CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

STOCK CODE	:	5049
COMPANY NAME	:	COUNTRY VIEW BERHAD
FINANCIAL YEAR	:	November 30, 2019

OUTLINE:

SECTION A – DISCLOSURE ON MALAYSIAN CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Disclosures in this section are pursuant to Paragraph 15.25 of Bursa Malaysia Listing Requirements.

SECTION B – DISCLOSURES ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES PERSUANT CORPORATE GOVERNANCE GUIDELINES ISSUED BY BANK NEGARA MALAYSIA

Disclosures in this section are pursuant to Appendix 4 (Corporate Governance Disclosures) of the Corporate Governance Guidelines issued by Bank Negara Malaysia. This section is only applicable for financial institutions or any other institutions that are listed on the Exchange that are required to comply with the above Guidelines.

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Intended Outcome

Every company is headed by a board, which assumes responsibility for the company's leadership and is collectively responsible for meeting the objectives and goals of the company.

Practice 1.1

The board should set the company's strategic aims, ensure that the necessary resources are in place for the company to meet its objectives and review management performance. The board should set the company's values and standards, and ensure that its obligations to its shareholders and other stakeholders are understood and met.

Application	: Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	: It is the primary governance responsibilities of the Board to lead and control the Group. The Board's responsibilities in respect of the stewardship of the Group includes plans for the strategic direction, development and control of the Group and initiatives to embrace the responsibilities listed in the Code. While the Board sets the strategic plans and policies, the Executive Directors are responsible for making and implementing operational and corporate decisions while the Non-Executive and Independent Directors ensure corporate accountability by providing unbiased and independent views, advice and judgement and challenging the Managements' assumptions and projections in safeguarding the interests of the shareholders.
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Practice 1.2

A Chairman of the board who is responsible for instilling good corporate governance practices, leadership and effectiveness of the board is appointed.

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	Tan Sri Datuk Ir. Mohamed Al Amin Bin Abdul Majid, is the Executive Chairman of the Board. His profile can be viewed on page 17 of the Company's 2019 Annual Report. He provides leadership to the Board and ensures the Board carries out its responsibilities effectively. The detailed roles and responsibilities of the Chairman of the Board have been clearly specified in the Board Charter, which is available on the Corporate's website www.countryview.com.my
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Practice 1.3

The positions of Chairman and CEO are held by different individuals.

Application :	Departure
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Explanation for :	Whilst the Chairman is Tan Sri Datuk Ir. Mohamed Al Amin Bin Abdul Majid,
departure	CVB's management structure does not identify a Chief Executive Officer. CVB's Board is led by an Executive Chairman and supported by three (3) Executive Directors, One (1) Non-Independent Non-Executive Director and two (2) Independent Non-Executive Directors.
	The roles of the Executive Chairman and Executive Directors are clearly defined and set out in the Board Charter. The Executive Chairman's role includes leading the Board in the oversight of management and is not involved in the day to day management of the Group.
	Under CVB's organization and management structure, the roles and functions of a Chief Executive Officer is carried out and performed by the Executive Directors jointly and collectively.
	The Board is of the opinion that there is no issue with regards to the balance of power and authority on the Board as the roles of Executive Chairman and
	the Executive Directors are clearly set out and established while the decision making process of the Board is based on collective decisions without any
	individual exercising any considerable concentration of power or influence and well balanced by the presence of strong elements of independence in the Board.
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Practice 1.4

The board is supported by a suitably qualified and competent Company Secretary to provide sound governance advice, ensure adherence to rules and procedures, and advocate adoption of corporate governance best practices.

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Practice 1.5

Directors receive meeting materials, which are complete and accurate within a reasonable period prior to the meeting. Upon conclusion of the meeting, the minutes are circulated in a timely manner.

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Application :										
Explanation on :	The Board recognises that the supply, timeliness and quality of the									
application of the	information affect the effectiveness of the Board to oversee the conduct of									
practice	the business and to evaluate the management performance of the Group.									
	A corporate calendar of all scheduled meetings and planned events for the									
	financial year are furnished to all Directors and the Management by the									
	Company Secretaries normally during the 1st quarter Board meeting to aid									
	and facilitate the Directors in scheduling and meeting their time									
	commitments.									
	In reviewing and analysing the quarterly interim financial results, the Board									
	was provided with various corroborative information and data. This									
	information was circulated to the Board members within seven (7) days prior									
	to the Board meetings so as to provide the Directors with relevant and timely									
	information to enable them to deliberate issues raised during Board meetings									
	more effectively. The key business information and data covers budget,									
	management report on operations, business development, performance of its									
	subsidiaries, the management's periodic risk assessment and its status of									
	action plans undertaken by the Risk Management Working Committee.									
	Additionally, the Management was also invited to brief and report in									
	meetings of the Board and Board Committees.									
	The deliberations and decisions at Board and Board Committee meetings are									
	well documented in the minutes, including matters where Directors									
	abstained from voting or deliberation.									
	The Company Secretaries will circulate the draft minutes of meetings for the									
	Board and Board's Committee review in a timely manner. The Company									
	Secretaries will also follow up with the Management on status of actions									
	taken with reference to the previous minutes of meetings for updating the									
	Board. Action items would stay as matters arising in the minutes of meetings									
	until they are resolved.									
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There is demarcation of responsibilities between the board, board committees and management.

There is clarity in the authority of the board, its committees and individual directors.

Practice 2.1

The board has a board charter which is periodically reviewed and published on the company's website. The board charter clearly identifies–

- the respective roles and responsibilities of the board, board committees, individual directors and management; and
- issues and decisions reserved for the board.

Application	: Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	: The Board has adopted a Board Charter which provides guidance for Directors and Management regarding the responsibilities of the Board, its Committee and the Management.
	The roles and responsibilities of the Board and Management, the Board Committees and the individual Directors are set out in the Board Charter which is accessible through the CVB's corporate website at www.countryview.com.my. The Board Charter will be reviewed annually.
	It is the primary governance responsibilities of the Board to lead and control the Group. The Board plans the strategic direction, development and control of the Group and has taken initiatives to embrace the responsibilities listed in the Code, which facilitate the discharge of the Board's stewardship responsibilities. When implementing the strategic plan, the Executive Directors are responsible for making and implementing operational and corporate decisions while the Non-Executive and Independent Directors ensure corporate accountability by providing unbiased and independent views, advice and judgement in safeguarding the interests of the shareholders.
	The Board has defined the roles and responsibilities for the Board, its Executive Directors and Non-Executive Directors. In discharging its fiduciary responsibilities, the Board emphasises strongly during its Board meetings on the deliberation and review of the financial performance of the Group, the execution of strategic plan by the Executive Directors, the principal risks faced by the Group and effectiveness of management mitigation plans, the appraisal of senior management as well as the integrity of the management information and systems of internal control of the Group.
	The Board maintains specific Board Committees namely Audit and Risk Management Committee ("ARMC"), Nomination Committee ("NC") and Remuneration Committee ("RC"). These Committees ensure greater attention, objectivity and independence are provided in the deliberations of specific board agenda. The Board has defined the terms of reference for each Committee and the Chairman of these respective committees would report to the Board during the Board meetings on significant matters and salient matters deliberated in the Committees.
	The Board Charter and the key Board Policies can be viewed at CVB's website at www.countryview.com.my.

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The board is committed to promoting good business conduct and maintaining a healthy corporate culture that engenders integrity, transparency and fairness.

The board, management, employees and other stakeholders are clear on what is considered acceptable behaviour and practice in the company.

Practice 3.1

The board establishes a Code of Conduct and Ethics for the company, and together with management implements its policies and procedures, which include managing conflicts of interest, preventing the abuse of power, corruption, insider trading and money laundering.

Application	Applied								
Explanation on application of the practice	The Board has adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics. The Code of Business Conduct and Ethics provides good guidance for a standard of ethical behaviour for Directors and employees based on trustworthiness and values that can be accepted and to uphold the spirit of responsibility and social responsibility in line with the legislation, regulations and guidelines for administrating a Company. The Code of Business Conduct and Ethics is available on the Company's website at www.countryview.com.my								
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Practice 3.2

The board establishes, reviews and together with management implements policies and procedures on whistleblowing.

Application	: Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	The Board has also adopted Whistle-Blowing Policies, which outline when, how and to whom a concern may be properly raised about the actual or potential corporate fraud or breach of regulatory requirements involving employees, Management or Director in the Group. The Board is aware of the need for adherence to the Code of Business Conduct and Ethic and Employees' Handbook by Directors of the Company and employees in the Group respectively, and will take measures to put in place a process to ensure its compliance. The Whistle-Blowing Policies is available on the Company's website at www.countryview.com.my
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Board decisions are made objectively in the best interests of the company taking into account diverse perspectives and insights.

Practice 4.1

At least half of the board comprises independent directors. For Large Companies, the board comprises a majority independent directors.

Application	: Departure
Explanation on application of the practice	:
Explanation for departure	 CVB's Board is led by an Executive Chairman and supported by three (3) Executive Directors, One (1) Non-Independent Non-Executive Director and two (2) Independent Non-Executive Directors. All the Independent Directors are independent of Management and have no family or business relationships with the Executive Directors and major shareholders, which would interfere with the execution of their independent judgement. The Independent Non-Executive Directors provide their independent view, unbiased judgment and knowledge to the management as well as safeguarding the interests of the shareholders. Non-Executive Directors do not participate in the day-to-day management of the Group. The Board is of the opinion that the current size, scope and extent of business and its current dynamics does not require an overly large Board. Board decisions are arrived at collectively by the Board after taking into consideration given to the views expressed by its Independent Directors. The Board does not identify nor delegate its powers to a Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer and the existing Board structure ensures that no single Director dominates the decision making process. Both the Independent Non-Executive Directors of the Company during financial year 2019 were persons of unquestionable integrity and character. Mr Choong Shiau Yoon has since been elected as a Member of Parliament for the Tebrau, Johor constituency, He is also a member of the Public Accounts Committee of the Parliament of Malaysia and a Commissioner of The National Water Service Commission (SPAN) while Mr Han Hing Siew is an Accountant by profession and a retired investment banker with vast experience in Corporate Finance.
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Practice 4.2

The tenure of an independent director does not exceed a cumulative term limit of nine years. Upon completion of the nine years, an independent director may continue to serve on the board as a non-independent director.

If the board intends to retain an independent director beyond nine years, it should justify and seek annual shareholders' approval. If the board continues to retain the independent director after the twelfth year, the board should seek annual shareholders' approval through a two-tier voting process.

Application	: Applied - Annual shareholders' approval for independent directors serving beyond 9 years
Explanation on application of the practice	: 1. The Board will seek shareholders' approval to retain the Independent Directors who have served for a cumulative period of nine (9) years with justifications.
	 2. As at the reporting date, Mr Choong Shiau Yoon will have served more than nine (9) years as Independent Director. The Board through its NC had conducted an assessment of the independence of all its Independent Directors and is satisfied that the Independent Directors have fulfilled the criteria under the definition of Independent Director as stated in the Main Market Listing Requirements ("Listing Requirements") of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad and are able to provide objective and independent judgment in deliberation of the Board's agenda. Based on the Board's assessment, the Board is recommending to put forward a resolution at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting ('AGM') to retain Mr Choong Shiau Yoon as Independent Director notwithstanding that his tenure as Independent Director has exceeded the nine (9) years limit as recommended under the Code. The Board's and NC's justification to retain Mr Choong Shiau Yoon is premised on the following:- Mr Choong Shiau Yoon continues to fulfil the criteria and definition of an Independent Director as set out under Paragraph 1.01 of Listing Requirements;
	 During his tenure in office, Mr Choong Shiau Yoon has not developed, established or maintained any significant personal or social relationship whether direct or indirect with the Executive Director(s), major shareholders or management of the Company (including his family members) other than normal engagements and interactions on a professional level consistent and expected of him to carry out his respective duties. Mr Choong Shiau Yoon is the Chairman of the ARMC and NC and member of the RC; During his tenure in office, Mr Choong Shiau Yoon has never transacted or entered into any transactions with, nor provided any services to the Company and its subsidiaries, the Executive Director(s), major shareholders or management of the Company (including their family members) within the scope and meaning as set forth under Paragraph

5 of Practice Note 13 of the Listing Requirements;
During his tenure in office as Independent Non-Executive Directors in the Company, Mr Choong Shiau Yoon has not been offered or granted any options by the Company. Other than directors' fees and allowances paid which had been the norm and been duly disclosed in the annual reports, no other incentives or benefits of whatsoever nature had been paid to him by the Company;
During his tenure in office, Mr Choong Shiau Yoon has demonstrated consistently his integrity, commitment and contributed effectively to the Board's decision-making process; and
During his tenure in office, Mr Choong Shiau Yoon has gained significant and detailed understanding and insights into the business operations, and industry sectors in which the Group operates in. This includes an understanding of the peculiarities, strengths and weaknesses of the industry thereby enabling him to offer a different perspective during the decision-making process which a fresh appointee or a director holding office for a short length of time would not be able to offer.
Choong Shiau Yoon tenure in office as Independent Director has passed (9) years and will exceed twelve (12) years at the forthcoming AGM.
Board will seek shareholders' approval to retain the Independent ctor through a two-tier voting process as recommended under Practice of Malaysian Code of Corporate Governance ("MCCG") by way of an mary Resolution passed in accordance with the Company's existing stitution and the provisions of the Companies Act 2016.
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Practice 4.3 - Step Up

The board has a policy which limits the tenure of its independent directors to nine years.

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Explanation on	The Board has not adopted a policy to limit the tenure of it	
adoption of the	independent directors to nine (9) years as the Board is of the opinion that :	n
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	 The stability of the composition of the Board, and continuity of the members of the Board are also vital factors to be taken into consideration in determining and building an effective Board. 	
	2. Independent Non-Executive Directors who have served for a prolonged tenure will have gained valuable insights into the business strategies and operations, an understanding of the industry sector that the Group operates in, including an understanding of the peculiarities, strength and weaknesses in the relevant industry thus enabling them to offers a different and often, better perspective during the decision making process which a fresh appointee or a director holding office for a short tenure would not be able to offer.	d p d a g

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Practice 4.4

Appointment of board and senior management are based on objective criteria, merit and with due regard for diversity in skills, experience, age, cultural background and gender.

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	 The NC is responsible to oversee the selection criteria and recruitment process and recommend to the Board, candidates for all directorships to be filled by the shareholders or the Board taking into consideration the candidates' :- character, age and experience, competencies, commitment, contribution and performance ; diligence and professionalism ; integrity ; and in the case of candidates for the position of independent non-executive directors, the candidates' ability to discharge such responsibilities/functions as expected from independent non-executive directors, in particular, independence of mind and sense of fairness. The role of the NC is detailed in its Terms of Reference, which is accessible for reference on the CVB's website at www.countryview.com.my
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Practice 4.5

The board discloses in its annual report the company's policies on gender diversity, its targets and measures to meet those targets. For Large Companies, the board must have at least 30% women directors.

Application	: Departure
Explanation on application of the practice	:
Explanation for departure	 The Board acknowledges the importance of diversity in its Board composition, in terms of business experience, geography, age, gender, ethnicity and aboriginal status to provide the necessary range of perspective, experience and expertise required are well balanced in order to achieve effective board stewardship. Currently, one member of the Board is of the female gender. CVB is not a large company.
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Practice 4.6

In identifying candidates for appointment of directors, the board does not solely rely on recommendations from existing board members, management or major shareholders. The board utilises independent sources to identify suitably qualified candidates.

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	 The Board had adopted procedures for the appointment of new directors which is accessible for reference on the CVB's website at www.countryview.com.my. The Board's NC is entrusted with the responsibility to review, propose and recommend the appointment of potential new Directors after taking into consideration the current and future needs of the Company. The NC which is responsible for reviewing the effectiveness of the Board as a whole, the Board Committees, the contributions of the individual Directors and the Independence of the Independent Directors, will where appropriate, make its recommendations to the Board on the need to increase the Board size, the composition, the necessary skills, caliber diversity and experience required and where available the potential candidates for appointment. The NC will where practical maintain a database of potential candidates. Potential candidates can be sourced from existing Directors and substantial shareholders of the Company. existing Senior Management employees. professional bodies and organisations. business associates, shareholders.
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Practice 4.7

The Nominating Committee is chaired by an Independent Director or the Senior Independent Director.

Application :	Applied	
Explanation on : application of the practice	current Chairman of the NC is the Senior Independent Director, Mr Choo Shiau Yoon and its composition comprised of a majority of Independent No Executive Directors as follows:-	
	<u>Chairman</u> Choong Shiau Yoon – Senior Independent Non-Executive Director	
	<u>Members</u>	
	Han Hing Siew – Independent Non-Executive Director	
	Law Kee Kong – Non-Independent Non-Executive Director	
	The primary responsibilities of the NC is set out in detail in its Term of Reference which can be viewed from CVB's website at www.countryview.com.my	
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Stakeholders are able to form an opinion on the overall effectiveness of the board and individual directors.

Practice 5.1

The board should undertake a formal and objective annual evaluation to determine the effectiveness of the board, its committees and each individual director. The board should disclose how the assessment was carried out and its outcome.

For Large Companies, the board engages independent experts periodically to facilitate objective and candid board evaluations.

Application :	Applied
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application of the	Effectiveness of the Board as a whole, the Board Committees and
practice	Contribution of each individual Directors which is carried out annually.
	The Board's NC carried out the assessment based on the approved process comprising of An evaluation of the Board, the Board Committees and the individual contribution of each members, in the form of annual evaluation questionnaires which were then reviewed and deliberated by the NC before its findings and recommendations were tabled to the Board.
	The evaluation of the Performance of Chairman of the Board, the Chairman of the ARMC, NC and RC and the Senior Independent Director was also conducted during the scheduled meeting of NC. Each Director had abstained in the deliberation of their own evaluation.
	The NC also reviewed the appropriateness of structure, size, composition and balance of the Board, and the required mix of skills and experience as well as diversity.
	The NC had concluded that the Board's dynamics are healthy and effective. The present members of the Board possess appropriate skills, experience and qualities to steer the Company forward. The NC is also satisfied that the existing structure, size, composition, current mix of skills, competence, knowledge, experience and qualities of the existing Board members are appropriate to enable the Board to carry out its responsibilities effectively;
	The NC also concluded that the Board Committee's were functioning effectively, meeting the objective as set out in their respective terms of reference and assisting the Board in fulfilling its statutory and fiduciary responsibilities adequately.
	During the year, the NC also carried out the following:-
	i. Proposed the re-election of Directors in accordance to Clause 132 of the Company's Constitution.
	Information of the directors standing for re-election is outlined in the Profile of Directors covering their details of profession, directorships in other public companies and shareholdings in the Company and their attendance of the Board meetings are set forth on page 17 and 19 of Annual Report 2019.

	ii. Reviewed the independence of Independent Directors and their length of tenure in office through Evaluation Questionnaires.
	The Board had adopted the evaluation procedures for assessment of the independence of the Independent Directors and where applicable, any impairment arising from a long tenure in office (9 Years As Prescribed By MCCG 2017). This evaluation is carried out in the form of annual evaluation questionnaires to be reviewed, deliberated and concluded by the NC before recommendations are tabled to the Board. Each independent director has abstained in the deliberation of their own independence during the evaluation. It was concluded that the independence of all Independent Directors has not been compromised or impaired after considering the following factors:
	 The Independent Directors fulfilled the criteria and definition of an independent director as set out under Para 1.01 of Listing Requirement; The Independent Directors have not developed, established or maintained any significant personal or social relationship with the Executive Directors, major shareholders or management of the company; The Independent Directors have never transacted or entered into any transactions with, nor provided any service to the Company and its subsidiaries, the Executive Directors, major shareholders or management of the company; The Independent Directors have not been offered or granted any options by the Company. No other incentives or benefits of whatsoever nature had been paid to them by the Company; The Independent Directors have attended training programs and keep abreast with development in corporate governance and corporate development, brought objective insight all aspect of monitoring and oversight activities of the Board and devoted sufficient time commitment and desire to serve.
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The level and composition of remuneration of directors and senior management take into account the company's desire to attract and retain the right talent in the board and senior management to drive the company's long-term objectives.

Remuneration policies and decisions are made through a transparent and independent process.

Practice 6.1

The board has in place policies and procedures to determine the remuneration of directors and senior management, which takes into account the demands, complexities and performance of the company as well as skills and experience required. The policies and procedures are periodically reviewed and made available on the company's website.

Application	:	Applied	
Explanation on application of the practice	:	The RC and Board has adopted a formal and transparent remuneration policy for the Director and Senior Management to attract and retain directors which is aligned with the business strategy and long term objectives of the Company taking into consideration that the remuneration should reflect the Board's responsibilities, expertise and complexity of the Company's activities. The RC during the year under review had reviewed the proposed basis for provision of Directors' fees and benefits in kind for all directors, bonuses and increments for all Executive Directors in accordance with the policy. The Remuneration Policy for Directors and Senior Management is available at CVB's website at www.countryview.com.my.	
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Practice 6.2

The board has a Remuneration Committee to implement its policies and procedures on remuneration including reviewing and recommending matters relating to the remuneration of board and senior management.

The Committee has written Terms of Reference which deals with its authority and duties and these Terms are disclosed on the company's website.

Application	: Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	 The RC comprises of a majority of Independent Non-Executive Directors ("NEDs"). The primary responsibilities of the RC are set out in details in its Terms of Reference which can be viewed from CVB's corporate website at www.countryview.com.my The Board is satisfied that the RC has effectively and efficiently discharged its roles and responsibilities with respect to its remuneration functions, which include amongst others, establishing the remuneration policy for Directors and Senior Management's Remuneration, reviews of the remuneration policies for the Board, Board Committees, the Executive Directors and Senior management personnel.
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Stakeholders are able to assess whether the remuneration of directors and senior management is commensurate with their individual performance, taking into consideration the company's performance.

Practice 7.1

There is detailed disclosure on named basis for the remuneration of individual directors. The remuneration breakdown of individual directors includes fees, salary, bonus, benefits in-kind and other emoluments.

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		(RM)				
	Tan Sri	375,619.00	20,000.00	167,100.00	22,853.00	585,572.00
	Datuk Ir. Mohamed					
	Al Amin					
	Bin Abdul					
	Majid					
	Law Kit Tat	448,533.00	20,000.00	294,000.00	*30,040.00	792,573.00
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	Han Hing Siew	-	90,000.00	-	-	90,000.00
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Stakeholders are able to assess whether the remuneration of directors and senior management is commensurate with their individual performance, taking into consideration the company's performance.

Practice 7.2

The board discloses on a named basis the top five senior management's remuneration component including salary, bonus, benefits in-kind and other emoluments in bands of RM50,000.

Application :	Departure					
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application of the						
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Explanation for :	The Board is of the view that the disclosure of the senior management's					
departure	remuneration will impinge on the confidentiality and privacy of the respective individuals and may result in negative repercussions on the Group's human resources taking into consideration the size and dynamics of the Group's current operations.					
	The Board is of the view that the negative repercussions and implications far outweigh the benefits to be derived from adopting the disclosures under the recommended Practice 7.2.					
	Disclosure of the remuneration of the Directors on a named basis has been made in line with Practice 7.1. The Board is entrusted with the stewardship role in driving the performance of the Group and its results reflected in the disclosures made in the audited financial statements of the Group.					
	In CVB, the assessment of the senior management to ensure that their remuneration is commensurate with their individual performance taking into consideration the Company's performance is entrusted to the Board with the assistance of the RC.					
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Stakeholders are able to assess whether the remuneration of directors and senior management is commensurate with their individual performance, taking into consideration the company's performance.

Practice 7.3 - Step Up

Companies are encouraged to fully disclose the detailed remuneration of each member of senior management on a named basis.

Application :	lot Adopted	
Explanation on :		
adoption of the		
practice		

There is an effective and independent Audit Committee.

The board is able to objectively review the Audit Committee's findings and recommendations. The company's financial statement is a reliable source of information.

Practice 8.1

The Chairman of the Audit Committee is not the Chairman of the board.

Application	: Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	 The ARMC is chaired by Mr Choong Shiau Yoon who is an accountant by profession and a member (Chartered Accountants) of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA), a fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) and a fellow of the Chartered Taxation Institute of Malaysia and thus, fulfilling paragraph 15.09(1)(c) of Listing Requirements, which requires at least one member of the ARMC to be a member of a professional accountancy body. Meanwhile, the Executive Chairman of the Board is Tan Sri Datuk Ir. Mohamed Al Amin Bin Abdul Majid. As such, the Chairman of the ARMC is distinct from the Executive Chairman of the Board. Having the positions of Board Chairman and Chairman of the ARMC assumed by different individuals allows the Board to objectively review the ARMC's findings and recommendations.
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Practice 8.2

The Audit Committee has a policy that requires a former key audit partner to observe a cooling-off period of at least two years before being appointed as a member of the Audit Committee.

Application	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	The ARMC comprises of three (3) members of which there is a majority of Independent Non-Executive Directors. At present, none of the ARMC members were former key audit partners of the Company's external auditors. As a measure to safeguard the independence and objectivity of the audit process, the ARMC has incorporated a policy stipulation that governs the appointment of a former key audit partner to the ARMC. The policy, which is codified in the ARMC's Terms of Reference, requires a former key audit partner to observe a cooling-off period of at least two (2) years before he can be considered for appointment as a Committee member.
Explanation for departure	Please provide an explanation on how the practice is being applied.
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Practice 8.3

The Audit Committee has policies and procedures to assess the suitability, objectivity and independence of the external auditor.

Application	Applied
Explanation on	The ARMC has adopted a procedure to assess the suitability, objectivity and
application of the	Independence of the External Auditors.
practice	The ARMC carried out the assessment of the performance, suitability, objectivity and independence of Messrs BDO PLT based on an assessment questionnaire which took into consideration assessment criteria such as the quality of services, sufficiency of resources, adequate resources and trained professional staff assigned to the audit. Messrs BDO PLT were also requested to furnish a declaration of the Independence to the Company as part of these procedures.
	The ARMC has been generally satisfied with the independence, performance and suitability of Messrs BDO PLT based on the assessment and are recommending to the Board and shareholders for approval for the re- appointment of Messrs BDO PLT as External Auditors for the Financial Year Ending 30 November 2020.
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The board is able to objectively review the Audit Committee's findings and recommendations. The company's financial statement is a reliable source of information.

Practice 8.4 - Step Up

The Audit Committee should comprise solely of Independent Directors.

Application	:	Not Adopted
Explanation on adoption of the	:	
practice		

There is an effective and independent Audit Committee.

The board is able to objectively review the Audit Committee's findings and recommendations. The company's financial statement is a reliable source of information.

Practice 8.5

Collectively, the Audit Committee should possess a wide range of necessary skills to discharge its duties. All members should be financially literate and are able to understand matters under the purview of the Audit Committee including the financial reporting process.

All members of the Audit Committee should undertake continuous professional development to keep themselves abreast of relevant developments in accounting and auditing standards, practices and rules.

Application :	Applied
Explanation on :	The current ARMC comprises three (3) members as follows:
application of the	Choong Shiau Yoon
practice	(Chairman, Senior Independent Non-Executive Director)
	Han Hing Siew
	(Member, Independent Non-Executive Director)
	Law Kee Kong
	(Member, Non-Independent Non-Executive Director)
	Collectively, the ARMC possesses a wide range of necessary skills to discharge its duties. All ARMC members are financially literate, whilst the Chairman of the ARMC is a member (Chartered Accountants) of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA), a fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) and a fellow of the Chartered Taxation Institute of Malaysia and thus, fulfilling paragraph 15.09(1)(c) of Listing Requirements, which requires at least one member of the ARMC to be a member of a professional accountancy body.
	The profiles of all the members of the ARMC are set out on pages 19 to 20 of the Annual Report 2019.
	All members of the ARMC have undertaken continuous professional development. During the reporting year, the ARMC members had attended training courses. Details of their training is set out on page 25 of Annual Report for 2019.
	During the ARMC Meetings, the members were briefed by the external auditor, Messrs. BDO PLT on the following key areas:
	• Financial Reporting developments;
	Adoption of Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards; Other abanges in regulatory environment
	 Other changes in regulatory environment.
Explanation for : departure	

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Companies make informed decisions about the level of risk they want to take and implement necessary controls to pursue their objectives.

The board is provided with reasonable assurance that adverse impact arising from a foreseeable future event or situation on the company's objectives is mitigated and managed.

Practice 9.1

The board should establish an effective risk management and internal control framework.

Application :	Applied			
Explanation on : application of the practice	The Company has through its Board established a risk management and internal control framework with policies to identify, evaluate and manage the principal risk of the Group's business which is overseen by a Sustainability and Risk Management Working Committee ("SRMWC") which is chaired and led by the Group General Manager ("GGM"). The members of the SRMWC comprises of the Group General Manager, the Chief Financial Officer and all heads of department. The SRMWC reports to the ARMC before matters are escalated to the Board. The internal controls which have been embedded in the business processes and activities are the management reporting structure, authority and approval limits and procedures, segregation of duties, budgeting, management review procedures as well as the periodic reporting and review of performance. The Group's internal control and risk management framework is discussed in more detail in the Statement on Risk Management and Internal Control on			
	pages 38 to 41 of Annual Report 2019.			
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Practice 9.2

The board should disclose the features of its risk management and internal control framework, and the adequacy and effectiveness of this framework.

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Explanation for departure	•	
Explanation on application of the practice	:	The Board has disclosed the key features of its risk management and internal control system in the Statement on Risk Management and Internal Control on pages 38 to 41 of Annual Report 2019.
Application	:	Applied

Companies make informed decisions about the level of risk they want to take and implement necessary controls to pursue their objectives.

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Practice 9.3 - Step Up

The board establishes a Risk Management Committee, which comprises a majority of independent directors, to oversee the company's risk management framework and policies.

: Not Adopted
: The ARMC comprises three (3) members which is comprised wholly of Non-
Executive Directors and a majority of Independent Non-Executive Directors as
follows:
Choong Shiau Yoon
(Chairman, Senior Independent Non-Executive Director)
Han Hing Siew
(Member, Independent Non-Executive Director)
Law Kee Kong
(Member, Non-Independent Non-Executive Director)
The Board notes the views expressed by Bursa Malaysia's in their letter dated 16 October 2019 that the Company's practice of combining the Risk Management with the Audit Committee does not meet the requirements of the step-up Practice 9.3.
The Board having reviewed the current composition of the Board and taking into consideration of the current size and level of operation of the Group, is of the view that the combination of a Risk Management Committee with the Audit Committee is deemed a practical and effective approach and will maintain this practice. The Board will undertake an annual review to determine its sustainability and continuation after taking into consideration any changes to the dynamics concerned.

Companies have an effective governance, risk management and internal control framework and stakeholders are able to assess the effectiveness of such a framework.

Practice 10.1

The Audit Committee should ensure that the internal audit function is effective and able to function independently.

Application :	Applied
Explanation on :	CVB's internal audit function is outsourced to a professional internal audit
application of the	services company, to assist the Board and ARMC in providing an independent
practice	assessment on the adequacy, efficiency and effectiveness of the CVB's internal control system.
	During the year under review, the outsourced internal audit function carried out audits in accordance with the risk-based internal audit plan approved by the ARMC. The internal audit plan was developed taking into consideration the Group's risk profiles and concerns of Management and the ARMC.
	To support the ARMC in discharging their responsibilities, the Internal Auditors reports directly to the ARMC.
	Further details of the internal audit activities are set out in the Audit and Risk Management Committees Report and Statement on Risk Management and Internal Control of Annual Report 2019.
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Companies have an effective governance, risk management and internal control framework and stakeholders are able to assess the effectiveness of such a framework.

Practice 10.2

The board should disclose-

- whether internal audit personnel are free from any relationships or conflicts of interest, which could impair their objectivity and independence;
- the number of resources in the internal audit department;
- name and qualification of the person responsible for internal audit; and
- whether the internal audit function is carried out in accordance with a recognised framework.

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the	CVB's internal audit function is outsourced to a professional services firm, to assist the Board and ARMC.
practice	 The outsourced Internal Audit personnel are free from any relationship or conflicts of interest with any members of the staff or management of the Group.
	2. The number of resources assigned by the outsourced Internal Audit department for the Company is normally ranges from 3 to 4 staff per visit which is carried out twice a year.
	3. The person responsible for Internal Audit is Mr Dennis Mah, a Chartered Member of the Institute of Internal Auditors Malaysia, a member of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants and a Fellow Member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, United Kingdom. Mr Mah is a Certified Internal Auditor (USA) and has a Certification in Risk Management Assurance (USA).
	 In carrying out their audit work, the internal audit function made reference to the guidelines of the International Professional Practices Framework.
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There is continuous communication between the company and stakeholders to facilitate mutual understanding of each other's objectives and expectations.

Stakeholders are able to make informed decisions with respect to the business of the company, its policies on governance, the environment and social responsibility.

Practice 11.1

The board ensures there is effective, transparent and regular communication with its stakeholders.

Application	: Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	: The Board recognises the importance of communications with its stakeholders and is committed to upholding high standards of transparency and promotion of investor confidence through the provision of comprehensive, accurate and quality information on a timely and even basis.
	The Board had in place a Stakeholders Communication Policy which sets out the aims and practices of the Company in respect of communicating with its stakeholders (both current and prospective) and the Corporate Disclosure Policy:
	• To promote and elevate a high standard of integrity and transparency through timely comprehensive, quality and full disclosure.
	• To promote and maintain market integrity and investor confidence.
	• To exercise due diligence to ensure the veracity of the information being disseminated is factual, clear, timely and comprehensive.
	• To build good relationship with all stakeholders based on transparency, openness, trust and confidence.
	• To have in place efficient procedures for management of information, which promotes accountability for the disclosure of material information.
	The Board's Stakeholders Communication Policy and Corporate Disclosure Policy are available on CVB's corporate website at www.countryview.com.my.
	During FY2019, the Board ensured the supply of clear, comprehensive and timely information to the stakeholders via the following:
	 a) Publication of 2018 annual report; b) Provide all relevant disclosures including quarterly financial results of CVB by way of announcement through Bursa link; c) Frequent updating of information relevant to Investor Relations, such as annual report, financial results and announcements through CVB's website;
	 d) Engagement with shareholders during 2019 Annual General Meeting where the Chairman highlighted to shareholders and proxy holders, their right to speak up at general meetings, the conduct of poll voting for all resolutions tabled at general meetings and review of the performance of the company during Annual General Meeting.
	e) Answered all questions and queries posed by Minority Shareholders

	Watch Group and shareholders at the 2019 AGM and uploaded a
	summary of key matters discussed at the 2019 AGM to the Company's
	website.
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Practice 11.2

Large companies are encouraged to adopt integrated reporting based on a globally recognised framework.

Application :	Departure
Explanation on :	
application of the	
practice	
Explanation for :	Not Applicable as the Company is not a large Company as defined by the
departure	Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance 2017.
	The Company has not adopt integrated reporting based on the globally recognised framework as it is not a statutory requirement.
	In addition, the annual report presently contains financial and non-financial information which provides a fairly comprehensive overview of the Group.
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Shareholders are able to participate, engage the board and senior management effectively and make informed voting decisions at General Meetings.

Practice 12.1

Notice for an Annual General Meeting should be given to the shareholders at least 28 days prior to the meeting.

Application :	Departure
Explanation on : application of the practice	
Explanation for : departure	The 37 th Annual General Meeting of CVB will be held on 28 th April 2020. The notice of at least 21 days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting is in accordance with the provision of the Constitution and Companies Act 2016 which the Board is of the opinion already allows sufficient time for the shareholders to consider the proposed resolutions to be tabled at the Annual General Meeting. In addition, the notice of Annual General Meeting also included details and relevant explanatory notes to the resolutions proposed to enable the shareholders to make informed decisions in exercising their voting rights. The Annual Report 2019 together with the Notice of the 37 th Annual General Meeting dated 31 March 2020 is also available on CVB's website www.countryview.com.my. The AGM is convened at a venue and locality that is easily accessible with ample conveniences to enable shareholders to attend, participate and engage the Board and Senior Management as well as to exercise their voting rights in accordance with the Constitution of the Company and the Companies Act 2016.
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Shareholders are able to participate, engage the board and senior management effectively and make informed voting decisions at General Meetings.

Practice 12.2

All directors attend General Meetings. The Chair of the Audit, Nominating, Risk Management and other committees provide meaningful response to questions addressed to them.

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	All Directors, including members of ARMC, NC and RC, attended the 36 th Annual General Meeting held on 25 th April 2019 to interact directly with the Company's shareholders. The Management and the External Auditors were also present to answer any relevant shareholder's queries. During the question and answer session, the Chairman opened the floor to the shareholders to raise questions related to the Company's financial statements and any other items on the meeting's Agenda, before putting the resolutions to vote. The summary of key matter discussed, if any, will be published on the Company website in accordance to the requirement of the Listing Requirements. The presence of all directors presented opportunities for the shareholders to raise questions and concerns directly to the Directors.
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Shareholders are able to participate, engage the board and senior management effectively and make informed voting decisions at General Meetings.

Practice 12.3

Listed companies with a large number of shareholders or which have meetings in remote locations should leverage technology to facilitate–

- including voting in absentia; and
- remote shareholders' participation at General Meetings.

Application	:	Departure
Explanation on	:	
application of the		
practice		
Explanation for	:	CVB currently has 1,139 shareholders as at 20^{th} March 2020 and its 37^{th}
departure		Annual General Meeting will be held on 28 th April 2020.
		As the number of shareholders are not overly large and the venue of the meeting place is easily accessible to all shareholders the need to leverage and adopt the latest technology is not viable at this juncture. Shareholders are entitled to appoint proxies/attorneys to attend and vote on their behalf should they be unable to do so in person. CVB will only consider leveraging on such technology when it is financially justified and commercially viable to do so.
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SECTION B – DISCLOSURES ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES PERSUANT CORPORATE GOVERNANCE GUIDELINES ISSUED BY BANK NEGARA MALAYSIA

Disclosures in this section are pursuant to Appendix 4 (Corporate Governance Disclosures) of the Corporate Governance Guidelines issued by Bank Negara Malaysia. This section is only applicable for financial institutions or any other institutions that are listed on the Exchange that are required to comply with the above Guidelines.

It is not applicable to the Company,