

FINANCIAL REPORTING COUNCIL OF NIGERIA (Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade & Investment)

FRC/CG/001: TEMPLATE FOR REPORTING COMPLIANCEWITH THE NIGERIAN CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE 2018

Section A: Introduction

Corporate Governance is a key driver of corporate accountability and business prosperity. The Nigerian Code of Corporate Governance, 2018 (NCCG 2018) seeks to institutionalize corporate governance best practices in Nigerian companies. It is also aimed at increasing entities' levels of transparency, trust and integrity, and create an environment for sustainable business operations.

The Code adopts a principle-based approach in specifying minimum standards of practice that companies should adopt. Where so required, companies are required to adopt the "Apply and Explain" approach in reporting on compliance with the Code. The 'Apply and Explain' approach assumes application of all principles and requires entities to explain how the principles are applied. This requires companies to demonstrate how the specific activities they have undertaken best achieve the outcomes intended by the corporate governance principles specified in the Code.

This will help to prevent a 'box ticking' exercise as companies deliberately consider how they have (or have not) achieved the intended outcomes. Although, the Code recommends practices to enable companies apply the principles, it recognises that these practices can be tailored to meet industry or company needs. The Code is thus scalable to suit the type, size and growth phase of each company while still achieving the outcomes envisaged by the principles.

This form seeks to assess the company's level of compliance with the principles in the NCCG 2018. Entities should explain how these principles have been applied, specify areas of deviation from the principles and give reasons for these deviations and any alternative practice(s) adopted.

Please read the instructions below carefully before completing this form:

- i. Every line item and indicator must be completed.
- ii. Respond to each question with "Yes" where you have applied the principle, and "No" where you are yet to apply the principle.
- iii. An explanation on how you are applying the principle, or otherwise should be included as part of your response.
- iv. Not Applicable (N/A) is not a valid response.

Section B – General Information

S/No.	Items	Details
i.	Company Name	PRESTIGE ASSURANCE PLC
ii.	Date of Incorporation	06 January, 1970
iii.	RC Number	6753
iv.	License Number	RIC - 033
٧.	Company Physical Address	19 Ligali Ayorinde Street Victoria Island, Lagos.
vi.	Company Website Address	www.prestigeassuranceplc.com
vii.	Financial Year End	31st December 2022
∨iii.	Is the Company a part of a Group/Holding Company? Yes/No	NO
	If yes, please state the name of the Group/Holding Company	
ix.	Name and Address of Company Secretary	Chidinma Ibe-Louis 19 Ligali Ayorinde Street Victoria Island, Lagos.
X.	Name and Address of External Auditor(s)	Ernst & Young 10th &13th Floor UBA House, Marina, Lagos.
xi.	Name and Address of Registrar(s)	First Registrars & Investors Services Limited No. 2, Abebe Village Road, Iganmu, Lagos.
xii.	Investor Relations Contact Person	Chidinma Ibe-Louis
	(E-mail and Phone No.)	<u>cibe-louis@prestigeassuranceplc.com</u> 08058830333
xiii.	Name of the Governance Evaluation Consultant	FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TRAINING CENTRE (FITC)
xiv.	Name of the Board Evaluation Consultant	FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TRAINING CENTRE (FITC)

Section C - Details of Board of the Company and Attendance at Meetings

1. Board Details:

S/N	Names of Board Members	Designation (Chairman, MD, INED, NED, ED)	Gender	Date First Appointed/ Elected	Remark
1	Mr. Adedoyin Salami	Chairman - NED	MALE	11 th June 2018	Resigned with effect from 8th April 2022
2	Mr. Atul Sahai	NED	MALE	10 th February 2019	Resigned with effect from 17 th October 2022
3	Sir Muftau Oyegunle	NED	MALE	4th June 2013	Retired with effect from 3 rd June 2022
4	Mrs. Funmi Oyetunji	INED	FEMALE	20 th April 2018	Appointed a Chairman on 26 th October 2022
5	Mrs Rekha Gopalkrishnan	NED	FEMALE	28 th April 2021	
6	Mr. Rajesh Kamble	ED	MALE	9 th March 2021	
7	Mr Vadlamudi Raja	ED	MALE	20 th January, 2021	Resigned with effect from 19 th August 2022
8	Mr Vivek Kalla	ED	MALE	28 th October 2021	
9	Mr. N.S.R. Chandra Prasad	INED	MALE	17 th September 2021	
10	Mrs Aderonke Adedeji	NED	FEMALE	27 th April 2022	
11	Dr Nosike Agokei	NED	MALE	27th July 2022	

2. Attendance at Board and Committee Meetings:

S/No.	Names of Board Members	No. of Board Meetings Held in the Reporting Year	No. of Board Meetings Attended in the Reporting Year	Membership of Board Committees	Designation (Member or Chairman)	Number of Committee Meetings Held in the Reporting Year	Number of Committee Meetings Attended in the Reporting Year
1	Dr Adedoyin Salami	7	2	NONE	Chairman	NONE	NONE
2	Mr Rajesh Kamble	7	7	Finance and Investment Committee Audit, Risk Management Committee	Member Member	4	4
3	Sir Muftau O. Oyegunle	7	4	Establishment, Remuneration & Governance Committee	Chairman	4	2
				Audit, Risk Management Committee	Member	4	2
				Statutory Audit Committee	Member	4	2
4	Mrs Funmi Oyetunji	7	7	Finance and Investment Committee	Chairman	4	4
				Audit, Risk Management Committee	Chairman	4	4
				Statutory Audit Committee	Member	5	4
5	Mr. N. Chandra Prasad	7	7	Establishment, Remuneration & Governance Committee	Member	4	4
				Finance and Investment Committee	Member	4	4
				Statutory Audit Committee	Member	5	3
6	Mr. Vadlamudi Raja	7	5	Finance and Investment Committee	Member	4	3
				Audit, Risk Management Committee	Member	4	3
7	Mrs Rekha Gopalkrishnan	7	4	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

8	Mr Vivek Kalla	7	2	Finance and Investment Committee	Member	4	1
				Audit, Risk Management Committee	Member	4	1
9	Mrs Aderonke Adedeji	7	3	Establishment, Remuneration & Governance Committee	Member	4	1
				Audit, Risk Management Committee	Member	4	1
10	Dr Nosike Agokei	7	2	Statutory Audit Committee	Member	4	1

Section D - Details of Senior Management of the Company

1. Senior Management:

S/No.	Names	Position Held	Gender
1	Mr. Rajesh Kamble	Managing Director/CEO	Male
2	Mr. Vivek Kalla	Executive Director	Male
3	Mrs Ifeyinwa Edet	AGM Marketing/Business Development	Female
4	Mr Oluwadare Emmanuel	AGM Accounts & Finance/Chief Finance Officer	Male
5	Mrs Patricia Jibrin-Yaro	AGM Technical	Female
6	Mrs Eunice Aina	AGM Internal Audit & Control	Female
7	Mrs Chidinma Ibe-Louis	Company Secretary	Female
8	Mr. Michael Osazuwa	AGM Oil & Energy/Special Risks	Male

Principles	Reporting Questions	Explanation on application or deviation
Part A - Board of Dire		
Principle 1: Role of the Board "A successful Company is headed by an effective Board which is responsible for providing entrepreneurial and strategic leadership as well as promoting ethical culture and responsible corporate citizenship. As a link between stakeholders and the Company, the Board is to exercise oversight and control to ensure that management acts in the best interest of the shareholders and other stakeholders while sustaining the prosperity of the Company"	If yes, when was it last reviewed?	Yes, it has an approved Charter.
Principle 2: Board Structure and Composition "The effective discharge of the responsibilities of the Board and its committees is assured by an	i) What are the qualifications and experiences of the directors?	The directors have diverse professional qualifications as well as financial and technical backgrounds. Their experiences range from Finance, Accountancy, Law, Economics, Audit, Investment Banking, and Insurance.
appropriate balance of skills and diversity (including experience and gender) without compromising competence, independence and integrity "	ii) Does the company have a Board-approved diversity policy? Yes/No If yes, to what extent have the diversity targets been achieved?	which provides diversity, inclusion, and equality to
	iii) Are there directors holding concurrent directorships? Yes/No If yes, state names of the directors and the companies?	Yes. Mr Rajesh Kamble- Leadway Pensure Ltd; Leadway Hotels Ltd.
		Mrs Funmi Oyetunji — Nova Merchant Bank Ltd; Beyond Credit Ltd; Advantage Health Africa, Trove Technology.
		Mr. N. Chandra Prasad – GIC Housing Finance Limited, India; India International Insurance Pte. Ltd, Singapore; Kshema Capital Private Limited, India; Kshema Holdings Private Limited, India; Kshema General Insurance Ltd, India.
		Mrs Aderonke Adedeji – Leadway Holdings Ltd, Planet Governance Advisory Limited, Adelle & Woss Ltd, Raadvantage.
		Dr Nosike Agokei – Planet Capital Ltd, Planet Governance Ltd; Certari Asset Management Ltd; PPE International Resources Ltd; Egbosi Investments Ltd.
	iv) Is the MD/CEO or an Executive Director a chair of any Board Committee? Yes/No	No, the MD/CEO and the Executive Director do not chair of any Board Committee.
	If yes, provide the names of the Committees.	

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Principle 3: Chairman "The Chairman is responsible for providing overall leadership of the	i) Is the Chairman a member or chair of any of the Board Committees? Yes/no If yes, list them.	No, the Chairman is not a member or chair of any Board Committee.
Company and the Board, and eliciting the constructive participation of all Directors to facilitate effective direction of the	ii) At which Committee meeting(s) was the Chairman in attendance during the period under review?	None
Board"	iii) Is the Chairman an INED or a NED?	The Chairman is an INED
	iv) Is the Chairman a former MD/CEO or ED of the Company? Yes/No If yes, when did his/her tenure as MD end?	No, the Chairman is not a former MD/CEO or ED of the Company.
	v) When was he/she appointed as Chairman?	She was appointed Chairman on 26 th October 2022.
	vi) Are the roles and responsibilities of the Chairman clearly defined? Yes/No If yes, specify which document	Yes, the roles and responsibilities of the Chairman clearly defined in the Letter of Appointment.
Principle 4: Managing Director/ Chief Executive Officer "The Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer is	i) Does the MD/CEO have a contract of employment which sets out his authority and relationship with the Board? Yes/No If no, in which documents is it specified?	Yes, the MD/CEO have a contract of employment which sets out his authority and relationship with the Board.
the head of management delegated by the Board to run the affairs of the Company to achieve its strategic objectives for	ii) Does the MD/CEO declare any conflict of interest on appointment, annually, thereafter, and as they occur? Yes/No	Yes, the MD/CEO declare any conflict of interest on appointment, annually, thereafter, and as they occur.
sustainable corporate performance"	iii) Which of the Board Committee meetings did the MD/CEO attend during the period under review?	Finance & Investment Committee Risk Committee
	iv) Is the MD/CEO serving as NED in any other company? Yes/no . If yes, please state the company(ies)?	Yes, the MD/CEO is serving as NED in other companies Leadway Pensure PFA Limited - Leadway Hotels Limited
	v) Is the membership of the MD/CEO in these companies in line with the Board-approved policies? Yes/No	Yes, the membership of the MD/CEO in these companies in line with the Board-approved policies.
Principle 5: Executive Directors Executive Directors support the	i) Do the EDs have contracts of employment? Yes/no	Yes, the EDs have contracts of employment.
Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer in the operations and management of the Company	ii) If yes, do the contracts of employment set out the roles and responsibilities of the EDs? Yes/No If no, in which document are the roles and responsibilities specified?	Yes, the contracts of employment set out the roles and responsibilities of the EDs.
	iii) Do the EDs declare any conflict of interest on appointment, annually, thereafter and as they occur? Yes/No	Yes, the EDs declare any conflict of interest on appointment, annually, thereafter, and as they occur.
	iv) Are there EDs serving as NEDs in any other company? Yes/No If yes, please list	No ED is serving as NEDs in any other Company.
	v) Are their memberships in these companies in line with Board-approved policy? Yes/No	No ED serve on the Board of any other Company.
Principle 6: Non- Executive Directors Non-Executive Directors bring to bear their knowledge, expertise and	i) Are the roles and responsibilities of the NEDs clearly defined and documented? Yes/No If yes, where are these documented?	Yes, the roles and responsibilities of the NEDs are clearly defined in the letter of appointment.

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independent judgment on issues of strategy and performance on the Board	ii) Do the NEDs have letters of appointment specifying their duties, liabilities and terms of engagement? Yes/No iii) Do the NEDs declare any conflict of interest on appointment, annually, thereafter, and as they occur? Yes/No	Yes, the NEDs have letters of appointment specifying their duties, liabilities, and terms of Engagement. Yes, the NEDs declare any conflict of interest on appointment, annually, thereafter, and as they occur.
	iv) Are NEDs provided with information relating to the management of the company and on all Board matters? Yes/No If yes, when is the information provided to the NEDs	Yes, this is provided in the board reports presented every quarter at board meetings.
	v) What is the process of ensuring completeness and adequacy of the information provided?	Reports are generated on a timely basis by the Management, sent to the MD for review and verification. He forwards to the Company Secretary for transmission to the Board before meetings.
	vi) Do NEDs have unfettered access to the EDs, Company Secretary and the Internal Auditor? Yes/No	Yes, the NEDs have unfettered access to the ED, Company Secretary, and the Internal Auditor.
Principle 7: Independent Non- Executive Directors	i) Do the INEDs meet the independence criteria prescribed under Section 7.2 of the Code? Yes/No	Yes, the INEDs meet the independence criteria prescribed under Section 7.2 of the Code.
Independent	ii) Are there any exceptions?	No, there are no exceptions.
Non-Executive Directors bring a high degree of objectivity to the Board for sustaining stakeholder trust and confidence"	iii) What is the process of selecting INEDs?	The curriculum vitae of candidates satisfying the requirements for directorship position are forwarded to the Establishment, Remuneration and Governance Committee for scrutiny to ascertain that the proposed directors are fit and proper persons before recommendation to the Board for consideration.
		If successful at this stage, the proposed directors name and credentials are presented to NAICOM for approval.
	iv) Do the INEDs have letters of appointment specifying their duties, liabilities and terms of engagement? Yes/No	• •
	v) Do the INEDs declare any conflict of interest on appointment, annually, thereafter and as they occur? Yes/No	Yes, the INEDs declare any conflict of interest on appointment, annually, thereafter, and as they occur.
	vi) Does the Board ascertain and confirm the independence of the INEDs? Yes/No If yes, how often? What is the process?	Yes. Directors are required to complete a Directors' Interest Declaration Form annually and to declare conflict of interest (if any) at every Board Meeting. Based on information provided, the Board is able to ascertain the continued Independence of the INEDs.
	vii) Is the INED a Shareholder of the Company? Yes/No If yes, what is the percentage shareholding?	Yes, the INEDs are Shareholders of the Company. Mrs Funmi Oyetunji has 11,844 units of shares and the percentage shareholding represents 0.000089% of the Company's issued shares.

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		Mr Prasad has 4,415,594 units of shares and the percentage shareholding represents 0.033% of the Company's issued shares.
	with the Company apart from directorship	No, the INED does not have another relationship with the Company apart from directorship and/or shareholding.
	ix) What are the components of INEDs remuneration?	Directors Fees
Principle Company 8	i) Is the Company Secretary in-house or outsourced?	The Company Secretary is In-House
Secretary "The iveness of Company support the the Board by Corporate	the Company Secretary?	The Company Secretary has over 17 years post post-call experience as a Barrister and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Nigeria. She holds LLB and LLM Degrees.
the Board " management " develop gooc	iii) Where the Company Secretary is an employee of the Company, is the person a member of senior management?	Yes, the Company Secretary is an employee of the Company and a member of senior management.
governance and culture \ Company	to?	The Company Secretary reports to the Board on her functional duties through the Board Chairman as well as to the Managing Director as a member of the Company's management on her administrative responsibilities.
	v) What is the appointment and removal process of the Company Secretary?	The Board is responsible for the appointment and removal of the Company Secretary in line with the provisions of the Companies and Allied Matters Act.
	vi) Who undertakes and approves the performance appraisal of the Company Secretary?	The Board undertakes and approves the performance appraisal of the Company Secretary as an integral part of the Annual Board Evaluation exercise.
Principle 9: Access to Independent Advice "Directors are sometimes required to make decisions of a technical and complex nature that may	approved policy that allows directors access to independent professional	Yes, the Board Charter provides that the Directors shall have access to independent professional advice where they consider it necessary to discharge their responsibilities as Directors.
require independent external expertise"	ii) Who bears the cost for the independent professional advice?	The Company bears the cost for such independent advice whenever required.
	iii) During the period under review, did the Directors obtain any independent professional advice? Yes/No If yes, provide details.	No, the Directors did not obtain any independent professional advice during the period under review.
Principle 10: Meetings of the Board "Meetings are the principal vehicle for conducting the business of the Board and successfully fulfilling the strategic objectives of the	i) What is the process for reviewing and approving minutes of Board meetings?	Minutes of previous meetings are sent to the Directors ahead of time for reviews and thereafter collectively reviewed and approved by the Board at the Board Meetings.
strategic objectives of the Company"	ii) What are the timelines for sending the minutes to Directors?	The timelines for sending the minutes with the Board papers to Directors is 7 days before the next scheduled meeting.
	do not meet the Company policy on meeting attendance?	The Directors are required to attend 75% of the Meetings which is a criterion for the nomination for re-election of a director. Directors who do not meet this attendance threshold stand the risk of not being nominated for re-election at Annual General Meetings.

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Principle 11: Board Committees "To ensure efficiency and	i) Do the Board Committees have Board approved Charters which set out their responsibilities and terms of reference? Yes/No	Yes, the Board Committees have Board approved Charters which set out their responsibilities and terms of reference.				
effectiveness, the Board delegates some of its functions, duties and responsibilities to well-	ii) What is the process for reviewing and approving minutes of Board Committee of meetings?	The minutes are circulated to the Committee members for review and are adopted at the subsequent meeting.				
structured committees, without abdicating its responsibilities"	iii) What are the timelines for sending the minutes to the directors?	The timelines for sending the minutes to Directors is 7 days before the next scheduled meeting.				
	iv) Who acts as Secretary to board committees?	The Company Secretary acts as Secretary to the board committees.				
	v) What Board Committees are responsible for the following matters? a) Nomination and Governance b) Remuneration c) Audit d) Risk Management	The Board Committees are as follows: a. Establishment, Remuneration & Governance Committee b. Establishment, Remuneration & Governance Committee c. Risk, Audit & Compliance Committee d. Risk, Audit & Compliance Committee				
	vi) What is the process of appointing the chair of each committee?	The Chair of each Committee is determined and appointed by the Board of Directors.				
	Committee responsible	for Nomination and Governance				
	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	There is one INED on the Committee. The other members are Non-Executive Directors.				
	viii) Is the chairman of the Committee a NED or INED?	The chairman of the Committee is a NED.				
	ix) Does the Company have a succession plan policy? Yes/No If yes, how often is it reviewed?	Yes, the Company have a succession plan policy. It is reviewed every 2 years or as required.				
	x) How often are Board and Committee charters as well as other governance policies reviewed?	The Board and Committee charters as well as other governance policies are reviewed periodically or as required.				
	xi) How does the committee report on its activities to the Board?	The chairman of each Board committee presents a written report of the key recommendations made at their meetings to the Board and the reports are reviewed and decision taken by the Board are recorded in the minutes as part of its records.				
	Committee responsible for Remuneration					
	xii) What is the proportion of INEDs to NEDs on the Committee responsible for Remuneration?	There is one INED on the Committee. The other members are non-executive directors.				
	xiii) Is the chairman of the Committee a NED or INED ?	NED				
	Committee responsible for Audit					
	xiv) Does the Company have a Board Audit Committee separate from the Statutory Audit Committee? Yes/No	Yes, the Company has a Board Audit Committee separate from the Statutory Audit Committee.				
	xv) Are members of the Committee responsible for Audit financially literate? Yes/No	Yes, members of the Committee responsible for Audit are financially literate.				
	xvi) What are their qualifications and experience?	The members have a range of qualifications which include degrees in insurance, accounting, finance, administration, Law, and financial reporting. They directors several years of experience range from Finance, Accountancy, Law, Economics, Audit, Investment Banking, and Insurance in different organizations within Nigeria and overseas.				
	xvii) Name the financial expert(s) on the Committee responsible for Audit	The financial expert on the Committee responsible for Audit is Dr Nosike Agokei.				

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	xviii) How often does the Committee responsible for Audit review the internal auditor's reports?	The Committee responsible for Audit review the internal auditor's reports quarterly.
	xix) Does the Company have a Board approved internal control framework in place? Yes/No	Yes, the Company has a Board approved internal control framework in place.
	xx) How does the Board monitor compliance with the internal control framework?	The Board monitors compliance with the internal control framework through the Board Audit and Risk Management Committee's quarterly meetings during which it receives reports from the Head, Internal Control. Where there are breaches, the Board through the Audit Committee gives directives to the management for immediate remedial actions.
	xxi) Does the Committee responsible for Audit review the External Auditors management letter, Key Audit Matters and management response to issues raised? Yes/No Please explain.	Yes. The Audit Committee reviews the external auditors' management letter, the key audit matters and management responses. The Committee seeks clarifications from External Auditors and Management as it relates to the audit of the company's financial statements and matters raised.
	xxii) Is there a Board-approved policy that clearly specifies the non-audit services that the external auditor shall not provide? Yes/No	A statement on non-audit services is contained in the audit committee Terms of Reference.
	xxiii) How many times did the Audit Committee hold discussions with the head of internal audit function and external auditors without the management during the period under review?	The Audit Committee hold discussions with the Head of Internal Audit function without the management 4 times in a year, i.e. on a quarterly basis and once with the External auditors.
	Committee respo	nsible for Risk Management
	xxiv) Is the Chairman of the Risk Committee a NED or an INED?	The Chairman of the Risk Committee an INED.
	xxv) Is there a Board approved Risk Management framework? Yes/No? If yes, when was it approved?	Yes, there is a Board approved Risk Management Framework. It was approved 2 years ago.
	xxvi) How often does the Committee review the adequacy and effectiveness of the Risk Management Controls in place? Date of last review.	The Committee reviews the adequacy and effectiveness of the Risk Management Controls on a quarterly basis. The date of last review was in October 2021
	xxvii) Does the Company have a Board approved IT Data Governance Framework? Yes/No If yes, how often is it reviewed?	Yes, the Company has a Board approved IT Data Governance Framework. It is reviewed periodically.
	xxviii) How often does the Committee receive and review compliance report on the IT Data Governance Framework?	The Committee receive and review compliance report on the IT Data Governance Framework annually.
	xxix) Is the Chief Risk Officer (CRO) a member of Senior Management and does he have relevant experience for this role? Yes/No	Yes, the Chief Risk Officer (CRO) a member of Senior Management and he has relevant experience for this role.
	xxx) How many meetings of the Committee did the CRO attend during the period under review?	The CRO attended 4 meetings of the Committee during the period under review.

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Principle 12: Appointment to the Board	i) Is there a Board-approved policy for the appointment of Directors? Yes/No	Yes, there a Board-approved policy for the appointment of Directors.
"A written, clearly defined, rigorous, formal and transparent procedure serves as a guide for the selection of Directors to ensure the appointment of high-quality individuals to the Board"	ii) What criteria are considered for their appointment?	The appointment to the Board will take into consideration the strength and areas of improvement of the existing Board, technical, financial/accounting skills, competency in insurance, risk and business management experience, record of tangible achievements, integrity, business experience in local and or international markets, leadership skills, ability to provide strategic insight and direction. Other demographics such as geographical spread, age, ethnic diversity, and inclusion, commitment as well as capacity to undertake the responsibility.
	iii) What is the Board process for ascertaining that prospective directors are fit and proper persons?	Directors are appointed through a rigorous process which involves scrutiny, discreet validation of character and interaction with the candidates aimed at ascertaining the fit and to ensure the appointment of high-quality individuals are appointed to the Board.
	 iv) Is there a defined tenure for the following: a) The Chairman b) The MD/CEO c) INED d) NED e) EDs 	Yes, there is a defined tenure. a) Yes b) Yes c) Yes d) Yes
	e) EDs	e) Yes
	v) Please state the tenure	The tenure of Directors is 9 years. The Directors shall not be re-nominated and appointed for more than 3 terms of 3 years each.
	vi) Does the Board have a process to ensure that it is refreshed periodically? Yes/No?	Yes, the Board have a process to ensure that it is refreshed periodically.
Principle 13: Induction and Continuing Education "A formal induction	i) Does the Board have a formal induction programme for new directors? Yes/No	Yes, the Board has a formal induction programme for new directors.
"A formal induction programme on joining the Board as well as regular	ii) During the period under review, were new Directors appointed? Yes/No	Yes, new Directors were appointed.
training assists Directors to effectively discharge their duties to the Company"	If yes, provide date of induction.	The induction was on 11 th November 2022
dolles to the Company	iii) Are Directors provided relevant training to enable them effectively discharge their duties? Yes/No If yes, provide training details.	Yes. The Company is always willing to sponsor its Directors to participate periodically in relevant continuing education program at the expense of the company in order to update their knowledge and skills and keep them informed of new developments in the Company's business, regulatory and operating environments to enable them to effectively discharge their duties.
		The details of the trainings are as follows:
		i. High Performance Leadership Strategies.
		ii. Corporate Governance Trends in the Insurance Industry.
		iii. Compliance, Regulatory and AML/CFT/CPF Oversight Responsibilities of the Board.
		The Trainings organised by Regulators:
		iv. Transforming the Insurance Industry Through ESG Principles: Directors' Roles. (Organised by NAICOM).
		v. Internal Control over Financial Reporting (Organised by SEC).
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	iv) How do you assess the training needs of Directors?	Through the individual assessment of the Directors and the Board Evaluation report.
		Also, as the company's business evolve, certain gaps are identified in line with the current economic realities and the business needs.
		Further the Company's regulators (NAICOM, SEC, NGX) sometimes mandates the Company to present its directors for specific compulsory trainings.
	v) Is there a Board-approved training plan? Yes/No	Yes, there is a Board-approved training plan.
	vi) Has it been budgeted for? Yes/No	Yes, there is a budget.
Principle 14: Board Evaluation "Annual Board evaluation assesses how each Director, the committees of the Board and the Board are committed to their roles, work together and continue to contribute	i) Is there a Board-approved policy for evaluating Board performance? Yes/No	Yes, there is a Board-approved policy for evaluating Board performance.
	ii) For the period under review, was there any Board Evaluation exercise conducted? Yes/No	Yes, a Board Evaluation exercise for the period under review is ongoing.
effectively to the	iii) If yes, indicate whether internal or external.	External
achievement of the Company's objectives"	Provide date of last evaluation.	The date of the last evaluation was in March 2022 in respect of the 2021 Financial Year.
	iv) Has the Board Evaluation report been presented to the full Board? Yes/No If yes, indicate date of presentation.	The Board evaluation report for 2021 was presented to the Board at the Board Meeting of 31st March 2022.
		Report for 2022 is not ready as evaluation is ongoing.
	v) Did the Chairman discuss the evaluation report with the individual directors? Yes/No	Yes
	vi) Is the result of the evaluation for each Director considered in the re-election process? Yes/No	Yes, the result of the evaluation for each Director considered in the re-election process.
Principle 15: Corporate Governance Evaluation "Institutionalizing a system for evaluating the Company's	i) For the period under review, has the Company conducted a corporate governance evaluation? Yes/No If yes, provide date of the evaluation.	Yes, it commenced in November 2022 and is currently ongoing with the board evaluation.
corporate governance practices ensures that its governance standards, practices and processes are	ii) Is the result of the Corporate Governance Evaluation presented and considered by the Board? Yes/No	Yes, the result of the Corporate Governance Evaluation is presented and considered by the Board.
adequate and effective"	iii) If yes, please indicate the date of last presentation.	The last presentation was on March 2022
	iv) Is the summary of the Corporate Governance Evaluation included in the annual reports and Investors portal? Yes/No	Yes, the summary of the Corporate Governance Evaluation included in the annual reports and Investor's portal.
Principle 16: Remuneration Governance	i) Is there a Board-approved Directors' remuneration policy? Yes/No If yes, how often is it reviewed?	Yes, there is a Board-approved Directors' remuneration policy. It is reviewed periodically as the need arises.
"The Board ensures that the Company remunerates fairly, responsibly and transparently so as to promote the achievement of strategic objectives and positive outcomes in the short, medium and long term"	ii) Provide details of directors' fees, allowances and all other benefits paid to them during the period under review	Directors fees, allowances and other benefits are paid to non-exectuive directors of the company.
	iii) Is the remuneration of NEDS presented to shareholders for approval? Yes/No If yes, when was it approved?	Yes, the remuneration of NEDs is presented to shareholders for approval. It was approved at the Company's last AGM on 26th May 2022.

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Principles	iv) What portion of the NEDs remuneration is linked to company performance?	The NEDs do not receive any remuneration that is linked to the Company's performance.
	v) Is there a Board-approved remuneration policy for Executive and Senior management? Yes/No If yes, to what extent is remuneration linked to company performance?	Yes, there is a Board-approved remuneration policy for Executive and Senior management which is in line with the Company's remuneration Policy.
	vi) Has the Board set KPIs for Executive Management? Yes/No	Yes, the Board set KPIs for Executive Management.
	vii) If yes, was the performance measured against the KPIs? Yes/No	Yes, the performance was measured against the KPIs.
	viii) Do the MD/CEO, EDs and Company Secretary receive a sitting allowance and/or directors fees? Yes/No	No, the individuals mentioned do not receive sitting allowance and/or directors fees.
	ix) Which of the following receive sitting allowance and/or fees: a. MD/CEO b. ED c. Company Secretary d. Other Senior management staff	None of the individuals mentioned receive sitting allowance and/or fees.
	x) Is there a Board-approved clawback policy for Executive management? Yes/No If yes, attach the policy.	Yes, there is a Board-approved clawback policy for Executive management which is uploaded on the Investor's Portal.
Principle 17: Risk Management "A sound framework for	i) Has the Board defined the company's risk appetite and limit? Yes/No	Yes, the Board has a defined the company's risk appetite and limit. The company's risk appetite is discussed at Board meetings.
managing risk and ensuring an effective internal control system is essential for	ii) How often does the company conduct a risk assessment?	The company conduct a risk assessment quarterly.
achieving the strategic objectives of the Company"	iii) How often does the board receive and review risk management reports?	The board receive and review risk management reports on a quarterly basis.
Principle 18: Internal Audit "An effective internal audit function provides assurance to the Board on the effectiveness of the governance, risk management and internal control systems"	i) Does the company have an Internal Audit function? Yes/No If no, how has the Board obtained adequate assurance on the effectiveness of internal processes and systems?	Yes, the company have an Internal Audit function.
	ii) Does the company have a Board-approved internal audit charter? Yes/No	Yes, the company has a Board-approved internal audit charter.
	iii) Is the head of internal audit a member of senior management? Yes/No	Yes, the head of internal audit is a member of senior management.
	iv) What is the qualification and experience of the head of internal audit?	The qualification and experience of the head of internal audit is an Associate of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria and has has over 15 years' cognate experience in Finance and Accounting, Internal Control, and Internal Audit.
	v) Does the company have a Board-approved annual risk-based internal audit plan? Yes/No	Yes, the company has a Board-approved annual risk- based internal audit plan.
	vi) Does the head of the internal audit function report at least once every quarter to the committee responsible for audit, on the adequacy and effectiveness of management, governance, risk, and control environment; deficiencies observed and management mitigation plans? Yes/No	Yes, the head of the internal audit function reports at least once every quarter to the Audit and Compliance Committee responsible for audit, on the adequacy and effectiveness of management, governance, risk, and control environment; deficiencies observed and management mitigation plans.

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	vii) Is there an external assessment of the effectiveness of the internal audit function at least once every three years by a qualified independent reviewer appointed by the Board? Yes/No If yes, when was the last assessment?	Yes, there is an external assessment of the effectiveness of the internal audit function at least once every three years by a qualified independent reviewer appointed by the Board. The last assessment was in November 2021.
	viii) Who undertakes and approves the performance evaluation of the Head of Internal Audit?	The Audit Committee undertakes and approves the performance evaluation of the Head of Internal Audit.
Principle 19: Whistleblowing "An effective whistle- blowing framework for reporting any illegal or unethical behaviour minimises the Company's exposure and prevents recurrence"	i) Does the company have a Board-approved whistleblowing framework? Yes/No If yes, when was the date of last review	Yes, the company has a Board-approved whistleblowing framework.
	ii) Does the Board ensure that the whistleblowing mechanism and are process reliable, accessible to all stakeholders, guarantees anonymity and protection of the whistleblower? Yes/No	Yes, the Board ensures that the whistleblowing mechanism process are reliable, accessible to all stakeholders, and guarantees anonymity and protection of the whistleblower.
	iii) Is the Audit committee provided with the following reports on a periodic basis? a) Reported cases	Yes, the Audit committee is provided with the reports listed.
	b) Process and results of Investigated cases	
Principle 20: External Audit "An external auditor is appointed to provide an independent opinion on the true and fair view of the financial statements of the Company to give	i) Who makes the recommendations for the appointment, re-appointment or removal of external auditors?	The Audit Committee makes the recommendations for the appointment, re-appointment or removal of external auditors.
	ii) Who approves the appointment, reappointment, and removal of External Auditors?	The Shareholders at the Company's AGM, approve the appointment, re-appointment, or removal of the External Auditors.
assurance to stakeholders on the reliability of the financial statements"	iii) When was the first date of appointment of the External auditors?	The first date of appointment of the External auditors was in 2016.
inancial statements	iv) How often are the audit partners rotated?	The audit partners are rotated every 5 years.
Principle 21: General Meetings "General Meetings are important platforms for the Board to engage shareholders to facilitate greater understanding of the Company's business, governance and performance. They provide shareholders with an	i) How many days prior to the last general meeting were notices, annual reports and any other relevant information dispatched to Shareholders?	Twenty-Six (26) days
	ii) Were the Chairmen of all Board Committees and the Chairman of the Statutory Audit Committee present to respond to Shareholders' enquiries at the last meeting? Yes/No	Yes, the Chairmen of all Board Committees and the Chairman of the Statutory Audit Committee present to respond to Shareholders' enquiries at the last meeting.
opportunity to exercise their ownership rights and express their views to the Board on any areas of interest"		
Principle 22: Shareholder Engagement	i) Is there a Board-approved policy on shareholders' engagement? Yes/No	Yes, there is a Board-approved policy on shareholders' engagement.
"The establishment of a system of regular dialogue with shareholders balance their needs, interests and	lf yes: a) when was it last reviewed? b) Is the policy hosted on the company's website? ii) How does the Board engage with	It was approved on 27 th July 2021. The policy is hosted on the Investors' Portal of the company's website.
expectations with the objectives of the Company"	Institutional Investors and how often?	The Board engage with Institutional Investors through the Annual General Meetings.

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Principle 23: Protection of Shareholder Rights "Equitable treatment of shareholders and the protection of their statutory and general rights, particularly the interest of minority shareholders, promote good governance"	i) Does the Board ensure that adequate and timely information is provided to the shareholders on the Company's activities? Yes/No	Yes, the Board ensures that adequate and timely information is provided to the shareholders on the Company's activities.
Principle 24: Business Conduct and Ethics "The establishment of professional business and ethical standards underscore the values for the protection and enhancement of the reputation of the Company while promoting good conduct and investor confidence"	i) Does the company have a Board-approved Code of Business Conduct and Ethics (COBE) that guides the professional business and ethical standards? Yes/No If yes: a) Has the COBE been communicated to all internal and external Stakeholders? Yes/No b) Is the COBE applicable to any or all of the following: 1. Board 2. Senior management 3. Other employees 4. Third parties	Conduct and Ethics (COBE) that guides the professional business and standards. Yes, it has been communicated to all internal and external stakeholders. b) It is applicable to all stakeholders including members of the Board, senior management, all employees and third parties.
	ii) When was the date of last review of the policy? iii) Has the Board incorporated a process for identifying, monitoring, and reporting adherence to the COBE? Yes/No iv) What sanctions were imposed for the period under review for non-compliance with the COBE?	It was approved in October 2022. Yes, the Board has incorporated a process for identifying, monitoring, and reporting adherence to the COBE. There were no sanctions imposed as there was full compliance with the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics during the period under review.
Principle 25: Ethical Culture "The establishment of policies and mechanisms for monitoring insider trading, related party transactions, conflict of interest and other corrupt activities, mitigates the adverse effects of these abuses on the Company and promotes good ethical conduct and investor confidence"	i) Is there a Board- approved policy on insider trading? Yes/No If yes: a) When was the last date of review? b) How does the Board monitor compliance with this policy?	Yes, there is a Board- approved policy on insider trading. It was approved on 27th July 2021. The Company Secretary advises all directors, employees on the commencement and end of a non-dealing period were the Insiders are not allowed to trade in the Company's shares within the closed period.
	ii) Does the company have a Board approved policy on related party transactions? Yes/No If yes: a) When was the last date of review? b) How does the Board monitor compliance with this policy? c) Is the policy applicable to any or all of the following: 1. Board 2. Senior management 3. Other employees (Specify) 4. Third parties (Specify)	Yes, the company has a Board approved policy on related party transactions. At every quarterly Board meeting, directors are required to declare interest in matters scheduled for consideration.
	iii) How does the Board ensure adequate disclosure of Related Party Transactions by the responsible parties?	Directors are required to disclose interest in any transaction.

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	iv) Does the company have a Board-approved policy on conflict of interest? Yes/No If yes: a) When was the last date of review? b) How does the Board monitor compliance with this policy? c) Is the policy applicable to any or all of the following: 1. Senior management 2. Other employees (Specify)	Yes, the company has a Board-approved policy on conflict of interest. The directors are required to fill and submit an Interest Declaration Form on an annual basis. Also, to disclose at every Board Meeting any case that may lead to conflict interest and interested directors do not participate in decisions on matters they have interest. Yes, the policy applicable to any or all of the Senior management and other employees.
Principle 26: Sustainability "Paying adequate attention to sustainability issues including environment, social, occupational and community health and safety ensures successful	i) Is there a Board-approved sustainability policy? Yes/No If yes, when was it last reviewed?	Yes. It was approved by the Board on 26 th October 2022.
	ii) How does the Board monitor compliance with the policy?	The Board will monitor compliance through periodic reports or sustainability activities and take appropriate action.
long-term business performance and projects the Company as a	المناه ما المالانين	Sustainability Report is included in the Annual Report.
responsible corporate citizen contributing to economic development"	iv) Is there a Board-approved policy on diversity in the workplace? Yes/No If yes, when was it last reviewed?	Yes. It was approved by the Board on 27 th April 2022.
Principle 27: Stakeholder Communication	i) Is there a Board-approved policy or stakeholder management and communication? Yes/No	Yes, there is a Board-approved policy on stakeholde management and communication.
"Communicating and interacting with stakeholders keeps them conversant with the activities of the Company and assists them in making informed decisions"	ii) Does the Company have an up to date investor relation portal? Yes/No If yes, provide the link.	
Frinciple 28: Disclosures "Full and comprehensive disclosure of all matters	i) Does the company's annual report include a summary of the corporate governance report? Yes/No	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
material to investors and stakeholders, and of matters set out in this Code, ensures proper monitoring of its implementation which engenders good corporate governance practice"		

Section F - Certification

We hereby make this declaration in good faith and confirm that the information provided in this form is true.

Chairman of the Board of Directors

Chairman of the Committee responsible for Governance

Name: MRS FUNML OYETUNJI

Name: DR NOSIKE AGOKEI

Signature:

Signature:

Date: 20TH JAN. 2023

Date: 20TH JAN. 2023

Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer

Company Secretary

Name: MR RAJESH KAMBLE

Name: MRS CHIDINMA IBE-LOUIS

Signature:

Signature:

Date: 20TH JAN. 2023

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