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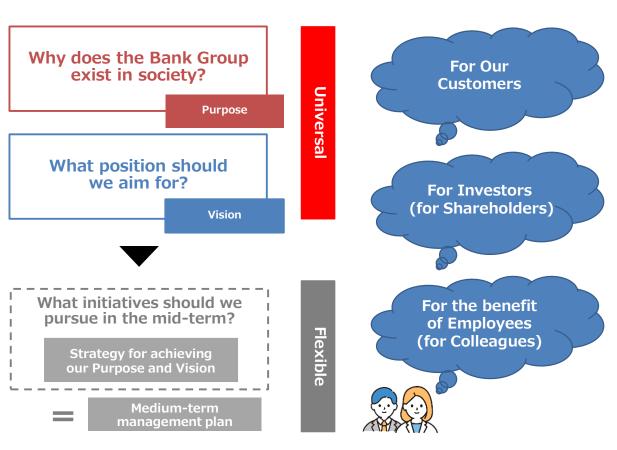


### **Timeline of Facts**

On June 23, 2023, Chiba Bank, Ltd. was issued with the administrative actions (Business Improvement Order) for situations where a problem related to the investors' protection was raised, pursuant to Article 51-2 of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, regarding the financial instruments intermediary business related to the solicitation and sales of structured bonds. In accordance with Article 51 of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, Chibagin Securities Co., Ltd. was issued with the administrative actions (Business Improvement Order) regarding business operations that violate the suitability principle for solicitation and sales of structured bonds.

Subsequently, in formulating business improvement plan, we investigated the cause of the problem and studied improvement measures over a period of about two months. As a result of a series of discussions while holding hearings with relevant parties, we came to the conclusion that it is the most important effort to make the Purpose and Vision the axis of action and judgment.





### Formulation of Business Improvement Plan

Details of the business improvement plan and the disposition are decided based on the opinions of outside directors through close discussions.

50 or more meetings held by the Investigation and Improvement Planning Committee after receiving the recommendation

Investigation and Improvement Planning Committee

(Including outside lawyers)

Interviews with the parties concerned

Confirmation of facts

Point
Japan Securities Dealers
Association feedback

True cause analysis

Locus of responsibility

To consider improvement measures

Management, Sales, Administration, Auditing, Branch, Securities (total 35 or more)

**Board of Directors** 

Appointment,
Remuneration and
Corporate Advisory
Committee

Five meetings of the Board of Directors were held after receiving the recommendation

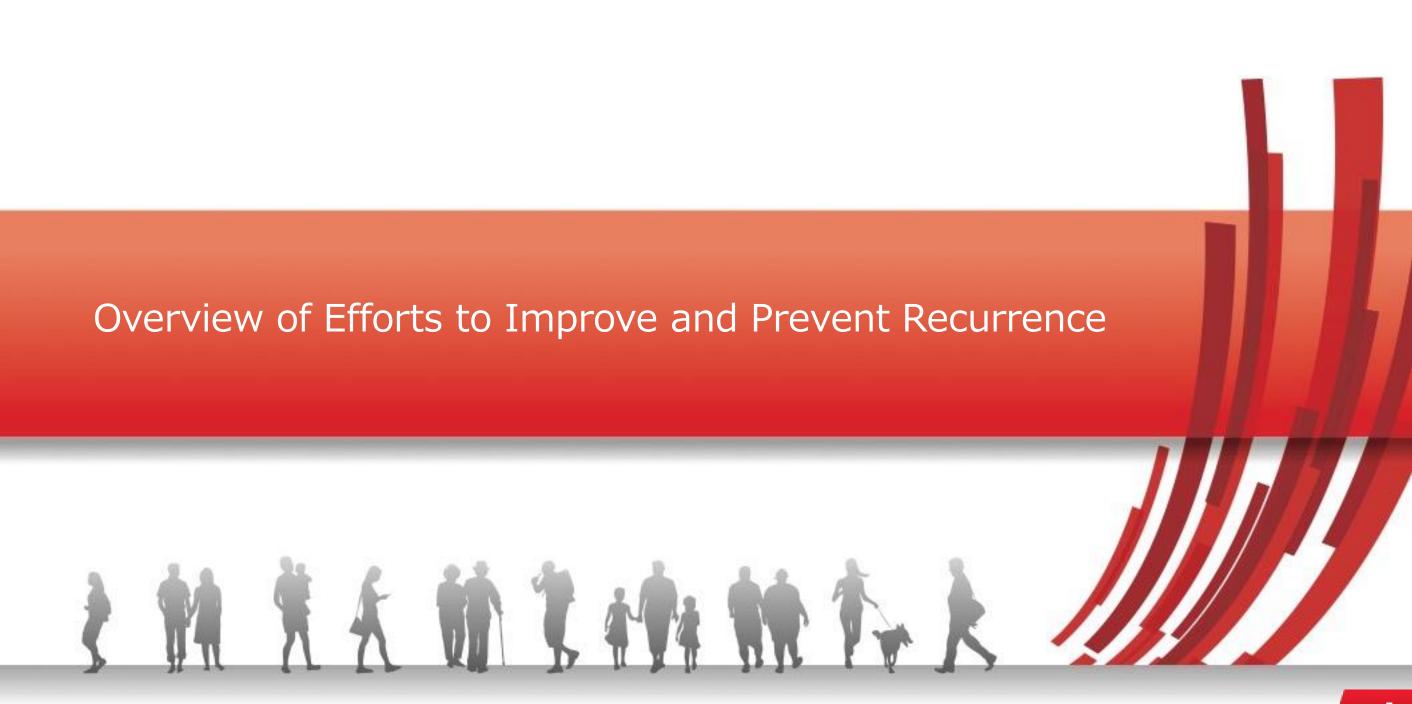
Ratio of independent outside directors 33% (3/9)



Two meetings of Appointment, Remuneration and Corporate Advisory Committee after receiving business improvement order

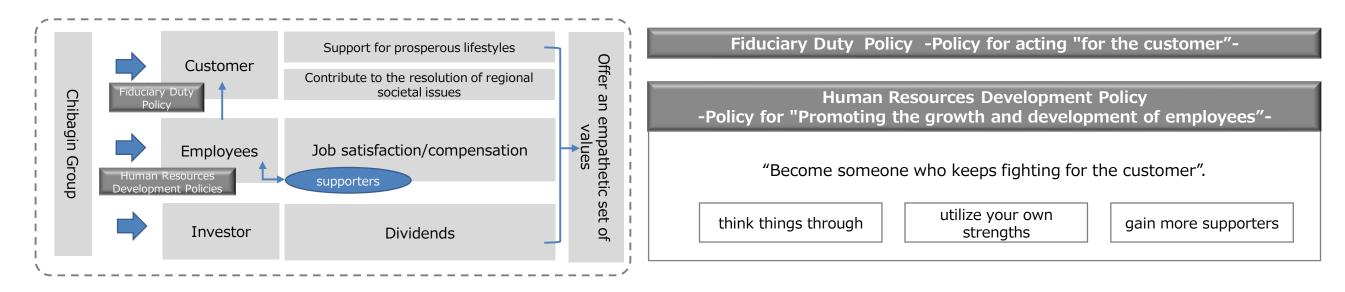
**Outside director chairman** 





### **Purpose**

#### To create a local community better suited to bringing each person's hope to life



#### Three Pledges - Action principles for the achievement of the Purpose and the implementation of fiduciary duty-

Whenever making a proposal to a customer or making a business decision, we always stop and think, will this proposal or decision lead to

the realization of the customer's wish

a solution to the customer's problem

the realization of prosperous lifestyles for the customer

Vision

An Engagement Bank Group that works closely with the community

### True Cause Analysis of Problems / Four Measures

The most important initiative is the penetration and thoroughness of the Purpose and Vision etc., which are common to all issues.

#### True cause analysis

## Issue of establishment of operational management system (problem of incentive mechanism)

- The system in which structured bonds were evaluated in relation to the volume of operations.
- While there was a preference for sales of structured bonds, the problems and risks associated with structured bonds were underestimated.

#### Issue of internal management system

- In the 1<sup>st</sup> line, the three elements of (1) motivation, (2) opportunity, and (3) justification were established.
- In the 2<sup>nd</sup> line and 3<sup>rd</sup> line, the problem of risk detection capability and response to detected risks were insufficient.

#### Issue of business management system

- Group governance issues
   Problems in understanding the current situation, identifying issues, and managing the progress of instructions
- Organizational culture issues
   Management is unable to respond appropriately to problems in business operations and internal control systems

#### **Major Initiatives**

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Penetration and thoroughness of the Purpose and Vision

Continued message dissemination by management to employee

Penetration of Fiduciary Duty Policy

Penetration of Human Resources Development Policy

Raising internal awareness for empathy and action

2

Establishment of Business Operation System

Four major measures for investment trusts

**Elimination of profit targets for retail business** 

Focus on Fiduciary Duty and activity

**Training of retail comprehensive consultants** 

3

Strengthening Internal Control System

Diversification and sophistication of monitoring methods

Advanced analysis of customer feedback (introduction of RPA and AI)

4

Strengthening Business
Management System

**Establishment of the Group Improvement Office** 

The chairman of the Board of Directors was changed to an Outside Director

Introduced Skill Matrix for Executives of group companies

### List of Major Measures

Penetration and thoroughness of the Purpose and Vision	Implementation timing	Implem- entation*1	Add *2
Displaying the Purpose and Vision on internal PCs and business cards	September 2023	•	
Reviewed Fiduciary Duty Policy, established Fiduciary Duty Handbook	October 2023	•	
Established Three Pledges	October 2023	•	•
Monthly Fiduciary Duty study meeting by all employees	October 2023	•	
Career support based on human resource development policies at personnel interviews	October 2023	•	•
Discussion by project team (two subcommittees in the bottom)	December 2023	•	•
On the 23rd of every month, distributed video messages by Directors	December 2023	•	
Start of Fiduciary Duty hearing	December 2023	•	•
Senior management and compliance training	December 2023	•	
Implemented Fiduciary Duty Special Award	2H of FY2023	•	•
Linking performance reviews to human resource development policies	April 2024	•	•
Establishment of the operational management system	Implementation timing	Implem- entation*1	Add *2
Implementated the four major measures concerning investment-type financial instruments  Specialist training in retail comprehensive consulting	April 2023	•	
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Training and video distribution for Fiduciary Duty, behavioral change to focus on activity volume	September 2023	•	•
To eliminate banks' profit targets for the retail business	October 2023	•	
Eliminated return of profits incentives completely from the Securities transactions based on the Bank referrals	October 2023	•	

<sup>\*1</sup> Including ongoing measures after implementation [All 57 measures (major measures are listed on this page)]

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③ Strengthening internal control system			Implementation timing	Implem- entation *1	Add*2
Conducted engagement survey			September 2023	•	
Opened Chotto line to group companies		<u>,</u>	September 2023	•	
Newly established practical training for newly appointed internal administration supervisors			October 2023	•	
Introduced conformity verification tools			March 2024	•	
Introduced 360-degree evaluation to group companies			1H of 2024		
Review of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> line system (establishment of the Customer Monitoring Office)	Support		October 2023	•	
Customer interviews by headquarters staff about sales of finan products	cial 2 <sup>nd</sup> line	ond Iib	December 2023	•	•
Advanced analysis of customer feedback (introduction of RPA a		ŀ	September 2024		
Diversification and sophistication of monitoring methods (Phone recording system, voice and video recording of visits,)			September 2024		
President as in charge of the Audit Department and deeply inverpocal	_		October 2023	•	
Introduced culture audits	Ja line	ord lin	March 2024	•	
Through participation in the meetings of the Securities Audit Department by the Bank's Audit Department, strengthening gr cooperation in the auditing department	_		September 2023	•	
Strengthening Business Management System			Implementation timing	Implem- entation *1	Add*2
Dispatch of Directors and general managers from the bank to t securities		)	April 2023	•	
Establishment of the Group Improvement Office	Group g		October 2023	•	
Implementated customer satisfaction surveys for all group concustomer			November 2023	•	•
The chairman of the Board of Directors was changed to an Out Director	rance		April 2024	•	
One on One meeting with the president of group company pre	sidents	Org	September 2023	•	
Opinion exchange meetings between the bank Directors and g companies	roup culture	Organizational	September 2023	•	
Introducted Skill Matrix for Executives of group companies		nal	April 2024	•	

<sup>\*2</sup> Addition from business improvement plan originally submitted [Nine additional initiatives (based on awareness)]

<sup>\*3</sup> The measures that have not yet been implemented are highlighted [Three measures not yet been implemented (ongoing)]

#### Measures

Penetration and thoroughness of the Purpose and Vision

Continued message dissemination by management

**Penetration of Fiduciary Duty Policy** 

Penetration of human resource development policy

#### **Establishment of business operation system**

#### Four major measures for investment trust

- App for investment trust
- Okane no Basket (Money Basket) (suggestion tool)
- **■** Complete paperless operation
- Chigin Money Guide (portal site)



Elimination of profit targets for retail business

Focus on Fiduciary Duty and activity

Training of retail comprehensive consultants

#### Verification of the actual situation

**Building of internal management systems** 

P10,11

Verify problems and improvements by establishing a wide variety of mechanisms to collect customer feedback and feedback from individual workplaces and employees.

< Feedback from customer >

CX survey

**NPS** survey

<Feedback from workplace and employees >
Purpose and Vision Penetrate Project Team

**Engagement survey** 

Unsigned and signed questionnaire

360-degree evaluation

**Chotto line** 

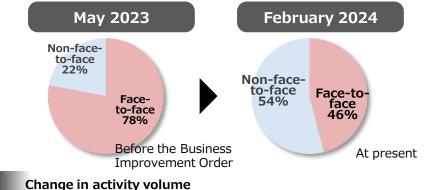
**Internal hotline system** 

Interviews with the Audit and Inspection

**Division and the Group Improvement Office** 

### Change (output)

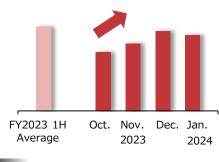
Changes in channels (sales of investment trusts)

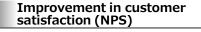


Number of effective interviews with retail customer

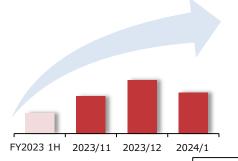
Sales result of financial products

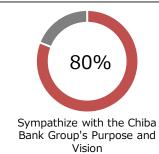






#### Employee engagement





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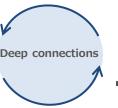
### Efforts to Grasp Actual Situation (Internal Evaluation)

#### Internal evaluation

#### **Engagement survey**

#### **Environment, Evaluation, Treatment** and Compensation



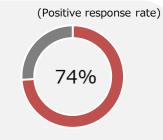




Satisfaction, Sympathy, and Contribution

# 80%

Be sympathetic to the Chiba Bank Group's Purpose and Vision



Feel that he/she is contributing to society, customers, and the community through his/her work

#### Own work

Challenging Sense of growth



Human relationships

Superiors and colleagues Organizational climate



#### Company / Organization

Purpose and Vision Purpose and Vision
Working environment



Society / Local community

Contributing to our customers to the local community



#### Reflect in human resources development and measures







Improve job

#### **Fiduciary Duty hearing**

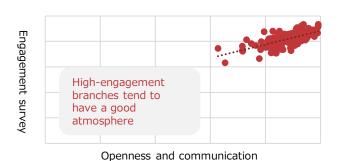


Reflected in future measures Recommendation to the relevant division

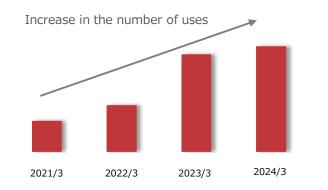
Reporting to management

- Positive views of efforts to penetrate FD are the most common
- On the other hand, there are some opinions that **there is a gap** due to a major change in the award system, and we will continue to provide information carefully.

#### Compliance questionnaire



#### **Internal hotline system**



#### Careful communication to bridge the gap

Fiduciary Duty lecture by an outside lecturer at

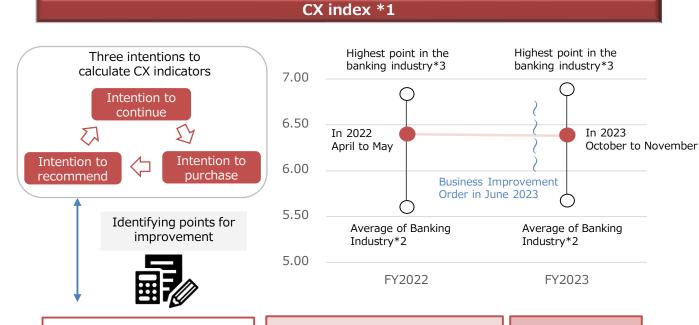
Sales policy briefing for general manager and managers in charge

#### Next

Meeting for exchanging opinions with staff by the President

### Efforts to Grasp Actual Situation (External Evaluation)

#### **External evaluation**

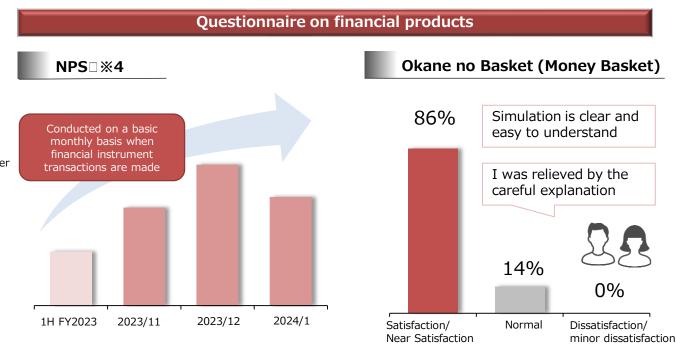


Analyze the gaps between the evaluation and expectations of the various values that Chiba Bank provides to its customers, and analyze priority issues

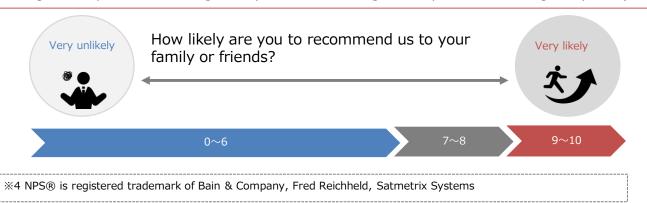
Report to management Explanatory meeting for all divisions Returns to branches (Customer opinions)

Reflection in each measure

- X1 CX index is based on CXMM® of Nomura Research Institute, Ltd. CXMM®is a registered trademark of Nomura Research Institute, Ltd. https://www.nri.com/jp/service/solution/fis/cxmm (Japanese)
- ※2 CX Benchmark Survey FY2023 is a survey conducted by Nomura Research Institute, Ltd.
  Implementation period: FY2022 figures are for December 2021, and FY2023 figures are for December 2023.
- \*\*3 The highest score among banks that introduced CXMM® in the most recent year since the completion of the survey analysis for each year of Chiba Bank.



NPS® is an index for measuring customer satisfaction based on the degree of recommendation (Percentage of respondents scoring 9-10 points - Percentage of respondents scoring 0-6 points)





### Penetration and Thoroughness of the Purpose and Vision

#### **Problems and true cause analysis**

#### Root cause common to all problems

☐ Issue of establishment of operational management system

Problem of incentive mechanism

■ Issue of internal management system

The 1 line (motivation, opportunity, justification)
The 2 line (risk detection and

response capacity)
The 3 line ( " )

Issue of business management system

Group governance Organizational culture

Necessity of establishing a management philosophy as the axis of actions and decisions



#### **Efforts to Improve and Prevent Recurrence**

#### Implementation measures

### Penetration of the Purpose and Vision

[Recognition] Display on employee PC background, business cards, news release form, etc [Understanding] Thoroughly examine consistency with the Purpose and Vision by meeting and internal letters Communication at executive opinion meetings, linkage with sales measures, and careful explanations to branch

[Sympathy] Deep dialogue in Purpose and Vision Permeate Project Team and each subcommittees\*1 [Action] Customer questionnaire survey

\*1:Two subcommittees, 'branch' and 'group company' were set up under the PT to gather opinions from the front line In March 2024, Headquarters staff also held an opinion exchange meeting

#### Penetration of Fiduciary Duty Policy

[Recognition] Revision of Fiduciary Duty policy and establishment of Fiduciary Duty Handbook
[Understanding] Setting the 23rd of each month as the "Fiduciary Duty Day" and
distributing video messages from the President ,CRO and CBO of the
Group

[Sympathy] Fiduciary Duty hearings with branch via the 2 line [Action] Implemented the Special Fiduciary Duty Award to commend the excellent efforts

#### ■ Penetration of Human Resources Development Policy

[Recognition] Public announcement of establishment of Human Resources Development Policy [Understanding] Explanation in the training according to rank

[Sympathy] Careful explanation of the three core elements and career support in personal interviews with human resource staff

[Action] Changing the action targets of personnel evaluations to link them with the purpose and Human Resources Development Policy

### Overall

More than 90% of the participants in the subcommittee felt that permeation of the purpose, etc. was increasing

Status of improvement

#### **Branch**

Each branch is taking its own measures in conjunction with common measures

#### Headquarters

Serious efforts to penetrate with an eye on the branch customer

#### **Group company**

Each company implements its own measures as well as common measures Continuously and repeatedly implementing measures in accordance with the penetration process

## Measures to penetrate the Purpose and Vision

#### STEP1: Awareness Display of the Purpose and Vision/ Fiduciary Duty Policy







Fiduciary Duty Handbook

#### **Fiduciary Duty study meeting**

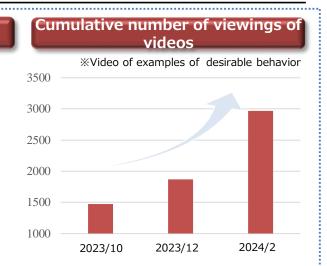
Customer feedback (specific examples)



Why did this happen?



How could I have done?



#### **STEP 2: Understanding**

#### Study meetings / Sending messages

- ✓ Monthly Fiduciary Duty study meeting
- ✓ Video distribution of examples of desirable behavior



- ✓ Executive opinion exchange meetings with branches and group companies
- ✓ Delivery of management messages



#### **Executive opinion exchange meeting**

#### Branch

Held at 145 stores\*1 (Almost all stores in Japan)

\*1:FY2023 Results

#### Group companies

Held at 41 venues\*2 (15 companies in total)

※2:Implemented in September 2023

#### Message delivery

#### **CRO**

Setting the 23rd of each month as the "Fiduciary Duty Day" and sending messages from management to all employee

CEO

**CBO** 

### STEP3: Sympathy and Action In-depth dialogue / Monitoring and evaluation

Purpose and Vision Permeate Project Team

Group company subcommittee

Branch subcommittee

Confirming the status of efforts, sharing issues, and examining new measures

Confirming the level of penetrate at the on-site, collecting opinions, and sharing case studies

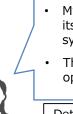
#### Awareness surveys by each subcommittees

\*\*Percentage of positive response



Are opportunities for understanding and personalization provided

92%



#### Comments from Participants

- The purpose naturally came to attention and I became more aware of them
- My branch (company) is also making its own efforts to penetrate the system
- The subcommittee was a good opportunity to stop and think

Detail on the next page

### **Towards Sympathy and Action**

#### Major opinions gathered through the activities of Purpose and Vision Permeate Project Team



Appointments and interviews are also valued, so even if you don't earn revenue, you feel like your activities are recognized

I think that the customer's satisfaction is increasing due to the fact that the explanation of commissions, etc. is more careful than before

More than ever, we are able to make proposals tailored to customers after talking with them

I feel that the communication from the Headquarters is too strong and is said to be "unsuccessful," and I want you to trust more people in the field

There is a gap from the past, and the Fiduciary Duty is becoming an excuse for not achieving the goal



Recognizing that the branch is the customer for the headquarters, I have the impression that I myself sympathize with the purpose etc. and many of my colleagues also sympathize with them

The general manager's routinely communicates about the Purpose etc. so that employees can see it as their own personal matter

Lack of customer contact and lack of awareness or confidence on the part of some staff members



Good impact on work by the establishment of "Purpose" and "Three Pledges"

We have been conscious of Fiduciary Duty for a long time, and there is a feeling that some measures are not new

#### **Changes in Action Targets in Personnel Evaluation**



Business activities/products are not limited (various possibilities)

<u>Demonstrate leadership by both the head and members of the organization</u>

Organization with a sense of unity

Flexible individuals

Completely revised behavioral evaluation items in personnel evaluations in accordance with the Human Resources

Development Policy.



Appropriate evaluation of behavior

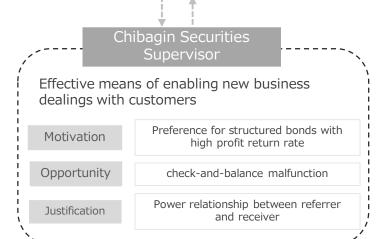




#### Problems and true cause analysis

#### Issue of business operation system

- Incentive mechanisms
- A system that evaluates structured bonds that are less cumbersome than investment trusts and insurance and have a high return on earnings in relation to the burden of the procedure
- While sales of structured bonds are preferred, problems and risks associated with structured bonds are underestimated



#### **Efforts to Improve and Prevent Recurrence**

#### Implementation measures

#### ■ Elimination of incentives in personal businesses

- Establishment of Banking and Securities Strategic Review Committee and freeze earnings targets for Chibagin Securities
- In principle, the introduction of customers to Chibagin Securities by Chiba Bank was suspended
- New sales of structured bonds were completely suspended
- **Abolished the profit target for the personal division** of bank branches and reviewed to the assessment system by Fiduciary Duty and activity volume, etc
- Completely eliminated the revenue return incentive that had been generated when a customer referred by Chiba Bank to Chibagin Securities, closing a deal at Chibagin Securities

#### Strengthening comprehensive proposal capabilities in the personal business

- Implemented four major measures to pursue the best interests of customers and improve convenience
- Continued seminars and on-site guidance by headquarters specialists to promote the use of each tool and improve the skills of sales personnel
- (i) Improving financial literacy of customers by building an asset management portal site
- (ii) Provide highly convenient non-face-to-face channels, including investment trusts of app
- (iii) Specialization of "careful explanation/ convincing proposal" through paperless investment trust procedures
- (iv) Introduce Advanced consulting proposals through the use of the proposal tool the "Okane no Basket" (Money Basket)
- Training specialists who can provide comprehensive consulting services for individuals

#### Status of improvement

The number of effective interviews in the second half of FY2023\* is approximately twice that in the first half of FY2023

Monthly PV growth on the asset management portal site is high

About 2,000 NISA accounts opened in apps (about 40% of the total)

More than 90% utilization of investment trust paperless system (October2023 to February 2024)

Positive rate of 80% or more in the "Okane no Basket" (Money Basket) satisfaction surveys

\* As of the end of February 2024

Steady penetration of activities that pursue the best interests of customers

#### Sales activities with an emphasis on activity volume and Fiduciary Duty



Proposal support by roboadvisor

the "Okane no Basket"
(Money Basket)

Chibagin
Academy

Improvement 3: Improvement

of knowledge of responsible staff

Improvement of ability to make proposals

Sales performance

Number of effective interviews

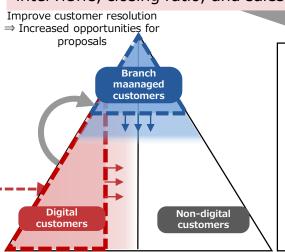
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Contract success rate



Unit sales price

Avoiding a decline in sales performance by improving the number of effective interviews, closing ratio, and sales price per unit



Improvement of efficiency

Increased number of interviews

#### Other effects of this measure

- Increase in the number of digital customers due to the introduction of digital channels (App Investment Trust, Chibagin Money Guide)
- Increased opportunities for proposals due to improved digital customer resolution
- **Promoting stock businesses** by improving customer satisfaction
- Securing cross-use proposal opportunities by increasing the interview time
- · Improvement of employee engagement

#### Activity status of the assets under custody

Number of effective interviews

1H of FY2023

About twice 1H of FY2023 2023 2023 2024 2024

/10

/11 /12 /1

Sales

performance

Average

Sales bottomed out in October immediately after the abolition of profit targets due to the establishment of activities

#### **New NISA**

#### 2023

Introduction of app investment trust (April)

2H of FY2023

Until Feb. 2024

NISA account opening rate through app 40% (April to December 2023)

**Chibagin Money Guide (April)** 

**Branch seminar Workplace activities** 

Reinforcement promotion of NISA accounts in the previous year

#### 2024

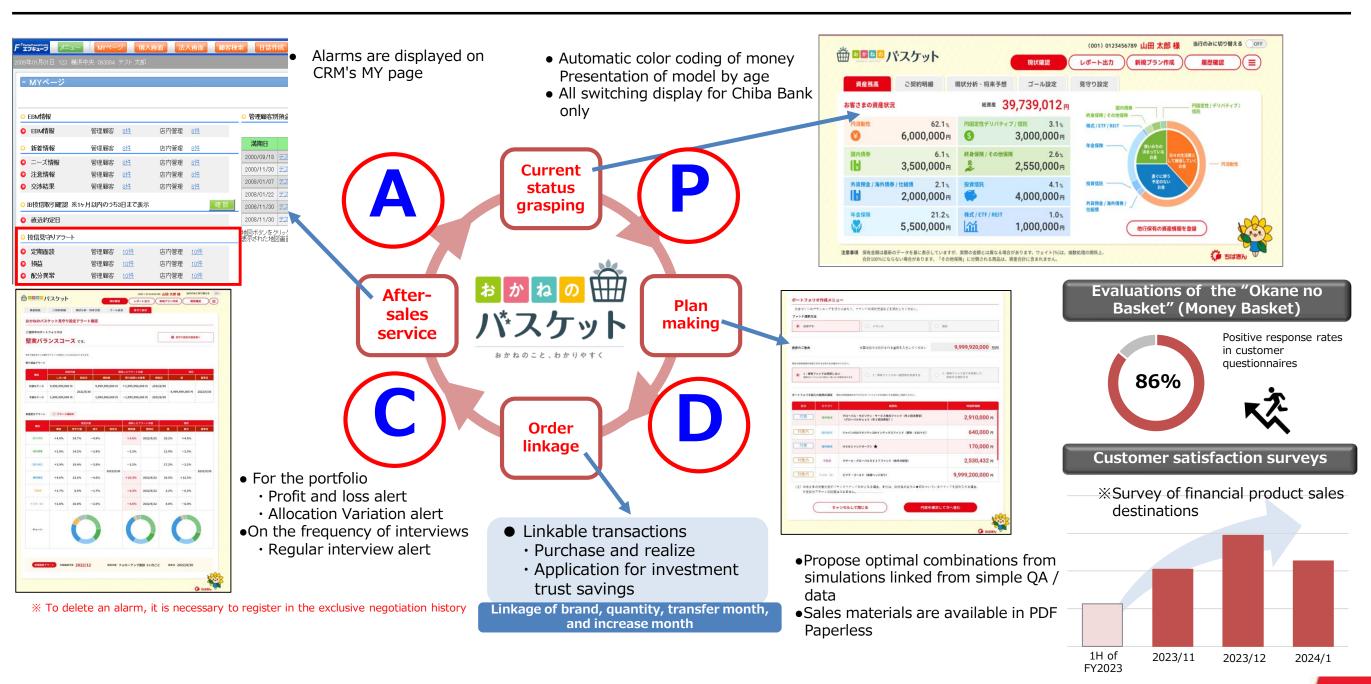
New NISA sales by February 2024 (per day)

### **Approximately five times** in 2023

Steady expansion of business with new investors

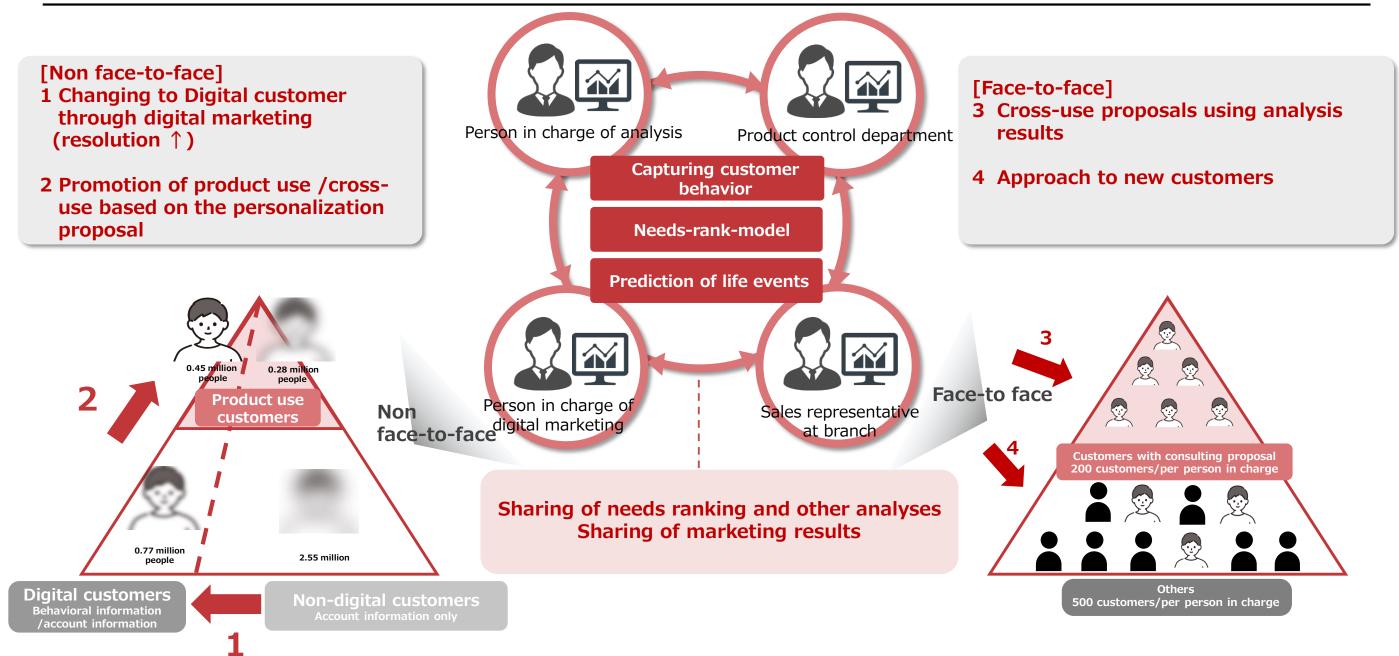
### Pursue the Best Interests of Customers

Portfolio proposals by the "Okane no Basket" (Money Basket) and support for asset formation



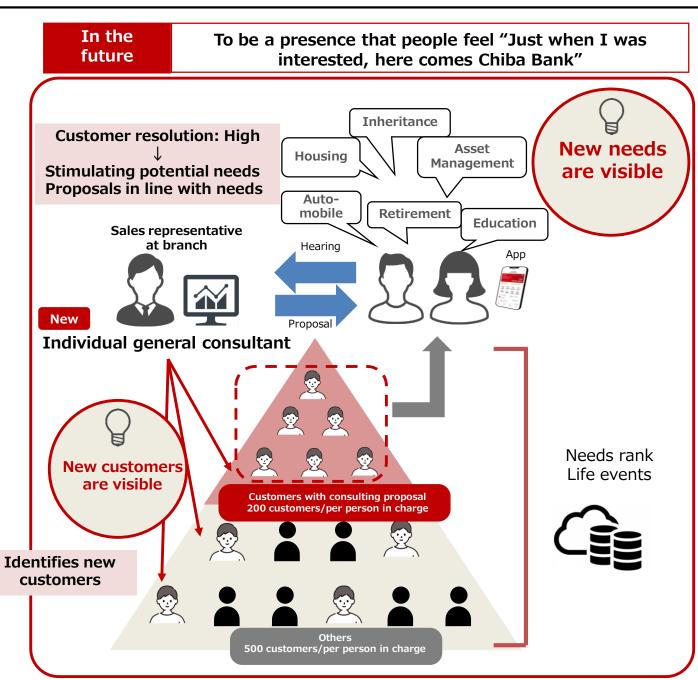
### Reform of Individual Business Model (to be Aiming for by Utilizing Data) To create a local community better suited to bringing each person's hope to life

Digital marketing by specialized division in headquarters + cross-use proposals made from sales representative at branch for each person using analysis results



Digital Marketing enhances customer resolution, identifies potential needs, and identifies new customers

**Until now Product-out-type sales activities** Assets under custody business Inheritance Hous **Customer resolution: Low** Asset -ing Management **Product-oriented proposals** Retire-Automobile ment Education Sales representative at branch Hearing Proposa Asset under custody business × Don't know × Don't understanding Customers with consulting proposal 200 customers/per person in charge 500 customers/per person in charge





system by 1st and

2<sup>nd</sup> lines

#### Problems and true cause analysis

#### Problem in internal control system

■ 1st line (branch and sales division) Three factors established

①Motivation ② Opportunity ③ Justification

Motivation : Performance awards provide motivation and pressure

Opportunity: Formal confirmation by internal administration supervisors

Justification: Atmosphere where evaluation is based on revenue achievement. customers demand explanations, and a bad sense of security that ultimate responsibility is on the Securities side

- 2nd and 3rd lines (Management and audit department)
- Insufficient risk detection
- Response to detected risks is insufficient

#### 1st defense line defense line Controlling risk as Monitoring risks Verification of the risk owner independently from effectiveness of the the first line internal control

#### Initiatives for improvement and the prevention of recurrence

#### Implementation measures

#### Status of improvement

#### 1st line

- Newly-established referral standards for Chibagin Securities
- Newly-established practical training for newly assigned in charge of the internal administration supervisors

Introducted suitability verification tools



Strengthening awareness and functions as risk frontline on the checkand-balance function of the Customer Support Monitoring Office's direct customer surveys

Feedback from the

Collecting and analyzing about 150-200 customer feedback each month for a new 2nd line system

Developing a tool to collect and analyze customer feedback

Recording system using smartphone's for business use under development

Implementation of improvement proposals and requests by the Audit and Inspection Division regarding the implementation status of the business improvement plan

#### 2nd line

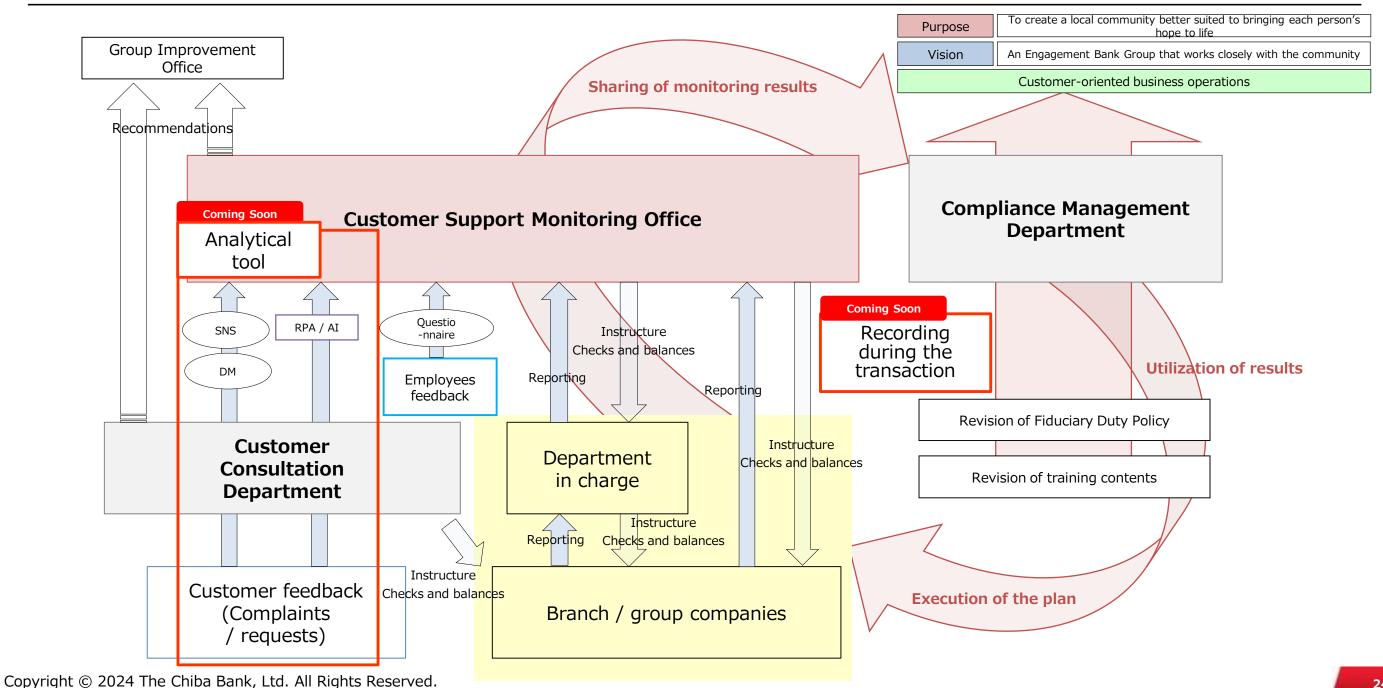
- Appointment of the General Manager in charge of Corporate Management
- Consolidation of the Compliance and Risk Management Division and the Service Quality Management Division
- Newly-established the "Customer Support Monitoring Office" in the Compliance and Risk Management Division
- In line with the above, Additional personnel are assigned to 2nd and 3nd line to enhanced readiness

#### 3rd line

- Review of internal audit plan
- Strengthening group collaboration in the audit department through participation in conference bodies of the Audit and Inspection Division of Chibagin Securities by the Audit and Inspection Division of the Bank
- The President becomes the officer in charge of the Audit and Inspection Division and is deeply involved in PDCA
- Reporting of the activities of the Audit and Inspection Division to the Board of Directors

### PDCA image centered on the Customer Support Monitoring office

Three groups within the Compliance and Risk Management Division work in unison to effect the 2nd line function



#### New infrastructure for effective 2nd functionality

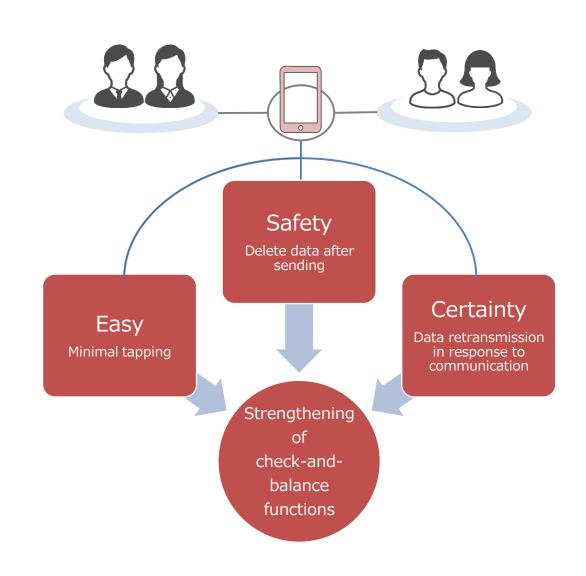
collection and

analysis tools

Tool for gathering and analyzing customer feedback True cause Gathering and aggregating Typology / categorization analysis To expand the scope of collection **Voice Typology** Identification of **Customer feedback** cross-operational Negative issues and Collecting Complaint formulation of recurrence Contact center recording prevention Request measures based on individual Questionnaire information analysis **Opinions** SNS Compliments CRM from **Priority setting** Suggestions improvement Categorized by various attribute Other data Reporting perspectives By product / service Branch information Department in **Product information** charge By customer (Age / area) Incident **Development of** Customer information Creating a database

**Efficiency of aggregation** 

Recording system using smartphones for business use





#### Problems and true cause analysis

#### Problem in business management system

- Issue of group governance Group governance issues (problems in
- grasping the current situation, identifying issues, and managing the progress of instructions)
- Problems in organizational culture
- problems in business operation system: situation where management is unable to respond appropriately

Unified Group manag -ement Unified Group hiring of new graduate/mid-career candidates Unified Group training and exchanging

Separate recruitment







Bank recruitment

Initiatives for improvement and the prevention of recurrence

#### Implementation measures

#### Strengthening of group governance

- Dispatched Audit & Supervisory Board, Director, and general manager-level personnel to Chibagin Securities as Standing Audit & Supervisory Board Member, and person responsible for corporate management, administrative, and planning departments from the Bank
- **Unification of group recruitment** at the Bank and two-way personnel exchanges between the Bank and group companies commenced
- Stricter processes for product introduction
- Newly-established of the "Group Improvement Office" headed by the President
- **Changed the Chairman of the Board of Directors to an Outside Director**

#### Organizational culture reform

- 10n1 Meeting with Presidents of group companies by the Bank's President
- Regular meetings to exchange opinions with the executives in charge of the Bank to hear the opinions of employees of Group companies
- Introduced skill matrix for directors of group companies
- Appointment of group companies' presidents as the matter to be consulted at the Appointment, Remuneration and Corporate Advisory Committee of the Bank for Selecting appropriate personnel, including outside personnel
- The "transfer system" in which someone that has been brought up by their company can transfer to the Bank, and consideration of a "specialist course" for human resources of highly specialized group, etc.

#### Status of improvement

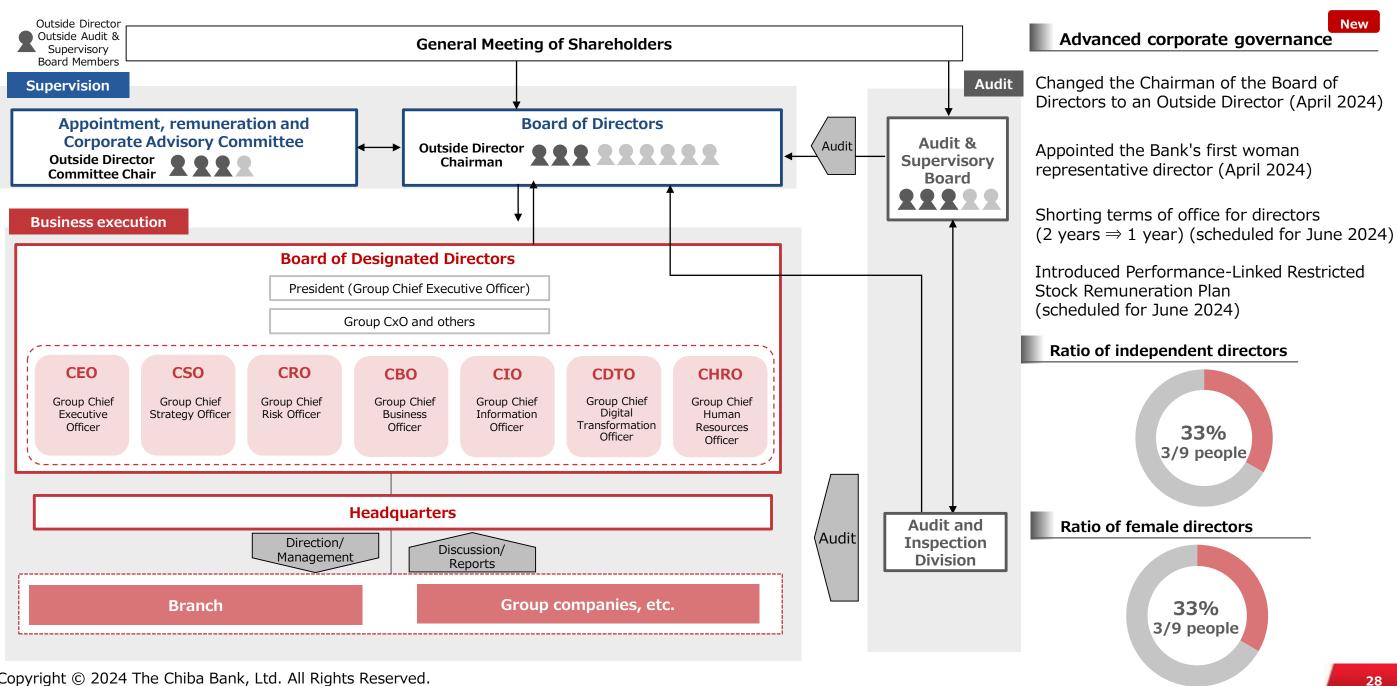
Implement measures to penetrate the Purpose and Vision at each group company in the same manner as at the Bank

Implemented 360degree evaluation of headquarters organizational units, in which sales branches evaluate headquarters by the Group Improvement Office

Exchanges of opinions between group company employees and the Bank executives have brought them closer to each other, and some expressed a desire to continue the meeting

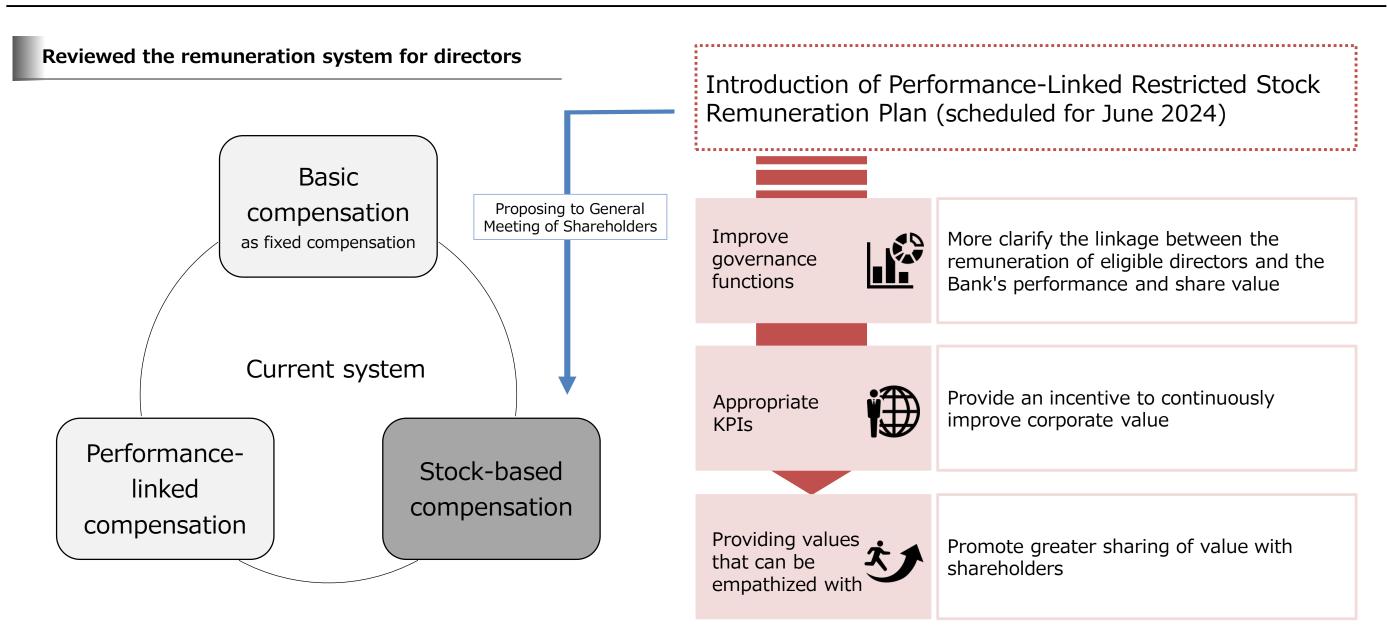
### **Strengthening of Governance**

#### Strengthen efforts to enhance governance



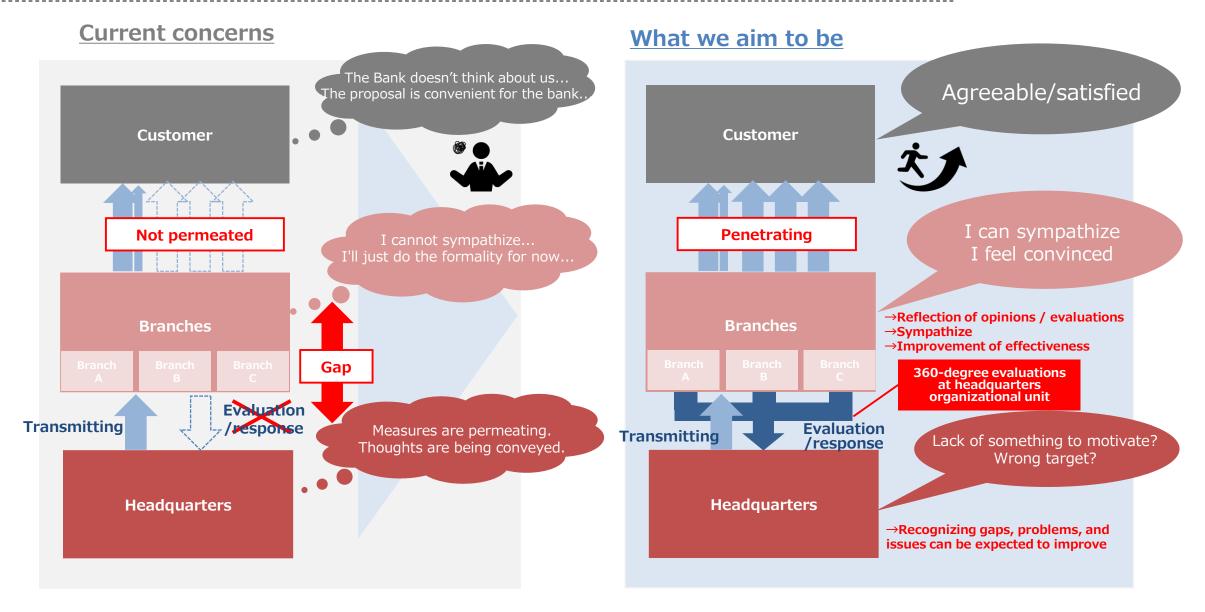
### Introduction of Performance-Linked Restricted Stock Remuneration Plan To create a local community better suited to bringing each person's hope to life

Agenda will be proposed to the 118th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders scheduled for June this year



More reliably execute customer-oriented business operations by closing the gap between headquarters and branches

### Example: Implementation of 360-degree evaluations at headquarters organizational unit





#### **True cause analysis**

#### **Motivation (pursuit of profits)**

- Management's stance of strongly pursuing earnings
- Mechanism for achieving highly established earnings targets
- Evaluation system that emphasizes performance-based evaluation for individuals
- Issues such as human resources development

#### Opportunity (check-and-balance malfunction)

- 3 lines management was not fully functioning
- Inadequate response to the complaint
- Problems in the process of selecting products to sell
- Inadequate checks and balances by Chiba Bank

### Justification (pressure from the bank as the referral source)

Relationships with the staff of Chiba Bank and Musashino Bank lead to justification for improper behavior for those in charge of Chibagin Securities, resulting in cases in inducement to structured bonds with inadequate confirmation of suitability and customer attributes.

#### Business Management System, etc.

Revenue from sales of structured bonds was important for the management of Chibagin Securities, and compliance awareness with the suitability principle in all tiers, including the management of Chibagin Securities was weak.

#### **Major initiatives**

1

Penetration and thoroughness of the Purpose, Vision, etc.

Continuing to send out messages by management

Penetration of Fiduciary Duty Policy

Permeation of Human Resources Development Policy

Raising internal awareness for empathy and action

2

Strengthening the Business Management System The assessment of effectiveness of the Board of Directors using an external organization

Introduction of headquarters evaluation system

Strengthening customer feedback gathering

**Exchanges of opinions between employees and the Bank and the Securities executives** 

3

Establishment of Business Operation System

Strengthening confirmation of the compliance suitability principle (Introduction of interview sheets, etc.)

Introduction of external evaluation in the product selection process

Review of performance award system and personnel evaluation system

By reviewing the personnel development system based on the three personalities

Three personalities: Integrity, Professional, and Challenge

4

Strengthening the Internal Management System Establishment of qualification standards for internal administration supervisors deployed to all branches

**Strengthening the monitoring system** 

Introduction of external consulting for more sophisticated auditing

Discussions on Banking and Securities Strategic Review Committee by the Bank and the Securities

### List of Major Measures (Chigin Securities)

1	Penetration and thoroughness of the Purpose and Vision	Implementation timing	Implem- entation* 1	Add *2
	Displaying the Purpose and Vision on internal PCs and business cards	September 2023	•	
	Reviewed Fiduciary Duty Policy, established Fiduciary Duty Handbook	October 2023	•	
	Established Three Pledges	October 2023	•	•
	Monthly Fiduciary Duty study meeting by all employees	October 2023	•	
	Discussions at the Group Company Subcommittee under the project team	December 2023	•	•
	On the 23rd of every month, distributed video messages by Directors	December 2023	•	
2	Strengthening the Business Management System	Implementation timing	Implem- entation *1	Add *2
	Dispatch of Auditor, Directors and general managers from the Bank to the Securities	April 2023	•	
	Chiba Bank's outside directors delivered a lecture to the Securities executive officers	November 2023	•	
	Introduction of the assessment of effectiveness of the Board of Directors using external institution	January 2024	•	
	Transition to a three-headquarters structure for the Corporate Management Division, Business Support Division, and Advisor Support Division	April 2023	•	
	Introduced the "Headquarters Evaluation System" to strengthen the system for management to provide appropriate instructions	Organizationa	•	
	Established "Business Process Reform Project Team" to review administrative procedures at branches and headquarters	November 2023	•	•
	Implemented NPS® survey to measure customer loyalty  Began interviewing all employees by Chiba Bank's Human Resource Development Division	December 2023 February 2024	•	•

<sup>\*1</sup> Including ongoing measures after implementation

[Total 46 measures (this page lists the major measures)]

[Additional 6 measures (Based on awareness)]

3	Establishment of Business Operation system	Implementation timing	Implem- entation* 1	Add *2
	Introduced interview sheets	April 2023	•	
	Newly-established criteria for referral from Chiba Bank to Chigin Securities	April 2023	•	
	Revised Internal Control Manual for Branches	March 2024	•	
	Approval by Chiba Bank's "Banking and Securities Strategic Review Committee " and "Investment-Type Financial Products Selection Committee" is mandatory for product selection	June 2023	•	
	Introduced external evaluation in the product selection process	February 2024	•	
	Elimination of return of earnings to Chiba Bank from referral-based intermediaries	October 2023	•	
	Reviewed performance award system	October 2023 2H of FY2023	•	
		2H of FY2023	•	
	Revised the personnel salary system	March 2024	•	
	Formulated an overview of our human resource development system based on the three personalities	October 2023	•	
41	Establishment of Business Management System	Implementation timing	Implem- entation* 1	Add *2
	Appointment of internal administration supervisors as a dedicated person in charge to all branches		•	
	Established eligibility criteria for internal administration supervisors	January 2024	•	
	Changed the frequency of Compliance Committee and Fiduciary Duty Committee to monthly in principle		•	
	In addition to monthly monitoring, the system has been revised to verify transaction trends at all branches on an annual basis	February 2024	•	
	Introduced external consultants to enhance audit sophistication	November 2023	•	
	Assigned a person in the Audit and Inspection Division to work concurrently with Chiba Bank's Audit and Inspection Division		•	
	Created a collection of complaints examples	March 2024	•	•

<sup>\*2</sup> Added from the business improvement plan originally submitted

### **Banking and Securities Strategic Business Model**

Increase the number of asset builders through collaboration with Chibagin App, and propose highly specialized services that will satisfy even the investment professionals

Wealthy people / investment professionals Beginner investors / asset builders People who will be interested in Investment experience

Customer-oriented proposals connected by digital technology



#### Linkage to face-to-face

- Enhancing video consultation and call center **functions**
- Opening an account at a consultation, seminar, or visit appointment (miniapplications)

#### Unified management of group assets

Wide range of products

- Unified management of group assets by **Chibagin App**
- Single sign-on to the Securities' app when purchasing

#### **Starting**

- Approach to the target person (recommendation, notification, e-mail, etc.)
- Linkage with Chibagin ID

#### Learning

- Navigate to the asset management portal site
- Easily and repeatedly in a free time with movies, etc.

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