CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

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COMPANY NAME: WARISAN TC HOLDINGS BERHAD

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OUTLINE:

SECTION A – DISCLOSURE ON MALAYSIAN CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCEDisclosures in this section are pursuant to Paragraph 15.25 of Bursa Malaysia Listing Requirements.

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

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

SECTION A - DISCLOSURE ON MALAYSIAN CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

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Intended Outcome

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

Practice 1.1

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

Application	:	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	·	The Board recognises the key role it plays in charting the strategic direction of the Company and is collectively responsible for the proper stewardship of the Company's business and the creation of long-term shareholder value, whilst considering the interests of other stakeholders.
		The roles and responsibilities of the Board are set out in the Board Charter while the Board Committees' roles and responsibilities in discharging its functions, as delegated by the Board, are set out in the respective Board Committees' Terms of Reference.
		The key roles and responsibilities of the Board broadly cover promoting good corporate governance culture; formulation of corporate policies and strategies; overseeing the governance of sustainability in the Group, including setting the sustainability strategies, priorities and targets covering the economic, environmental, social and governance ("EESG") perspectives of business, together with Management; overseeing and evaluating the conduct of the Group's businesses; identifying principal risks and ensuring the implementation of appropriate internal controls and risk management framework to manage significant financial and non-financial risks to acceptable levels; reviewing and approving key matters such as financial results, investments and divestments, acquisitions and disposals, and major capital expenditure; and establishing policies and procedures to manage conflict of interest situation.
		The Board Committees, namely the Audit Committee ("AC"), and Nominating and Remuneration Committee ("NRC") are tasked to examine specific issues within their respective terms of reference as approved by the Board and report to the Board with their recommendations. The ultimate responsibility for decision making, however, lies with the Board.

	The Executive Team (as defined in the Board Charter), comprising the President (leader), Chief Executive Officer ("CEO"), Executive Vice-President ("EVP"), Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") and other Senior Management Personnel, is responsible to the Board in accordance with their respective roles, positions, functions and responsibilities which include, inter-alia, the achievement of Group's goals and observance of Management authorities delegated by the Board, developing business plans to enable the Group's requirements for growth, profitability, sustainability and return on capital are achieved, ensuring cost effectiveness in business operations, overseeing development of human capital and ensuring members of the Board have the information necessary to perform their fiduciary duties and other governance responsibilities.
	As leader of the Executive Team, the President, who is supported by the CEO, CFO and other Senior Management Personnel in the Executive Team, implements the Group's strategies, policies and decisions adopted by the Board and oversees the operations and business development of the Group. The Executive Team, which serves as a conduit between the rest of the Management, is responsible for the effective implementation of the
	Management, is responsible for the effective implementation of the strategic plans and policies of the Group as established by the Board.
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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	:	Dato' Tan Heng Chew, who is the Chairman of the Board, is responsible for ensuring the adequacy and effectiveness of the Board's governance process and acts as a facilitator at Board Meetings to ensure contributions from Directors are forthcoming on matters being deliberated and that no Board member dominates discussion. At Board meetings, the Chairman encourages constructive and healthy debates, and Directors are free to express their views. In playing his leadership role as the Chairman, Dato' Tan is responsible for, inter-alia, the following:
		 ensuring the Board and shareholder meetings' proceedings comply with good conduct and practices; leading the Board in establishing and monitoring good corporate governance practices in the Company; acting as facilitator at Board meetings and ensuring that no member, whether executive or otherwise, dominates discussion. The Chairman also encourages Board members to participate in discussions and that relevant opinions amongst members are forthcoming, resulting in logical and understandable outcomes and allowing dissenting views to be freely expressed; together with the Company Secretaries, determines the content of the agenda, taking into account the formal schedule of matters reserved for the Board's decision; ensuring clear and relevant information is provided to Directors in a timely manner and sufficient time is allowed for the discussion of complex or critical issues; providing leadership to the Board so that the Board can perform its responsibilities effectively; and facilitating communication with stakeholders and their views are communicated to the Board as a whole. The Chairman ensures that the Board decisions taken are in the Company's best interest and reflect the Board's consensus at all times.
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Practice 1.3The positions of Chairman and CEO are held by different individuals.

Application :	Applied	
Explanation on : application of the practice	The Company believes that a distinct separation of responsibilities between the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer engenders an appropriate balance of power, increases accountability and greater capacity of the Board for decision making. The positions of the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer are held by two different individuals. The Chairman of the Board is primarily responsible for the effectiveness and overall functioning of the Board. The role of the Chairman is stated in Practice 1.2. The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for the day-to-day management of the Group's business development and operations, including implementation of strategies, policies and decisions of the Board.	
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Practice 1.4

The Chairman of the board should not be a member of the Audit Committee, Nomination Committee or Remuneration Committee

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	prac	tice should be a 'Departure'.		
Application	:	Applied		
Explanation on	:	The Board has appointed Dato' Tan Heng Chew (President) as Chairman		
application of the		of the Board, whilst the Board Committees, namely AC and NRC, are		
practice		chaired by Independent Directors, namely Ms. Soh Eng Hooi and Mr.		
process of		Lee Min On respectively. Dato' Tan Heng Chew is not a member of the		
		AC and NRC, which avoids risk of self-review and prevents objectivity of		
		the Chairman and the Board from being impaired when deliberating on		
		the observations and recommendations put forth by the Board		
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		Committees. Moreover, the Board Chairman does not attend any of the		
		above Board Committees' meetings.		
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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 the Company Secretaries who are qualified in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2016, experienced and competent on statutory and regulatory requirements. The performance of the Company Secretaries is evaluated by the Board annually and the Company Secretaries who are members of good standing in their professional bodies, i.e., the Malaysian Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators ("MAICSA") and Malaysian Institute of Accountants ("MIA"), have met the prescribed continuing professional education criteria of MAICSA and MIA in order to be apprised of changing regulatory requirements. The Board is satisfied with the support and performance provided by the Company Secretaries in assisting the Board to discharge its duties.
		Key responsibilities of the Company Secretaries include the following:
		 Advising the Board concerning Directors' statutory duties under the law, disclosure obligations (such as interest in securities, conflict of interest in a transaction involving the Company, etc.) and Main Market Listing Requirements ("MMLR") of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Securities");
		 Regularly updating and advising the Board the resultant implications of any changes therein to the Company and Directors in relation to their duties and responsibilities;
		3) Monitoring and advising the Board the Principles and Practices as promulgated by the Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance, identifying areas that require further improvement on adherence to the said Code;
		4) Organising and attending all meetings of the Board and Board Committees, ensuring meetings are properly convened, minutes of meetings and records of resolutions passed are maintained accordingly at the registered office. The Company Secretaries also ensure the decisions of the Board and Board Committees are communicated to the relevant Management personnel to act upon;

	5)	Ensuring the due processes and proceedings of a general meeting are in place and properly managed and the minutes are properly recorded; and
	6)	Serving as focal points for stakeholders' communication and engagement on corporate governance issues.
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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	:	Directors are supplied with relevant information and reports on
application of the		financial, operational, corporate, regulatory, business development and
practice		audit matters for decision to be made on an informed basis and effective discharge of the Board's responsibilities. Procedures have been established for timely dissemination of Board and Board Committee papers to all Directors at least seven (7) days prior to the Board and Board Committee meetings, as stated in the Board Charter and the respective Board Committees' Terms of Reference.
		Board and Board Committee meetings are scheduled and communicated in advance prior to each calendar year to facilitate planning by the Directors.
		Meeting materials and relevant information are distributed to Directors electronically, thus enabling Directors to access the board papers readily, and on a timely basis.
		All deliberations and decisions of the Board and Board Committees are recorded by the Company Secretaries, including disclosure of interest by any interested Directors and their abstention from voting and deliberating on particular transactions. Minutes of meetings are circulated for comments by Directors who attended the meetings on their factual accuracy before being confirmed as a correct record by the Board and Board Committees at the next meeting.
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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.

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Application :	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	The Company has established a Board Charter, which outlines the roles and responsibilities of the Board, Board Committees, Directors and Management-level Committees. The Charter is periodically reviewed by the Board to align the Company's governance practices with the Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance ("MCCG"), the Main Market Listing Requirements, and the Securities Commission Guidelines on the conduct of Directors of listed corporations and their subsidiaries, insofar as they are pragmatic and/or mandatory for compliance. The Board Charter, which was last reviewed on 28 August 2023 to be in line with the MCCG, is available on the Company's website at www.warisantc.com . The roles and responsibilities of the Board, Board Chairman, Executive Directors and Non-Executive Directors, Company Secretaries and Board Committees are set out in the Company's Board Charter.
	A formal Schedule of Matters Reserved for the Board's deliberation and decision is set out in the Board Charter to ensure the direction and control of the Company are in the hands of the Board. Key matters reserved for the Board's approval include the Group's strategic plan and annual budget, quarterly and annual financial results for announcement to Bursa Securities, audited financial statements, investment or divestures as well as monitoring of the Group's financial and operational performance.
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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

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

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

Application	:	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	:	The Company has formalised and adopted a Directors' Code of Ethics, setting out the standards of conduct expected from Directors. The Directors are required to adhere to six (6) principles, i.e., Integrity, Objectivity, Accountability, Openness, Honesty and Leadership. To inculcate good ethical conduct, the Group has established a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics for Employees, which has been communicated to all levels of employees in the Group, including Executive Directors. The Directors' Code of Ethics is contained in the Board Charter, which is available on the Company's website at www.warisantc.com . The Company has also established a Conflict of Interest Policy to manage potential conflict of interest between any Directors and the Company and/ or its subsidiaries, key Senior Management and legal representatives of the Company. In a situation where a Director has a conflict of interest, the Director in question must provide all relevant information to the Board and refrain from taking part in the decision-making process of the Board. The Conflict of Interest Policy was last reviewed by the Board in August 2023 to include the expansion of the scope and function of AC to review and report to the Board, a summary of any conflict of interest situations which arise or persist (in addition)
		to those that may arise) and the measures taken to resolve, eliminate or mitigate the conflict of interest.
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Practice 3.2

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

Application	:	Applied	
Explanation on application of the practice		The Company has formalised a Fraud Prevention Policy and a Special Complaint Policy (equivalent to a Whistle-Blowing Policy and collectively referred to as "Policy"), which serve as avenues for employees and other stakeholders (collectively referred to as "Stakeholders") to raise concerns related to any breach or suspected breach of business conduct, non-compliance with laws and regulatory requirements as well as other malpractices.	
		Under the Policy, various reporting channels, i.e., hotline, email, online form, etc., are made available for stakeholders to report any alleged or suspected fraud, corruption or non-compliance with the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics for employees, governance documents or laws and regulations directly to the Group Compliance Officer. The Investigative Function Team is tasked to commence investigation upon receiving mandate from the Group's Compliance Officer. All investigative reports are tabled to the relevant Committees for deliberation and decision on the next course of action to be taken. Significant cases are reported to the AC for further deliberation. The Policy is uploaded on the Company's website at www.warisantc.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 Board recognises that contribution to environment protection, governance observance and social development is as important as the corporate financial performance of the Company and its subsidiaries ("Group").		
	Pursuant to the Group Sustainability Framework, which was formalised in November 2021, the Board has the responsibility of setting strategic direction of the Group, and the Board is ultimately accountable for the integration of sustainability practices therein, including sustainability-related strategies and their implementation towards realising the goals of the Group.		
	The Sustainability Working Group ("SWG") and the Risk Manageme and Sustainability Committee ("RMSC"), both of which are Management level, are led by a Sustainability Liaison Officer and t Chief Executive Officer, respectively. Other members of the SWG a RMSC comprise the Chief Financial Officer, heads of business un and/or other Senior Management personnel.		
	 The SWG is tasked, amongst others, to: monitor the implementation of sustainability strategies and sustainability-related policies; oversee the overall management of stakeholder engagement and sustainability matters; deliberate the implementation of sustainability strategies of the Group, including setting targets for Board's approval and tracking performance indicators for reporting; and oversee sustainability performance of the Group. 		

	 The roles and responsibilities of the RMSC include the following: overseeing the management of principal business risks and opportunities, material economic, environmental, social & governance (EESG) risks; recommending sustainability-related policies to the Board for adoption; ensuring resources and processes are in place to enable the Group 			
	to achieve its sustainability targets, including reviewing performance gaps from the targets and implementing remedial measures to bridge the gaps; and			
	 recommending disclosures and business strategies pertaining to sustainability of the Group to the Board for approval. 			
	The Board is ultimately responsible for considering the recommendations of RMSC for adoption, as it deems appropriate.			
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Practice 4.2

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

Application :	Applied	
	The Board believes that engagement with various stakeholders is	
application of the practice	integral in steering the Group towards its long-term sustainability goals.	
	Regular reviews of the Group's strategies, businesses and operations are conducted by the respective business units, Management-level committees and at Board level. The reviews cover areas encompassing financial, health and safety, training, emission and waste management performance.	
	The Group's business units maintain an on-going and open line of communication with all external and internal stakeholders (such as customers, investors, suppliers, employees, regulatory and statutory bodies, local and overseas communities, higher learning institutions and welfare organisations) to forge a relationship of trust to strengthen our credibility as well as to identify, assess and prioritise sustainability matters faced, both from the perspectives of the Group and key stakeholders.	
	The stakeholder engagement and communication channels adopted by the Group include the Annual General Meeting ("AGM"), quarterly announcements to Bursa Securities, corporate website, employees' performance review and briefing, customer survey and visitation as well as supplier evaluation.	
	The Group's sustainability strategies, priorities and targets are drafted by Senior Management, presented to the RMSC for comments before tabling to the Board for approval. Management tracks the performance against the targets set and reports to the Board periodically, including the relevant remedial measures to bridge performance gaps noted.	
	Details of the materiality assessment and stakeholder engagement process are set out in the Sustainability Statement of the 2023 Annual Report which is available on the Company's website at www.warisantc.com .	
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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	:	For the financial year under review, the Board members attended internal and external trainings to understand and learn the concept, benefits and methodology of incorporating economic, environmental, social and governance ("EESG") considerations into the strategies, business and operations of the Group to create a more sustainable economic growth model which brings long-term value for the Group. The materiality assessment of sustainability matters was conducted by the respective business units. A total of seventeen (17) material sustainability matters were determined to be pertinent to the Group and its stakeholders. The sustainability strategies, material sustainability matters, and targets thereof were deliberated by the SWG, concurred by the RMSC and presented to the Board for deliberation and approval. During the annual Board Effectiveness Evaluation for the financial year 2023, the NRC reviewed the training programmes attended by the Directors and continuous training needs of the Directors, particularly on area relating to EESG learning. Relevant training and professional	
		stay abreast with the latest developments in the industry and enhance their skills and competency in addressing EESG risks.	
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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	:	The Board, together with Senior Management, oversees the governance of sustainability of the Group, including setting the		
practice		sustainability strategies, priorities and targets.		
		For the 2023 annual Board Effectiveness Evaluation, questionnaires on sustainability related performance measures were incorporated for the evaluation of the Board and its members.		
		The annual performance evaluation of Senior Management personnel took into consideration EESG criteria such as achieving financial and non-financial goals, monitoring of work safety and health, improving employees' skill sets to increase productivity of the Group via targeted trainings and ensuring compliance of relevant laws and regulations.		
		The Company continued to enhance the performance evaluations of the Board and Senior Management to be conducted in a more holistic manner by having a wider and more in-depth coverage on sustainability principles and practices. Reference will be made against the Corporate Governance Guide 4 th Edition which sets out specimen questions which can be adapted by the Company for the purpose of assessing the Board and Senior Management in relation to overseeing sustainability performance of the Group vis-à-vis Board approved targets.		
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Practice 4.5- Step Up

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

-		adoption of this practice should include a brief description of the nated person and actions or measures undertaken pursuant to the role in	
Application	:	Adopted	
Explanation on adoption of the practice	:	The Group Sustainability Framework provides for the appointment of a Sustainability Liaison Officer amongst the Group's Senior Management team.	
		The roles and responsibilities of the Sustainability Liaison Officer include the following:	
		(a) Overseeing the implementation of sustainability initiatives and the management of sustainability matters in business operations;	
		(b) Co-ordinating with business functions to collate and review information, updates, reports and disclosure contents; and	
		(c) Working together with the Chief Executive Officer in setting implementation plans for identified sustainability matters and reporting to the SWG and RMSC.	
		The appointment of this Sustainability Liaison Officer was approved by the Board.	

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 NRC is responsible for: assessing the structure, size and composition of the Board, identifying and recommending suitable candidates for Board membership; assessing annually the performance of the Board, Board Committees and individual Directors, including the independence of Independent Non-Executive Directors, based on a self and peer assessment approach; reviewing succession plans; reviewing Board diversity; and reviewing the performance of individual Director standing for annual re-election and making the necessary recommendation to the Board for consideration. The Board has the ultimate responsibility of making the final decision on the appointment of new Directors as well as any change to the Board composition. The NRC conducted an annual assessment of the Board, Board Committees and individual Directors in January 2024, based on preset questionnaire, adopted from Bursa's Corporate Governance Guide 4th Edition, and concluded that the Board's current mix and composition are optimal in facilitating an effective functioning of the Board to meet the needs of the Company. There were no significant issues noted from the evaluation that required a change in the Board's composition. Following the above assessment, the outcome thereof and based on the recommendation of the NRC, the Board supports and recommends those retiring Directors for re-election at the AGM of the Company, scheduled on 30 May 2024.
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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.

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Explanation on application of the practice			
Explanation for departure	The Board has a strong mix of experienced individuals as Directors, with three (3) of its members being Independent Non-Executive Directors and another as a Non-Independent Non-Executive Director. All the four (4) Non-Executive Directors do not participate in the day-to-day management of the Company. The current Board composition is as follows:		
	Designation of Director	No. of Directors	%
	Independent Non-Executive	3	43
	Non-Independent Non-Executive	1	14
	Executive	3	43
	TOTAL	7	100
	Following the 2023 annual assessment mentioned in Practice 5.1 above, the Board is of the view that its current size and composition are appropriate and adequate to meet the Company's needs. The Directors, with their diverse backgrounds and specialisations, collectively bring with them a wide range of experience and expertise in areas as such engineering, finance, accounting and audit, legislative and administration, governance, risk management as well as marketing and operations. In addition, the Board opines that the majority of Board members, who are non-executive, provides the necessary 'checks and balances' on the decision-making process, including proposals submitted by the Executive Directors, to ensure that Board decisions are made objectively in the best interests of the Company taking into account diverse perspectives and insights. The current composition of the Board is in line with paragraph 15.02(1) of the MMLR of Bursa Securities which requires a listed issuer to have at least two (2) directors or one-third (1/3) of the Board, whichever is the higher, as independent directors and at least a woman director.		

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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	:	on the tenure of an Independent Non-Executive Director ("INED"). Thereafter, the INED may be re-designated as a Non-Independent Non-Executive Director. In the event the Board intends to retain the INED after the latter has served a cumulative term of nine (9) years, the Board must justify such a decision, and seek shareholders' approval at the AGM. As at end of financial year 2023, none of the INEDs has served a	
		cumulative term limit of nine (9) years. Mr. Lee Min On, Ms. Soh Eng Hooi and Dato' Yunus bin Abd Razak were appointed as Independent Non-Executive Directors on 29 November 2016, 31 December 2020 and 17 August 2022 respectively. Datuk Abdullah bin Abdul Wahab, an Independent Non-Executive	
		Director appointed on 3 March 2008, was re-designated as a Non-Independent Non-Executive Director on 1 June 2023.	
		The Board, at the date of this Report, has no plans for setting a policy to limit the tenure of an independent director for a cumulative term limit of nine (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.

limits the tenure o	f an indep	on of this Step Up practice, a listed issuer must have a formal policy which pendent director to nine years without further extension i.e. shareholders' at the case 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.

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Explanation on application of the practice	:	The Board acknowledges the importance of boardroom diversity, including industry experience, background, skillsets, gender, and age to the effective functioning of the Board. While it is vital to promote diversity, appointments to the Board focus solely on the merits of the candidates. The criteria for the recruitment process and annual
		assessment of Directors are contained in the NRC Terms of Reference uploaded on the Company's website at www.warisantc.com .
		While the Board is responsible for the appointment of new Director, including its stance concerning a retiring Director standing for reelection, the NRC is tasked to select suitable candidates for recommendation to the Board as well as the suitability of retiring Directors to stand for re-election at the AGM.
		In making its recommendations, the NRC considers, amongst others, the retiring Director's and/or prospective candidate's:
		 (a) skills, knowledge, expertise and experience; (b) competency and performance; (c) character, professionalism and integrity; (d) number of directorships and other external obligations which may affect the person's commitment, including time commitment and value contribution; and (e) in the case of candidates for the position of INED, the Committee also evaluates the candidates' ability to discharge such
		responsibilities and functions as are expected from INED.
		Prior to the appointment, the prospective Director candidate, including the retiring Director standing for re-election, is required to disclose any other business, family or financial interest that may result in a conflict of interest.
		The Board has adopted the Directors' Fit and Proper Policy which sets out the fit and proper criteria, approach, guidelines and procedures to ensure a formal, rigorous and transparent process is being adhered for

	the appointment, re-appointment and/or re-election of the Directors of the Group. The Directors' Fit and Proper Policy is uploaded on the Company's website at www.warisantc.com . The Directors' Fit and Proper Policy includes a Form on Declaration of Fit and Propriety which requires the prospective Directors or retiring Directors seeking for re-election to furnish information like profile with their professional qualification and working experience; directorship and shareholdings in other corporations; make declarations related to relationship with directors and their family members of WTCH Group and to perform a self-assessment of fit and proper criteria which include past convictions and bankruptcy, political involvement, etc. Candidates for appointment as Independent Director must perform a self-assessment of their independence criteria which are aligned with MMLR of Bursa Securities. For the financial year under review, the annual assessment mentioned
	in Practice 5.1 indicated that all Directors of the Company were able to devote time as a Board member despite their external obligations, including Board positions held by certain Directors in other public listed companies which were within the stipulated number of listed issuers limited by the MMLR of Bursa Securities. On the appointment of Senior Management, including the renewal of their contract for service, the NRC focuses on their working experience, skillsets, competencies, cultural background, integrity, and commitment in the assessment of identified Senior Management personnel before recommending for approval of the President and Board.
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Board decisions are made objectively in the best interests of the company taking into account diverse perspectives and insights.

Practice 5.6

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

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

Application :	Applied	
Explanation on : application of the practice	The Board has stipulated specific terms of reference for the NRC, which cover, inter-alia, assessing and recommending to the Board the candidature for directorship, appointment of Directors to Board Committees and training programmes for the Board. In the nomination and election of new Director, the NRC conducts the requisite evaluation and assessment of the candidate's ability to discharge his or her duty effectively, prior to making the recommendation to the Board for its approval.	
	In identifying candidates for appointment of Directors, the Company does not solely rely on recommendations from existing Board members, Management or major shareholders. The Board also considers whether there is a need for prospective candidates to be sourced from independent consultants, business associates, etc. There was no appointment of new Director during the financial year under review and up to the date of this report.	
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Practice 5.7

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

Application	:	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice		The Company has disclosed the profile of Directors which includes their education background, working experience, conflict of interest and family relationship with any Director and/ or major shareholder of the Company in its Annual Report in accordance with the MMLR and on the Company's website. During the AGM of the Company held on 2 June 2023, the Chairman of the meeting directed shareholders to refer to the profile of individual Directors who were standing for re-election before tabling the resolutions at the meeting for voting by shareholders. The Board acknowledges the requirement to provide shareholders with the relevant information of Directors standing for re-election as stated in Practice 5.7 of the MCCG in the notice of the general meeting to facilitate informed voting decision. In addition to the disclosure of Profile of Directors in the Annual Report, the notice of 27 th AGM to the Company's shareholders dated 30 April 2024, despatched together with the 2023 Annual Report, provides the justifications to support the Board's recommendation for the reelection of the two (2) individual Directors, namely Datuk Abdullah bin Abdul Wahab and Ms. Soh Eng Hooi who retire at the 27 th AGM, under the Explanatory Notes on Ordinary/Special Business of the notice of the 27 th AGM.
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Practice 5.8

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

Application :	Applied
Explanation on :	The NRC is chaired by Mr. Lee Min On, the Senior Independent Non-
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	The NRC Terms of Reference specifies that the Senior Independent Non-
	Executive Director shall be the Chairman of the NRC.
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Practice 5.9

The board comprises at least 30% women directors.

Application	:	Departure
Explanation on application of the practice	:	
Explanation for departure	:	Pursuant to Paragraph 15.02 of the MMLR of Bursa Securities, a listed issuer must ensure that at least one (1) director of the listed issuer is a woman. The Company has formalised a Board Diversity Policy which sets out the approach to achieve boardroom diversity and such policy is contained in the Board Charter which is uploaded on the Company's website. The Board believes that the evaluation of candidates' suitability should be based on their competency, character, time availability, integrity and experience in meeting the Company's needs. The Board constantly advocates fair and equal participation and opportunity for all individuals of the right calibre without any specific discrimination as to the age, ethnicity or gender of the candidates concerned. In accordance with the Board Diversity Policy on gender, the Board shall comprise at least a woman Director at any time. The Company currently has seven (7) Directors, of whom two (2) are woman Directors (i.e., 29% female representation) on the Board. The Board supports gender diversity at all levels, which include the Board, Senior Management and general workforce. The Board views that the existing two (2) women representation on the Board is able to provide meaningful contributions, diverse perspectives and insights towards the Board's decision, in realising the intended outcome for Practice 5.9. The Board, at the date of this Report, does not have any specific plans towards meeting the 30% woman composition, espoused by this prescribed Practice.
		The Board, through the NRC, will continue to review the Board's composition and consider the appointment of additional woman director(s) as and when there are right candidates available and based on credentials, although no specific timeline has been set by the Board.

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Practice 5.10

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

Application	:	Departure
Explanation on application of the practice	:	
Explanation for departure	:	The Company has formalised a Board Diversity Policy, which sets out the approach to achieve boardroom diversity and such a policy is contained in the Board Charter which is available on the Company's website. Pursuant to the Board Diversity Policy, the Board shall comprise at least a woman Director at any time to address gender diversity.
		There is no policy on gender diversity for Senior Management. The Board acknowledges the importance of promoting diversity for Senior Management in business decision making. Pursuant to its terms of reference, the NRC is entrusted to review key management positions identified as pivotal. The appointment of Senior
		Management is also made with due regard for skills, knowledge, expertise and experience, competencies and diversity. However, the Board believes that the evaluation of the suitability of candidates for Senior Management should be based on the candidates' educational background, competency, character, integrity and experience in meeting the Company's needs.
		The Board constantly advocates fair and equal participation and opportunity for all individuals of the right calibre without any specific discrimination as to the age, ethnicity or gender of the candidates concerned. As such, the Board is of the view that setting targets just to achieve gender diversity is incongruent with the approach currently adopted in onboarding eligible, deserving and qualified Senior Management to helm the various positions in the Group. At the date of this Report, the Board has no plans to specify any targets in its policy on diversity pertaining to Senior Management.
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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** The NRC is entrusted to review annually the required mix of skills and application of the experience of Directors, succession plans and Board diversity, including practice gender diversity, training courses for Directors and other qualities of the Board, including core-competencies which the INEDs should bring to the Board. The NRC is also tasked to assess annually the effectiveness of the Board as a whole, the Board Committees and contribution of each individual Director. On an annual basis, assessment of the effectiveness of the Board as a whole, each Board Committee and individual Directors is conducted and facilitated by the Company Secretaries based on the assessment framework developed by KPMG Management & Risk Consulting Sdn Bhd, a consulting firm, including any updates as may be required from changes to the Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance, the MMLR of Bursa Securities or any regulatory requirements. The NRC also assesses the independence of the Company's INEDs. On 11 January 2024, the NRC met to review and assess the effectiveness of the Board as a whole, the Board Committees and the performance of individual Directors as well as the independence of the INED in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2023 based on a self and peer assessment approach, using suitable questionnaire adapted from the Corporate Governance Guide 4th Edition issued by Bursa Securities. The results from the assessment did not indicate any need for the Board to consider varying its composition for better effectiveness nor did the assessment highlight any significant weakness in boardroom dynamics, except for the following areas which required improvement to enhance the Board's overall effectiveness:

	 more in-depth focus on the Board agenda pertaining to the deliberation and monitoring of Environmental, Social and Governance matters ("ESG"), including risk oversight, in the Group's strategies;
	 Continuous Professional Development for Board members, emphasising understanding emissions management and its disclosures under the Recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures; and
	 strategic briefing to Board members on key regulatory requirements of foreign countries in which the Group operates.
	The outcome of the assessment also showed that the Directors had the necessary skillsets, competence, experience and knowledge to bring about effective Board leadership in meeting the Company's needs. Based on presentation by the NRC on the assessment outcome, the Board was satisfied that the Board, Board Committees and individual Directors have discharged their duties and responsibilities effectively.
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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 NRC is entrusted by the Board to review and recommend the policies and procedures on matters relating to remuneration of the Board and Senior Management and make recommendations of the same to the Board for approval.
	Based on recommendations of the NRC, the Board has formalised Policies and Procedures ("Policies") for Remuneration of Directors and Senior Management and the said Policies are available on the Company's website at www.warisantc.com . The Policies address, amongst others, the determination of remuneration of Executive Directors and Senior Management, considering their roles, responsibilities, individual performance vis-à-vis targets and performance of the Group. The remuneration of Non-Executive Directors is not tied to the performance of the Group or Company but is commensurate with the level of responsibility entrusted by the Board. The Company seeks shareholders' approval in respect of the payment of Directors' fees and any benefits payable to them annually at general meetings.
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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 NRC, which comprises majority of INEDs, is responsible to assist the Board in implementing policies and procedures on matters relating to the remuneration of Board and Senior Management, including any revision of this policy to be in tandem with changes to regulatory requirements and/or business needs to ensure that the policy remains current with respect to prevailing laws and regulatory requirements. The Terms of Reference of the NRC are available on the Company's website at www.warisantc.com .
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Stakeholders are able to assess whether the remuneration of directors and senior management is commensurate with their individual performance, taking into consideration the company's performance.

Practice 8.1

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

Application :	Applied
Explanation on : application of the practice	Details of the remuneration of Directors of the Company on a named basis (received or to be received) from the Group and the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 are 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	Dato' Tan Heng Chew	Executive Director	-	30.000	1,557.600	259.600	-	893.677	2,740.877	-	30.000	1,557.600	259.600	-	893.677	2,740.877	
2	Tan Keng Meng	Executive Director	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	593.800	98.980	-	83.146	776.006	
3	Chin Yen Song	Executive Director	-	i	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	351.300	61.340	11.650	61.647	485.937	
4	Datuk Abdullah bin Abdul Wahab	Non-Executive Non- Independent Director	76.800	19.500	-	-	-	-	96.300	76.800	19.500	-	-	-	-	96.300	
5	Lee Min On	Independent Director	76.800	18.600	-	-	-	-	95.400	76.800	18.600	-	-	-	-	95.400	
6	Soh Eng Hooi	Independent Director	76.800	19.500	-	-	-	-	96.300	76.800	19.500	-	-	1	-	96.300	
7	Dato' Yunus bin Abd Razak	Independent Director	76.800	15.600	-	-	-	-	92.400	76.800	15.600	-	-	1	-	92.400	
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Stakeholders are able to assess whether the remuneration of directors and senior management is commensurate with their individual performance, taking into consideration the company's performance.

Practice 8.2

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

Application	:	Departure
Explanation on application of the practice	:	
Explanation for departure	i	The Board is of the view that the disclosure of Senior Management's remuneration on a named basis, with various remuneration components, will not be in the best interest of the Group as it will give rise to recruitment and talent retention issues. Such disclosure makes the Group vulnerable to the loss of its personnel as the industries the Group operates in are competitive where poaching of executives and talents is commonplace.
		As an alternative, the Company opts to disclose the names of the key Senior Management of the Company and its subsidiaries ("Group") and aggregate remuneration of the key Senior Management personnel (excluding Executive Directors) on a Group basis. The key Senior Management of the Group comprises the Chief Financial Officer and heads of major subsidiaries, who have the authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling business operations of the Group's businesses and activities.
		The profiles of key Senior Management personnel (excluding Executive Directors) are disclosed in the Company's Annual Report 2023. The aggregate remuneration (inclusive of salaries, bonus and other emolument) of these key Senior Management personnel for the financial year ended 31 December 2023, on a Group basis, was RM2.174 million. Such payment of remuneration is also disclosed under Note 32 (c) and (d) to the Audited Financial Statements on page 183 of the 2023 Annual Report.
		The Board has formalised remuneration policies and procedures to ensure that the remuneration of Senior Management personnel is appropriately commensurate with their roles and responsibilities, level of skills, experience and performance in order to attract, retain and motivate them to contribute positively towards the Group's performance.

	The performance of Senior Management is evaluated on an annual basis and measured against the targets set for the year. The remuneration packages are reviewed annually, and adjustments to their remuneration are made based not only on their individual performances and contributions, but also on the overall Group's performance.
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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.

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There is an effective and independent Audit Committee.

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

Practice 9.1

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

Application	:	Applied
Explanation on	:	The AC comprises three (3) INEDs and a NINED, all four (4) members are
application of the		financially literate, being the ability to read, analyse and interpret
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		The Chairwoman of the AC, Ms. Soh Eng Hooi, is not the Chairman of
		the Board.
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Practice 9.2

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

Application	:	Applied	
Explanation on application of the practice	:	The AC's Terms of Reference which were last reviewed by the Board on 28 August 2023 has a provision on the requirement for a former partner of the external audit firm, that conducts the audit of the financial statements of the Company and the Group, and/or its affiliate firms to observe a cooling-off period of at least three (3) years, from the date of the former partner's retirement or resignation, before being appointed as a member of the AC. For the record, none of the AC members were former partner of the external audit firm and/or its affiliates. The said AC's Terms of Reference are available on the Company's	
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The board is able to objectively review the Audit Committee's findings and recommendations. The company's financial statement is a reliable source of information.

Practice 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 reviews and assesses the suitability and independence of external auditors of the Company on an annual basis. The annual review and assessment are conducted via the use of assessment questionnaire. The areas for assessment of the external auditors cover, inter-alia, their technical competencies, independence, objectivity, professionalism, quality of services, sufficiency of resources and communication and interaction with the external auditors. Feedback is also obtained from the Chief Financial Officer on the performance and quality of work delivered by the external auditors.
		The assessment of the external auditors was done in accordance with the requirements set out in the External Auditors' Assessment Policy & Procedures ("EAA Policy") adopted by the Board on 5 April 2023, to ensure the external auditors remain independent and objective in their work. The EAA Policy covers a policy for the types of non-audit services permitted to be provided by the external auditors and/or their affiliates, including the need for obtaining the AC's pre-approval before such services are contemplated.
		The AC reviews and assesses the EAA Policy once every two (2) years or at more frequent intervals as circumstances dictate to ensure that the EAA Policy remains relevant and appropriate in the discharge of the AC's responsibilities. Any anticipated significant increase in recurring and/or planned non-audit services, together with an estimated fees in excess of 10% of the fees, must be reviewed by the AC before recommending to the Board for approval.
		The AC had in February 2024 assessed the performance of the external auditors, Mazars PLT, based on the above criteria, inquired into Mazars PLT's governance and leadership structure, measures undertaken by the firm to uphold audit quality and manage risks. To corroborate its independence, Mazars PLT provided a written assurance to the AC confirming that they were and had been independent throughout the conduct of the audit engagement with the Company for the financial year under review in accordance with the By-Laws (on Professional Ethics, Conduct and Practice) of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants and the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' (IESBA)

	Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants. Premised on the above assessment, the AC was satisfied with the performance, technical competence and audit independence of Mazars PLT.
	Based on the AC's recommendation, the Board is seeking shareholders' approval at the Company's AGM scheduled on 30 May 2024 on the reappointment of Mazars PLT as auditors of the Company for the financial year ending 31 December 2024.
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There is an effective and independent Audit Committee.

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

Practice 9.4 - Step Up

The Audit Committee should comprise solely of Independent Directors.

Application	:	Not Adopted
Explanation on adoption of the practice	•	

There is an effective and independent Audit Committee.

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

Practice 9.5

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

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

Application :	Applied		
Explanation on : application of the practice	All members of the AC are financially literate and have performed their duties in accordance with the AC's Terms of Reference. The qualification and experience of the individual AC members are disclosed in the profile of Directors in the 2023 Annual Report.		
	Members of the AC have attended the relevant continuous professional development programmes to keep themselves abreast of relevant industry developments, covering, as the case may be, accounting standards, risk management, governance, internal audit, and sustainability. Details of the training programmes attended by the AC members are set out in the Corporate Governance Overview Statement of the Company's 2023 Annual Report. The external auditors and the Chief Financial Officer also briefed the AC on the relevant updates on financial reporting standards and regulatory requirements from time to time during the AC meetings.		
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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 its overall responsibility for the Group's system of risk management and internal control and for reviewing its adequacy and operating effectiveness to safeguard shareholders' investment and the Group's assets. Due to the inherent limitations in any system of risk management and internal control, such a system is designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve corporate objectives.		
		The Board has formalised in writing Risk Management Policy & Procedures ("Policy") to identify, evaluate, manage, report and monitor significant risks faced by the Group in its operations. This Policy is largely aligned with globally accepted risk management standards such as the ISO 31000:2018 Risk Management - Guidelines.		
		The Board has established a governance structure to enable effective oversight of risks and controls in the Group. The Risk Management and Sustainability Committee ("RMSC"), which is a Management-level Committee headed by the Chief Executive Officer and comprises key management personal from respective business divisions, is entrusted by the Board with the responsibility to identify and communicate to the Board, through the AC, the principal business risks that the Group faces, their changes and Management action plans to mitigate those risks to acceptable levels.		
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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 10.2

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 RMSC, a Management-level Committee, headed by the Chief Executive Officer and comprises key management personnel from respective business divisions, assists the Board in overseeing risk management via the adoption of a formal risk management process and framework.
	The risk assessment process enables Management to identify, evaluate, control, report and monitor principal business risks faced by the Group on an ongoing basis, including remedial measures taken to address the risks, for onward dissemination to the Board via the AC. Individual business risks as identified are scored for their likelihood of occurrence and the impact thereof based on a '4 by 4' risk map, deploying parameters established for each key business unit in the Group.
	The risk parameters comprise relevant financial and non-financial metrics for risks to be evaluated in terms of likelihood of their occurrence and the impact thereof. This feature articulates the extent of risk the Group is prepared to take or seek in achieving its corporate objectives. The metrics used in quantifying the risks are based on risk parameters considered appropriate to reflect the risk appetite of the Group. Further features of the risk management and internal control framework, which includes the governance, processes and measurement of the risks, are disclosed in the Statement on Risk Management and Internal Control in the Company's 2023 Annual Report.
	The adequacy and effectiveness of key risk management and internal control processes are also reviewed by the RMSC on a periodic basis.
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Practice 10.3 - Step Up

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

Application :	Not Adopted
Explanation on : adoption of the practice	

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

Practice 11.1

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

Application :	Applied	
Explanation on application of the practice	The AC is supported by an in-house Group Internal Audit Department ("GIA") which reports functionally to the AC and is independent of Management and the activities it audits. GIA operates under a Charter mandated by the AC that gives the GIA unrestricted access to companies within the Group for the purpose of conducting internal audit. The AC approves the GIA's Annual Internal Audit Plan ("IA Plan") for the Group and monitors the progress of completion of the IA Plan. The internal audit reports are presented and tabled at the AC meetings on a quarterly basis. Details of actual work conducted by the GIA, together with the scope of	
	coverage, for the financial year 2023 are set out in the Statement on Risk Management and Internal Control of the Company's 2023 Annual Report. The AC assesses the effectiveness of the GIA and its resources on an annual basis. The AC had in February 2024 evaluated the Head of GIA and his team and was satisfied that they had been effective in	
Explanation for : departure	discharging their duties.	
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Companies have an effective governance, risk management and internal control framework and stakeholders are able to assess the effectiveness of such a framework.

Practice 11.2

The board should disclose-

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

Application :	Applied		
Explanation on : application of the practice	The GIA currently consists of three (3) personnel and is headed by Mr. Khoo Choong Keat, a Certified Internal Auditor and Certified Fraud Examiner.		
	The GIA is independent of the activities it audits and carries out its work in accordance with the International Professional Practices Framework of the Institute of Internal Auditors Inc, a globally recognised professional body for internal auditors.		
	None of the internal audit personnel has any relationship or conflict of interest that could impair their objectivity and independence in conducting their internal audit work.		
	The Head of GIA has provided a written confirmation to the AC that the internal audit is carried out objectively and is independent from Management of the Group.		
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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 Board recognises the importance of being transparent and accountable to the Company's stakeholders. Communication and engagement with stakeholders are made through the quarterly announcements on financial results to Bursa Securities, relevant announcements and circulars, when necessary, the Annual and Extraordinary General Meetings and annual reports. Such disclosures of information are released in a timely manner and in accordance with the MMLR of Bursa Securities. The Company has in place Corporate Disclosure Policies and Procedures which provide guidance and reference for disclosure of material information in accordance with the MMLR of Bursa Securities and set out the persons authorised and responsible to approve and disclose material information to regulators, shareholders and other stakeholders. In February 2024, the Board adopted a Stakeholder Communication Policies and Procedures ("SCPP") which govern communications with its
	stakeholders to support the Company in maintaining an effective, high quality communication channel that facilitate open, ongoing dialogue and the provision of timely and accurate information to its stakeholders. This SCPP augment the existing Corporate Disclosure Policies and Procedures.
	At the last AGM held on 2 June 2023, the Chief Executive Officer presented to the shareholders the updates and latest development on the Group's activities. The Chairman of the Meeting ensured shareholders were given the opportunity to speak (in the form of real time submission of typed texts) and obtain clarification from the Directors and Management of the Company. Stakeholders are encouraged to direct their inquiries or concern via electronic mail to corporate@warisantc.com .
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There is continuous communication between the company and stakeholders to facilitate mutual understanding of each other's objectives and expectations.

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

Practice 12.2

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

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Shareholders are able to participate, engage the board and senior management effectively and make informed voting decisions at General Meetings.

Practice 13.1

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

Application	: Applied	
Explanation on application of the practice	The Company despatched the Notice of 26 th AGM to its shareholders on 28 April 2023 which was more than 28 days before the 26 th AGM held on 2 June 2023. Additional time was given to shareholders to allow them to make the necessary arrangements to attend and participate in person or through corporate representatives, proxies or attorneys. It also enabled them to consider the resolutions and make an informed decision in exercising their voting rights at the AGM. In line with the MCCG, the Company provides more than 28 days' notice to its shareholders for the convening of the forthcoming 27 th AGM on 30 May 2024.	
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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	The 26 th AGM of the Company held on 2 June 2023 was conducted		
application of the	virtually through live streaming from the broadcast venue at Tricor		
practice	Business Centre, Gemilang Room, Unit 29-01, Level 29, Tower A, Vertical Business Suite, Avenue 3, Bangsar South, No. 8, Jalan Kerinchi, 59200 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.		
	All the Directors (including the Chairmen of Board Committees) and External Auditors attended the 26 th AGM via video conferencing together with the Company Secretaries and members of Senior Management. The Chairman of the Meeting allowed shareholders to raise questions or concerns directly through the line chat box available in the meeting platform. The Board's responses to those questions raised before and at the AGM assisted shareholders to make informed voting decisions at the Meeting.		
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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	: As part of the safety measures to safeguard the wellbeing of shareholders as well as to facilitate greater shareholder participation the Company conducted its 26 th AGM by leveraging technology is accordance with Section 327 of the Companies Act 2016 and to be in line with the Securities Commission's Guidelines and FAQs on the Conduct of General Meetings for Listed Issuers dated 18 April 202 (Revised 1 June 2021).	
	The 26 th AGM held on 2 June 2023 was conducted virtually through live streaming from the Broadcast venue at Tricor Business Centre, Gemilang Room, Unit 29-01, Level 29, Tower A, Vertical Business Suite, Avenue 3, Bangsar South, No. 8, Jalan Kerinchi, 59200 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, where all Directors (including the Chairman of Board), External Auditors and Senior Management attended, while Shareholders participated online.	
	Shareholders attended, participated, spoke (in the form of real time submission of typed texts) and voted remotely at the 26 th AGM using Remote Participation and Voting (RPV) facilities provided by Tricor via its TIIH Online website at https://tiih.online . As all resolutions were poll-voted, Tricor was appointed as the Poll Administrator to conduct the e-polling process and Asia Securities Sdn Berhad as the Scrutineers to verify the poll results for the 26 th AGM. The poll results were also announced by the Company via Bursa LINK on the same day for the benefit of all 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 13.4

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.

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	ons and the questions are responded to.	
Application :	Applied	
Explanation on application of the practice	 The AGM, which is the principal forum for shareholder engagement, allows shareholders to review the Group's performance via the Company's Annual Report and pose questions to the Board for consideration. At the 26th AGM of the Company, which was conducted virtually, shareholders were encouraged to submit their questions prior to and during the said AGM. The Company's Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Tan Keng Meng, made a brief presentation to the shareholders on the Group's financial performance, and certain key highlights for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 as well as the Group's business strategies going forward. 	
	Shareholders in attendance were provided with the Company's responses to questions submitted in advance of the 26 th AGM by certain shareholders – these questions and the Board's responses thereto were made visible online and read by the Chairman of the Meeting. The Chairman of the Meeting also advised and reminded the shareholders that they were allowed and encouraged to submit their questions or queries in the query box throughout the AGM proceedings. All questions or queries raised were responded by the Board and Senior Management during the 26 th AGM. Moreover, the questions and responses thereto were included in the full minutes of the AGM, which were uploaded on the Company's website within 30 business days following conclusion of the AGM.	
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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.

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. **Applied Application Explanation on** The Company acknowledges the importance of having a reliable virtual application of the general meeting platform to connect all meeting participants, including practice its shareholders from various remote locations to ensure that they are able to participate and engage with the Board and Senior Management at the general meetings. To ensure a smooth conduct of live streaming of the general meeting virtually, the Company conducted its 26th AGM through live streaming from the Broadcast venue at Tricor Business Centre, Gemilang Room, Unit 29-01, Level 29, Tower A, Vertical Business Suite, Avenue 3, Bangsar South, No. 8, Jalan Kerinchi, 59200 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, which was supported by an experienced technical support team as well as the required infrastructure and equipment. For remote shareholders' participation and voting in absentia at the AGM, the Company provided shareholders with the pertinent procedures and actions required in the Administrative Notes despatched together with the Notice of the 26th AGM to enable them to participate and vote at the 26th AGM remotely using the Remote Participation and Voting (RPV) facilities provided by Tricor. Questions received from shareholders prior to the 26th AGM were displayed on the screen, together with the answers, during the meeting while questions posed during the meeting were read out clearly by the Chairman. All questions were addressed by the Board and Senior Management before the commencement of the poll voting. **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 13.6

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

Note: The publication of Key Matters Discussed is not a substitute for the circulation of minutes of general meeting.		
Application	:	Applied
Explanation on application of the practice	:	The Company uploaded the Minutes of the 26 th AGM of the Company held on 2 June 2023 on the Company's corporate website at www.warisantc.com within 30 business days after completion of the 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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