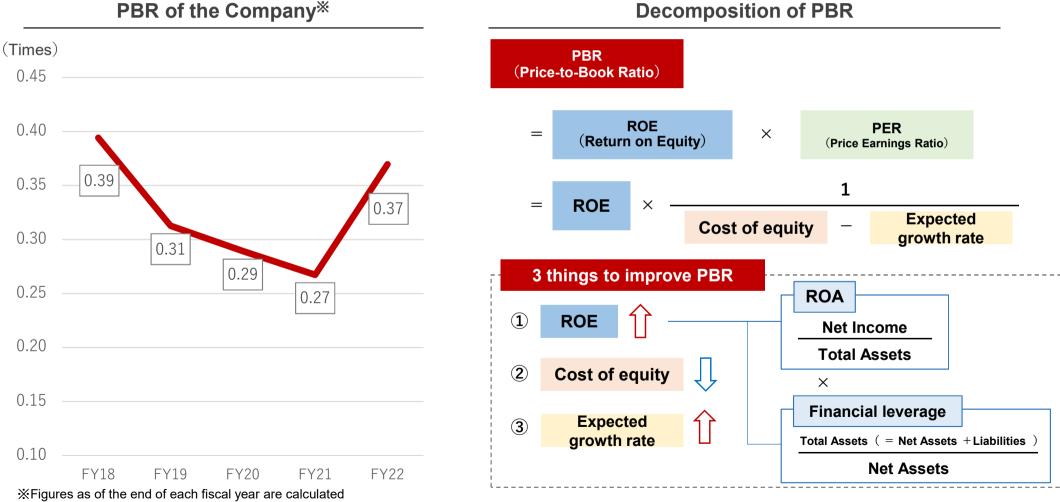
# JAPAN POST HOLDINGS

Initiatives for the "Action to Implement Management that is Conscious of Cost of Capital and Stock Price"

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# **Japan Post Holdings' PBR**

- > While the Tokyo Stock Exchange has indicated that approximately half of the listed companies on the Prime Market have a PBR below 1, the Company needs to improve its PBR as it has a PBR of less than 1 in the past 5 fiscal years.
- > PBR can theoretically be expressed as PBR = ROE / (cost of equity expected growth rate). Improving PBR requires three things: (1) increasing ROE, (2) reducing cost of equity, and (3) increasing expected growth rate.
- Assuming an expected growth rate of zero, "ROE  $\geq$  cost of equity" needs to be achieved for PBR to be more than 1.



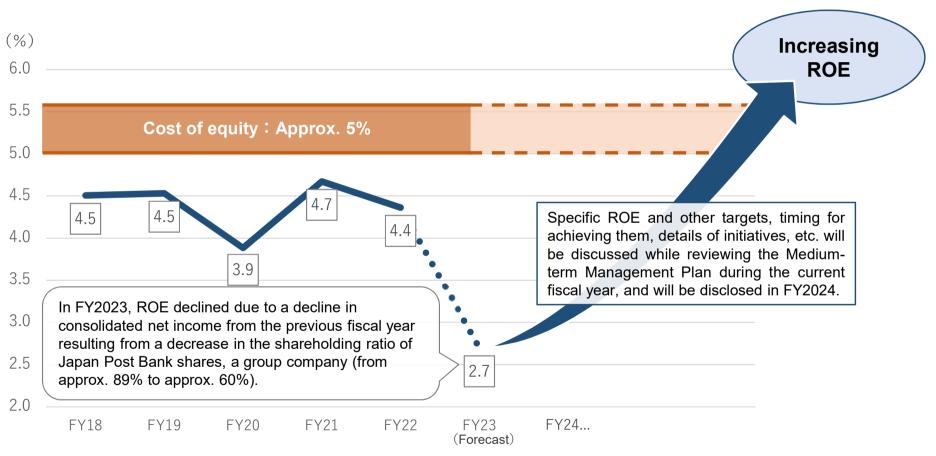
**Decomposition of PBR** 



### Japan Post Holdings' ROE and Cost of Equity

- > Using CAPM based on the most recent data, the cost of equity is estimated to be **approx. 5%**.
- > The Company's ROE is below the cost of equity.
  - ⇒ We aim for a level of ROE that exceeds the cost of equity.

#### Trends of the Company's ROE (\* 1,2) and the cost of equity



- %1 ROE on a shareholders' equity basis not affected by net unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities, taking into consideration our banking business characteristics
- X2 Calculated by dividing net income attributable to Japan Post Holdings by the average shareholders' equity during the period (excluding non-controlling interests and net unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities from net assets) and rounding to the first decimal place

## **Policy for Initiatives to Improve PBR (Overall Picture)**

- > Improve PBR by increasing ROE, reducing cost of equity and increasing expected growth rate.
- Details of specific initiatives, etc. will be discussed while reviewing the Medium-term Management Plan during the current fiscal year, and will be disclosed in FY2024.

Increasing ROE	Increasing ROA (profit)	[Profit generation]		
		Japan Post Co.	Postal and domestic logistics business: Reinforcing sales capabilities and systems, and increasing the number of parcels, etc. by collaborating with other companies Post office business: Increasing usage by improving sales skills, etc., and improving customer convenience by expanding online and remote services Real estate business: Promoting development of Group-owned real estate, etc. in accordance with their location characteristics	
		Japan Post Bank	Market business: Expansion of risk assets, restructuring of yen interest rate portfolio Retail business: Improving earnings of existing businesses, and seizing new revenue opportunities by using apps, etc. Σ business: Developing GP services unique to Japan Post Bank	
		Japan Post Insurance	Sales: Strengthening of sales network cooperation, development of sales personnel, enhancement of product lineup Asset management: Expanding asset management earnings by achieving greater depth and sophistication of asset management Securing new revenue: Creating new measures to secure revenue through alliances with other companies	
	Controlling financial leverage	<ul> <li>(Financial strategy and capital policy)</li> <li>Utilization of debt in growth investments to control funding costs</li> <li>Improve capital efficiency through flexible share repurchases</li> </ul>		
Reducing cost of equity		<b>[Stable share price formation]</b> - Stable dividend - Reduce business risk and conduct appropriate control		
Increasing expected growth rate		<ul> <li>[Investor relations activities and information disclosure]</li> <li>Strengthening the transmission of equity stories</li> <li>[Growth strategy]</li> <li>Develop growth strategies to realize the "Co-creation Platform" set forth in the Medium-term Management Plan, and identify seeds in new business fields that will contribute to these strategies</li> </ul>		