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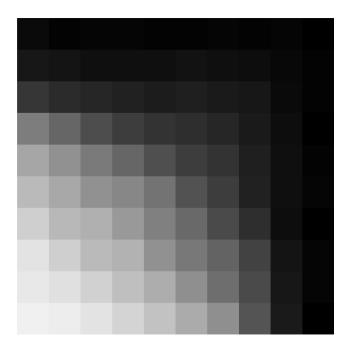
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# **Avant Group Corporation**

Financial Results Briefing for the Fiscal Year June 2025

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# I Financial Highlights for the Fiscal Year 2025

**Net Sales** 

¥**28,227** m

15th consecutive year increase

The core outsourcing business continued to deliver strong growth, offsetting the impact of project cancellation in the DX business due to customer circumstances, resulting in solid company-wide growth of over 15% **Operating Profit** 

¥**4,604**m (YoY+ 12.3%)

10th consecutive year increase

Achieved profit growth as the effect of increased sales exceeded the increase in expenses due to growth investments. Despite the impact of the project cancellation in the DX Promotion Business, overall growth remained strong **Net Profit** 

 $(Y_0Y + 20.5\%)$ 

Achieved growth of over **20**%

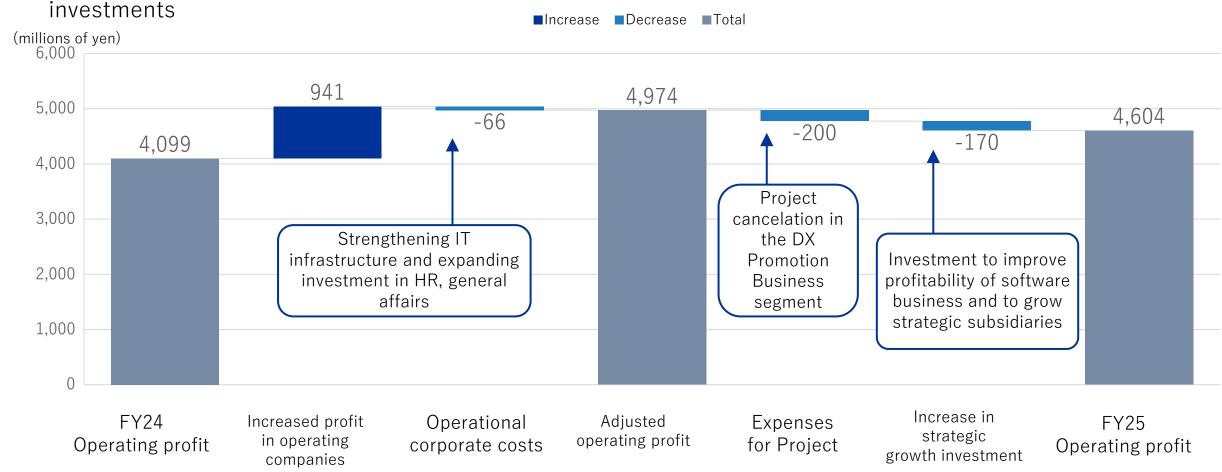
Achieved a net profit increase of over 20%, driven by growth in operating profit and gains on sales of investment securities

#### **▼**Forecasts for the year ending 30 June 2026

- For the fiscal year ending June 2026, the company aims to achieve net sales of ¥33,300 million, operating **profit of ¥5,100 million**, maintaining a steady grow trajectory
- The year-end dividend is expected to be **¥32 per share** with the aim of achieving the target of a dividend on equity of 8% within the period of the medium-term management plan, pursuing further enhancement of corporate value

## FY25 Operating Profit vs Previous Year

Adjusted operating profit\* increased by 21.3%, reaching the guidance of ¥4.9 billion. Although reported operating profit rose by only 12.3% due to the temporary impact of a project cancellation in the DX Promotion Business and the execution of strategic growth investments. However, we strengthened our business foundation to establish a competitive advantage over the medium to long term through strategic growth



# [Response to Issues Arising in FY25] Strengthening the Project Management Framework for the DX Promotion Business

Leveraging lessons learned from the project cancellation incident to strengthen the quality management framework

#### Identification and analysis of issues

#### **Background and Recognition of issues**

- A project under a contracted development model was canceled due to misalignment in the understanding of customer requirements
- The financial impact of the cancellation. approximately ¥200 million, was fully recognized in FY25 Q3

#### **Analysis of issues**

- A key challenge is establishing a training and development framework for project managers (PMs) and project leaders (PLs) in line with the pace of business expansion.
- There is a need to enhance the scalability of the project management framework.

#### Approach to resolution

#### **Expansion of PMO Functions and** Strengthening of Project Support (Implemented)

- Establishment of Human Resource Development Framework: Introduced a structured skill development program for project managers (PMs), project leaders (PLs), and team members
- Development of Project Support Structure: Established a PMO-led support system to enhance project visibility and enable early issue resolution.

#### **Advancement of Quality Assurance** Framework (Implemented)

- Strengthening of Risk Assessment in the Proposal Phase: Introduced an executive review system for proposal content and execution plans for projects exceeding defined risk thresholds
- Standardization of Quality Management Processes: Clarified key checkpoints and established a continuous monitoring system

#### **Expected effects**

#### **Improving Customer Satisfaction:**

 Deliverables provided with stable and reliable quality

#### **Expansion of Project Management** Capabilities:

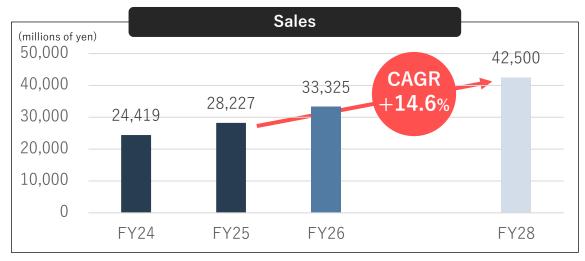
• Building a scalable project management framework

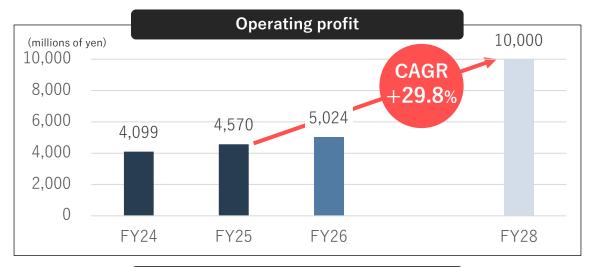
#### **Sustainable Growth:**

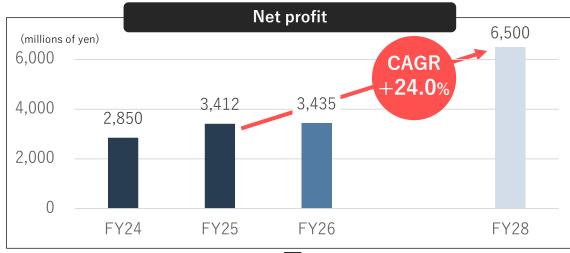
 Achieving business expansion in line with the medium-term management plan.

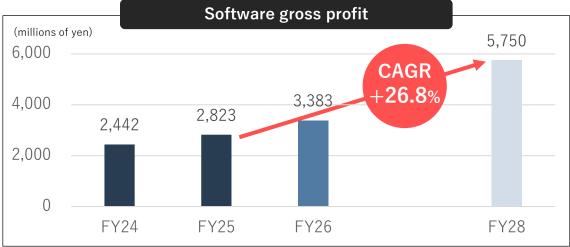
#### **Key Indicators**

■ To achieve the profit targets of BE GLOBAL2028 (= BG28), we are prioritizing the expansion of gross profit in the software business -a key strategic focus area- and steadily driving margin improvement



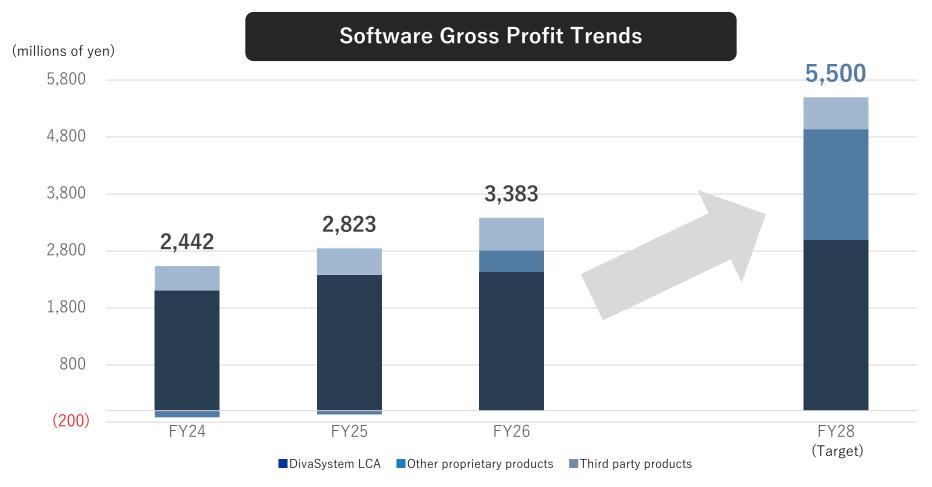






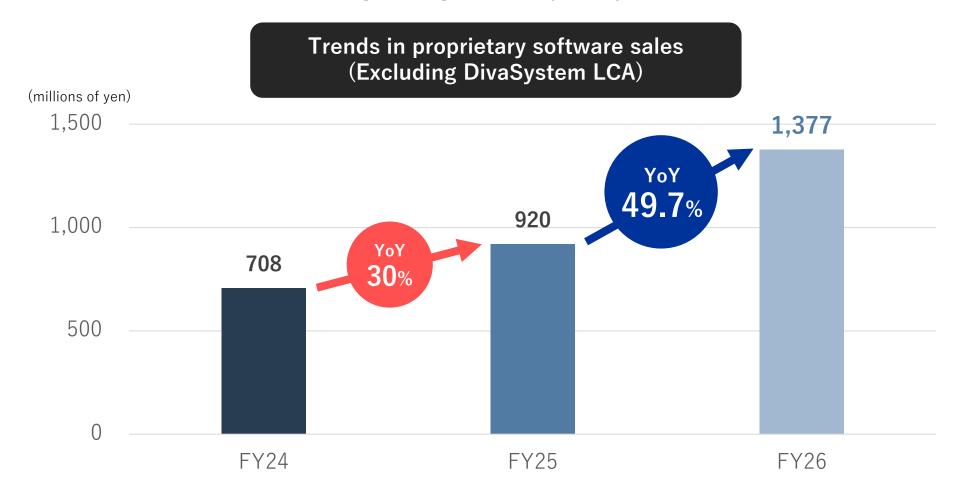
## **Progress in Software Gross Profit**

In addition to the stable growth of DivaSystem LCA, our founding product in consolidated accounting, we are steadily driving progress toward our targets through the proactive market expansion of our broader proprietary product portfolio



# Progress of Sales of Proprietary SW Other than the Consolidated Accounting System DivaSystem LCA

 Proprietary software products are gaining traction as a new revenue pillar beyond DivaSystem LCA, and we are committed to further scaling their growth trajectory



## Growth Strategy Toward Achieving BG28

To drive the expansion of software gross profit, we aim to realize BG28 through an integrated strategy that combines organic growth, strategic investments to secure software gross margin, and enhanced cross-selling initiatives

#### Organic growth

- To accelerate the cloud shift of the consolidated accounting system DivaSystem LCA, maintenance for cloudbased offerings such as LCA Cloud have been transferred to DIVA from AVANT
- Accelerating the rollout of the AVANT Cruise package



#### Investment to realize software gross profit margin

- Enhancing group-wide collaboration in software development
- Capital and business alliance to realize enterprise value management SaaS-Suite
- M&A to promote a soft-driven strategy

**Ensuring steady** organic growth

#### Strengthen cross-selling capabilities

Generating sales leads through crossselling initiatives, increasing cross-sell sales by FY28

Improving consolidation synergies across the software business



#### Update of Capital Allocation Plan

We plan to execute the first round of growth investments at ¥4.0 billion following a thorough review. The remaining ¥1.0 billion will be allocated to a second round of investment, with the aim of maximizing overall investment effectiveness

The cumulative total for FY2024 and FY2025 was ¥9.4 billion. showing steady progress relative to the initial plan

#### Cash Inflows

**Cumulative Forecast** for Operating Cash Flow (Before Internal **Investment Deductions**)

¥19.3 billion

**Excess Cash and Deposits** at the end of FY23

¥7.25 billion

#### Cash Outflows

(Investment for growth ¥20bn, shareholder return ¥5bn)

Second growth investment (FY27 and beyond)

¥16 billion

First investment for growth (~ FY26)

¥4billion

Shareholder returns ¥5 billion

The priority is as follows.

- (I) Internal investment = Human capital development
- (ii) Business and capital alliances, etc.
- (iii) Source code acquisitions, M&A

[2bn] Internal investment = Investment in human capital

→Cumulative total for FY2024 and FY2025 is ¥1.2 billion

[1.5bn] Business and capital alliances, etc.

⇒Cumulative total for FY2024 and FY2025 is ¥400 million.

(0.5bn) Contingency reserve

Cumulative dividends for FY24 and FY25 are ¥1.3 billion

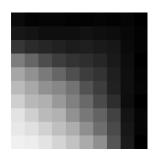
Share buyback of ¥0.83 billion executed (not yet canceled)

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\* Figures in this presentation are rounded down to the unit of display.

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## I. Summary of Financial Results for the Fiscal Year June 2025

## Highlights of the Results

- Net sales increased by 15.6% year over year to ¥28,227 million, driven by sales growth across all three business segments: the Consolidated Disclosure Business, the DX Promotion Business, and the Management Solutions Business
- Operating profit increased 12.3% year-o-year to 4,604 million yen, despite higher personnel and IT expenses in line with business expansion, increasing outsourced processing costs to respond to increased orders, increased investment aimed at future growth —particularly in the software business—.

the effect of an improved profit margin led by the growth of the software business, and a rebound from the low profit level of the Management Solutions Business in the 1Q of the previous fiscal year contributed the growth

	FY6/25	YoY Va	ariance	FY6/25	FY6/25 YoY Var		vs Forecast	
(Millions of yen)	Q4	Yr earlier	% chg	YTD	Yr earlier	% chg	Forecast	% Achieve
Net Sales	7,289	6,613	10.2%	28,227	24,419	15.6%	21,800	29.5%
Cost of Sales	4,019	3,514	14.4%	15,649	13,491	16.0%	_	_
Gross Profit	3,270	3,099	5.5%	12,578	10,928	15.1%	_	_
GPM	44.9%	46.9%	-2.0pt	44.6%	44.8%	-0.2pt	_	_
SG&A	2,291	2,075	10.4%	7,974	6,829	16.8%	_	_
Operating Profit	978	1,023	-4.4%	4,604	4,099	12.3%	3,100	48.5%
ОРМ	13.4%	15.5%	-2.1pt	16.3%	16.8%	-0.5pt	14.2%	2.1pt
Net Profit	1164	876	32.8%	3,434	2,850	20.5%	2,030	69.2%
NPM	16.0%	13.3%	2.7pt	12.2%	11.7%	0.5pt	9.3%	2.9pt
EBITDA	1,113	1,171	-4.9%	5,110	4,642	10.1%	_	_
EBITDA margin	15.3%	17.7%	<b>▲</b> 2.4pt	18.1%	19.0%	-0.9pt	_	_

## **Group Cost Structure**

- Recruitment and personnel costs increased due to active recruitment activities
- Investment needs to maintain and strengthen competitiveness through "sophistication of corporate management and corporate activities using data and digital technology," which is becoming a medium- to long-term trend among Japanese companies, remain strong. Outsourcing costs increased to meet this demand
- IT expenses also increased due to increase in headcount and introduction of cloud computing (for customers and internal environment)

Strategic expenses aimed at securing future growth—particularly those focused on strengthening the software business—also increased

	FY6/25	YoY Variance		FY6/25	YoY Variance	
(Millions of yen)	Q4	Yr earlier	% chg	YTD	Yr earlier	% chg
Net Sales	7,289	6,613	10.2%	28,227	24,419	15.6%
Personnel expenses	3,530	3,141	12.4%	13,238	11,657	13.6%
Recruitment expenses	164	150	9.1%	631	489	29.0%
Outsourcing expenses	1,213	1,038	16.9%	4,842	4,004	20.9%
IT expenses	394	376	4.8%	1,543	1,321	16.8%
Office expenses	271	255	6.1%	985	883	11.6%
Other expenses	736	626	17.6%	2,384	1,966	21.3%
Total expenses	6,310	5,589	12.9%	23,623	20,320	16.3%
Operating Profit	978	1,023	<b>▲4.4</b> %	4,604	4,099	12.3%
ОРМ	13.4%	15.5%	▲2.1pt	16.3%	16.8%	<b>▲</b> 0.5pt

## Results by Business Segment

- Sales increased in all segments, continuing the trend from 1Q the current period
- Although all segments experienced an increase in the number of personnel and labor costs, as well as other growthrelated expenses associated with business expansion, cumulative profit for the full fiscal year ended June 31, 2025 increased year on year.

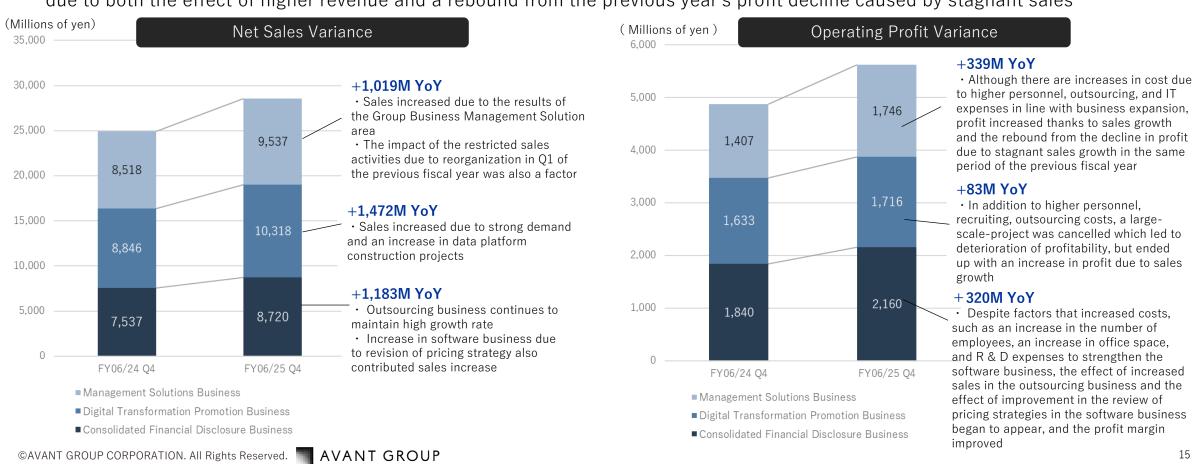
		FY6/25	YoY Variance		
	(Millions of yen)	Q4	Yr earlier	% chg	
	Net Sales	2,271	2,025	12.1%	
	Operating Profit	384	403	<b>▲</b> 4.8%	
Consolidated Financial Disclosure Business	ОРМ	16.9%	19.9%	▲3.0pt	
Discissars Business	Orders	2,540	2,871	▲11.5%	
	Order Backlog	5,187	4,681	10.8%	
	Net Sales	2,589	2,206	17.3%	
	Operating Profit	403	333	21.1%	
Digital Transformation Promotion Business	ОРМ	15.6%	15.1%	0.5pt	
Tromotion Business	Orders	2,902	2,745	5.7%	
	Order Backlog	2,012	2,069	▲2.8%	
	Net Sales	2,514	2,468	1.8%	
	Operating Profit	454	562	▲19.0%	
Management Solutions Business	ОРМ	18.1%	22.8%	<b>▲</b> 4.7pt	
Dusmoss	Orders	3,359	3,800	▲11.6%	
	Order Backlog	4,177	4,006	4.3%	

FY6/25	YoY Va	ariance		
YTD	Yr earlier	% chg		
8,720	7,537	15.7%		
2,160	1,840	17.4%		
24.8%	24.4%	0.4pt		
9,227	8,269	11.6%		
5,187	4,681	10.8%		
10,318	8,846	16.6%		
1,716	1,633	5.1%		
16.6%	18.5%	▲1.8pt		
10,260	9,211	11.4%		
2,012	2,069	▲2.8%		
9,537	8,518	12.0%		
1,746	1,407	24.1%		
18.3%	16.5%	1.8pt		
9,708	9,410	3.2%		
4,177	4,006	4.3%		

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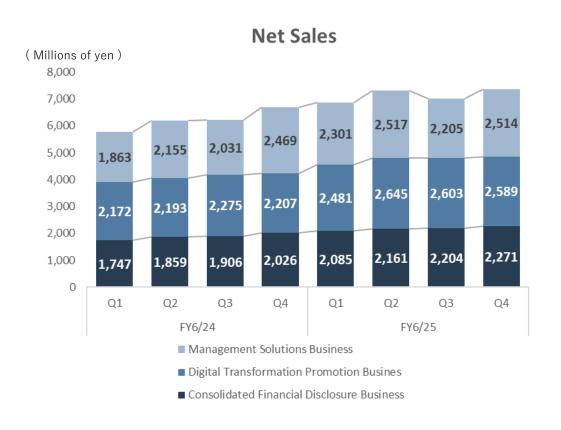
## **Results by Business Segment (Factors)**

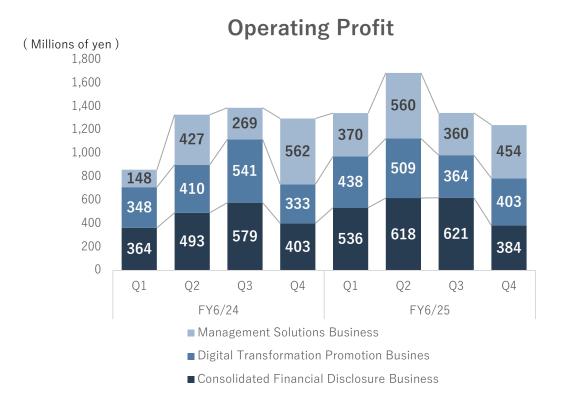
- Consolidated Financial Disclosure Business observed sales increase due to the continued strength of the outsourcing business, and profit also grew, supported in part by the positive impact of software price revisions
- While there was a cancellation of a large-scale project in DX Promotion Business in Q3, profit and revenue both increased, driven by ongoing strong demand for solutions that support data-driven decision-making in corporate management and business execution
- Management Solutions Business increased sales and profit as early results began to emerge in the area of group management solutions. While there were cost increases associated with growth investments, profit grew significantly—outpacing revenue growth due to both the effect of higher revenue and a rebound from the previous year's profit decline caused by stagnant sales



## Quarterly Net Sales and Operating Profit by Segment

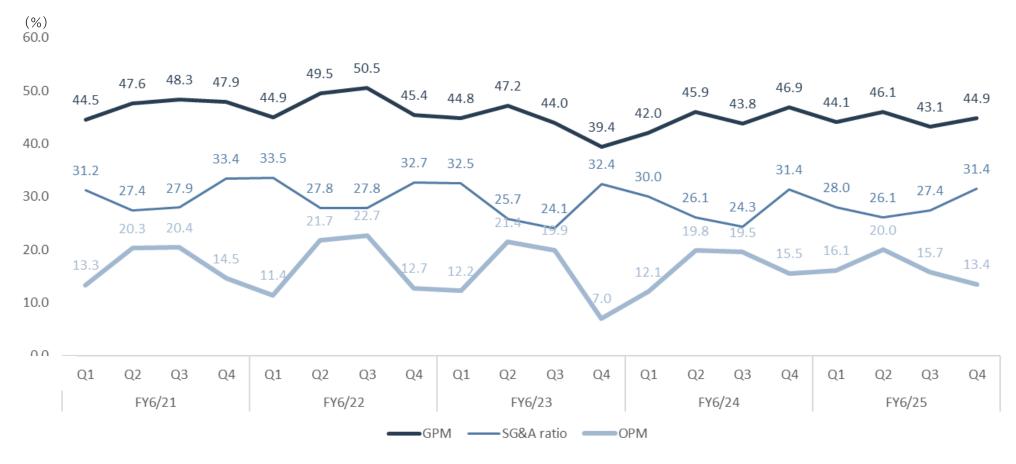
- Although there was a cancellation of a large-scale project in the DX business during Q3, recovery was achieved in Q4 through demand capture and growth across each segment
- As is typically the case, profitability tends to decline in Q4 due to performance-linked bonuses and the onboarding of new graduates, and this trend continued this year. In addition, increased strategic expenses for future growth also contributed to the lower profitability





#### Quarterly Margin Trends

■ While SG&A ratio increased due to higher recruitment and personnel costs, and operating profit margin declined in Q4 due to seasonal factors such as the onboarding of new graduates and performance-linked bonuses, gross profit margin—an indicator of core earning power—remained stable



Effective from the beginning of the first quarter of FY6/22, the "Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition" (ASBJ Statement No. 29, March 31, 2020) and others have been applied.

## Quarterly Recurring Sales and Recurring Sales Ratio

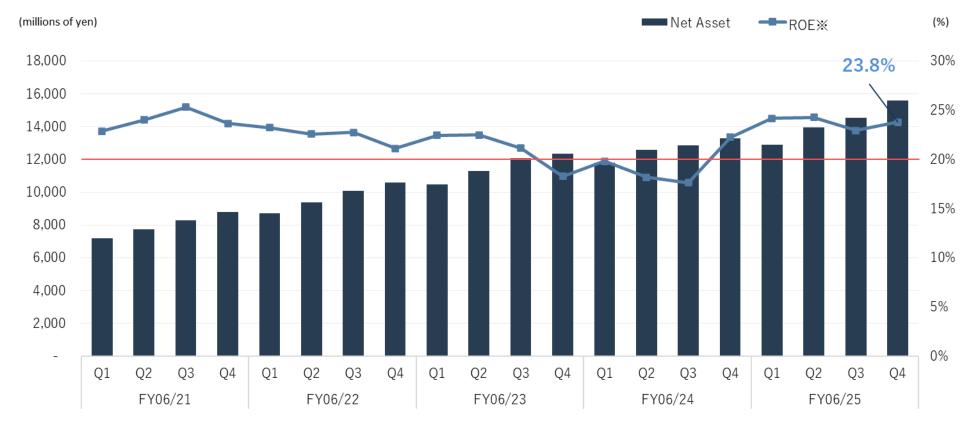
■ While the recurring ratio remained largely unchanged in level, the absolute value of recurring sales remained steady



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#### **ROE Trends**

- Net asset increased from 1Q the current period, but ROE remained high at over 20% throughout the fiscal year despite a temporary decline in profitability in 3Q the current period
- We will continue to aim to maintain an average of 20% or more by adhering to the Group's management principles and managing assets more efficiently while further enhancing profitability

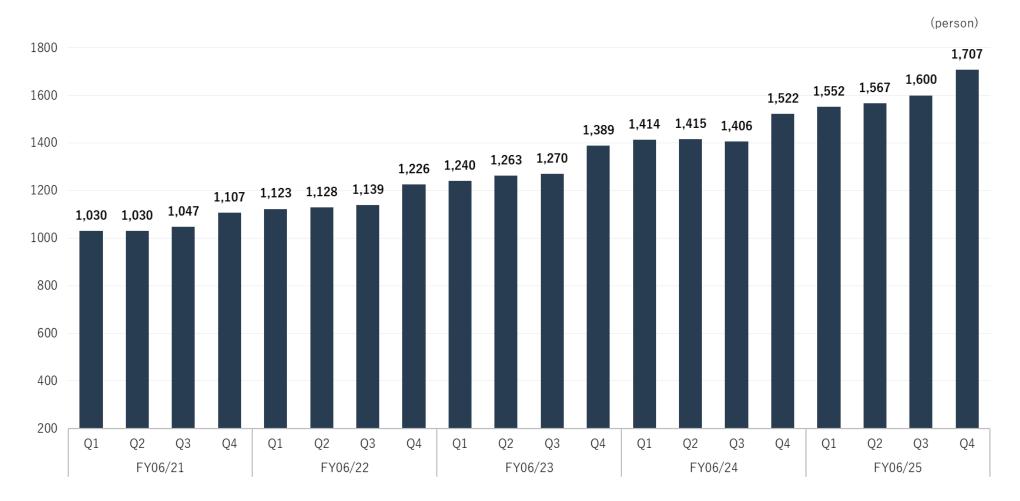


\*Figures are calculated based on the past four quarters.

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## Number of Group Employees

■ The number of employees is on an upward trend to achieve sustainable growth.
New graduates hired increased, and the number of employees in the current period increased significantly in 4Q, rising 12% from the end of the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 to 1,707

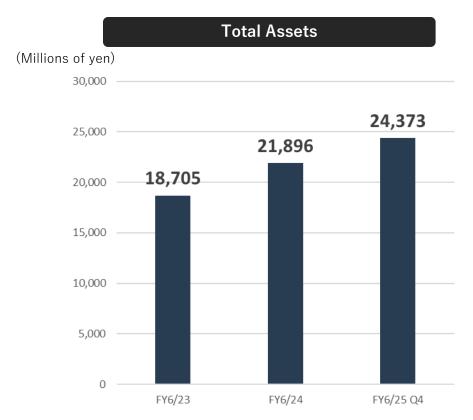


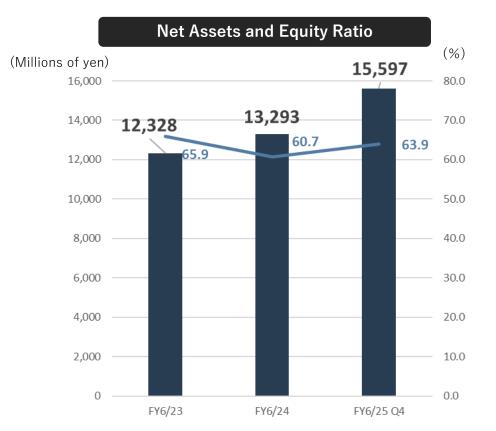
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#### **Trends of Financial Position**

- Total assets increased by 2,476 million yen from the end of the previous fiscal year to 24,373 million yen. This was mainly due to a 3,718 million yen increase in cash and deposits, a decrease of ¥512 million in accounts receivable other, a decrease of ¥527 million in deposits paid, and a decrease of ¥266 million in software, among other factors.
- Net assets increased by 2,304million yen from the end of the previous fiscal year to 15,597 million yen due to profit attributable to owners of parent of ¥3,434 million and payment of ¥708 million in dividends of surplus, resulting in the Company's shareholders' equity ratio remains high at 63.9%



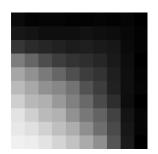


#### **Trends of Cashflow**

- Operating cash flow increased mainly due to profit before income taxes of 4,931 million yen, depreciation of ¥506 million, a decrease in trade receivables and contract assets of 211 million yen, an increase in contract liabilities of 421 million yen, refund in income taxes of 339 million yen, while it decreased mainly due to a decrease in accounts payable - other, and accrued expenses of 327 million yen, income taxes paid of 1,727 million yen
- The main uses of financing cash flow were purchase of investment securities of 242 million yen and payments of leasehold and guarantee deposits of 344 million yen, while main source was proceeds from sales and redemption of investment securities of 410 million yen
- The main uses of investing cash flow were purchase of treasury shares of ¥701 million and cash dividends paid of ¥708 million, and the main source was proceeds from sale of treasury shares ¥376 million

	FY6/25	YoY Variance		
(Millions of yen)	Q4	Yr earlier	% chg	
Operating CF	2,642	2,420	222	
Investment CF	87	<b>△ 25</b>	112	
Free CF	2,729	2,394	335	
Financial CF	19	△ 483	503	

	FY6/25	YoY Variance			
	YTD	Yr earlier	% chg		
-	4,469	3,680	789		
)	△ 201	△ 630	429		
5	4,268	3,049	1,218		
3	<b>△ 1,036</b>	<b>△ 1,981</b>	945		



# II. Earnings and Dividend Forecast

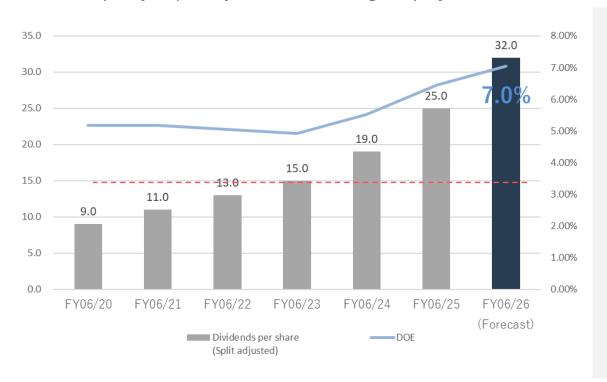
# Earnings Forecast for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2026

- For the fiscal year ending June 2026, sales are expected to increase by 18.0% year-on-year to 33,300 million yen
- Operating profit is expected to increase by 10.8% year-on-year to 5,100 million yen, and net profit is expected to increase by 1.9% year-on-year to 3,500 million yen

( Millions of yen )	FY6/25 (Actual)	FY6/26 (Forecast)	Variance	Chg
Net Sales	28,227	33,300	5,072	18.0%
Operating Profit	4,604	5,100	495	10.8%
ОРМ	16.3%	15.3%	-	_
Net Profit	3,434	3,500	65	1.9%

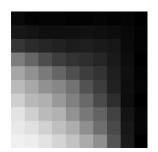
#### **Shareholder Returns**

- DOE for the fiscal year ending June 2025 was 6.3%, well above the TSE-listed company average (12 months) of 3.3%
- Dividend per share for the fiscal year ending June 2026 is expected to be 32 yen per share, in line with the company's policy of continuing to pay stable dividends. DOE level to be 7.0%



#### Our shareholder return policy

- Dividends are an important part of our shareholder return policy
- Avant Group aims to maintain if not grow the dividend by focusing on indicators such as dividend on equity (DOE) which is less impacted by fluctuations in annual earnings
- The Company's DOE will always exceed the average of all companies listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange and will aim to achieve 8% within the period of the new medium-term management plan



# III. Update on 'BE GLOBAL 2028'

#### Review of the Second Year of BE GLOBAL 2028 (BG28)

■ Due to the good start of the first year of BG28, the plan for the second year of BG28 was set higher than the FY25 level in the initial plan of BG28, but some items did not meet the plan. On the other hand, software gross profit exceeded the plan, and business transformation is steadily progressing

	FY6/24		FY6/25		FY6/28
	F 10/ 24	Actual	Rate to BG28	YoY	Plan
Net Sales	24,419м	28,227м	▲2.0%	+15.6%	40,000~ 45,000м
Operating Profit (OP)	4,099м	4,604м	<b>▲</b> 6.0%	+12.3%	9,000~ 11,000м
ОРМ	16.8%	16.3%	<b>▲</b> 0.7pts	<b>▲</b> 0.5pts	20~24%
Net Profit	2,850м	3,434м	+2.5%	+20.5%	6,000~ 7,000м
OP / person	2.8м	2.8м	<b>▲</b> 4.9%	+1.3%	3.9м
Software Gross Profit	2,442м	2,823м	+14.1%	+15.6%	5,500~ 6,000м
ROE	22.3%	23.8%	+1.4pts	+1.5pts	20% or more
DOE	5.5%	6.3%	<b>▲</b> 0.1pts	+0.8pts	<b>8.1</b> % or more
Dividend	¥19	¥25	±0	+31.6%	¥51 or more

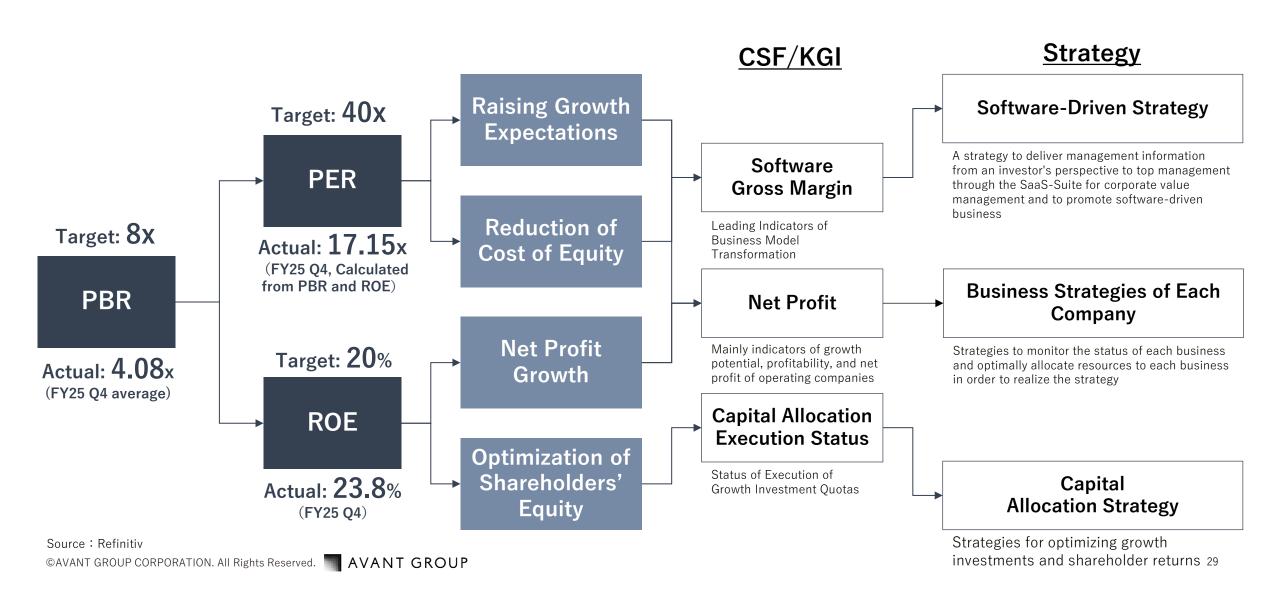
#### BG28 Plan for the Third Year

3<sup>rd</sup> year of BG28 is an important year for leveraging investments and achieving a steady growth trajectory for our software suite to achieve the final BG28 targets and achieve significant growth in the remaining two years

	FY6/24	FY26			FY6/28	
	Actual	Plan	Rate to BG28	YoY	Plan	
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ОРМ	16.3%	15.3%	<b>▲1.3</b> pts	<b>▲1.0</b> pts	20~24%	
Net Profit	3,434м	3,500м	+3.2%	+1.9%	6,000~ 7,000м	
OP / person	2.8м	2.7м	+2.2%	▲2.1%	3.9м	
Software Gross Profit	2,823м	3,306м	± 0.0%	+17.1%	5,500~ 6,000м	
ROE	23.8%	20.7%	+0.5pts	▲3.1pts	20%以上	
DOE	6.3%	7.1%	<b>▲</b> 0.2pts	+0.7pts	8.1%以上	
Dividend	25円	32円	±0	+28.0%	51円以上	

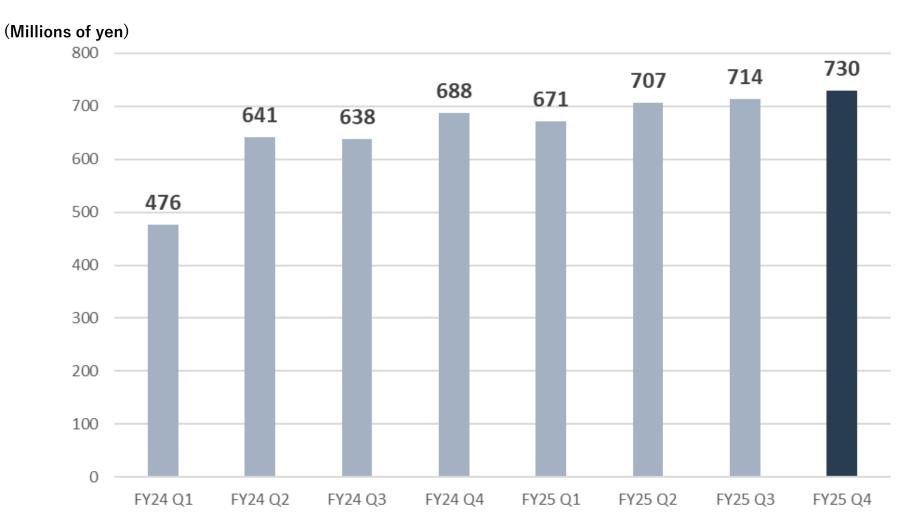
## Strategy Execution Monitoring Using PBR Tree Diagram

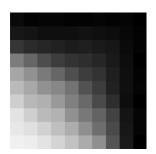
■ Realizing business model transformation to increase PER level while Increasing software gross profit



#### **Software Gross Profit**

■ Increased software sales and lower outsourcing expenses, resulting in a 6.1% year-on-year increase, 2.2% quarter-on-quarter increase





# **Reference: Company Overview**

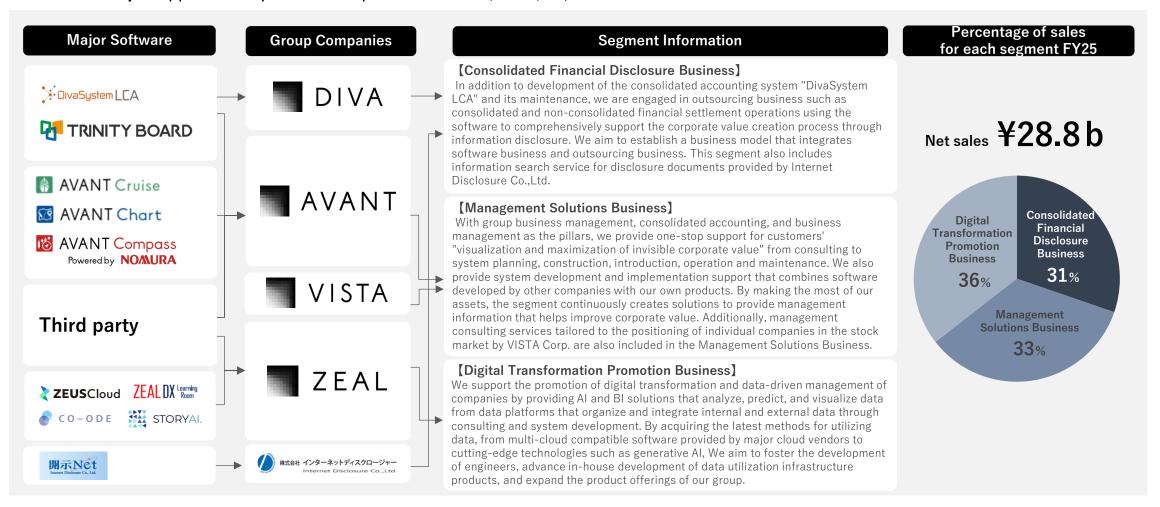
#### Company Introduction

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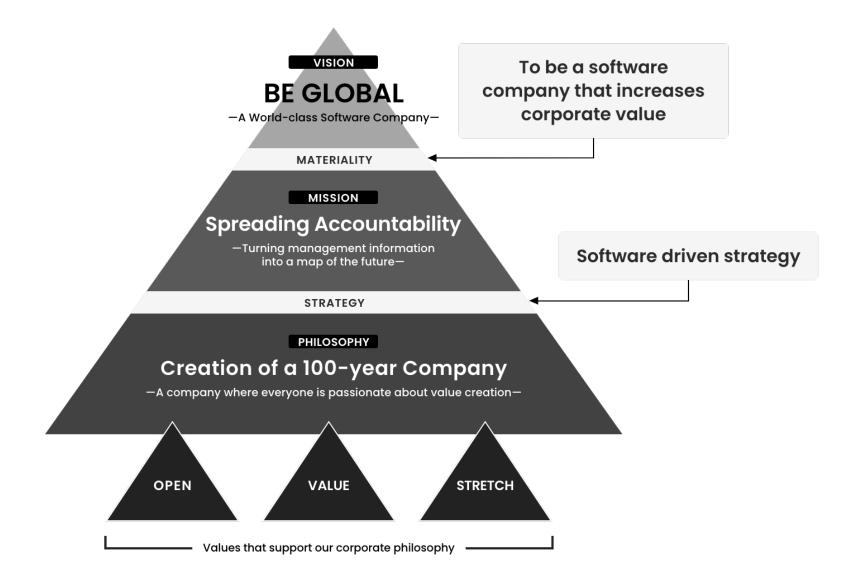
Inception: May 26, 1997

Representative: Tetsuji Morikawa, Founder, Chairman & Group CEO

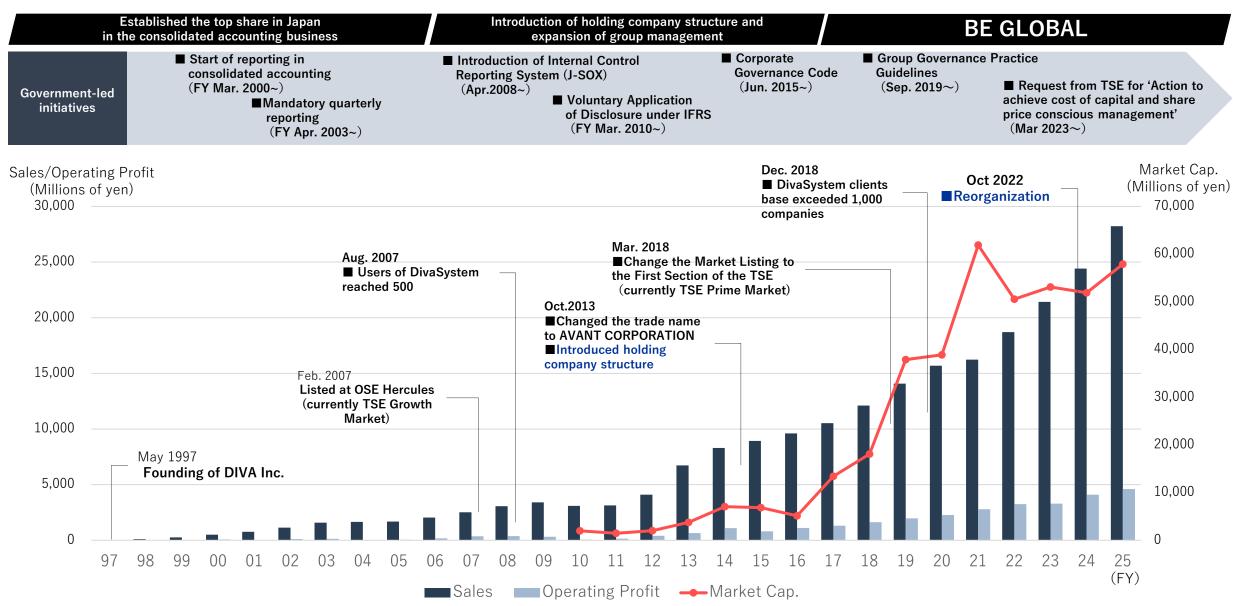
Market Cap: Approximately 57.8 billion yen (TSE Prime, 3836, 06/2025)



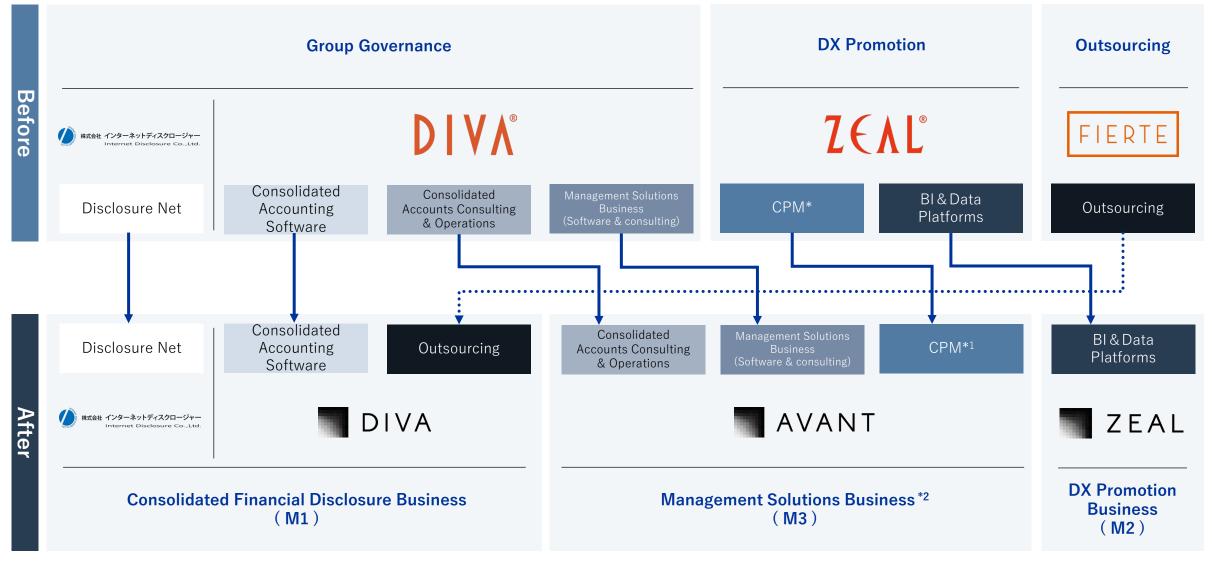
## **Avant Group Philosophy**



#### Avant Group Advances to the Next Five Years to Achieve BE GLOBAL

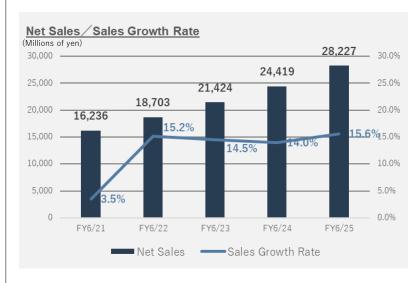


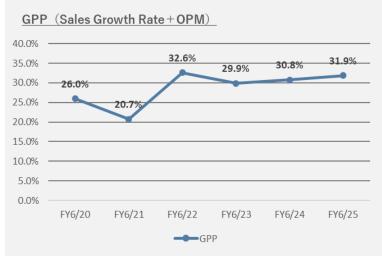
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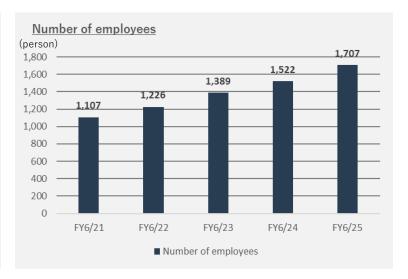


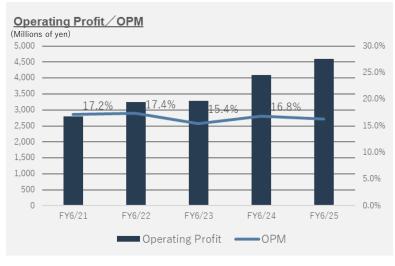
**X1** CPM: Corporate Performance Management

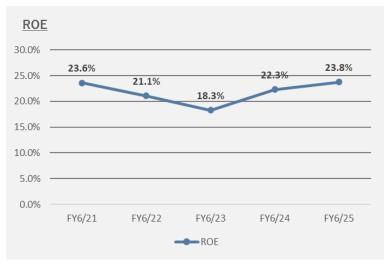
## Numerical Summary









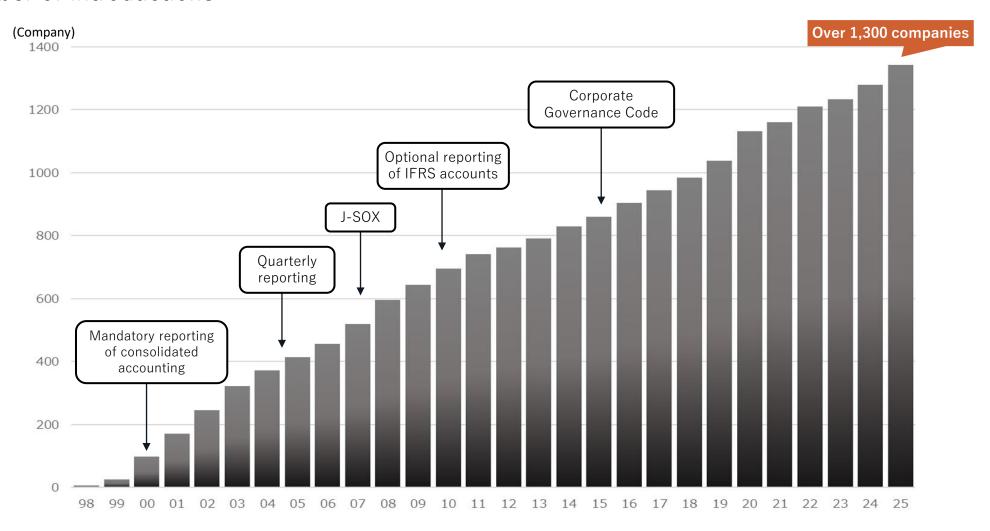




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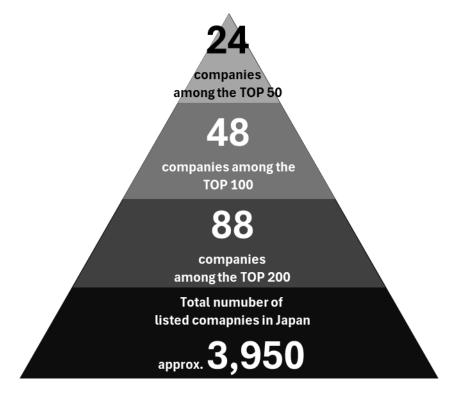
# Trends in Companies introduced Avant Group Software Product

 With the tightening of disclosure regulations, consolidated accounting system DivaSystem LCA leads the number of introductions



## Customer Base of Consolidated Accounting System "DivaSystem LCA"

- More than 1,300 companies have bought  $\times 1$
- FY2024 consolidated accounting software market share is 42.8% \*2
- From institutional accounting to budget and management accounting, we support strengthening of corporate governance



As of the end of June 2025

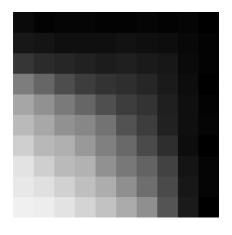
<sup>\* 2</sup> Fuji Chimera Research Institute "Software Business New Market 2024 Edition" Consolidated Accounting Management Software Market Share

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