# Shorten lead-time from beginning to end of production

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Padmaja Graphics

Thanks to the AccurioPress C6100 and IQ-501, we have been able to improve the accuracy and simplicity of operators' work.



On our printing sites, there were challenges in the handling of various jobs. Yet although the IQ-501 could solve these issues, we initially felt apprehensive about a purchase due to the questions of space and cost. However, after installation of the IQ-501, we were able to stabilize quality and shorten lead-time, and we realized how important it is to our business. Our operators are also very happy that we purchased the IQ-501.





- Unacceptable quality
- · Color variance problem occurs during a long run production
- Apprehensive about installing IQ-501



- Automated adjustment
- Excellent stability and accuracy
- Excellent productivity

## Customer onsite issues

From the beginning of printing a job until completion, operators were wasting time outside of production.

In particular, there were instances where quality deteriorated after starting a job, and maintenance of quality required manual engine calibration and quality checks, etc.

## Issues:

- Paper jams occur frequently when printing large-volume jobs. Jams occur even when the operator sets the paper correctly. Therefore, we use other machines when outputting large-volume jobs.
- It takes from 30 minutes to one hour to perform colour calibration.
- When we print different images on each side, such as for business cards, the
  front and back registration mark precision is poor, so we cannot use
  double-sided printing. Therefore, we need to print one side at a time. (We
  want to use double-sided printing, but for now the workload is doubled as we
  have to set the printed paper and print (through the machine) twice over.)





Name Padmaja Graphics

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Business Commercial printer

Employees 7 employees incl. 3 operators

The owner is also an operator

Implement AccurioPress C6100 + IQ-501

Business: Digital printing, no finishing.
 Very innovative, early adopter, many investment

Ex) Short run Multi-Colour Book Printing, Labels, Menu Card Printing, Annual Reports, CD/DVD Stickers, ID Card Printing, Letter Head Printing, Brochure Printing, Flyer Printing, Business Cards Printing

- Application: 100% digital printing
   Ex) Business card, Invitation card, Die-cut label (food label), Brochure, PVC sticker, Flyer, School certificate
- Kind of customer: Distinct agency, school, and so on.

Customer report of Intelligent quality optimiser IQ-501



## Solution & Benefit

# Alleviating problems during production by ensuring stable quality

In order to improve Padmaja Graphics' workflow, we introduced the automated adjustment and real-time correction functions of the AccurioPress C6100 and IQ-501. We thought the real-time correction function would be particularly helpful in resolving their problems during printing.

# Konica Minolta's Solution

#### 1. Automated adjustment:

It's now possible to perform automated Front-to-back registration and colour adjustments at the touch of a button, reducing the number of steps in the process

- Calibration operating: Manual operation takes a few minutes, IQ-501 only takes 2 minutes.
- Front to back registration: Manual operation takes a few minutes, v/s IQ-501 only takes 2 minutes.

#### 2. Real-time correction:

Automatically corrects misalignments in colour or front-to-back registration position that occur during printing

#### **Customer Benefits**

The IQ-501 speed things up and reduces wasted work time

## 1. Reduced time wasted making adjustments

- Since there is almost no skew from the beginning to end of printing, it has been possible to reduce downtime caused by adjustment during printing, etc.
- Front-to-back registration time has been reduced from about 60 min. to about 5 min.
- · Solved problems resulting from human error and differences in level of quality among operators

# 2. Improved productivity

- Thanks to excellent accuracy of front-to-back registration position, it has become possible to use double-sided printing.
- With C6100 and IQ-501, it has become possible to deal with large-volume jobs.





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