

## Company Report

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## Will Group Enters Early Phase of Strategic Reacceleration, Signaling Upside in Upcoming Mid-Term Plan

For the cumulative Q3 FY3/2026 announced on February 9, Will Group reported revenues of ¥108.62 billion (+3.1% YoY) and operating profit of ¥2.85 billion (+59.2% YoY). The increase in profit was mainly attributable to 1) continued growth in Construction Management Engineer's Domain, 2) recovery in the Domestic Working Business excluding Construction Management Engineer's Domain and 3) expansion of permanent placement in the Overseas Working Business.

Strategy Advisors has positioned improvement in profitability through higher value-added services as the Company's equity story. In the cumulative Q3 results, the gross profit margin improved from 21% to 22.1%, indicating that key initiatives from Medium-Term Management Plan have contributed to earnings.

The Domestic Working Business recorded cumulative Q3 revenue of ¥65.52 billion (+4.9% YoY) and operating profit of ¥3.01 billion (+44.7% YoY). Growth was driven by 1) expansion in Construction Management Engineer's Domain and 2) recovery in demand from a major telecommunications company, the principal client in the Sales outsourcing domain. The Overseas Working Business posted cumulative Q3 revenue of ¥43.03 billion (+0.6% YoY) and operating profit of ¥1.75 billion (+16.2% YoY). Revenue was largely flat due to the impact of the yen's depreciation while profits increased due to the by stronger-than-expected performance in high-margin permanent placement primarily in Australia.

Looking back at the current Medium-Term Management Plan (FY3/2024–FY3/2026), initiatives such as expansion of permanent employee staffing including Construction Management Engineer's Domain and an increase in the number of individuals supported under Foreign Talent Management Services, have contributed to results. On the other hand, the Call Center Outsourcing Domain and the Overseas Working Business have underperformed relative to initial assumptions. In this context, in the next Medium-Term Management Plan, it will be important to clearly distinguish between businesses that drive growth and those to be maintained at current levels or considered for withdrawal and to accordingly allocate management resources selectively towards growth areas.

Strategy Advisors also focuses on the performance target implied by the exercise conditions of the stock options announced by the Company, namely consolidated operating profit exceeding ¥5.5 billion in any one of the fiscal years from FY3/2029 to FY3/2031, as a reference point for the final year of the next Medium-Term Management Plan.

### Stock Price & Trading Volumes (Past Year)



Source: Strategy Advisors

### Key Indicators

Stock Price (2/25/26)	1,276
52-Week High (2/18/26)	1,310
52-Week Low (4/7/25)	835
10-Year High (2/2/18)	2,122
10-Year Low (8/8/16)	393
Shares on Issue (mn)	22.9
Market Capitalization (¥ bn)	29.2
EV (¥ bn)	27.1
Equity Ratio (12/25 Actual, %)	36.2
PER (3/26 CoE, Times)	14.6
PBR (12/25 Actual, Times)	1.5
Dividend Yield (3/26 CoE, %)	3.4

Source: Strategy Advisors

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<b>IFRS Consolidated</b>	<b>Revenue</b>	<b>YoY</b>	<b>Operating Profit</b>	<b>YoY</b>	<b>Profit Before Tax</b>	<b>YoY</b>	<b>Net Profit</b>	<b>YoY</b>	<b>EPS</b>	<b>DPS</b>
<b>FY</b>	<b>(¥ mn)</b>	<b>(%)</b>	<b>(¥ mn)</b>	<b>(%)</b>	<b>(¥ mn)</b>	<b>(%)</b>	<b>(¥ mn)</b>	<b>(%)</b>	<b>(¥)</b>	<b>(¥)</b>
FY03/25 Q1-Q3	105,353	1.4	1,792	-35.9	1,692	-37.8	1,116	-28.6	49.0	-
FY03/26 Q1-Q3	108,627	3.1	2,852	59.2	2,742	62.0	1,979	77.2	86.4	-
FY03/23	143,932	9.8	5,318	-2.8	5,146	-2.8	3,236	-1.5	143.2	44.0
FY03/24	138,227	-4.0	4,525	-14.9	4,417	-14.2	2,778	-14.2	122.4	44.0
FY03/25	139,705	1.1	2,338	-48.3	2,177	-50.7	1,155	-58.4	50.6	44.0
FY03/26 CoE	143,500	2.7	3,100	32.6	2,940	35.0	2,000	73.1	87.3	44.0

Source: Company Data. Compiled by Strategy Advisors.

## 1. Strong Q3 FY3/2026 Cumulative Results With Potential for Upward Earnings Revision

### FY3/26 Q3 Cumulative Results Demonstrate Tangible Progress Under Key Initiatives of the Mid-Term Management Plan

For the cumulative results of Q3 FY3/2026 announced on February 9, Will Group reported revenue of ¥108.62 billion (+3.1% YoY) and operating profit of ¥2.85 billion (+59.2% YoY), representing a substantial increase in profit. The increase was mainly driven by 1) continued growth in the Construction Management Engineer's Domain, 2) recovery in the Domestic Working Business excluding the Construction Management Engineer's Domain and 3) expansion of permanent placement in the Overseas Working Business.

Strategy Advisors has focused on enhancement of added value through improved profitability as the Company's equity story. In the cumulative Q3 results, the gross profit margin improved by 1.1% YoY (21.0% → 22.1%) and the results demonstrated that the priority measures set forth in the Medium-Term Management Plan have materialized.

### Domestic Working Business Posts Significant Increase in Operating Profit

The Domestic Working Business recorded cumulative Q3 revenue of ¥65.52 billion (+4.9% YoY) and operating profit of ¥3.01 billion (+44.7% YoY), representing a substantial increase in profit. Growth was driven by 1) expansion in the Construction Management Engineer's Domain and 2) recovery in demand from a major telecommunications company, the principal client in the Sales Outsourcing Domain. An outstanding issue remains in the Call Center Outsourcing Domain. The revenue decline trend has continued and the Company has not presented a fundamental solution.

### Overseas Working Business Remains Steady

The Overseas Working Business posted cumulative Q3 revenue of ¥43.03 billion (+0.6% YoY) and operating profit of ¥1.75 billion (+16.2% YoY), remaining firm. Revenue was largely flat due to the impact of the yen's depreciation. Meanwhile, high-margin permanent placement (primarily in Australia) exceeded assumptions, resulting in solid profit performance. The Company does not consider the permanent placement markets in Australia and Singapore to have recovered to a level that warrants optimism and the possibility of a temporary recovery remains. However, the fact that profits were secured for two consecutive quarters can be positively evaluated.

**Figure 1. Segment Performance Trends (¥ mn)**

	FY3/25				FY3/26		
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
Revenue	35,052	35,270	35,030	34,351	35,207	36,322	37,097
YoY	1.8%	1.2%	1.1%	0.1%	0.4%	3.0%	5.9%
Domestic Working	20,468	20,794	21,179	20,656	21,182	21,585	22,754
YoY	1.4%	1.4%	1.1%	-1.1%	3.5%	3.8%	7.4%
Ratio to revenue	58.4%	59.0%	60.5%	60.1%	60.2%	59.4%	61.3%
Overseas Working	14,534	14,435	13,815	13,662	14,001	14,716	14,319
YoY	2.5%	1.2%	1.4%	2.3%	-3.7%	1.9%	3.6%
Ratio to revenue	41.5%	40.9%	39.4%	39.8%	39.8%	40.5%	38.6%
Others	48	41	35	32	24	20	22
Ratio to revenue	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Operating profit	177	832	782	546	394	1,243	1,213
YoY	-84.4%	-6.1%	0.9%	-68.4%	122.6%	49.4%	55.1%
OP margin	0.5%	2.4%	2.2%	1.6%	1.1%	3.4%	3.3%
Domestic Working	238	861	983	1,167	583	1,181	1,250
YoY	-82.6%	10.2%	15.6%	-42.8%	145.0%	37.2%	27.2%
OP margin	1.2%	4.1%	4.6%	5.7%	2.8%	5.5%	5.5%
Overseas Working	573	543	392	-76	471	678	603
YoY	25.7%	-18.6%	-25.3%	-	-17.8%	24.9%	53.8%
OP margin	3.9%	3.8%	2.8%	-0.6%	3.4%	4.6%	4.2%
Others	-60	-77	-59	-25	-74	-80	-59
Adjusment	-574	-495	-533	-518	-586	-535	-580

Source: Company Data. Compiled by Strategy Advisors.

## 2. Domestic Working Business: Clear Shift from Volume to Value

### **Domestic Working Business: Solid Performance Excluding the Call Center Outsourcing Domain**

In the Domestic Working Business, as in Q2 (July–September), all domains except the Call center Outsourcing Domain performed steadily. In addition to continued growth in the Construction Management Engineer's Domain, a return to a growth trajectory in the Sales Outsourcing Domain and the consolidation effect of HR CAREER, which became a subsidiary on October 1, drove revenue growth.

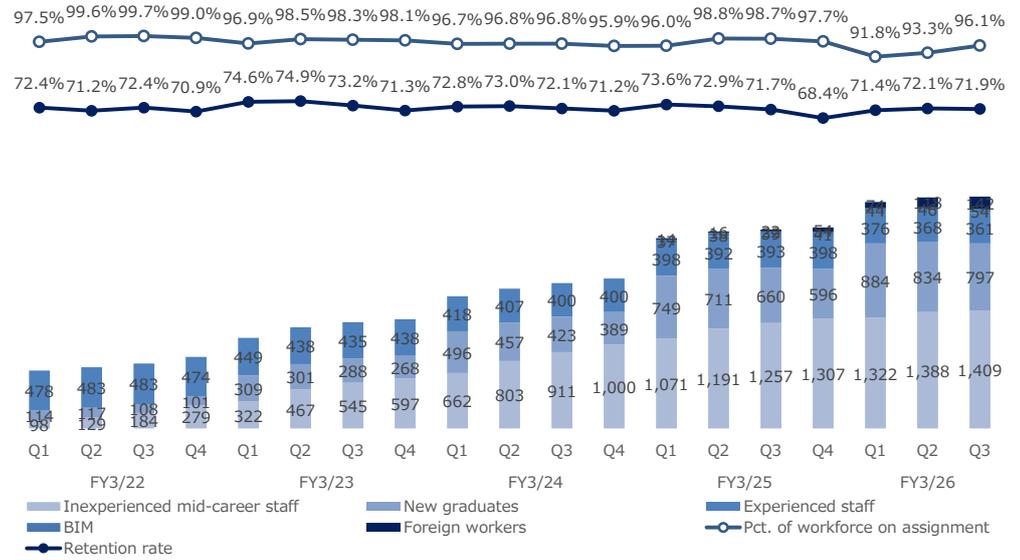
### **Construction Management Engineer Domain: Significant Increase in Earnings**

In the Construction Management Engineer's Domain, Q3 revenue totaled ¥4.47 billion (+19.9% YoY) and operating profit amounted to ¥560 million (+104.2% YoY), representing a significant increase in profit. The number of hires in Q3 was 255 (-37 YoY). This was due to hiring having been advanced through Q2, which enabled the Company to focus on order acquisition. An increase in the number of active personnel and an improvement in contract unit prices resulted in top-line expansion and a significant increase in profit. The utilization rate improved to 96.1% and the Company is currently strengthening hiring. In the previous report, we referred to the possibility that the number of hires could reach the level of the initial plan. However, as the utilization rate improved earlier than expected, the Company is aiming for a hiring level comparable to the previous fiscal year.

### **Construction Management Engineer's Domain: Expected Improvement in Retention Rate**

The retention rate was 71.9%, with no significant change. Competitors are in the high-70% range and the Company's level is relatively lower; however, this is influenced by the high proportion of inexperienced personnel in the overall workforce. In addition to a competitive compensation structure, the Company is implementing various initiatives, including the use of data in the selection of recruitment candidates. In addition to improvements in individual retention rates, if the proportion of inexperienced personnel gradually declines, an improvement in the overall retention rate can be expected.

**Figure 2. Trends in Major KPIs**



Source: Company Data. Compiled by Strategy Advisors.

## Domestic Working Business Outside the Construction Management Engineer's Domain Shows Signs of Bottoming Out

In Q3 FY3/2026, revenue in the Domestic Working Business excluding the Construction Management Engineer's Domain increased 4.8% YoY, indicating clearer signs of a bottoming out and recovery. While the Call Center Outsourcing Domain remained weak, performance was supported by 1) a recovery in orders from a major telecommunications company in the Sales Outsourcing Domain, 2) steady expansion in the Factory Outsourcing Domain, particularly in the industrial product manufacturing sector excluding food factories and 3) contributions from IT engineers and the consolidation effect of HR CAREER.

## Call Center Outsourcing Domain Continues to Post Revenue Decline

The Call Center Outsourcing Domain continues to record a double-digit decline in revenue. However, full-year profit growth is likely to be secured through personnel reallocation within the Group and reinforcement of areas requiring a certain level of expertise, such as finance. Given that this domain holds the No.1 market share in the industry and has been one of the core businesses driving growth, we believe it would be difficult for the Company to implement fundamental management decisions such as withdrawal or divestiture. As the domain has begun to shift toward a profit growth trend, we look for continued emphasis on profitability from the next fiscal year onward.

## Permanent Employee Staffing and Foreign Employment Support Progress Exceeds Initial Plan

As part of the reacceleration of the Domestic Working Business, the Company is expanding permanent employee staffing. As of the end of Q3, the number of active personnel under permanent employee staffing totaled 3,925 (+438 YoY). By domain, the Factory Outsourcing Domain led growth with an increase of 267 personnel YoY. The IT engineers domain and the Sales outsourcing domain each increased by approximately 70 personnel. Progress exceeded the initial plan of 3,500 personnel and expansion is proceeding in line with the priority areas of the Medium-Term Management Plan.

Foreign Talent Management Services have also progressed beyond planned levels. As of the end of Q3, the number of Foreign Talent Management Services totaled 4,331, significantly exceeding the initial plan of 3,500. Alongside permanent employee staffing, the Factory Outsourcing Domain has been the primary driver of growth, with an increase of 454 personnel YoY in this domain alone. While the operating margin of the Factory Outsourcing Domain (Q3: 6.1%) has not improved significantly YoY due to increased expenses associated with strengthened hiring, qualitative changes may have improved the gross profit margin.

Revenue in the Factory Outsourcing Domain is broadly divided between food factories and non-food factories. Since Q2, revenue from food factories has declined YoY. The Company is pursuing high-margin projects through cross-selling with permanent employee staffing and some project replacement may have occurred. Performance in the industrial product manufacturing sector has been strong, and compared with food factories, price negotiations are easier to implement. We expect non-food factories to continue to drive growth.

**Figure 3. Performance Trends by Business Area for Domestic Working Business (¥ mn)**

	FY3/24				FY3/25				FY3/26		
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
<b>Revenue</b>											
Domestic Working	20,186	20,514	20,940	20,886	20,468	20,794	21,179	20,656	21,182	21,585	22,754
Sales outsourcing	4,866	4,867	4,968	5,130	5,187	5,042	5,108	5,078	5,046	5,214	5,650
Call center outsourcing	3,883	3,753	3,720	3,482	3,387	3,296	3,278	2,986	2,986	2,891	2,846
Factory outsourcing	4,448	4,473	4,630	4,435	4,586	4,634	4,774	4,543	4,693	4,675	4,827
Care support	3,311	3,338	3,398	3,339	3,379	3,442	3,448	3,366	3,442	3,516	3,582
Construction management engineers	2,346	2,586	2,709	2,823	3,159	3,585	3,727	3,818	4,094	4,357	4,470
Others	599	614	687	689	767	792	841	862	919	929	1,377
<b>Operating profit</b>											
Domestic Working	663	808	712	847	259	909	1,153	945	643	1,314	1,309
Sales outsourcing	281	284	337	405	375	293	357	338	294	370	426
Call center outsourcing	152	114	143	97	103	96	143	85	134	121	60
Factory outsourcing	221	180	229	134	139	195	289	179	245	276	295
Care support	77	48	54	46	59	82	84	91	92	119	94
Construction management engineers	-273	-59	-20	-47	-369	279	275	198	-129	429	563
Others	101	36	52	32	-49	-39	3	52	5	-2	-130

Source: Company Data. Compiled by Strategy Advisors.

## 3. Overseas Working Business: Recruitment Drives Growth

### Overseas Working Business Reports Significant Increase in Operating Profit

In Q3, the Overseas Working Business recorded revenue of ¥14.31 billion (+3.6% YoY) and operating profit of ¥600 million (+53.8% YoY), representing a significant increase in profit for the second consecutive quarter. Growth was driven by permanent placement in Australia. Revenue on a local currency basis totaled AUD \$10.5 million (+\$1.4 million AUD YoY), representing an increase of approximately 15%.

## Maintain Cautious View on Outlook for Recruitment in Australia

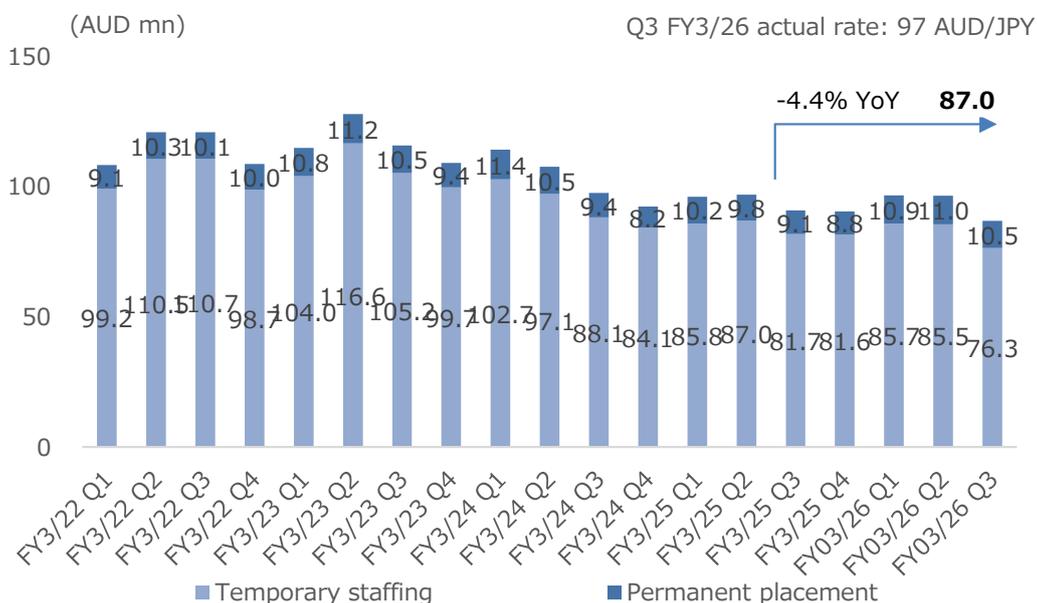
## No Subsidy Income Recorded in the Overseas Working Business for the Current Fiscal Year to Date

The significant increase in profit reflects strengthened order acquisition capabilities, cost control measures including a review of compensation, and the securing of capable consultants. The Company does not take an optimistic view on the outlook for permanent placement in Australia. Although permanent placement for government and administrative agencies has driven growth, there is a possibility that part of the increase reflects a temporary rebound following restrained hiring and the trend requires careful assessment.

Subsidy income, which is recorded annually in the Overseas Working Business, has not yet been recorded in the current fiscal year. The full-year operating profit plan for the Overseas Working Business is ¥1.73 billion; however, cumulative operating profit through Q3 has already reached ¥1.75 billion, substantially exceeding the plan. If subsidies (typically ¥200–300 million per year) are recorded in Q4, there is a possibility that the upwardly revised initial plan could be revised upward again.

Exchange rates have been weaker for the yen compared with the Company's assumptions (AUD: ¥91; SGD: ¥104), with actual Q3 rates of ¥97 and ¥115, respectively. Even if you remove the foreign exchange impact, progress has substantially exceeded profit plans. The key focus will be whether the Overseas Working Business can sustain profit growth from the next fiscal year onward.

**Figure 4. Australia Business Revenue on a Local Currency Basis**



Source: Company Data. Compiled by Strategy Advisors.

## Expectation for Resource Shift to Growth Domains Under the New Medium-Term Management Plan

### 4. Medium-Term Growth Not Yet Priced In

The Company plans to disclose its new medium-term management plan concurrently with the announcement of its FY3/26 results. Under the current medium-term management plan, offensive measures such as the expansion of permanent employee staffing, including the Construction Management Engineer's Domain, plus the expansion of Foreign Talent Management Services have generated results. In contrast, the Call Center Outsourcing Domain and the Overseas Working Business have weighed on performance more than initially assumed. In the next medium-term management plan, we expect the Company to clearly differentiate between businesses that will drive growth and those to be maintained at the current level or considered for withdrawal, and to allocate greater focus to growth domains. Strategy Advisors is focusing on the stock option exercise condition disclosed by the Company as the earnings target for the final year of the next medium-term management plan: consolidated operating profit exceeding ¥5.5 billion in any fiscal year between FY3/2029 and FY3/2031.

The share price responded positively to the upward revision announced alongside the Q2 results and has continued its upward trend. Considering cumulative profit progress through Q3, this likely reflects the potential for a further upward revision and expectations for the new medium-term management plan. The PER (based on the Company's plan) has risen to just under 15x, indicating that the share price reflects the current fiscal year's earnings to a certain extent. If operating profit of ¥5.5 billion, as stipulated in the stock option exercise condition, is achieved, net income for the period would be approximately ¥3.85 billion (assuming a 30% tax rate). Applying a PER of 15x implies that the share price would have nearly twofold upside potential.

Considering the above, the profit level presented in the new medium-term management plan and the feasibility of its achievement will be critical in assessing the share price. In addition to the qualitative transformation indicated in the current medium-term management plan, namely the expansion of permanent employee staffing and Foreign Talent Management Services; we expect further growth in the Overseas Working Business centered on permanent placement, as well as greater selectivity and focus within the Domestic Working Business, leading to a more robust earnings structure.

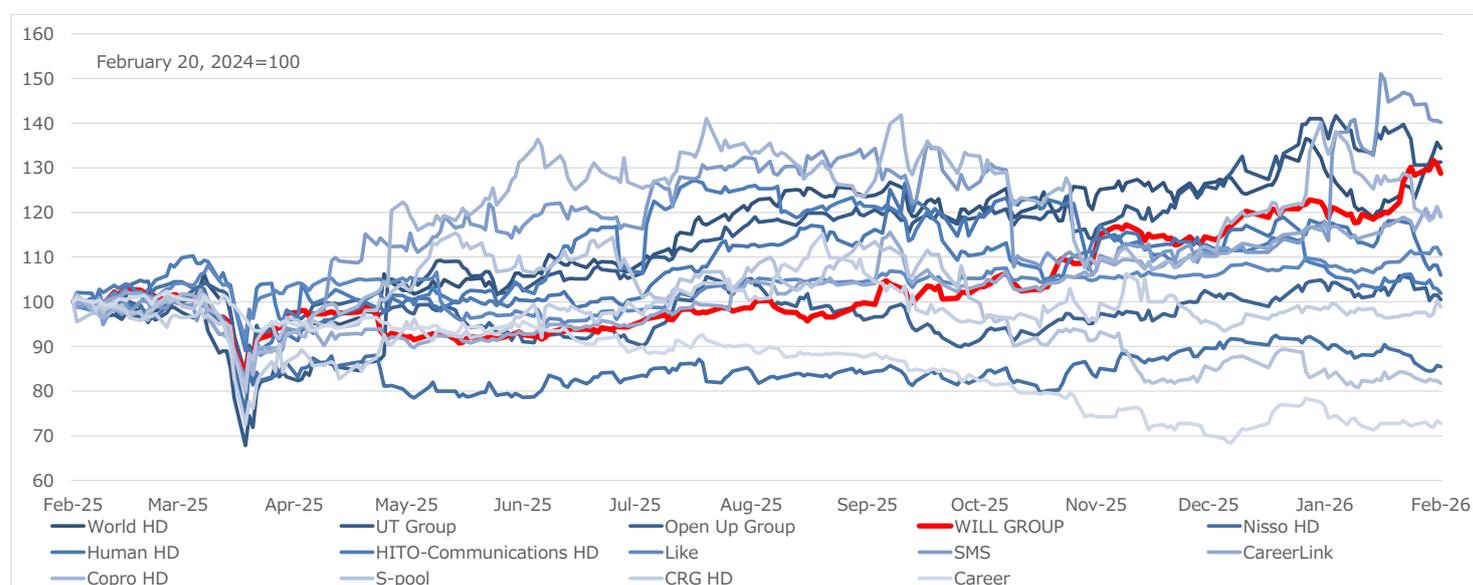
**Figure 5. Valuation Overview**

Company name	Stock code	Stock price (Feb 25) (¥)	Mkt cap (Feb 25) (¥ mn)	PER CoE (Times)	PBR Actual (Times)	ROE Actual (%)	Dividend Yield CoE (%)	1-Year Return (%)	3-Year of Return (%)
WILL GROUP	6089	1,276	29,500	14.6	1.7	11.5%	3.4%	28.5%	13.3%
World HD	2429	2,856	51,444	7.3	1.0	14.1%	4.8%	36.8%	5.2%
UT Group	2146	208	124,696	19.6	0.3	1.4%	1.4%	34.3%	35.8%
Nisso HD	9332	677	23,035	12.0	1.3	11.1%	3.7%	-12.2%	-
Open Up Group	2154	1,860	170,790	13.7	2.1	15.0%	4.6%	2.1%	-3.6%
Copro HD	7059	971	38,840	15.0	2.2	14.9%	2.6%	18.0%	224.7%
Human HD	2415	1,777	18,442	7.4	1.0	13.8%	4.1%	5.3%	100.3%
Career	6198	238	2,053	28.8	1.1	4.0%	0.0%	-29.6%	-29.6%
SMS	2175	1,720	150,606	20.2	3.1	15.4%	1.7%	42.3%	-46.5%
HITO-Communications HD	4433	955	17,094	13.2	1.0	7.5%	3.9%	3.4%	-39.2%
Like	2462	1,583	32,396	11.0	1.7	15.5%	3.8%	13.6%	-16.3%
S-pool	2471	254	20,068	12.0	1.9	16.2%	3.9%	-16.4%	-60.9%
CRG HD	7041	326	1,815	18.1	0.6	3.4%	0.0%	-2.4%	-47.1%
CareerLink	6070	2,800	35,296	13.8	2.3	16.3%	4.3%	21.1%	15.3%
Average				14.8	1.5	11.4%	3.0%	10.3%	11.7%

Note: Will Group, Open Up Group, and Spool use IFRS accounting standards; others use Japanese standards. NISSO Holdings listed on October 2, 2023; SMS has not disclosed its dividend forecast.

Source: SPEEDA. Compiled by Strategy Advisors.

**Figure 6. Relative Share Price Performance Over the Past 12 Months**



Source: SPEEDA. Compiled by Strategy Advisors.

**Figure 7. Consolidated Statement of Income (¥ mn)**

	FY3/21	FY3/22	FY3/23	FY3/24	FY3/25	FY3/26 CoE
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>118,249</b>	<b>131,080</b>	<b>143,932</b>	<b>138,227</b>	<b>139,705</b>	<b>143,500</b>
YoY	-3.0%	10.9%	9.8%	-4.0%	1.1%	2.7%
Cost of sales	94,192	102,314	112,194	107,781	110,321	111,850
<b>Gross profit</b>	<b>24,056</b>	<b>28,765</b>	<b>31,737</b>	<b>30,446</b>	<b>29,383</b>	<b>31,650</b>
Gross profit margin	20.3%	21.9%	22.0%	22.0%	21.0%	22.1%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	20,463	23,585	27,169	28,314	27,270	
SG&A ratio to sales	17.3%	18.0%	18.9%	20.5%	19.5%	
Other income	519	387	842	2,412	732	
Other expenses	82	95	91	18	506	
<b>Operating profit</b>	<b>4,030</b>	<b>5,472</b>	<b>5,318</b>	<b>4,525</b>	<b>2,338</b>	<b>3,100</b>
YoY	-2.8%	35.8%	-2.8%	-14.9%	-48.3%	32.6%
Operating profit margin	3.4%	4.2%	3.7%	3.3%	1.7%	2.2%
Equity method investment gains and losses	-5	-18	-21	-24	24	
Financial income	11	52	161	128	53	
Finance expenses	247	212	311	211	239	
<b>Profit before tax</b>	<b>3,788</b>	<b>5,293</b>	<b>5,146</b>	<b>4,417</b>	<b>2,177</b>	<b>2,940</b>
YoY	-6.6%	39.7%	-2.8%	-14.2%	-50.7%	35.0%
Pretax profit margin	3.2%	4.0%	3.6%	3.2%	1.6%	2.0%
Income tax expense	1,110	1,439	1,686	1,539	1,035	
Tax rate	29.3%	27.2%	32.8%	34.8%	47.5%	
Profit	2,678	3,854	3,459	2,878	1,141	1,980
Non-controlling interests	314	568	223	99	-13	
<b>Owners of parent profit (loss)</b>	<b>2,363</b>	<b>3,286</b>	<b>3,236</b>	<b>2,778</b>	<b>1,155</b>	<b>2,000</b>
YoY	-0.7%	39.1%	-1.5%	-14.2%	-58.4%	73.1%
Owners of parent profit margin	2.0%	2.5%	2.2%	2.0%	0.8%	1.4%
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>6,259</b>	<b>7,556</b>	<b>7,456</b>	<b>6,810</b>	<b>4,896</b>	<b>5,150</b>
EBITDA margin	5.3%	5.8%	5.2%	4.9%	3.5%	3.6%

Source: Company Data. Compiled by Strategy Advisors.

**Figure 8. Key Indicators**

	FY3/21	FY3/22	FY3/23	FY3/24	FY3/25
<b>Stock indicators</b>					
Number of shares outstanding at year-end ('000 shares)	22,554	22,852	22,944	22,999	23,095
Number of treasury shares at year-end ('000 shares)	290	284	284	212	212
EPS (¥)	106.4	147.0	143.2	122.4	50.6
EPS (Diluted, ¥)	104.6	144.8	142.0	121.6	50.4
PER (Times)	10.7	8.7	7.6	8.9	18.8
DPS (¥)	24.0	34.0	44.0	44.0	44.0
Payout ratio (%)	22.6	23.1	30.7	36.0	86.9
Dividend payout ratio (%)	22.9	23.6	31.2	36.4	87.9
DOE (%)	7.9	7.8	7.6	6.2	5.8
BPS (¥)	370.1	505.1	646.0	768.4	760.1
<b>Profitability indicators</b>					
Gross profit margin (%)	20.3	21.9	22.0	22.0	21.0
EBITDA (¥ mn)	6,259	7,556	7,456	6,810	4,896
EBITDA margin (%)	5.3	5.8	5.2	4.9	3.5
Operating profit margin (%)	3.4	4.2	3.7	3.3	1.7
Owners of parent profit margin (%)	2.0	2.5	2.2	2.0	0.8
<b>Financial indicators</b>					
Ratio of pretax profit to total asset (%)	8.3	10.7	9.6	8.3	4.3
Ratio of profit to equity attributable to owners of parent (%)	35.1	33.5	24.9	17.3	6.6
Ratio of equity attributable to owners of parent to total asset (%)	17.6	21.8	26.6	34.0	34.8
ROE (% , continuing operations)	35.1	33.5	24.9	17.3	6.6
Cash and cash equivalents (¥ mn)	7,455	8,973	9,590	7,106	6,936
Interest-bearing debt (¥ mn)	15,194	15,448	17,091	5,930	6,605
Net Debt (¥ mn)	7,739	6,475	7,501	-1,176	-331
Net DE ratio	0.94	0.57	0.51	-0.07	-0.02
Net Debt/operating EBITDA	1.24	0.86	1.01	-0.17	-0.07
Total Short & Long-Term Debt	8,788	7,988	10,146	5,930	6,605
Net Debt (¥ mn)	1,333	-985	556	-1,176	-331
Net DE Ratio	0.2	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0
Net Debt/EBITDA	0.2	-0.1	0.1	-0.2	-0.1
Invested capital (¥ mn, gross IC)	17,028	19,386	24,784	23,438	23,997
NOPAT (NOPLAT, ¥ mn)	2,849	3,984	3,576	2,948	1,226
ROIC (% , gross IC)	1782.3%	2188.4%	1619.0%	1222.8%	517.1%
ROIC (% , company disclosed)	1380.0%	1790.0%	1660.0%	1340.0%	570.0%
<b>Efficiency indicators</b>					
Working capital (¥ mn)	934	2,161	1,777	1,027	1,180
Working capital turnover (Times)	126.6	60.7	81.0	134.6	118.4
Current ratio (%)	95.1	92.9	100.9	106.5	105.3
Quick ratio (%)	92.1	90.5	97.3	101.1	100.3

Source: Company Data. Compiled by Strategy Advisors.

**Figure 9. Performance Trends by Segment (¥ mn)**

	FY3/21	FY3/22	FY3/23	FY3/24	FY3/25	FY3/26 CoE
Revenue	118,249	131,080	143,932	138,227	139,705	143,500
YoY	-3.0%	10.9%	9.8%	-4.0%	1.1%	2.7%
Domestic Working	80,050	80,726	84,135	82,528	83,099	87,870
YoY	-	0.8%	4.2%	-1.9%	0.7%	5.7%
Ratio to revenue	67.7%	61.6%	58.5%	59.7%	59.5%	61.2%
Overseas Working	36,920	48,746	57,537	55,432	56,448	55,550
YoY	-	32.0%	18.0%	-3.7%	1.8%	-1.6%
Ratio to revenue	31.2%	37.2%	40.0%	40.1%	40.4%	38.7%
Others	1,278	1,607	2,258	267	157	70
Ratio to revenue	1.1%	1.2%	1.6%	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%
Operating profit	4,030	5,472	5,318	4,525	2,338	3,100
YoY	-2.8%	35.8%	-2.8%	-14.9%	-48.3%	32.6%
OP margin	3.4%	4.2%	3.7%	3.3%	1.7%	2.2%
Domestic Working	4,763	4,448	4,451	5,038	3,251	4,140
YoY	-	-6.6%	0.1%	13.2%	-35.5%	27.3%
OP margin	6.0%	5.5%	5.3%	6.1%	3.9%	4.7%
Overseas Working	1,942	3,348	3,406	1,946	1,432	1,730
YoY	-	72.4%	1.7%	-42.9%	-26.4%	20.8%
OP margin	5.3%	6.9%	5.9%	3.5%	2.5%	3.1%
Others	-413	-342	-296	-225	-223	-300
Adjustment	-2,262	-1,982	-2,243	-2,234	-2,122	-2,460

Source: Company Data. Compiled by Strategy Advisors.

**Figure 10. Domestic Working Business Details (¥ mn)**

		FY3/21	FY3/22	FY3/23	FY3/24	FY3/25
Domestic Working		80,050	80,726	84,135	82,528	83,099
Sales outsourcing		19,046	19,517	20,395	19,832	20,416
	YoY	-17.7%	2.5%	4.5%	-2.8%	2.9%
Call center outsourcing		16,866	17,041	16,582	14,840	12,949
	YoY	2.5%	1.0%	-2.7%	-10.5%	-12.7%
Factory outsourcing		20,585	18,316	17,639	17,988	18,540
	YoY	-13.3%	-11.0%	-3.7%	2.0%	3.1%
Care support		13,218	13,677	13,620	13,388	13,637
	YoY	9.6%	3.5%	-0.4%	-1.7%	1.9%
HR support for startups		1,273	2,348	2,998	3,420	-
	YoY	0.8%	84.4%	27.7%	14.1%	-
Construction management engineers		5,273	5,785	7,665	10,466	14,291
	YoY	9.7%	9.7%	32.5%	36.5%	36.5%
IT engineers		3,789	4,042	5,234	2,594	3,266
	YoY	329.1%	6.7%	29.5%	-50.4%	25.9%
Domestic Working		4,710	4,823	4,734	3,032	3,268
Sales outsourcing		1,468	1,614	1,717	1,308	1,365
Call center outsourcing		1,130	1,175	935	507	429
Factory outsourcing		1,000	1,258	947	765	803
Care support		381	295	497	227	319
HR support for startups		158	603	267	400	-
Construction management engineers		38	-559	-496	-400	384
Others		535	437	867	225	-32
Domestic Working		5.9%	6.0%	5.6%	3.7%	3.9%
Sales outsourcing		7.7%	8.3%	8.4%	6.6%	6.7%
Call center outsourcing		6.7%	6.9%	5.6%	3.4%	3.3%
Factory outsourcing		4.9%	6.9%	5.4%	4.3%	4.3%
Care support		2.9%	2.2%	3.6%	1.7%	2.3%
HR support for startups		12.4%	25.7%	8.9%	11.7%	-
Construction management engineers		0.7%	-9.7%	-6.5%	-3.8%	2.7%
Others		14.1%	10.8%	16.6%	8.7%	-1.0%

Source: Company Data. Compiled by Strategy Advisors.

**Figure 11. Consolidated Balance Sheet (¥ mn)**

	FY3/21	FY3/22	FY3/23	FY3/24	FY3/25
<b>Assets</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	7,455	8,973	9,590	7,106	6,936
Trade and other receivables	14,694	17,458	17,928	17,512	18,136
Other financial assets	690	129	138	171	213
Other current assets	729	728	1,009	1,338	1,265
<b>Current assets</b>	<b>23,570</b>	<b>27,289</b>	<b>28,666</b>	<b>26,129</b>	<b>26,551</b>
Property, plant and equipment	1,082	1,223	1,139	1,275	1,109
Right-to-use assets	5,715	6,809	6,349	5,071	4,391
Goodwill	6,155	6,514	8,120	8,737	8,166
Other intangible assets	6,049	6,154	5,996	6,109	5,605
Investment accounted for using equity method	495	477	456	431	-
Other financial assets	1,151	1,208	1,475	1,158	2,160
Deferred tax assets	1,678	1,850	1,953	1,888	1,851
Other non-current assets	863	822	782	741	86
<b>Non-current assets</b>	<b>23,190</b>	<b>25,061</b>	<b>26,272</b>	<b>25,413</b>	<b>23,371</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>46,760</b>	<b>52,350</b>	<b>54,939</b>	<b>51,543</b>	<b>49,923</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Trade and other payables	13,760	15,297	16,151	16,485	16,956
Short-term borrowings	4,865	5,786	6,761	2,490	4,003
Other financial liabilities	3,600	5,245	1,364	2,115	1,426
Income taxes payable	514	1,195	1,027	1,005	523
Other current liabilities	2,048	1,836	3,109	2,437	2,297
<b>Current liabilities</b>	<b>24,790</b>	<b>29,361</b>	<b>28,414</b>	<b>24,533</b>	<b>25,208</b>
Long-term borrowings	3,923	2,202	3,385	3,440	2,602
Others financial liabilities	6,563	6,285	5,950	4,837	3,636
Deferred tax liabilities	1,289	1,202	1,127	1,006	935
Other non-current liabilities	166	177	184	206	181
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>	<b>11,943</b>	<b>9,867</b>	<b>10,648</b>	<b>9,490</b>	<b>7,354</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>36,733</b>	<b>39,228</b>	<b>39,062</b>	<b>34,024</b>	<b>32,563</b>
<b>Net assets</b>					
Share capital	2,089	2,163	2,187	2,198	2,217
Capital surplus	-1,786	-2,266	-1,923	-2,045	-2,068
Treasury shares	-279	-274	-274	-204	-204
Other components of equity	-343	464	890	2,032	1,912
Retained earnings	8,559	11,310	13,758	15,528	15,536
Equity attributable to owners of parent	8,240	11,398	14,638	17,508	17,392
Non-controlling interests	1,786	1,723	1,238	10	-32
<b>Total equity</b>	<b>10,027</b>	<b>13,121</b>	<b>15,877</b>	<b>17,518</b>	<b>17,359</b>
<b>Total liabilities and equity</b>	<b>46,760</b>	<b>52,350</b>	<b>54,939</b>	<b>51,543</b>	<b>49,923</b>

Source: Company Data. Compiled by Strategy Advisors.

**Figure 12. Consolidated Cash Flow Statement (¥ mn)**

	<b>FY3/21</b>	<b>FY3/22</b>	<b>FY3/23</b>	<b>FY3/24</b>	<b>FY3/25</b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities (1)</b>	<b>4,316</b>	<b>4,350</b>	<b>4,816</b>	<b>3,828</b>	<b>1,806</b>
Profit before tax	3,788	5,293	5,146	4,417	2,177
Depreciation and amortization	2,229	2,084	2,137	2,285	2,084
Depreciation losses and impairment loss reversals	-	-	-	-	473
Share-based payment expenses	85	65	107	104	59
Decrease (increase) in trade receivables	1,488	-2,494	-223	42	-591
Increase (decrease) in trade payables	72	580	969	1,031	-615
Other	-1,312	-4	-839	-2,489	127
Subtotal	6,351	5,525	7,297	5,390	3,715
Interests and dividends received	7	9	17	124	43
Interest paid	-86	-79	-88	-120	-152
Income taxes paid	-1,956	-1,104	-2,409	-1,565	-1,800
<b>Cash flows from investing activities (2)</b>	<b>-433</b>	<b>-306</b>	<b>-1,761</b>	<b>-575</b>	<b>-695</b>
Purchase of property, plant and equipment, and intangible	-589	-741	-396	-802	-361
Purchase of investments accounted for using equity method	-350	-	-	-	-
Purchase of investment securities	-46	-63	-	-	-299
Proceeds from sales of investment securities	374	22	-	-	-
Purchase of shares of subsidiaries resulting in change in scope of consolidation	-	-	-1,757	-	-
Proceeds from sale of shares of subsidiaries resulting in change in scope of consolidation	-	-	1,009	811	-
Expenditures from loans	-	-	-	-	-300
Other	179	475	-617	-584	265
Free Cash Flow (1+2)	3,883	4,044	3,055	3,253	1,111
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>	<b>-2,646</b>	<b>-2,959</b>	<b>-2,783</b>	<b>-6,232</b>	<b>-1,233</b>
Net increase (decrease) in short-term borrowings	1,890	1,000	1,590	-3,245	1,365
Proceeds from long-term borrowings	270	1,165	4,383	1,500	800
Repayments of long-term borrowings	-3,080	-2,965	-3,367	-2,470	-1,566
Repayments of lease liabilities	-1,302	-1,310	-1,333	-1,335	-1,324
Purchase of shares of subsidiaries not resulting in change in scope of consolidation	-798	-1,969	-3,746	-	-
Proceeds from sale of shares of subsidiaries not resulting in change in scope of consolidation	-	1,360	-	-	-
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	-362	-281	-373	-	-
Dividends paid	-511	-540	-776	-1,008	-1,011
Proceeds from government grants	1,273	361	524	190	539
Other	-25	222	316	137	-35
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	274	432	345	494	-46
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1,511	1,517	617	-2,484	-169
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	5,944	7,455	8,973	9,590	7,106
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	7,455	8,973	9,590	7,106	6,936

Source: Company Data. Compiled by Strategy Advisors.

**Figure 13. Quarterly Performance Trends (¥ mn)**

	FY3/24				FY3/25				FY3/26		
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
Revenue	34,435	34,840	34,641	34,310	35,052	35,270	35,030	34,351	35,207	36,322	37,097
YoY	-2.8%	-5.6%	-4.5%	-2.9%	1.8%	1.2%	1.1%	0.1%	0.4%	3.0%	5.9%
Cost of sales	26,883	26,984	26,942	26,971	27,792	27,741	27,722	27,064	27,813	28,356	28,499
YoY	-1.9%	-6.1%	-4.8%	-2.8%	3.4%	2.8%	2.9%	0.3%	0.1%	2.2%	2.8%
Cost of sales ratio	78.1%	77.5%	77.8%	78.6%	79.3%	78.7%	79.1%	78.8%	79.0%	78.1%	76.8%
Gross profit	7,552	7,856	7,698	7,339	7,260	7,528	7,307	7,286	7,394	7,965	8,597
YoY	-6.0%	-4.0%	-3.1%	-3.1%	-3.9%	-4.2%	-5.1%	-0.7%	1.8%	5.8%	17.7%
Gross profit margin	21.9%	22.5%	22.2%	21.4%	20.7%	21.3%	20.9%	21.2%	21.0%	21.9%	23.2%
SG&A	7,256	7,021	7,017	7,019	7,387	6,745	6,584	6,553	7,040	6,788	7,395
YoY	8.9%	3.8%	-1.0%	5.5%	1.8%	-3.9%	-6.2%	-6.6%	-4.7%	0.6%	12.3%
SG&A ratio to revenue	21.1%	20.2%	20.3%	20.5%	21.1%	19.1%	18.8%	19.1%	20.0%	18.7%	19.9%
Operating profit	1,132	886	775	1,729	177	832	782	546	394	1,243	1,213
YoY	-20.9%	-41.1%	-16.8%	19.2%	-84.4%	-6.1%	0.9%	-68.4%	122.6%	49.4%	55.1%
OP margin	3.3%	2.5%	2.2%	5.0%	0.5%	2.4%	2.2%	1.6%	1.1%	3.4%	3.3%
Profit before tax	1,195	891	632	1,698	125	742	824	484	329	1,227	1,186
YoY	-16.1%	-41.5%	-21.2%	21.6%	-89.5%	-16.7%	30.4%	-71.5%	163.2%	65.4%	43.9%
Pretax profit margin	3.5%	2.6%	1.8%	4.9%	0.4%	2.1%	2.4%	1.4%	0.9%	3.4%	3.2%
Profit attributable to owners of parent	723	679	161	1,214	69	437	610	38	281	866	831
YoY	-4.6%	-31.1%	-70.0%	27.3%	-90.5%	-35.6%	278.9%	-96.9%	307.2%	98.2%	36.2%
NP margin	2.1%	1.9%	0.5%	3.5%	0.2%	1.2%	1.7%	0.1%	0.8%	2.4%	2.2%

Source: Company Data. Compiled by Strategy Advisors.

**Figure 14. Quarterly Performance Trends by Segment (¥ mn)**

	FY3/24				FY3/25				FY3/26		
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
Revenue	34,435	34,840	34,641	34,310	35,052	35,270	35,030	34,351	35,207	36,322	37,097
YoY	-2.8%	-5.6%	-4.5%	-2.9%	1.8%	1.2%	1.1%	0.1%	0.4%	3.0%	5.9%
Domestic Working	20,186	20,514	20,940	20,886	20,468	20,794	21,179	20,656	21,182	21,585	22,754
YoY	-3.3%	-0.7%	-2.2%	-1.4%	1.4%	1.4%	1.1%	-1.1%	3.5%	3.8%	7.4%
Ratio to revenue	58.6%	58.9%	60.5%	60.9%	58.4%	59.0%	60.5%	60.1%	60.2%	59.4%	61.3%
Overseas Working	14,182	14,258	13,630	13,361	14,534	14,435	13,815	13,662	14,001	14,716	14,319
YoY	1.0%	-9.2%	-4.0%	-1.7%	2.5%	1.2%	1.4%	2.3%	-3.7%	1.9%	3.6%
Ratio to revenue	41.2%	40.9%	39.3%	38.9%	41.5%	40.9%	39.4%	39.8%	39.8%	40.5%	38.6%
Others	66	68	69	62	48	41	35	32	24	20	22
Ratio to revenue	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Operating profit	1,132	886	775	1,729	177	832	782	546	394	1,243	1,213
YoY	-20.9%	-41.1%	-16.8%	19.2%	-84.4%	-6.1%	0.9%	-68.4%	122.6%	49.4%	55.1%
OP margin	3.3%	2.5%	2.2%	5.0%	0.5%	2.4%	2.2%	1.6%	1.1%	3.4%	3.3%
Domestic Working	1,364	781	850	2,041	238	861	983	1,167	583	1,181	1,250
YoY	15.0%	-28.3%	-3.8%	58.3%	-82.6%	10.2%	15.6%	-42.8%	145.0%	37.2%	27.2%
OP margin	6.8%	3.8%	4.1%	9.8%	1.2%	4.1%	4.6%	5.7%	2.8%	5.5%	5.5%
Overseas Working	456	667	525	297	573	543	392	-76	471	678	603
YoY	-46.7%	-37.0%	-23.7%	-63.0%	25.7%	-18.6%	-25.3%	-	-17.8%	24.9%	53.8%
OP margin	3.2%	4.7%	3.9%	2.2%	3.9%	3.8%	2.8%	-0.6%	3.4%	4.6%	4.2%
Others	-69	-68	-53	-32	-60	-77	-59	-25	-74	-80	-59
Adjustment	-617	-493	-546	-577	-574	-495	-533	-518	-586	-535	-580

Source: Company Data. Compiled by Strategy Advisors.

**Figure 15. Domestic Working Business Quarterly Details (¥ mn)**

	FY3/24				FY3/25				FY3/26		
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
<b>Revenue</b>											
Domestic Working	20,186	20,514	20,940	20,886	20,468	20,794	21,179	20,656	21,182	21,585	22,754
Sales outsourcing	4,866	4,867	4,968	5,130	5,187	5,042	5,108	5,078	5,046	5,214	5,650
Call center outsourcing	3,883	3,753	3,720	3,482	3,387	3,296	3,278	2,986	2,986	2,891	2,846
Factory outsourcing	4,448	4,473	4,630	4,435	4,586	4,634	4,774	4,543	4,693	4,675	4,827
Care support	3,311	3,338	3,398	3,339	3,379	3,442	3,448	3,366	3,442	3,516	3,582
Construction management engineers	2,346	2,586	2,709	2,823	3,159	3,585	3,727	3,818	4,094	4,357	4,470
Others	599	614	687	689	767	792	841	862	919	929	1,377
<b>Operating profit</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Domestic Working	663	808	712	847	259	909	1,153	945	643	1,314	1,309
Sales outsourcing	281	284	337	405	375	293	357	338	294	370	426
Call center outsourcing	152	114	143	97	103	96	143	85	134	121	60
Factory outsourcing	221	180	229	134	139	195	289	179	245	276	295
Care support	77	48	54	46	59	82	84	91	92	119	94
Construction management engineers	-273	-59	-20	-47	-369	279	275	198	-129	429	563
Others	101	36	52	32	-49	-39	3	52	5	-2	-130

Source: Company Data. Compiled by Strategy Advisors.

**Figure 16. Overseas Working Business Quarterly Details (¥ mn)**

	FY3/24				FY3/25				FY3/26		
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
<b>Overseas Working Revenue</b>											
YoY	14,182	14,258	13,630	13,361	14,534	14,435	13,815	13,662	14,001	14,716	14,319
	1.0%	-9.2%	-4.0%	-1.7%	2.5%	1.2%	1.4%	2.3%	-3.7%	1.9%	3.6%
<b>Breakdown of Revenue by Contract Type</b>											
Temporary staffing	12,227	12,215	11,782	11,793	12,514	12,472	12,079	12,050	12,182	12,754	12,273
Permanent placement	1,933	2,029	1,832	1,557	1,993	1,943	1,702	1,591	1,776	1,933	2,030
Other	21	13	15	10	27	18	34	21	42	28	15
<b>Breakdown of Revenue by Region</b>											
Australia	10,502	10,204	9,419	9,054	9,887	9,698	9,044	8,676	8,956	9,324	8,848
Asia	3,679	4,054	4,210	4,306	4,647	4,736	4,770	4,986	5,044	5,392	5,470
<b>Overseas Working</b>											
YoY	456	667	525	297	573	543	392	-76	471	678	603
	-46.7%	-37.0%	-23.7%	-63.0%	25.7%	-18.6%	-25.3%	-	-17.8%	24.9%	53.8%

Source: Company Data. Compiled by Strategy Advisors.

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