# **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT**

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COMPANY NAME	:	COUNTRY VIEW BERHAD
FINANCIAL YEAR	:	November 30, 2022

### 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.

# SECTION A - DISCLOSURE ON MALAYSIAN CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

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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 Mohamed Al Amin Bin Abdul Majid, is the Executive Chairman of the Board. His profile can be viewed on page 7 of the Company's 2022 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 website at https://www.countryview.com.my.	
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# Practice 1.3

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

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departure	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 three (3) 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 Chairman of the board should not be a member of the Audit Committee, Nomination Committee or Remuneration Committee

-	an is not a member of any of these specified committees, but the board
	ticipate in any or all of these committees' meetings, by way of invitation, tice should be a 'Departure'.
Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	CVB is in compliance with Practice 1.4 of the Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance ("MCCG") whereby the Chairman of the Board, Tan Sri Mohamed Al Amin Bin Abdul Majid ("the Chairman") is not a member of the Audit and Risk Management Committee ("ARMC"), the Nomination Committee ("NC") or Remuneration Committee ("RC") of CVB.
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# Practice 1.5

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.

Application	: Applied	
Explanation on application of the practice	: The Board is supported by an External Company Secretary and an in house Company Secretary, both qualified to act as Company Secretar under Section 235 and Section 241 of the Companies Act 2016. The External Secretary is a Fellow Member while the in-house Secretary i an Associate Member of the Malaysian Institute of Chartered Secretaries & Administrators.	
	The Company Secretaries provide the required support to the Board in carrying out its duties and stewardship role, providing the necessary advisory role with regards to the Company's constitution, Board's policies and procedures as well as compliance with all regulatory requirements, codes, guidance and legislation.	
	All Directors also have full and unrestricted access to the advice and services of the Company Secretaries. The Board is regularly updated or new guidelines, directives and new regulatory issues affecting the Group by the Company Secretaries as well as external consultants. The Company Secretaries together with the Executive Directors and Chie Financial Officer assist the Executive Chairman of the Board and Chairman of the respective Board Committees to deal with the Board agenda and to provide the relevant information and documents to al Directors on a timely basis. The Board is satisfied with the support and performance rendered by its Company Secretaries in assisting the Board to discharge its duties.	
	The Board are of the view that the Company Secretaries have been competent and kept themselves abreast with the evolving regulatory changes and developments through continuous education programmes and attendance of relevant conferences, seminars and training programmes.	
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# Practice 1.6

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.

Application	:	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	:	The Board recognises that the supply, timeliness and quality of the information affect the effectiveness of the Board to oversee the conduct of 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.
		Arising from the Covid-19 pandemic, the Board has quickly adapted to the changes and leveraged on technology, utilised digital means to ensure that all information materials and data are made available to its Directors.

Virtual Meetings and video conferencing for discussions and meetings have been adopted.			
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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	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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 https://www.countryview.com.my. The Board Charter will be reviewed on a biennial basis or as and when the need arises.</li> <li>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 envery, advice and judgement in safeguarding the interests of the shareholders.</li> <li>The Board has defined the roles and responsibilities for the Board, its Executive Directors, 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.</li> </ul>

	The Board maintains specific Board Committees namely ARMC, NC and 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 had on 30 June 2022 adopted the Fit and Proper Person Policy Policy together with Declaration Form of Key Management Personnel which serve as guidance for the appointment, re-election of Directors and the appointment of key management personnel to carry out their responsibilities with full competence, character, diligence, integrity and judgement.
	On 26 July 2022, the Board had reviewed and enhanced its Board Charter and revised the existing Board policies and practices :
	<ul> <li>a) Audit and Risk Management Committee's Terms of Reference</li> <li>b) Nomination Committee's Terms of Reference</li> <li>c) Remuneration Committee's Terms of Reference</li> <li>d) Board Charter</li> <li>e) Stakeholders Communication Policy</li> <li>f) Board Procedures for Appointment of Directors</li> <li>g) Board Corporate Disclosure Policy</li> <li>h) Board Policy on Code of Business Conduct &amp; Ethics</li> <li>a) Policy Protocols &amp; Procedures In Respect Of Response To Rumours Or Reports/Unusual Market Activity (Uma) Query From Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad</li> <li>b) Sustainability Policy</li> <li>c) Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy</li> <li>d) Remuneration Policy for Directors and Senior Management</li> <li>e) Policy on Time Commitment</li> <li>g) Whistle-blowing Policy</li> </ul>
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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.

The Code of Conduct and Ethics is published on the company's website.

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 https://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 a Whistle-Blowing Policy, 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 Policy is available on the Company's website at https://www.countryview.com.my.	
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### Practice 4.1

The board together with management takes responsibility for the governance of sustainability in the company including setting the company's sustainability strategies, priorities and targets.

The board takes into account sustainability considerations when exercising its duties including among others the development and implementation of company strategies, business plans, major plans of action and risk management.

Strategic management of material sustainability matters should be driven by senior management.

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	The Board of CVB recognises the importance of building a sustainable business taking into consideration all factors that will affect the sustainability of the Group's business, operation, management and how these factors are addressed in order to create shareholders' value and to safeguard the interest of all stakeholders on a long-term basis. The Group is mindful that its activities should be carried out with the highest standards of corporate and social responsibility as it strives to align its business operations while balancing this to minimize the environmental impact arising from its operations and actions while at the same time improving the social and economic conditions for all its stakeholders including its employees and the communities that it operates in, with integrity and ethical practices. 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 the relevant Head of Departments. The SRMWC reports to the ARMC before matters are escalated to the Board.
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### Practice 4.2

The board ensures that the company's sustainability strategies, priorities and targets as well as performance against these targets are communicated to its internal and external stakeholders.

Application	Applied	
Explanation on application of the practice	<ul> <li>The duties and responsibilities of the SRMWC include the following:</li> <li>Advising and recommending to the ARMC and Board on the strategies in respect of sustainability and sustainability related policies for adoption;</li> <li>Monitoring the implementation of sustainability strategies as approved by the Board;</li> <li>Overseeing the overall management of stakeholder engagement, including ensuring grievance mechanisms are in place;</li> <li>Overseeing the management of sustainability matters, with particular focus on matters material to the Group organization; and</li> <li>Overseeing the preparation of sustainability disclosures as required by laws and/or rules, and recommending it for the Board's approval.</li> </ul>	
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### Practice 4.3

The board takes appropriate action to ensure they stay abreast with and understand the sustainability issues relevant to the company and its business, including climate-related risks and opportunities.

Application :	Applied	
Explanation on : application of the practice	The Board ensures that it is kept abreast and understands the Group's sustainability issues through periodic updates by the SRMWC and ARMC.	
	During the periodic briefings, the Board is presented with the challenges, risks and opportunities faced in its sustainability issues. With the briefings, the Board is able to better assess and form the Group's direction in relation to its sustainability strategies and policies.	
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### Practice 4.4

Performance evaluations of the board and senior management include a review of the performance of the board and senior management in addressing the company's material sustainability risks and opportunities.

Application :	Applied	
Explanation on : application of the practice	The Board through its NC carries out an annual assessment on the effectiveness of the Board as a whole, the Boards' Committees and the performance and contribution of each individual director. The annual assessment of the Board is included with the assessment of the Board's performance in addressing the Company's material	
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### Practice 4.5- Step Up

The board identifies a designated person within management, to provide dedicated focus to manage sustainability strategically, including the integration of sustainability considerations in the operations of the company.

-	n on adoption of this practice should include a brief description of the lesignated person and actions or measures undertaken pursuant to the role in
Application	: Adopted
Explanation on adoption of the practice	<ul> <li>The SRMWC is chaired by the GGM and in his absence the Chief Financial Officer and comprises of the relevant Head of Departments, with diverse background and experience which enables diverse views and opinions from different perspectives when implementing strategies on sustainability.</li> <li>The duties and responsibilities of the SRMWC include the following:</li> <li>Advising and recommending to the ABMC and Board on the</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Advising and recommending to the ARMC and Board on the strategies in respect of sustainability and sustainability related policies for adoption;</li> <li>Monitoring the implementation of sustainability strategies as approved by the Board;</li> <li>Overseeing the overall management of stakeholder engagement, including ensuring grievance mechanisms are in place;</li> <li>Overseeing the management of sustainability matters, with particular focus on matters material to the Group organization; and</li> <li>Overseeing the preparation of sustainability disclosures as required by laws and/or rules, and recommending it for the Board's approval.</li> </ul>
	In formulating and making recommendations on sustainability, the SRMWC will be guided by the Group's Vision and Mission Statement. Moving forward the SRMWC will be carrying out a review to ensure that its sustainability practices and disclosures will be in line with Bursa Malaysia's Enhanced Sustainability Disclosures issued on 26 September 2022 together with the updated Sustainability Reporting Guide & Toolkits.

Board decisions are made objectively in the best interests of the company taking into account diverse perspectives and insights.

### Practice 5.1

The Nomination Committee should ensure that the composition of the board is refreshed periodically. The tenure of each director should be reviewed by the Nomination Committee and annual re-election of a director should be contingent on satisfactory evaluation of the director's performance and contribution to the board.

Application	:	Applied
Application Explanation on application of the practice	:	Refreshing the Board Composition         The Board had adopted procedures for the appointment of new directors which is accessible for reference on the CVB's website at https://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, calibre, 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.         other independent sources.
		the independence of Independent Directors annually and the tenure of an Independent Director should not exceed a cumulative term of nine (9) years. When the Board retains an Independent Director, who has served in that capacity for more than nine (9) years, the Board would justify its decision and seek shareholders' approval. In line with the enhanced Directors Amendments made to the definition
		of independent directors under Bursa Malaysia's Main Market Listing Requirements, Mr. Choong Shiau Yoon who has served as an

Independent Non- Executive Director for a period of beyond 9 years and more than 12 years, will no longer meet the enhanced definition.
Mr. Choong is due to retire by rotation as a Director pursuant to Clause 132 of the Company's Constitution and he has expressed his intention not to seek for re-election at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting ("AGM") and accordingly will retire as a Director at the conclusion of the forthcoming AGM.
Tan Sri Azhar Bin Azizan @ Harun was appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director and brings with him a wealth of experience with a legal background as an advocate and solicitor. Tan Sri Azhar Bin Azizan @ Harun had also served as Chairman of the Malaysian Election Commission from 2018 to 2020 and as the Speaker of the Malaysian House of Representatives from 2020 to 2022.
The details are reported on pages 24 to 37 of the Corporate Governance Overview Statement in the 2022 Annual Report.
Re-election of Directors
The re-election of Directors provides an opportunity for shareholders to renew their mandate conferred to the Directors.
The Constitution of the Company provides that all directors shall retire by rotation once in every three (3) years or at least one-third (1/3) of the Board shall retire but shall be eligible to offer themselves for re- election at the AGM.
At the forthcoming 2023 AGM, Mr. Choong Shiau Yoon and Mr. Han Hing Siew are due to retire by rotation under Clause 132 of the Constitution. Being eligible Mr. Han Hing Siew has offered himself for re-election. The BNC following its review of the performance of Mr. Han Hing Siew and having noted his significant and valued contributions to the Board and its committees has recommended his re-election to the Board and the Board concurred with the recommendation and is recommending shareholders to re-elect Mr. Han Hing Siew as Director at the 2023 AGM.
As stated earlier above, Mr. Choong Shiau Yoon has expressed his intention not to seek for re-election at the forthcoming AGM and will retire at the conclusion of the forthcoming AGM.
Tan Sri Azhar Bin Azizan @ Harun who was appointed to the Board on 13 March 2023 will retire pursuant to Clause 117 of the Constitution and being eligible has offered himself for re-election. The Board is recommending shareholders to re-elect Tan Sri Azhar Bin Azizan @ Harun as a Director at the forthcoming AGM.
The details are reported on pages 24 to 37 of the Corporate Governance Overview Statement in the 2022 Annual Report.

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### Practice 5.2

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 Directo and three (3) Independent Non-Executive Directors. All the Independent Directors are independent of Management and
	have no family or business relationships with the Executive Director and major shareholders, which would interfere with the execution o their independent judgement.
	The Independent Non-Executive Directors provide their independen view, unbiased judgment and knowledge to the management as well a safeguarding the interests of the shareholders. Non-Executive Director 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 o 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 all views and perspectives with more weightage and consideration given to the views expressed by its Independen 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.
	All the Independent Non-Executive Directors of the Company during financial year 2022 were persons of unquestionable integrity and character. Mr. Choong Shiau Yoon is an Accountant by profession and was a Member of Parliament for the Tebrau, Johor constituency 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 5.3

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 provide justification and seek annual shareholders' approval through a two-tier voting process.

Application :	Departure
Explanation on : application of the practice	
Explanation for : departure	<ul><li>Mr. Choong was appointed as Independent Non-Executive Director since 27 March 2002. Mr. Han was appointed on 1 December 2018 and has served for a period of more than 4 years while Tan Sri Azhar Bin Azizan @ Harun was appointed on 13 March 2023.</li><li>In line of the enhanced Directors Amendments made to the definition</li></ul>
	of independent directors under Bursa Malaysia's Main Market Listing Requirements, Mr. Choong Shiau Yoon who has served as an Independent Non-Independent Director for a period of beyond 9 years and more than 12 years, will no longer meet the enhanced definition. Mr. Choong is due to retire by rotation as a Director pursuant to Clause 132 of the Company's Constitution and he has expressed his intention not to seek for re-election at the forthcoming AGM and accordingly will retire as a Director at the conclusion of the forthcoming AGM.
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# Practice 5.4 - Step Up

The board has a policy which limits the tenure of its independent directors to nine years without further extension.

Note: To qualify for adoption of this Step Up practice, a listed issuer must have a formal policy which limits the tenure of an independent director to nine years without further extension i.e. shareholders' approval to retain the director as an independent director beyond nine years.		
Application	:	Not Adopted
Explanation on adoption of the practice	:	

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### Practice 5.5

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.

Directors appointed should be able to devote the required time to serve the board effectively. The board should consider the existing board positions held by a director, including on boards of non-listed companies. Any appointment that may cast doubt on the integrity and governance of the company should be avoided.

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	<ul> <li>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': -</li> <li>character, age and experience, competencies, commitment, contribution and performance;</li> <li>diligence and professionalism;</li> <li>integrity; and</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Any new appointments of Directors and senior management is also subject to compliance with the Group's Fit and Proper Person Policy adopted on 30 June 2022.</li> <li>The role of the NC is detailed in its Terms of Reference, which is accessible for reference on the CVB's website at https://www.countryview.com.my.</li> </ul>
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### Practice 5.6

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.

If the selection of candidates was based on recommendations made by existing directors, management or major shareholders, the Nominating Committee should explain why these source(s) suffice and other sources were not used.

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 https://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, calibre, diversity and experience required and where available the potential candidates for appointment.
	The NC will where practical maintain a database of potential candidates.
	<ul> <li>Potential candidates can be sourced from</li> <li>existing Directors and substantial shareholders of the Company.</li> <li>existing Senior Management employees.</li> <li>professional bodies and organisations.</li> <li>business associates, shareholders.</li> <li>other independent sources.</li> </ul>
	Subsequent to the FY2022, the NC had in March 2023 reviewed the profile of a candidate for the proposed appointment as an additional Independent Non-Executive Director. The profile of the candidate was reviewed and deliberated by the NC which took note of the candidate's qualification, character, experience, integrity, competencies, time commitment and declaration of independence.

	The NC reviewed the profile of Tan Sri Azhar Bin Azizan @ Harun in accordance with the Board's Fit and Proper Policy and made the NC's recommendations to the Board for his appointment. Tan Sri Azhar Bin Azizan @ Harun had previously been an Independent Non-Executive Director from 2002 to 2018. In 2018, Tan Sri Azhar Bin Azizan @ Harun was appointed as Chairman of the Malaysian Election Commission, a position held up to 2020. Following this he was appointed as the Speaker of the Malaysian House of Representatives, a position held up to 2022. The NC and the Board is of the opinion that it would be to the Group's honour and privilege to be able to strengthen the Board's composition by appointing Tan Sri Azhar Bin Azizan @ Harun as an Independent Non-Executive Director given the positions that he has held in the past four years together with his background in the legal profession.
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Board decisions are made objectively in the best interests of the company taking into account diverse perspectives and insights.

# Practice 5.7

The board should ensure shareholders have the information they require to make an informed decision on the appointment and reappointment of a director. This includes details of any interest, position or relationship that might influence, or reasonably be perceived to influence, in a material respect their capacity to bring an independent judgement to bear on issues before the board and to act in the best interests of the listed company as a whole. The board should also provide a statement as to whether it supports the appointment or reappointment of the candidate and the reasons why.

Application	:	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice		The profiles of Directors are published in the Annual Report 2022 and on the Company's website. These include their age, gender, date of appointment, directorate, details of any board committee, directorships in other public companies and listed companies, qualification, working experience, and any conflict of interest as well as their shareholdings in the Company. The following Directors will be due for retirement at the forthcoming AGM : 1. Mr. Han Hing Siew, retiring under Clause 132; 2. Mr. Choong Shiau Yoon, retiring under Clause 132; and 3. Tan Sri Azhar Bin Azizan @ Harun, retiring under Clause 117. Clause 132 of the Company's Constitution provides that all directors shall retire by rotation once in every three (3) years or at least one-third (1/3) of the Board shall retire but shall be eligible to offer themselves for re-election at the AGM. Whereas Clause 117 of the Company's Constitution provides that any Director appointed to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the Board shall hold office only until the next AGM and shall then be eligible for re-election. In line with the enhanced Directors Amendments made to the definition of independent directors under Bursa Malaysia's Main Market Listing Requirements, Mr. Choong Shiau Yoon who has served as an Independent Non-Independent Director for a period of beyond 9 years and more than 12 years, will no longer meet the enhanced definition. Mr. Choong is due to retire by rotation as a Director pursuant to Clause 132 of the Company's Constitution and he has expressed his intention not to seek for re-election at the forthcoming AGM and accordingly will retire as a Director at the conclusion of the forthcoming AGM.

	The NC reviewed the Declarations made by the Directors' seeking re- election in accordance to the Fit and Proper Person Policy and that they have met the fit and proper person criteria relating to their Probity, Personal Integrity, Reputation and Financial Integrity. The NC had also reviewed on the performance of the Directors retiring	
	and having noted their significant and valued contributions to the Board, the NC had recommended their re-election to the Board. The Board had concurred with such recommendation and are	
	recommending that shareholders re-elect the retiring Directors at the forthcoming 40th AGM.	
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### Practice 5.8

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

Application :	Applied	
Explanation on : application of the practice	The membership composition of the NC is set out in its term of reference. The current Chairman of the NC is the Senior Independent Director, Mr Choong Shiau Yoon and its composition comprised of a majority of Independent Non-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 are set out in detail in its Term of Reference which can be viewed from CVB's website at https://www.countryview.com.my.	
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# Practice 5.9

The board comprises 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 and complies with Paragraph 15.02(1)(b) of the Bursa Malaysia's Main Market Listing Requirements.	
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## Practice 5.10

The board discloses in its annual report the company's policy on gender diversity for the board and senior management.

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 and complies with Paragraph 15.02(1)(b) of the Bursa Malaysia's Main Market Listing Requirements.	
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Stakeholders are able to form an opinion on the overall effectiveness of the board and individual directors.

### Practice 6.1

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 its outcome, actions taken and how it has or will influence board composition.

For Large Companies, the board engages an independent expert at least every three years, to facilitate objective and candid board evaluation.

•	• •	to qualify for adoption of this practice, it must undertake annual board ndependent expert at least every three years to facilitate the evaluation.
Application	:	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	:	The Board had adopted a formal and objective Process for Assessing the Effectiveness of the Board as a whole, the Board Committees and 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 Committees 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: -
<ul> <li>Proposed the re-election of Directors in accordance to Clause</li> <li>132 of the Company's Constitution.</li> </ul>
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 27 of Annual Report 2022.
<ul> <li>Reviewed the independence of Independent Directors and their length of tenure in office through Evaluation Questionnaires.</li> </ul>
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).
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:
<ul> <li>The Independent Directors fulfilled the criteria and definition of an independent director as set out under Para 1.01 of Listing Requirement;</li> <li>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;</li> <li>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;</li> <li>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;</li> <li>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</li> </ul>

	the Board and devoted sufficient time commitment and desire to serve. iii. The BNC reviewed the profile of Tan Sri Azhar Bin Azizan @
	Harun in accordance with the Board's Fit and Proper Policy and made the NC's recommendations to the Board for his appointment.
	Tan Sri Azhar Bin Azizan @ Harun had previously been an Independent Non-Executive Director from 2002 to 2018. In 2018, Tan Sri Azhar Bin Azizan @ Harun was appointed as Chairman of the Malaysian Election Commission, a position held up to 2020. Following this he was appointed as the Speaker of the Malaysian House of Representatives, a position held up to 2022.
	The NC and the Board is of the opinion that it would be to the Group's honour and privilege to be able to strengthen the Board composition by appointing Tan Sri Azhar Bin Azizan @ Harun as an Independent Non-Executive Director given the positions that he has held in the past four years together with his background in the legal profession.
	Tan Sri Azhar Bin Azizan @ Harun's nomination was made by the existing Directors and other sources were not considered given the calibre, reputation, background and experience of Tan Sri Azhar Bin Azizan @ Harun.
	The Board had concurred and agreed with the above recommendations made by the NC.
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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 7.1

The board has remuneration 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 remuneration policies and practices should appropriately reflect the different roles and responsibilities of non-executive directors, executive directors and senior management. The policies and procedures are periodically reviewed and made available on the company's website.

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### Practice 7.2

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 Explanation for :	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 https://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 8.1

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.

Application	:	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	:	<ul> <li>In line with corporate governance best practice, the disclosure of the Directors' remuneration on a named basis are set out below:</li> <li>Other emoluments comprised allowance, EPF, contribution and perquisites.</li> <li>* Benefit in Kind is provided by the wholly owned subsidiary.</li> <li>The proposed Directors' fees totalling RM270,000.00 for the FY2022 payable to all Directors will be tabled for shareholders' approval at the forthcoming AGM.</li> <li>In view of the expected retirement of Mr. Choong Shiau Yoon at the forthcoming AGM, the RC had recommended the tabling of a resolution to approve of the payment of a sum of RM36,493.15 as Director's Fee to Mr. Choong Shiau Yoon for his services as an Independent Non-Executive Director for the period from 1 December 2022 to 27 April 2023 to the Board and shareholders. The Board has concurred and approved of the recommendation.</li> </ul>

			Company ('000)							Group ('000)						
No	Name	Directorate	Fee	Allowance	Salary	Bonus	Benefits-in- kind	Other emoluments	Total	Fee	Allowance	Salary	Bonus	Benefits-in- kind	Other emoluments	Total
1	Tan Sri Mohamed Al Amin Bin Abdul Majid	Executive Director	0	0	369	0	22.3	18.6	409.9	0	0	369	0	22.3	18.6	409.9
2	Law Kit Tat	Executive Director	0	0	389.4	0	0	15.6	405	0	0	389.4	0	19.7*	15.6	424.4
3	Wong Chee Sean @ Wong Sean	Executive Director	0	0	285	0	0	34.2	319.2	0	0	285	0	15.5*	34.2	334.7
4	Wong Joon Chin	Executive Director	0	82.8	298.8	0	3.15	22.07	406.82	0	82.8	298.8	0	3.15	22.07	406.82
5	Choong Shiau Yoon	Independent Director	90	0	0	0	0	0	90	90	0	0	0	0	0	90
6	Law Kee Kong	Non-Executive Non- Independent Director	90	0	0	0	0	0	90	90	0	0	0	0	0	90
7	Han Hing Siew	Independent Director	90	0	0	0	0	0	90	90	0	0	0	0	0	90
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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 8.2

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									
Explanation on : application of the practice										
Explanation for : departure	The Board is of the view that the disclosure of the senior management's 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 8.2. Disclosure of the remuneration of the Directors on a named basis has been made in line with Practice 8.1. 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 8.3 - Step Up

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

Application	:	Not Adopted
Explanation on adoption of the practice	:	

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No	Name	Position	Salary	Allowance	Bonus	Benefits	Other emoluments	Total					
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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 9.1

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 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 9.2

The Audit Committee has a policy that requires a former partner of the external audit firm of the listed company to observe a cooling-off period of at least three 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 three (3) years before he can be considered for appointment as a Committee member.	
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### Practice 9.3

The Audit Committee has policies and procedures to assess the suitability, objectivity and independence of the external auditor to safeguard the quality and reliability of audited financial statements.

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	The ARMC has adopted a procedure to assess the suitability, objectivity and Independence of the External Auditors. 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 2023.
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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 9.4 - 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 9.5

Collectively, the Audit Committee should possess a wide range of necessary skills to discharge its duties. All members should be financially literate, competent 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 application of the practice	<ul> <li>The current ARMC comprises three (3) members as follows:</li> <li>Choong Shiau Yoon (Chairman, Senior Independent Non-Executive Director)</li> <li>Han Hing Siew (Member, Independent Non-Executive Director)</li> <li>Law Kee Kong (Member, Non-Independent Non-Executive Director)</li> <li>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.</li> <li>The profiles of all the members of the ARMC are set out on pages 9 to 10 of the Annual Report 2022.</li> <li>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 28 of Annual Report for 2022.</li> <li>During the ARMC Meetings, the members were briefed by the external auditor, Messrs. BDO PLT on the following key areas:</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>Financial Reporting developments;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Adoption of Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Other changes in regulatory environment.</li> </ul>	
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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 10.1

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 the relevant Head of Departments. 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 42 to 46 of Annual Report 2022.
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#### Practice 10.2

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

Application	Applied	
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 42 to 46 of Annual Report 2022.	
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#### Practice 10.3 - 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.

Application	:	Not Adopted
Explanation on adoption of the practice	:	

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

### Practice 11.1

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

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	<ul> <li>CVB's internal audit function is outsourced to a professional internal audit services company, to assist the Board and ARMC in providing an independent assessment on the adequacy, efficiency and effectiveness of the CVB's internal control system.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>To support the ARMC in discharging their responsibilities, the Internal Auditors reports directly to the ARMC.</li> <li>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 2022.</li> </ul>
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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 11.2

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 practice	<ul> <li>CVB's internal audit function is outsourced to a professional services firm, to assist the Board and ARMC.</li> <li>1. 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.</li> <li>2. The number of resources assigned by the outsourced Internal Audit department for the Company normally comprises of 4 staff per visit which is carried out twice a year.</li> <li>3. The person responsible for Internal Audit is Ms. Melissa Koay, 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. Ms. Melissa Koay is also a Certified Internal Auditor (USA).</li> <li>4. In carrying out their audit work, the internal audit function made reference to the guidelines of the Internal Audit.</li> </ul>
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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 12.1

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

Application	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	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:
	<ul> <li>To promote and elevate a high standard of integrity and transparency through timely comprehensive, quality and full disclosure.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To promote and maintain market integrity and investor confidence.</li> <li>To exercise due diligence to ensure the veracity of the information being disseminated is factual, clear, timely and comprehensive.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To build good relationship with all stakeholders based on transparency, openness, trust and confidence.</li> <li>To have in place efficient procedures for management of information, which promotes accountability for the disclosure of material information.</li> </ul>
	The Board's Stakeholders Communication Policy and Corporate Disclosure Policy are available on CVB's corporate website at https://www.countryview.com.my.
	During FY2022, the Board ensured the supply of clear, comprehensive and timely information to the stakeholders via the following:
	<ul> <li>a) Publication of 2021 annual report;</li> <li>b) Provide all relevant disclosures including quarterly financial results of CVB by way of announcement through Bursa link;</li> </ul>

Explanation for :	<ul> <li>c) Frequent updating of information relevant to Investor Relations, such as annual report, financial results and announcements through CVB's website;</li> <li>d) Engagement with shareholders during 2022 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.</li> <li>e) Answered all questions and queries posed by Minority Shareholders Watch Group and shareholders at the 2022 Annual General Meeting and uploaded a summary of key matters discussed at the 2022 Annual General Meeting to the Company's website.</li> </ul>
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There is continuous communication between the company and stakeholders to facilitate mutual understanding of each other's objectives and expectations.

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#### Practice 12.2

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

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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 13.1

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 40 <sup>th</sup> AGM of CVB will be held on 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2023. 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. In light of the improved technologies and mode of delivery of notices
	by way of electronic media, the Board is of the opinion that the current mode of delivery and communication given already provides sufficient time to shareholders to allow them to review and consider the Annual Reports and other supporting disclosure documents as well as make necessary arrangements to attend the AGM should they wish to do so.
	In addition, the notice of 40 <sup>th</sup> AGM which included details and relevant explanatory notes to the resolutions proposed will enable the shareholders to make informed decisions in exercising their voting rights.
	The Annual Report 2022 together with the Notice of the 40 <sup>th</sup> AGM dated 30 March 2023 is also available on CVB's website at https://www.countryview.com.my.
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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 13.2

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 39 <sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting held on 28 <sup>th</sup> April 2022 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's 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 13.3

Listed companies should leverage technology to facilitate-

- voting including voting in absentia; and
- remote shareholders' participation at general meetings.

Listed companies should also take the necessary steps to ensure good cyber hygiene practices are in place including data privacy and security to prevent cyber threats.

Application	: Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	: In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Company had since year 2020 held its general meetings virtually in compliance with the guidance on the conduct of general meetings for listed issuers issued by the Securities Commission Malaysia, including any amendments that have been made from time to time.
	The Company's 39 <sup>th</sup> AGM held on 28 April 2022 was conducted virtually through live streaming via Remote Participation and Voting ("RPV") Platform.
	The RPV facilities enabled remote shareholders' participation and online remote voting by leveraging on technology in accordance with Section 327 (2) of the Companies Act 2016 and Clause 73 of the Constitution of the Company.
	In respect of the forthcoming 40 <sup>th</sup> AGM to be held on 27 April 2023, the Board has opted to convene the 40 <sup>th</sup> AGM by way of a fully physical mode to enable better physical interaction and building of a better rapport between the Board and Senior Management with its stakeholders.
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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 13.4

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The Chairman of the board should ensure that general meetings support meaningful engagement between the board, senior management and shareholders. The engagement should be interactive and include robust discussion on among others the company's financial and non-financial performance as well as the company's long-term strategies. Shareholders should also be provided with sufficient opportunity to pose questions during the general meeting and all the questions should receive a meaningful response.

Note: The explanation of	adoption of this practice should include a discussion on measures
undertaken to ensure the	general meeting is interactive, shareholders are provided with sufficient
opportunity to pose questi	ons and the questions are responded to.
Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	All Directors, including members of ARMC, NC and RC, attended the 39th Annual General Meeting held on 28th April 2022 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's website in accordance to the requirement of the Listing Requirements. The presence of all directors presented opportunities for the shareholders to engage with each Director and also allowed 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 13.5

The board must ensure that the conduct of a virtual general meeting (fully virtual or hybrid) support meaningful engagement between the board, senior management and shareholders. This includes having in place the required infrastructure and tools to support among others, a smooth broadcast of the general meeting and interactive participation by shareholders. Questions posed by shareholders should be made visible to all meeting participants during the meeting itself.

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opportunity to pose que	opportunity to pose questions and the questions are responded to. Further, a listed issuer should also		
provide brief reasons of	provide brief reasons on the choice of the meeting platform.		
Application	:	Applied	
Explanation on	:	CVB's 39 <sup>th</sup> AGM was held on 28 April 2022 by leveraging on current	
application of the		available technology. The AGM on 28 April 2022 was a virtual meeting	
practice		held and broadcast live via Remote Participating and Voting Platform	
		and shareholders were participated and exercised their votes via their	
		computers or mobile device from any location.	
		The Administrative Guide for Shareholders to attend the 39th AGM was	
		circulated together with the Notice of 39th AGM. The shareholders of	
		the Company were guided accordingly for their participation in the	
		AGM.	
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		During the 20th ACM, questions from shareholders which were reised	
		During the 39th AGM, questions from shareholders which were raised	
		during the meeting as well as the Company's response to the same were	
		shared with all shareholders during the Question & Answer session at	
		the AGM. The summary of key matter discussed had published on the	
		Company website in accordance to the requirement of the Listing	
		Requirements.	
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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 13.6

Minutes of the general meeting should be circulated to shareholders no later than 30 business days after the general meeting.

Note: The publication of Key Matters Discussed is not a substitute for the circulation of minutes of general meeting.

Application	:	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	:	The minutes of general meetings will be uploaded to the Company's website at https://www.countryview.com.my within 30 business days after respective general meeting.
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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.

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