

Makuake

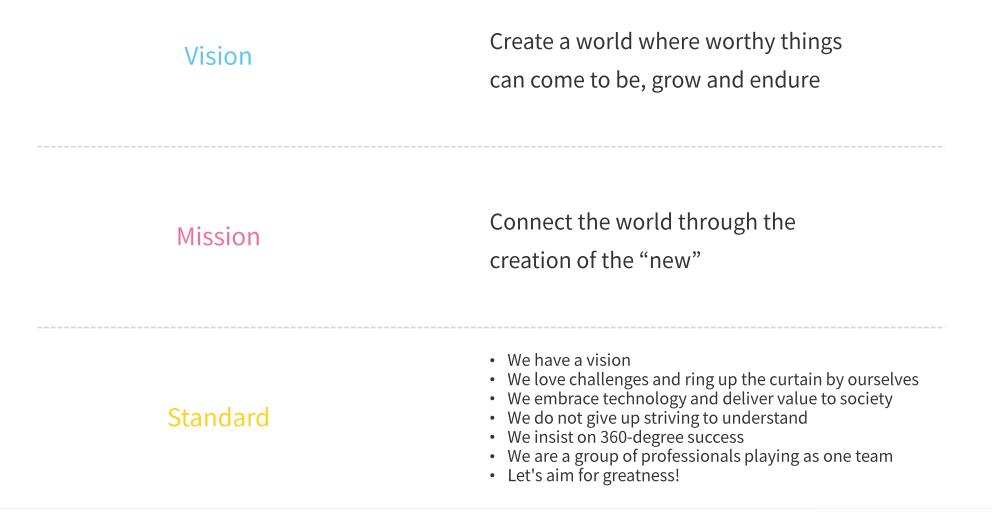
FY2021 Materials for Financial Results Presentation

Makuake, Inc.

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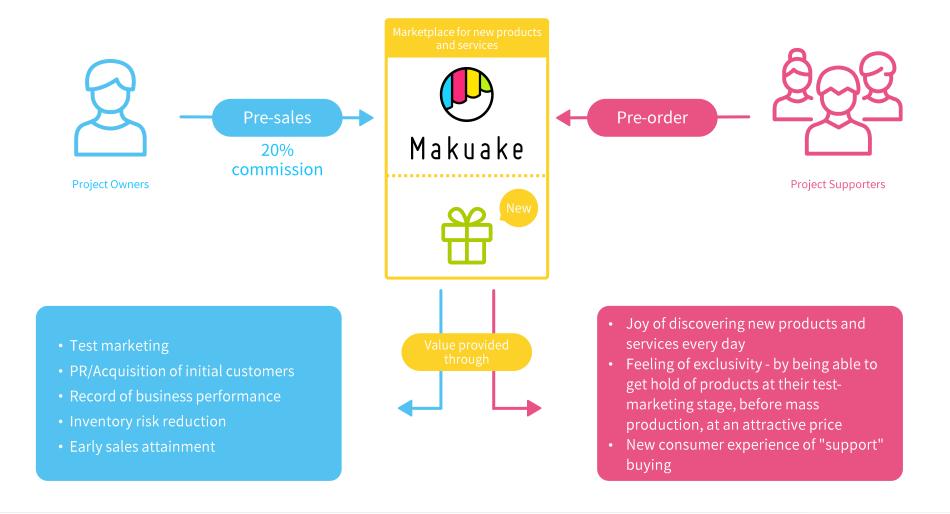
The World Makuake Aspires For

• Guided by our vision and mission, we are striving for society enriched through the connection of the "new" that consumers seek and the "new" that companies wish to introduce to the world



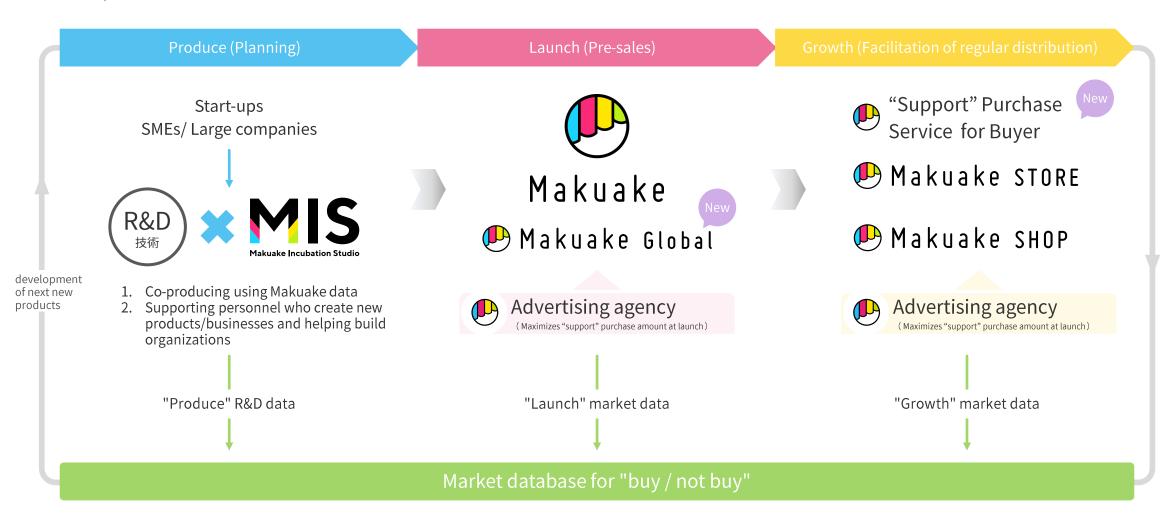
Makuake's Business Model

• Companies can pre-sell their new products and services still in planning phase on Makuake, while consumers can prepurchase the products of interest through "support" buying. In exchange, we receive a 20% commission from the companies



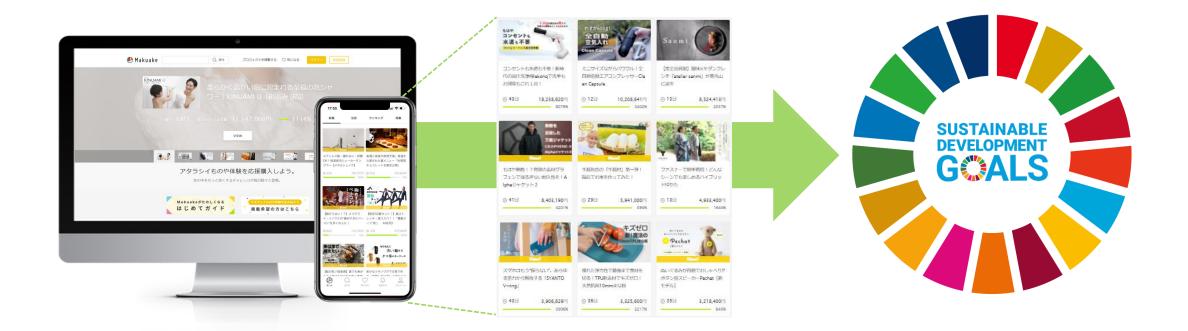
Ecosystem Created by Makuake-Related Services

• By supporting everything from new product and service planning to market launch, and to sales expansion after massproduction, we can accumulate a variety of market data, give hints to companies about the next new product, and continue to provide new products to consumers



Makuake: Bringing About Sustainable Development and Society

• By expanding our business, we are providing equal opportunities to launch new products domestically and overseas, and contribute to value improvement of enterprises that use us, to the creation of revolutionary technologies, and to sustainable development and society realization through our "inventoryless method" - build-to-order production



Partnerships to Bring About Sustainable Development and Society

• In order to bring about sustainable development and society, we believe that it is important to work together with all society constituents and, for that reason, we proactively entered into partnerships with local government bodies, next-generation entrepreneurs and other businesses







Financial Results



While the gross amount of "Support" orders (GMV) came in 2% below the plan, it grew a significant 46.9% YoY



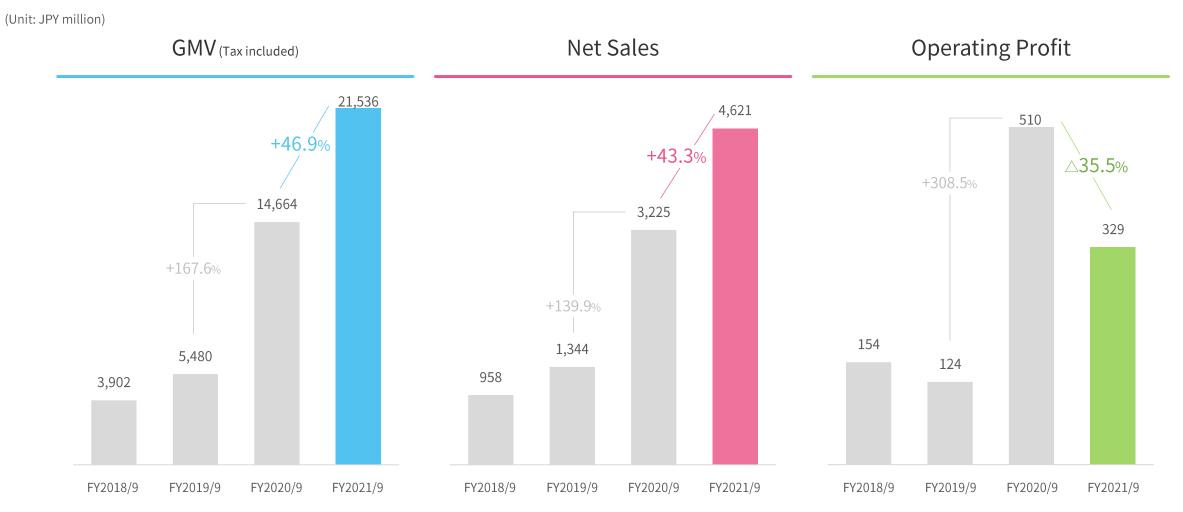
With name recognition rising due to various promotion initiatives, our key indicators - the number of published new projects, up 70%, and access UU, up some 50% - have both showed substantial growth



It was a year when we delt with issues such as reviewing our organizational and personnel structures following the impact of explosive earnings growth in the second half of FY2020

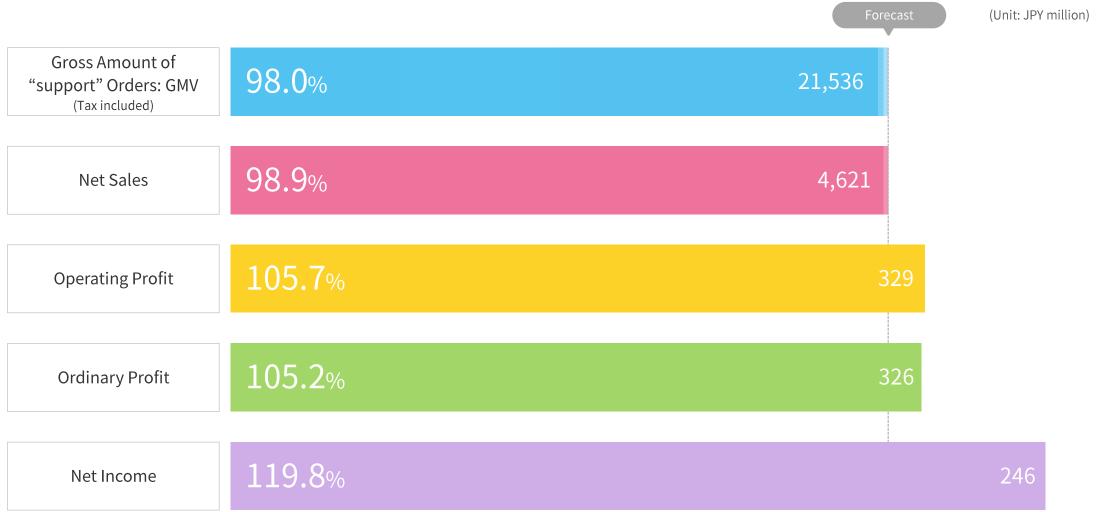
Overview of FY2021

• The gross amount of "support" buying (GMV) and sales have continued to grow - by a factor of some 1.5 following the surge in business performance last fiscal year. While operating profit declined some JPY 200 million YoY due to upfront investment mainly in advertising and personnel, it came above the plan



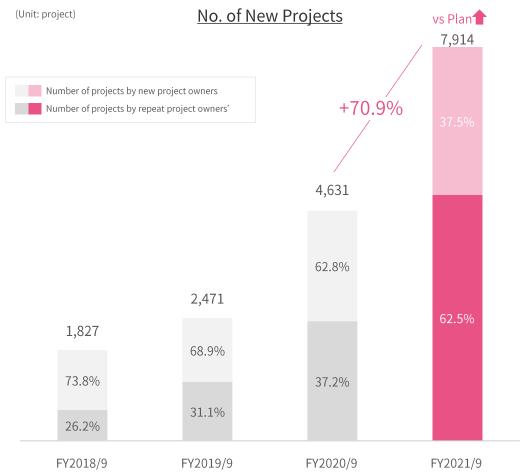
Overview of FY2021 (vs Plan)

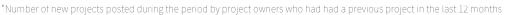
• While GMV came in below the plan impacted by work to strengthen quality assurance system in the first half of the year and a revamp of the project creation framework centered mainly on the curators division in Q4, profits came ahead of the plan due to cost improvements

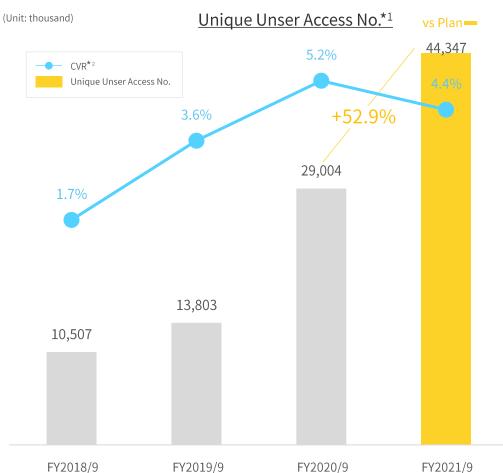


FY2021: Review of Key Indicators

• The number of published new projects and access UU - the two indicators that drive GMV growth most - have grown significantly. Notably, the number of published new projects has vastly exceeded our plan, which we attribute to rising brand recognition







^{* 1} Cumulative number of registered members = persons who have made at least one "support" order * 2 Conversion Rate: Number of "support" orders from Access UU / Total number of Access UU

Progress of Key Drivers of GMV Growth (1) Project Publishing System

• Curator consulting serves as a trigger for GMV growth but as a result of explosive growth in the second half of FY2020 coupled with the strengthening of quality assurance system in the first half of FY2021, the second half of the year saw continued increases in curator workloads and the number of projects per curator



Progress of Key Drivers of GMV Growth (1) Project Publishing System

• In Q4, we focused on revamping our project publishing system in order to reduce curator workloads and, at the same time, raise the number of curators. We expect to see improvements from the first half of FY2022



Progress of Key Drivers of GMV Growth (2) Attracting Customers

• We moved forward with providing new functionalities to make it easier for users visiting Makuake to encounter new products and services. Going forward, we will continue such development to further improve website/in-app "stickiness" (number of page views) and visit frequency in line with the increasing number of published new projects

Enhanced Machine Learning Capabilities for "Recommend" Feature

Improved search accuracy in Makuake app through machine learning



It became easier to find and encounter new products and services leading to improved user experience satisfaction



In-app Video Playback Functionality

Can now watch videos of the projects started on Makuake in one go



Raises activity level of supporters as they can check on the project via video



"Today" Display on Makuake App

Displays projects started "Today" from "New Arrivals" tab



Raises activity level of supporters as they start to feel an inclination to visit Makuake every day to find out what the new arrivals for today are



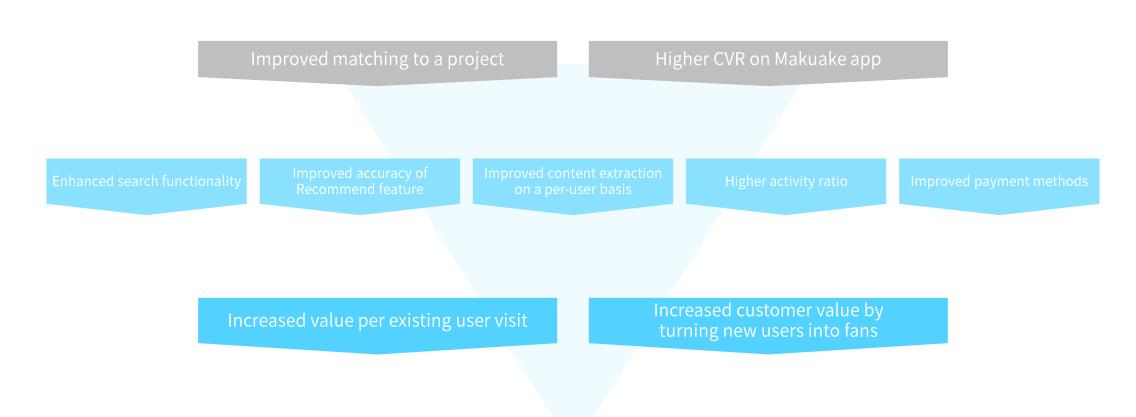
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Room to improve matching to a project

Room to improve Makuake's site/in-app CVR

Progress of Key Drivers of GMV Growth (2) Attracting Customers

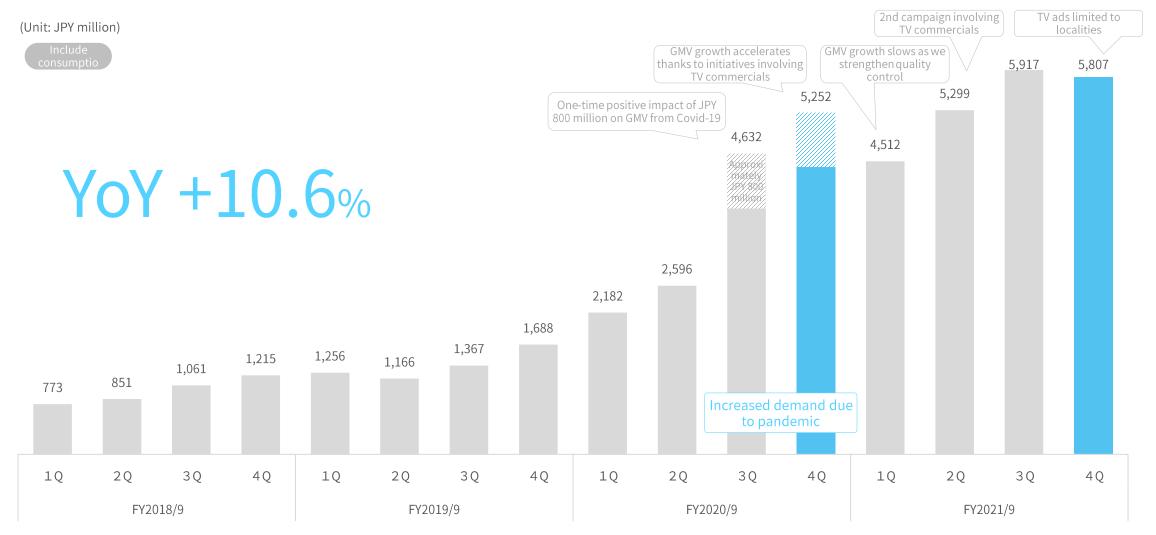
• We are continuing the proactive development aimed at providing optimal customer experience and raising our website/inapp "stickiness" and visit frequency



Continued Proactive Development to Raise Customer Value

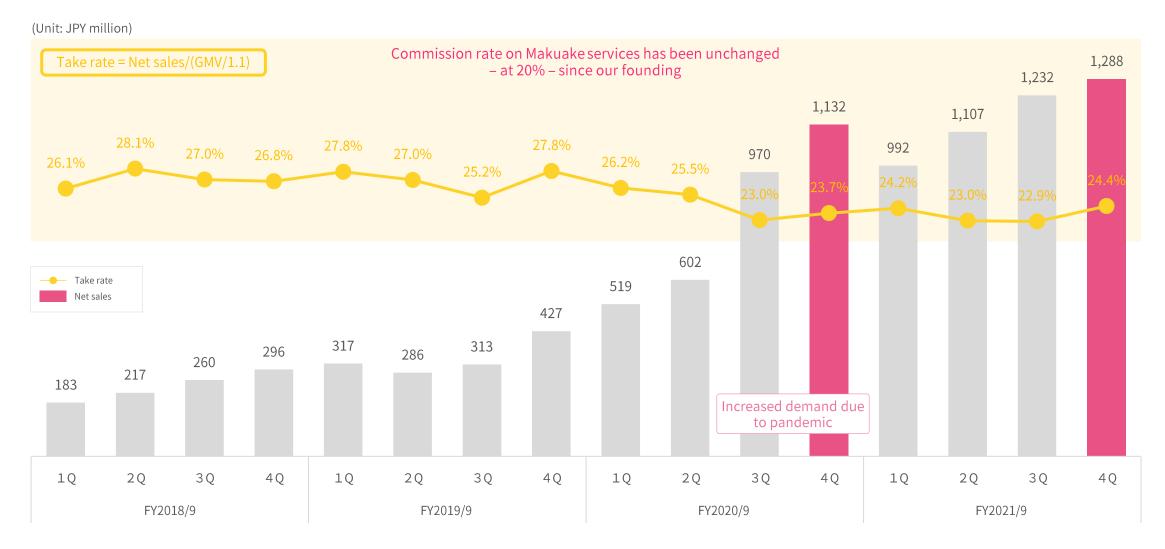
Gross Amount of "Support" Orders: GMV

• 4Q GMV was up 10.6% YoY but down 1.9% QoQ as it was a revamp period for the project publishing system centered mainly on the curators division and we focused on transitioning to new operations



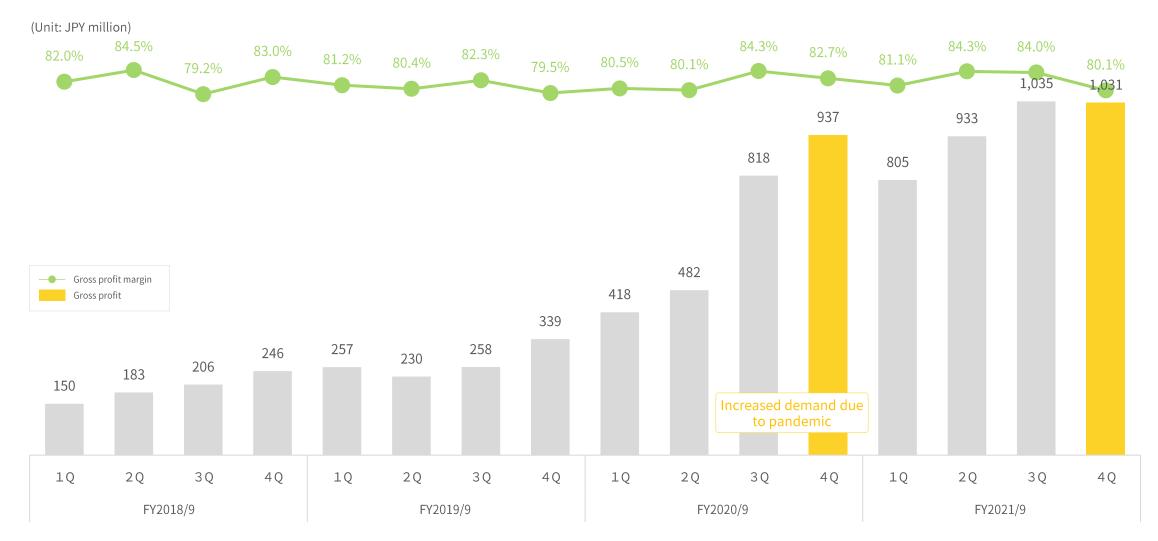
Net Sales and Take Rate

• Sales were up 13.7% YoY and 4.5% QoQ as advertising delivery agency within Makuake-related services and MIS sales rose in addition to sales growth at Makuake



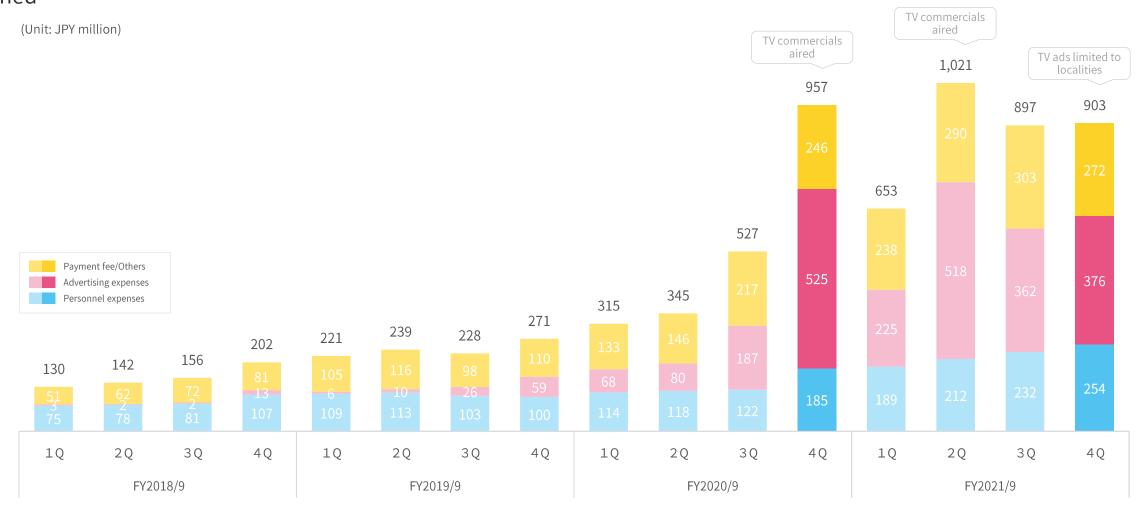
Gross Profit and Gross Profit Margin

• While there were no significant changes in the composition of costs included in COGS, the decline in CVR affected advertising effectiveness leading to a decline in GMV and, in turn, sales, which caused a 3.9 pt QoQ decline in Q4 gross profit margin



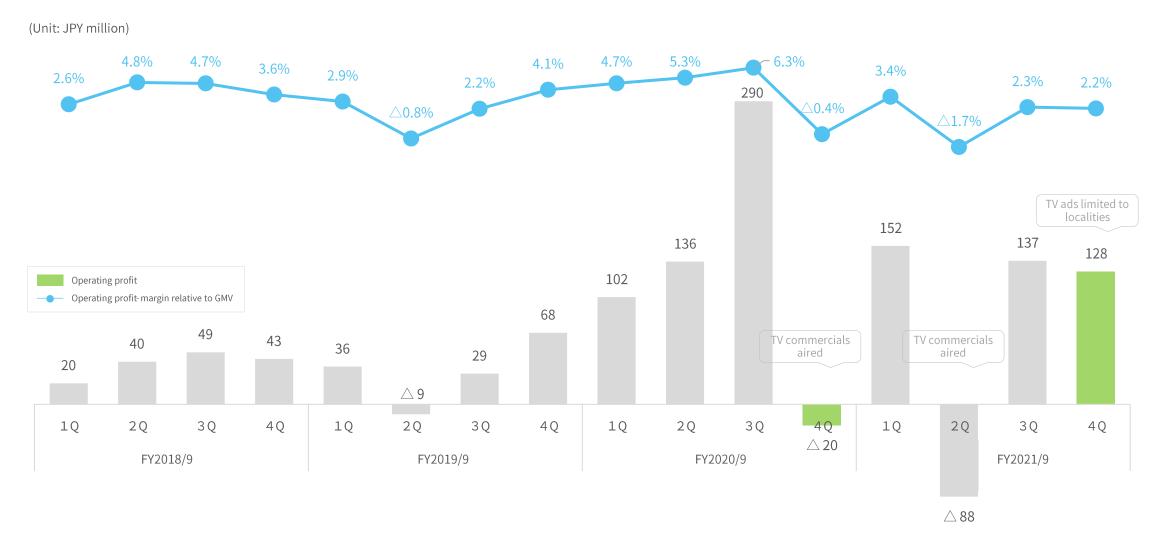
Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

• Costs rose in Q4 as we worked to raise brand recognition by running Web and in-app ads, in addition to TV ads in localities and in taxis in Tokyo Prefecture, and due to active recruitment of personnel. On the other hand, head office-related expenses declined



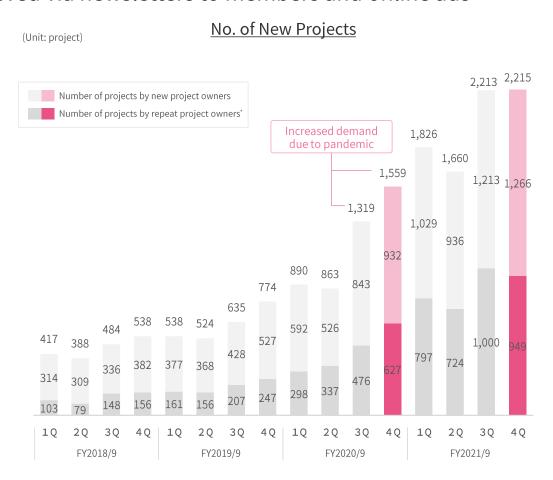
Operating Profit and Operating Profit Margin Relative to GMV

• Operating profit came ahead of the plan on reduced head office-related costs even as we continued upfront investment in advertising and personnel. It returned to black compared to a year ago and was down 7.1% QoQ

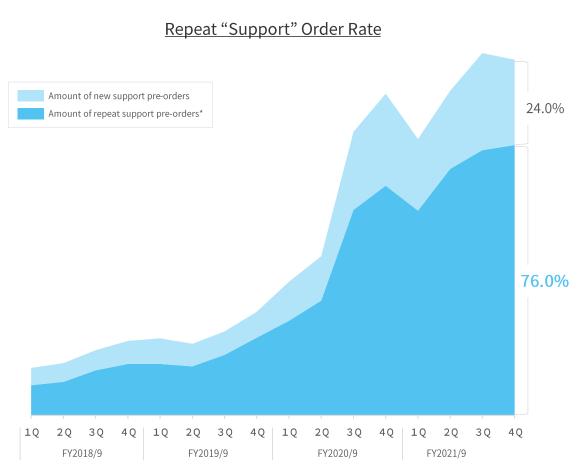


Key Performance Indicators

• The number of published new projects rose slightly from Q4 FY2020, when it surged on the back of TV commercials and similar factors, while the repeat "support" order rate remained high at 76%, up 2.2 pt YoY, thanks to improved CRM quality achieved via newsletters to members and online ads



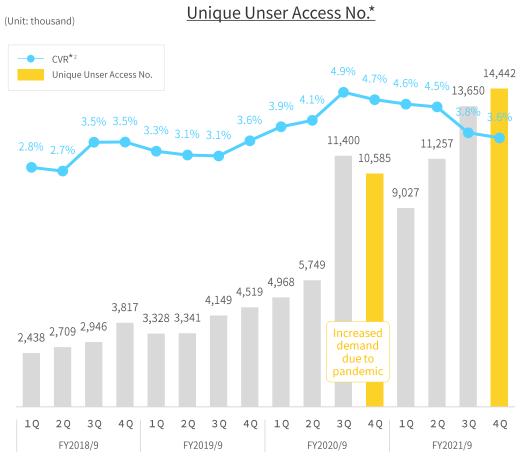




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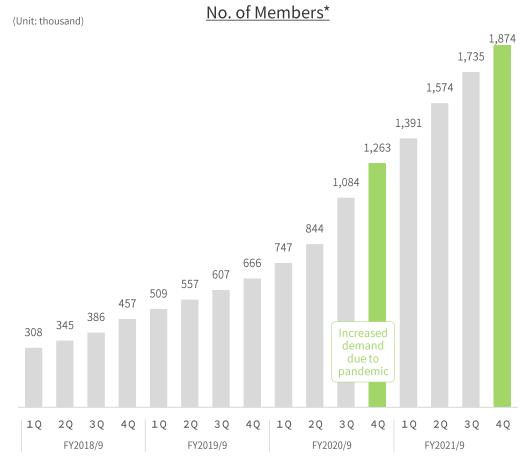
Key Performance Indicators

 Access UU, up strongly in Q3, increased still further in Q4 thanks to success of TV commercials which aired in specific localities, in-taxi ads in the Tokyo Metropolitan area, web and in-app ads, and CRM use of newsletters and app. As a result, the number of members grew as well





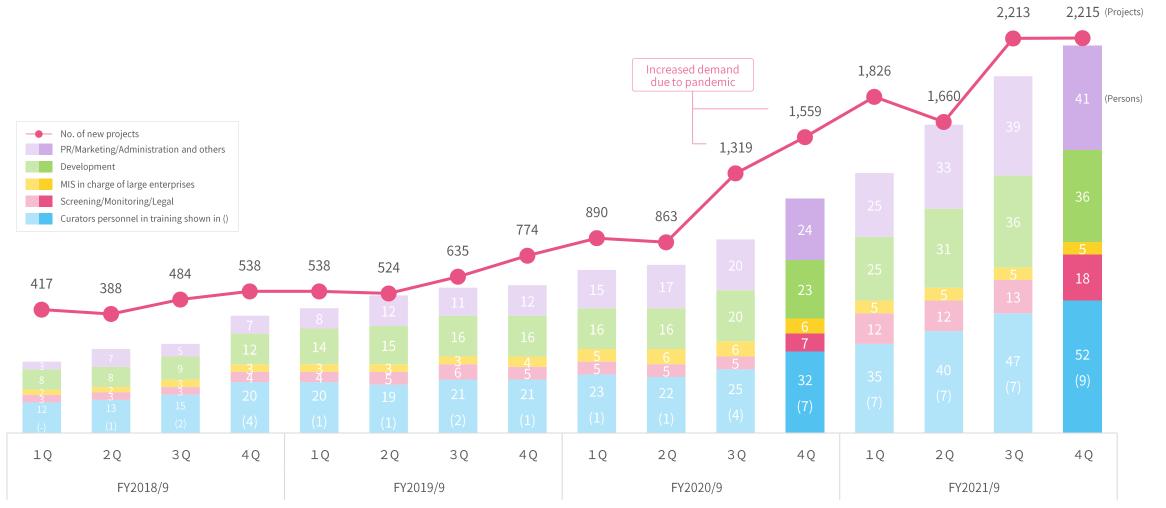




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Number of New Projects and Employees

• We were late with additions to personnel commensurate with the increase in the number of published new projects seen last fiscal year due to the pandemic. As a result, the number of projects handled by a curator and a screening/monitoring staff member remains high and, for that reason, we are proceeding with active hiring



Major Projects Launched in Q4 FY2021

• In addition to increasing number of high-quality projects published by repeat project owners, kitchen items and restaurant/food categories are seeing continued popularity



















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Major Projects Launched in Q4 FY2021 (Large Enterprises)

• The projects co-produced by MIS serve as successful examples of using R&D capabilities of large enterprises and lead to active inquiries to us and increasing awareness of the services we provide for large enterprises



















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SDGs-Related Projects Launched in Q4 FY2021

• We are seeing more new product launches with sustainable development in mind with consideration given to sustainable consumption, production and climate change













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Topics: PR Releases (1)

<u>Commenced 3rd Wave of Commercials for</u> <u>"Support" Buying Service "Makuake"</u>



From June 19, 2021, we are running a 3rd wave of commercials - in Tokyo Prefecture on taxi signage and mainly TV commercials in 3 prefectures in Kyushu and Tokai

Canon Marketing Japan and NANGA INC., who are project owners on Makuake, are talking about their impression working with us

<u>Started Providing "Makuake Global" Service that</u> <u>Accepts "Support" Buying from Overseas</u>



From August 31, 2021, we started providing Makuake Global, our expansion into global operations, that will accept "support" buying from overseas for covered genres of products for project owners interested in such service

We will be providing one-stop support, from the creation of project pages directed at overseas clients to settlement, shipping and CS (customer support)

Topics: PR Releases (2)

Makuake Concluded Business Cooperation Agreement with Kobe City



From September 7, 2021, we will partner and cooperate with Kobe City with regard to Kobe Citybased SMEs, and aim to continue such relationship through March 2023 with the goal to assist Kobe Citybased SMEs with innovation and expansion of sales channels

"Makuake Award 2021" Prize-giving Ceremony by "Makuake" Conducted Online



On September 11, 2021, we held an on online prizegiving event "Makuake Award 2021" where we announced and awarded 3 companies chosen from 20 projects selected for "Makuake Of The Year 2021" designation with Gold Prize, Silver Prize and Bronze Prize

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Growth Strategy for FY2022

Full-Year Forecasts for FY2022

• Will raise overall business performance, including the gross amount of "support" orders, by a factor of 1.4

(Units: Millions of yen)	FY 2021/9	FY 2022/9	Change	Percentage change
Gross Amount of "Support" Orders: GMV (Tax included)	21,536	30,000	+8,463	+39.3%
Net Sales	4,621	6,200	+1,578	+34.2%
Operating Profit	329	465	+135	+41.3%
Ordinary Profit	326	460	+133	+41.1%
Net Income	246	350	+103	+41.9%

Growth Strategy for FY2022

• In FY2022, we will diligently work on raising Makuake's media value and operational excellence

1 Increase the Number of High-Quality Projects

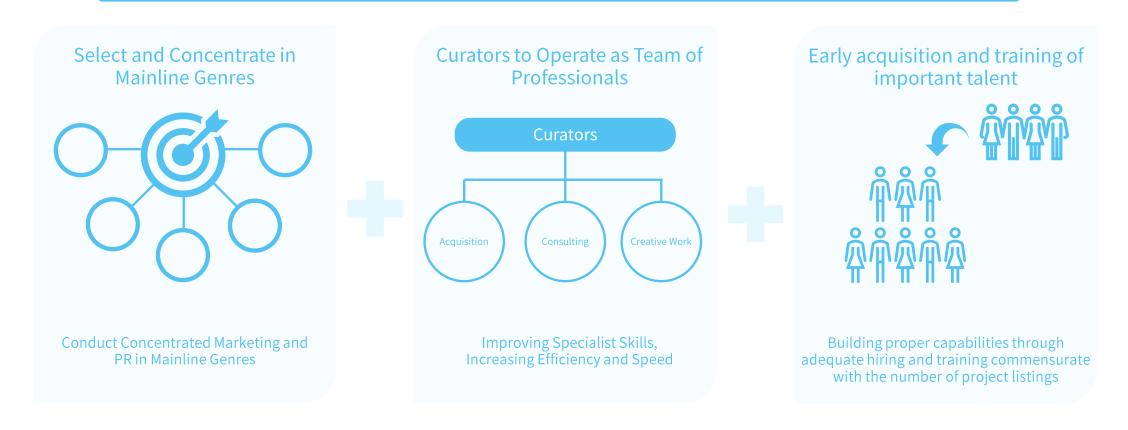
Raise the Number of Customers

Raise CVR

FY2022 Growth Strategy (1) Increase the Number of High-Quality Projects

• We will move forward with raising the number of published new projects by acquiring high-quality projects in mainline genres while fully operating our project publishing system, and through further reinforcement of hiring

Acquire High-Quality Projects and Raise the Number of their Listings



FY2022 Growth Strategy (2) Raise the Number of Customers

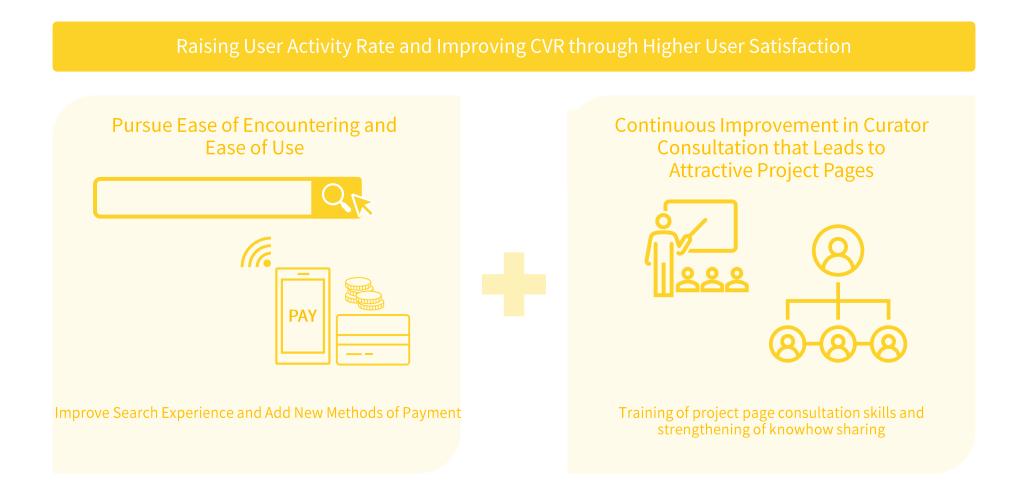
• We will continue to raise the number of Makuake's customers by both generating new customer inflow through increased exposure to consumers, and by encouraging user revisits through a variety of CRM initiatives and development of new functionalities

Raise the Number of Customers through Initiatives to Increase New Customer Inflow and Functionality to Bring Back the Users



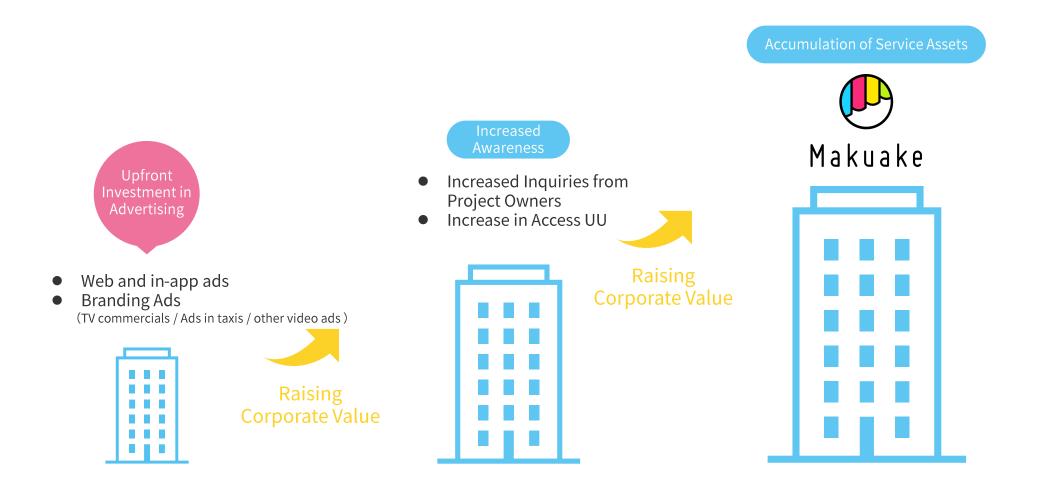
FY2022 Growth Strategy (3) Raise CVR

• In order to achieve higher user satisfaction - and that includes project owner users - with Makuake, we will pursue operational excellence, including improvements to website functionality



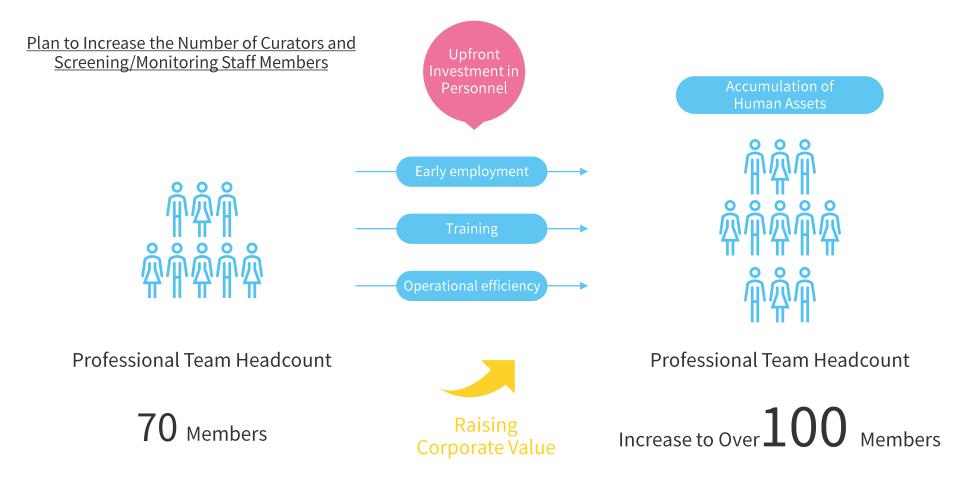
FY2022 Upfront Investment Plan (1) Upfront Investment in Accumulation of Service Assets

• We believe that raising brand awareness is an extremely important factor in building brand assets and, for that reason, we will continue with aggressive upfront investments in various advertising initiatives this fiscal year as well



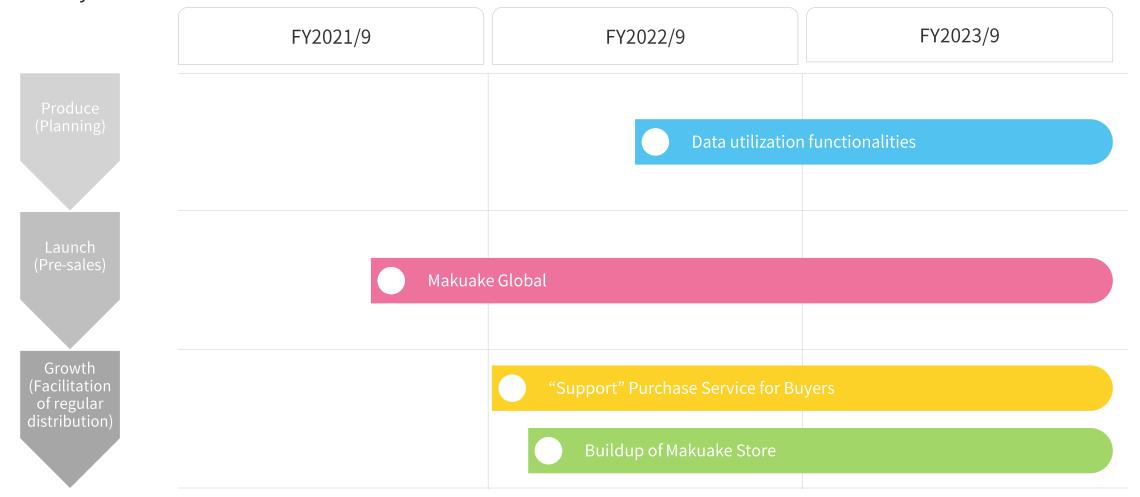
FY2022 Upfront Investment Plan (2) Upfront investment in Accumulation of Human Assets

• By recruiting and training - in advance - curators and screening/monitoring staff members in line with our growth plans for the number of project listings, we will further strengthen human assets involved in project consulting, which is our strong point, and screening/monitoring systems



FY2022 Upfront Investment Plan (3) Upfront Investment in Accumulation of Ecosystem Assets

• We are planning to roll out 4 new services to broaden Makuake's ecosystem which supports new products and services from their planning to launch, and through sales expansion after the start of mass production, and increase accumulation of our business ecosystem assets



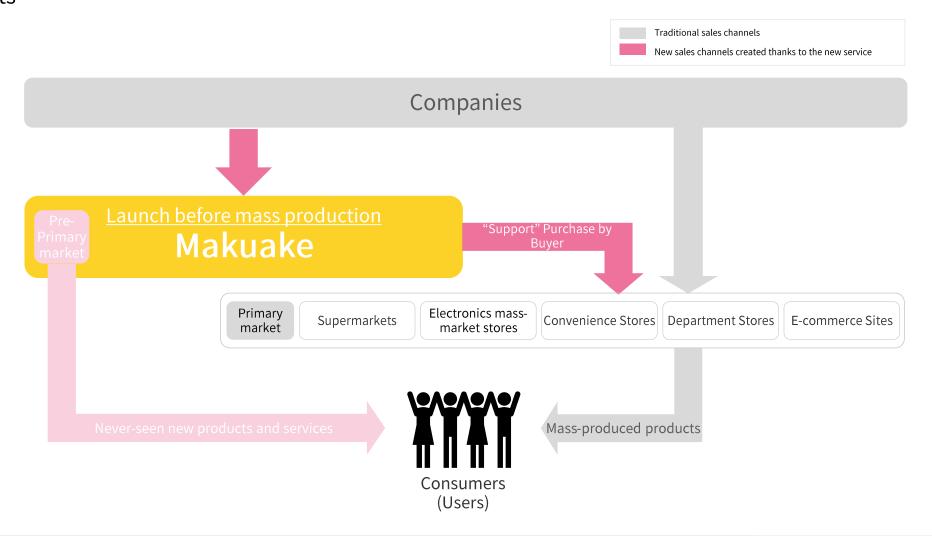
Outline of New Services (1) Makuake Global

• Makuake Global, the global version of Makuake that accepts "support" buying from overseas, commenced full operations on August 31, 2021



Outline of New Services (2) "Support" Purchase Service for Buyer

• "Support" Purchase Service for Buyer which will allows Buyers inside and outside Japan to place purchase orders on the Web while checking on how just-launched products are selling, represents an innovation of sales channels for traditional distribution markets



Outline of New Services (3) Renewal Version of Makuake Store

• We are getting ready for a "renewal open" (post-renewal opening) of the store for which we plan expanded functionalities under the new concept of EC Select Shop for New Products



Selling new products in their mass-production phase, after the end of their listing on Makuake

Details of the Renewal

- 1 Refreshed perspective under the new concept
- 2 Improved search functionality on product classification and display
- 3 Enhanced shopping cart functionality
- 4 Strengthened personnel to raise utilization of the store by Makuake's project managers
- 5 Improved awareness through web advertising

Medium-Term Business Plan

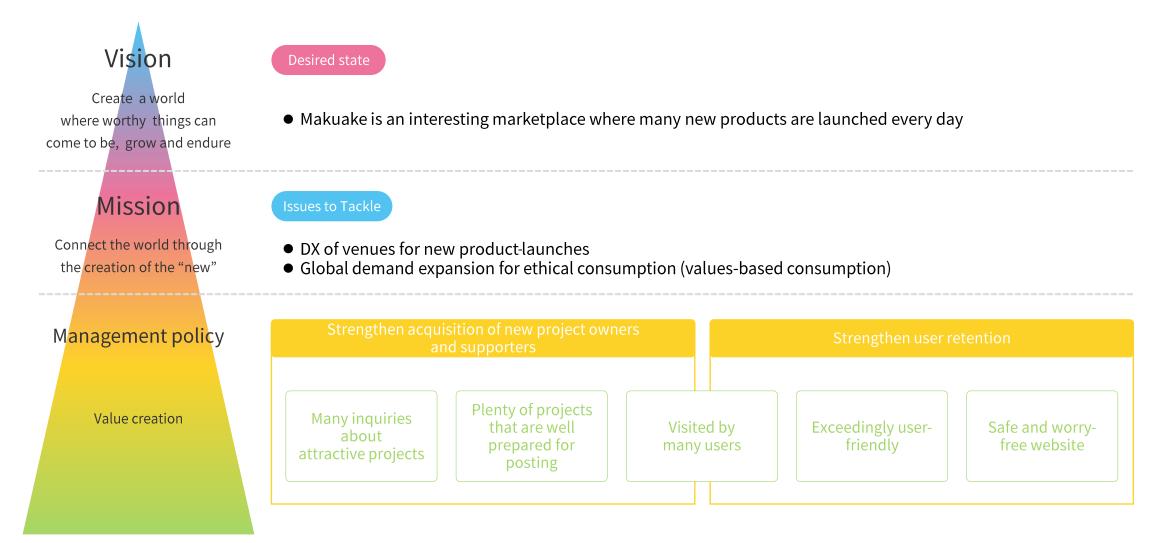
Environment Surrounding Makuake

• We take such trends as digital transformation (DX) of venues for new product launches, globalization of sales channels, growing needs for products and services emphasizing diversity, and global demand expansion for ethical consumption as an opportunity to connect the world by offering services that address these needs



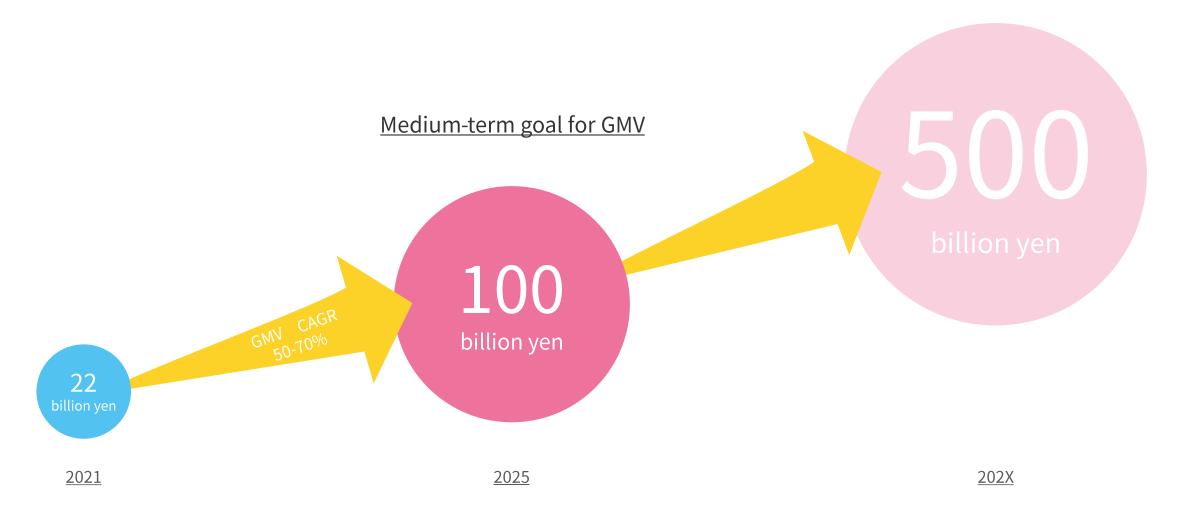
Medium-Term Management Policy

• In order to maximize our attractiveness as a marketplace, we will work to simultaneously strengthen acquisition of project owners and supporters, and retention of users



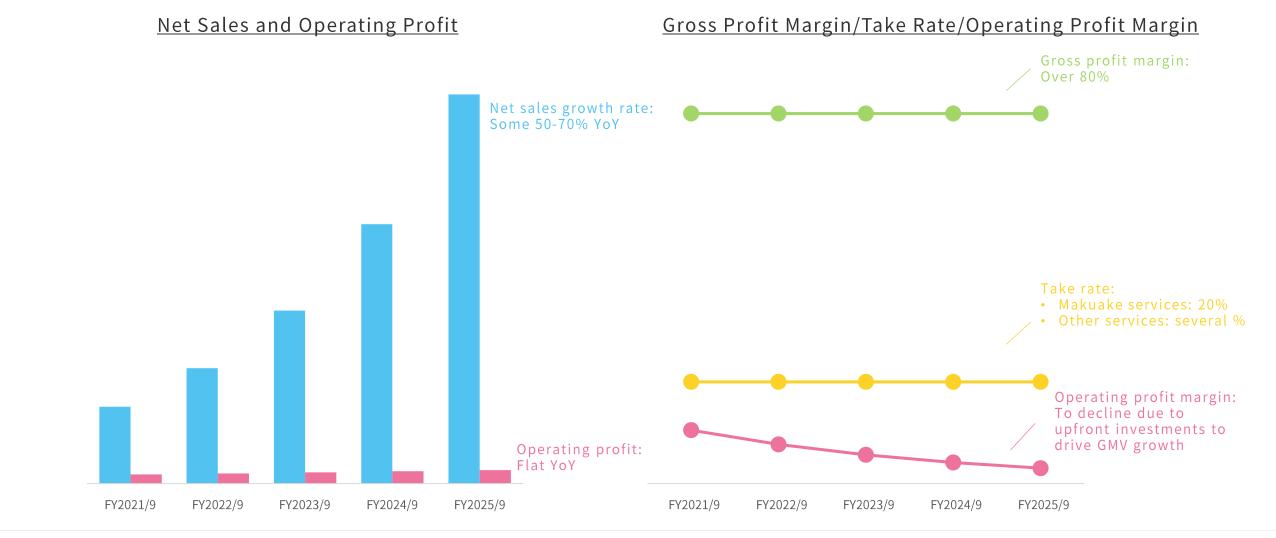
Medium-Term Goal for Gross Amount of "Support" Buying (GMV)

• With expanding GMV at an annual growth rate of 50-70% set as our internal traget, we are aiming to reach JPY 100 billion by 2025



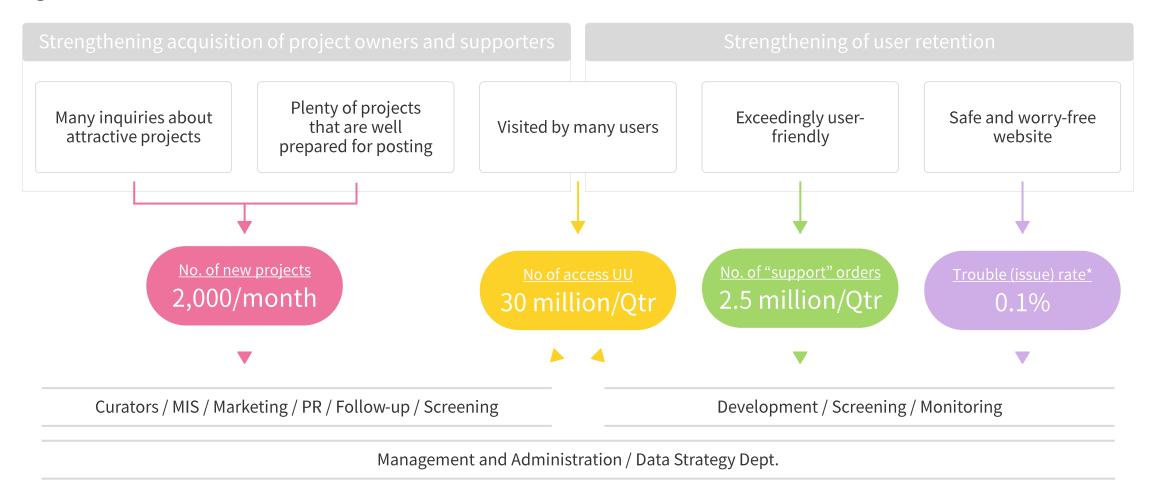
Envisioned Progress Towards Medium-Term P&L Goals

• We will give top priority to the maximization of GMV, which is a leading indicator of net sales, and enhance upfront investment mainly in promotion, recruitment, and development of functionalities, with the internal target of increasing annual sales 1.5 times



Medium-Term KPI Targets

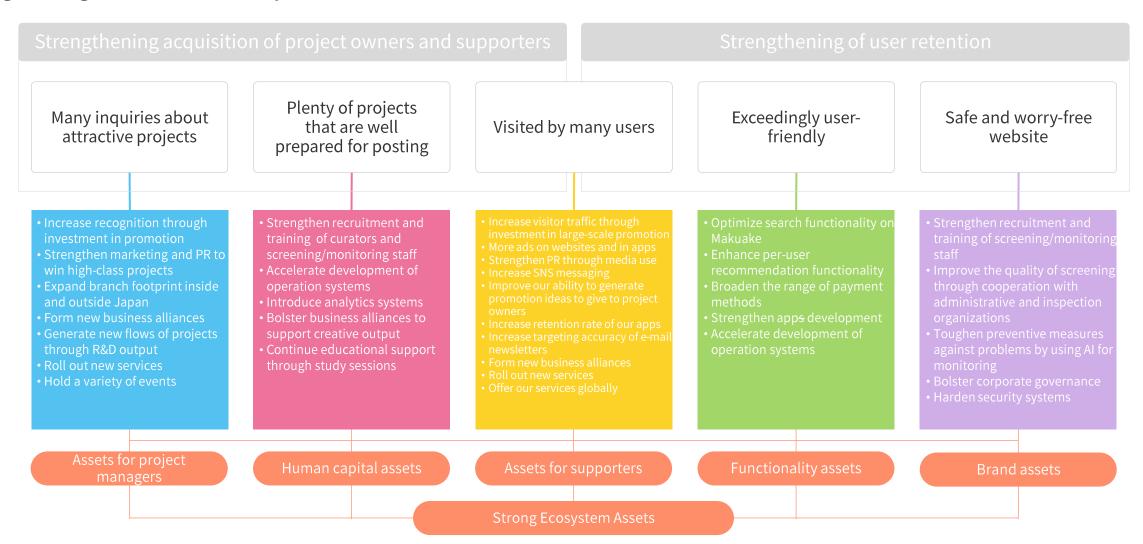
• Here are our respective KPIs for increasing the number of new project owners and supporters, as well as retaining users, with their targets set to achieve GMV of JPY 100 billion



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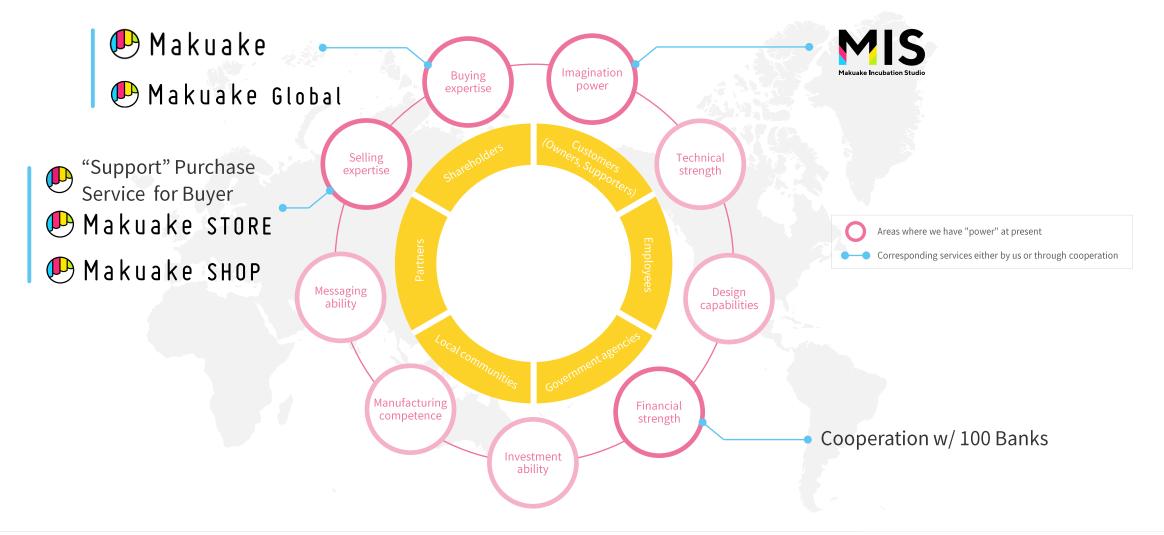
Accumulation of Assets Under Medium-Term Management Strategy

• We believe that accumulation of assets through a range of initiatives will become the foundation for the expansion and strengthening of Makuake's ecosystem



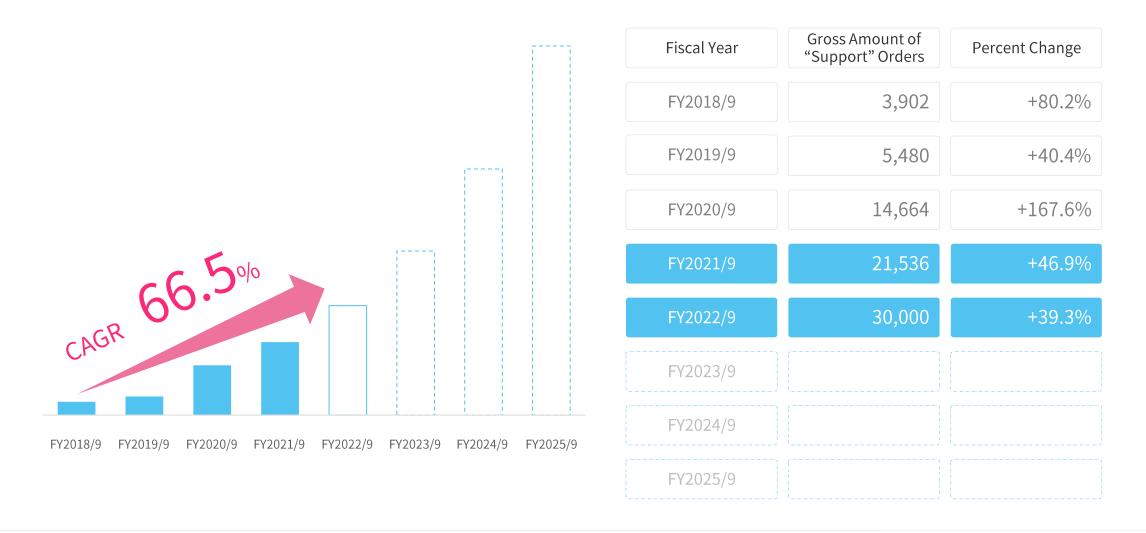
Vision of Long-Term Growth

• By expanding and strengthening Makuake's ecosystem and consequently acting as part of social infrastructure, we help connect the diverse power of people and businesses around the world, and support creation and spread of new products and services



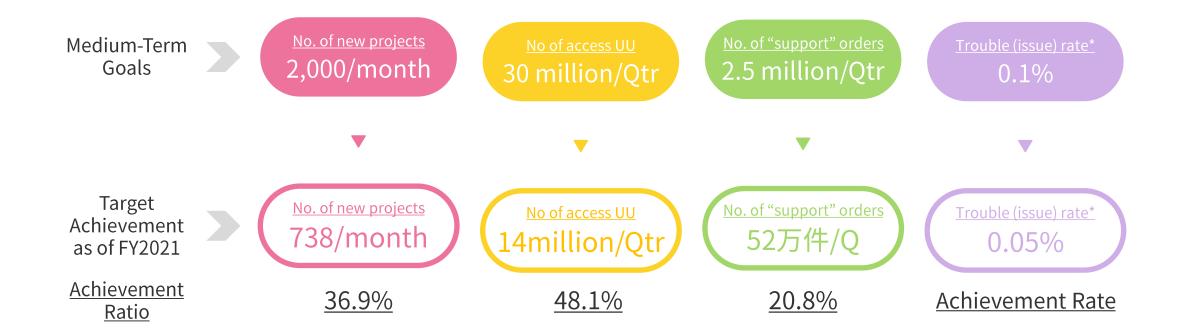
Progress Towards Medium-Term Goals

• In order to increase GMV to JPY 100 billion, which is a KGI in our medium-term growth strategy, we will implement growth strategies aiming for an annual growth of 50-70%



Current KPIs vs Medium-Term Targets

• As of FY2021, the progress to medium-term targets is good, with Access UU already exceeding 50% of the goal



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Risks Accompanying Growth and Countermeasures

• We will grasp, analyze, and evaluate risks that may emerge as we execute our medium-term growth plan, implement countermeasures and control these risks

Possible risks	Impact on Business	Measures against risks
Leakage of personal information through hacking, etc.	High	Regular security audits
2 Issues with projects, such as delived delays	ery Medium	Continuous operation and improvement of screening and monitoring systems
Considerable shrinkage of the Internet ad market due to the regulations on Internet ads	Medium	 Sharing of information with online ad media and agencies Speedy proactive measures
Risks related to the securing and loof personnel *For other risks, please see our Annual Securities Report	Low	 Improvements to the flexibility of our arrangements accommodating remote work and diverse workstyles Maintenance of an appropriate pay system supported by the sound financial standing Securing a variety of career options by creating new businesses, business bases, etc.

ESG and Sustainability

Initiatives for ESG and Sustainability (1)

• We recognize that ESG initiatives and sustainable business operation are crucially important, for implementing our mid-term growth plan. Accordingly, all aspects of our ESG initiatives incorporate the viewpoint of sustainability

Society

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- Innovation of distribution channels for launching new products
- Development of infrastructure for sustainable growth opportunities of enterprises



- Providing enterprises with opportunities to launch products regardless of their company size or country
- Offering the experience of ethical consumption to consumers inside and outside Japan



 Elimination of waste in mass production/distribution and providing both reasonable and sustainable consumption and production solutions



 Developing partnerships with enterprises around the world, expanding services and improving quality





- Approximately 52.1%
 Increasing/maintaining the ratio of female
- Increasing/maintaining the ratio of female employees: Approximately 48.4%
- Increasing/maintaining the ratio of male employees who take a childcare leave: Approximately 57.0%

• Increasing/maintaining the ratio of female managers:



- Emphasizing diversity and the equality of the working environment
- →Ratio of non-Japanese employees: 5.0% Ratio of managers in their 20s: 15.8%
- Conducting survey on employee engagement





 Providing opportunities to launch new products globally and connecting the world



 Developing partnerships with enterprises around the world and promoting increased use of our services to enterprises and consumers around the world

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Initiatives for ESG and Sustainability (2)

• We recognize that ESG initiatives and sustainable business operation are crucially important for implementing our mid-term growth plan. Accordingly, all aspects of our ESG initiatives incorporate the viewpoint of sustainability

Environment



- Supporting manufacturing of superior products
- Helping to prolong the lifespan of products by offering the experience of ethical consumption



- Providing a system for producing only the required product quantity
- Contributing to saving energy and reducinge waste



 Supporting product launches by enterprises that make efforts to conserve marine resources as called for by ethical consumption



 Supporting product launches by enterprises that make efforts to conserve land-based resources as called for by ethical consumption

Governance

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- Company with an audit and supervisory committee
- Ratio of outside directors: 50%
- Advisory committees for remuneration and nomination
- Risk management system
- Compliance system
- Intellectual property management system
- Information management system

Appendix

Business Results Summary: YoY, Full-Year

(Units: Millions of yen)	FY2020/9	FY2021/9	Change YoY	Percent Change YoY
Gross Amount of "Support" Orders: GMV (Tax included)	14,664	21,536	+6,872	+46.9%
Net Sales	3,225	4,621	+1,396	+43.3%
Gross Profit	2,656	3,805	+1,149	+43.3%
Operating Profit	510	329	△181	△35.5%
Ordinary Profit	512	326	△185	△36.3%
Net Income	369	246	△123	△33.3%

Business Results Summary: YoY, standalone quarter

(Units: Millions of yen)	FY2020/9 Q4	FY2021/9 Q4	Change YoY	Percent Change YoY
Gross Amount of "Support" Orders: GMV (Tax included)	5,252	5,807	+554	+10.6%
Net Sales	1,132	1,288	+155	+13.7%
Gross Profit	937	1,031	+94	+10.1%
Operating Profit	△20	128	+148	-
Ordinary Profit	△18	125	+144	-
Net Income	14	116	+102	+725.2%

Business Results Summary: QoQ, standalone quarter

(Units: Millions of yen)	FY2021/9 Q3	FY2021/9 Q4	Change QoQ	Percent Change QoQ
Gross Amount of "Support" Orders: GMV (Tax included)	5,917	5,807	△110	△1.9%
Net Sales	1,232	1,288	+55	+4.5%
Gross Profit	1,035	1,031	△3	△0.4%
Operating Profit	137	128	△9	△7.1%
Ordinary Profit	137	125	△11	△8.6%
Net Income	89	116	+27	+30.7%

	FY2020/9	FY2021/9	Change YoY	Percent Change YoY
No. of New Projects	4,631	7,914	+3,283	+70.9%
Project Owners Repeat Rate (%)*1	37.2	62.5	-	+25.3pt
Repeat "Support" Order Rate (%)*2	71.8	74.8	-	+3.0pt
No. of Access Unique Users	29,003,751	44,347,392	+15,343,641	+52.9%
No. of Members	1,262,758	1,874,196	+611,438	+48.4%
No. of "Support" Orders	1,494,777	1,962,668	+467,891	+31.3%

^{*1} Share of new projects posted during the period by project owners who had had a previous project within the last 12 months
*2 Ratio of gross amount of "support" orders placed during the period by supporters who had had a previous "support" order paced in the last 12 months to total gross amount of "support" orders via Makuake's services. Note that as of 2021/9, we are using an improved calculation method which results in better data accuracy.

KPIs: YoY, standalone quarter

	FY2020/9 Q4	FY2021/9 Q4	Change YoY	Percent Change YoY
No. of New Projects	1,559	2,215	+656	+42.1%
Project Owners Repeat Rate (%)*1	40.2	42.8	-	+2.6pt
Repeat "Support" Order Rate (%)*2	71.4	76.0	-	+4.6pt
No. of Access Unique Users	10,585,274	14,442,316	+3,857,042	+36.4%
No. of Members	1,262,758	1,874,196	+611,438	+48.4%
No. of "Support" Orders	499,418	524,737	+25,319	+5.1%

^{*1} Share of new projects posted during the period by project owners who had had a previous project within the last 12 months
*2 Ratio of gross amount of "support" orders placed during the period by supporters who had had a previous "support" order paced in the last 12 months to total gross amount of "support" orders via Makuake's services. Note that as of 2021/9, we are using an improved calculation method which results in better data accuracy.

KPIs: QoQ, standalone quarter

	FY2021/9 Q3	FY2021/9 Q4	Change QoQ	Percent Change QoQ
No. of New Projects	2,213	2,215	+2	+0.1%
Project Owners Repeat Rate (%)*1	45.2	42.8	_	riangle2.3pt
Repeat "Support" Order Rate (%)*2	73.2	76.0	_	+2.9pt
No. of Access Unique Users	13,650,096	14,442,316	+792,220	+5.8%
No. of Members	1,735,354	1,874,196	+138,842	+8.0%
No. of "Support" Orders	515,757	524,737	+8,980	+1.7%

^{*1} Share of new projects posted during the period by project owners who had had a previous project within the last 12 months
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Dividend Policy

As the company is currently in a state of growth, we believe that by retaining profits and prioritizing investment in expanding business size and improving earning power will lead to maximization of our corporate value and a continuous stream of profit return to shareholders.

As to future distribution of dividends out of surplus, our basic policy is to do so with consideration of balance versus retaining profits. For the time being, we have elected for policy prioritizing retaining profits, and no determination has been made as to the timing for issuing dividends.

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