Monthly Report

June Market Outlook

Japanese Equities

Equity Prices Pick up as US Inflation Fears Recede

Nikkei Stock Average	May end	MoM
	27,279.80 Yen	1.61%

[Market review in May]

Equity prices in Japan rose in May. Early in May, equity prices fell in response to monetary tightening and the subsequent deterioration of the US economy. Late in May, however, equity prices began to rise, buoyed by the receding fears over US inflation as several US housing indicators fell short of market expectations, the indication of direction towards lifting of a lockdown in Shanghai, China, and the gradual easing of Japan's border restrictions. Equity prices were slightly positive during the month.

[Outlook]

The market is currently hoping for the peak-out of inflation in the US, which boosted equity prices in late May, and the resumption of production activities as a result of lifting of the lockdown in Shanghai, China. The key will be whether these expectations steadily become reality. The equity markets are expected to recover the previous decline if housing price growth slows in the US and production activities in China start to rebound steadily, leading to improvements in, for example, the production of Japanese automakers.

Positive Factors	Negative Factors	(Yer
 Manifestation of inflation peak-out in the US Recovery of production activities as a result of lifting of lockdown in China Progress in ceasefire talks between Russia and Ukraine 	 Growing concerns about an acceleration of restrictive monetary policy by major central banks Increasing adverse effects of soaring prices of oil and other factors on the global economy Intensifying and prolonging conflict in Ukraine 	32,00 30,00 28,00 26,00 24,00 22,00 20,00



*Source: data from Nikkei Inc. prepared by Daiwa Asset Management

* Copyright, intellectual property rights and all other rights relating to the Nikkei Stock Average (Nikkei 225) belongs to the Nikkei Inc. The company has the right to change the contents of the Nikkei Stock Average (Nikkei 225) and to stop the publication.

Disclaimer: Warning before handling this material

- This material was prepared by Daiwa Asset Management Co.Ltd to provide reference information for investment. It should not be construed as an offer or a solicitation to purchase or subscribe to any fund products. Potential investors should refer to and read the prospectus of each fund product for more detailed information prior to their investment decision.
- The information, statements, forecasts and projections contained herein, including any expression of opinion, are based upon sources believed to be reliable, but their accuracy, correctness or completeness are not guaranteed. The performance of investments, if referred herein, is based on past data and is neither necessarily an indication nor a guarantee of future performance of investments. Daiwa Asset Management Co.Ltd. made all reasonable efforts to ensure that the information contained herein is current, but it is subject to change without notice. Daiwa Asset Management Co.Ltd., or any of its respective affiliates, accepts no liability whatsoever for any direct or consequential loss arising from any use of this material or its content.