FY2015 Fiscal Year Financial Results



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FY 2015 Summary of Consolidated Financials for Fiscal Year

With the influence of decreasing digital sales and the unanticipated returns of retail publications, net sales dropped by 10.6%. Losses showed for operating income/ordinary profit/net profit.

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	FY2014 performance	FY2015 performance	Amount of fluctuation	Fluctuation rate	Performance forecast	Achievement Ratio
Net sales	13,870	12,395	-1,475	-10.6%	13,950	88.9%
Operating Income(Loss)	659	-934	-1,593	_	160	-
(Sales amount ratio, same applies hereafter)	4.8%	-7.5%			1.1%	
Ordinary Income(Loss)	699	-887	-1,586	-	200	-
Ordinary meome(£033)	5.0%	-7.2%			1.4%	
Net Income(Loss)	433	-7,042	-7,475	-	200	-
Wet medine(£033)	3.1%	-56.8%			1.4%	
EPS (JPY)	26.07	-423.51	-449.58	-	12.03	-

XAbove forecast was announced 30th Oct 2014

(million JPY)



FY 2015 Net sales by category for Fiscal Year (Compared to previous period)

The main cause behind the decrease in digital sales is the slackened growth of sales in the maturing PND(Portable car navigation) market. Advertisement income gained through merchandising of "Co-trip" brand.

						(million JPY)	
	FY 2014 perfo	rmance	FY 2015 performance		Amount of	Increase/	
	Result	Component percentage	Result	Component percentage	Increase/ Decrease	Decrease Rate	
E-business sales	4,924	35.5%	4,363	35.2%	-561	-11.4%	
Fees and Commissions	33	0.3%	30	0.2%	-3	-9.5%	
Retail Publishing Total	7,363	53.1%	6,472	52.2%	-890	-12.1%	
Maps	3,165	22.8%	2,318	18.7%	-847	-26.8%	
Magazines	3,045	22.0%	2,949	23.8%	-96	-3.2%	
Guidebooks	1,121	8.1%	1,173	9.5%	51	4.6%	
Practical Books	29	0.2%	31	0.2%	2	7.1%	
Special-order Products	795	5.7%	668	5.4%	-127	-16.1%	
Advertising	753	5.4%	860	7.0%	107	14.3%	
Total	13,870	100.0%	12,395	100.0%	-1,475	-10.6%	



FY 2015 Highlights for fiscal year

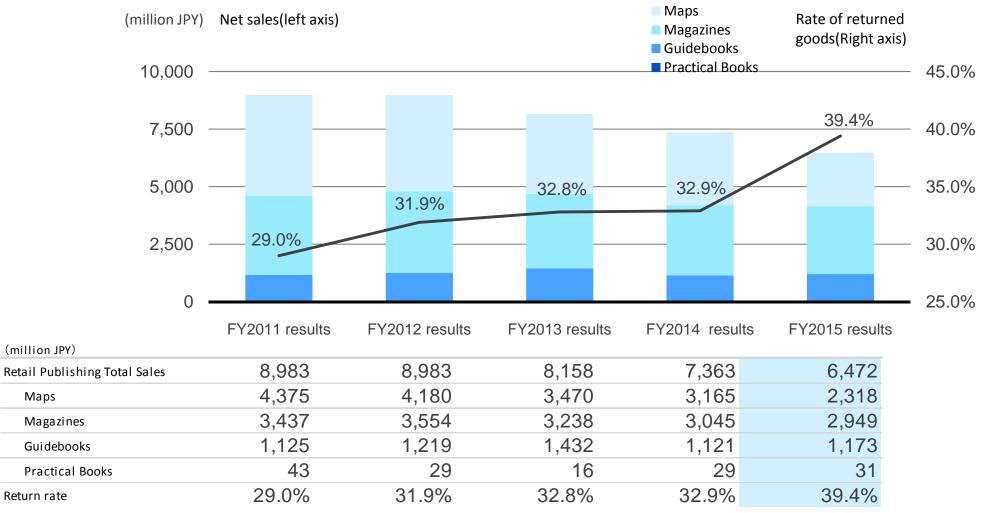
- For digital sales, sales in the PND market which has been considered a growing segment showed a rapid decrease.
- For publication sales, weather conditions during the peak tourism season negatively affected the sales of magazines/maps. One of the reasons is the increase in returns of older version products due to publications of newer revised versions.
- Selling, general and administrative(SGA) expenses showed a large increase even during a phase when income decreased due to prior investment, sales promotion expenses, research and development expenses etc required for the promotion of the inbound business.
- As a result of considering the realization of fixed assets and goodwill and taking into account the rapidly changing business environment surrounding our group, an impairment loss of JPY 58.68 billion has been recorded as extraordinary loss.
 - ▶Breakdown and sum of major fixed assets that impairment losses have been calculated for:
 -Database 33.78 billion JPY, -Land 19.27 billion JPY -Software 412 million JPY
- As a result of considering the realization of deferred tax assets, we have decided to reduce the full amount and recorded 215 million JPY as adjustment amount such as corporate tax etc.
- Dividend is anticipated to be the same amount as last period, 20 per share JPY.

¹ Inbound Business, a business model whereby Shobunsha gains advertisement fees through data provision service targeting inbound travelers, which we consider to be one of the key growth drivers for the entire group.



FY 2015 Fiscal Year Publication Sales and Return Rates

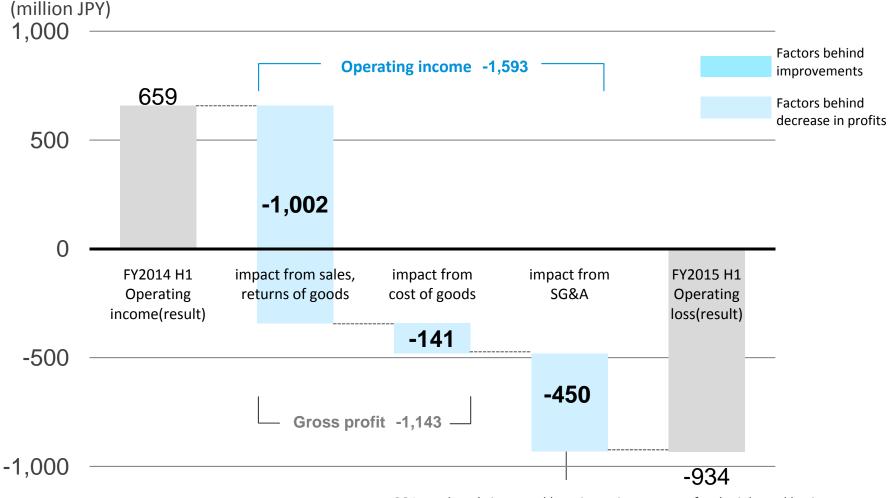
Because of the early publishing of some of the revised-version map publications, the return period was front-loaded and returns increased for last year versions, and as a result, return rates rose to nearly 40%.





FY 2015 Fiscal Year Analysis of Operating Income (Compared to previous fiscal year)

With the impact of reduced sales and increased returns, profits fell sharply. Cost wise, the increase in maintenance cost for car navigation related business and increased publication costs due to new travel related publications held an impact.





FY 2015 Fiscal Year SGA, Capital Expenditures and Depreciation

The increase in SGA is mainly due to the cost required for the promotion of the inbound business. As for capital expenditures, system investments were also made to strengthen the inbound business.

(million JPY)

	FY2014 Results	FY2015 Results	Amount of Increase/ Decrease	Increase/ Decrease Rate
Net sales	13,870	12,395	-1,475	-10.6%
SGA Total	3,776	4,226	450	11.9%
Promotion expenses	102	131	28	27.9%
Advertising expenses	222	307	84	37.8%
Salaries, allowances and bonuses	1,418	1,494	75	5.3%
Provision for bonuses	171	180	9	5.4%
Depreciation	127	113	-14	-11.2%
Research and Development	149	195	46	30.8%
Other	1,583	1,804	221	14.0%
Capital Expenditures Total	414	570	156	37.8%
Tangible assets	55	72	17	30.8%
Intangible assets	358	498	139	38.9%
Depreciation & Amortization Total	1,277	1,218	-58	-4.6%
Tangi ble assets	211	197	-13	-6.6%
Intangible assets	1,065	1,021	-44	-4.2%



FY 2015 Fiscal Year Consolidated Balance Sheet

Fixed assets decreased sharply and the component ratio has changed significantly due to the large amount of impairment.

	(million)					(million JPY)
	End of I	FY2014	End of FY2015		Amount of	Factors behind
	results	Component percentage	results	Component percentage	Increase/ Decrease	increase/decrease
Total Assets	33,992	100.0%	28,328	100.0%	-5,664	
Current assets	16,701	49.1%	17,480	61.7%	778	Financing in the form of unsecured convertible-bond
Inventory	1,820	5.4%	1,933	6.8%	113	
Non-current assets	17,290	50.9%	10,847	38.3%	-6,442	Loss of database/land due to the delcaration of impairment
database	3,905	11.5%	0	0.0%	-3,905	
Total Liabilities	4,987	14.7%	6,350	22.4%	1,362	
Current liabilities	3,615	72.5%	3,882	61.1%	267	Increase in notes and account payable
Non-current liabilities	1,372	27.5%	2,467	38.9%	1,094	Issue of unsecured convertible bond
Total Net assets	29,004	85.3%	21,978	77.6%	-7,026	(Equity-to-asset ratio down by 7.7Pt)
Shareholder's equity	28,401	97.9%	21,087	95.9%	-7,313	Decrease of accumulated earnings due to the recording of net loss
Total accumulated other comprehensive income	603	2.1%	890	4.1%	287	Increase of valuation difference on available-for-sales securities
TOTAL	33,992	100.0%	28,328	100.0%	-5,664	



FY2015 Fiscal Year Consolidated Cash Flow Statements

Cash flows from operating activities reflected the decrease in profitability.

Cash flows from operating activities (million JPY) Amount of 1,210 FY2014 FY2015 FY2015 increase/ Factors behind increase/decrease Results Results decrease 2,287 FY2014 Decrease in loss before income taxes and minority 1,081 FY2013 interests -7,499 Cash flows from 2,287 1,210 -1,077 Impairment loss +5,868 operating activities Decrease in notes and accounts receivable-trade 1,666 FY2012 FY2011 2,028 Earnings from refund of fixed deposit +500 Expenditure from deposit in time deposit -600 Cash flows from investing activities Cash flows from Decrease in income from sell off of investment 316 -504 investing activities securities -564 Increase in expenditure from acquisition of intangible -504 FY2015 fixed assets -111 316 FY2014 Cash flows from -771 Income from issue of corporate bonds +991 FY2013 -636 629 Increase of short-term loan payable +174 financing activities -483 FY2012 -773 FY2011 Net increase(decrease) **Cash flows from financing activities** in cash and cash 1.335 -631 1.967 equivalents(- indicates 629 decrease) FY2015 -636 FY2014 Cash and cash -493 FY2013 10,446 11,782 1.335 equivalents at end of period -395 FY2012



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Cash flows Change over the past 5 years (million JPY)

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FY 2016 Forecast for fiscal year (Compared to previous fiscal year)

Sales wise, the aim is to secure revenue increase which will be the first in 4 fiscal years by reorganizing existing business fields and assertively developing new businesses. With the influence of this term's declaration of impairment, the amortization of intangible assets is expected to decrease.

				(million JPY)
	FY2015 results	FY2016 forecast	Amount of Increase/ Decrease	Increase/ Decrease rate
Net sales	12,395	13,890	1,494	12.1%
Operating income (Operating loss) (Operating income to net sales ratio, same applies hereafter)	-934 -7.5%	500 3.6%	1,434	-
Ordinary income(Ordinary loss)	-88 7 -7.2%	540 3.9%	1,427	-
Net income(Net loss)	-7,042 -56.8%	500 3.6%	7,542	-
EPS(JPY)	-423.51	30.07	453.58	-
Capital Expenditures Total	570	820	249	43.7%
Tangible assets	72	100	27	37.6%
Intangible assets	498	720	221	44.6%
Depreciation & Amortization Total	1,218	400	-818	-67.2%
Tangible assets	197	195	-2	-1.4%
Intangible assets	1.021	205	-816	-79.9%
Research and Development	195	60	-135	-69.3%



FY 2016 Fiscal Year Projection of net sales by category (Compared to previous fiscal year)

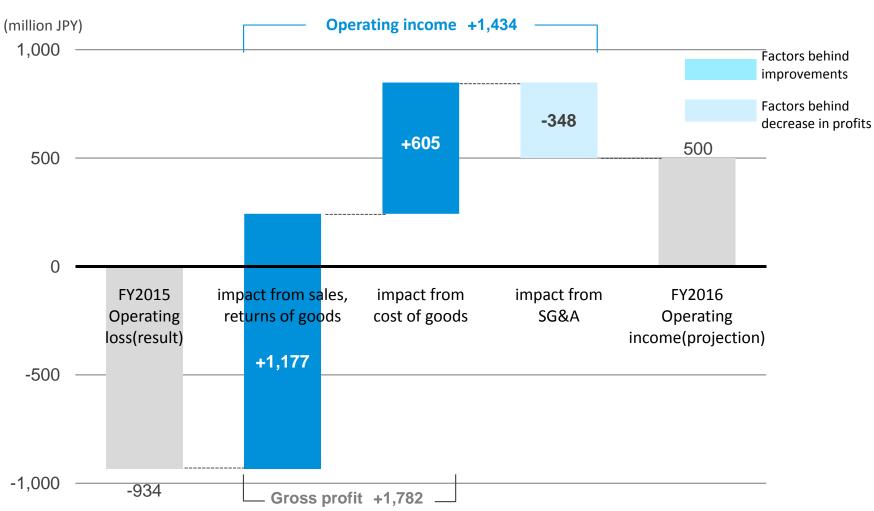
Based on the current strategy and the state of progress, the sales from the inbound business has included in the "E-business sales" and "Fees and Commissions". The retail publishing total is projected to increase with measures to suppress returns.

						(million JPY)	
	FY 2015 Fisca	l Year	FY 2016 Fiscal Year		Amount of	Increase/	
	Result	Component percentage	Projection	Component percentage	Increase/ Decrease	Decrease Rate	
E-business sales	4,363	35.2%	4,380	31.5%	16	0.4%	
Fees and Commissions	30	0.2%	130	1.0%	99	323.2%	
Retail Publishing Total	6,472	52.2%	7,710	55.5%	1,237	19.1%	
Maps	2,318	18.7%	2,990	21.5%	671	29.0%	
Magazines	2,949	23.8%	3,520	25.3%	570	19.4%	
Guidebooks	1,173	9.5%	1,150	8.3%	-23	-2.0%	
Practical Books	31	0.2%	50	0.4%	18	56.9%	
Special-order Products	668	5.4%	820	5.9%	151	22.7%	
Advertising	860	7.0%	850	6.1%	-10	-1.2%	
Total	12,395	100.0%	13,890	100.0%	1,494	12.1%	



FY 2016 Fiscal Year Analysis of Operating Income (Compared to previous fiscal year)

With primary factors such as the increase of sales and the lightened burden of depreciation and amortization, operating income is expected to turn into a surplus. SGA is expected to increase further due to the costs related to new businesses.





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Summary of Group Corporate Organization

Shobunsha Group currently consists of 5 entities: corporate headquarters corporation, 3 subsidiary companies, and 1 affiliated corporation (by the equity accounting method). (As of March 31th, 2015)

	Company Name
	Founded
	Established
g	Number of
hsu	Employees
hobunsha	Listed Market
S	Address
	Business Description

Shobunsha Publications, Inc.
May-60
Jun-64
375(as of 31 Mar 15)
First Section of The Tokyo Stock Exchange
3-1 Kojimachi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo
Shobunsha group's core business is the development of our original map and guide data. Our other businesses built around this business include the publishing and distributing of maps, magazines and guidebooks, the planning/production/distribution of digital database and providing other related services.

	Company Name
liary anies	Investment ratio
subsidiary Companies	Business Description

Canvas Mapple Co., Ltd.
100%
Development, Planning and Distribution of Map softwares for car navigation systems

Mapple On Co., Ltd.
100%
Planning, Distribution and web
advertisement business of application
software for mobiles (cell phones ·
smartphones)

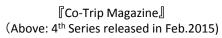
Shobunsha Digital Solution Co., Ltd.
100%
Mapping Business and System Solution Business



Key Topics of FY 2015

Release date	Topics
Apr.23.2014	Launch of " Seven Travel Map Powered by MAPPLE", a service that enables consumers to print-out guide maps through the multi-copying machines installed in Seven-Eleven convenient stores.
May.12	Launch of "Co-trip Magazine" a seasonal magazine that offers ideas for a new way of lifestyle by linking everday life with travel.
Jun.20	Launch of series "Tabitte", a guidebook targeted for people traveling without cars / Sold domestically in 20 areas
Sep.17	Total sales for the guidebook series for women "Co-Trip" reaches 10 million copies.
Nov.4	Launch of free tourism application for inbound travelers "DiGJAPAN!" in 5 languages (English, Chinese (Simpified, Traditional), Korean, Thai)
Feb.4.2015	Update of free tourism application for inbound travelers "DiGJAPAN!" Addition of popular areas, Kyoto and Osaka and the coupon function
Feb.16	Release of "Touring the world heritages of Japan", a map guidebook featuring popular world heritages such as Tomioka Silk Mill
Feb.19	Release of supporter's guidebook for Urawa Reds, a popular J-League Soccer Team "Mapple Magazine Urawa Reds"
Mar.6	Release of "Mapple Magazine Let's get on the Hokuriku Shinkansen!", a guidebook introducing the wonders of traveling by Shinkansen and the stations along the Hokuriku Shinkansen railway line.







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