

【Summary】

FY2005 Interim Results (Consolidated)

<Summary of Statements of Income>

(¥billion)

	FY2005 1H	FY2004 1H	YoY	Target announced Feb. 2005	Difference
Asahi Breweries	479.4	502.0	(22.5)	521.5	(42.1)
Asahi Soft Drinks	110.0	97.2	12.8	102.1	7.9
Asahi Food & Healthcare	12.8	10.9	1.9	12.5	0.3
Others	54.4	38.0	16.4	59.9	(5.5)
Sales	656.6	648.1	8.5 1.3%	696.0	(39.4) -5.7%
Asahi Breweries	26.5	35.2	(8.7)	35.5	(9.0)
Asahi Soft Drinks	3.2	2.8	0.3	1.5	1.7
Asahi Food & Healthcare	2.0	(0.7)	0.9	(0.4)	0.6
Others	9.0	0.4	0.5	(0.1)	1.0
Operating profit	30.8	37.7	(6.9) -18.2%	36.5	(5.7) -15.5%
Non-operating income or expense	1.1	(1.6)	2.7	(1.5)	2.6
Income/expense on financing activities	(1.1)	(0.9)	(0.2)	(1.0)	(0.1)
Other income/expense, net	2.2	(0.7)	2.9	(0.5)	2.7
[Amortization of consolidation difference]	0.9	0.8	0.1	0.9	0.0
[Others]	1.3	(1.5)	2.8	(1.4)	2.7
Ordinary profit	31.9	36.1	(4.2) -11.6%	35.0	(3.1) -8.8%
Extraordinary items	1.5	(1.4)	2.9	(2.0)	3.5
Gain on reverse of allowance for doubtful accounts	2.4	1.2	1.2	-	2.4
Compensation for transfer of plant	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.6	(0.2)
Loss on sales and disposal of fixed assets	(1.8)	(2.1)	0.3	(3.5)	1.7
Loss on liquidation of real estate	1.8	0	1.8	1.8	0.0
Loss on devaluation of investment securities, other	(0.2)	(0.2)	0.0	(0.4)	0.2
Loss on liquidation of business	(1.0)	(0.7)	(0.3)	-	(1.0)
Other extraordinary items	(0.1)	0	(1.0)	(0.5)	0.4
Income before taxes	33.4	34.7	(1.3)	33.0	0.4
Income taxes	13.8	18.7	4.9	14.8	1.0
Minority interests in net loss of unconsolidated subsidiaries	0.6	0.5	(0.1)	0.2	(0.4)
Interim net income	19.0	15.4	3.6 23.0%	18.0	1.0 5.6%

<Summary of Statements of Balance Sheet>

(¥billion)

	FY2005 1H	FY2004 1H	YoY
Total assets	1,234.1	1,254.8	(20.7)
Total shareholders' equity	435.6	407.2	28.4
Interest-bearing debt	298.6	358.4	(59.8)

<Others>

	FY2005 1H	FY2004 1H	YoY
Operating margin	4.7%	5.8%	-1.1%

(¥billion)

Capital expenditures	20.7	18.2	2.5
Depreciation	24.8	25.3	(0.5)

Target announced Feb. 2005	Difference
5.2%	-0.5%

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FY2005 Interim Results (Non-consolidated)

<Sales Figures>

(million cases)

	FY2005 1H	FY2004 1H	YoY	Target announced Feb. 2005	Difference
Beer	60.74	65.48	(4.74) -7.2%	67.00	(6.26) -9.3%
Happoshu	21.81	26.60	(4.79) -18.0%	20.00	1.81 9.1%
Zasshu	6.00	-	6.00 (-)	7.50	(1.50) -20.0%
Total	88.55	92.08	(3.53) -3.8%	94.50	(5.95) -6.3%

<Summary of Statements of Income>

(¥billion)

	FY2005 1H	FY2004 1H	YoY	Target announced Feb. 2005	Difference
Beer	315.0	340.4	(25.4)	347.4	(32.4)
Happoshu	80.9	98.9	(18.0)	74.3	6.6
Zasshu	18.6	-	18.6	23.3	(4.7)
Others	64.9	62.7	2.2	76.5	(11.6)
Sales	479.4	502.0	(22.5) -4.5%	521.5	(42.1) -8.1%
Beer - decrease in sales volume	-	-	(7.0)	2.2	(9.2)
Happoshu - decrease in sales volume	-	-	(5.9)	(8.3)	2.4
Zasshu - increase in profit from launch of zasshu	-	-	7.5	9.8	(2.3)
Other alcoholic beverages - increase in sales volume	-	-	0.8	4.3	(3.5)
Cost reduction in manufacturing	-	-	1.1	0.6	0.5
Cost increase in raw materials	-	-	(0.6)	(1.2)	0.6
Cost increase in logistics	-	-	(0.4)	(0.4)	0.0
Change in production composition	-	-	0.2	0.2	0.0
Increase in sales promotion expense	52.8	48.9	(3.9)	(5.6)	1.7
Cost increase in other expenses	-	-	(0.5)	(1.3)	0.8
Operating profit	26.5	35.2	(8.7) -24.6%	35.5	(9.0) -25.3%
Income/expense on financing activities	0.2	(0.1)	0.3	0.0	0.2
Other income/expense, net	(0.5)	(0.9)	0.4	(0.8)	0.3
Ordinary profit	26.2	34.2	(7.9) -23.2%	34.7	(8.5) -24.4%
Extraordinary Items	(1.4)	(0.9)	(0.5)	(6.2)	4.8
Gain on sale of affiliated companies' securities	0.3	0.0	0.3	-	0.3
Gain on reverse of allowance for doubtful accounts	2.4	1.8	0.6	-	2.4
Loss on sales and disposal of fixed assets	(1.4)	(1.2)	(0.2)	(3.1)	1.7
Loss on liquidation of real estate	(2.2)	-	(2.2)	(2.2)	0.0
Loss on devaluation of investment securities	(0.2)	(0.2)	0.0	(0.4)	0.2
Subsidiaries related expense	(0.3)	(1.3)	1.0	(0.5)	0.2
Income before taxes	24.8	33.3	(8.5)	28.5	(3.7)
Income taxes	10.5	17.7	7.3	12.1	1.6
Interim net income	14.3	15.6	(1.2) -8.0%	16.4	(2.1) -12.7%

<Summary of Statements of Balance Sheet>

(¥billion)

	FY2005 1H	FY2004 1H	YoY
Total assets	996.9	1,058.0	(61.0)
Total shareholders' equity	415.9	395.3	20.6
Interest-bearing debt	223.5	288.5	(65.0)

<Others>

	FY2005 1H	FY2004 1H	YoY	Target announced Feb. 2005	Difference
Operating margin	5.5%	7.0%	(1.5)	6.8%	-1.3%
(¥billion)					
Capital expenditures	14.9	11.5	3.4		
Depreciation	18.8	19.2	(0.4)		

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FY2005 Consolidated Forecast

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(¥billion)

	FY2005 Est.	FY2004	YoY	Target announced Feb. 2005	Difference
Asahi Breweries	1,095.0	1,116.4	(21.4)	1,164.0	(69.0)
Asahi Soft Drinks	216.9	204.0	12.9	209.0	7.9
Asahi Food & Healthcare	26.5	22.3	4.2	26.5	0.0
Others	116.6	101.5	15.1	125.5	(8.9)
Sales	1,455.0	1,444.2	10.8	1,525.0	(70.0)
			0.7%		-4.6%
Asahi Breweries	90.0	91.7	(1.7)	92.0	(2.0)
Asahi Soft Drinks	9.0	8.1	0.9	8.5	0.5
Asahi Food & Healthcare	0.3	(0.6)	0.9	0.0	0.3
Others	2.2	2.0	0.2	2.0	0.2
Operating profit	101.5	101.2	0.3	102.5	(0.1)
			0.2%		-1.0%
Non-operating income or expense	(3.0)	(5.6)	2.6	(4.5)	1.5
Income/expense on financing activities	(3.0)	(2.8)	(0.2)	(2.7)	(0.3)
Other income/expense, net	0.0	(2.8)	2.8	(1.8)	1.8
[Amortization of consolidation difference]	1.8	1.6	0.2	1.8	0.0
[Provision for doubtful accounts]	0.0	(0.2)	0.2	0	0.0
[Others]	(1.8)	(4.2)	2.4	(3.6)	1.8
Ordinary profit	98.5	95.6	2.9	98.0	0.5
			3.0%		0.5%
Extraordinary items	(17.4)	(37.3)	19.9	(11.3)	(6.1)
Gain on reverse of allowance for doubtful accounts	1.0	-	1.0	-	1.0
Compensation for transfer of plant	1.1	0.6	0.5	1.2	(0.1)
Loss on sale and disposal of fixed assets	(11.0)	(6.5)	(4.5)	(9.0)	(2.0)
Loss on liquidation of real estate	(4.0)	(24.9)	20.9	(3.0)	(1.0)
Loss on devaluation of investment securities	(0.3)	(0.3)	0.0	(0.5)	0.2
Subsidiary related expense	(4.0)	(3.3)	(0.7)	-	(4.0)
Prior period adjustment of sales promotion expense	-	(2.0)	2.0	-	-
Expense for modification of vending machines due to issuance of new	-	(1.6)	1.6	-	-
Other extraordinary items	(0.2)	0.7	(0.9)	0	(0.2)
Income before taxes	81.1	58.3	22.8	86.7	(5.6)
Income taxes	37.9	26.8	(11.1)	38.5	0.6
Minority interests in net gain of unconsolidated subsidiaries	2.2	0.9	(1.3)	2.2	0.0
Net income	41.0	30.6	10.4	46.0	(5.0)
			34.0%		-10.9%

<Summary of Statements of Balance Sheet >

(¥billion)

	FY2005 Est.	FY2004	YoY	Target announced Feb. 2005	Difference
Total assets	1,230.0	1,250.8	(20.8)	1,233.0	(3.0)
Interest-bearing debt	311.0	303.1	7.9	310.0	1.0

<Others >

	FY2005 Est.	FY2004	YoY	Target announced Feb. 2005	Difference
Operating margin	7.0%	7.0%	0.0%	6.7%	0.3%
Capital expenditures	46.0	40.1	5.9	46.0	0.0
Depreciation	50.0	51.3	(1.3)	51.0	(1.0)

[Summary]

FY2005 Non-Consolidated Forecast

<Sales Figures>

	FY2005 Est.	FY2004	YoY
Beer	143.00	150.14	(7.14) -4.8%
Happoshu	41.50	53.87	(12.37) -23.0%
Zasshu	18.50	18.50	-
Total	203.00	204.11	(1.01) -0.5%

(million cases)

Target announced Feb. 2005	Difference
150.00	(7.00)
38.00	3.50
22.00	(3.50)
210.00	(7.00)
	-3.3%

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	FY2005 Est.	FY2004	YoY
Beer	747.0	786.8	(39.8)
Happoshu	154.1	200.6	(46.5)
Zasshu	57.4	-	57.4
Others	136.5	129.0	7.5
Sales	1,095.0	1,116.4	(21.4) -1.9%
Beer - decrease in sales volume	-	-	(11.3)
Happoshu - decrease in sales volume	-	-	(15.4)
Zasshu - increase in profit from launch of zasshu	-	-	23.5
Other alcoholic beverages - increase in sales volume	-	-	2.5
Cost reduction in manufacturing	-	-	3.3
Cost increase in logistics	-	-	(0.9)
Change in production composition	-	-	0.4
Cost increase in raw materials	-	-	(2.0)
Increase in sales promotion expenses	109.1	108.6	(0.5)
Other expenses	-	-	(1.3)
Operating profit	90.0	91.7	(1.7) -1.9%
Income/expense on financing activities	(0.5)	(1.0)	0.5
Other income/expense, net	(1.5)	(2.0)	0.5
Ordinary profit	88.0	88.7	△0.7 -0.7%
Extraordinary Items	(15.0)	(37.0)	22.0
Gain on sale of fixed assets	0.0	0.3	(0.3)
Gain on sale of investment securities	0.0	0.2	(0.2)
Gain on sale of affiliated companies' securities	0.3	0.0	0.3
Gain on reverse of allowance for doubtful accounts	1.0	-	1.0
Loss on sales and disposal of fixed assets	(10.0)	(4.8)	(5.2)
Loss on liquidation of real estate	(5.0)	(2.6)	(2.4)
Loss on devaluation of investment securities	(0.3)	(0.3)	0.0
Subsidiary related expense	(1.0)	(29.8)	28.8
Income before taxes	73.0	51.7	21.3
Income taxes	31.0	23.5	(7.5)
Net income	42.0	28.2	13.8 49.0%

(¥billion)

Target announced Feb. 2005	Difference
784.2	(37.2)
141.2	12.9
68.2	(10.8)
170.4	(33.9)
1,164.0	(69.0)
	-5.9%
(0.1)	(11.2)
(19.8)	4.4
28.5	(5.0)
12.8	(10.3)
1.6	1.7
(0.9)	0.0
0.4	0.0
(3.0)	1.0
(5.8)	5.3
(13.4)	12.1
92.0	(2.0)
	-2.2%
(1.0)	0.5
(2.0)	0.5
89.0	(1.0)
	-1.1%
(12.5)	(2.5)
-	0.0
-	0.0
-	0.3
-	1.0
(8.0)	(2.0)
(3.0)	(2.0)
(0.5)	0.2
(1.0)	0.0
76.5	(3.5)
32.5	1.5
44.0	(2.0)
	-4.5%

<Summary of Statements of Balance Sheet>

(¥billion)

	FY2005 Est.	FY2004	YoY
Total assets	1,016.5	1,038.3	(21.8)
Interest-bearing debt	245.0	238.5	6.5

Target announced Feb. 2005	Difference
1,023.0	(6.5)
248.5	(3.5)

<Others>

	FY2005 Est.	FY2004	YoY
Operating margin	8.2%	8.2%	0.0%
Capital expenditures	32.0	26.9	5.1
Depreciation	37.5	38.6	(1.1)

Target announced Feb. 2005	Difference
7.9%	0.3%
32.0	0.0
38.0	(0.5)