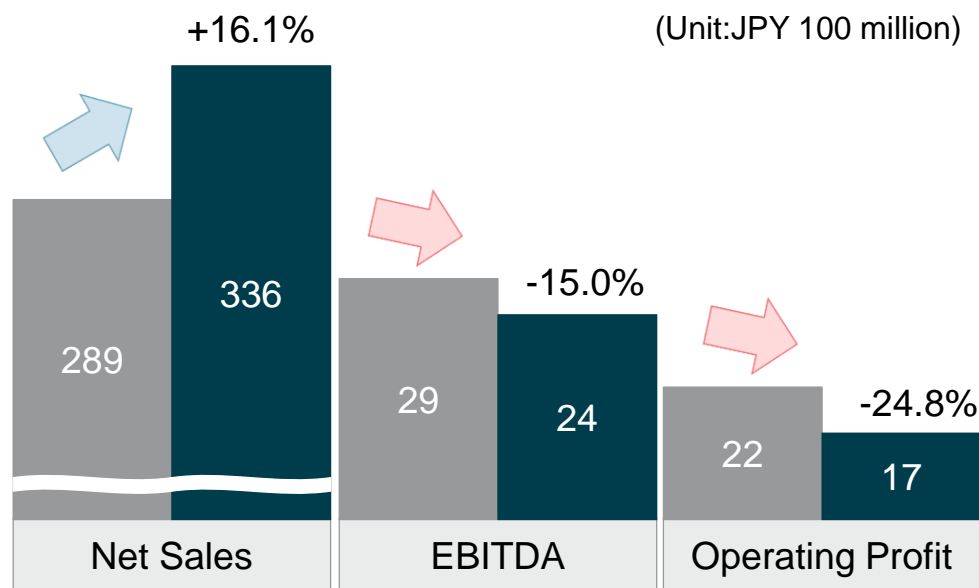
	FY Mar 2018	FY Mar 2019		FY Mar 2019 Results Forecast	
	Full Year	Full Year	Growth (%)	Full Year	Achievement rate (%)
Net Sales	65,774	76,106	+15.7	68,000	111.9
EBITDA	1,094	1,348	+23.2	1,200	112.4
EBITDA Margin (%)	1.7	1.8	-	1.8	-
Operating Profit	-190	548	+388.6	700	78.4
Operating profit ratio (%)	-0.3	0.7	-	1.0	-

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FY March 2019: Business Results Trends by Segment:

⑤ ITO Segment



FY Mar 2019 Highlights

- Willingness to invest in system related services etc. in corporate clients is steady.
- Increase in SI related services and high value added outsourcing services, RPA introduction support and consulting services for productivity improvement have grown as a result of work style reform resulting in increased sales
- Costs increased due to better treatment of workers, and even though there was a decline in profitability compared to the previous year, as a result of unit price improvements etc., operating income achieved target. Furthermore, improved treatment of workers contributed to employee retirement rate and recruiting ability.

(Unit: JPY million)

	FY Mar 2018	FY Mar 2019		FY Mar 2019 Results Forecast	
	Full Year	Full Year	Growth (%)	Full Year	Achievement rate (%)
Net Sales	28,988	33,644	+16.1	33,000	102.0
EBITDA	2,930	2,490	-15.0	2,100	118.6
EBITDA Margin (%)	10.1	7.4	-	6.4	-
Operating Profit	2,263	1,702	-24.8	1,500	113.5
Operating profit ratio (%)	7.8	5.1	-	4.5	-

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FY March 2019: Business Results Trends by Segment

⑥ Engineering Segment

+5.6%

(Unit:JPY 100 million)

293

277

Net Sales

+12.9%

33

29

EBITDA

+16.8%

27

23

Operating Profit

FY Mar 2019 Highlights

- Household electronics related demand was somewhat weak, but R&D demand was strong in automobiles, and construction equipment etc.
- Both profit and profit ratio improved due to the results of continuous productivity improvement activities.
- Aiming to further expand business areas, continuously promoted reinforcement of sales functions, active recruitment and partner utilization.

(Unit: JPY million)

	FY Mar 2018	FY Mar 2019		FY Mar 2019 Results Forecast	
	Full Year	Full Year	Growth (%)	Full Year	Achievement rate (%)
Net Sales	27,795	29,357	+5.6	30,000	97.9
EBITDA	2,982	3,367	+12.9	3,100	108.6
EBITDA Margin (%)	10.7	11.5	-	10.3	-
Operating Profit	2,365	2,762	+16.8	2,700	102.3
Operating profit ratio (%)	8.5	9.4	-	9.0	-

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FY March 2019: Business Results Trends by Segment:

⑦ Other/Adjustments

(Unit:JPY million)

Other	FY Mar 2018	FY Mar 2019		FY Mar 2019 Results Forecast	
	Full Year	Full Year	Growth (%)	Full Year	Achievement rate (%)
Net Sales	4,339	5,751	+32.5	5,000	115.0
EBITDA	-254	-476	-46.7	-200	-
EBITDA Margin (%)	-5.9	-8.3	-	-4.0	-
Operating Profit	-322	-558	-42.3	-250	-
Operating profit ratio (%)	-7.4	-9.7	-	-5.0	-

(Unit:JPY million)

Adjustments	FY Mar 2018	FY Mar 2019		FY Mar 2019 Results Forecast	
	Full Year	Full Year	Growth (%)	Full Year	Achievement rate (%)
Net Sales	-13,140	-15,883	-	-15,000	-
EBITDA	353	213	-	-800	-
EBITDA Margin (%)	-	-	-	-	-
Operating Profit	-472	-732	-	-1,450	-
Operating profit ratio (%)	-	-	-	-	-

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*The "other" item is Shared Services which refers to roles performed by each function for the entire Group such as: training & education, disabled worker hiring/work support etc. structures.

**Adjustment Amounts*: refers to elimination of transactions between segments, PERSOL HOLDINGS income, and costs.

FY March 2020 Consolidated forecasts

(Unit:JPY million)

	FY Mar 2020 Forecast					
	1st half	Ratio (%)	Growth (%)	Full Year	Ratio (%)	Growth (%)
Net sales	483,500	100.0	+6.9	1,000,000	100.0	+8.0
EBITDA	30,200	6.2	+7.1	66,000	6.6	+10.1
Operating Profit	21,300	4.4	+4.1	48,000	4.8	+8.8
Net Profit Attributable to Owners of Parent	12,000	2.5	+0.1	27,500	2.8	+12.9
[Reference] Net Profit Prior to Amortization of Goodwill	16,300	3.4	-	36,100	3.6	+9.5

* Assumed forex rate for FY2020/3 USD1=JPY 110.0, AUD1=JPY 80.0

* Net Profit Prior to Amortization of Goodwill : Profit attributable to owners of parent company + amortization of goodwill

FY March 2019 Consolidated forecasts : Sales by Segment

(Unit:JPY million)

	FY Mar 2020 Forecast			
	1st half	Growth (%)	Full Year	Growth (%)
Temporary Staffing/BPO	265,600	+6.9	549,000	+7.7
Recruiting	47,000	+14.5	99,000	+15.3
PROGRAMMED	100,500	-1.9	204,000	+1.3
PERSOLKELLY	41,000	+13.5	84,000	+10.4
ITO	19,400	+26.2	42,000	+24.8
Engineering	14,500	+6.2	31,000	+5.6
Other	5,000	+90.9	11,000	+91.3
Adjustments	△9,500	-	-20,000	-
TOTAL	483,500	+6.9	1,000,000	+8.0

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FY March 2019 Consolidated forecasts : EBITDA by Segment

(Unit:JPY million)

	FY Mar 2020 Forecast			
	1st half	Growth (%)	Full Year	Growth (%)
Temporary Staffing/BPO	13,600	+4.6	30,400	+8.9
Recruiting	10,600	+18.6	22,200	+20.8
PROGRAMMED	4,100	+28.3	8,400	+25.0
PERSOLKELLY	700	-2.9	1,500	+11.2
ITO	1,000	+22.7	3,100	+24.5
Engineering	1,400	+19.2	3,500	+3.9
Other	-600	-85.9	-1,100	-56.6
Adjustments	-600	-	-2,000	-
TOTAL	30,200	+7.1	66,000	+10.1

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FY March 2019 Consolidated forecasts : Operating Profit by Segment

(Unit:JPY million)

	FY Mar 2020 Forecast			
	1st half	Growth (%)	Full Year	Growth (%)
Temporary Staffing/BPO	11,700	+5.3	26,500	+10.5
Recruiting	8,700	+15.1	18,200	+17.0
PROGRAMMED	300	+37.3	1,000	+18.9
PERSOLKELLY	400	+11.9	1,000	+82.2
ITO	700	+53.5	2,400	+41.0
Engineering	1,100	+25.2	3,000	+8.6
Other	-600	-79.5	-1,300	-57.0
Adjustments	-1,000	-	-2,800	-
TOTAL	21,300	+4.1	48,000	+8.8

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Acquisition of Avanti Staff Corporation shares (conversion into a subsidiary)

We aim to further enhance corporate value by utilizing a client base such as Fuyo Group and the know-how of financial affairs and trade affairs cultivated by Avanti staff and the know-how relating to soliciting job seekers by PERSOL group

Outline of share acquisition

Corporate Profile	Avanti Staff Corporation
	Established in September 1984
	Expand Temporary staffing business, placement/recruitment business, outsourcing business, training business within domestic Japan.
	Sales JPY 18,366 million, Operating profit JPY 271 million (FY Mar 2018 results)
Transaction Outline	Share transfer data : 31 Jan 2019
	Acquisition: 92.52% of fully issued shares
	Begin to be reflected in results: from 4Q of FY Mar 2019. (Temporary Staffing/BPO Segment)

Aims



*For further details, please refer to the timely release "Announcement regarding acquisition of Avanti Staff Corporation shares (conversion into a subsidiary)" made on 21 Dec 2018.

Appendix: Recent M&As

Company name	Programmed Maintenance Services Limited	
Established	January 1992	
Net sales ^(*1)	AUD 2,691 million ^(*1)	
Operating profit ^(*1)	AUD 21 million ^(*1)	
Acquisition date	October 2017	
Contribution commenced being reflected in results	4Q of FY Mar 2018	
Ownership ratio	100%	
Acquisition price	JPY 66,000 million ^(*2)	
Goodwill	Staffing Business	Maintenance Business
	JPY 21,030 million	JPY 31,540 million
Goodwill amortization period	10 years	20 years
Affiliated segment	PROGRAMMED	

*1. Figures refer to the results of PROGRAMMED Ltd. and its subsidiaries for the FY Mar 2017. Operating profit has been calculated after amortization of goodwill calculated at the time of acquisition (tentative figures), and after amortization of intangible fixed assets (total AUD 56 million/year).

*2. Conversion rate used: AUD 1: JPY 88.15

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August 2014: Selected as one stock forming the JPX-Nikkei 400 Index composition

What is the
JPX-Nikkei 400?

The JPX-Nikkei 400 index is a new share price index composed of corporations that aim to satisfy the various requirements of global investment standards for the purpose of highlighting etc. in Japan and overseas the appeal of Japanese firms from a management viewpoint of efficient application of capital and investor awareness etc.