

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

**STOCK CODE** : 9261  
**COMPANY NAME** : GADANG HOLDINGS BERHAD  
**FINANCIAL YEAR** : May 31, 2023

## 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**

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## 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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Board of Directors ("<b>Board</b>") of Gadang Holdings Berhad (the "<b>Company</b>") is collectively responsible for the proper stewardship of the Company and its subsidiaries ("<b>Group</b>") businesses and the creation of long-term value of the Company and the Group to its shareholders and other stakeholders. The Board is the ultimate decision-making body of the Group except for matters requiring shareholders' approval. It sets the strategic direction and vision of the Group. The Board takes full responsibility for leading, guiding and monitoring the entire performance of the Group and enforces standards of accountability, all to enable Management to execute its responsibilities effectively.</p> <p>To ensure the effective discharge of the Board's functions and responsibilities, the Board has in place the Board Charter and has established Board Committees with clearly defined terms of reference. Together with Senior Management, the Board is committed to promoting a good corporate governance culture within the Company which reinforces ethical, prudent and professional behaviour.</p> <p>The Board assumes, amongst others, the following principal responsibilities:-</p> <p><i>a. Reviewing and adopting strategic plans for the Group</i></p> <p>The Board plays an active role in the formulation and development of the strategic planning process by bringing objectivity, experience and breadth of judgment to ensure that the strategic plan for the Group supports long-term value creation. The plan also includes economic, environmental, safety &amp; health, social and governance initiatives underpinning sustainability.</p> <p>The Board reviews, provides input and monitors the Group's strategic plan which includes addressing the Group's business strategies on growth, operations, cost management, risk management, sustainability and setting of financial goals.</p>

	<p>At least one board meeting each year in the month of May (before the start of the new financial year) is scheduled to deliberate on the Group's Business Plan for implementation in the forthcoming year. Once the Group's Business Plan has been approved for execution by Management, the financial performance and progress of strategies employed by each division are then monitored and supervised by the Board.</p> <p>b. <i>Overseeing the conduct of the Group's business</i></p> <p>The Board oversees the performance of Management to determine whether the business is being properly managed. The Board must ensure that there are measures in place against which Management's performance can be assessed.</p> <p>Strategies implementation progress will also be updated to the Board during the quarterly Board meeting. The Board brings objectivity by scrutinising the Management's implementation in ensuring the goals and targets set for Management are met and in line with the Group's budget.</p> <p>The Board's responsibilities also include reviewing, assessing and approving investment and capital expenditure proposals by Management and monitoring the implementation of the strategic plan by Management. The Board will deliberate on all proposals presented and recommended by Management, including those proposed by its Board Committees.</p> <p>c. <i>Identifying principal risks and ensuring the implementation of appropriate internal control systems to manage the identified risks.</i></p> <p>With the assistance of the Risk Management Committee and Board Risk Committee, the overall risk profile of the Group and risk mitigation strategies are reviewed quarterly. A Risk Management Framework is in place to enable the Group to identify, assess and manage/mitigate risks.</p> <p>d. <i>Succession planning, including processes are in place to recruit senior management with the highest standards of integrity and competence, and to train, develop and retain them.</i></p> <p>The Board through the Nomination &amp; Remuneration Committee ("NRC"), is responsible for ensuring that there is an orderly succession plan within the Group. The NRC oversees matters related to the nomination of new Directors and Senior Management, annually reviews the required mix of skills, experience and other requisite qualities of Directors and Senior Management, as well as undertakes the annual assessment of the effectiveness of the Board as a whole, its Committees and the contribution of each Director.</p>
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	<p><i>e. Reviewing the adequacy and integrity of the internal control systems of the Group</i></p> <p>Internal control systems throughout the Group are evaluated and monitored by the Group Internal Audit (“<b>GIA</b>”), which reports directly to the Audit Committee (“<b>AC</b>”). GIA has the authority to audit any division or subsidiary of the Company and review projects and systems at any time and report its findings directly to the AC.</p> <p>Significant findings from the audit reports are highlighted and deliberated at the AC meetings. AC reviews the adequacy, effectiveness and integrity of the internal control systems to ensure the implementation of appropriate internal control systems, supported by reports from the GIA and the annual review by the external auditor.</p> <p>The AC also assists the Board to oversee the Group’s financial reporting processes and the integrity of its financial reporting to ensure that the financial statements of the Company give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company.</p> <p><i>f. Overseeing the development and implementation of a shareholder and stakeholder communications policy for the Company</i></p> <p>The Company has an Investor Relations policy which applies to the Board and all employees of the Group, in handling and disclosing material information to the shareholders and the investing public.</p> <p>The Company also has a website for its shareholders with regularly updated information. The Board ensures that the Company’s website is continuously updated with the latest developments of the Group to ensure timely dissemination of information that is both accurate and complete.</p> <p><i>g. Overseeing the Sustainability Risk and Opportunities</i></p> <p>The Directors promote sustainability through appropriate environmental, social and governance considerations in the Company’s business strategies. The Board delegates the oversight of sustainability risk and opportunities to Board Risk &amp; Sustainability Committee.</p>
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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 1.2

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

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Independent Non-Executive Chairman, Tan Sri Dato' Seri Dr Mohamed Ismail bin Merican, is responsible for instilling good corporate governance practices, providing Board leadership and ensuring the effectiveness of the Board.</p> <p>As provided under the Company's Board Charter, the Chairman will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• provide leadership for the Board so that the Board can perform its responsibilities effectively;</li><li>• lead the Board in the adoption and implementation of good corporate governance practices in the Company;</li><li>• set the board agenda and ensuring that Directors receive complete and accurate information in a timely manner;</li><li>• lead discussions at meetings and ensure effective conduct of Board meetings;</li><li>• encourage active participation and allowing dissenting views to be freely expressed;</li><li>• manage the interface between Board and Management; and</li><li>• ensure appropriate steps are taken to provide effective communication with stakeholders and that their views are communicated to the Board as a whole.</li></ul> <p>During Board Meetings, the Chairman leads the discussion, allowing sufficient time for deliberations on key issues and complex matters. He also encourages active participation and allows views including dissent to be freely expressed.</p> <p>The Chairman also plays a key role in the conduct of the general meetings. Besides ensuring the proper flow of resolutions tabled at the meeting, he manages the communication on the floor. He further encourages active participation from shareholders and allows a sufficient amount of time during the questions and answers session.</p>
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**Practice 1.3**

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

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied	
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The roles of the Chairman and Group Managing Director (“<b>Group MD</b>”) which are separate and clearly defined are provided in the Board Charter and is available on the Company’s website.</p> <p>The positions of the Chairman and Group MD are held by two different individuals. The Chairman, Tan Sri Dato’ Seri Dr. Mohamed Ismail bin Merican, leads the Board and is responsible for ensuring its effectiveness. The Group MD, Tan Sri Dato’ Kok Onn, is responsible for the day-to-day running of the business, implementing strategic plan, policies and decision approved by the Board.</p> <p>The clear division of responsibilities between the Chairman of the Board and the Group MD is to ensure a balance of power and authority, so no one individual has unrestricted decision making power.</p>	
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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

<i>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 practice should be a 'Departure'.</i>		
<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Chairman of the Board, Tan Sri Dato' Seri Dr. Mohamed Ismail bin Merican is not a member of the Audit Committee ("AC") and Nomination &amp; Remuneration Committee ("NRC").</p> <p>He does not attend nor participate in any meetings of the AC or the NRC, by way of invitation or in any other capacity.</p>
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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 1.5

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Board is supported by suitably qualified, experienced and competent Company Secretaries who are Associate Members of the Malaysian Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators and are also qualified under the Companies Act, 2016. Ms Tan Seok Chung, Sally is currently the Company Secretary and has been with the Group since 1997. She has over 35 years of experience in corporate secretarial practice. The joint secretary, Ms Tan Shim Chieng, who has over 20 years of experience in corporate secretarial practice was appointed on 1 June 2023.</p> <p>The Company Secretaries are responsible for advising the Board on issues relating to sound governance and compliance with laws, rules, procedures and regulations and advocating adoption of corporate governance best practices.</p> <p>All Directors have full access to the advice and services of the Company Secretaries, especially on the procedural and regulatory requirements.</p> <p>The Company Secretaries undertake continuous professional development to keep themselves abreast with the current regulatory changes in laws and relevant regulatory requirements and corporate governance and to be able to provide the relevant advisory role to the Board.</p>
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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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Board meets at least quarterly with additional meetings convened as and when necessary.</p> <p>To facilitate the Directors in planning their attendance at the Board and Board Committees meetings as well as the Annual General Meeting, an annual tentative meeting calendar with the scheduled meeting dates is prepared and confirmed in the last quarter of the calendar year (before the beginning of each year).</p> <p>The notice of Board and Board Committees meetings together with meeting materials are furnished to the Directors at least five (5) working days in advance to enable the Directors to have sufficient time to review the documents and obtain further information or clarification from Management to expedite the decision making process. Any Director may request for matters to be included in the agenda. Urgent papers may be presented and tabled at the meetings under the last item "Any other business", subject to the approval of the Chairman and/or Group MD. The meeting agenda and board papers are distributed in hard copy and/or electronically to the Directors for deliberations during Board meetings. Reminders are also sent in advance electronically to the Directors prior to the meetings.</p> <p>At the Board meetings, presentations and briefings by Management and relevant external consultants, where applicable, are also held to advise the Board. Relevant information is furnished and clarifications are given to assist the Board in making a decision.</p> <p>The Company Secretaries ensure the deliberations and decisions of the meetings are properly minuted and confirmed by the respective Chairmen at the subsequent meetings. The Company Secretaries will also follow up with Management on the status of actions taken regarding the previous Minutes of meeting for updating the Board. Items with action would remain as matters arising in the minutes until they are resolved. The minutes of the Board Committee meetings are included in the Board meeting papers.</p>
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**Intended Outcome**

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Board is guided by its Board Charter which outlines the roles and responsibilities of the Board of Directors, Board Committees, Chairman, Group MD, Non-Executive Directors and Individual Directors ensuring they fulfil their fiduciary duties to the Group. The Board Charter also stipulates the following matters that are reserved for the Board's deliberation and decision:</p> <p>(a) Strategic/business plans and annual budget;  (b) Risk management policies;  (c) Financial reporting, related party transactions and capital financing;  (d) New investments, divestments, corporate restructuring, including the establishment of subsidiaries or joint ventures;  (e) Major capital expenditure; and  (f) Appointment of new Directors, Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and other senior positions based on recommendations of the Nomination &amp; Remuneration Committee.</p> <p>The Board Charter and Terms of Reference ("<b>TOR</b>") for Board Committees are reviewed and updated from time to time to reflect relevant changes to the policies, procedures and processes as well as in tandem with the changes in regulations and recommended best practices.</p> <p>The revised Board Charter was approved by the Board on 26 April 2023. The Board Charter is available on the Company's website at <a href="http://www.gadang.com.my">www.gadang.com.my</a>.</p>
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### Intended Outcome

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Board is mindful of its role to create a corporate culture that promotes ethical conduct in all aspects of the Group's business operations.</p> <p>The Board has established a Code of Ethics and Conduct ("<b>Code of Ethics</b>"), setting out the principles and standards of business ethics and conduct of the Group. The purpose of the Code of Ethics is to ensure that all employees and Directors maintain and enforce the highest standards of professional conduct in the performance of their duties and throughout the Group.</p> <p>The Code of Ethics covers all related areas for good governance and best practices such as matters on conflicts of interest, anti-bribery &amp; corruption, insider trading, anti-money laundering, fair competition, discrimination and harassment, confidentiality, improper use of company assets, and compliance with laws, rules and regulations.</p> <p>All new employees are briefed on the Code of Ethics during their induction into the Group. All employees, including Board members, are required to declare that they have received, read and understood the provisions of the Code of Ethics and agreed to comply with its terms throughout their employment.</p> <p>The Company believes that everyone has the right to be treated equally with fairness, respect and dignity at the workplace. In financial year ended 31 May 2023 ("<b>FYE 2023</b>"), it established a Human Rights Policy that serves as a guiding principle for the Group and its stakeholders to ensure protection of fundamental human rights which covers Diversity &amp; Inclusion, Freedom of Association, No Child Labour/No Forced Labour/No Human Trafficking, Minimum Wages Working Hours &amp; Benefits, Health &amp; Safety, Women's Rights and Prohibition of Inhumane Treatment.</p>

	Details of the Code of Ethics can be found on the Company's website at <a href="http://www.gadang.com.my">www.gadang.com.my</a> .	
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**Intended Outcome**

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 3.2**

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

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Company has established a Whistleblowing Policy &amp; Procedure (“WPP”) in line with the Company’s commitment to achieving and maintaining the highest standards of openness, ethics, and accountability.</p> <p>The WPP provides a formal mechanism for employees, other external stakeholders and members of the public to report concerns about any suspected and/or known misconduct, wrongdoing or inappropriate behaviour relating to corrupt practices, fraud and/or abuse. An employee who makes a report of improper conduct in good faith shall be protected against reprisal, retaliation, punishment and/or unfair treatment (including intimidation, harassment, discrimination, demotion and termination of employment) for his/her disclosure.</p> <p>The Whistleblowing Committee, comprising the Chairman of Audit Committee, the Chief Financial Officer (“CFO”) and the Head - Group Internal Audit, oversees WPP’s implementation. The CFO and Chairman of the Audit Committee are responsible for receiving whistleblower report(s) made by the employees or external parties as prescribed under the WPP.</p> <p>The WPP is accessible to the public for reference on the Company’s website at <a href="http://www.gadang.com.my">www.gadang.com.my</a>.</p> <p>During the FYE 2023, there were no whistleblowing cases reported.</p>
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### Intended Outcome

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Company's sustainability governance structure has clear lines of accountability starting from the tone set by the Board in directing the business strategies and its commitment to ensuring Key Result Areas ("KRAs") and Key Performance Indicators ("KPIs") are aligned to the Group's Business Plan and objectives to ensure business continuity and long-term stakeholder value creation.</p> <p>The Board is responsible to review and approve overall strategic business plans for the Company whilst maximising stakeholders' value through the management of financial (business growth, profitability, etc) and non-financial indicators, including economic, environmental and social ("sustainability") related matters arising from its business activities.</p> <p>The Board Risk &amp; Sustainability Committee supports the Board by monitoring the implementation of the strategies plans by the Management.</p> <p>The Risk Management &amp; Sustainability Committee, which is chaired by the Group MD, is accountable for the development and implementation of short, medium and long-term sustainability strategies for the Company, based on the direction set by the Board. This is aligned with the Group MD's responsibility to ensure the process of identifying, evaluating, managing and monitoring the key risks (including sustainability risks) is integrated into day-to-day operations.</p> <p>At the next level, the Company's Sustainability Working Group which is chaired by the CFO and represented by risk owners i.e. Heads of Departments and representatives from various departments across all business divisions in Malaysia, Indonesia and Singapore, sets the scope of sustainability management measures and drives the implementation and monitoring of sustainability management, across all business divisions whilst promoting interdepartmental collaboration.</p>

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**Intended Outcome**

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied	
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	The Company's sustainability strategies, priorities, targets and performance are reported in its Sustainability Statement and approved by the Board before inclusion in the Annual Report. The Company's stakeholder groups (internal and external), engagement channel, sustainability targets and performance are published in the Sustainability Statement, which can be found on the Company's website at <a href="http://www.gadang.com.my">www.gadang.com.my</a> .	
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**Intended Outcome**

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.

Application	:	Applied	
Explanation on application of the practice	:	The Board members attend trainings to stay abreast with and understand the sustainability issues relevant to the Company and its business, including climate-related risks and opportunities. The Board is fully cognizant of the climate-related risks and opportunities and since 2020 had directed the Company to embark on a journey to reduce carbon footprint progressively by supporting initiatives such as climate reality talk, tree planting, solar panel installation at Gadang HQ, proper handling of waste management and disposal of e-waste, etc. Full details on the Company's Sustainability initiatives can be found in the Company's Annual Reports which are available on the Company's website at <a href="http://www.gadang.com.my">www.gadang.com.my</a> .	
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**Intended Outcome**

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Board and Senior Management have performed their respective roles in addressing material sustainability risks and opportunities.</p> <p>The performance of the Board in addressing the Company's material sustainability matters was evaluated through the annual Board's Evaluation. Whereas for the Senior Management team, it is part of their yearly KPIs.</p> <p>Sustainability KPIs for all business units, including Finance and Health, Safety and Environment ("HSE") are presented to the Board on a biannual basis. The Board reviews the Senior Management's performance in addressing the Company's material sustainability risks and opportunities.</p>
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**Intended Outcome**

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

**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.*

<b>Application</b>	:	Adopted
<b>Explanation on adoption of the practice</b>	:	The Chief Financial Officer (“CFO”) is the chairperson for the Sustainability Working Group, which is represented by the risk owners i.e. Heads of Departments (“HODs”) and representatives from various departments across all business divisions in Malaysia, Indonesia and Singapore. Assisted by the Sustainability Facilitator, the CFO provides dedicated focus to lead and manage sustainability strategically, including the integration of sustainability considerations in the operations of the Company.



### Intended Outcome

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Nomination &amp; Remuneration Committee (“NRC”) is entrusted with the role of identifying, assessing and nominating candidates to fill Board vacancies and for succession planning. reviews the Board Succession Planning.</p> <p>Board renewal is a continuous process and is a crucial element of the Group's corporate governance process. In this regard, the NRC reviews annually the composition of the Board and the Board Committees, which includes size and mix, and recommend to the Board the selection and appointment of new directors with a view to identify any gaps in the Board skill set taking into account the Group's strategy and business operations. The NRC seeks to refresh the Board membership progressively and as a result the Board has put in place the nine (9) years term limit for Independent Directors.</p> <p>The NRC assessed the performance of the Directors standing for re-election at the Company's 30<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting via the Board Evaluation. Amongst others, the Board Evaluation assessed the Directors' competencies, contribution, performance, calibre, personality, independence and their ability to act in the best interest of the Company.</p> <p>The Directors' rotation list was presented to the NRC for endorsement before recommending to the Board for approval and the retiring Directors are required to give their consent on their re-election before the Company's Board meeting.</p>
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**Intended Outcome**

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

**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	:	<p>As at 31 May 2023, the Board comprises six (6) Directors whereby two (2) are Executive Directors and four (4) are Independent Non-Executive Directors (“INEDs”).</p> <p>The Company, therefore complies with Paragraph 15.02 of the Main Market Listing Requirements (“MMLR”) of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad (“Bursa Securities”) which requires at least two (2) Directors or one-third (1/3) of the Board, whichever is higher, are Independent Directors. The INEDs also make up a majority of the Board, as recommended by the Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance which was further updated on 28 April 2021 (“MCCG”).</p> <p>The independence of the INEDs is assessed during the annual Board’s Evaluation exercise and all the INEDs satisfy the independence test under the MMLR of Bursa Securities.</p> <p>The Board was satisfied with the level of independence demonstrated by all the INEDs and was of the view that they could continue to bring sound independent and objective judgement to Board deliberations.</p>	
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**Intended Outcome**

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

**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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Not applicable - Step Up 5.4 adopted	
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:		
<b>Explanation for departure</b>	:		
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**Intended Outcome**

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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.*

<b>Application</b>	:	Adopted
<b>Explanation on adoption of the practice</b>	:	<p>In line with the recommendation by the MCCG, the Board approved the revised Board Charter on 27 July 2022 which includes the limit on the tenure of its independent directors to nine (9) years without further extension.</p> <p>Currently, none of the INEDs has served the Board for more than nine (9) years.</p>

## Intended Outcome

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

## 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	:	<p>The Board has adopted a formal policy on diversity of the Company by considering the number of aspects in designing the Board’s composition, including but not limited to skills, experience, age, gender, culture and educational and professional background, ethnicity, knowledge and length of service. All Board appointments are based on merit, and candidates are considered against objective criteria, having due regard for the benefits of diversity on the Board.</p> <p>The Board had approved the adoption of Directors Fit and Proper Policy to ensure a formal, rigorous and transparent process for the appointment and re-election of Directors and Senior Management.</p> <p>The current composition of the Board includes a diverse mix of skill sets, expertise, knowledge and experience to direct the Group. Following are the collective skills &amp; competence of the Board:-</p> <table><tr><th>Skill/Competence</th><th>Description</th></tr><tr><td>Leadership</td><td>Overall stewardship of the Group, business leadership, public listed company experiences</td></tr><tr><td>Strategy and Entrepreneurial acumen</td><td>Business development, assessment of existing and emerging opportunities</td></tr><tr><td>Sustainability and Stakeholder management</td><td>Governmental relations, community and investor relations, corporate governance and banking</td></tr><tr><td>Technical</td><td>Engineering, real estate and property development, construction and other related skills</td></tr><tr><td>Finance and corporate</td><td>Accounting, audit, financial reporting, taxation, legal, corporate financing, risk management and human capital development &amp; management</td></tr></table> <p>The Nomination &amp; Remuneration Committee (“NRC”) has a vital role in achieving diversity on the Board and considers the following before making its recommendations of suitable candidates to the Board:</p> <p>a) To take into consideration the benefits of boardroom diversity and to appoint candidates based on merit and without prejudice, when reviewing the Board’s composition;</p> <p>b) To consider the balance of skills, experience, independence, knowledge and the diversity of representation on the Board, as part</p>	Skill/Competence	Description	Leadership	Overall stewardship of the Group, business leadership, public listed company experiences	Strategy and Entrepreneurial acumen	Business development, assessment of existing and emerging opportunities	Sustainability and Stakeholder management	Governmental relations, community and investor relations, corporate governance and banking	Technical	Engineering, real estate and property development, construction and other related skills	Finance and corporate	Accounting, audit, financial reporting, taxation, legal, corporate financing, risk management and human capital development & management
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	<p>of the annual performance evaluation on the effectiveness of the Board, Board Committees and individual Directors; and</p> <p>c) To implement and monitor the progress of the Diversity Policy towards the achievement of such objectives.</p> <p>The current Board’s diversity (total of 6 Directors) is as follows:-</p> <table><tr><th rowspan="2"></th><th colspan="3">Race/Ethnicity</th><th colspan="4">Age Group</th><th colspan="2">Gender</th></tr><tr><th>Malay</th><th>Chinese</th><th>Indian</th><th>41-50</th><th>51-60</th><th>61-70</th><th>71-80</th><th>Male</th><th>Female</th></tr><tr><td>Number of Directors</td><td>1</td><td>5</td><td>0</td><td>3</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>4</td><td>2</td></tr></table> <p>In line with Paragraph 15.06 of MMLR of Bursa Securities, none of the Directors hold more than five (5) directorships in any other public listed companies.</p> <p>The Directors’ commitment to carrying out their duties and responsibilities is reflected by their attendance at the Board and Board Committees meetings during the year. The Board is satisfied with the level of time commitment given by the Directors to discharge their responsibilities.</p> <p>The appointment of Senior Management personnel was also made with due regard for diversity in skills, experience, age, cultural background and gender. They are all Malaysians with diversity in the following perspectives as set out in the table:-</p> <table><tr><th rowspan="2"></th><th colspan="3">Race/Ethnicity</th><th colspan="4">Age Group</th><th colspan="2">Gender</th></tr><tr><th>Malay</th><th>Chinese</th><th>Indian</th><th>31-40</th><th>41-50</th><th>51-60</th><th>61-70</th><th>Male</th><th>Female</th></tr><tr><td>Number of Senior Management</td><td>3</td><td>26</td><td>0</td><td>2</td><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>5</td><td>20</td><td>9</td></tr></table>		Race/Ethnicity			Age Group				Gender		Malay	Chinese	Indian	41-50	51-60	61-70	71-80	Male	Female	Number of Directors	1	5	0	3	0	1	2	4	2		Race/Ethnicity			Age Group				Gender		Malay	Chinese	Indian	31-40	41-50	51-60	61-70	Male	Female	Number of Senior Management	3	26	0	2	10	11	5	20	9
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**Intended Outcome**

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

**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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied	
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>Pursuant to the Terms of Reference of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee (“NRC”), the NRC may search/recommend potential board candidates by utilising independent sources, professional advisors or external parties to identify suitably qualified candidates, other than relying on recommendations from fellow directors, management and major shareholders.</p> <p>Appointments of new Directors are undertaken by the Board as a whole after considering the recommendations of the NRC.</p> <p>In the appointment of Directors, the NRC is guided by the Directors’ Fit and Proper Policy. The NRC will evaluate candidatures for directorships based on meritorious criteria such as knowledge, expertise and experience, the mix of skills, time commitment, integrity and competencies in meeting the needs of the Company.</p> <p>There was no new director appointed during the FYE 2023.</p>	
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### Intended Outcome

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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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>Profiles of the Directors are published in the Annual Report and on the Company's website. These include their age, gender, tenure of service, directorship in other companies (listed entities and public companies), working experience and any conflict of interest as well as their shareholdings in the Company, if any.</p> <p>Under Clause 108 of the Company's Constitution, at each Annual General Meeting ("<b>AGM</b>"), one-third (1/3) of the Directors for the time being shall retire from office. All Directors shall retire from office once in each three (3) years but shall be eligible for re-election.</p> <p>Based on the schedule of retirement by rotation determined by the Nomination &amp; Remunerarion Committee ("<b>NRC</b>"), Tan Sri Dato' Kok Onn and Mr Huang Shi Chin are due to retire at the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting ("<b>30<sup>th</sup> AGM</b>") of the Company under Clause 108 of the Company's Constitution.</p> <p>To determine the eligibility of the Directors to stand for re-election at the 30<sup>th</sup> AGM, the Board through the NRC, assessed each of the retiring Directors, and considered the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) The Directors' performance and contribution, based on the Self and Peer Assessment results of the Board Evaluation 2023.</li><li>2) The Directors' level of contribution to the Board deliberations through his/her skills, experience and strength in qualities.</li><li>3) The level of independence demonstrated by the Independent Non-Executive Director and the ability to act in the best interests of the Company in decision-making.</li><li>4) The Directors have the character, integrity, experience and competence to discharge their role effectively.</li><li>5) The Directors' ability to commit and devote adequate time to fulfil their responsibilities effectively.</li></ol> <p>Based on the aforesaid assessment, the NRC has recommended the re-election of the said directors who are due to retire at the forthcoming AGM. The Board has accepted the recommendation of the NRC.</p>

	Accordingly, the Board will recommend their re-election to the shareholders at the forthcoming 30 <sup>th</sup> AGM.			
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**Intended Outcome**

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

**Practice 5.8**

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

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied	
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	The NRC is chaired by Mr Huang Shi Chin, who is the Senior Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company.  The profile of Mr Huang Shi Chin is available on page 16 of the Company's Annual Report 2023.	
<b>Explanation for departure</b>	:		
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**Intended Outcome**

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	:	Applied	
Explanation on application of the practice	:	The Company currently has six (6) Directors, comprising two (2) women Directors; Ms Kok Pei Ling and Ms Wong Ping Eng, which constitute 33% of the Board.	
Explanation for departure	:		
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**Intended Outcome**

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Board sees diversity as an essential element to ensuring the achievement of its strategic objectives. The Company endorses the principle that there should be diversity to ensure effective decision making and governance of the Company and its businesses. The Board Diversity Policy is formulated to ensure adequate diversity in its Board. All Board appointments will be made based on merit against objective criteria, taking into account the skills, experience, independence and knowledge that the particular director can bring to the Board and without compromising on the diversity of the Board.</p> <p>The Board had achieved its target of 30% women representation on the Board (i.e. two women Directors out of a total of six Directors).</p> <p>As of 31 May 2023, women constituted approximately 31% of the Group's total workforce of 458 employees, and 19% of the managerial positions were held by women employees.</p> <p>The Board Diversity Policy is accessible on the Company's website at <a href="http://www.gadang.com.my">www.gadang.com.my</a>.</p>
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## Intended Outcome

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.

*Note: For a Large Company to qualify for adoption of this practice, it must undertake annual board evaluation and engage an independent expert at least every three years to facilitate the evaluation.*

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The process of assessing the Directors is an ongoing responsibility of the Nomination &amp; Remuneration Committee (“NRC”). The NRC has a formal evaluation process to annually assess the effectiveness of the Board as a whole and the Board Committees, as well as the performance of each Director, including the independence of the Independent Non-Executive Directors.</p> <p>The criteria used for the annual assessment of the Board include the assessment of board mix and composition, quality of information and decision making, boardroom activities, and board’s relationship with Management whereas for Board Committees, the criteria used include composition, effectiveness, support, contribution and communication. The annual assessment of Individual Directors includes competency, contribution and performance and calibre and personality.</p> <p>The evaluation for this FYE 2023, which was carried out in May 2023, involved Individual Directors and Committee members completing separate evaluation questionnaires regarding the processes of the Board and its Committees, their effectiveness and where improvements could be considered. They also undertook a self-review and peer review in which they assessed their fellow Directors’ performance. The responses were collated by the Company Secretary and a consolidated report was submitted to the Board. The responses were then discussed by the Board to determine the areas for improvement of the effectiveness of the Board and its Committees.</p> <p>Based on the 2023 Board evaluation findings, the Board was satisfied and acknowledged that the Board has continued to perform effectively in discharging its responsibilities with most areas rated in the range of “4” (Good/Competent) to “5” (Strong/Outstanding). The Board Committees have discharged their responsibilities adequately as set out in their respective terms of reference. The Individual Directors have</p>

	<p>also met the standards expected of them, with each making strong contributions, generally and through the knowledge derived from their specialised areas of expertise, skills and experience.</p> <p>The Board viewed the current evaluation process is adequate to provide an objective assessment on the effectiveness of the Board, the Committees and each Director. The use of an external consultant is not necessary at this stage.</p>	
<b>Explanation for departure</b> :		
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### Intended Outcome

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Board has established a Remuneration Policy to outline the principles for the Company to determine and propose an appropriate level of remuneration for the Directors and Senior Management.</p> <p>The Board has delegated to the Nomination &amp; Remuneration Committee ("<b>NRC</b>") the responsibility to review and recommend the remuneration and other benefit packages for the Directors and Senior Management of the Group to ensure they remain competitive to attract, motivate and retain talent to lead and drive the Company's business in achieving its objectives and long-term goals.</p> <p>The remuneration package for the Individual Executive Directors and Senior Management is reflective of their skills, experience and level of responsibilities and it is structured to link to individual performance and the overall performance of the Group.</p> <p>As for Independent Non-Executive Directors ("<b>INEDs</b>"), the level of remuneration reflects the experience and level of responsibilities undertaken by the individual non-executive director concerned based on industry or market practices. The remuneration of INEDs consisting of fixed directors' fees and other benefits, is subject to the approval of the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting ("<b>AGM</b>"). The fees of the INEDs are paid to all INEDs every quarter.</p> <p>The NRC had, in May 2023, reviewed the INED Remuneration Framework and proposed that the Directors' Fees of the Audit Committee ("<b>AC</b>") Chairman and the Senior Independent Non-Executive Director ("<b>SINED</b>") be increased by RM10,000 per annum for the financial year ending 2024.</p>



	<p>The Board concurred with the NRC that the said proposed increase of Directors' Fees for the year ending 31 May 2024 is appropriate taking into account the added responsibilities of the AC Chairman and the SINED.</p> <p>Details of the Directors' Remuneration Framework for the financial year under review are provided in the Explanatory Note B of the Notice of the 30<sup>th</sup> AGM.</p> <p>The Remuneration Policy is periodically reviewed and is available on the Company's website at <a href="http://www.gadang.com.my">www.gadang.com.my</a>.</p>	
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### Intended Outcome

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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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Nomination &amp; Remuneration Committee ("<b>NRC</b>") is responsible to formulate and review the remuneration policies and packages for the Directors as well as the Senior Management to ensure that they remain competitive, appropriate and commensurate with their experience, skills, level of responsibilities and in alignment with the prevalent industry or market practices. The responsibilities of the NRC concerning remuneration matters are set out in the Terms of Reference ("<b>TOR</b>").</p> <p>As at 31 May 2023, the NRC comprised three (3) members, all of whom are Independent Non-Executive Directors. The NRC Chairman is the SINED of the Company.</p> <p>The TOR of the NRC and the Remuneration Policy for Directors and Senior Management are available for reference at <a href="http://www.gadang.com.my">www.gadang.com.my</a>.</p>
<b>Explanation for departure</b>	:	
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**Intended Outcome**

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Board has established a Directors' Remuneration Framework which sets out directors' fees, meeting allowances and benefits-in-kind.</p> <p>The remuneration breakdown of Individual Directors which includes the fees received by the Independent Non-Executive Directors (as approved by the shareholders at the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM held on 9 November 2022), salary, bonus, benefits-in-kind and other emoluments for the FYE 2023 is enumerated in the table below.</p>

No	Name	Directorate	Company ('000)							Group ('000)						
			Fee	Allowance	Salary	Bonus	Benefits-in-kind	Other emoluments	Total	Fee	Allowance	Salary	Bonus	Benefits-in-kind	Other emoluments	Total
1	Tan Sri Dato' Kok Onn	Executive Director	0	0	1,254,000	78,375	49,497	0	1,381,872	0	0	1,254,000	78,375	49,497	0	1,381,872
2	Kok Pei Ling	Executive Director	0	0	508,599	30,713	45,084	65,819	650,215	0	0	508,599	30,713	45,084	65,819	650,215
3	Tan Sri Dato' Seri Dr. Mohamed Ismail Bin Merican	Independent Director	110,000	7,000	0	0	15,000	0	132,000	110,000	7,000	0	0	15,000	0	132,000
4	Huang Shi Chin	Independent Director	80,000	18,000	0	0	0	0	98,000	80,000	18,000	0	0	0	0	98,000
5	Sherman Lam Yuen Suen	Independent Director	80,000	18,000	0	0	12,919	0	110,919	80,000	18,000	0	0	12,919	0	110,919
6	Wong Ping Eng	Independent Director	80,000	18,000	0	0	15,000	0	113,000	80,000	18,000	0	0	15,000	0	113,000
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**Intended Outcome**

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 Company has not disclosed on a named basis the top five (5) Senior Management’s remuneration in bands of RM50,000 due to the confidentiality and sensitivity of each remuneration package as well as the competitive market for talents in the businesses of the Group.						
		As an alternative, the top five (5) Senior Management’s remuneration (including salary, bonus, allowances, benefits in-kind and other emoluments) for the FYE 2023 are disclosed in the bands of RM50,000, as follows:-						
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	The Board always benchmarks the remuneration package of Senior Management against the industry and is aligned with the industry or market practices. In addition, Senior Management is paid a remuneration commensurate with the responsibilities of their positions and the performance of the individual and the Group.							
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Measure	:	Please explain the measure(s) the company has taken or intend to take to adopt the practice.						
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No	Name	Position	Company					
			Salary	Allowance	Bonus	Benefits	Other emoluments	Total
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**Intended Outcome**

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Not Adopted
<b>Explanation on adoption of the practice</b>	:	



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**Intended Outcome**

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Audit Committee ("AC") is led by Mr Sherman Lam Yuen Suen ("Mr Sherman"), who was appointed as the Chairman of the AC on 16 August 2021, whilst the Chairman of the Board is Tan Sri Dato' Seri Dr Mohamed Ismail bin Merican.</p> <p>Mr Sherman is a member of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants, member of the Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants, a Fellow Member of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants, UK, Fellow Member of CPA Australia, a Chartered Member of the Institute of Internal Auditors Malaysia and a member of Institute of the Corporate Directors of Malaysia. Mr Sherman's full profile is available on page 17 of the Annual Report 2023.</p> <p>The Terms of Reference of the AC has reflected the requirements in Practice 9.1 of the MCCG that <i>"The Chairman of the AC is not Chairman of the Board"</i>.</p>
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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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>None of the members of the Board is a former key audit partner. Hence, no such person is being appointed as a member of the Audit Committee ("AC").</p> <p>The Terms of Reference of the AC requires a former key audit partner to observe a cooling-off period of three (3) years before being appointed as an AC member by the Company.</p>
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**Intended Outcome**

There is an effective and independent Audit Committee.

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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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Board has approved and adopted an External Auditors Policy to outline the guidelines and procedures for the Audit Committee ("AC") to review, assess and monitor the performance, suitability and independence of the Company's External Auditors.</p> <p>Each year, the AC will evaluate the External Auditors in fulfilling their duty to make an informed recommendation to the Board on whether to retain the auditors. The annual review and assessment of the quality of the audit is carried out through an assessment checklist based on four (4) key areas covering quality of service provided; sufficiency of audit firm resources; quality of the communication and interactions with the External Auditors and the independence, objectivity and professional scepticism as set out in the Company's External Auditors Policy.</p> <p>As guided by the External Auditors Policy, the AC had on 4 September 2023 assessed the suitability, effectiveness and independence of the external auditors, Crowe Malaysia PLT ("<b>Crowe Malaysia</b>") based on the feedback from the CFO and the finance personnel (who had substantial contact with the external audit team throughout the year). The AC also took into account the openness in communication and interaction with the lead engagement partner and engagement team through discussions at private meetings, which demonstrated their independence, objectivity and professionalism.</p> <p>In July 2023, the External Auditors in their presentation of External Auditors' report to the AC had confirmed that they had been independent throughout the audit engagement following the terms of all relevant professional and regulatory requirements in respect of the audited financial statements of the Group for the FYE 2023.</p> <p>The AC was satisfied with the suitability of Crowe Malaysia based on the quality of audit, performance, competency and sufficiency of resources the external audit team provided to the Group. The AC was also satisfied in its review that the provision of non-audit services by Crowe Malaysia to the Company for the FYE 2023 did not in any way impair their objectivity and independence as External Auditors of the Company.</p>

	Being satisfied with the External Auditors' performance, the Board had in September 2023, approved the AC's recommendation for the shareholders' approval to be sought at the 30 <sup>th</sup> AGM on the re-appointment of Crowe Malaysia as External Auditors of the Company for the financial year ending 31 May 2024.			
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**Intended Outcome**

There is an effective and independent Audit Committee.

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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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Adopted												
<b>Explanation on adoption of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Audit Committee ("AC") comprises three (3) qualified and experienced members, all of whom are Independent Non-Executive Directors, who have satisfied the independence test under the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad.</p> <p>The members of the AC are as follows:-</p> <table><tr><th>No.</th><th>Name</th><th>Membership</th></tr><tr><td>1.</td><td>Mr Sherman Lam Yuen Suen</td><td>Chairman</td></tr><tr><td>2.</td><td>Mr Huang Shi Chin</td><td>Member</td></tr><tr><td>3.</td><td>Ms Wong Ping Eng</td><td>Member</td></tr></table>	No.	Name	Membership	1.	Mr Sherman Lam Yuen Suen	Chairman	2.	Mr Huang Shi Chin	Member	3.	Ms Wong Ping Eng	Member
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**Intended Outcome**

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**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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>All members of the Audit Committee ("AC") are Chartered Accountants and members of MIA, and possess a considerable understanding of financial reporting and auditing processes. They also collectively have a wide range of relevant skills, knowledge and corporate experience to meet their responsibilities and provide an effective level of challenge to the Management.</p> <p>The members attend relevant training and continuous professional development programs from time to time to keep themselves abreast of the latest developments in financial reporting, accounting and auditing practices, standards and regulations. In addition, the members are briefed by the External Auditors on key changes in accounting standards, practices and rules. The various trainings attended by the AC members are listed under the Continuing Development Programme for Directors in the Corporate Governance Overview Statement of the Annual Report 2023.</p> <p>An annual assessment on the performance of the AC during the term of office was undertaken by the Nomination &amp; Remuneration Committee for the FYE 2023. Based on the results of the assessment, the Board was generally satisfied that the AC collectively and its members individually, had discharged their functions, duties and responsibilities effectively under the Terms of Reference of the AC.</p>
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**Intended Outcome**

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Board acknowledges its responsibility for maintaining a sound risk management framework and internal control system to safeguard shareholders' interests and the Group's assets.</p> <p>The Company has established a robust risk management framework to identify, assess and manage risks and controls within acceptable levels of the Group's risk appetite, aiming to manage rather than eliminate all risks that could impede the Group's business objectives.</p> <p>At the management level, the Risk Management &amp; Sustainability Committee ("<b>RMSC</b>") is responsible for implementing the Group's policies and procedures on risk to identify, analyse, evaluate, treat, monitor and report risks. The RMSC meets every quarter to review the significant risks faced by the Group and reports to the Board Risk &amp; Sustainability Committee ("<b>BRSC</b>") every quarter where key risks and mitigating actions are deliberated.</p> <p>The BRSC oversees the Group's significant risks through its quarterly review and presents a summary of their deliberations and decisions to the Board. The Board and BRSC evaluate the adequacy and effectiveness of the risk management system.</p> <p>Details on the risk management and internal control are set out in the Statement on Risk Management and Internal Control on pages 49-56 of the Company's Annual Report 2023.</p>
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**Intended Outcome**

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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 10.2**

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	:	<p>The key features of the Company’s risk management and internal control framework, which cover their adequacy and effectiveness, are disclosed in the Statement on Risk Management and Internal Control on pages 49-56 of the Company’s Annual Report 2023.</p> <p>The Board has received assurance from the Group MD and CFO that the Group’s risk management and internal control system is operating adequately and effectively in all material aspects, based on the risk management and internal control system framework implemented by the Group.</p>	
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### Intended Outcome

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 10.3 - 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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Adopted												
<b>Explanation on adoption of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Board Risk &amp; Sustainability Committee ("<b>BRSC</b>") comprises three (3) members, all of whom are Independent Non-Executive Directors. The BRSC oversees the Company's risk management framework and sustainability strategies.</p> <p>The members of the BRC are as follows:-</p> <table><tr><th>No.</th><th>Name</th><th>Membership</th></tr><tr><td>1.</td><td>Mr Huang Shi Chin</td><td>Chairman</td></tr><tr><td>2.</td><td>Mr Sherman Lam Yuen Suen</td><td>Member</td></tr><tr><td>3.</td><td>Ms Wong Ping Eng</td><td>Member</td></tr></table> <p>A copy of the Terms of Reference of the BRSC is available on the Company's website at <a href="http://www.gadang.com.my">www.gadang.com.my</a>.</p>	No.	Name	Membership	1.	Mr Huang Shi Chin	Chairman	2.	Mr Sherman Lam Yuen Suen	Member	3.	Ms Wong Ping Eng	Member
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**Intended Outcome**

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Group has established an in-house internal audit (“<b>IA</b>”) function. The Group Internal Audit (“<b>GIA</b>”) is led by the Head - GIA who reports functionally to the Audit Committee (“<b>AC</b>”) and administratively to the Chief Financial Officer.</p> <p>The GIA is responsible to undertake independent, risk based approach and systematic reviews of internal controls of the the financial and operating systems so as to provide a reasonable assurance that such systems continue to operate satisfactorily and effectively.</p> <p>The GIA reports quarterly to the AC on the internal audit’s objective, operation, authority and responsibility, relative to the approved audit plan together with a rating score on the internal control environment implemented to safeguard the Group’s assets.</p> <p>To ensure the responsibilities of GIA are fully discharged, the AC reviews:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) the appointment and removal of the Head - GIA;</li> <li>ii) the adequacy of scope, function, competency and resources of the GIA; and</li> <li>iii) the appraisal or assessment of the performance of the IA function.</li> </ul> <p>IA reports are issued to Management of the operating units audited, highlighting the findings on any systems and control weaknesses together with recommendations for improvement. Management implements the corrective and preventive actions based on agreed deadlines. These reports, together with follow-up audit reports, are tabled to the AC quarterly for deliberations and process improvement. A summary of the activities carried out by the GIA during the FYE 2023 are provided in the AC Report on pages 47 to 48 in the Company’s Annual Report 2023.</p>
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### Intended Outcome

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>In accordance with the Audit Charter of the Group Internal Audit (“GIA”), the GIA will not be involved in day-to-day control procedures to maintain its independence and objectivity. Instead, each business unit is responsible for its own internal controls and procedures. GIA is not involved in the implementation of internal control systems but may be consulted on the adequacy of controls when the systems and processes are to be implemented.</p> <p>The GIA has two personnel comprising the Head of the GIA and one staff. The Head of GIA, Mr Alan Tham Wing Hoong holds a degree in Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting) and Certified Information System Auditor and has over 20 years of internal audit and financial management experience, covering the insurance industry, hospitality sector and fast moving consumer goods business.</p> <p>The GIA adopts the Committee of Sponsoring Organisations of the Treadway Commission (COSO)’s Internal Control Integrated Framework to assist in the design and recommendations for internal controls in business and operating environments. The audit engagement is performed in accordance with the Institute of Internal Auditors International Professional Practices Framework (“IPPF”) and Supplemental Guidance to govern the code of ethics and to sustain internal audit effectiveness.</p>
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**Intended Outcome**

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Company has adopted the Investor Relations Policy, which applies to the Board and all employees of the Group, in handling and disclosing material information to the shareholders and the investing public.</p> <p>Various announcements and disclosures to the Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad made during the year, including the timely release of financial results every quarter and the distribution of annual reports and circulars, provide shareholders and the investing public with an overview of the Group's performance and operations.</p> <p>The Group Managing Director and/or Chief Financial Officer will meet with institutional shareholders and analysts on an ad-hoc basis to promote a better understanding of the Group's financial performance and operations.</p> <p>The Company's website, <a href="http://www.gadang.com.my">www.gadang.com.my</a> provides an avenue for providing information about the Company and the Group and receiving feedback from the stakeholders.</p>
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**Intended Outcome**

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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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Not applicable – Not a Large Company	
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:		
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**Intended Outcome**

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>At the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting (“<b>29<sup>th</sup> AGM</b>”) held on 9 November 2022, the Company sent out the notice of AGM to the shareholders on 29 September 2022, which is in advance of the 28-day requirement.</p> <p>The notice of the forthcoming 30<sup>th</sup> AGM which will be held on 8 November 2023 will be given to the shareholders on 26 September 2023, effectively serving 42 days of notice.</p> <p>The additional time given to the shareholders allows them to make the necessary arrangements to participate in person or through corporate representatives or proxies. The notice is also published in a nationally circulated newspaper as required under the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad and is made available on the Company’s website.</p> <p>The explanatory notes to the Notice of the AGM provided explanations for each resolution proposed to enable shareholders to make informed decisions in exercising their voting rights.</p> <p>An Administrative Guide which furnished useful information regarding the conduct of the AGM together with the explanatory guide on remote participation and voting were circulated to the shareholders together with the Notice of the AGM.</p>
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**Intended Outcome**

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	:	<p>In line with the Government’s initiative and the Securities Commission Guidance Note, the Company’s 29<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting (“29<sup>th</sup> AGM”) was held on 9 November 2022 as a fully virtual meeting conducted through live streaming and online remote voting using Remote Participation &amp; Voting (“RPV”) facilities provided by Tricor Investor &amp; Issuing House Services Sdn Bhd (“Tricor”) via its TIIH Online website at <a href="https://tiih.online">https://tiih.online</a></p> <p>All Directors, Company Secretary and Key Senior Management together with External Auditors were present at the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM to respond to questions raised by the shareholders.</p> <p>At the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM, the Chief Financial Officer (“CFO”) provided shareholders with a presentation on the Group’s performance for the year and its business outlook. The CFO also shared with the shareholders the Company’s responses to the questions submitted in advance by the Minority Shareholders Watch Group (“MSWG”).</p> <p>To enhance the efficiency of the proceedings of the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM, shareholders were encouraged to submit questions to the Board in advance via Tricor’s TIIH Online website. During the proceedings of the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM, shareholders were encouraged to post their queries in the query box to transmit their questions online. Questions and clarifications, where appropriate, were provided by the Directors and the Key Senior Management of the Company.</p>	
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**Intended Outcome**

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.

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Company leveraged on technology to conduct its 29<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting (“<b>29<sup>th</sup> AGM</b>”) as a fully virtual meeting through live streaming on 9 November 2022. All members participated in the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM online and voted electronically using the Remote Participation and Voting (RPV) facilities under Section 327 of the Companies Act, 2016 and Clause 63 of the Company’s Constitution. The shareholders and proxies of the Company were also able to submit their questions electronically via the virtual event platform before and during the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM.</p> <p>For the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM, the Company appointed Tricor Investor &amp; Issuing House Services Sdn Bhd (“<b>Tricor</b>”) as Poll Administrator to conduct the polling process, and Coopers Professional Scrutineers Sdn Bhd as Scrutineers to verify the poll results. The results of all votes cast in respect of each resolution were displayed on-screen at the virtual 29<sup>th</sup> AGM. Subsequently, the poll results were announced via Bursa LINK and posted on the Company’s website on the same day.</p> <p>The Board has decided to continue to use RPV facilities provided by its share registrar, Tricor at the forthcoming 30<sup>th</sup> AGM which will be held on 8 November 2023.</p>
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### Intended Outcome

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.*

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>The Company's 29<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting ("29<sup>th</sup> AGM") was held as a fully virtual meeting on 9 November 2022. The Company had issued the Annual Report 2022 for the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM together with the Administrative Guide, on 29 September 2022.</p> <p>Shareholders were allowed to submit their questions electronically through the online platform provided by the share registrar, Tricor Investor &amp; Issuing House Services Sdn Bhd ("Tricor") via its TIIH Online website at <a href="https://tiih.online">https://tiih.online</a> before the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM (from 29 September 2022), or used the query box to transmit questions to the Board via Remote Participation and Voting (RPV) facilities during live streaming of the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM.</p> <p>The Chairman of the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM had also informed the shareholders during the live streaming of the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM that they could submit their questions to the Board during the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM via the RPV facilities. The questions posed by shareholders were displayed on the screen for the participants of the meeting whilst the questions were read by the Chief Financial Officer and responded to accordingly, before the commencement of the poll voting.</p> <p>As the shareholders were allowed to submit questions from 29 September (the notice of 29<sup>th</sup> AGM), they were given sufficient opportunity to pose their questions before the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM and during the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM. The Company had ensured that all the questions were answered. Questions received after the close of 29<sup>th</sup> AGM were answered via emails.</p> <p>The questions raised and responses given at the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM of the Company were uploaded on the Company's website. Questions that were received after the "Questions &amp; Answers" session, were responded to by the Company via e-mail after the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM.</p>

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## Intended Outcome

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.

*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. Further, a listed issuer should also provide brief reasons on the choice of the meeting platform.*

<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	<p>In view of the health and safety concerns relating to Covid-19, the Company's Annual General Meetings ("AGM") in 2022 was held as virtual meeting.</p> <p>The Remote Participation and Voting ("RPV") facilities provided by the share registrar, Tricor Investor &amp; Issuing House Services Sdn Bhd via its TIIH Online website at <a href="https://tiih.online">https://tiih.online</a> allowed shareholders to pose questions to the Board via typed text in the query box. The shareholders submitted their questions at any time from the day of the Notice of AGM up to the time when the meeting was in progress.</p> <p>During the "Questions and Answers" session, the TIIH Online platform had the facilities to live broadcast the questions and answers, and the shareholders experienced real time interaction with the Board during the AGM.</p> <p>Each question posed by the shareholders was also displayed on the screen as and when the CFO provided her responses to the respective questions accordingly in an orderly manner.</p>
<b>Explanation for departure</b>	:	
<i>Large companies are required to complete the columns below. Non-large companies are encouraged to complete the columns below.</i>		
<b>Measure</b>	:	
<b>Timeframe</b>	:	

**Intended Outcome**

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.

<i>Note: The publication of Key Matters Discussed is not a substitute for the circulation of minutes of general meeting.</i>		
<b>Application</b>	:	Applied
<b>Explanation on application of the practice</b>	:	The Minutes of the 29 <sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting (“ <b>29<sup>th</sup> AGM</b> ”) held on 9 November 2022 were posted on the Company’s website at <a href="http://www.gadang.com.my">www.gadang.com.my</a> on 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2022, which is within thirty (30) business days from the date of the 29 <sup>th</sup> AGM.
<b>Explanation for departure</b>	:	
<i>Large companies are required to complete the columns below. Non-large companies are encouraged to complete the columns below.</i>		
<b>Measure</b>	:	
<b>Timeframe</b>	:	

**SECTION B – DISCLOSURES ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES PURSUANT  
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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