

M message from the Management



During fiscal 2010, which ended on March 31, 2011, while the overall business environment surrounding the Brother Group recovered, albeit only modestly, the yen's continued appreciation, coupled with the impact of the Great East Japan Earthquake that occurred on March 11, 2011, have kept future prospects shrouded in uncertainty.

Under these circumstances, the Brother Group's consolidated net sales came to ¥502.8 billion, operating income to ¥36.1 billion and net income to ¥26.2 billion, with net sales and income both posting year-on-year increases, primarily due to the substantially increased net sales in the Machinery & Solution Business following the sharp market recovery, despite the negative effects caused by the stronger yen.

While we expect the uncertain economic environment will continue in fiscal 2011 due to the impact of the earthquake and other factors, we will strive to carry out our growth strategies again by dedicating all-out efforts to the new mid-term business strategy "CS B2015" launched in April 2011.

Representative Director & President
Toshikazu Koike

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "T. Koike". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.