

MITSUI & CO LTD
Form 6-K
January 24, 2007

FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Mitsui Participates in Recruit Co., Ltd.

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of January 24, 2007

Commission File Number 09929

Mitsui & Co., Ltd.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

2-1, Ohtemachi 1-chome Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-0004 Japan

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: January 24, 2007

MITSUI & CO., LTD.

By: /s/ Kazuya Imai
Name: Kazuya Imai
Title: Executive Director
Senior Executive Managing Officer
Chief Financial Officer

January 24, 2007

For immediate release:

To Whom It May Concern

Mitsui & Co., Ltd.

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Mitsui & Co., Ltd. (Mitsui) announced today that it has agreed to acquire shares of Recruit Co., Ltd. (Recruit) from Recruit's subsidiary. The details of the acquisition are as follows:

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| Ø Number of shares | : 3,000,000shares |
| Ø Purchasing amount | : ¥ 27 billion |
| Ø Seller | : Recruit Agent Co., Ltd |
| Ø % of shares outstanding | : 5% |
| Ø Time of acquisition (scheduled) | : February, 2007 |

At the same time, Mitsui and Recruit have agreed to enter into business collaboration agreement in order to explore new business opportunities in areas including medical and senior-care businesses.

Mitsui and Recruit have been collaborating in medical/health-care businesses, through jointly establishing R3 Healthcare Planning in July 2005, and operating Hokendohjinsha Inc. as main shareholders. Through entering into equity relationship and business collaboration agreement, both parties intend to strengthen relationship furthermore, jointly developing opportunities in wider fields of businesses.

Recruit is a very important partner which has competitive expertise in consumer-driven B to C, media and medical/health-care businesses in which Mitsui focuses on in its initiatives in consumer service area. Combining together these expertise with Mitsui's strength in broadcasting, internet, and overseas business development, which are mutually complementary, Mitsui and Recruit expect to jointly explore and develop new business opportunities in areas such as information service for consumers. Mitsui and Recruit are currently planning to launch nursing related information service business, and then expanding wider fields.

Outline of Recruit

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| Ø Name | : Recruit Co., Ltd. |
| Ø President & C. E. O. | : Hitoshi Kashiwaki |
| Ø Address | : 8-4-17 Ginza, Chuo-ku, Tokyo |
| Ø Founded | : August 26, 1963 |
| Ø Paid-in Capital | : ¥ 3,003 million |
| Ø Sales | : ¥ 443,672 million (Year ended March 31, 2006) |
| Ø Net income | : ¥ 12,600 million |
| Ø Number of employees | : 6,298 (October 1, 2006) |
| Ø Business overview | : Human resources services & Matching services linking products with consumers through information magazines, internet and mobile communication devices |

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