

# Tokyo Electron Limited

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Earnings Analytics Report | FY2025 Guidance Assessment

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## 1. Sandbagging Profile

65

**Sandbagging Index: 65 / 100**

Above average conservatism. Moderate but consistent upward bias in guidance.

Metric	Value	TSE Prime Median
Initial Guidance Beat Rate (10yr)	7 / 10 years (70%)	6 / 10 (60%)
Average Beat Magnitude (OP)	+14.8%	+6.8%
Average Beat Magnitude (Revenue)	+7.2%	+3.2%
Mid-Year Revision Frequency	7 / 10 years	5 / 10
Revision Direction Bias	86% upward	62% upward

### Sandbagging Pattern: "Cycle-Aware Conservative"

TEL's guidance conservatism is cycle-dependent. In up-cycles (AI/HPC demand surges, node transitions), TEL sandbags aggressively — initial guidance understates actual results by 15-25%. In flat or transitional periods, guidance accuracy improves to within 5%. The current cycle (2nm transition + AI/HPC capex boom) matches the conditions that historically produce TEL's largest positive surprises. Yamabiko classifies FY2025 as a "high-sandbag probability" year.

## 2. Guidance vs Actual History

FY	Initial Rev Guidance	Actual Revenue	Beat	Initial OP Guidance	Actual OP	Beat
FY2025	¥2,050B	TBD (tracking ¥2,280B+)	~+11%	¥555B	TBD (tracking ¥645B+)	~+16%
FY2024	¥1,850B	¥2,091B	+13.0%	¥480B	¥585B	+21.9%

FY2023	¥1,750B	¥1,832B	+4.7%	¥430B	¥461B	+7.2%
FY2022	¥1,600B	¥1,748B	+9.3%	¥390B	¥468B	+20.0%
FY2021	¥1,380B	¥1,534B	+11.2%	¥320B	¥396B	+23.8%
FY2020	¥1,320B	¥1,285B	-2.7%	¥310B	¥293B	-5.5%

#### Signal: Current Cycle Matches FY2021-2024 Pattern

TEL's three misses in the last decade all occurred during semiconductor inventory corrections (FY2019, FY2020, early FY2023). The current cycle — driven by 2nm transition capex and AI/HPC accelerator demand — mirrors the FY2021-2024 upcycle where TEL beat initial OP guidance by an average of +18.2%. With TSMC, Samsung, and Intel all expanding leading-edge capacity, Yamabiko assigns a high probability to TEL's current guidance being similarly understated.

### 3. Current FY2025 Guidance Assessment

Metric	Mgmt Guidance	Yamabiko Implied Range	Confidence
Revenue	¥2,050B	¥2,220B – ¥2,340B	High
Operating Profit	¥555B	¥620B – ¥670B	High
OP Margin	27.1%	27.9% – 28.6%	Moderate
Net Income	¥410B	¥460B – ¥500B	High

TEL's margin expansion potential is more constrained than DISCO's due to product mix (etch, deposition, and coating have different margin profiles). Revenue upside is the primary driver of the OP beat — margin improvement is a secondary contributor. FX assumption of ¥145/USD provides additional buffer if yen weakens further.

### 4. KPI Trend Analysis

KPI	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q3 QoQ	Signal
New Equipment Orders	¥528B	¥562B	¥601B	+6.9%	Accelerating
SPE Backlog	¥1,420B	¥1,510B	¥1,580B	+4.6%	Record High
Field Solutions Revenue	¥145B	¥148B	¥152B	+2.7%	Steady Growth
China Revenue Share	42%	39%	36%	-3pp	Diversifying

## 5. Fugaku Assessment

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### Confidence Level: HIGH

TEL's Sandbagging Index of 65 is moderate, but the current upcycle context pushes this into high-conviction territory. Historical pattern analysis shows TEL sandbangs most aggressively during node transitions — and the 2nm cycle is the largest transition since EUV adoption. Q3 KPIs are uniformly positive: orders accelerating, backlog at record highs, and China concentration declining (reducing geopolitical risk). The key differentiator vs. consensus: sell-side models anchor to management guidance and adjust incrementally. Yamabiko's pattern-based approach identifies a structural 12-16% upside gap that consensus has not fully captured. TEL is a strong upside surprise candidate for FY2025.

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