CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

STOCK CODE: 7216COMPANY NAME: Kawan Food BerhadFINANCIAL YEAR: December 31, 2024

OUTLINE:

SECTION A – DISCLOSURE ON MALAYSIAN CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

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

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

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

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Intended Outcome

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

Practice 1.1

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

Application	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	The Board of Directors ("the Board") of Kawan Food Berhad ("Kawan") sets the strategic direction of Kawan Group ensuring that the necessary resources are in place for the Company to meet its objectives and that the Company's strategies are aligned to the interests of our shareholders and other stakeholders.
	To enable the Board to discharge its responsibilities in meeting the objective of the Company, the Board, together with the Management, is committed to promote good corporate governance culture within the Company which reinforces ethical, prudent and professional behaviour.
	In discharging its roles and responsibilities, the Board is guided by the Board Charter which clearly specifies those which the Board may delegate to Board Committees, the Group Chief Executive Officer ("GCEO") and the key matters reserved for the Board for its deliberation and decision to ensure that the direction and control of the Group's businesses are vested in its hands.
	 The Board Committees comprise three Committees: a) Audit Committee ("AC"); b) Nominating Committee ("NC"); and c) Remuneration Committee ("RC").
	Terms of Reference ("TOR") of the Board Committees is available on Kawan's website at <u>www.kawanfood.com</u> .
	The Board delegates the implementation of its strategies to the Company's Management. However, the Board remains ultimately responsible for corporate governance and the affairs of the Company.
	The Board monitors its performance and implementation of the Company's strategies.

	To enable effective oversight and monitoring of the Company's business and operations, the Management reports to the AC and Board on the operational performance, progress of key initiatives and financial results including actual performance against budget on a quarterly basis. Proposals including strategic investments and/or corporate exercises are subject to AC and Board's review. The AC also reviewed the Group's cash position.
	The Board through the AC oversees the risk management framework of the Group. The Risk Management Working Committee ("RMWC") reviews the Group's risk including emergence and changes of the key risks faced by the Group and actions taken to manage these risks on a quarterly basis. The risk officer reports its summary on a quarterly basis to the AC. The outsourced internal audit function reviews the internal control system and reports directly to the AC on a quarterly basis on the findings based on the approved audit plan. The AC then reports to the Board on the new and changes of key risk as well as the updates and adequacy of the controls of the Group.
	The Board together with the Management are responsible for the governance of sustainability in the Company including setting Company's sustainability strategies, priorities and targets.
	The NC is responsible to assist the Board in appointment, performance evaluation and succession planning of the Board, Board Committees, GCEO and Key Management. The Board had put in place a succession planning policy. The Company has in place a succession planning framework for orderly succession of Board Members and Key Management. The NC reports to the Board on the performance of the Board as a whole, individual directors and Key Management on an annual basis and recommendation thereto.
	The Board sets Kawan's values and standards and believes that effective corporate governance is based on honesty, integrity and transparency. The Board has in place the Kawan Code of Conduct and Ethics ("CoCE") that requires all the Directors, officers and employees of the Group to observe, uphold and maintain high standards of integrity in carrying out their roles and responsibilities and to comply with the relevant laws and regulations as well as the Group's policies.
	The Board also values dialogue with stakeholders and appreciates the keen interest of shareholders on Kawan's performance. In this regard, the Board takes effective measures to disseminate timely and relevant information regarding the Company to stakeholders. The Group has in place a Corporate Disclosure Policy to ensure comprehensive, accurate and proper disclosure of information to the stakeholders.
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Practice 1.2

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

Application :	Applied	
Explanation on : application of the practice	: The Chairman of Kawan is Mr Lim Hun Soon @ David Lim, a Non- Independent Non-Executive Chairman ("NINEC"). He was re-designated from Independent Non-Executive Director to NINEC on 16 October 2024, following the retirement of the former Executive Chairman, Mr Gan Thiam Chai, on the same day.	
	Mr Gan Thiam Chai was bestowed the title of Chairman Emeritus on 16 October 2024 and stayed on as Adviser to provide guidance and support for the continued growth of Kawan Group. Subsequently, he was appointed as the Acting Group Managing Director ("AGMD") of the Company on 9 April 2025 to ensure leadership continuity. He will assume this role while continuing as Chairman Emeritus of the Company.	
	The GCEO of the Company stepped down on 9 April 2025 to focus on personal interests. However, he agreed to continue as an Adviser to the AGMD to providing strategic guidance.	
	The Chairman is responsible for leading the Board and instilling good corporate governance practices, and effectiveness of the Board.	
	 The Chairman's key responsibilities include: Leading Board meetings and discussions by promoting an open culture for debates and encouraging active participation among the Directors; Ensuring Board members receive accurate and complete information in a timely manner; Obtaining opinion from directors during meetings and promotes open constructive debates; and Providing effective communication with shareholders and other stakeholders. 	
	The detailed roles and responsibilities of the Chairman are stated in the Board Charter which is available on the Company's website at <u>www.kawanfood.com</u> .	
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Practice 1.3

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

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	The roles of the Chairman and the GCEO are distinct and separate to engender accountability and facilitate clear division of responsibilities to ensure that there is a balance of power and authority in the Company.
	The positions of Chairman and GCEO are held by two different individuals. The NINEC, Mr Lim Hun Soon @ David Lim provides strong leadership to the Board in its cohesive oversight of Management whilst the GCEO is responsible for the overall operations of the Group's business and implementation of Board's policies and decisions within the sets of authorities delegated by the Board.
	There were changes in the leadership roles on 9 April 2025. Details are stated in Practice 1.2 above.
	The respective roles and responsibilities of the Chairman and the GCEO are clearly defined in the Board Charter which are available on Kawan's website at www.kawanfood.com.
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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

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Explanation on application of the practice	 The Chairman of the Board, Mr Lim Hun Soon @ David Lim is not a member of AC, NC or RC. Mr Lim Hun Soon @ David Lim ceased to be the Chairman of the AC 	
	and a member of the NC and RC in view of his re-designation from Independent Non-Executive Director to NINEC on 16 October 2024. The Board took cognizance the importance of Practice 1.4 and t	the
	Chairman of the Board understands that he should not be involved the Committees so that there is check and balance as well as object review by the Board.	l in
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Practice 1.5

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

Application	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	The Board is supported by two (2) qualified and competent Company Secretaries, Ms Tai Yit Chan and Ms Tai Yuen Ling from Boardroom Corporate Service Sdn. Bhd. Both are qualified to act as Company Secretary under Section 235(2) of the Companies Act 2016 and The Malaysian Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators ("MAICSA") and Licensed Company Secretary ("LS") respectively. The Company Secretaries play an advisory role to the Board, particularly with regards to the Corporate Governance issues, the Company's Constitution, Board Policies, Board Procedures and Directors' responsibilities in complying with relevant legislation and regulations. Both of the Company Secretaries have more than 20 years of experience in corporate secretarial practice with working knowledge
	 across a diverse range of industries. With their extensive experience, they provide sound advice to the Board and the Board has unrestricted access to the advice and services of the Company Secretaries to enable them to discharge their duties effectively. The roles and responsibilities of the Company Secretaries are provided in the Board Charter, which are available on Kawan's website at www.kawanfood.com. Among others, the Company Secretaries:
	 Advising the Board on its roles and responsibilities; Advising the Board and Board Committees on governance matters; Provide updates and assistance to the Board with relevant statutory and regulatory requirements; Providing oversight of corporate governance developments and assisting the Board in applying governance practices to meet the Board's needs and stakeholders' expectations; Attending and recording the minutes of Board and Board
	 Committees' meetings as well as facilitate Board communications; Ensuring effective information flows within the Board and its committees and between the Management and Non-Executive Directors; and Serving as a focal point for stakeholders' communication and engagement on corporate governance issues.
	The Board is regularly updated and advised by the Company Secretaries who are professionally qualified, experienced and knowledgeable on new or revised regulatory requirements and corporate governance best

	practices. For general meeting, the Company Secretaries ensure that meeting are properly convened and the proceedings and resolutions are properly managed.	
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Practice 1.6

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

Application	: Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	: The Company Secretaries work closely with the Management to manage appropriate flow of information to the Board in consultation with the Chairman and the GCEO.
	Board meetings are scheduled in advance to ensure sufficient time for the Directors to plan their meetings for the year.
	Notice of Board meetings and proper agenda are sent to Directors at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting. Board papers and relevant reports are circulated at least five (5) business days prior to the meetings or shorter period deemed appropriate and/or unavoidable prior to the meetings to enable the Directors with sufficient time to review the materials for effective discussions and decision making during the meetings. Meeting papers that are deemed urgent may be presented at the meetings under item "any other matters", subject to approval of the Chairman and/or GCEO.
	Access to Board papers is carried out online through a software which allows Directors to access documents in a more efficient and timely manner. The Board members are provided tablets in order to access to meeting materials.
	Relevant information relating to business operations, financial, corporate, regulatory, business development and audit matters are provided to the Board members to enable the Board to make informed decisions. The Board is updated on important issues in Board meetings by Management.
	All pertinent issues discussed and decisions made at the Board meetings are properly recorded by the Company Secretaries. After meetings, minutes are circulated to the Directors for review and comments before tabling for confirmation at the next meeting. Status to the matters arising from previous meetings will be presented at the next meeting for further update/discussion.
	All Directors have unrestricted access to information pertaining to the Company in order to discharge their duties and responsibilities effectively. The Directors may seek advice from Management on issues pertaining to their respective jurisdiction. The Directors also have direct

	access to the advice and services of the Company Secretaries as well as obtaining independent professional advice at the Company's expense where necessary and reasonable for the performance of their duties.	
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There is demarcation of responsibilities between the board, board committees and management.

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

Practice 2.1

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

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

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	The Board has in place a Board Charter that clearly sets out the roles, functions, composition and procedures of the Board, Board Committees, Chairman, Senior Independent Director, Independent Director, GCEO and Company Secretaries.
	The Board Charter further defines matters that are reserved for the Board's approval and those which the Board may delegate to the Board Committees, GCEO and Management. Key matters reserved for the Board's approval include corporate strategic plans and capital budgets, material acquisitions and disposals of undertakings and properties, quarterly financial results and annual financial statements for announcement, monitoring of operating performance and review of the financial authority approving limits. The Board Charter and TOR of the Board and the Board Committees were revised to reflect the relevant updates to the Malaysian Code of Corporate Governance 2021 ("MCCG"). The Board Charter is available on the Company's website at www.kawanfood.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	In tandem with the Board's aspiration to ingrain and engender appropriate standards of conduct and ethical practices, the Board has in place a CoCE which sets the expected standards for conduct of all employees of the Group.	
	The CoCE reflects the Company's commitment to transparency, accountability and self-regulation. It also reference for the employees to support day-to day decisio	serves as a
	Directors, Management and employees are required promote and maintain high standards of integrity in carry and to ensure its compliance with laws and regulations and policies.	ing out roles
	The CoCE covers the overarching areas, among others interest, corporate opportunities, protection of Company information, fair practices, protection and proper use o assets, acceptance and offering of gifts and other forms abuse of power, corruption, insider trading and money lat bribes.	and/or client f Company's of benefits,
	In compliance with Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commiss Company has adopted an Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption Policy") to prevent corruption and unethical practices with The ABC Policy sets out the guidelines on how to deal w solicitation, bribery and other corrupt activities that may course of business.	Policy ("ABC in the Group. ith improper
	The Conflict of Interest Policy ("COI Policy") was adopted policy outlines the disclosure obligations of each Direct Senior Management with respect to conflict of intere- procedures to be followed when a conflict of intere- potentially arises to ensure systematic identification, dis- management of conflict of interest in an effective and time	tor and Key est, and the est arises or cclosure, and

	The objective of this policy aims to ensure that conflict of interest is		
	handled appropriately, promoting transparency, foster a culture of		
	honesty and accountability, and good governance within the Group.		
	Disclosure should occur as soon as practicable after the relevant facts		
	have come to the knowledge of the individual and should be reported		
	on a half yearly basis, including at all Board and the AC meetings.		
	The CoCE, ABC Policy and COI Policy is available on the Company's		
	website at <u>www.kawanfood.com</u> .		
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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 Whistleblowing Policy provides avenues for employees and external party to raise legitimate concerns relating to potential breaches of business conduct, non-compliance with legal and regulatory requirements as well as other malpractices.		
	Employees of the Group may raise concerns to their Head of Department, HR, or Senior Management. Under the Whistleblowing Policy, a whistle-blower who discloses improper conduct in good faith will be protected against adverse or detrimental action, intimidation, or suspension. They may also report whistleblowing matters directly to the Head of the Whistleblowing Committee ("WC"), which is chaired by the Senior Independent Non-Executive Director.		
	Concerns received will be directed to the WC for further action. The investigation team will update the WC on the findings and recommendations. The Head of the WC will review and recommend appropriate decisions and/or actions to the Board. The Head of the WC will also update the Board on follow-up actions on a quarterly basis.		
	During the financial year under review, there were no whistleblowing complaints received through various whistleblowing channels.		
	The Whistleblowing Policy is available on the Company's website at www.kawanfood.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 :	Applied	
Explanation on : application of the practice	The Group is focused on enhancing its forte to stay relevant in this competitive business environment. As such, a Steering Committee and Sustainability Working Committee ("SWC") chaired by the Chief Operating Officer ("COO") was established to plan and implement sustainability initiatives.	
	The SWC comprises representatives from relevant departments and is supported by sustainability champions across various functions within the Group.	
	The Board has in place a Sustainability Policy which directs the Group in managing changes related to environment, social and governance issues enabling the Group to achieve long term returns with a lower risk profile.	
	The Board is proactive when comes to oversees the planning, performance and long-term strategy of the Group, to ensure the Group remains resilient and is able to deliver durable and sustainable value as well as maintain the confidence of its stakeholders.	
	The Board together with the Management takes responsibility for the governance of sustainability in the Company including, setting in the Company's strategies, priorities and targets. Performance against these are communicated to the Company's internal and external stakeholders.	
	Further details on the sustainability governance structure are provided in the Sustainability Statement of the Annual Report 2024.	
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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 4.2

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

Application :	Applied	
Explanation on : application of the practice	The Group actively identifies, analyses emerging risks and opportunities and fortifies a sustainability management framework to build resilience and ensure business continuity through challenging times. The Board factors in these sustainability considerations into the business decisions as stakeholder expectations are heightening across various sustainability issues. The sustainability performance, initiatives, programmes and material matters are available in the Sustainability Statement in the Annual Report 2024.	
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Practice 4.3

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

Application :	Applied	
Explanation on : application of the practice	The Board receives regular training to upskill their knowledge and keep abreast on emerging developments in the sustainability landscape, reinforcing their oversight on the management of sustainability-related matters.	
	During the financial year under review, all Board have successfully completed the mandatory training under the Main Market Listing Requirements ("MMLR") of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Securities") i.e. Mandatory Accreditation Programme Part II on sustainability, except for the newly appointed Directors, who will complete the training within the stipulated timeline.	
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Practice 4.4

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

Application :	Applied	
Explanation on : application of the practice Explanation for :	 The Board had taken into account sustainability consideration when exercising its duties including development and implementation of company strategies and business plans. Kawan has also initiated to link the KPIs of the Executive Directors with sustainability performance. Performance evaluations of the Board is conducted on an annual basis. The evaluation includes: sustainability risks and opportunities; and setting the company's sustainability strategies, priorities and targets. The performance evaluation allows the Board to understand the importance of identifying and managing sustainability issues that are relevant to the company and its business as part of their duties. 	
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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 4.5- 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 : Adopted Ms Gan Ka Bien, the Executive Director of Kawan was appointed by the **Explanation on** : adoption of the Board to oversee the Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) practice supported by the Steering Committee. The COO chairs the Sterling Committee and SWC in leading the development of Kawan's sustainability priorities in line with strategies set by the Board. The COO together with Steering Committee provides stewardship and guidance on relevant key sustainability matters of the Company and to guide the Company in implementation of various initiatives across the businesses.

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:The NC is responsible to oversee and review on overall composition of the Board in term of siz skills, experience and other qualities and core Directors of the Company.		f size, the required mix of	
	performance of each individual Director to	The effectiveness of the Board as a whole and the contribution and performance of each individual Director to the effectiveness of the Board and the Board Committees will also be assessed by the NC on an annual basis.	
	 The retention of Independent Directors after serving a cumulative term of nine (9) years shall be subjected to annual assessment by the NC, regarding the independence and contributions; and annual shareholders' approval in a general meeting, where the Board provides valid justification on the recommendation in the explanatory notes to the resolution in the notice of a general meeting. The tenure of the respective Independent Directors as at 31 December 2024 is listed below: 		
	Name of Directors	Tenure (year) (Approximate)	
	Dr Nik Ismail Bin Nik Daud	7	
	Mr Eugene Hon Kah Weng	6	
	Pn Noor Alina Binti Mohamad Faiz	<1	
	The Constitution provides at least one-third to retirement by rotation at each Annual Gen that all Directors shall retire at least once retiring Director is eligible for re-election provides that a Director who is appointed by of the year shall be subject to election at following his/her appointment.	neral Meeting ("AGM") and in every three (3) years. A n. The Constitution also the Board over the course	

Explanation for : departure	The NC is also responsible for recommending to the Board, Directors who are standing for re-election at the AGM, subject to the NC being satisfied with the performance of the affected Directors based on the latest Board performance evaluation and Directors' Fit and Proper Policy as a guide to the NC in conducting the relevant Board assessment. The NC not only focused on the evaluation results but also other areas such as skills, experience, professionalism, integrity, character and time commitment. The following Directors retired at the Twentieth AGM:- (a) Mr Gan Thiam Chai (b) Ms Gan Ka Bien (c) Mr Lim Hun Soon @ David Lim All the aforesaid Directors have expressed their intention to seek for re- election at the Twentieth AGM. Based on the assessment, all of the above Directors Gemonstrated fit and proper characteristics outlined in the Company's Fit and Proper Policy. The Directors' Fit and Proper Policy.	
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Practice 5.2

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

Application	: Departure
Explanation on application of the practice	:
Explanation for departure	 During the financial year under review, the Board has nine (9) members, comprising of a NINEC, an Executive Director, a Senior Independent Non-Executive Director, two (2) Independent Non-Executive Directors and four (4) NINED. The present composition of the Board has complied with paragraph 15.02 of the MMLR of Bursa Securities which requires that at least two Directors or one-third (1/3) of the Board members of the Company, whichever is higher, are independent. The current Board comprises directors with diverse knowledge, experience, requisite range of skills and competence to enable them to discharge their duties and responsibilities effectively, objectively and independently. The Independent Directors consist of individuals from accounting and finance, auditing, corporate law & governance and food industry are able to express divergent points of views and concerns, provide insights on trends and forecast as well as challenge management in a more objective manner to create more values and sustainability of the business. The independent directors with diverse backgrounds also provide constructive debates, exchange views on the company, greater checks and balances which lead to better decision making. Each Independent Director is required to provide confirmation on quarterly basis as to whether he has any family relationship with any director and/or major shareholder of Kawan, any conflict of interest with Kawan and any convictions for offences within the past five (5) years.
	The NC will also undertake an evaluation assessment on annual basis on the independence of the Independent Non-Executive Director.

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Measure :	Based on the outcome of Board effectiveness evaluation, all Independent Directors are satisfied with the independence criteria as defined under paragraph 1.01 of the MMLR of Bursa Securities and are able to exercise objective judgement in the Board's decision-making process.	
	Nonetheless, the Board acknowledged the practice recommended under the MCCG and would consider the appointment of suitable candidates based on merit, competence and contribution of the same to further strengthen the Board.	
Timeframe :	Others	As and when suitable candidates are identified.

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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	:	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	:	During the financial year under review, no independent director(s) serving beyond 9 years.
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Practice 5.4 - Step Up

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

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

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Practice 5.5

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

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

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	The Board is committed to provide fair and equal opportunities as well as diversity within the Group. In assessing nominees and making recommendations for new appointment as Directors and Senior Management to the Board for approval, the NC takes into consideration the following:
	 skill, knowledge, expertise, qualification and experience, professionalism; integrity and judgement; background, character, competencies, time commitment; the fit and properness of the candidate; and in the case of potential candidates for the position of Independent Non-Executive Directors, the abilities of candidates to discharge such responsibilities.
	The process involves the identification of potential candidate(s), evaluation of suitability of candidates based on the agreed upon criterias, followed by deliberation by the NC and subsequently recommendation to the Board for approval.
	The NC will consider utilising independent sources such as directors' registry, advertisement or recruitment agency to identify qualified candidates when necessary. Where necessary, the NC may engage external independent consultancy services to conduct search for potential candidates.
	The Board has in place a Diversity Policy which is available on the Company's website at www.kawanfood.com .
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Board decisions are made objectively in the best interests of the company taking into account diverse perspectives and insights.

Practice 5.6

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

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

Application :	Applied	
Explanation on : application of the practice	The NC is responsible for making recommendations to the Board on the appropriate size, composition and diversity of the Board. When considering new appointments, the NC will determine criteria used for potential candidates in the nomination and selection based on its review on the annual assessment of Directors to ensure that the potential candidates offer the skills required. Candidates are also assessed based on their competence, integrity, character, time commitment and experience in accordance with paragraph 2.20A of the MMLR of Bursa Securities as well as their fitness and propriety in accordance with the Directors' Fit & Proper Policy so that the Company is able to source high calibre Directors with a sound understanding of the business imperative.	
Explanation for : departure		
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Board decisions are made objectively in the best interests of the company taking into account diverse perspectives and insights.

Practice 5.7

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

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	Shareholders are provided with detailed information on directors who are standing for re-election at the Company's AGM via the Board of Directors' profile disclosed in the Annual Report.
	Similarly, the Board's statement relating to the reasons to support the recommendation for the re-election are disclosed in the Explanatory Notes section of the Notice of AGM, which is also included in the annual report.
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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	During the financial year under review, Mr Eugene Hon Kah Weng, an Independent Non-Executive Director, served as the Chairman of the Nomination Committee ("NC"). On 24 February 2025, he was re- designated from Chairman to a member of the NC, and Puan Noor Alina Binti Mohamad Faiz, who was appointed as an Independent Non- Executive Director on 1 October 2024, was re-designated from a member to new Chairperson of NC.
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Practice 5.9

The board comprises at least 30% women directors.

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	The Board acknowledges the importance of having diversity of Board, Management and employees in terms of skills, expertise, gender, age and ethnicity. The Company has put in place a Diversity Policy as the Company's commitment to diversity at all levels. As of 31 December 2024, the Board comprised nine (9) Directors, including four (4) female Directors, which accounted for 44% representation of women on the Board. With the appointment of a new Directors on 24 February 2025 and 9 April 2025, the total number of Directors increased to eleven (11), resulting in a 36% representation of women on the Board. The Board has achieved the country's aspirational target of 30% representation of women directors in line with Practice 5.9 of MCCG
	and will remain committed to considering a diverse range of candidates, including female representation, in all future recruitment and selection processes. The Diversity Policy is available on the Company's website at www.kawanfood.com.
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Practice 5.10

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

Application :	Applied	
Explanation on : application of the practice	The Company had adopted a Diversity Policy which outlines its approach in achieving and maintaining diversity (including gender diversity) on the Board. The Board reviews its diversity policy as and when needed based on changing environment. The Board Diversity Policy can be downloaded from the Company's website at <u>www.kawanfood.com</u> . Whilst the Board recognises that MCCG had recommended for listed issuers to have at least 30% women directors. The Board has achieved the country's aspirational target of 30% representation of women directors in line with Practice 5.9 of MCCG. As for Senior Management, the Company strives for equal employment opportunity of which the positions are to be filled with the most suitable candidates on the basis of qualifications, relevant experience, performance potentials and any other attributes required of the job. The disclosure on gender diversity of the Group is set out in the	
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Stakeholders are able to form an opinion on the overall effectiveness of the board and individual directors.

Practice 6.1

The board should undertake a formal and objective annual evaluation to determine the effectiveness of the board, its committees and each individual director. The board should disclose how the assessment was carried out its outcome, actions taken and how it has or will influence board composition.

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

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.		
Application	:	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	:	The Board has adopted a formal and objective annual evaluation the performance of the Board, Board Committees and individual Directors' performance.
		The assessment takes into account the contribution and performance of the Directors in relation to their competencies, time commitment, experience and criteria set in the Directors' Fit and Proper Policy in meeting the needs of the Company.
		The Board engages the Company Secretaries from an independent external secretarial firm to facilitate the Board evaluation via evaluation forms and informal discussion with the NC and Directors.
		The evaluation process is a self-review assessment whereby the Directors assessed themselves, the Board as a whole as well as the performance of the Board Committees. The criteria and outcome of the assessment are properly documented.
		Based on the evaluation for FY2024, the NC was satisfied that the Board size and its composition were optimum as the Board comprises individuals with the requisite skills, knowledge, experience, characteristics and competencies to effectively discharge their roles.
		The Directors and Board Committees had discharged their responsibilities in a commendable manner and contributed to the overall effectiveness of the Board and Company. The Directors had also committed the time necessary to responsibly fulfil their commitment to the Company during the year.
Explanation for departure	:	

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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 Board has established Performance Management and Reward System ("PMS") to determine the remuneration of Directors and Senior Management. The key component of the PMS includes several key components aimed at enhancing the performance management process:
	Individual KPIs: KPIs are established using the Balance Scorecard, which encompasses five perspectives: Financial, Customer, Internal Process, Learning & Growth, and Sustainability.
	SMART Goal Methodology: KPIs are set using the SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-bound) goal methodology, providing clear and actionable targets for employees.
	Performance Assessment: Employee performance is evaluated based on 70% KPIs and 30% behavioural competencies. This dual approach ensures that both quantitative and qualitative aspects of performance are considered.
	Behavioral Competency Matrix: Achievement in behavioural competencies is assessed using a competency matrix.
	Performance Management Cycles: The PMS includes three cycles for performance management: KPI setting, mid-year review, and year-end review. These cycles are supported by the eAppraisal system, facilitating efficient and transparent performance evaluations.
	The PMS is a system, and therefore, no written policy can be uploaded to the website.
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Practice 7.2

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

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

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	The Board has established a RC to assist the Board in developing and administrating a fair and transparent procedure for setting the remuneration of Directors and Senior Management.
	The RC comprises three (3) Independent Non-Executive Directors. The RC reviews and recommends to the Board's approval the remuneration of the Directors and Senior Management annually pursuant to the TOR of the RC.
	The Directors' fees and benefits payable (including allowances) to Directors have also been reviewed and recommended by the RC to the Board to seek Shareholders' approval at the Company's forthcoming AGM pursuant to the Constitution of the Company.
	The TOR of the RC clearly sets out its duties and functions which is available on the Company's website at www.kawanfood.com .
Explanation for : departure	
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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	A summary of the Directors' remuneration paid during the financial year ended 31 December 2024 are disclosed as follows:

			Company ('000)								Group ('000)					
No	Name	Directorate	Fee	Allowance	Salary	Bonus	Benefits-in- kind	Other emoluments	Total	Fee	Allowance	Salary	Bonus	Benefits-in- kind	Other emoluments	Total
1.	Lim Hun Soon @ David Lim ^(a)	Non- Executive Non- Independent Director	142	30	_	_	24	4	200	142	30	_	_	24	4	200
2.	Gan Thiam Chai ^(b)	Executive Director Executive	109	9	-	_	2	_	120	109	9	968	270	147	149	1,652
3.	Gan Ka Bien Dr. Nik	Director	75	14	-	-	-	4	92	75	14	374	107	57	63	689
4.	Ismail Bin Nik Daud	Independent Director	120	35	-	-	-	4	158	120	35	-	_	-	4	158
5.	Eugene Hon Kah Weng	Independent Director	118	36	-	-	-	4	158	118	36	-	-	-	4	158
6.	Noor Alina Binti Mohd Faiz ^(c)	Independent Director	25	11	-	-	-	4	40	25	11	-	-	-	4	40
7.	Abdul Razak Bin Shakor	Non- Executive Non- Independent Director	75	14	-	_	_	-	88	75	14	_	-	-	-	88
8.	Gan Meng Hoi ^(c)	Non- Executive Non- Independent Director	20	6	-	_	_	4	30	20	6	255	92	1	46	420
9.	Gan Ka Hui ^(c)	Non- Executive Non- Independent Director	20	6				4	30	20	6				4	30

10.	Gan Ka Ooi ^(d)	Non- Executive Non- Independent Director	17	3	-	-	_	4	24	17	3	136	16	-	21	193
12.	Gan Thiam Hock ^(e)	Executive Director	55	8	-	-	-	-	62	55	8	684	195	49	106	1,097
13.	Kwan Sok Kay ^(e)	Executive Director	55	9	-	-	2	-	66	55	9	546	153	61	84	908

Remarks:

(a) Re-designated to NINEC on 16 October 2024.
(b) Retired on 16 October 2024 and was bestowed the honorary title of Chairman Emeritus.

(c) Appointed on 1 October 2024.
(d) Appointed on 16 October 2024.
(e) Retired on 1 October 2024.

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	Other than the disclosure of GCEO's remuneration, the Company does not apply this practice due to the sensitivity associated with the disclosure of the rest of the senior management's remuneration in bands of RM50,000. The Company is of the view that it is important to preserve confidentiality of such information in order to avoid any negative impact on the recruitment and talent retention of the Company arising from such disclosure.
	The Company views the disclosure of information other than as disclosed in the Annual Report 2024 is detrimental to the Company's management of its human resources due to the competitive environment for resources within the industries the Company and its subsidiaries operate in. While the Company has set policies and procedures in setting the remuneration of key personnel, such disclosure may also be misconstrued so as to hinder its recruitment and retention of personnel.
	The Company also believes that the non-disclosure of the information on key personnel and their remuneration will not affect the interest of its shareholders.
	Please provide an alternative practice and explain how the alternative practice meets the intended outcome.
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Measure :	The remuneration of Senior Management commensurate with their individual performance, taking into consideration of Company's performance. The remuneration packages of Senior Management are based on experience, expertise, and skills. The Board opines that the current remuneration package is competitive to attract, retain and motivate its Senior Management to lead and operate the Company successfully.

Timeframe	:	Others	The Board will closely monitor				
			developments in the market and				
			review the appropriateness of such				
			disclosure in future.				

			Company								
No	Name	Position	Salary	Allowance	Bonus	Benefits	Other emoluments	Total			
1.	Adam Pandian	Group Chief Executive Officer	990,000	-	680,000	-	780.30	1,670,780.30			
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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	:	

				Company ('000)								
No	Name	Position	Salary	Allowance	Bonus	Benefits	Other emoluments	Total				
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There is an effective and independent Audit Committee.

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

Practice 9.1

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

Application	: Applied	
Explanation on application of the practice	The Chairman of the AC is an Independent Non-Executive Director, who is not the Chairman of the Board. The Chairman of the AC, Mr Eugene Hon Kah Weng ("Mr Eugene") is a member of the Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants (MICPA) and Malaysian Institute of Accountants ("MIA"). The AC comprises three (3) members, all of whom are Independent Non-Executive Directors and have relevant financial, corporate law & governance and commercial experiences. The Chairman leads open discussions and deliberations of the AC with confidence and support other members in developing and managing the AC's agenda.	
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Practice 9.2

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

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	The AC has adopted a policy that in the event that the AC decides to appoint a former key audit partner as Director, a cooling-off period of at least three (3) years must be observed. During the financial year under review, none of the AC member is a
Explanation for :	former key audit partner of the external audit firm of the Company.
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Practice 9.3

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

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	The AC is responsible for assessing the suitability, objectivity and independence of the External Auditors ("EA") and to make subsequent recommendations to the Board on the appointment or reappointment or termination of the EA.
	The AC is guided by the EA Assessment Policy in safeguarding the EA independence and objectivity. The policy set forth the procedures relating to the appointment of the EA, annual assessment and non-audit engagement. The policy is available on the Company's website at www.kawanfood.com.
	On an annual basis, the AC reviews and evaluates the suitability, objectivity and independence and quality of the EA taking into consideration the following: -
	 Technical competencies Independence and objectivity Audit scope and planning Adequacy of technical support Time commitment Audit and non-Audit fees
	During the financial year under review, the AC held discussions with the EA without the presence of the management two (2) times a year to allow the EA to express concerns and issues, if any.
	The AC had on 14 April 2025 confirmed in AC meeting from its EA, Messrs RSM Malaysia PLT confirming that they are and have been independent throughout the conduct of the audit engagement in accordance with the terms of all the relevant professional and regulatory requirements.
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Practice 9.4 – Step Up

The Audit Committee should comprise solely of Independent Directors.

	Adopted		
Explanation on : adoption of the practice	The AC comprises all Independent Non-Executive Directors and is able to exercise their independent judgement objectively in the best interest of the Company. The composition of the AC is as follows:		
	Director	Designation	Membership
	Eugene Hon Kah Weng*	Independent Non- Executive Director	Chairman ^(a)
	Dr. Nik Ismail Bin Nik Daud	Senior Independent Non- Executive Director	Member
	Noor Alina Binti Mohamad Faiz	Independent Non- Executive Director	Member ^(b)
	Lim Hun Soon @ David Lim*	Non-Independent Non- Executive Director	Chairman ^(c)
	 * Member of the MIA <u>Remarks:</u> (a) Re-designated as AC Chairman on 16 October 2024. (b) Appointed as AC Member on 1 October 2024. (c) Ceased as AC Chairman on 16 October 2024. On 16 October 2024, Mr Lim Hun Soon @ David Lim was re-designated from Independent Non-Executive Director to NINEC of the Board. Consequently, he ceased to be the Chairman of the AC on the same day. In compliance with paragraph 15.19 of the MMLR of Bursa Securities, Mr Eugene was re-designated from a Member to the Chairman of the 		
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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 9.5

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

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

Application :	Applied	
Explanation on : application of the practice	 The AC assists the Board to review the integrity of the Company's financial statements. The AC further reviews the adequacy and effectiveness of the system of internal controls as well as risk management framework of the Company. All the AC members have the relevant financial knowledge and commercial expertise skills required to discharge their roles and responsibilities effectively. The qualification and experience of the AC members are disclosed in the Directors' Profiles of the Annual Report. The members of AC undertake continuous professional development to the profession development to the profession development to the profession development to the prof	
	keep themselves abreast of the development in the industry and relevant changes in the accounting and auditing standards and practices.	
	The training attended by the AC members during FY2024 are set out in Corporate Governance Overview Statement of the Annual Report.	
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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 acknowledges their responsibilities in establishing and maintaining an effective risk management and internal control systems. Hence, the Board has put in place an ongoing process for reviewing its adequacy and integrity.
	The risk management and internal control systems are designed to manage and minimise rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve its objectives and strategies. Hence, the systems can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.
	The Board has established a structured risk management framework to identify, measure, control, report and monitor key risks faced by the Group. The Group adopts the three lines of defence in managing its risk.
	The Board through the AC monitors the Group's risk management and oversees the effectiveness of the processes. In discharging its responsibilities, the AC is assisted by its RMWC. The responsibilities of RMWC include implementing the Board's approved framework, policies and procedures on risk management and internal controls and oversight of Group's risk.
	Details of the Group's risk management and internal control system which provides an overview of the risk management and internal controls within the Group are disclosed in the Statement on Risk Management and Internal Control of the Annual Report.
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Practice 10.2

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

Application :	Applied	
Explanation on : application of the practice	The Board is responsible for reviewing the Group's risk management system. The Board delegates its role to the AC to monitor the Group's risk management and oversee the effectiveness of the processes. The Board has established a structured risk management framework to identify, measure, control, report and monitor key risks faced by the Group. The AC monitors the processes, reviews the risk and summaries of key matters to the Board every quarter. The RMWC review on quarterly basis on the effectiveness of the current risk management processes and deliberate on the risk assessments. The risk officer will then present the risk management report highlighting key risks to the AC and alerted risk related matters which requires AC's attention and guidance. Key features of its risk management framework and internal control framework are disclosed in the Statement of Risk Management and Internal Control of the Annual Report.	
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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 Explanation for :	 The Group's internal audit function is carried out jointly by both an outsourced team from Tricor Axcelasia Sdn Bhd and a newly established in-house internal audit team, which reports directly to the AC. The internal audit function undertakes independent assessment on the internal control system of the Group based on the audit plan 2024 as approved by the AC and provides assurance to the AC on the adequacy and effectiveness of the Group's internal control system. The AC reviews the following and report the same to the Board: the adequacy of the scope, competency and resources of the internal audit function and that it has necessary authority to carry out its work; and the internal audit plan, processes, the results of internal audit assessments and investigations undertaken and that appropriate actions are taken on the recommendation. The AC had conducted an annual assessment on internal audit function to ensure that internal audit function is effective and function independently. The Statement on Risk Management and Internal Control in the Annual Report provides an overview on the state of internal controls within the Group, in an effort to manage risk.
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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
Application Explanation on application of the practice	 Applied The internal audit function of the Group is carried out jointly by both an outsourced team and a newly established in-house internal audit team to provide independent and objective assurance on the adequacy, efficiency and effectiveness of internal controls. The outsourced internal audit function is handled by Tricor Axcelasia Sdn Bhd, led by Ms. Sarine Loo ("Ms. Sarine"), a professional member of the Institute of Internal Auditors Malaysia ("IIAM") with over 25 years of experience in risk management, internal audit, and corporate governance advisory services. The number of staff deployed for internal audit reviews ranges from four (4) to five (5) per visit, including the Engagement Director. These auditors hold professional qualifications and/or university degrees, with some being members of IIAM. To strengthen internal oversight, the Group established an in-house
	Internal Audit team headed by Ms. Ong Ying Yee, a Chartered Member of the MIA with over 12 years of internal audit experience in the manufacturing industry. She is supported by an auditor with a university degrees, and together they work in coordination with the outsourced internal audit function to enhance audit effectiveness.
	All the internal audit staff, both outsourced and in-house, are free from any relationships or conflict of interest, which could impair their objectivity and independence.
	In accordance with the annual internal audit plan approved by the AC, the audited areas during FY2024 include strategic planning, recurrent related party transaction, asset management and maintenance, sales and customer management, procurement and supply chain, inventory management and cybersecurity control. Details of these audit areas are presented in the Statement of Risk Management and Internal Control within this Annual Report.

	The audits were performed using a risk-based approach and guidance
	from the International Professional Practice Framework. The internal
	audit results comprising progress of previous auditable processes action
	plan were presented and reviewed by the AC.
	Please refer to AC Report for a detailed disclosure on internal audit
	function.
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There is continuous communication between the company and stakeholders to facilitate mutual understanding of each other's objectives and expectations.

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

Practice 12.1

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

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	The Company recognizes the importance of maintaining good relationship with its shareholders through various means. The Company has in place good corporate disclosure policies and communication channels to ensure timely and accurate dissemination of information to its shareholders and stakeholders. Announcements regarding major corporate developments and activities of the Company are duly and promptly made to all shareholders to be in line with Bursa Securities' objectives of ensuring transparency and good corporate governance practices.
	The Company via its website provides relevant information such as Board Charter, Constitution, TOR of Board Committees, Annual Report and minutes of the AGM.
	The AGM is the principal forum for dialogue with shareholders. AGM provides an opportunity for shareholders to understand the financial and operational performance of the Company and raise concerns, enquiries and comments on the Company's operations. and provide insights on the company's business activities and financial position. An overview on the Company's performance and major activities during the financial year under review was presented by the COO during the AGM.
	The COO, Financial Controller and Corporate Affairs Officer conducted engagement sessions with various investors as parts of the Company's investor relations initiatives. The engagement sessions allow stakeholders to better understand the Company's performance, strategy, corporate governance practices and future prospects.
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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.

Application	:	Not applicable – Not a Large Company
Explanation on application of the practice	:	
Explanation for departure	:	
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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 : application of the practice	The Notice of the 20 th AGM was circulated at least twenty-eight (28) days before the date of the meeting to enable shareholders to go through the Annual Report.
	The Notice for forthcoming AGM will continue to be given at least 28 days prior to the meeting.
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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	The shareholders and proxies of the Company are encouraged and are given the opportunity during the AGM to raise questions regarding the operations of the Group. This is the main forum for a dialogue between the Company and its shareholders where shareholders' concerns may be conveyed to the Board. The Company will ensure that all Board members, the chairs of the Board Committees, the Management team and the Company's EA are available to respond to shareholders questions during the AGM.
Explanation for : departure	
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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 20 th AGM was conducted by leveraging on technology. It was conducted virtually via Remote Participation and Electronic Voting ("RPEV") facilities, which is compliance with Section 327 of the Companies Act 2016.
	Having regard to the well-being and the safety of the shareholders, the Company had issued an Administrative Details which set out all the details of the RPEV facilities to the shareholders. The same was also uploaded to the Company's corporate website
	Sky Corporate Services Sdn Bhd was appointed as the Independent Scrutineer to administer the whole voting process and validate the poll results.
	Upon verification of the poll results, the voting results of all votes cast in respect of each resolution were displayed onscreen. Subsequently, the poll results were announced via Bursa LINK on the same day.
Explanation for : departure	
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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	n 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
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Explanation on	:	The 20 th AGM was conducted virtually via RPEV facilities. The Chairman
application of the		views the engagements among the Board, Senior Management and
practice		shareholders in earnest. Shareholders are eligible to pose questions
•		including but not limited to financial and non-financial performances,
		and long-term strategies of the Group via the messaging box.
		The Company received questions from the shareholders/proxy holders
		during the 20 th AGM and the Board had provided meaningful response
		to questions. The questions raised by the shareholders/proxy holders
		and responded by the Board were minuted and the minutes of the 20 th
		AGM is available online on the Company's website at
		www.kawanfood.com.
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Shareholders are able to participate, engage the board and senior management effectively and make informed voting decisions at General Meetings.

Practice 13.5

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

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application of the <u>https://investor.boardroomlimited.com</u> (Meeting platform). The RPE
practicefacilities allow shareholders to participate in the meeting by:
 Watching the live streaming of the meeting proceedings;
 Pose questions, seek clarification and raise concerns via th
messaging box; and
 Vote remotely on resolutions tabled at the AGM.
Shareholders were encouraged to submit questions to the Company in
advance before the 20 th AGM. All questions received in advance an
those posed during the AGM were addressed during the AGM.
For transparency, the questions which have been addressed/answere
by the Company were published for viewing by 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 13.6

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

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

Application		Applied
Application	•	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	:	The minutes of the 20 th AGM is available online on the Company's website at <u>www.kawanfood.com</u> no later than 30 business days after the completion of the 20 th AGM.
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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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