Daihatsu Motor Kyushu to Increase the Production Capacity of its Kurume Plant

Daihatsu Motor Kyushu Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of DAIHATSU MOTOR CO., LTD., will increase the production capacity of its engine-producing Kurume Plant in May 2013.

Since it commenced operations in August 2008, the Kurume Plant has supplied mini vehicle engines to the Oita (Nakatsu) Plant, where critical operations currently continue to accommodate an increase in vehicle production and insufficient engine production capacity. The Shiga (Ryuo) Plant provides the additional engine supply needed.

The increase in production capacity aims to optimize operations and achieve efficiency in engine supply.

The Kurume Plant continues to drive forward with the plant's concept of "Simple, Slim, Compact" in supplying optimal engines for mini vehicles and to achieve together with the Oita (Nakatsu) Plant its goal of becoming the world's number-one compact car manufacturer.

[Profile of the Kurume Plant]

Location: 1 Yoshimoto, Tanushimarumachi, Kurume-shi, Fukuoka Prefecture

Operations began: August 2008 Property area: Approx. 174,000 m²

Products manufactured: Mini vehicle engines, CVT parts

	Now	After enhancement
Floor space	Approx. 18,000 m ²	Approx. 27,000 m ²
Engine production		
capacity	Approx. 216,000 units	Approx. 324,000 units
(Annual) *2 shifts,		
regular hours		
Lines	1 line	2 lines

^{*}Capital investment (for enhancement): Approx. 7 billion yen