Certificate on Compliances of Corporate Governance Code



UTTAM & ASSOCIATES CHARTERED SECRETARIES & CONSULTANTS

ANNEXURE - B

[Certificate as percondition No. 1(5) (xxvii)]

Report to the Shareholders of Prime Finance & Investment Limited on Compliance on the Corporate Governance Code

We have examined the compliance status to the Corporate Governance Code by Prime Finance & Investment Limited (the "Company") for the year ended on 31 December 2022. This Code relates to the Notification No. BSEC/CMRRCD/2006-158/207/Admin/80, dated 03 June 2018 issued under section 2CC of the Securities and Exchange Ordinance, 1969; of the Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission.

Such compliance with the Corporate Governance Code is the responsibility of the Company. Our examination was limited to the procedures and implementation thereof as adopted by the Management in ensuring compliance to the conditions of the Corporate Governance Code.

This is a Scrutiny and verification and an independent audit on compliance of the conditions of the Corporate Governance Code as well as the provisions of relevant Bangladesh Secretarial Standards (BSS) as adopted by Institute of Chartered Secretaries of Bangladesh (ICSB) in so far as those standards are not inconsistent with any condition of this Corporate Governance Code.

We state that we have obtained all the information and explanations, which we have required, and after due scrutiny and verification thereof, we report that, in our opinion:

- The Company has complied with the conditions of the Corporate Governance Code as stipulated in the above mentioned Corporate Governance Code issued by the Commission;
- The Company has complied with the provisions of the relevant Bangladesh Secretarial Standards (BSS) as adopted by the Institute of Chartered Secretaries of Bangladesh (ICSB) as required by this Code;
- Proper books and records have been kept by the company as required under the Companies Act,
 1994, the securities laws and other relevant laws; and

The Governance of the Company is satisfactory.

Place: Dhaka Date: 04 May 2025 Uttam Kumar Dey, FCS CEO & Lead Consultant UTTAM & ASSOCIATES

CHARTERED SECRETARIES & CONSULTANTS

Status of compliance with Corporate Governance Code

[As per Condition No. 1(5) (xxvii) of, and Annexure-C to, the Corporate Governance Code]

Status of compliance with the conditions imposed by BSEC's Notification # BSEC/CMRRCD/2006-158/207/Admin/80 dated 3 June 2018 issued under section 2CC of the Securities and Exchange Ordinance 1969 is presented below:

(Report under Condition # 9)

| Condition | Title | Compliance Status (Put √ in the appropriate column) | Remarks | |
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| No. | | Complied | Not Complied | (if any) |
| 1. | Board of Directors | | | |
| 1(1) | Board's Size shall not be less than 5 and more than 20 | V | | The Board of Directors is comprised of 8 (eight) Director |
| 1(2) | Independent Directors | | | |
| 1(2)(a) | Independent Director(s) - at least one fifth (1/5) of the total number of directors; | | V | The Number Independent Di is 1 (One).1st to of Mr. MBM Hadee expired October 2021. vacancy has filled up in September 2023 |
| 1(2)(b)(i) | Independent director does not hold any share or holds less than one percent (1%) shares of total paid up capital; | $\sqrt{}$ | | |
| 1(2)(b)(ii) | Independent director is not a sponsor of the company or is not connected with the company's any sponsor or director or nominated director or shareholder of the company or any of its associates, sister concerns, subsidiaries and parents or holding entities who holds one percent (1%) or more shares of the total paid-up shares of the company on the basis of family relationship and his or her family members also shall not hold above mentioned shares in the company; | V | | |
| 1(2)(b)(iii) | Independent director has not been an executive of the company in immediately preceding 2 (two) financial years; | V | | |
| 1(2)(b)(iv) | Independent director does not have any other relationship, whether pecuniary or otherwise, with the company or its subsidiary or associated companies; | V | | |
| 1(2)(b)(v) | Independent director is not a member or TREC holder, director or officer of any stock exchange; | V | | |
| 1(2)(b)(vi) | Independent director is not a shareholder, director excepting independent director or officer of any member or TREC holder of stock exchange or an intermediary of the capital market; | V | | |
| 1(2)(b)(vii) | Independent director is not a partner or an executive or was not a partner or an executive during the preceding 3 (three) years of the concerned company's statutory audit firm or audit firm engaged in internal audit services or audit firm conducting special audit or professional certifying compliance of this Code; | V | | |
| 1(2)(b)(viii) | Independent director is not independent director in more than 5 (five) listed companies; | √ | | |
| 1(2)(b)(ix) | Independent director has not been convicted by a court of competent jurisdiction as a defaulter in payment of any loan or any advance to a bank or a Non-Bank Financial Institution (NBFI); | V | | |
| 1(2)(b)(x) | Independent director has not been convicted for a criminal offence involving moral turpitude; | V | | |
| 1(2)(c) | Independent Director(s) shall be appointed by the Board and approved by the Shareholders in the AGM; | V | | |
| 1(2)(d) | The post of Independent Director(s) cannot remain vacant for more than 90 days; | | ٧ | A Post of Indepe Director is Vaca more than 90 da tenure of Mr. Lutful Hadee e on 30 October This vacancy been filled up September 2023 |
| 1(2)(e) | The tenure of office of an Independent Directors shall be for a period of 3 (three) years which may be extended for 1 (one) tenure only; | V | | |

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| l(3) | Qualification of Independent Director | , | | 1 |
| 1(3)(a) | Independent Director shall be a knowledgeable individual with integrity who is able to ensure com0pliance with financial, regulatory and corporate laws and can make meaningful contribution to business; | V | | |
| 1(3)(b)(i) | Business Leader who is or was a promoter or director of an unlisted company having minimum paid-up capital of Tk. 100.00 million or any listed company or a member of any national or international chamber of commerce or business association; | | | N/A |
| 1(3)(b)(ii) | Corporate Leader who is or was a top level executive not lower than Chief Executive Officer or Managing Director or Deputy Managing Director or Chief Financial Officer or Head of Finance or Accounts or Company Secretary or Head of Internal Audit and Compliance or Head of Legal Service or a candidate with equivalent position of an unlisted company having minimum paid up capital of Tk. 100.00 million or of a listed company; | √ | | |
| 1(3)(b)(iii) | Former official of government or statutory or autonomous or regulatory body in the position not below 5th Grade of the national pay scale, who has at least educational background of bachelor degree in economics or commerce or business or law; | | | N/A |
| 1(3)(b)(iv) | University Teacher who has educational background in Economics or Commerce or Business Studies or Law; | | | N/A |
| 1(3)(b)(v) | Professional who is or was an advocate practicing at least in the High Court Division of Bangladesh Supreme Court or a Chartered Accountant or Cost and Management Accountant or Chartered Financial Analyst or Chartered Certified Accountant or Certified Public Accountant or Chartered Management Accountant or Chartered Secretary or equivalent qualification; | | | N/A |
| 1(3)(c) | The Independent Director shall have at least 10 (ten) years of experiences in any field mentioned in clause (b); | V | | |
| 1(3)(d) | In special cases, the above qualifications or experiences may be relaxed subject to prior approval of the Commission; | | | N/A |
| 1(4) | Duality of Chairperson of the Board of Directors and Managing Director or Ch | ief Executiv | e Officer | |
| 1(4)(a) | The positions of the Chairperson of the Board and the Managing Director (MD) and/or Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the company shall be filled by different individuals; | V | | |
| 1(4)(b) | The Managing Director (MD) and/or Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of a listed company shall not hold the same position in another listed company; | √ | | |
| 1(4)(c) | The Chairperson of the Board shall be elected from among the non-executive directors of the company; | V | | |
| 1(4)(d) | The Board shall clearly define respective roles and responsibilities of the Chairperson and the Managing Director and/or Chief Executive Officer; | √ | | |
| 1(4)(e) | In the absence of the Chairperson of the Board, the remaining members may elect one of themselves from non-executive directors as Chairperson for that particular Board's meeting; the reason of absence of the regular Chairperson shall be duly recorded in the minutes. | | | N/A |
| l(5) | The Directors' Report to Shareholders | | | |
| (5)(i) | An industry outlook and possible future developments in the industry; | √ | | |
| I(5)(ii) | The Segment-wise or product-wise performance; | √ | | |
| 1(5)(iii) | Risks and concerns including internal and external risk factors, threat to sustainability and negative impact on environment, if any; | √ | | |
| 1(5)(iv) | A discussion on Cost of Goods Sold, Gross Profit Margin and Net Profit Margin, where applicable; | V | | |
| 1(5)(v) | A discussion on continuity of any extraordinary activities and their implications (gain or loss); | √ | | |
| 1(5)(vi) | A detailed discussion on related party transactions along with a statement showing amount, nature of related party, nature of transactions and basis of transactions of all related party transactions; | V | | |
| 1(5)(vii) | A statement of utilization of proceeds raised through public issues, rights issues and/or any other instruments; | | | N/A |
| 1(5)(viii) | An explanation if the financial results deteriorate after the company goes for Initial Public Offering (IPO), Repeat Public Offering (RPO), Rights Share Offer, Direct Listing, etc.; | | | N/A |
| 1(5)(ix) | An explanation on any significant variance that occurs between Quarterly Financial performances and Annual Financial Statements; | | | N/A |

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| 1(5)(x) | A statement of remuneration paid to the directors including independent directors; | V | | |
| 1(5)(xi) | A statement that the financial statements prepared by the management of the issuer company present fairly its state of affairs, the result of its operations, cash flows and changes in equity; | V | | |
| 1(5)(xii) | A statement that proper books of account of the issuer company have been maintained; | √ | | |
| 1(5)(xiii) | A statement that appropriate accounting policies have been consistently applied in preparation of the financial statements and that the accounting estimates are based on reasonable and prudent judgment; | V | | |
| 1(5)(xiv) | A statement that International Accounting Standards (IAS) or International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), as applicable in Bangladesh, have been followed in preparation of the financial statements and any departure there from has been adequately disclosed; | V | | |
| 1(5)(xv) | A statement that the system of internal control is sound in design and has been effectively implemented and monitored; | √ | | |
| 1(5)(xvi) | A statement that minority shareholders have been protected from abusive actions by, or in the interest of, controlling shareholders acting either directly or indirectly and have effective means of redress; | V | | |
| 1(5)(xvii) | A statement that there is no significant doubt upon the issuer company's ability to continue as a going concern, if the issuer company is not considered to be a going concern, the fact along with reasons there of shall be disclosed; | √ | | |
| 1(5)(xviii) | An explanation that significant deviations from the last year's operating results of the issuer company shall be highlighted and the reasons thereof shall be explained; | | | N/A |
| 1(5)(xix) | A statement where key operating and financial data of at least preceding 5 (five) years shall be summarized; | √ | | |
| 1(5)(xx) | An explanation on the reasons if the issuer company has not declared dividend (cash or stock) for the year; | V | | No Dividend declared this year. |
| 1(5)(xxi) | Board's statement to the effect that no bonus share or stock dividend has been or shall be declared as interim dividend; | √ | | |
| 1(5)(xxii) | The total number of Board meetings held during the year and attendance by each director; | V | | Disclosed in the Annual Report. |
| 1(5)(xxiii) | A report on the pattern of shareholding disclosing the aggregate number of shares (a below) held by: | along with na | me-wise deta | ails where stated |
| 1(5)(xxiii)(a) | Parent or Subsidiary or Associated Companies and other related parties (namewise details); | √ | | |
| 1(5)(xxiii)(b) | Directors, Chief Executive Officer, Company Secretary, Chief Financial Officer, Head of Internal Audit and Compliance and their spouses and minor children (name-wise details); | V | | |
| 1(5)(xxiii)(c) | Shareholding pattern of Executives; | V | | |
| 1(5)(xxiii)(d) | Shareholders holding ten percent (10%) or more voting interest in the company (name-wise details); | √ | | |
| 1(5)(xxiv) | In case of appointment or re-appointment of a Director, a disclosure on the followin | g information | to the Share | eholders: |
| 1(5)(xxiv)(a) | a brief resume of the director; | √ | | |
| 1(5)(xxiv)(b) | nature of his or her expertise in specific functional areas; | V | | |
| 1(5)(xxiv)(c) | names of companies in which the person also holds the directorship and the membership of committees of the board; | √ | | |
| 1(5)(xxv) | A Management's Discussion and Analysis signed by CEO or MD presenting detailed operations along with a brief discussion of changes in the financial statements, amount of the control of t | | | y's position and |
| 1(5)(xxv)(a) | accounting policies and estimation for preparation of financial statements; | √ | - | |
| 1(5)(xxv)(b) | changes in accounting policies and estimation, if any, clearly describing the effect on financial performance or results and financial position as well as cash flows in absolute figure for such changes; | V | | |
| 1(5)(xxv)(c) | comparative analysis (including effects of inflation) of financial performance or results and financial position as well as cash flows for current financial year with immediate preceding five years explaining reasons thereof; | V | | Disclosed in the Annual Report. |
| 1(5)(xxv)(d) | compare such financial performance or results and financial position as well as cash flows with the peer industry scenario; | √ | | |

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| 1(5)(xxv)(e) | briefly explain the financial and economic scenario of the country and the globe; | √ | | |
| 1(5)(xxv)(f) | risks and concerns issues related to the financial statements, explaining such risk and concerns mitigation plan of the company; | √ | | |
| 1(5)(xxv)(g) | future plan or projection or forecast for company's operation, performance and financial position, with justification thereof, i.e., actual position shall be explained to the shareholders in the next AGM; | V | | |
| 1(5)(xxvi) | Declaration or certification by the CEO and the CFO to the Board as required under condition No. 3(3) shall be disclosed as per Annexure-A; | √ | | Disclosed in the Annual Report. |
| 1(5)(xxvii) | The report as well as certificate regarding compliance of conditions of this Code as required under condition No. 9 shall be disclosed as per Annexure-B and Annexure-C; | V | | |
| 1(6) | The company shall conduct its Board meetings and record the minutes of the meetings as well as keep required books and records in line with the provisions of the relevant Bangladesh Secretarial Standards (BSS) as adopted by the Institute of Chartered Secretaries of Bangladesh (ICSB) in so far as those standards are not inconsistent with any condition of this Code; | V | | |
| 1(7) | Code of Conduct for the Chairperson, other Board members and Chief Execu | tive Officer | | |
| 1(7)(a) | The Board shall lay down a code of conduct, based on the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee (NRC) at condition No. 6, for the Chairperson of the Board, other board members and Chief Executive Officer of the company; | V | | The Code of Conduct has been laid down by the Board. |
| 1(7)(b) | The code of conduct as determined by the NRC shall be posted on the website of the company including, among others, prudent conduct and behavior; confidentiality; conflict of interest; compliance with laws, rules and regulations; prohibition of insider trading; relationship with environment, employees, customers and suppliers; and independency. | V | | The Code of Conduct has been posted on the website. |
| 2. | Governance of Board of Directors of Subsidiary Company: | | | |
| 2(a) | Provisions relating to the composition of the Board of the holding company shall be made applicable to the composition of the Board of the subsidiary company; | √ | | |
| 2(b) | At least 1 (one) independent director on the Board of the holding company shall be a director on the Board of the subsidiary company; | √ | | |
| 2(c) | The minutes of the Board meeting of the subsidiary company shall be placed for review at the following Board meeting of the holding company; | √ | | |
| 2(d) | The minutes of the respective Board meeting of the holding company shall state that they have reviewed the affairs of the subsidiary company also; | √ | | |
| 2(e) | The Audit Committee of the holding company shall also review the financial statements, in particular the investments made by the subsidiary company. | √ | | |
| 3. | Managing Director (MD) or Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Chief Financial Officer (HIAC) and Company Secretary (CS): | ficer (CFO), | Head of Inte | ernal Audit and |
| 3(1) | Appointment | I | I | I |
| 3(1)(a) | The Board shall appoint a Managing Director (MD) or Chief Executive Officer (CEO), a Company Secretary (CS), a Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and a Head of Internal Audit and Compliance (HIAC); | | | |
| 3(1)(b) | The positions of the Managing Director (MD) or Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Company Secretary (CS), Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and Head of Internal Audit and Compliance (HIAC) shall be filled by different individuals; | V | | |
| 3(1)(c) | The MD or CEO, CS, CFO and HIAC of a listed company shall not hold any executive position in any other company at the same time; | √ | | |
| 3(1)(d) | The Board shall clearly define respective roles, responsibilities and duties of the CFO, the HIAC and the CS; | √ | | |
| 3(1)(e) | The MD or CEO, CS, CFO and HIAC shall not be removed from their position without approval of the Board as well as immediate dissemination to the Commission and stock exchange(s); | | | N/A |
| (2) | Requirement to attend Board of Directors' Meetings | | | |
| | The MD or CEO, CS, CFO and HIAC of the company shall attend the meetings of the Board; | | | HIAC attends as and when required |

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| 3(3) | Duties of Managing Director (MD) or Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Chief | Financial Of | ficer (CFO) | |
| 3(3)(a) | The MD or CEO and CFO shall certify to the Board that they have reviewed financial statements for the year and that to the best of their knowledge and belief; | √ | | |
| 3(3)(a)(i) | these statements do not contain any materially untrue statement or omit any material fact or contain statements that might be misleading; and | √ | | |
| 3(3)(a)(ii) | these statements together present a true and fair view of the company's affairs and are in compliance with existing accounting standards and applicable laws; | √ | | |
| 3(3)(b) | The MD or CEO and CFO shall also certify that there are, to the best of knowledge and belief, no transactions entered into by the company during the year which are fraudulent, illegal or in violation of the code of conduct for the company's Board or its members; | V | | |
| 3(3)(c) | The certification of the MD or CEO and CFO shall be disclosed in the Annual Report. | √ | | |
| 4. | Board of Directors' Committee For ensuring good governance in the company, the Board shall have at least follow | ing subcomn | nittees: | |
| 4(i) | Audit Committee; and | √ | | |
| 4(ii) | Nomination and Remuneration Committee. | | | As per BB Circular letter no. 18 dated 21.05.2024 NRC is not mandatory for NBFIs. |
| 5. | Audit Committee | | | |
| 5(1) | Responsibility to the Board of Directors | | | |
| 5(1)(a) | Audit Committee as a sub-committee of the Board; | √ | | |
| 5(1)(b) | The Audit Committee shall assist the Board in ensuring that the financial statements reflect true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and in ensuring a good monitoring system within the business; | √ | | |
| 5(1)(c) | The Audit Committee shall be responsible to the Board; the duties of the Audit Committee shall be clearly set forth in writing. | √ | | |
| 5.2 | Constitution of the Audit Committee | | | |
| 5(2)(a) | The Audit Committee shall be composed of at least 3 (three) members; | $\sqrt{}$ | | |
| 5(2)(b) | The Board shall appoint members of the Audit Committee who shall be non-executive directors of the company excepting Chairperson of the Board and shall include at least 1 (one) independent director; | V | | |
| 5(2)(c) | All members of the audit committee should be "financially literate" and at least 1(one) member shall have accounting or related financial management background and 10 (ten) years of such experience; | √ | | |
| 5(2)(d) | When the term of service of any committee member expires or there is any circumstance causing any committee member to be unable to hold office before expiration of the term of service, thus making the number of 3 (three) persons, the Board shall appoint the new committee members to fill up the vacancy immediately or not later than 1 (one) month from the date of vacancy in the committee to ensure continuity of the performance of work of the audit committee; | | | N/A |
| 5(2)(e) | The company secretary shall act as the secretary of the Committee; | √ | | |
| 5(2)(f) | The quorum of the Audit Committee meeting shall not constitute without at least 1 (one) independent director; | V | | |
| 5.3 | Chairperson of the Audit Committee | | | |
| 5(3)(a) | The Board shall select 1 (one) member of the Audit Committee to be Chairperson of the Audit Committee, who shall be an independent director; | V | | |
| 5(3)(b) | In the absence of the Chairperson of the Audit Committee, the remaining members may elect one of themselves as Chairperson for that particular meeting, in that case there shall be no problem of constituting a quorum as required under condition No. 5(4)(b) and the reason of absence of the regular Chairperson shall be duly recorded in the minutes. | | | N/A |
| 5(3)(c) | Chairperson of the Audit Committee shall remain present in the Annual General Meeting (AGM). | V | | |
| 5.4 | Meeting of the Audit Committee | | ı | |
| 5(4)(a) | The Audit Committee shall conduct at least its four meetings in a financial year; | $\sqrt{}$ | | |

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| 5(4)(b) | The quorum of the meeting of the Audit Committee shall be constituted in presence of either two members or two third of the members of the Audit Committee, whichever is higher, where presence of an independent director is a must. | V | | |
| 5.5 | Role of Audit Committee | | | |
| 5(5)(a) | oversee the financial reporting process; | √ | | |
| 5(5)(b) | monitor choice of accounting policies and principles; | √ | | |
| 5(5)(c) | monitor Internal Audit and Compliance process to ensure that it is adequately resourced, including approval of the Internal Audit and Compliance Plan and review of the Internal Audit and Compliance Report; | V | | |
| 5(5)(d) | oversee hiring and performance of external auditors; | √ | | |
| 5(5)(e) | hold meeting with the external or statutory auditors for review of the annual financial statements before submission to the Board for approval or adoption; | V | | |
| 5(5)(f) | review along with the management, the annual financial statements before submission to the board for approval; | V | | |
| 5(5)(g) | review along with the management, the quarterly and half yearly financial statements before submission to the board for approval; | V | | |
| 5(5)(h) | review the adequacy of internal audit function; | V | | |
| 5(5)(i) | review the Management's Discussion and Analysis before disclosing in the Annual Report; | V | | |
| 5(5)(j) | review statement of all related party transactions submitted by the management; | V | | |
| 5(5)(k) | review Management Letters or Letter of Internal Control weakness issued by statutory auditors; | | | N/A |
| 5(5)(I) | oversee the determination of audit fees based on scope and magnitude, level of expertise deployed and time required for effective audit and evaluate the performance of external auditors; | V | | |
| 5(5)(m) | oversee whether the proceeds raised through Initial Public Offering (IPO) or Repeat Public Offering (RPO) or Rights Share Offer have been utilized as per the purposes stated in relevant offer document or prospectus approved by the Commission. | | | N/A |
| 5(6) | Reporting of the Audit Committee | | | |
| 5(6)(a) | Reporting to the Board of Directors | | | |
| 5(6)(a)(i) | The Audit Committee shall report on its activities to the Board; | √ | | |
| 5(6)(a)(ii) | The Audit Committee shall immediately report to the Board on the following findings | s, if any: | | ' |
| 5(6)(a)(ii)(a) | Report on conflicts of interest; | | | N/A |
| 5(6)(a)(ii)(b) | suspected or presumed fraud or irregularity or material defect identified in the internal audit and compliance process or in the financial statements; | | | N/A |
| 5(6)(a)(ii)(c) | suspected infringement of laws, regulatory compliances including securities related laws, rules and regulations; | | | N/A |
| 5(6)(a)(ii)(d) | any other matter which the Audit Committee deems necessary shall be disclosed to the Board immediately; | | | N/A |
| 5(6)(b) | Reporting to the Authorities If any report which has material impact on the financial condition and results of operation and which has discussed with the Board and the management that any rectification is necessary and if the Audit Committee finds that such rectification has been unreasonably ignored, the Audit Committee shall report such finding to the Commission, upon reporting of such matters to the Board for three times or completion of a period of 6 (six) months from the date of first reporting to the Board, whichever is earlier. | | | N/A |
| 5(7) | Reporting to the Shareholders and General Investors Report on activities carried out by the Audit Committee, including any report made to the Board under condition No. 5(6)(a)(ii) above during the year, shall be signed by the Chairperson of the Audit Committee and disclosed in the annual report of the issuer company. | √ | | |
| 6. | Nomination and Remuneration Committee (NRC) | | | ' |
| 6(1) | Responsibility to the Board of Directors | | | |
| 6(1)(a) | The company shall have a Nomination and Remuneration Committee (NRC) as a subcommittee of the Board; | | | As per BB Circula letter no. 18 date 21.05.2024 NR is not mandato for NBFIs. |

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| 6(1)(b) | The NRC shall assist the Board in formulation of the nomination criteria or policy for determining qualifications, positive attributes, experiences and independence of directors and top level executive as well as a policy for formal process of considering remuneration of directors, top level executive; | | | Do |
| 6(1)(c) | The Terms of Reference (ToR) of the NRC shall be clearly set forth in writing covering the areas stated at the condition No. 6(5)(b). | | | Do |
| 6(2) | Constitution of the NRC | | | |
| 6(2)(a) | The Committee shall comprise of at least three members including an independent director; | | | Do |
| 6(2)(b) | All members of the Committee shall be non-executive directors; | | | Do |
| 6(2)(c) | Members of the Committee shall be nominated and appointed by the Board; | | | Do |
| 6(2)(d) | The Board shall have authority to remove and appoint any member of the Committee; | | | Do |
| 6(2)(e) | In case of death, resignation, disqualification, or removal of any member of the Committee or in any other cases of vacancies, the board shall fill the vacancy within 180 (one hundred eighty) days of occurring such vacancy in the Committee; | | | Do |
| 6(2)(f) | The Chairperson of the Committee may appoint or co-opt any external expert and/ or member(s) of staff to the Committee as advisor who shall be non-voting member, if the Chairperson feels that advice or suggestion from such external expert and/or member(s) of staff shall be required or valuable for the Committee; | | | Do |
| 6(2)(g) | The company secretary shall act as the secretary of the Committee; | | | Do |
| 6(2)(h) | The quorum of the NRC meeting shall not constitute without attendance of at least an independent director; | | | Do |
| 6(2)(i) | No member of the NRC shall receive, either directly or indirectly, any remuneration for any advisory or consultancy role or otherwise, other than Director's fees or honorarium from the company. | | | Do |
| 6(3) | Chairperson of the NRC | | | , |
| 6(3)(a) | The Board shall select 1 (one) member of the NRC to be Chairperson of the Committee, who shall be an independent director; | | | Do |
| 6(3)(b) | In the absence of the Chairperson of the NRC, the remaining members may elect one of themselves as Chairperson for that particular meeting, the reason of absence of the regular Chairperson shall be duly recorded in the minutes; | | | Do |
| 6(3)(c) | The Chairperson of the NRC shall attend the annual general meeting (AGM) to answer the queries of the shareholders. | | | Do |
| 6(4) | Meeting of The NRC | | | |
| 6(4)(a) | The NRC shall conduct at least one meeting in a financial year; | | | |
| 6(4)(b) | The Chairperson of the NRC may convene any emergency meeting upon request by any member of the NRC; | | | Do |
| 6(4)(c) | The quorum of the meeting of the NRC shall be constituted in presence of either two members or two third of the members of the Committee, whichever is higher, where presence of an independent director is must as required under condition No. 6(2)(h); | | | Do |
| 6(4)(d) | The proceedings of each meeting of the NRC shall duly be recorded in the minutes and such minutes shall be confirmed in the next meeting of the NRC. | | | Do |
| 6(5) | Role of the NRC | | | |
| 6(5)(a) | NRC shall be independent and responsible or accountable to the Board and to the shareholders; | | | Do |
| 6(5)(b) | NRC shall oversee, among others, the following matters and make report with reco | mmendation | to the Board | : |
| 6(5)(b)(i) | formulating the criteria for determining qualifications, positive attributes and independence of a director and recommend a policy to the Board, relating to the remuneration of the directors, top level executive, considering the following; | | | Do |
| 6(5)(b)(i)(a) | the level and composition of remuneration is reasonable and sufficient to attract, retain and motivate suitable directors to run the company successfully; | | | Do |
| 6(5)(b)(i)(b) | the relationship of remuneration to performance is clear and meets appropriate performance benchmarks; | | | Do |

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| 6(5)(b)(i)(c) | remuneration to directors, top level executive involves a balance between fixed and incentive pay reflecting short and long-term performance objectives appropriate to the working of the company and its goals; | | | Do |
| 6(5)(b)(ii) | devising a policy on Board's diversity taking into consideration age, gender, experience, ethnicity, educational background and nationality; | | | |
| 6(5)(b)(iii) | identifying persons who are qualified to become directors and who may be appointed in top level executive position in accordance with the criteria laid down, and recommend their appointment and removal to the Board; | | | Do |
| 6(5)(b)(iv) | formulating the criteria for evaluation of performance of independent directors and the Board; | | | Do |
| 6(5)(b)(v) | identifying the company's needs for employees at different levels and determine their selection, transfer or replacement and promotion criteria; | | | Do |
| 6(5)(b)(vi) | developing, recommending and reviewing annually the company's human resources and training policies; | | | Do |
| 6(5)(c) | The company shall disclose the nomination and remuneration policy and the evaluation criteria and activities of NRC during the year at a glance in its annual report. | | | Do |
| 7. | External or Statutory Auditors | | | J. |
| 7(1) | The issuer company shall not engage its external or statutory auditors to perform the following services of the company, namely: | √ | | |
| 7(1)(i) | appraisal or valuation services or fairness opinions; | √ | | |
| 7(1)(ii) | financial information systems design and implementation; | √ | | |
| 7(1)(iii) | book-keeping or other services related to the accounting records or financial statements; | V | | |
| 7(1)(iv) | Broker – dealer services; | √ | | |
| 7(1)(v) | Actuarial services; | √ | | |
| 7(1)(vi) | internal audit services or special audit services; | √ | | |
| 7(1)(vii) | any service that the Audit Committee determines; | √ | | |
| 7(1)(viii) | audit or certification services on compliance of corporate governance as required under condition No. 9(1); | √ | | |
| 7(1)(ix) | any other service that creates conflict of interest. | √ | | |
| 7(2) | No partner or employees of the external audit firms shall possess any share of the company they audit at least during the tenure of their audit assignment of that company; his or her family members also shall not hold any shares in the said company; | √ | | |
| 7(3) | Representative of external or statutory auditors shall remain present in the Shareholders' Meeting (Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting) to answer the queries of the shareholders. | V | | |
| 8. | Maintaining a website by the Company | | ı | I |
| 8(1) | The company shall have an official website linked with the website of the stock exchange; | V | | |
| 8(2) | The company shall keep the website functional from the date of listing; | √ | | |
| 8(3) | The company shall make available the detailed disclosures on its website as required under the listing regulations of the concerned stock exchange(s). | √ | | |
| 9. | Reporting and Compliance of Corporate Governance | | | |
| 9(1) | The company shall obtain a certificate from a practicing Professional Accountant or Secretary (Chartered Accountant or Cost and Management Accountant or Chartered Secretary) other than its statutory auditors or audit firm on yearly basis regarding compliance of conditions of Corporate Governance Code of the Commission and shall such certificate shall be disclosed in the Annual Report; | V | | |
| 9(2) | The professional who will provide the certificate on compliance of this Corporate Governance Code shall be appointed by the shareholders in the annual general meeting; | V | | |
| 9(3) | The directors of the company shall state, in accordance with the Annexure-C attached, in the directors' report whether the company has complied with these conditions or not; | V | | |

Compliance of Good Governance Guidelines

The Statement of compliance with the good governance guidelines issued by the Bangladesh Bank vides DFIM Circular No. 7, dated 25 September 2007 regarding the policies on the responsibility & accountability of the Board of Directors, Chairman, and Chief Executive Officer of Financial Institution. The Board of Directors of the Company has taken appropriate steps to comply with the guidelines. A status report on compliance with those guidelines is stated below:

| . Particulars Status of Compliance | Status of Complianc |
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| Responsibilities and authorities of the Board of Directors: | |
| (a) Work-planning and strategic management: | |
| (i) The Board shall determine the Vision/ Mission of the institute. In order to enhance operational efficiency and to ensure business growth, they shall chalk out strategies ar work-plans on annual basis. The Board shall review such strategies on quarterly rests ar shall modify accordingly, if required. If any structural modification is required, shall bring those changes with consultation with the management. | nd Complie nd |
| (ii) The Board shall have its analytical review incorporated in the Annual report as regard the success/failure in achieving the business and other targets as set out in its annu work-plan and shall apprise the shareholders on future plans and strategies. | |
| (iii) The Board will set the Key Performance Indicator (KPI)s for the CEO and other seni executives and will appraise those on half yearly basis. | or Complie |
| (b) Formation of sub-committee: | |
| Executive Committee may be formed in combination with directors of the Company for rap settlement of the emergency matters (approval of loan/lease application, write-off, rescheduling etc.) arisen from the regular business activities. Except the Executive Committee and Auc Committee, no other committee or sub-committee can be formed, even in temporary basis. | ng Complie |
| (c) Financial management: | |
| (i) Annual budget and statutory financial statements shall be adopted finally with the approval of the Board. | ne Complie |
| (ii) Board shall review and examine in quarterly basis various statutory financial statement such as statement of income-expenses, statement of loan/lease, statement of liquidit adequacy of capital, maintenance of provision, legal affairs including actions taken recover overdue loan/lease. | y, Complie |
| (iii) Board shall approve the Company's policy on procurement and collection and shall als approve the expenditures according to policy. The Board to the maximum extend sha delegate the authority on the Managing Director and among other top executives f approval of expenditure within budget. | all Complie |
| (iv) The Board shall adopt the process of operation of bank accounts. To ensu transparency in financial matters, groups may be formed among the management operate bank accounts under joint signatures. | |
| (d) Management of Ioan/lease/investments: | |
| (i) Policy on evaluation of loan/lease/investment proposal, sanction and disbursement ar its regular collection and monitoring shall be adopted and reviewed by the Boa regularly based on prevailing laws and regulations. Board shall delegate the authority loan/lease/investment specifically to management preferably on Managing Director ar other top executives. | rd of Complie |
| (ii) No director shall interfere on the approval of loan proposal associated with him. The director concerned shall not give any opinion on that loan proposal. | ne Complie |
| (iii) Any large loan/lease/investment proposal must be approved by the Board. | Complie |

| (e | e) Risk management: | |
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| | isk Management Guideline framed in the light of Core Risk Management Guideline shall be pproved by the Board and reviewed by the Board regularly. | Complied |
| (f |) Internal control and compliance management: | |
| рі | n Audit Committee as approved by the Board shall be formed. Board shall evaluate the reports resented by the Audit Committee on compliance with the recommendation of internal auditors, xternal auditors and Bangladesh Bank Inspection team as well. | Complied |
| (9 |) Human resource management: | |
| C a _l D w | oard shall approve the policy on Human Resources Management and Service Rule. The hairman and directors of the Board shall not interfere on the administrative job in line with the proved Service Rule. Only the authority for the appointment and promotion of the Managing irector/Deputy Managing Director/ General Manager and other equivalent position shall lie ith the Board incompliance with the policy and Service Rule. No director shall be included in my Executive Committee formed for the purpose of appointment and promotion of others. | Complied |
| (h | n) Appointment of CEO: | |
| | he Board shall appoint a competent CEO for the institution with the prior approval of the angladesh Bank and shall approve the proposal for increment of his salary and allowances. | Complied |
| (i) | Benefits offer to the Chairman: | |
| | or the interest of the business, the Chairman may be offered an office room, a personal ecretary, a telephone at the office and a vehicle subject to the approval of the Board. | Complied |
| R | esponsibilities of the Chairman of the Board of Directors: | |
| (<i>a</i> | a) Chairman shall not participate in or interfere into the administrative or operational and routine affairs of the Company as he has no jurisdiction to apply executive power; | Complied |
| (b |) The minutes of the Board meetings shall be signed by the Chairman; | Complied |
| (c | c) The Chairman shall sign-off the proposal for appointment of Managing Director and increment of his salaries & allowances; | Complied |
| R | esponsibilities of Managing Director: | |
| (a | a) Managing Director shall discharge his responsibilities on matters relating to financial, business and administration vested by the Board upon him. He is also accountable for achievement of financial and other business targets by means of business plan, efficient implementation of administration and financial management; | Complied |
| (b | For day to day operations, Managing Director shall ensure compliance with the rules and regulation of the Financial Institutions Act, 1993 and other relevant circulars of Bangladesh Bank; | Complied |
| (0 | e) All recruitment/promotion, except those of DMD, GM and equivalent positions shall be vested upon the Managing Director. He shall act such in accordance the approved HR Policy of the institution; | Complied |
| (c | l) Managing Director may re-schedule job responsibilities of employees; | Complied |
| (€ | e) Except for the DMD, GM and equivalent positions, power to transfer and to take disciplinary action shall vest to the Managing Director. | Complied |
| (f |) Managing Director shall sign all the letters/statements relating to compliance of polices and guidelines. However, Departmental/Unit heads may sign daily letters/statements as set out in DFIM circular no. 2 dated 06 January 2009 if so authorized by Managing Director. | Complied |