CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

STOCK CODE : 0162

COMPANY NAME: WIDAD GROUP BERHAD

FINANCIAL YEAR : December 31, 2022

OUTLINE:

SECTION A – DISCLOSURE ON MALAYSIAN CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCEDisclosures 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	: The Board shall strive to ensure that the Company and its subsidiaries ("Group") are managed to achieve the set objectives. This responsibility of the Board would be an active and not passive responsibility. The Board shall ensure that the management has in place the appropriate processes for risk management, internal control and the monitoring of performance against agreed benchmarks. The Board shall work with senior management as collaborators in advancing the interests of the Group. However, the Board shall not be too accepting of the management's views and shall test and question the management's assertions, monitor progress, evaluate management's performance and will, where warranted, take corrective action.
	The Board assumes the following key responsibilities: Review and approve the strategies, business plans and significant policies after satisfying themselves that management has taken
	into account all the relevant and appropriate considerations in establishing the strategies, plans and policies;
	Ensure a competent management by establishing policies for strengthening the performance of the Group with a view to proactively build the business through innovation, initiative, technology, new products and the development of its business capital;
	Monitor implementation, progress and performance of the strategies, policies, plans, legal and fiduciary obligations that affect the business by adopting performance appraisal measures;
	Evaluate whether the business is being properly managed and to ensure that the solvency of the Group and the ability of the Group to meet its contractual obligations and to safe guard the Company's

assets; Ensure that the Group has appropriate business risk management process, including adequate control environment be it the internal control systems and management information systems, systems for compliance with applicable laws, regulations, rules, directives and guidelines and controls in areas of significant financial and business risks; Establish various Board Committees and ensure their effectiveness to address specific issues, by considering recommendations of the various board committees and acting on their reports; Ensure that the financial statements of the Company and Group are fairly stated and otherwise conform with the relevant regulations including acceptable accounting policies that result in balanced and understandable financial statements; Ensure that the Group adheres to high standards of ethics and corporate behavior including transparency in conduct of business. Ensure that there is in place an appropriate investor relation and communication policy; Ensure that the Company's corporate disclosure are in compliance with the disclosure requirements as set out in the Bursa Malaysia Listing Requirements; and Ensure wider usage of information technology in communicating with stakeholders including establishing a dedicated section for corporate governance on the Company's website. To ensure the effective discharge of its function and responsibilities, the Board has delegated specific responsibilities to the following Committees: Audit Committee ("AC") Nomination Committee ("NC") Remuneration Committee ("RC") All Committees have written terms of reference. The Chairman of the respective Committees will report to the Board the outcome of the Committees meetings for the Board's consideration and approvals. **Explanation for** departure

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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 1.2

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

Application	Departure		
Explanation on application of the practice			
Explanation for departure	The Board currently has no Chairman.		
	The Board will take steps towards the appointment of the Chairman to reflect the Company's commitment towards instilling good corporate governance practices, leadership and effectiveness of the Board		
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Measure	Not applicable		
Timeframe	Within 5 years		

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 1.3The positions of Chairman and CEO are held by different individuals.

Application :	Applied		
Explanation on : application of the	The Company currently has no Chairman.		
practice	The position of MD is held by Dato' Dr. Mohd Rizal Bin Mohd Jaafar		
	Chairman and MD duties and responsibilities are clearly defined in the Board Charter, and a copy of the Board Charter can be accessed in the Company's website, www.widadgroup.com.		
Explanation for : departure			
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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

Note: If the board Chairman is not a member of any of these specified committees, but the board				
allows the Chairman to participate in any or all of these committees' meetings, by way of invitation,				
then the status of this p	rac	tice should be a 'Departure'.		
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		The Board will take steps towards the appointment of the Chairman		
		not from the member of the Audit Committee, Nomination		
		Committee or Remuneration Committee.		
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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 Company Secretaries are qualified Chartered Secretaries, under the prescribed body as permitted by Companies Act 2016. The appointment and removal of the Company Secretaries are under the purview of the Board of Directors.	
		The Company Secretaries update the Board on the changes to the statutory and regulatory requirements from time to time at Board meetings. The Company Secretaries also notified the Directors and Principal Officers on the closed period for trading in the Company's securities, in accordance with Chapter 14 of the ACE Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Securities").	
		The Company Secretaries play an important role in the annual general and extraordinary general meetings in ensuring that the due processes and proceedings are in place and properly managed. During the meeting, the Company Secretaries will assist the Chairman and the Board in the conduct of the meetings and ensure the minutes are properly recorded, particularly questions and issues raised by the shareholders.	
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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.

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Application	:	Applied		
Explanation on	:	The Directors have full and unrestricted access to all information		
application of the		pertaining to the Company's business and affairs so as to enable		
practice		them to discharge their responsibilities. Prior to the Board meetings,		
		the Directors are provided with the agenda together with the Board		
		papers on issues to be discussed in a timely manner. The Board		
		papers are sent out via emails or physical copies to all Directors at		
		least 5 days before the Board Meetings. Exceptions may be made for		
		certain ad-hoc or urgent instances when Directors' consent to		
		shorter notice.		
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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 Company's Board Charter clearly identifies the respective roles and responsibilities of the board, board committees and individual directors including Executive Directors and Non-Executive Directors. The Board regularly reviews this charter to ensure they remain consistent with the Board's objectives and responsibilities. The Board Charter was last reviewed on 10 June 2020. The Board Charter is published on the Company's website, www.widadgroup.com.	
Explanation for departure	www.waaag.oup.com.	
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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 of Directors has conducted themselves in an ethical manner while executing their duties and functions and complied with the Company Directors' Code of Ethics. The said Code establish a standard of ethical behaviour for the Directors to uphold sincerity, integrity, responsibility and social responsibility in line with the legislation, regulations and guidelines for administrating the Company. A copy of the policy is available at the Company's website at www.widadgroup.com.	
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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 Company has adopted Whistleblowing policy to safeguard the Company's interest and also to protect the whistleblower interest. The policy spells out the types of misconduct, malpractice and irregularity, and how the reporting and investigations will be carried out. The Company expects all employees to observe the policy in the conduct of day-to-day business. A copy of the policy is available at the Company's website at www.widadgroup.com.	
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The company addresses sustainability risks and opportunities in an integrated and strategic manner to support its long-term strategy and success.

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	:	Departure	
Explanation on application of the practice	:		
Explanation for departure		The Board has not set the sustainability strategies, priorities and targets and will endeavour to do so in due course.	
Large companies are required to complete the columns below. Non-large companies are encouraged			
to complete the columns below.			
Measure	:	Not applicable	
Timeframe	:	Others	Not applicable

The company addresses sustainability risks and opportunities in an integrated and strategic manner to support its long-term strategy and success.

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 :	Departure	
Explanation on : application of the practice		
Explanation for : departure	The Board will endeavour to implement the sustainability targets, priorities and targets within its responsibilities in due course.	
Large companies are required to complete the columns below. Non-large companies are encouraged		
to complete the columns below.		
Measure :	Not applicable	
Timeframe :	Others	Not applicable

The company addresses sustainability risks and opportunities in an integrated and strategic manner to support its long-term strategy and success.

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.

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The company addresses sustainability risks and opportunities in an integrated and strategic manner to support its long-term strategy and success.

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.

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Measure :	Not applicable	
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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.

Note: The explanation on adoption of this practice should include a brief description of the responsibilities of the designated person and actions or measures undertaken pursuant to the role in the financial year.		
Application	:	Not Adopted
Explanation on	:	
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practice		

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
Explanation on application of the practice	:	During the year, the Nomination Committee conducted assessment on the effectiveness of the Board, its Committee and the contribution of each Director.
		During the annual assessment exercise, the Directors are given performance evaluation form to complete. In addition, Directors who are members of the Board Committees are given additional performance evaluation sheets for the respective Board Committees to complete. Sufficient time is given to the Directors to complete the forms. All assessments and evaluations carried out by the Nomination Committee were properly documented. The results of the annual assessment on the Board, the Board Committees and individual Directors for the financial year were all satisfactory.
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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	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	The Board currently has five (5) members, comprising four (4) Independent Non-Executive Directors and one (1) Non-Independent Executive Director. The presence of majority Independent Directors allow Board's deliberations and decisions to be made objectively in the best interest of the Company.
	Remark The composition of the Board is in compliance with paragraph 15.02 of the Listing Requirements, where it requires at least 2 directors or 1/3 of the Board, whichever is the higher, to consist of independent directors.
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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	Not applicable - Step Up 5.4 adopted
Explanation on application of the practice	
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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	:	Adopted
Explanation on adoption of the practice	:	The tenure of the Independent directors does not exceed a cumulative term of nine years. The Board is to recommend the director for shareholders' approval in the event it retains as an Independent director, the director who had served in that capacity for more than nine years. This is clearly spell out in Board Charter which was published in Company's website, www.widadgroup.com.

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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	:	This Group believes that recognizing the Board's diversity enhances decision making capability and quality of the Board's performance. With a view to achieving a sustainable and balanced development, the Company sees increasing diversity at the Board level as an essential element in supporting the attainment of its strategy's objectives and its sustainable development. The Group believes that a truly diverse Board will leverage differences in perspective, knowledge, skill, industry experience,
		background, age, ethnicity, race and gender between the Directors, and these differences will be considered in determining the optimum composition of the Board.
		The NC has the primary responsibility in identifying suitable qualified candidates to become members of the Board. The selection of candidates will be considered against objective criteria, having due regard for the benefits of diversity on the board.
		The Group does not set specific numerical target for appointment of candidates belonging to particular demographic groups to the Board. Notwithstanding the importance to promote board diversity, appointments to the Board are ultimately based on merit, having regard to the contribution of the candidates to the Board as a whole. The Board believes that merit-based appointment will best enable the Group to serve its shareholders and stakeholders.
		The Board has established a Board Diversity policy which was published in the Company's website, www.widadgroup.com.
Explanation for departure	:	

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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.

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Application	Applied
Explanation on	The Board had adopted the procedures for the appointment of new
application of the	directors which is disclosed under the NC's Terms of Reference,
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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 NC assesses the effectiveness of the Board as a whole and the Board Committees, and also the contribution of each Director. The evaluation process is conducted via questionnaires and is based on self-review and peer assessment. The assessment of the Board is based on specific criteria, covering areas such as the Board structure, Board operations, roles and responsibilities of the Board, the Board Committee and the Chairman's role and responsibilities. The NC reviews the outcome of the assessment and report to the Board, in
	particular, areas for improvement and also used as the basis of recommending relevant Director for re-election at the Annual General Meeting. This assessment is done on yearly basis.
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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 NC is chaired by En Nor Adha Bin Yahya, who is the Independent Director on the Board.
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Board decisions are made objectively in the best interests of the company taking into account diverse perspectives and insights.

Practice 5.9

The board comprises at least 30% women directors.

Application	:	Departure						
Explanation on application of the practice	:							
Explanation for departure		The Board currently has no female Director on Board. The Group does not adopt any formal gender diversity policy in the selection of new Board candidate. The evaluation of the suitability of candidates as new Board member is based on the candidates' competency, skills, character, time commitment, knowledge, experience and other qualities in meeting the needs of the Group, regardless of gender.						
		The Board will take steps towards the appointment of the femal director to reflect the Company's commitment towards gende diversity.						
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Measure	:	Not applicable						
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Board decisions are made objectively in the best interests of the company taking into account diverse perspectives and insights.

Practice 5.10

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 Company has not established policy on gender diversity for the Board and Senior Management.							
	The evaluation of the suitability of candidates as the new Board member and Senior Management is based on the candidates' competency, skills, character, time commitment, knowledge, experience and other qualities in meeting the needs of the Company, regardless of gender.							
	·	ards the establishment of policy on demonstrated member and Senior Management.						
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Measure :	Not applicable							
Timeframe :	Others	Not applicable						

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.

	y to qualify for adoption of this practice, it must undertake annual board independent expert at least every three years to facilitate the evaluation.
Application :	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice Explanation for departure	The NC assesses the effectiveness of the Board as a whole and the Board Committees, and also the contribution of each Director. The evaluation process is conducted via questionnaires and is based on self-review and peer assessment. The assessment of the Board is based on specific criteria, covering areas such as the Board structure, Board operations, roles and responsibilities of the Board, the Board Committee and the Chairman's role and responsibilities. The NC reviews the outcome of the assessment and report to the Board, in particular, areas for improvement and also used as the basis of recommending relevant Director for re-election at the Annual General Meeting. This assessment isdone on yearly basis.
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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.

Application	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	The Executive Directors' remuneration package is linked to the experience, scope of duty and responsibility, seniority, performance and industrial practices. The remuneration of Executive Directors consists of basic salary and allowances whereby the Non-Executive Directors receive fixed director fees and meetings allowance. The RC reviews and recommends the Executive Directors' remuneration package by assessing their KPI and also refers to market of similar industry and its size as a benchmark. An appropriate remuneration package is designed to retain and attract calibre Directors to discharge their duty with integrity, to grow and lead the Company.
Explanation for departure	
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Remuneration policies and decisions are made through a transparent and independent process.

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 :	The Company has its own RC to review and recommend matters
application of the	relating to the remuneration of board.
practice	
	The RC which comprises wholly of Independent Non-Executive
	Directors is governed by its terms of reference which sets out the
	roles and responsibilities of the RC in relation to remuneration
	matters, a copy of which is available on the Company's website,
	www.widadgroup.com.
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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	The remunerations of each director have been disclosed in Annual Report, section Corporate Governance Overview Statement. The remuneration breakdown includes fees, salary and others.

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No	Name	Directorate	Fee	Allowance	Salary	Bonus	Benefits-in- kind	Other emoluments	Total	Fee	Allowance	Salary	Bonus	Benefits-in- kind	Other emoluments	Total
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2	Gen (R) Tan Sri Dato' Sri Zulkiple Bin Kassim	Independent Director	48,000	19,000	Input info here	Input info here	Input info here	Input info here	67,000	Input info here						
3	Ong Kuan Wah	Independent Director	48,000	35,000	Input info here	Input info here	Input info here	Input info here	83,000	Input info here						
4	Nor Adha Bin Yahya	Independent Director	48,000	25,500	Input info here	Input info here	Input info here	Input info here	73,500	Input info here						
5	Tung Ghee Meng	Independent Director	48,000	23,500	Input info here	Input info here	Input info here	Input info here	71,500	Input info here						
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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								
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Explanation for departure	:	: The remuneration of the top five senior managem remuneration is not disclosed on named basis but in the bank RM50,000 for confidentiality reason as it may be detrimental to interest of the Company and individuals.								
		top five senior management give	to disclose the remuneration of the en the competitive human resources itching of talent and other talent							
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Measure	:	Not applicable								
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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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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	:	The Chairman of the Audit Committee, Mr Ong Kuan Wah is an
application of the		Independent Non-Executive Director. Currently there is no
practice		Chairman on the board.
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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 :	The Audit Committee comprises of three (3) members, all whom are
application of the	Independent Non-Executive Directors. At present, none of the Audit
practice	Committee members were former key audit partners of the
	Company's external auditors
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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 Explanation for departure	External auditor, Messrs. Grant Thornton Malaysia PLT ("GTM") presented to the AC its 2022 Audit Planning Memorandum in November 2022 which outlined its engagement team, audit timeline, the areas of audit emphasis, and their focus on key audit matters with reference to the approved standards on auditing issued by the Malaysian Institute of Accountants. Subsequently, GTM will brief the AC on its audit findings and the Audited Financial Statements. This formed part of the AC's assessment of the suitability, objectivity and independence of GTM on an annual basis. GTM has confirmed their independence to the AC in accordance with the Malaysian Institute of Accountants' By-Laws, International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants.
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Practice 9.4 - Step Up

The Audit Committee should comprise solely of Independent Directors.

Application	:	Adopted
Explanation on adoption of the practice	:	The current AC members consist of all Independent Non-Executive Directors.

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 :	The Chairman and members of the AC are financially literate and
application of the	have carried out their duties and responsibilities in accordance with
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practice	the terms of reference of the AC.
	The AC members continuously attend training programmes and
	seminars to keep themselves abreast of relevant developments in
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	standards and practices in accounting and auditing, Listing
	Requirements, risk management, corporate governance and changes in
	the business environment.
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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 Board has overall responsibility for maintaining a sound system of internal control and risk management that provide a reasonable assurance of effective and efficient operations, and compliance with the relevant laws and regulations as well as with internal procedures and guidelines. The Board also recognises that a sound risk management system and internal control can only reduce but not eliminate the possibility of poor judgment in decision making, human error, control process being deliberately circumvented by employees, management overriding controls and the occurrence of unforeseeable circumstances. Accordingly, the system provides only reasonable but not absolute assurance against material misstatement of management and financial information and records or against financial losses or fraud. The Board has obtained assurance from the Group Managing Director that the Group's risk management and internal control
		systems have operated adequately and effectively, in all material aspects, to meet the Group's objectives during the financial year under review.
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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 :	The key features of the Statement on Risk Management and
application of the	Internal Control is included in the Annual Report and provides the
practice	overview of the internal control framework adopted by the
	Company.
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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.

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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	The Group's internal audit function, which reports directly to the AC, is outsourced to GovernanceAdvisory.com Sdn. Bhd. ("GA"). Details of the internal audit function are set out in the Statement on Risk Management and Internal Control and AC Report contained in the Annual Report. GA will report their findings to AC regularly and any matters that need AC's immediate attentions.
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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	:	GA reports directly to the Committee. Its primary responsibility is to carry out periodic reviews of the systems of internal controls so as to provide reasonable assurance to the Audit Committee that such systems are adequate and effective.
		GA is free from any conflict of interest and its auditing activities are guided by the International Professional Practices Framework.
		GA is led by Mr. Wong Tchen Cheg, the Executive Director, he is a Member of Malaysia Institute of Accountant (MIA) and CPA Australia.
		Findings from the internal audit reviews conducted were discussed with Senior Management and subsequently presented, together with Management's response and proposed action plans, to the Audit Committee for their review and approval.
		Notwithstanding the above, although a number of internal control deficiencies were identified during the internal audit reviews, none of the weaknesses have resulted in any material losses, contingencies or uncertainties that would require a separate disclosure in this annual report.
		The total cost incurred for the outsourcing of the internal audit function for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 was RM 56,000.00
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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.

and the shareholders. The Board provides the opportunity for shareholders to raise questions pertaining issues in the financial performance and business plan. The Board takes the opportunity to present a comprehensive review of the progress and performance of	Application	:	Applied	
Explanation for : departure Large companies are required to complete the columns below. Non-large companies are encouraged to complete the columns below. Measure :	application of the	:	striving to improve the communication with the public. The Board believes that an effective investor relation is essential in enhancing shareholders' value and therefore ensures that shareholders are kept well informed of major development of the Company. Such information is disseminated via the Company's Annual Report, various disclosures and announcements to Bursa Securities and the Company's website at www.widadgroup.com. The AGM is the principal forum for dialogue between the Company and the shareholders. The Board provides the opportunity for shareholders to raise questions pertaining issues in the financial performance and business plan. The Board takes the opportunity to present a comprehensive review of the progress and performance of the Company, and provides answers to the questions raised by the	
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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 12.2

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 :	Applied
Explanation on :	In order to encourage shareholders' participation and engagement
application of the	with the Board and senior management effectively in the AGM, the
practice	Board would ensure that the Notice of the AGM is sent to
•	shareholders at least 28 days ahead of the date of general meeting.
	In addition, the Board would also ensure that this Notice contains
	details of resolutions proposed along with background information
	and explanatory notes that are relevant.
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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 were present at the Thirteenth AGM in person to engage directly with the shareholders.
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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	The Thirteenth AGM of the Company was held at Broadcast Venue at Conference Room at Widad Semantan ("WiSe"), No. 3, Jalan Semantan, 50490 Damansara Heights, Kuala Lumpur. A shareholder of the Company can vote in person or appoint a proxy to attend and vote on his/her behalf. Voting at the AGM is by way of poll and the Company utilises electronic voting system to expedite the voting and facilitate the tabulation process in a seamless manner. The Company will continue to explore the use of technology to allow voting in absentia or remote shareholders' participation. The Company will assess the necessity and viability for such facility taking into consideration the number of participating shareholders, the reliability of the technology and cost-benefit to the Company.	
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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

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 questions and the questions are responded to.		
Application :	Applied	
Explanation on : application of the practice	The Chairman of the general meetings allocated a section of the meeting time for a Questions and Answers session during which the attending shareholders/proxies were encouraged to raise questions and to engage with the board and senior management, who also remotely participating in the general meetings to provide meaningful response.	
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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.

· · · · ·	f adoption of this practice should include a discussion on measures general meeting is interactive, shareholders are provided with sufficient		
	opportunity to pose questions and the questions are responded to. Further, a listed issuer should also		
provide brief reasons on the choice of the meeting platform.			
Application :	Applied		
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Explanation on :	At the forthcoming AGM, shareholders can submit their questions by		
application of the	typing out before the closure of the Q&A session. All questions will be		
practice	made visible to all meeting participants, readout and answered by the		
	Board		
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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 general meeting.	n of Ke	ey Matters Discussed is not a substitute for the circulation of minutes of
Application	:	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	:	Upon conclusion of AGM the Board will ensure that within 30 days the minutes of AGM is published on Company's website.
Explanation for departure		
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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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