

Q&A of Results Briefing FY2025 3Q
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Q1. What is the current order environment in Japan?

A1. In Japan, while the recovery of orders for automotive is taking time, orders for aerospace remain steady, and inquiries for semiconductor manufacturing equipment are increasing.

Q2. What is driving the strong orders in Asia?

A2. In addition to continued orders for Die and Mold for EVs and plug-in hybrid vehicles, orders for Die and Mold for electrical and electronic components, including connectors used in data centers, smartphones, automobiles, and other related fields, have increased. We have revised the full-year order plan upward.

Q3. What are the order trends for automotive in the US?

A3. Supported by a firmer outlook for continued demand for hybrid vehicles and ICE vehicles, as well as labor shortages and aging equipment, demand for facility renewal and capacity expansion involving labor savings and automation is gradually increasing. We are also seeing an increase in orders that include engineering services—such as automation and turnkey solutions—rather than stand-alone machines.

Q4. Why did orders in Europe increase significantly in 3Q? Was there any change in the market environment?

A4. Orders increased in 3Q as we received multiple large-size machine orders for aerospace. While the overall European market continues to face challenging conditions, particularly in automotive, we expect aerospace to remain steady going forward.

Q5. In the machine tool market, demand for automation, including peripheral processes, has been rising. What is the progress of your automation initiatives?

A5. We provide one-stop automation solutions, including not only the machine units themselves but also peripheral equipment such as material-handling systems, software, and engineering services required for automation. In recent years, by expanding our software lineup, we are strengthening our capability to provide automation solutions not only for mass production but also for high-mix, low-volume production. In Japan, we offer specific proposals through a group company specializing in automation and turnkey solutions, and overseas as well, we are strengthening application engineering capabilities in each region to address needs for labor savings and automation.

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