

# CORPORATE PROFILE

AirAsia X Berhad ("AirAsia X" or "the Company") is a mid-range low-cost airline operating primarily in the Asia-Pacific region. Established in 2006 as Fly Asian Express ("FAX"), we started out servicing the rural areas of Sarawak and Sabah with turboprop aircraft before undergoing a comprehensive rebranding in September 2007, followed by our first AirAsia X flight to Australia in November 2007.

At the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, AirAsia X embarked on a period of hibernation of its scheduled flight operations and commenced its debt restructuring by way of a scheme of arrangement in October 2020, which was completed and formalised on 16 March 2022 following lodgment of the court sanction.

AirAsia X as a Group has since then been on a steady course of recovery as it returned to the skies with scheduled passenger flight operations to Australia (Sydney, Melbourne, Perth, and the Gold Coast), China (Beijing, Hangzhou, Shanghai and Chengdu), India (New Delhi and Amritsar), South Korea (Seoul and Busan), Japan (Sapporo, Tokyo and Osaka), Taiwan (Taipei), Indonesia (Bali), and Saudi Arabia (Jeddah) from two hubs: Kuala Lumpur and Bangkok as of January 2024.

As of 31 December 2023, we maintain a core fleet of 18 A330-300 aircraft, while our associate Thai AirAsia X maintains a fleet size of eight A330-300 aircraft.

Based on a revitalised business model as we return stronger than before, our unit cost base is healthy, with cost per available seat kilometre ("CASK") of 14.81 sen and CASK (excluding fuel) of 6.76 sen for the quarter ended 31 December 2023. This enables us to continue offering fares and other services that are targeted, on average, to be 30% - 50% lower than full-service carriers.

Over the past year, we continued to witness the rapid recovery of the international travel segment within the industry, and delivering increased value in the coming years.

# OUR VISION

To be the largest low cost airline in Asia and serving the 3 billion people who are currently underserved with poor connectivity and high fares

# OUR MISSION

- To be the best company to work for whereby employees are treated as part of a big family.
- Create a globally recognised ASEAN brand.
- To attain the lowest cost so that everyone can fly with AirAsia.
- Maintain the highest quality product, embracing technology to reduce cost and enhance service levels.

# VALUES

- All for One, One for All
- Dare to Dream
- Make a Difference
- Celebrate All Individuals
- Keep it Simple
- Be Transparent
- Have Empathy & Respect
- Safety is #1



This report cover visual encapsulates the essence of AirAsia X's premium cabin experience – evoking a sense of warmth as it embraces our customers' return to travel with us. It exudes a sense of prestige and sophistication, mirroring the luxurious atmosphere of our premium cabin and reflecting our unwavering commitment to providing exceptional flight experiences. Despite facing challenging times, our dedication to excellence remains steadfast as we continue to serve our valued passengers with the highest standards of quality and care.

For more information, please go to website link https://www.airasiax.com/ar.html to view AirAsia X Annual Report 2023.

# AIRASIA ANNUAL REPORT 2023

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Non-Independent Non-Executive Chairman

# DATUK KAMARUDIN BIN MERANUN

Non-Independent Non-Executive Director

#### TAN SRI ASMAT BIN KAMALUDIN

Independent
Non-Executive Director

#### MS CHIN MIN MING

Independent Non-Executive Director

# DATO' ABDUL MUTALIB BIN ALIAS

Independent Non-Executive Director

# DATO' SRI MOHAMMED SHAZALLI BIN RAMLY

Independent Non-Executive Director

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

- Dato' Abdul Mutalib bin Alias
- Ms Chin Min Ming
- Dato' Sri Mohammed Shazalli bin Ramly

# NOMINATION AND REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

- Tan Sri Asmat bin Kamaludin
- · Ms Chin Min Ming
- · Dato' Abdul Mutalib bin Alias

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

- Ms Chin Min Ming
- Dato' Sri Mohammed Shazalli bin Ramly
- Dato' Abdul Mutalib bin Alias

#### SAFETY REVIEW BOARD

- Dato' Sri Mohammed Shazalli bin Ramly
- Dato' Fam Lee Ee
- Benyamin bin Ismail

#### **COMPANY SECRETARY**

Thin Pui Leng (LS0009933) (SSM PC No. 202208000271)

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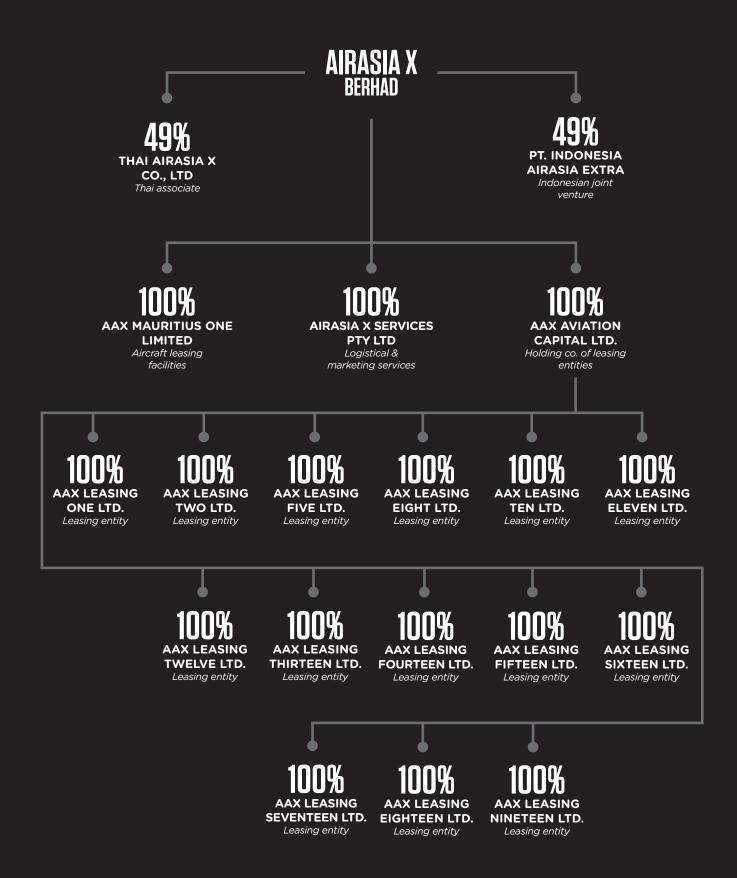
# STOCK EXCHANGE LISTING

Main Market of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad

Listing Date : 10 July 2013

Stock Name : AAX Stock Code : 5238

# CORPORATE STRUCTURE As at 31 December 2023



# **DIRECTORS' PROFILES**

# DATO' FAM LEE EE

Non-Independent Non-Executive Chairman

Dato' Fam (Male), Malaysian, aged 62, was appointed as Non-Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company on 24 March 2008, and on 8 September 2023, redesignated as Non-Independent Non-Executive Deputy Chairman. On 18 December 2023, Dato' Fam was redesignated as the Chairman of the Company. He is also a member of the Safety Review Board of the Company.

He received his BA (Hons) from the University of Malaya in 1986 and LLB (Hons) from the University of Liverpool, England in 1989. Upon obtaining his Certificate of Legal Practice in 1990, he has been practising law since 1991 and is currently a Senior Partner at Messrs Gan & Zul.

Dato' Fam sat on the Board of Trustees of Yayasan PEJATI from 1996 to 2007. Since 2001, he has served as a legal advisor to the Chinese Guilds and Association and charitable organisations such as Yayasan SSL Haemodialysis Centre in Petaling Jaya, Selangor. He was the Honorary Advisor of the Perlis Chinese Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Council Member of International Commercial Dispute Prevention & Settlement Organisation ("ICDPASO").

He also serves as a Senior Independent Non-Executive Director of Capital A Berhad and Director of Thai AirAsia X Co., Ltd and Malaysia-China Business Council.

# DATUK KAMARUDIN BIN MERANUN

Non-Independent Non-Executive Director

# TAN SRI ASMAT BIN KAMALUDIN

Independent Non-Executive Director

Datuk Kamarudin (Male), Malaysian, aged 63, is the co-founder of the Company. Datuk Kamarudin was appointed as a Non-Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company on 6 June 2006. He was appointed as the Chairman of the Board on 3 February 2010 till 3 March 2011. Datuk Kamarudin was re-designated as the Non-Independent Executive Director and Group Chief Executive Officer on 30 January 2015. On 1 November 2018, he was re-designated as a Non-Independent Non-Executive Director.

In December 2001, Datuk Kamarudin, together with Tan Sri Tony Fernandes, *Allahyarham* Dato' Pahamin Ab Rajab and Dato' Abdul Aziz bin Abu Bakar acquired struggling domestic airline AirAsia and, with the help of Conor McCarthy, relaunched it as a pioneer of budget travel in Asia, building AirAsia into the world's best low-cost carrier.

Prior to setting up the Company, Datuk Kamarudin worked at Arab-Malaysian Merchant Bank from 1988 to 1993 as a Portfolio Manager, managing both institutional and high net-worth individual clients' investment funds. In 1994, he was appointed Executive Director of Innosabah Capital Management Sdn Bhd, a subsidiary of Innosabah Securities Sdn Bhd. He subsequently acquired the shares of the joint venture partner of Innosabah Capital Management Sdn Bhd, which was later renamed Intrinsic Capital Management Sdn Bhd.

He received the Darjah Panglima Jasa Negara ("**PJN**"), which carries the title Datuk, from the Malaysian King in November 2013.

Datuk Kamarudin is the Non-Independent Executive Chairman of Capital A Berhad and AirAsia Berhad. He is also a Director of Red Giants Football Club. Tan Sri Asmat (Male), Malaysian, aged 80, was appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company on 13 May 2013. He is the Chairman of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee of the Company.

Tan Sri Asmat graduated from the University of Malaya with a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) degree in Economics. He also holds a Diploma in European Economic Integration from the University of Amsterdam.

Tan Sri Asmat has vast experience of over 35 years in various capacities in the public service and his last post as the Secretary General of the Ministry of International Trade & Industry Malaysia, a position he held since May 1992. In the last five (5) years prior to his retirement in 2001, Tan Sri Asmat served as a Board member of Malaysia Technology Development Corporation, Multimedia Development Corporation, Malaysian Trade Development Corporation, Permodalan Nasional Berhad, Small and Medium Industries Development Corporation and Perbadanan Johor.

Currently, Tan Sri Asmat is the Chairman for Perusahaan Otomobil Kedua Sdn Bhd ("**PERODUA**") and Compugates Sdn Bhd. He is also a Director of the JACTIM Foundation.



# MS CHIN MIN MING

Independent Non-Executive Director

# DATO' ABDUL MUTALIB BIN ALIAS

Independent Non-Executive Director

Ms Chin (Female), Malaysian, aged 53, was appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company on 1 December 2022. She is also the Chairman of the Risk Management Committee of the Company and a member of the Audit Committee and Nomination and Remuneration Committee of the Company.

Ms Chin holds a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science from the University of Victoria, Canada, and a Senior Executive Master of Business Administration from the Melbourne Business School. She is also a Certified Information Systems Security Professional ("CISSP").

She has extensive experience in Digital Transformation, Strategic Innovation and Technology Entrepreneurship. She had successfully implemented Financial Inclusion for migrant workers and refugees, digitalised Compliance Audit Tool for industry best practice standards, developed a world-first Data Security & Access Control token with built-in RFID, designed the Digital ID blueprint for the first Multi-Application National ID Card in the world, delivered Labuan Halal Hub and National Food Traceability platform, and more. She is well-versed in technology valuation and acquisition. She raised the highest tech startup fund in Asia during the Asian Financial Crisis and was the first in Malaysia to receive funding from Draper Investment.

Further, she is actively involved in ESG and advising companies on Sustainability Risks Management and Compliance. She is familiar with sustainability reporting standards and the Bursa Malaysia's Enhanced Sustainability Reporting Framework.

Dato' Mutalib (Male), Malaysian, aged 63, was appointed as Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company on 29 September 2023. He is also Chairman of the Audit Committee of the Company and a member of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and Risk Management Committee of the Company.

Dato' Mutalib graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Accountancy from Northern Illinois University and a Master of Business Administration, from Governors State University, Illinois in the United States of America.

Dato' Mutalib started his career at the Chase Manhattan Bank in 1985 as a Credit Analyst and has extensive exposure in both Commercial and Investment Banking. He was Vice President, Investment Banking at Chase Manhattan Bank from 1994 to 2000. He moved into the public sector and served various Ministries including the Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation, Ministry of Energy, Water and Communications and Ministry of Work between 2000 to 2011. In 2011, he was tasked to set up a new Government housing agency, Perumahan Rakyat 1Malaysia or PR1MA and served as its Chief Executive Officer until January 2019.

Dato' Mutalib has also served the MARA Council and was a Board member of Bank Rakyat and Bintulu Port Holdings Berhad and is presently the Non-Independent Non-Executive Chairman of Icon Offshore Berhad and Independent Non-Executive Board member of Prolintas Managers Berhad and Ekuinas Berhad respectively.

# DATO' SRI MOHAMMED SHAZALLI BIN RAMLY

Independent Non-Executive Director

Dato' Sri Mohammed Shazalli (Male), Malaysian, aged 62, was appointed as Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company on 29 September 2023. He is also Chairman of the Safety Review Board and a member of the Audit Committee and Risk Management Committee of the Company.

Dato' Sri Mohammed Shazalli holds a Bachelor of Science (Marketing) from Indiana University Bloomington, Indiana and a Master of Business Administration from St. Louis University, Missouri in the United States of America. He spent his early education in MARA Junior Science College ("MRSM") and University Teknologi MARA ("UITM"), Perlis.

He began his career with Unilever, Malaysian Tobacco Company and British American Tobacco Company, both in Malaysia and the United Kingdom focusing on strengthening their brands from 1987 to 1996 before joining ASTRO in 1996 as the Marketing Director for two (2) years where he pioneered the launch of ASTRO digital satellite services in Malaysia. He then expanded his horizon and became the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of NTV7, Malaysia's seventh terrestrial TV station, for eight (8) years since its launch in 1998.

Dato' Sri Mohammed Shazalli also brings extensive directorship experience, where he was previously the regional CEO and Corporate Executive Vice President for Axiata Group Berhad's South East Asia operations, after being promoted from his previous position as the CEO and director of Celcom Axiata Berhad, a position he held from 1 September 2005 until 31 August 2016.

Dato' Sri Mohammed Shazalli was the Group Managing Director and CEO of Telekom Malaysia Berhad as well as a consultant at Strategic Brand Resources & Consultancy Sdn. Bhd. prior to his appointment as Group Managing Director of Boustead Holdings Berhad on 1 December 2020.

Dato' Sri Mohammed Shazalli had also served as Chairman of PR1MA Communication Sdn Bhd and Pharmaniaga Sdn. Bhd. and also a Board member of Perbadanan PR1MA Malaysia and Malaysia Airlines System Berhad. He was also one of the seven (7) members in the task force led by the Performance Management & Delivery Unit ("PEMANDU") to oversee Proton Holdings Berhad's transformation plan.

#### **Declaration of Directors:**

#### Family Relationship

None of the Directors has any family relationship with any other Director and/or major shareholder of AirAsia X

#### Conflict of Interest

None of the Directors has any conflict of interest with AirAsia X

#### Conviction for Offences

None of the Directors has been convicted for any public offence during the financial year ended 31 December 2023 or had any penalty imposed by the relevant regulatory bodies within the past five (5) years, other than traffic offences, if any

# PROFILES OF THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

# **BENYAMIN ISMAIL**

Chief Executive Officer

Date of Appointment: 1 September 2015

Age I Gender I Nationality

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# **Responsibilities:**

- Provides leadership and vision towards increasing shareholder value and growth of AirAsia X while delivering our Sustainability commitments
- Manages the Group's business and affairs, ensuring operational excellence and strong governance
- Executes AirAsia X's turnaround plan
- Develops and spearheads high-level business and growth strategies in line with AirAsia X's vision and mission, as approved by the Board

#### **Experience:**

- Handled Debt Capital Markets portfolio at Affin Investment Bank, 2003
- Joined Maybank Investment Bank as a manager in Debt Capital Markets, 2004
- Joined CIMB Investment Bank focusing on Debt Capital Markets, 2007
- Joined AirAsia as Head of Investor Relations, 2010
- Promoted to Group Head of Investor Relations, Corporate Development and Implementation, 2014
- Appointed AirAsia X Chief Executive Officer (CEO) effective 1 September 2015 after assuming the role of Acting CEO on 30 January 2015

# **Qualifications and Professional Membership:**

- Bachelor of Commerce (Banking & Finance), Curtin University of Technology, Australia
- Master of Electronic Commerce, Edith Cowan University, Australia

# Membership of Board Committees in AirAsia X:

Safety Review Board

#### **Present Directorship/Affiliate:**

- Benyamin is a Director in Thai AirAsia X Co., Ltd
- Benyamin is a Director in Ground Team Red Sdn. Bhd.

# **Additional Information:**

• Benyamin does not own any AirAsia X's shares

# **LAVINIA LOUIS**

Chief Financial Officer

Date of Appointment: 1 October 2023

Age I Gender I Nationality

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#### **Responsibilities:**

- Oversees financial planning and analysis, including forecasting and analytical activities that support strategic business decision-making
- Coordinates the development of annual operating capital and program budgets, as well as reporting on it
- Ensures cash flow is compatible with operations by overseeing day-to-day accounting, recording, reporting, and internal-control activities of the Company
- Develops and implements best practices and tools to ensure a well-controlled yet flexible organisation that has strong fiscal management, project coordination, cross-team communications, and workflows
- Complies with national and local financial requirements and ensures adherence to existing and new legislation
- Liaison person with regulators, financial institutions, external auditors and the Board

# **Experience:**

- Joined PricewaterhouseCoopers Kuala Lumpur in 2005 and gained 8 years of experience in performing financial audits, managing regulatory reporting and risk assessments
- Joined AirAsia Berhad as Financial Controller in 2012 and was instrumental to the group reorganisation exercises, disposal of large portfolios of aircraft, and the implementation of various accounting systems in simplifying business processes
- Promoted to Head of Finance in AirAsia Berhad in January 2023
- Appointed to Chief Financial Officer of AirAsia X Berhad in October 2023

#### **Qualifications and Professional Membership:**

- Bachelor of Business, Major in Accounting, Monash University, Australia
- Professional Qualification, Member of Certified Practicing Accountant (CPA Australia)
- Professional Qualification, Member of Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA)

#### **Additional Information:**

Lavinia does not own any AirAsia X's shares

# **MOSES DEVANAYAGAM**

Senior Director

Date of Appointment: 1 October 2013

Age I Gender I Nationality

# Responsibilities:

- Leads the coordination of operational functions within the Group, airport authorities and government agencies including the Malaysian Aviation Commission and the Civil Aviation Authority of Malaysia
- Advises and mentors the Operations team
- Instrumental in setting up Operations functions including Cargo, Flight Operations, Engineering, Ground and Group Operations, Inflight Operations, Safety and Security

#### **Experience:**

- 53 years of aviation experience including key positions in leading airlines in Singapore and Malaysia:
  - Joined Malaysia-Singapore Airlines, 1971
  - Served Malaysia Airline System Berhad in various senior management positions including General Manager- Operations, Head of Contracts Management and Warranty and Contracts Manager, 1972
  - Joined AirAsia X as Director of Operations, 2007
  - Regional Head of Operations of AirAsia Berhad, 2009
  - Appointed as Senior Director, 2013

# **Qualifications and Professional Membership:**

- Associate Member of the Royal Aeronautical Institute United Kingdom (by award), 1975
- Cadet/apprentice Technical Services in-house training with Malaysia-Singapore Airlines, 1971/72
- Type-rated Approvals from Qantas and Air New Zealand, 1971

# **CAPT SURESH BANGAH**

Director of Flight Operations

Date of Appointment: 1 October 2013

Age I Gender I Nationality

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# Responsibilities:

- Coordinates, supervises and monitors the functions and performance of management personnel, pilots, cabin crew and all departments within Flight Operations
- Manages the safety and security of all flights
- Liaison person with local and international regulators, ensuring operations are in line with the Air Operator Certificate
- Represents the Company's interest in national and international bodies and institutions as far as flight operations are concerned

#### **Experience:**

- Started as a pilot with AirAsia, 2003
- Internal auditor of Flight Operations at AirAsia, 2005
- Cadet Pilot Coordinator managing the Cadet Pilot Training Programme, 2007 - 2009
- Flight Deck Recruitment Manager responsible for hiring and promoting pilots, 2009 - 2010
- Joined AirAsia X as Chief Pilot, Operations, 2010
- Director of Flight Operations, 2013

# **Qualifications and Professional Membership:**

- Air Transport Pilot License, 1999
- A320 Type Rating License, 2007
- A340 Type Rating License, 2009
- A330 Type Rating License, 2011
- MIT Sloan School of Management Leadership Programme
- Cranfield University Leadership Programme
- Cranfield University Accident Investigation Programme

# **LIM KOK HOO!**

Head of Corporate Safety

Date of Appointment: 22 January 2018

Age I Gender I Nationality

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#### **Responsibilities:**

- Provides guidance and direction for AirAsia X's Safety Management System
- Ensures safety documentation accurately reflects the current situation, monitors the effectiveness of corrective actions, and provides periodic reports on safety performance
- Provides independent advice to the CEO, senior managers and other personnel on safety-related matters

#### **Experience:**

- Kok Hooi has been in the airline industry since the early 1990s, and has broad experience in safety and training with over 15,000 flying hours:
  - Started commercial flying in the Dornier 228, then Twin-Otter (DHC-6), Fokker 50, B737, A340 and, now, A330
  - Joined Malaysian Helicopter Services as a co-pilot, and was seconded to Pelangi Air Sdn Bhd, Kuala Lumpur, and to Royal Air Cambodge, Phnom Penh, 1992
  - Joined Malaysia Airlines as a Captain of DHC-6 Twin Otter, based in Miri, Sarawak, following which he became a Captain of Fokker 50, B737-400 and B737-800, 1997
  - Joined AirAsia X as a Captain of A340/330, leading the flight data monitoring team, 2011
  - Became Chief Pilot Flight Safety, 2016
  - Appointed to current post of Safety Director, January 2018

# **Qualifications and Professional Membership:**

- Commercial Pilot License Australia
- Commercial Pilot License Malaysia
- Airline Transport Pilot License Malaysia
- Type Rated Instructor (TRI) A340/A330/Fokker 50/DHC-6 Twin Otter
- Member of Malaysia National Runway Safety Team
- Member of Malaysia Flight Safety Team
- · IATA-qualified trained SMS implementer
- · Cranfield University Certified Aviation Investigator
- IATA-trained Aviation Auditor

# **WONG OOI LING**

Head of Internal Audit

Date of Appointment: 1 July 2016

Age I Gender I Nationality

53

# **Responsibilities:**

 Provides independent and objective assurance as to the adequacy and effectiveness of system of internal controls, risk management and governance processes

#### **Experience:**

- Joined PricewaterhouseCoopers in its Audit and Assurance Department, 1995
- Joined EON Bank Berhad as Corporate Planning Manager, 2000
- Vice President of Group Management Services and PMO, EON Bank Berhad, 2003
- Joined Measat Broadcast Network Systems Sdn Bhd (Astro) as a Senior Manager in Planning, Broadcast and Operation, 2007
- Joined DRB-HICOM Group as a Senior Manager in GST PMO, 2014
- Joined AirAsia X as Head of Corporate Quality and Assurance, 2016
- Took on expanded role as Head of Internal Audit cum Corporate Quality Assurance in 2020

# **Qualifications and Professional Membership:**

- Bachelor of Business (Accounting), Monash University, Australia
- Member of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA)

# **CAROLINE LEE**

General Counsel

Date of Appointment: 5 July 2021

Age I Gender I Nationality

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# **Responsibilities:**

- Manages the Group's legal risk by providing strategic and commercially driven legal advice to the Board of Directors and senior management
- Primary contact for advising on all legal matters for AirAsia X
- Collaborates with all stakeholders, leading internal and external legal negotiations and ensuring legal compliance in the conduct of business
- Manages the Legal Department, providing leadership and guidance to members of the team
- Works closely with external counsel to ensure effective and efficient delivery of commercial results for AirAsia

# **Experience:**

- Private legal practice in Singapore and Malaysia, 1990-2002
- Partner, Banking and Capital Markets, Messrs Rashid & Lee, 2000
- Head of Legal, Usaha Tegas Group, Oil & Gas, 2002
- Chief Operating Officer, Melium Sdn Bhd, 2006
- F&B owner and operator, 2011
- Consultant, 2017 2021

# **Qualifications and Professional Membership:**

- · Advocate and Solicitor, Malaysia
- Barrister and Solicitor, Australian Capital Territory
- Advocate and Solicitor, Singapore
- Barrister-at-Law, England & Wales
- Bachelor of Laws (LL.B, Hons), University of London

# **ALVIN TAN**

Head of Engineering

Date of Appointment: 1 April 2022

Age I Gender I Nationality

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# Responsibilities:

- Provides leadership and vision to the Engineering Department with the primary focus on aligning technical capability with AirAsia X's business needs
- Oversees the main pillars in Engineering; CAMO, Subcontracted Maintenance Part-145 and Quality Assurance
- Manages Fleet Planning and Aircraft Lease Evaluation to ensure route and business growth strategies are in line with AirAsia X's vision
- Oversees Cost & Resource Tracking and Budgeting
- Ensures implementation of work culture, safety culture and engineering policies and procedures

# **Experience:**

- Joined AirAsia Berhad, Chief of Design Assurance Section, 2010
- Joined Airbus as Field Services supporting airlines in Singapore, Hong Kong and South Korea, 2013
- Promoted to Customer Support Director/Field Services Manager performing both commercial and technical role to airlines in the SEA Region, 2018
- Joined AirAsia X Berhad as Head of Engineering, 2022

# **Qualifications and Professional Membership:**

- Bachelor of Science, Aerospace Engineering, Missouri University of Science & Tech, USA
- Airbus A330, A350 Type Trained

# **Declaration of Leadership Team:**

• Family Relationship

None of the Leadership Team has any family relationship with any other Director and/or major shareholder of AirAsia X

Conflict of Interest

None of the Leadership Team has any conflict of interest with AirAsia X

Conviction for Offences

None of the Leadership Team has been convicted for any public offence during the financial year ended 31 December 2023 or had any penalty imposed by the relevant regulatory bodies within the past five (5) years, other than traffic offences, if any

# Chairma Statement

# Dear Shareholders,

I am pleased to present AirAsia X's Chairman Statement for the financial year 2023. This marks yet another momentous milestone in our corporate journey, and I extend my sincere gratitude for your steadfast support thus far. In the last Annual Report, my predecessor, YM Tunku Dato' Mahmood Fawzy spoke of the restart of the Company's commercial flight operations following a tumultuous period of lockdowns world over. The aviation sector faced unparalleled challenges during this time, leading to a temporary cessation of AirAsia X's operations, followed by an extensive debt restructuring scheme spanning from 2021 to 2022.

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Subsequently, in less than one year since the resumption of operations, AirAsia X charted a Net Profit of RM33.3 billion for the financial period ended 2022, primarily attributed to the write-back of provisions. We were encouraged by the remarkable momentum observed during that period for the recovery of the Company. Now, as we present to you AirAsia X's 2023 Annual Report, I am honoured to announce that last year, the Company maintained its steadfast progress in recovery and onward sustainable growth. Notably, in the full financial year ended 2023. AirAsia X recorded a Net Profit of RM331.5 million with its annual turnover trending at RM2.5 billion, recovering close to 60% of its 2019-level records - a commendable resurgence, considering the airline has yet to operate at the maximum available capacity.

It brings me great pleasure to share that the crowning achievement in 2023 is that the Company has successfully navigated its way out of the Practice Note 17 ("PN17") classification, marking a significant achievement for our organisation. Reflecting on our journey thus far, it is impossible to overlook the profound impact of the pandemic which precipitated the near-complete cessation of our operations in 2020, and ultimately led to the imposition of the PN17 classification in 2021, owing to the financial uncertainties at the time. Overcoming this classification was a protracted endeavour, exacerbated by the persistent scepticism of the industry even after the Company could restart its operations in mid-2022.

The team worked diligently to validate the viability of the revitalised model designed for the new, postpandemic landscape, ensuring its resilience and adaptability. With the Company completing its restructuring in early 2022, coupled with sustained profitability each quarter, AirAsia X successfully emerged from the PN17 classification, and we are now well-positioned to pursue new opportunities and steer the future growth of the Company for the benefit of all stakeholders. Against the backdrop of the evolving industrial dynamics and the embrace of the future norms within the sector. the Company's renewed focus on its strategic initiatives has never been more critical - as we progress further, we are committed to harnessing the momentum gained recently to propel the Company towards success.

Having served on the Board of the Company for over 16 years, I have borne witness to the myriads of challenges and triumphs that have characterised the Company. Throughout this period, the resilience and adaptability of the Company have consistently prevailed, affirming our capacity to overcome obstacles that come our way. Following the resumption of our scheduled flight operations in 2022, AirAsia X has demonstrated remarkable resilience and skill in navigating the ever-intricate operating environment, particularly in a post-pandemic world. In 2023, as travel restrictions eased further, and passenger demand continued to chart its pace anew, we see recovery on the right trajectory.

Harnessing the strength of our robust network and operational expertise, the Board is diligent in ensuring that the management team is steadfast in capitalising on the emerging opportunities in this evolving paradigm. Our focus was directed towards the selection of routes with proven demands and favourable yields while optimising fleet utilisation to enhance the organisational efficiency as a whole.

Demand for travel remained strong well into 2023, building upon the momentum of the final quarters of 2022. In the preceding year, the Company kept its pace gradual as it methodically reintroduced its fleet back on stream after over 30 months of hiatus, with the addition of new lease arrangements underway. The year 2023 marked the full implementation of the Company's comprehensive recovery plan, particularly with the expansion of its fleet. Our fleet size increased from 14 aircraft in 2022 to 18 aircraft, with 16 of these aircraft fully operational by December 2023. In 2023, AirAsia X ended the year with 22 destinations within its network, doubling its weekly flight counts to 144 flights from weekly flight numbers charted in 2022.

# CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

Underscoring its strategic growth initiatives, AirAsia X most recently, in March 2024, celebrated the launch of our inaugural flight to Almaty in Kazakhstan. This heralds immense prospects that could be unlocked via enhanced connectivity within the region and beyond. What's even more exciting is that all of this is happening in addition to the anticipation we have for China's return to the forefront of international travel. Recent indicators have been exceedingly promising - with the removal of visa requirements, our destinations in China, namely Beijing, Chengdu, Hangzhou, and Shanghai have in recent months shown a promising load factor of over 90% across all routes, signifying that demand is indeed robust and poised for expansion in this market.

Our business model is premised upon operational efficiency, which facilitates cost-effectiveness and ultimately bolsters profitability. Last year, we shared how the Company pursued enhanced efficiencies, with a particular focus on improving its turnaround times amidst the early stages of recovery of our network. As a result, for the financial quarter ended 31 December 2022, its cost per available seat kilometre ("CASK") stood at 9.98 sen while CASK ex-fuel was at 1.42 sen.

Building on this foundation, in the ensuing 12 months of 2023, I am pleased to share that AirAsia X continued to exhibit improved financial performance, a strong demonstration of the team's enduring commitment to operational excellence which serves as the cornerstone for cost optimisation within the Company's operational landscape. Despite prevailing uncertainties within the operating environment today, AirAsia X has

delivered consistent recovery and growth, continually driving its revenue and profitability on a quarterly basis. For the financial year ended 31 December 2023, the Company's CASK stood at 14.81 sen, while CASK ex-fuel is healthy at 6.76 sen.

As an airline, the safety and well-being of our guests and our Allstars is of unparalleled importance for both the Board and the management team. As we adapt ourselves to the operational landscape in this post-pandemic era, we maintain an unwavering commitment to excellence which compels us to continually enhance every segment of our operations. In 2023, AirAsia X proudly served over 2.8 million passengers, a significant increase from the preceding year's figure of just over 417,000 passengers.

Recognising that stringent safety procedures and protocols, coupled with strict governance are indispensable pillars for upholding the paramount standards of operational integrity, we remain steadfast in ensuring this is not compromised. As a member of the Company's Safety Review Board, I am privileged to assure you of the steadfast dedication the Company has in maintaining exemplary safety standards in our day-to-day operation, ensuring proactive identification, mitigation, and minimisation of any potential risk factors, thereby safeguarding the well-being of all stakeholders involved.

On a global scale, the efforts to prioritise sustainability initiatives remain at the forefront of the overarching commitment to humanity's long-term survival and prosperity. While we acknowledge the importance of fortifying our profit margins and financial position, particularly in the aftermath of a protracted disruption to our business operations in recent years, we are also conscious of our broader responsibility to contribute to a growing industry that is sustainable, inclusive and equitable.

Within this Annual Report, I am pleased to present to you AirAsia X's Sustainability Statement, featuring its inaugural sustainability framework, from page 22 to 89. Additionally, I am delighted to present the Company's Corporate Governance Overview Statement which is detailed from page 90 to 99. This comprehensive overview articulates the Company's internal processes and practices that align with the esteemed standards of the Malaysian Code of Corporate Governance ("MCCG").

By adhering to these principles, we present our commitment to continually fostering the improvement in our corporate governance standards and operational methodologies. Looking ahead, we anticipate maintaining a culture of refinement of the Company's governance framework, particularly in sustainability considerations. By conducting periodic reviews of our practices, we endeavour to strengthen our strategic initiatives and accelerate the progress towards our aspirations for sustainability.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to my predecessor YM Tunku Dato' Mahmood Fawzy for his exemplary leadership and guidance to the Board as well as the management team through AirAsia X's recent transformative journey, leading up to the successful exit from the PN17 classification. Since our last Annual General Meeting, there have been a few other changes with your Board.

In this regard, I am privileged to welcome Dato' Abdul Mutalib and Dato' Sri Mohammed Shazalli, who joined our Board in 2023, bringing with them a wealth of corporate expertise and experiences. Presently, Dato' Abdul Mutalib assumes the pivotal role of Audit Committee Chairman while Dato' Sri Mohammed Shazalli now heads the Company's Safety Review Board. I am confident that their invaluable insights will enhance the Company's governance framework and operational effectiveness.

Looking ahead, in the face of the perpetual evolution of the aviation industry, I am optimistic about the synergy and collaboration that we have nurtured over the years with the wider Capital A Group. I am confident that our collective efforts will serve to reinforce our existing foundation here, where we call home, while also extending our reach across new horizons, facilitating enhanced global connectivity and accessibility.

As we navigate this journey together, I gratefully acknowledge the unwavering support of you, our esteemed shareholders. Your support has been instrumental in our progress thus far, and I am truly honoured to express my sincere appreciation. We have achieved multiple significant milestones together, and we recognise that there remains much to be done. With your continued support, we have confidence that we are indeed empowered to persevere and realise our dreams and aspirations for the enduring success of the Company.

Thank you.

**Dato' Fam Lee Ee** Chairman AirAsia X Berhad

# CEC 7 S Management Discussion & Analysis

# Dear Esteemed Shareholders,

I am honoured for this opportunity to present to you AirAsia X's Annual Report for the financial year 2023. As I address you annually in this capacity, it is vital to recall the significance of the Company's endeavours from the past year, which have been nothing short of remarkable. Reflecting on the content of AirAsia X's last Annual Report, I take pride in sharing that AirAsia X had resumed normalised level of commercial flight operations in 2023.

As we thumb through the pages of this year's Annual Report, I am delighted to share that the Company has continued its trajectory towards a thrilling recovery in 2023, leveraging on the post-pandemic operational paradigm that has progressively normalised in the past year. AirAsia X had attained significant milestones throughout its journey in recovery, with the particularly notable one being the emergence of the Company from the Practice Note 17 ("PN17") classification in November 2023. Reflecting upon our path thus far, it is clear that the pandemic had a deep impact on AirAsia X, and the classification of PN17 on the Company in 2021 amidst the financial uncertainties of that time, posed an incredible challenge to us indeed.

However, since the airline was able to resume its operations in April 2022, the team had remained steadfast in implementing the Company's revitalised business model, which is aimed at sustained growth and profitability, ultimately rising above the PN17 classification and fortifying its position and gaining market leadership in regions it services. This effort, marked by the endurance and determination of the Company, indicated AirAsia X's dedication to onward growth and stability. Overcoming these challenges amidst the prevailing scepticism surrounding the airline industry's post-pandemic soundness proved to be an arduous task, and it is with great honour that I now share AirAsia X's narrative of recovery and adaptability. This reflects not only AirAsia X's unwavering spirit but also its capacity to navigate adversities with resilience and prudence.

Back in April 2022, AirAsia X resumed its flight operations, embarking on a thoroughly planned process to reintroduce its scheduled services. Starting with routes to Seoul and Delhi, the airline progressed to expand its network throughout the latter part of 2022 and well into 2023. This methodical approach provided AirAsia X with the avenue to capitalise on the sustained and sizable demand for air travel which persisted solidly for the entirety of 2023.

The fiscal year 2023 was pivotal as we executed an extensive recovery plan that was devised and improvised on ever since the near-halt of the Company's operations back in 2020. Notably, significant milestones were achieved in fleet expansion since the restart of our operations. Immediately following the conclusion of the Company's Debt Restructuring in 2022, we were down to nine aircraft and had expanded to 14 aircraft by the end of 2022. In 2023, AirAsia X's fleet size grew further to 18 units of A330-300 by December 2023. At the time of writing of this statement, nearly 90% of the fleet was fully activated and operational, with the remaining two aircraft slated for reactivation by the first half of 2024. This expansion of AirAsia X's available capacity heralds a promising avenue for our continued growth and operational efficiencies.

It is with great enthusiasm that we share that AirAsia X has managed to double its weekly flight frequency to 144 flights by December 2023, notwithstanding that we have yet to fully reactivate all of our fleet. At the time of writing, AirAsia X services Australia (Sydney, Melbourne, Perth, and the Gold Coast), China (Beijing, Hangzhou, Shanghai, Chengdu, Hong Kong and Xi'an), India (New Delhi and Amritsar), South Korea (Seoul and Busan), Japan (Sapporo, Tokyo and Osaka), Taiwan (Taipei), Indonesia (Bali), Saudi Arabia (Jeddah), Thailand (Bangkok), Kazakhstan (Almaty), with seasonal services to Kota Kinabalu to support the overwhelming demand during the peak holiday season. This expanded network highlights AirAsia X's dedication to meeting the advancing needs of our guests and is poised to strengthen our position within the industry.

For the full financial year, AirAsia X served a total of 2.8 million passengers, marking a substantial increase of over sixfold compared to the figures recorded in 2022 (2022: 417,195 passengers), while Passenger Load Factor ("**PLF**") increased by a commendable two percentage points to 80% (2022: 78%). In our concerted effort to expand our operational capacity, AirAsia X's Available Seat Kilometres ("**ASK**") capacity grew by over seven times in the past 12 months, attributed to the reinstatement of aircraft into service and the expansion of our network. Notably, the PLF that we have recorded indicated that demand for travel remains elevated.

Collectively, these metrics underscored the efficiency of AirAsia X's initiatives and operational enhancements that were put into motion between 2020 - 2022, geared towards the return to normalcy in our operation, which has materialised all through the course of 2023.

# CEO'S MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS

#### Overview of Group's Business and Operations

	FY2023 ('000)	FY2022 ('000)
Revenue (RM)	2,527,096	825,860
Total Operating Expenses (RM)	(2,048,129)	32,679,640
EBITDA/LBITDA (RM)	663,362	33,545,770
Net Operating Profit/Loss (RM)	369,068	32,744,086
Profit/Loss Before Tax (RM)	343,773	32,696,344
Taxation (RM)	12,268	612,241
Net Profit/Loss (RM)	331,505	33,308,585
Total Assets (RM)	3,137,573	2,482,794
Basic Earnings/Loss per Share (sen)	74.2	8,029.7

#### **Review of Financial Results and Financial Condition**

AirAsia X Group (the "**Group**") reported a turnover of RM2.5 billion for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: RM825.9 million), and recorded total operating expenses of RM2.0 billion against a total operating income of RM32.7 billion in 2022 which came on the back of reversal of provisions made during the Debt Restructuring in 2021. For fiscal year 2023, the Group posted earnings before interests, taxes, depreciation and amortisation ("**EBITDA**") of RM663.4 million (2022: RM33.5 billion), while net operating profit stood at RM369.1 million (2022: RM32.7 billion). The Group closed the financial year ended 31 December 2023 with a net profit of RM331.5 million (2022: RM33.3 billion), reflecting a normalised profitability level following the reversal of provisions observed in the preceding year. This year under review, the Group presented a close to 60% recovery of its 2019-level revenue and a successful turnaround in profitability driven by the sustained demand in line with the recovery of the industry - a remarkable feat given that the airline has yet to operate on full available capacity.

# **Group's Earnings**

# Revenue

The Group recorded revenue of RM2.5 billion (2022: RM825.9 million) for the financial year, mainly driven by an increase in the number of passengers carried against a backdrop of additional aircraft inducted into service between January - December 2023, and further bolstered by the sustained demand for travel in the regions the Group operates in. In 2023, scheduled flight operations delivered revenue of RM1.7 billion (2022: RM272.4 million), and ancillary revenue stood at RM682.3 million (2022: RM78.5 million), reflecting multifold growth against the preceding financial period. The Group's freight services and charter flights each reported revenues of RM151.7 million (2022: RM341.6 million) and RM18.8 million (RM105.6 million) respectively, as the Group's scheduled flight operations normalised in its recovery trajectory. As the Group completed the termination of its sub-leases of aircraft to its associate, Thai AirAsia Co., Ltd. ("AirAsia X Thailand") in 2022, no aircraft operating lease income was recorded for 2023 (2022: RM27.2 million).

#### **Expenditure**

For the financial year under review, the Group's total operating costs were driven largely by aircraft fuel expenses. This came as no surprise as the Group continued to recover its operational level, with additional scheduled flight operations compared to the preceding financial period. This cost segment was further heightened due to the higher jet fuel price as well as the weaker local currency against the greenback. Aircraft fuel expenses charted RM1.3 billion (2022: RM354.9 million), followed by maintenance and overhaul expenses at RM351.0 million (2022: RM472.4 million).

As the business recovered, the Group's staff costs increased to RM204.1 million (2022: RM106.4 million) on the back of hiring of additional staff and operational crew. As the pay-by-hour arrangements continued with its lessors, the Group recorded aircraft operating expenses of RM72.2 million (2022: RM33.6 million); the pay-by-hour arrangement is expected to conclude by the upcoming financial year 2024. In 2023, the Group reported user charges amounted to RM247.6 million (2022: RM97.0 million) as the Group added more destinations and flights into its network.

On the back of the reversal of provisions made for the Group's Debt Restructuring and provision for the additional loss in the investment made towards our joint venture in Indonesia due to the potential tax exposure to the Group, the Group posted positive other operating income of RM239.6 million (2022: RM34.3 billion).

# **Group Financial Position**

The Group's net gearing stood at nil for the financial year ended 31 December 2023, as the Group did not have loan financing during the year under review. In addition, the Group's shareholder's equity turned positive at RM116.2 million for the financial year ended 2023.

Total equity saw a turnaround at RM116.2 million (2022: RM(259.2) million) after the Group posted net profit in the first quarter of 2023 which consequently turned negative shareholders' equity positive, and further fortified by RM50 million additional capital via share placement that was concluded in June 2023.

Total assets increased to RM3.1 billion (2022: RM2.5 billion) due to a higher security deposit paid as the Group added four aircraft on operating lease into its fleet in 2023, in addition to higher prepayment in accordance with operational requirements as the Group returned to normalised level of operations in 2023.

Total liabilities increased to RM3.0 billion (2022: RM2.7 billion) primarily driven by the increase in lease liabilities, a direct result of the addition of aircraft on operating lease into the Group's fleet in 2023.

# **Capital Structure and Capital Resources**

In the financial year ended 31 December 2023, the cash flow generated from operations stood at RM(46.9) million (2022: RM108.9 million), while no Group borrowing was recorded (2022: RM1.1 billion). For the period under review, the Group's cash balance stood at RM57.7 million (2022: RM176.7 million).

#### **Review of Operating Activities**

The Group's reportable operating segments consist of each company with an Air Operator's Certificate ("AOC") held under the AirAsia X brand, namely Malaysia and Thailand. As of 31 December 2023, AirAsia X Malaysia increased the number of aircraft to 18 aircraft within its fleet, with 16 activated and operational by the end of the period. AirAsia X Thailand maintained its fleet of eight aircraft, with seven activated and operational as of 31 December 2023.

# **Segmental Performance Review**

Revenue	FY2023 ('000)	FY2022 ('000)
Malaysia	2,527,096	825,860
Thailand	1,474,053	1,006,211
Indonesia	-	-
Elimination adjustment	-	-
Total	4,001,149	1,832,071

# CEO'S MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS

EBITDA/LBITDA	FY2023 ('000)	FY2022 ('000) Restated
Malaysia	663,362	33,545,770
Thailand	2,186,676	682,598
Indonesia	-	(92)
Elimination adjustment	-	-
Total	2,850,038	34,228,276
Profit Before Tax (PBT) / Loss Before Tax (LBT)	FY2023 ('000)	FY2022 ('000)
Malaysia	343,773	32,696,344
Thailand	2,093,601	482,078
Indonesia	-	(144)
Elimination adjustment	-	-
Total	2,437,374	33,178,278

#### **Review of Corporate Exercises**

In the preceding year's Annual Report, I had the privilege of narrating the successful execution and completion of key initiatives undertaken by the Group between 2021 - 2022, namely the Debt Restructuring, Share Consolidation and Share Capital Reduction exercises. I had also shared an update on the Company's progression with its regularisation exercise which would include the submission of a Proposed Regularisation Plan to Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad to resolve its Practice Note 17 ("**PN17**") status.

Following the financial quarter ended March 2023, during which the Group reported a turnaround of shareholders' equity to RM40.8 million, we proceeded to submit a waiver application aimed at uplifting AirAsia X from its PN17 classification; this application was grounded on the fact that the Group no longer triggered any of the PN17 criteria. Subsequently, in November 2023, upon demonstrating the viability of the business through consecutive quarters of profitability, the Group successfully emerged from the PN17 classification without the necessity of submitting a regularisation plan.

At present, the Group is engaged in discussions with Capital A Berhad ("Capital A") regarding the proposed acquisition of the latter's aviation business, encompassing airlines such as AirAsia Malaysia Berhad and AirAsia Aviation Group Limited which in turn includes Thai AirAsia, Indonesia AirAsia and Philippines AirAsia. We look forward to reporting to our shareholders and stakeholders the progress of the proposal from time to time, as necessitated.

# Outlook

Last year, I shared the Group's undertaking to resume operations on a business-as-usual basis in June 2022. The outcomes from our airline's comeback had been remarkable, buoyed by the encouraging post-pandemic pent-up demands from our markets. This resurgence had been nothing short of overwhelming, particularly as we were operating only seven aircraft in 2022. At that juncture, the Group had pledged to reintroduce more of its aircraft back into service, facilitating the relaunch of additional popular and profitable destinations, particularly into China, our largest market before the onset of the pandemic in 2020. As earlier on outlined in this statement, this

commitment had been successfully realised.

All through 2023, the Group's key performance indicators have demonstrated promising trajectories. Operational recovery had steadily edged close to pre-pandemic levels, even after the normalisation of pent-up demands amidst the gradual return of capacity in the markets. By the end of December 2023, we have recorded 144 weekly flight frequencies and today, we serviced 22 destinations across our network. Most recently, we launched our maiden flight to Almaty, Kazakhstan, marking our venture into a new region, and with the removal of visa requirements for travel between Malaysia and Thailand with China, we have observed a surge in demand for travel between these markets, underpinned by over 90% PLF registered in the first quarter of 2024 for destinations in China.

Looking ahead to 2024, we eagerly anticipate the reintroduction of the final two aircraft into the Group's active and operational fleet by the first half of the year. Despite challenges posed by manpower and resource constraints among our business partners and vendors, stemming from the longer-than-expected recovery period of supply chain disruptions within the industry, the team remains determined to ensure the seamless reintegration of these aircraft into the stream, prioritising the safety of our guests and crew above all else.

Next on the horizon, our fleet and network outlook remains promising, with new-specification aircraft that promises longer range and enhanced cost efficiencies on order across the Group, such as the A330neo and A321XLR aircraft, secured ahead of time on AirAsia X's orderbook. This would allow us the avenue to explore a plethora of new and exciting destinations that may not be as connected today, including routes to Europe, Africa and the United States. The future is indeed bright, with endless opportunities for the Group.

# **Appreciation and Acknowledgements**

On behalf of the AirAsia X Leadership Team, I extend our deepest appreciation to our Chairman, Dato' Fam Lee Ee, co-founders Tan Sri Tony Fernandes and Datuk Kamarudin Meranun, and all esteemed Board members. Their invaluable guidance had been instrumental in steering the Company through its recovery journey, with ongoing undertakings aimed at ensuring the sustained growth of AirAsia X.

A heartfelt appreciation goes out, as always, to our dedicated Allstars for their unwavering support and tireless dedication to the Company. The value of "all for one, one for all" resonates deeply within our organisation, highlighting the collective efforts towards our shared goals.

Last but certainly not least, I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to all other esteemed stakeholders for their continued support for AirAsia X; the past few years presented us with daunting challenges, yet also imparted invaluable lessons to all of us, strengthening our resolve to drive AirAsia X's business further towards prosperity in the years to come.

Thank you.

**Benyamin Ismail**Chief Executive Officer
AirAsia X Berhad

# SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

# **CHAPTER 1:**

# OUR SUSTAINABILITY APPROACH

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# **ABOUT THIS STATEMENT**

AirAsia X Berhad ("AirAsia X" or "the Company") presents its Sustainability Statement 2023, which showcases its ongoing commitment to economic, environmental and social ("EES") progress. This statement serves as a comprehensive retrospective, charting the achievements and challenges that impact AirAsia X's business operations and stakeholders. To further solidify the Company's sustainability commitment, we now introduce AirAsia X's Sustainability Framework, which provides a clear, actionable guide for the Company's sustainable endeavours.

This year, we are pleased to announce a comprehensive revamp of our Sustainability Statement. We have expanded our focus to include deeper insights in highly material topics, such as climate strategy, safety, employee empowerment, and data privacy and security. Additionally, we have also enhanced the transparency of our EES data performance in accordance with Bursa Malaysia's Main Market Listing Requirements.

This Statement provides tangible evidence of our progress and shows how we manage risks and opportunities across the sustainability spectrum. From operating responsibly to promoting diversity, equity and inclusion, we strive to leave a positive footprint in the Asean region and beyond.

# **Reporting Framework and Guidelines**

[GRI 1, 2-1, 2-3]

This Statement was developed based on the Amendments to Main Market Listing Requirements ("MMLR") of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad in relation to Sustainability Statements within Annual Reports, with guidance from Bursa Malaysia's Sustainability Reporting Guide ("3rd Edition"). We have also prepared this Statement with reference to the Global Reporting Initiative ("GRI") Standards. Other frameworks and guidelines taken into consideration include:

- Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures ("TCFD")
- United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals ("**UN SDGs**")
- FTSE4Good Bursa Malaysia ("**F4GBM**") Index

#### **Reporting Scope and Boundaries**

[GRI 2-2, 2-3]

This Statement covers the reporting period of 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023, unless stated otherwise. This Statement also provides comparative historical data wherever relevant and available. To ensure our disclosures are comparable and meaningful, we have adjusted the reporting periods of 2021 and 2022 to each a 12-month period, effectively spanning from January - December for each respective year. This differs from the financial period of 18 months for the 2021 and 2022 financial statements.

This Statement encompasses the activities of AirAsia X Berhad only, excluding any associates or joint ventures. We have excluded Thai AirAsia X ("TAAX") and PT. Indonesia AirAsia ("IAAX") because we do not have direct management control over the former, while the latter has ceased operating as a result of the pandemic. References to 'AirAsia X', 'the Company', 'the Organisation' and 'we' refer to AirAsia X Berhad and its subsidiaries. For certain environmental indicators, the data reported would refer to operations in our head corporate office (RedQ, Selangor) only, due to data limitation and exclude all hubs/stations, as well as any subsidiaries.

While our EES reporting process is still in its initial phases, we are committed to invest resources and effort to progress in a phased manner, aiming to enhance our sustainability reporting to a more comprehensive level.

# SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

# **Assurance**

[GRI 2-5]

As part of the Company's continuous effort to strengthen the credibility of the Sustainability Statement, data for the following selected Subject Matters which are disclosed in the Sustainability Statement for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 ("**FYE 2023**") have been verified by the Company's Internal Audit Department using sampling approach and has been approved by the Company's Audit Committee.

Subject Matter	Common Indicators	2023 Data
	i) Total energy consumption	13.1 million GJ
Emissions &	ii) Scope 1 emission in tonnes of CO <sub>2</sub> e	960,280 tCO <sub>2</sub> e
Climate-related Strategy	iii) Scope 2 emission in tonnes of CO <sub>2</sub> e	206 tCO <sub>2</sub> e
	iv) Scope 3 emission in tonnes of CO <sub>2</sub> e	200,795 tCO <sub>2</sub> e
	i) Number of work-related fatalities	Nil
Health & Safety	ii) Lost time incident rate	1.01
	iii) Number of employees trained on health & safety standards	1,236
Data Privacy & Security	Number of substantiated complaints concerning breaches of customer privacy and losses over customer data	Nil

The scope of the review is based on the Company's reporting scope and boundaries set by the Management as disclosed in the Sustainability Statement for FYE 2023.

This Statement has also been reviewed by our Sustainability Steering Committee ("**SSC**") and Risk Management Committee ("**RMC**"), as well as endorsed by the Board of Directors ("**the Board**") of AirAsia X.

# **Feedback**

[GRI 2-3]

In order to continuously improve our reporting and sustainability efforts, we welcome all feedback, ideas and comments from our stakeholders. Please direct enquiries, feedback or comments on AirAsia X's Sustainability Statement 2023 via the following email: aax\_sustainability@airasia.com.

# **WE ARE AIRASIA X**

Established in 2006 as Fly Asian Express, AirAsia X is today a mid-range low-cost airline operating primarily in the Asia-Pacific region. Following the successful completion of the Company's debt restructuring exercise in March 2022, we have embarked on a steady course of post-pandemic recovery, progressively expanding our network which, as of 31 December 2023, encompasses 22 destinations from the initial Seoul and Delhi in April 2022. In addition, AirAsia X is pleased to announce the upliftment of its PN17 classification in November 2023, following its fifth consecutive quarterly net profit.

An overview of AirAsia X's operational statistics as of 31 December 2023:

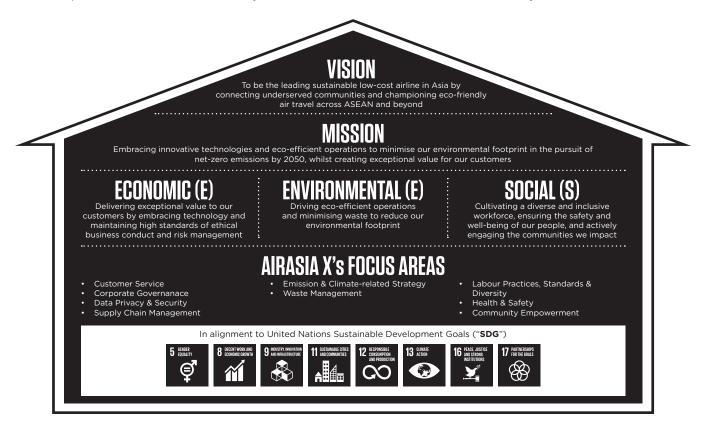
No. of Passengers Carried	Passenger Load Factor	Available Seat Kilometres ("ASK") [million]	Revenue Passenger Kilometres ("RPK") [million]	No. of Destinations	Fleet Size
2,822,605	80%	15,604	12,222	22	18 A330-300

# SUSTAINABILITY FRAMEWORK

[GRI 2-6, 2-22]

The year 2023 marked a significant turning point in AirAsia X's commitment to our economic, environmental and social progress. We successfully conducted our inaugural materiality assessment, culminating in the launch of AirAsia X's first Sustainability Framework, which aligns with the Company's identified material matters. Drawing on the international GRI Standards 2021, our Sustainability Framework is structured around three core pillars: Economic, Environmental, and Social. This comprehensive approach ensures that our sustainability efforts address a wide range of critical aspects.

In previous years, we have progressively laid down our sustainability foundations by strengthening our safety initiatives and continuously improving our operational efficiency. As the Company gains deeper understanding of how to optimally align its business objectives with the global sustainability agenda, the Sustainability Framework will be updated and refined consistently to ensure its continued relevance and efficacy.



# SUSTAINABILITY ACHIEVEMENTS & HIGHLIGHTS IN 2023

EES pillars	Indicators	2023
<b>Economic</b> On-Time Performance		77% (▲20% from 2022)
Environmental	Carbon intensity (gCO <sub>2</sub> /ASK)	61.3 (▼32% from 2022)
Environmental	Carbon intensity (gCO <sub>2</sub> /RPK)	78.3 ( <b>▼</b> 34% from 2022)
Conint	Lost Time Incident rate	1.01 (▼95% from 2022)
Social	Percentage of women in the workforce	48% (▲4% from 2022)

# SUSTAINABILITY GOVERNANCE

[GRI 2-9, 2-10, 2-11, 2-12, 2-13, 2-14, 2-18]

At AirAsia X, sustainability is woven into the fabric of our governance structure, ensuring that we remain accountable to meet our sustainability commitments. This starts at the top, with the Board holding the overall responsibility for AirAsia X's sustainability strategy and performance. At the same time, the RMC provides Board-level oversight on AirAsia X's direction, policies, and practices on both sustainability and risk management matters. The Terms of Reference for the RMC was updated in May 2023 to incorporate the RMC's roles and responsibilities pertaining to sustainability-related matters, whilst also mandating the committee to convene on a quarterly basis to review AirAsia X's sustainability strategies and progress on sustainability-related initiatives, including the sustainability statement.

In 2023, we established two vital committees to drive our sustainability journey. The SSC, led by the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and composed of the Leadership Team, charts our sustainability strategy and key priorities. Meanwhile, the Sustainability Working Group ("SWG") translates these into action, by implementing sustainability initiatives across the organisation.

The specific roles and responsibilities of each committee are clearly defined as shown below, ensuring smooth collaboration and effective navigation of tasks. This governance structure guarantees that sustainability remains a top priority at every level.



Roles	Responsibilities
	<ul> <li>Ensures that the strategic plan of the Company supports long-term value creation and includes strategies on economic, environmental and social considerations underpinning sustainability; and</li> <li>Oversees the development and implementation of the Sustainability Framework, strategies, priorities and targets.</li> </ul>
Board of Directors	
Risk Management Committee	<ul> <li>Provides oversight and assess the Company's sustainability strategies, policies, principles and practices, aligning it to the commitment of the Company towards sustainability; and</li> <li>Review and advise on the Sustainability Statement prior to reporting to the Board of Directors.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Sets the sustainability strategies, policies, principles and practices in line with the Company's direction; and</li> <li>Acts as a decision making body for sustainability initiatives, including recommending to the RMC for approval of the Sustainability Statement.</li> </ul>
<b>Sustainability Steering Committee</b>	

Roles	Responsibilities
	<ul> <li>Implements the sustainability strategies and initiatives set by the SSC; and</li> <li>Prepares the Sustainability Statement by ensuring the quality and extent of disclosures.</li> </ul>

# Sustainability Working Group

During the reporting year, the SWG, SSC and RMC convened to discuss the following matters:

- Sustainability initiatives;
- Sustainability reporting & data collection;
- Approval of materiality assessment findings; and
- Finalisation of AirAsia X's Sustainability Framework.

# **KEY RISKS, STRATEGIES & OUTLOOK**

[GRI 3-3]

With international travel taking off once more, the Board and Management of AirAsia X are reaffirming their commitment to a robust risk culture. To maintain operational resilience, we have identified our key risks as well as the associated mitigation strategies, based on AirAsia X's nine material matters. This proactive approach allows us to prioritise mitigation efforts and navigate potential challenges with agility.

Pillars	Material Topics	Risks	Strategies & Outlook
	Corporate Governance	Non-compliance of regulations imposed by regulatory bodies (including but not limited to Malaysian Aviation Commission	By maintaining robust governance practices, we enhance trust and transparency across stakeholders within the Company.
Economic		(" <b>MAVCOM</b> ") and Bursa Malaysia).	Read more in Chapter 4: Delivering Economic Value via Robust Governance
	Customer Service	Inability to meet customer expectations may adversely affect loyalty and result in reduced revenue.	Ongoing enhancements are implemented based on Net Promoter Score (" <b>NPS</b> ") surveys distributed to passengers following their experience with AirAsia X flights.
			Read more in Chapter 4: Delivering Economic Value via Robust Governance
	Data Privacy & Security	Cyber threats including breach of customers' data may lead to loss of customer trust and reputational harm.	We continuously update our cybersecurity measures to ensure comprehensive protection in mitigating potential security exposures.
			Read more in Chapter 4: Delivering Economic Value via Robust Governance
	Supply Chain Management	Sourcing goods from suppliers with poor ESG practices pose legal, reputational and safety risks.	We prioritise local suppliers and suppliers that meet our ESG standards, to ensure a sustainable supply chain.
			Read more in Chapter 4: Delivering Economic Value via Robust Governance

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Pillars	Material Topics	Risks	Strategies & Outlook
Environmental	Emissions & Climate-related strategy	Our international flight operations expose us to non-compliance risks from evolving climate regulations and Sustainable Aviation Fuel ("SAF") mandates across our markets.	Adopting in-sector measures such as operational efficiency, new aircraft fleet and SAF would reduce our environmental footprint significantly, in addition to potentially reducing operational costs.  Read more in Chapter 2: Addressing Climate Change
	Waste Management	Non-compliance to environmental regulations can lead to fines and sanctions.	By leveraging pre-booked meal information and historical customer purchase data, we aim to minimise overall waste generation, particularly food waste. We also continuously engage with responsible, licensed contractors to manage our scheduled waste.  Read more in Chapter 2: Addressing Climate Change
Social	Labour Practices, Standards & Diversity	Poor workplace culture and remuneration packages can result in employee disengagement, which would likely lead to a high turnover rate.	We promote diversity, equity and inclusion, multiple employee engagement initiatives, and a positive workplace culture to ensure employee satisfaction and retention.  Read more in Chapter 3: Caring for Our People & Communities
	Health & Safety	Flight safety incidents can significantly affect the Company's reputation and may result in the decline of our safety ratings, as well as additional operational restrictions imposed by regulatory authorities (eg: Civil Aviation Authority of Malaysia ("CAAM")).	We continuously prioritise rigorous health and safety standards, in order to protect the safety of our employees and customers.  Read more in Chapter 3: Caring for Our People & Communities
	Community Empowerment	Increased tourism activities are putting a strain on local environments, leading to ocean and land pollution that disproportionately affects the communities that we fly to.	We strive to empower the communities where we operate, thereby minimising the negative impact of tourism and aviation.  Read more in Chapter 3: Caring for Our People & Communities

# COMMITMENT TO THE UN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Since the launch of the UN SDGs in 2015, we have recognised the importance of this global agenda throughout the years. This year, we are primarily directing our focus towards eight SDGs, which are aligned to the sustainability initiatives implemented in 2023.

SDG	SDG	Targets	Oı	ur 2023 Progress
5 GENDER COULLITY	5.5	Eliminate all forms of violence against women & girls, including trafficking & other types of exploitation		17% of our Board of Directors are women Launched our inaugural gender pay gap analysis Organised a community programme with
	5.5	Women's full and effective participation & equal opportunities for leadership at all levels		Women's Aid Organisation, which impacted 18 beneficiaries
8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH	8.5	Achieve full & productive employment and decent work for all	•	Provided employment for 1,336 Allstars More than 396 Allstars participated in #KnowTheSigns Human Trafficking awareness
111	8.7	Take effective measures to eradicate forced labour, end modern slavery & human trafficking	•	course Zero work-related fatalities
	8.8	Protect labour rights & promote safe and secure working environments for all		
9 MOUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE	9.1	Develop quality, reliable, sustainable & resilient infrastructure to support economic development and human well-being, with a focus on affordable & equitable access for all		Implemented 5 fuel-saving initiatives Set to induct our first Airbus A330neo aircraft by 2026; and the Airbus A321XLR by 2028
	9.4	Upgrade infrastructure & retrofit to make them sustainable, with increased resource use efficiency and greater adoption of clean & environmentally sound technologies		
11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES  A HERE	11.2	Provide access to safe, affordable, accessible & sustainable transport systems to all	•	Safety Management System in place ensures operational risks are proactively managed with relevant procedures to prevent serious incidents
	11.5	Reduce the number of deaths & the number of people affected, and decrease the direct economic losses relative to global gross domestic product caused by natural disasters		
12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION	12.2	Achieve sustainable management & efficient use of natural resources	<ul> <li>chain expenditure</li> <li>Implemented 5 fuel-saving initia</li> <li>resulted in 1,708 tonnes of fuel</li> </ul>	•
CO	12.7	Promote public procurement practices that are sustainable, in accordance with national policies & priorities		resulted in 1,708 tonnes of fuel saved

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SDG	SDG	Targets Targets	0	ur 2023 Progress
13 CLIMATE ACTION	13.2	Integrate climate change measures into strategies & planning	•	Sustainable fleet management by ordering the latest aircraft type: Airbus A330neo and A321XLR
	13.3	Improve education & awareness-raising on climate change mitigation, adaptation, impact reduction & early warning	•	Monitoring, Reporting and Verification ("MRV") of carbon emissions Started tracking Scope 3 emissions Disclosed Scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions
16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	16.5	Substantially reduce corruption and bribery in all forms	•	Established Board oversight of sustainability through the RMC 100% new joiners acknowledged the
<u> </u>	16.6	Develop effective, accountable and transparent institutions at all levels	•	Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption Policy Zero incidents of corruption
	16.7	Ensure responsive, inclusive, participatory and representative decision-making at all levels		
17 PARTIMERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS	17.16	Enhance the global partnership for sustainable development, complemented by multi stakeholder partnerships that mobilise and share knowledge, expertise, technology and financial resources, to support the achievement of SDGs in all countries, in particular developing countries		Approximately 2,707 suppliers and vendor partners across the globe Engagements with the International Civil Aviation Organization ("ICAO") for Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation ("CORSIA") compliance

# STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

[GRI 2-29, GRI 3-3]

Our Stakeholder Engagement Approach







Building good relationships with our stakeholders is a constant priority. AirAsia X actively listens to their needs and aspirations, as it shapes the very foundation of the Company's operations. By maintaining an active and multi-channel communication, we pave the way for long-term value creation for all.

Stakeholder groups	Areas of interest	Metrics/Data Tracked	Our Response
Investors	<ul> <li>Share price appreciation and an attractive dividend stream</li> <li>Sustainable growth in revenue and financial performance</li> <li>Attractive business plans and growth strategy</li> <li>Strong and experienced management</li> <li>Transparent reporting and disclosure</li> <li>Sound ESG practices measured through shareholder feedback and Annual General Meeting ("AGM") outcomes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Revenue, EBITDA and other financial performance indicators</li> <li>Share price and dividends</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>CEO's Management Discussion &amp; Analysis, pg 16-21</li> <li>Financial Statements, pg 115-127</li> <li>Robust Corporate Governance, pg 72-77</li> </ul>
Employees (Allstars)	<ul> <li>A safe and healthy work environment</li> <li>Fair remuneration, effective performance management and recognition</li> <li>Career development and advancement opportunities</li> <li>An empowering environment that embraces diversity and inclusivity</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>survey</li> <li>Training and development indicators</li> <li>Employee retention and turnover rate</li> </ul>	pg 48-56 • Empowering Allstars, pg 57-63
Customers (Guests)	<ul> <li>Responsible and high-quality airline services</li> <li>Affordable international flights</li> <li>Excellent customer service</li> <li>Trusted and credible AirAsia X brand</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Customer Satisfaction Scores</li> <li>Net Promoter scores</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Our Sustainability Approach, pg 22-24</li> <li>Prioritising Guest Satisfaction, pg 66-68</li> </ul>
Regulators/ Governmental Bodies	<ul> <li>Compliance with all legal and regulatory requirements</li> <li>Active engagement with the industry and regulatory working groups</li> <li>Reduction of carbon emissions</li> </ul>	indicators	48-56
Dilli Local communities	<ul> <li>Community empowerment programmes</li> <li>Mitigating our operational impact on the environment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Amount channelled towards community empowerment</li> <li>Number of beneficiaries positively impacted</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Safety as our Priority, pg 48-56</li> <li>Towards Low-Carbon Operations, pg 36-44</li> <li>Managing our Environmental Footprint, pg 44-46</li> <li>Supporting our Communities, pg 63-64</li> </ul>

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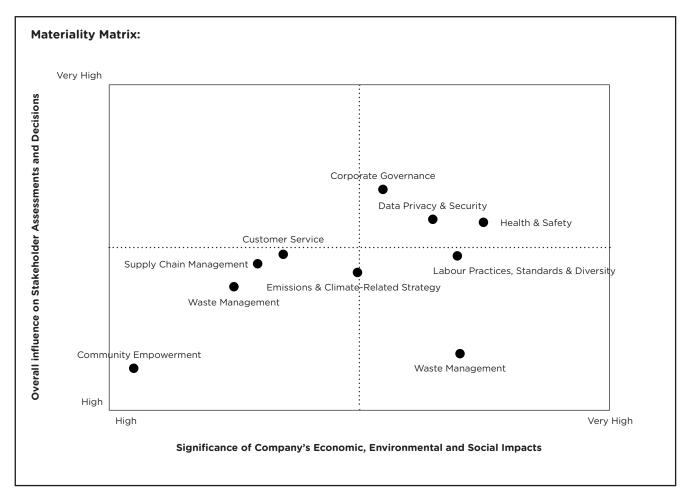
Stakeholder groups	Areas of interest	Metrics/Data Tracked	Our Response
Suppliers and contractors	<ul> <li>Fair procurement and responsible sourcing practices</li> <li>Supplier assessment and engagement process</li> <li>Contractor health and safety practices</li> </ul>	suppliers engaged	pg 48-56
Media	<ul> <li>Business strategies and growth plans</li> <li>Updates on routes and destinations</li> </ul>	Press releases	<ul> <li>CEO's Management Discussion &amp; Analysis, pg 16-21</li> <li>AirAsia X website</li> <li>Social Media</li> </ul>

# **MATERIALITY ASSESSMENT**

[GRI 3-1, GRI 3-2, GRI 3-3]

In the third quarter of 2023, AirAsia X Berhad conducted its inaugural materiality survey, thus kickstarting our official sustainability journey. Via this materiality assessment, the Company engaged with 416 respondents from eight stakeholder groups, which enabled us to understand their expectations and key areas of interest. Since this is the Company's first materiality assessment, we adhere to the recommendations stipulated in Bursa Malaysia's Toolkit: Materiality Assessment (3rd Edition). The materiality process that was undertaken is outlined below:

Step 1: Identification of material matters	Step 2: Prioritisation of material matters	Step 3: Review and Validation of Process & Outcomes
We have identified nine material matters that are relevant to our business and value chain, based on external and internal sources. Our external sources include industry benchmarking, emerging trends in the aviation industry, as well as relevant reporting standards and frameworks such as Bursa Malaysia's Sustainability Reporting Guideline. Our internal sources	We sent a materiality survey to both internal and external stakeholders to rate these nine material matters based on their influence on stakeholder decisions and significance on the Company's EES impacts.  Results of the assessment	The materiality matrix is then approved by the following committees:  Board of Directors;  Risk Management Committee; and  Sustainability Steering Committee.
include assessment of business context, key performance indicators and relevant policies.  We also identified eight stakeholder groups that are pivotal to our value chain.	were plotted in a materiality matrix, graded from high to very high importance.	We aim to conduct a full-scale materiality assessment once every two years, with a limited scale review conducted in the intervening years.



Based on the materiality assessment conducted, our findings revealed that all nine material topics are deemed highly important by internal and external stakeholders alike. Therefore, the materiality matrix shown above is highlighting the top-right quadrant when scaled from a rating of 1 to 5. In summary, the top 5 material topics that are deemed most important by all stakeholders are as follows:

- Health & Safety
- Labour Practices, Standards & Diversity
- Data Privacy & Security
- Corporate Governance
- Emissions & Climate-Related Strategy

Henceforth, the disclosures on the 5 material topics above would be the main focus for this year's Sustainability Statement.

#### Note:

In line with Bursa Malaysia's enhanced sustainability requirements under the Main Market Listing Requirements:

- "Anti-Corruption" is covered under Corporate Governance
- "Energy Management" is managed under Emissions & Climate-Related Strategy
- "Water" is managed under Waste Management
- "Diversity" is managed under Labour Practices, Standards & Diversity

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EES Pillars	Material Topics	Description	
	Customer Service	Ensuring transparent and timely flight-related communications and customer service	
Economic	Corporate Governance	Upholding high standards of good governance, integrity, policies and standard procedures to build transparency within AirAsia X	
	Data Privacy & Security	Protecting our customer's data and ensuring data security while booking flights through AirAsia's website	
	Supply Chain Management	Supporting sustainable procurement practices while ensuring suppliers and vendors meet our ESG standards	
Environmental	Emissions & Climate- Related Strategy	Proactively managing our emissions and climate-related risks, including carbon emissions and energy consumption	
	Waste Management	Responsibly managing waste, particularly food waste and scheduled waste (i.e., operational and maintenance-related waste)	
Social	Labour Practices, Standards & Diversity	Upholding labour practices and standards, as well as promoting a workplace culture that advocates diversity & inclusion, training, development and talent retention.	
	Health & Safety	Promoting flight and workplace safety, as well as the well-being of employees.	
	Community Empowerment	Supporting our community programmes, including employee volunteering activities	

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#### **TOWARDS LOW-CARBON OPERATIONS**

#### **2023 PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW**

[GRI 3-3]

AirAsia X remains committed to addressing the impact of climate change and is working towards aligning ourselves with ICAO's Long Term Aspirational Goal to achieve net zero emissions by 2050. We have outlined four aviation pathways towards this end, namely, operational efficiency, new aircraft technologies, sustainable aviation fuel; as well as market-based measures including carbon offsetting.

Following the opening of Malaysia's border to international travel in April 2022, AirAsia X has seen a sharp increase in passenger traffic, effectively lowering our carbon footprint per passenger. This trend continued in 2023, whereby AirAsia X gradually resumed flights; and grew our fleet to 18 aircraft by the end of the year in anticipation of the increased load factor.

AirAsia X presents the environmental disclosures below to outline our achievements and way forward by building resilience against climate-related risks whilst meeting our customer's expectations as an environmentally-responsible airline.

# KEY POLICIES & PROCEDURES

- AirAsia X Sustainability Policy
- ICAO requirements
- CORSIA requirements, including the Emissions Monitoring Plan
- Environmental Policy Statement
- Environmental Quality Act 1974

# PRIMARY UN SDGs SUPPORTED







## 2023 In Numbers

Total energy consumption **13.1 million GJ** 

Carbon intensity per RPK 78.3 gCO<sub>2</sub>/RPK

Carbon intensity per ASK **61.3 gCO<sub>2</sub>/RPK** 

Total GHG emissions (Scope 1+2+3)\* **1,161,281 tCO<sub>2</sub>e** 

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions avoided through the fuel efficiency programme

5,395 tCO<sub>2</sub>e

<sup>\*</sup>Scope 3 emissions only cover categories 3, 6 and 7.

#### **LOW-CARBON TRANSITION STRATEGIES**

[GRI 305-5]

As global efforts to combat climate change intensified in 2023, two significant developments emerged, presenting both opportunities and challenges for airlines such as AirAsia X.

#### **Global Climate-Related Developments Local Climate-Related Developments** Malaysia's National Energy Transition Roadmap was In November 2023, the Third ICAO Conference on published in August 2023. This policy document Aviation and Alternative Fuels ("CAAF/3") established a collective ambition to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in outlined a plan to introduce a SAF blending mandate international aviation by 5% by 2030 via the utilisation starting at 1% and gradually increasing to 47% by of cleaner aviation fuels. This aligns with the outcome 2050. While this development represents progress of the 28th United Nations Climate Change Conference towards national climate commitments, the roadmap ("COP28"), held a month later, which approved a acknowledges hurdles in identifying suitable feedstock roadmap for a just and orderly transition away from that meets sustainability criteria and lacks a concrete fossil fuels. These global agreements place additional implementation start date. pressure on the aviation industry to adopt alternative fuel solutions such as SAF to achieve long-term netzero goals.

In response to the developments above, we have continued making progress in our low-carbon transition plan in 2023, via the four main strategies outlined below:

Strategy 1: Operational Efficiency	Strategy 2: Aircraft Technologies			
Strengthening and maintaining our industry-leading fuel efficiency programme	<ul> <li>Meeting the latest ICAO emissions and noise standards; and</li> <li>Induction of the Airbus A330neo and A321XLR aircraft by 2026 and 2028, respectively.</li> </ul>			
Strategy 3: Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF)	Strategy 4: Carbon Offsetting			
Exploring opportunities for the utilisation of SAF	<ul> <li>Introducing carbon offsetting into AirAsia X's operations; and</li> <li>Exploring CORSIA-certified carbon projects in Asean.</li> </ul>			

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#### **Strategy 1: Operational Eco-Efficiency**

Long standing to the Company's commitment to minimise carbon emissions from its source, AirAsia X maintains an industry-leading fuel efficiency program as the most immediate solution to minimise our carbon footprint. This has allowed AirAsia X to maintain an industry-leading carbon intensity, all whilst lowering our operational costs.

In 2023, AirAsia X implemented a number of fuel efficiency initiatives, including measures which contribute to the lifespan extension of our aircraft engines. The reduction in engine wear and tear allows the engines to work more efficiently, leading to fuel savings in the long run. Additionally, the implementation of the fuel efficiency initiatives also has a direct impact on our carbon intensity per ASK, which is a key metric of overall flight efficiency.

Below are the highlights of AirAsia X's fuel efficiency initiatives in 2023.

Flight Stage	·		Fuel Saved (tonnes)	Total CO <sub>2</sub> avoided (tCO <sub>2</sub> )	
Take-Off	One Engine Taxi on Departure	Procedure to operate one engine instead of two during aircraft taxiout from the gate to the runway.	647	2,044	
Take-Off		Procedure which turns off the air conditioning system during takeoff.	39	123	
Landing	One Engine Taxi on Arrival	Procedure to operate one engine instead of two during aircraft taxi-into the arrival gate.	572	1,806	
Landing	Idle Reverse Landing	Procedure that uses idle thrust (instead of full reverse engine thrust) upon touchdown to reduce noise and fuel burn.	287	908	
Landing	Reduced Flaps Landing	Procedure that uses reduced flap configuration (CONF3) during landing to reduce aerodynamic drag and fuel burn.	163	514	
	Total		1,708	5,395	

Through the green operating initiatives above, AirAsia X has avoided 5,395 tonnes of  $CO_2$  into the atmosphere, or equivalent to 89,916 trees planted. Moving forward in 2024, AirAsia X will expand the monitoring and tracking of additional green operating procedures, to further strengthen our flight efficiency, and minimise emissions from the onset.







For more information on Greenhouse Gases Equivalencies, please visit <a href="https://www.epa.gov/energy/greenhouse-gases-equivalencies-calculator-calculations-and-references">https://www.epa.gov/energy/greenhouse-gases-equivalencies-calculator-calculations-and-references</a>

#### **Strategy 2: Aircraft Technologies**

AirAsia X seeks to maximise our fleet efficiency by investing in the latest aircraft technologies for the betterment of our environment. As of 31 December 2023, AirAsia X maintains a fleet of 18 Airbus A330-300 with an average fleet age of 12.1 years, of which two aircraft remain in storage. In 2024, AirAsia X's key focus is to ensure all 18 aircraft are activated and operational, and will continue to align its fleet expansion plan with network requirements.

Model	Units	Average age of aircraft (years)	Passenger Capacity
Airbus A330-300	18	12.1	285/309/367/377

Regarding our future sustainable fleet development, AirAsia X is set to induct our first Airbus A330neo aircraft by 2026; and the Airbus A321XLR by 2028. The A330neo comes with a new wing and sharklet design which optimises aerodynamics; and together with the new Rolls-Royce Trent 7000 engine with new efficiency technologies, the A330neo is the first aircraft to be certified to ICAO's latest  $\rm CO_2$  emissions standard, which we expect to offer much improved fuel burn per passenger compared to the existing A330-300 series, as well as up to 20% reduction in NOx emissions below the ICAO CAEP\*/8 standards.

For more information on the Airbus A330neo aircraft, please visit <a href="https://www.airbus.com/en/products-services/commercial-aircraft/wide-body-aircraft/new-efficient-engines-sustaining-the">https://www.airbus.com/en/products-services/commercial-aircraft/wide-body-aircraft/new-efficient-engines-sustaining-the</a>

The A321XLR, on the other hand, with its range of 4,700 nautical miles (11 hours), allows AirAsia X to expand our long haul expertise to new destinations. Built upon the platform of the efficient Airbus A321neo and combined with its extended range capabilities, the A321XLR allows AirAsia X to manage our capacity requirements for some of our existing destinations; while expanding our reach to new destinations.

For more information on the Airbus A321XLR aircraft, please visit <a href="https://aircraft.airbus.com/en/aircraft/a320/a321xlr">https://aircraft.airbus.com/en/aircraft/a320/a321xlr</a>

These new aircraft will contribute significantly in allowing eco-conscious passengers to travel responsibly to new destinations. Moving forward, AirAsia X will also continue to pursue efficient aircraft technologies, to minimise the scope 1 emissions from its source.

#### Strategy 3: Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF)

The aviation industry has long been considered as a "hard-to-abate" sector. In particular, existing battery storage technologies limit the immediate viability of alternative propulsion technologies such as zero-emissions or hybrid aircraft for medium- to long-haul operations. Hence, SAF remains as the dominant method for medium-to long-haul airlines to meet their net zero emissions targets. Depending on the production pathway, SAF can reduce the life cycle  $\rm CO_2$  emissions by up to 80% when compared to conventional jet fuels. This reduction in  $\rm CO_2$  emissions will directly impact our scope 3 emissions from the extraction and refinery of fuels (Scope 3 category 3); as well as our carbon intensity.

Currently, seven biofuel production pathways are certified to produce SAF, which perform at operationally equivalent levels to conventional jet fuels. This is also known as drop-in fuel, which can be directly blended into existing fuel infrastructure at airports and is fully compatible with our Airbus A330-300 fleet and the upcoming A330neo aircraft, with up to 50% blend of SAF.

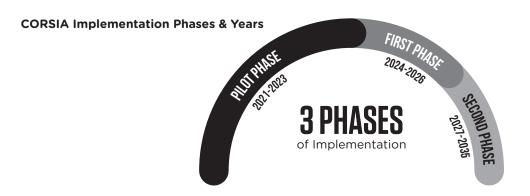
The main obstacle for a wide SAF adoption for AirAsia X remains the high price of SAF, at up to 3 times the price compared to Jet A1, as well as the limited production capacity and capability. Nonetheless, AirAsia X is keeping abreast of ongoing developments of SAF mandates by the destinations that we currently fly to.

\* Committee for Aviation Environmental Protection

#### **Strategy 4: Carbon offsetting**

Malaysia has participated in the CORSIA scheme since its inception in 2016, which is implemented to achieve carbon neutrality for all international flights between the contracting states. Under this scheme, any "excess" emissions above the baseline shall be offset, either through the purchase of CORSIA-eligible carbon credits; or CORSIA-eligible fuels in the form of SAF or low carbon aviation fuel ("**LCAF**").

While the CORSIA offsetting regime began in 2021, the temporary halt in international travel globally has caused carbon emissions to fall below the 2019 baseline. To ensure CORSIA's objectives are met, the 41st ICAO General Assembly in October 2022 has decided to lower the baseline to 85% of 2019 levels, from 2024 onwards. With international traffic recovering and major countries such as China and India joining CORSIA's second phase in 2027, AirAsia X anticipates a significant increase in the required offsetting volume. In 2023, we began identifying high-quality CORSIA-eligible offsetting projects in the regions to which we fly. In 2024, we plan to introduce a new carbon fee to supplement AirAsia X fares. Structured to have minimal impact on airfares, the fee will be earmarked for decarbonisation purposes. As of writing this report, our fee proposal is being evaluated by civil aviation authorities in AirAsia X's operating countries for implementation from 2024 onwards.

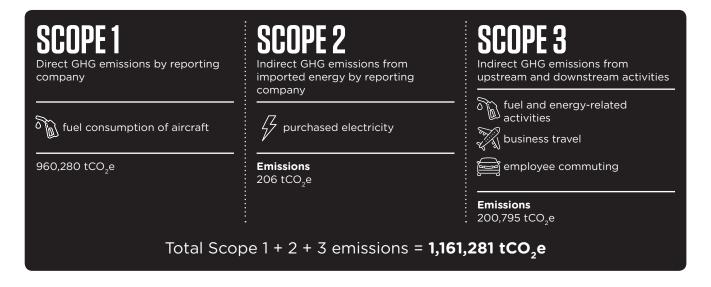


Note: Participation of States in the pilot phase (2021 to 2023) and first phase (2024 to 2026) is voluntary.

#### **GREENHOUSE GAS ("GHG") EMISSIONS MANAGEMENT**

#### **GHG Emissions Accounting**

For our GHG inventory, we follow the approach and guidance as defined by the Greenhouse Gas Protocol. Our Scope 1 emissions are attributed to the fuel consumption from our airline operations. For scope 2 emissions and category 7 of our scope 3 emissions, our data only covers operations in Kuala Lumpur. Moving forward, we aim to improve the completeness of our carbon emissions inventory by expanding the assessment boundary.



#### **Scope 1 GHG emissions**

[GRI 305-1, 305-4]

Fuel Consumption	2021	2022	2023
Fuel burn (tonnes)	40,453	58,948	302,832
Fuel use intensity (litres/100 RPK)	733.4 <sup>2</sup>	4.8	3.2

Scope 1 Carbon Emissions & Intensity	2021	2022	2023
Scope 1 emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e) <sup>1</sup>	128,276	186,924	960,280
Carbon intensity per RPK (gCO <sub>2</sub> /RPK)	18,192.5 <sup>2</sup>	118.1	78.3
Carbon intensity per ASK (gCO <sub>2</sub> /ASK)	6,735.2 <sup>2</sup>	89.9	61.3

#### Note:

- 1. The data reported here includes the CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents of methane (CH<sub>4</sub>) and nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) emissions. AirAsia does not emit hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons or sulphur hexafluoride from flight operations.
- 2. In 2021, AirAsia X predominantly operated cargo flights, with minimal passenger flights, hence the large difference in magnitude for the intensity figures when compared to 2022 and 2023.

With the continuous resumption of scheduled flight operations in 2023, AirAsia X has observed a five-time increase in fuel consumption from 58,948 tonnes to 302,832 tonnes. To understand the context of this figure, AirAsia X analysed the carbon footprint of each passenger and flight in the form of carbon intensity per RPK and ASK. This normalised figure provides a basis for comparison of our carbon footprint over the years. In 2021, AirAsia X predominantly operated cargo flights, with minimal passenger flights, hence the large difference in magnitude for the intensity figures when compared to 2022 and 2023.

We observed that the carbon intensity has seen a healthy 34% decrease to  $78.3~\rm gCO_2/RPK$  in FY2023 from 118.1  $\rm gCO_2/RPK$  in FY2022, owing to the higher load factors in 2023. The carbon intensity per ASK, which measures the overall flight efficiency, has also seen a decreasing trend to  $61.3~\rm gCO_2/ASK$  from  $89.9~\rm gCO_2/ASK$ , owing to longer average flight times as our network was rebuilt. AirAsia X expects the carbon intensity to normalise and converge towards pre-pandemic levels, until the commencement of the use of SAF and the induction of new generation aircraft such as the A330neo and the A321XLR.

As AirAsia X is subjected to all the Monitoring, Reporting and Verification requirements of CORSIA, we have engaged an accredited verification body to audit and verify our  ${\rm CO_2}$  emissions from all international flights annually since 2019. This provides a layer of assurance as AirAsia X predominantly operates international flights. At the time of writing of this report, AirAsia X is in the midst of verifying our carbon emissions for international flights for 2023 with the accredited verification body.

#### **Energy Management**

[GRI 302-1]

The increase of non-renewable fuel consumption from 2022 to 2023 by approximately a factor of five is mainly due to increased flight activities in 2023. The management of non-renewable fuel consumed is stated in our Scope 1 emissions disclosure, whilst the management of non-renewable electricity purchased is stated in our Scope 2 emissions disclosure.

Categories	2021	2022	2023
Non-renewable fuel consumed (MJ) <sup>1</sup>	1,749,187,720	2,548,911,520	13,094,455,680
Non-renewable electricity purchased (MJ)	369,683	467,903	977,793
Total Energy Consumption (MJ)	1,749,557,403	2,549,379,423	13,095,433,473

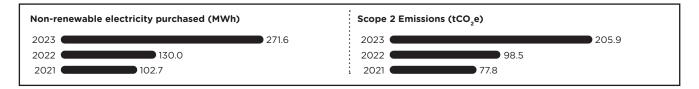
#### Notes:

The energy content of non-renewable fuel purchased (Jet-A1 fuel for our aircraft) is based on the Fuel Lower Heating Value ("FLHV") or 18,590btu/lb, or 43,240MJ/tonnes of Jet A1 consumed.



#### Scope 2 GHG emissions

[GRI 302-1, 305-2]



As AirAsia X's head office is based in RedQ, we have conducted an estimation of AirAsia X's electricity consumption based on the proportion of leased office space at RedQ. In 2023, RedQ registered a 109% increase in electricity consumption compared to the previous year, primarily due to all employees returning to work in the office.

Electricity Consumption <sup>2</sup>	2021	2022	2023
Total electricity consumption (MWh)	102.7	130.0	271.6
Scope 2 Emissions & Intensity <sup>2</sup>	2021	2022	2023
Scope 2 Emissions & Intensity <sup>2</sup> Scope 2 emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e) <sup>1</sup>	<b>2021</b> 77.8	<b>2022</b> 98.5	<b>2023</b> 205.9

#### Note:

- 1. The Grid Emissions Factor used is 0.758 tCO<sub>2</sub>e /MWh, which is extracted from the Malaysian Energy Commission database (2021 Peninsular).
- 2. The data reported here only encompasses AirAsia X's operations in our head corporate office (RedQ, Selangor) and excludes all hubs/stations and AirAsia X's subsidiaries, due to data limitations.
- 3. The Scope 2 Guidance, published by GHG Protocol, is used as the methodology to calculate Scope 2 emissions.

The RedQ Facilities Department has implemented various initiatives in our offices aimed at enhancing energy efficiency and reducing our overall resource consumption. These initiatives encompass:

- Conversion to LED lighting at the office
- Scheduled energy usage following working hours
- · Staggered switching for major equipment such as air conditioning

#### **Scope 3 GHG emissions**

[GRI 302-2, 305-3, 305-4]

AirAsia X has commenced tracking of our scope 3 emissions, which enables us to understand the impact of the emissions beyond our value chain. As the aviation industry utilises jet fuel as our primary source of energy, more than 99% of our scope 3 emissions originates from the extraction and refinery of jet fuel, also known as the well-to-tank ("WTT") emissions. The utilisation of SAF will be one method to reduce our Scope 3 emissions. With existing production pathways focused on bio-based origins, SAF can be safely and easily integrated into existing aircraft and fuelling infrastructure with up to 50% blend, and will potentially reduce the lifecycle carbon emissions by up to 80% when compared to conventional jet fuel.

We encourage the organisation of online meetings and conferences where possible to reduce the need for business travel. For employee commuting, we raise awareness via Workplace to encourage employees to reduce their carbon footprint by carpooling with colleagues or taking public transportation to their respective workplaces.

AirAsia X will also continue to work closely with our business partners to track and minimise our scope 3 carbon emissions, and will include additional scope 3 emissions categories as deemed applicable for the reporting year.

Scope 3 Emissions Category	Carbon emissions in 2023 (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)
3 - Fuel- and Energy-Related Activities not included in scope 1 or scope 2 <sup>1,2</sup>	200,413
6 - Business travel <sup>3</sup>	68
7 - Employee commuting <sup>4</sup>	314
Total	200,795

#### Notes:

- 1. The Technical Guidance for Calculating Scope 3 Emissions, published by GHG Protocol, is used as the methodology to calculate Scope 3 emissions; and emission factors are sourced from UK Government GHG Conversion Factors for Company Reporting, version 1.1 year 2023.
- 2. Category 3 emissions originate from jet fuel production from our airlines operations.
- 3. Employee business travel data only covers air travel (flights) operated by external airlines, due to data limitations.
- 4. Employee commute data only covers employees that travel by car and are parking at our head corporate office (RedQ, Selangor), due to data limitations.

#### Other GHG emissions

[GRI 305-7]

We recognise that apart from the greenhouse gases, other air pollutants such as nitrogen oxides ("NOx"), sulphur oxides ("SOx") and Volatile Organic Compounds ("VOC") emitted from the combustion of jet fuel will have an impact on the air quality surrounding the airport. In recognition of this, all of AirAsia X's A330-300 aircraft currently in operation are compliant with the most stringent ICAO CAEP/8 NOx emissions standards.

Pollutants	2021	2022	2023
NOx emissions (tonnes) <sup>1</sup>	67	80	349
NOx emissions intensity (gNOx/RPK) <sup>1</sup>	9.46 <sup>3</sup>	0.05	0.03
SOx emissions (tonnes) <sup>2</sup>	1.52	1.83	7.98
VOC emissions (kg) <sup>2</sup>	5,255	6,336	27,600

#### Notes:

- 1. NOx emissions and compliance data are obtained from the ICAO Emissions Data Bank Issue 29B, dated 20 June 2023.
- SO<sub>2</sub> and VOC emissions data are sources from US Environmental Protection Agency's Generic Aircraft Type Emission Factors Table; under the category Aircraft/Commercial. SO<sub>2</sub> represents the highest composition of SOx emissions per US EPA standards, hence SO<sub>2</sub> is considered as SOx for the purpose of calculations.
- 3. In 2021, AirAsia X predominantly operated cargo flights, with minimal passenger flights, hence the large difference in magnitude for the intensity figures when compared to 2022 and 2023.



#### **Aircraft Noise Management**

All of AirAsia X's A330-300 (engine type A330-343) currently in operation are also compliant with the latest ICAO Annex 16 Chapter 14 noise standards. Moving forward, the A330neo aircraft will be fully certified under these new noise standards, which offers a 16EPNdB noise reduction compared to the older ICAO Chapter 4 noise standards; or a 9EPNdB reduction compared to the latest ICAO Chapter 14 noise standards. In addition, AirAsia X also complies with all relevant noise abatement procedures when operating at destinations with noise restrictions and curfews, minimising the impact and disruptions to the local communities.



#### MANAGING OUR ENVIRONMENTAL FOOTPRINT

#### **2023 Performance Overview**

[GRI 3-3]

We strive to manage our environmental footprint by responsibly managing our waste and water consumption. Efficient and well-planned waste and water management is essential to avoid unnecessary resource consumption and environmental issues.

# KEY POLICIES & PROCEDURES

- AirAsia X Sustainability Policy
- Environmental Policy Statement
- Environmental Quality Act 1974.

# PRIMARY UN SDGs SUPPORTED





## 2023 In Numbers

Total solid hazardous waste generated

2.29 tonnes

Total liquid hazardous waste generated

**3,790 litres** 

Total non-hazardous waste generated **24.7 tonnes** 

Total water consumption 1,304 m³

#### **WASTE MANAGEMENT**

[GRI 3-3, 306-1, 306-2, 306-3, 306-4, 306-5]

Waste generated by AirAsia X can be broadly categorised into two types, namely hazardous and non-hazardous waste. Engineering waste is considered to be hazardous, whereas food waste is considered non-hazardous. Through actively adopting the practices of elimination, reduction, reuse and recycling, we aim to continuously reduce the disposal of waste to landfills.

In 2023, no sanctions nor any non-compliance was recorded in relation to environmental regulations or requirements.

#### **Hazardous Waste**

Hazardous waste is harmful to human health and the environment, and therefore should be disposed of properly. The main source of hazardous waste for AirAsia X comes from the scheduled waste from engineering and maintenance activities conducted at our main hub in Kuala Lumpur. We engage with licensed contractors to dispose of spent fluids and parts, in compliance with the Environmental Quality (Scheduled Wastes) Regulations 2005 in Malaysia.

In 2023, AirAsia X generated 2.29 tonnes of solid waste; and 3.79 kilo litres of liquid waste. The increase in the scheduled waste generated in 2023 is due to the increased engineering activities focused on fleet activation.

Hazardous Waste	2021	2022	2023	
Total Waste Generated				
Solid waste (tonnes)	3.71	1.49	2.29	
Liquid waste (kilo litres)	1.72	2.29	3.79	
Waste Diverted from Disposal (tonnes)	0	0	0	
Waste Directed to Disposal				
Solid waste (tonnes)	3.71	1.49	2.29	
Liquid waste (kilo litres)	1.72	2.29	3.79	

#### Non-Hazardous Waste

While the main source of non-hazardous waste is generated from the cabin activities onboard our flights, AirAsia X does not collect, store or dispose of any of the waste generated from our aircraft's galley, as they are collected and processed by the contractors contracted by the airport authority at our main hub in Kuala Lumpur. Nonetheless, AirAsia X has commenced tracking of our food waste data beginning in 2023 to understand the impact of our cabin activities to the environment.

AirAsia X has worked closely with SANTAN, our catering provider, and has set the food waste target to 30% of the total consumption onboard. Leveraging on multiple initiatives to optimise the catering uplift onboard our flights, AirAsia X has generated 24.7 tonnes of food waste in 2023, or a 14.8% wastage compared to the total consumption. Below are the initiatives that AirAsia X has undertaken with SANTAN to minimise our food waste onboard our flights.

#### SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

Initiatives	Description
Predictive loading	SANTAN utilises the dashboard to capture wastage report for all flights in order to optimise the catering uplift
Pre-booked meals	Passengers are encouraged to pre-book their meal prior to their flights, to ensure their meal of choice is served, which also allows for more efficient catering uplift for the flight
Catering forecast based on historical data	SANTAN leverages historical sales data based on destination and nationality, which enables more accurate catering forecast to optimise catering uplift

Non-Hazardous Waste	2023
Total Waste Generated (tonnes)	24.7
Waste Diverted from Disposal (tonnes)	0
Waste Directed to Disposal (tonnes)	24.7

#### WATER MANAGEMENT

[GRI 303-1, 303-5]

As AirAsia X's head office is based in RedQ, we have conducted an estimation of AirAsia X's water consumption based on the proportion of leased office space at RedQ. The water supply for our main office, RedQ, is from municipal potable water sources.

Water Consumption	2021	2022	2023
Total water consumption (m³)¹	896	1,877	1,304

<sup>1.</sup> The data reported here only encompasses AirAsia X's operations in our head corporate office (RedQ, Selangor) and excludes all stations/hubs and AirAsia X's subsidiaries due to data limitations.

For further enhancement, AAX will establish a water management policy and will expand our reporting scope to include water consumption in other parts of our operations, including flight operations and in-flight usage.

# **CHAPTER 3:**

# CARING FOR OUR PEOPLE & COMMUNITIES

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#### SAFETY AS OUR PRIORITY

#### **2023 PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW**

[GRI 3-3]

At AirAsia X, ensuring safe flights goes beyond a mere checklist; it stands as a fundamental priority in all aspects of our operations. The Company's primary focus is on the safety of everyone we impact, especially our dedicated Allstar crew and each valued passenger on board. We implement effective governance systems and continually enhance our procedures and processes to guarantee a seamless, comfortable, and, most importantly, stress-free journey for our passengers. Furthermore, we recognise the crucial role each Allstar plays in safeguarding our operations, emphasising the belief that a robust safety culture is a shared responsibility amongst all employees.

# KEY POLICIES & PROCEDURES

- Safety Policy Statement
- Safety Management System ("SMS") Manual
- Flight Data Analysis ("FDA")
   Manual
- Alcohol & Drug Management Programme
- Emergency Response Manual
- International Air Transport Association ("IATA") Operational Safety Audits ("IOSA")
- Occupational Safety, Health & Environment ("OSHE") Manual
- ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management System
- ISO 45001:2018 Occupational Health & Safety

## PRIMARY UN SDGs Supported





# 2023 In Numbers

Number of work-related fatalities for employees

0

Lost Time Incident rate
101

Total safety training hours **3.090** 

Number of safety reports filed **1,310** 

Percentage of reported hazards, incidents and accidents, which have been investigated and addressed **100%** 

#### **ENSURING ROBUST SAFETY GOVERNANCE**

[GRI 403-1, 403-7, 403-8]

AirAsia X's dedication to achieving operational excellence is grounded in our unwavering commitment to safety. The foundation of this commitment lies in our robust SMS, characterised by dedicated structures, clear responsibilities, and rigorous processes, all aimed at cultivating a safe environment for all stakeholders. This framework hinges on two pivotal functions: Safety Risk Management and Safety Assurance.

Through Safety Risk Management, we proactively identify potential hazards and implement effective controls to minimise the associated risks. Following that, Safety Assurance would diligently monitor the effectiveness of these controls and update them as the operational landscape evolves. Each step in this process reinforces our commitment to providing the safest possible experience for everyone who flies with us.

#### Safety Management System (SMS) Manual

#### **Safety Policy & Objectives**

- Management Commitments
- Safety Accountability & Responsibilities
- Appointment of Key Safety Personnel
- Coordination of Emergency Response Planning
- SMS Documentation

#### Safety Assurance

- Safety Performance Monitoring and Measurement
- Management of Change
- Continuous Improvement

#### Safety Risk Management

- Hazard Identification
- · Safety Risk Assessment and Mitigation

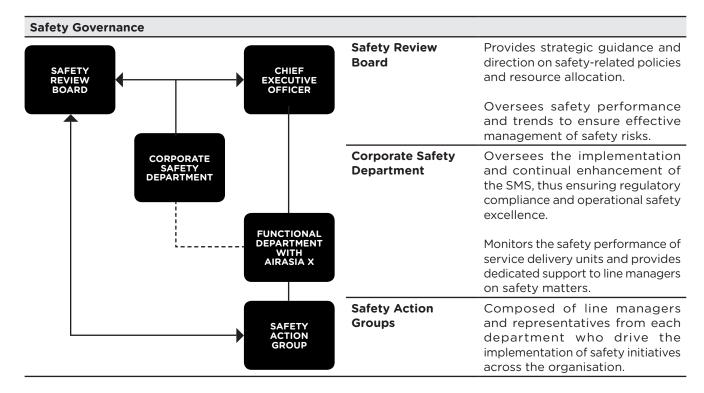
#### **Safety Promotion**

- Training and Education
- Safety Communication

#### **Safety Governance & Accountabilities**

[GRI 403-1, 403-7, 403-8]

At AirAsia X, we foster a safety culture that values trust and accountability, with clearly outlined roles and responsibilities. Safety excellence is a shared goal at every level of our organisation, whereby leaders play a crucial role in shaping the mindset of Allstars on safety.



#### **Hazard Identification & Safety Risk Management**

[GRI 403-1, 403-2, 403-3, 403-4, 403-8]

In championing a proactive safety culture within the organisation, we meticulously analyse hazards, especially during in-flight operations, to identify and mitigate existing and potential safety risks. The implementation of thorough risk assessments guides the development and implementation of effective controls across all facets of our operations, thus ensuring continuous safety improvement.

### STEP 1 HAZARD IDENTIFICATION & RISK ASSESSMENT

We systematically identify potential hazards, encompassing both natural elements (eg: thunderstorms) and technical factors (eg: aircraft component failures) by employing reactive, proactive, and predictive methodologies.

Subsequently, a comprehensive risk assessment is conducted to evaluate the likelihood and severity of potential consequences associated with these hazards.

## STEP 2 RISK MITIGATION & IMPLEMENTATION

We formulate controls and mitigation strategies to address identified hazards.

S u b s e q u e n t l y, responsibilities for the implementation of these mitigation strategies are assigned to relevant departments within the organisation.

## STEP 3 RISK DOCUMENTATION & REVIEW

All hazard and risk assessments are archived in our Safety Library.

We regularly conduct reviews to evaluate the sufficiency of risk management measures and verify the effectiveness of implemented controls.

## STEP 4 RISK COMMUNICATION

We disseminate adopted mitigating strategies to relevant stakeholders via channels such as safety reports, safety bulletins, as well as seminars and workshops.

#### **DRIVING OPERATIONAL SAFETY PERFORMANCE**

[GRI 403-1, 403-7, 403-8, 403-9]

Our Corporate Safety Department consistently oversees the health and safety performance at AirAsia X, regularly presenting key indicators to senior management on a monthly basis. In 2023, AAX reported zero work-related fatalities, one Lost Time injury, and a Lost Time Incident Rate ("LTIR") of 1.01. Notably, our 2023 LTIR reflects a 94% reduction compared to the previous year.

The table below summarises our safety performance in 2023:

	2021	2022	2023
Total man-hours worked	1,613,744	1,603,888	2,377,936
Number of work-related fatalities	0	0	0
Fatality rate	0	0	0
Number of recordable work-related injuries (number of incidents)	0	3	1
Rate of recordable work-related injuries	0	0.37	0.08
Lost time Injury (number of lost workdays due to injuries)	0	161	12
Lost Time Incident Rate	0	20.08	1.01
Number of employees participating in safety-related trainings	388	766	1,236

#### Note:

- Fatality rate = Number of work-related fatalities/total man-hours worked x 200,000
- Rate of recordable work-related injuries = Number of recordable work-related injuries/total man-hours worked x 200,000
- Lost Time Incident Rate = Total number of lost time injuries/total man-hours worked x 200,000

#### SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

#### Flight Safety & Security

[GRI 403-1, 403-2, 403-4]

From takeoff to touchdown, safety underpins every aspect of AirAsia X's operations. State-of-the-art safety dashboards, meticulous maintenance procedures, and thorough aircraft inspections are some of the measures that we undertake to ensure flight safety. Multiple departments play a role in upholding the highest safety standards at AirAsia X, including flight safety, ground safety, engineering safety and cabin safety. Below is a brief explanation of the comprehensive safety procedures undertaken to safeguard our customers and Allstars:

Flight Safety	Safety risk assessments are carried out by all departments prior to operating to new destinations as a preventive measure by ensuring all risk levels are as low as reasonably practicable.	A safety reporting system is in place for the pilots and cabin crew to report any threats, incidents and occurrences during the flight. Flights are constantly monitored and any anomalies will be relayed to the Operations Control Centre ("OCC") for further action.	Our Flight Data Analysis monitoring dashboard monitors our flight safety performance. Analyses are carried out as required and safety bulletins/circulars are published as part of safety promotion.
Ground Safety	Our Ground Crew are extensively trained in safe baggage handling and passenger boarding procedures.	Emergency response teams are on standby at both departure and arrival airports, ready to act if needed.	Our Ground Crew guides the aircraft safely to its designated parking bay. Baggage is unloaded and delivered efficiently while maintaining passenger safety.
Engineering Safety	Our Engineering team conducts thorough inspection and maintenance as required to ensure airworthiness of the aircraft.	All flights are continuously monitored and any anomalies will be relayed to the OCC. The Maintenance Operations Control team is available 24/7 to remotely assist the pilots if any technical issues arise.	Our Engineering personnel conduct post-flight inspections and/or maintenance as required before the next flight.
Cabin Safety	Cabin conditions are checked before flights to ensure their airworthiness and functionality	Our Cabin Crew conducts regular cabin checks, ensuring passenger safety and comfort. They are trained to handle in-flight emergencies, from medical situations to turbulence.	The cabin is thoroughly cleaned and disinfected, preparing it for the next flight.

#### Flight Crew Health & Well-Being

[GRI 403-6]

At AirAsia X, we understand that safeguarding the mental well-being of our Allstars, particularly pilots and cabin crew, is essential for preventing fatigue, stress, and substance-use issues within our operations. Henceforth, comprehensive controls and processes have been incorporated into AirAsia X's SMS to proactively identify and manage these potential risks. By prioritising the mental well-being of our team, we ensure that they are better equipped to handle challenging situations and ultimately enhance the safety of every flight.

Fatigue Risk	Alcohol & Drug	Allstar Peer Support	Physical Well-Being
Management	Management Programme	Programme	
attend the training for efficient handling of stress and fatigue, as required by regulators.  AirAsia X also strictly adheres to established maximum Flight Duty Periods and Minimum Rest	to prevent any illegal use of these intoxicating substances by our employees. This programme consists of three components: reporting and testing; medical intervention, rehabilitation	being of our employees, we established the Allstar Peer Support programme – a confidential space where employees, especially those facing stressful or traumatic events, can find comfort from trained colleagues.  In addition, our pilots and	Allstars are provided with an in-house clinic and a physiotherapy lab in RedQ, to ensure that they receive quick treatments in case of illness or physical injuries.

#### **EMBEDDING A SAFETY-FIRST CULTURE**

[GRI 403-4, 403-5, 403-6]

At AirAsia X, our foremost priority is nurturing a fair and just safety culture within the workplace. This entails striking a balance between holding individuals accountable for their actions, acknowledging that mistakes can happen, and recognising the importance of learning from these mistakes to enhance overall safety. This culture actively promotes open communication, continuous learning, and proactive measures in preventing accidents. Ultimately, safety is the shared responsibility of all Allstars.

#### **Safety Training**

AirAsia X ensures that safety is continuously top-of-mind for all our employees. Thus, we provide sufficient and necessary aviation safety-related training to all Allstars, to ensure that they are continuously updated with safety systems and procedures, thus ensuring effective responses when needed.

In 2023, 1,236 Allstars attended a total of 3,090 hours of safety training conducted by our Corporate Safety department, compared to 766 Allstars with a total of 1,915 hours in 2022. The increase in training hours is in line with cultivating a positive safety culture within the organisation, as well as the resumption of operations post-pandemic. The table below showcases the different types of trainings that our employees participated in 2023:

#### Safety Management System

#### **Safety Induction Training**

#### **Ergonomic Awareness Training**

The safety management system is a systematic approach to managing safety in aviation including the necessary organisational structures, accountabilities, policies and procedures. This training is conducted to ensure that relevant personnel are trained and competent to perform their responsibilities towards safety.

This training is conducted to welcome new employees to the company and to educate all employees on potential hazards as well as safe work practices in their workplace or work tasks.

This training is conducted to educate our employees on the risk factors for musculoskeletal disorders, and how ergonomics can make their work easier, more efficient and safer.

#### **Safety Promotion**

In addition to safety training, our commitment to continuous safety promotion includes activities such as ergonomics risk assessments, a month-long safety campaign, newsletter topics covering occupational safety and health matters, fire evacuation drills, return-to-work programmes in collaboration with PERKESO and other safety-related measures.

# Allstars Safety Campaign "Safer Together, Stronger Together"

#### **Emergency Fire Evacuation Drill**

In 2023, we collaborated on a month-long safety campaign with the motto "Safer together, Stronger together", which signifies the importance of teamwork and prioritising safety above all. Approximately all AirAsia X Allstars, excluding cabin crew and pilots on duty, took part in the Safety Day activities designed to create safety awareness. We also held various competitions for Allstars to share their creativity and safety knowledge, such as a safety reels contest and a safety posters contest.

AirAsia X prioritises preparedness through biennial emergency fire drills, fostering a safe and responsive work environment. Our most recent drill on December 15th, 2022, engaged all AirAsia X employees based in RedQ. Held in collaboration with Airport Fire Rescue Service ("AFRS") KLIA, Fire and Rescue Department KLIA, and Malaysia Red Crescent Ambulance, this comprehensive exercise served to evaluate the functionality of the fire system, educate employees regarding emergency procedures, as well as measure the speed of building evacuation.



**Safety survey** for all AirAsia X Allstars in November 2023



**Safety newsletter** to all AirAsia X Allstars on a quarterly basis



**Safety notices** to all AirAsia X Allstars, as and when required



Flight Safety notices to all AirAsia X pilots, as and when required

#### **SAFETY ASSURANCE, CERTIFICATIONS & AWARDS**

[GRI 403-1]

At AirAsia X, we implement a robust safety assurance system comprising three key pillars: performance monitoring, management of change and continuous improvements.

#### **Performance Monitoring**

AirAsia X prioritises robust safety standards across all our operations. We undergo regular, independent audits by independent third-party verifiers, who assess our processes for reliability and transparency, and ensure we meet the highest safety benchmarks. We adhere to the rigorous IOSA standards, considered the gold standard in airline safety globally. Additionally, we follow the Malaysian Civil Aviation Regulations ("MCAR") and CAAM Civil Aviation Directives ("CAD"), which are national regulations for safe and efficient aviation practices. These comprehensive assessments ensure continuous improvement, ultimately making our operations safer and more secure.

In 2023, AirAsia X carried out a total of 15 safety-related audits throughout the year, with the majority conducted by CAAM. Other internal audits were carried out by the Operational Quality Assurance department, which includes the joint station compliance audit ("**JSCA**") as well as the internal operations audit ("**IOA**"), as per regulatory requirements, IOSA standards and industry best practices.

CAAM AUDITS

5 JSCA AUDITS

#### SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

In recognition of our efforts to enhance health and safety measures, we also received the following certifications and awards:

#### **IOSA Certification by IATA**



The IOSA, conducted every two years, rigorously assesses airlines against eight key operational principles:

- Organization and Management System;
- Flight Operations;
- Operational Control and Flight Dispatch;
- Aircraft Engineering and Maintenance;
- Cabin Operations;
- Ground Handling Operations;
- Cargo Operations; and
- Security Management.

AirAsia X has consistently achieved IOSA certification since its initial audit in 2013, demonstrating a long-standing commitment to exceeding global safety standards.

The last IOSA renewal audit was carried out from 5th to 8th December 2022. This audit certificate is valid until 11th April 2025.

#### 7 Stars Safety Rating by Airline Ratings



AirAsia X was named among the top 20 safest low-cost airlines by AirlineRatings.com, an international airline safety ranking organisation. Factors used to decide the top 20 safest low-cost airlines include incident records, fleet age, results of audits conducted by the governing body of aviation, ICAO, as well as European Union banned lists.

AirAsia X Berhad received a 7-star rating for the second consecutive year, which is the highest number of stars awarded, thus underscoring our collective efforts towards safety.

Following independent audits, AirAsia X diligently addresses identified non-conformities. Employing a root cause analysis approach, we implement corrective and preventive actions as necessary. Upon their successful evaluation, these non-conformity reports are officially closed. Moreover, common audit findings are distributed to relevant stakeholders through regular forums and auditor training sessions, fostering collective learning and risk mitigation.

#### **Management of Change**

AirAsia X acknowledges the potential impact of internal and external changes on safety. Therefore, a formal change management process is triggered for new technologies, equipment, operating environments, key personnel, regulatory requirements, and staffing levels, among others. Notably, 13 Management of Change and 239 risk assessments were conducted by operational departments in 2023, underscoring our commitment to proactive risk management.

#### **Continuous Improvement**

To guarantee the enduring effectiveness of AirAsia X's SMS, we employ dedicated safety assurance activities and internal audit processes. Additionally, as part of our continuous improvement efforts, a comprehensive SMS effectiveness evaluation is conducted at least annually.

#### **EMPOWERING ALLSTARS**

#### **2023 PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW**

[GRI 2-7, 3-3]

Here at AirAsia X, we recognise that our enduring success is fueled by the passion and dedication of our people. Prioritising top-tier talent, we continuously invest in our Allstars' personal and professional growth in order to create a motivated and thriving workplace. Ultimately, a robust workforce is key towards realising our ambitions of becoming a resilient and purpose-driven organisation.

# KEY POLICIES & PROCEDURES

- Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption Policy
- · Code of Business Conduct;
- Employee Handbook
- Anti-Harassment Policy
- Remuneration Policy
- Board Diversity Policy
- Learning and Development Policy

## PRIMARY UN SDGs SUPPORTED





## 2023 In Numbers

Average training hours per employee

14.45

Women in the workforce

48%

Women representation in Board of Directors

**17**%

Number of substantiated complaints concerning human rights violations

#### PROMOTING DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

[GRI 405-1, 405-2]

From our Asean roots to our global reach, AirAsia X thrives on a diverse team of Allstars. We hire and promote based on merit and potential, fostering an inclusive culture where everyone feels valued and respected, regardless of their background. This diverse tapestry of perspectives and opinions fuels our growth and success, therefore enhancing our understanding of customers, facilitating informed decision-making, and promoting safe and effective operations. Consequently, our recruitment diversity guidelines are designed to provide equal employment opportunities for all our hires.

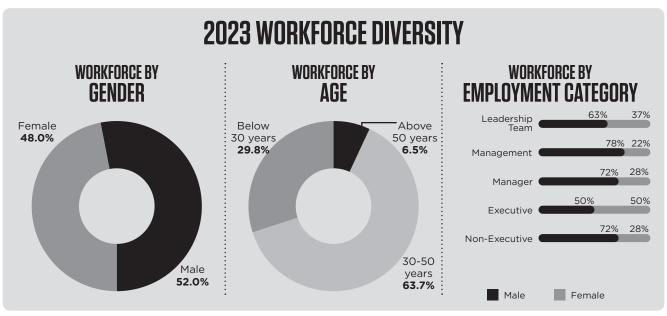
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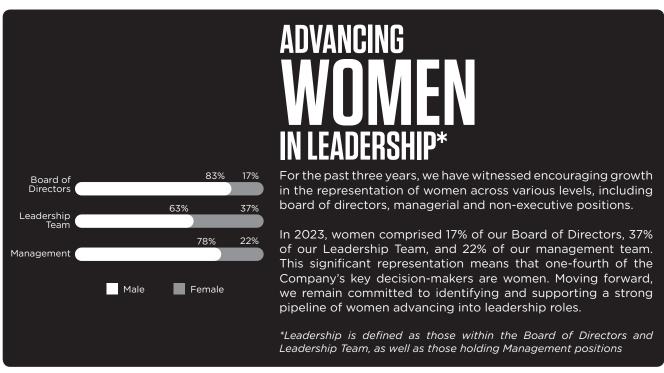
#### **Workforce Diversity**

In 2023, our workforce consisted of 1,336 employees, with 52% men and 48% women. During the year under review, our foremost priority is to rehire the Allstars who were unfortunately affected during the hibernation period, and ensure that all recurrent training and qualifications were achieved accordingly.

The majority of our employees are full-time permanent employees, constituting approximately 72% of the Company's workforce. Following that, approximately 28% of our workforce are full-time contract employees, primarily comprising our cabin crew, who are expatriates. Cabin crew contract employees undergo performance-based renewal after one year of service.

The summary of our workforce diversity is provided below:





#### **Gender Pay Gap**

Recognising the impact of systemic bias, AirAsia X seeks to address gender pay discrepancies within our organisation. In 2023, we conducted an in-depth analysis of our eight job grades, aligned with UK regulations, to identify and rectify any pay gaps due to gender. This is the first step that we are undertaking to pave the way for a more equitable and inclusive workplace, especially since the aviation industry is widely known as being male-dominated. Both charts below showcase our 2023 findings in terms of the gender pay gap across all employment categories.

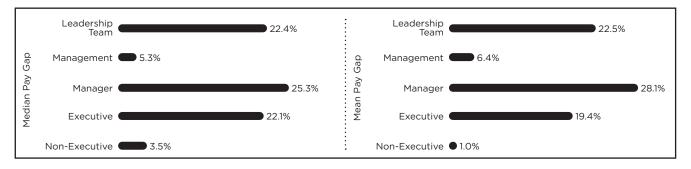
Based on our analysis, we acknowledge that there is a gender pay gap within the organisation, with the average mean and median hourly pay of male AirAsia X Allstars being recorded as 15.5% and 15.7% higher than that of their female counterparts, respectively. This reflects the historical underrepresentation of women in technical roles such as pilots, engineers, and IT professionals.

While our pay structure itself is gender-neutral, with clear diversity recruitment guidelines, we found that the gap emerged due to women often choosing non-technical roles, which is mostly influenced by the challenges of balancing work and family responsibilities.

Therefore, AirAsia X is committed to bridging this gap in our hiring process. Beginning in 2023, all hiring managers will undergo comprehensive unconscious bias training. This initiative aims to equip our hiring managers with the knowledge and tools to identify and overcome personal biases, resulting in more objective and equitable interview practices. Through practical tips, case studies, and industry best practices, AirAsia X is committed to fostering a diverse and welcoming talent pool.

average of median pay gap 15.7%

AVERAGE OF MEAN PAY GAP 15.5%



#### Notes:

- The mean gender pay gap represents the variance in the average hourly wages of female employees compared to their male counterparts.
- The median pay gap signifies the difference in hourly compensation between the woman positioned in the middle of a line-up of all female employees according to how much they are paid and the man similarly situated in the line-up of all male employees.
- A positive percentage indicates female employees are paid less than male employees, while a negative percentage indicates the opposite.

#### **Upholding Human Rights**

We have always placed great importance on creating employment opportunities that value and respect human rights. We have established an Anti-Harassment Policy to prevent and mitigate any forms of harassment, promote a safe and conducive working environment, educate Allstars to recognise that harassment is a demeaning practice and encourage Allstars to report all incidents of harassment. The responsibility to respect human rights is embedded into our Code of Conduct and Ethics for our Allstars. In 2023, we recorded 3 cases of human rights violation concerning harassment as per the table below:

Year	No. of case	Action Taken
2021	0	-
2022	0	
2023	3	All three cases have been resolved according to the company's Anti-Harassment Policy, with only one resulting in dismissal action, while the other two received warnings.

The complaint procedure is outlined in the Anti-Harassment Policy, and the investigation will be conducted immediately, with confidentiality and discretion, as quickly as possible. Allstars who are alleged to have committed or are believed to have committed harassing conduct shall be put under investigation and be subject to a disciplinary process. We strongly advocate against any sexual harassment and misconduct cases in the workplace, and we actively educate our employees on this issue via our Anti-Harrassment Policy training on Workday.

#### **CHAMPIONING ALLSTARS**

At AirAsia X, we believe in supporting our Allstars every step of the way. From the initial recruitment stage to fostering their continuous engagement and development, we are highly committed to nurturing our talent at every phase of their journey.

#### **Employee Upskilling**

[GRI 404-1, 404-2]

At AirAsia X, we empower our Allstars to chart their own course towards success, both professionally and personally. We fuel their journey with ongoing learning and upskilling programmes, equipping them with the functional and technical skills they need to navigate the future of work. To cater to diverse learning styles, we engage with airasia academy to offer a blend of face-to-face, virtual, and blended training programmes.







# **2023 KEY TRAININGS**

ANTI-TRAFFICKING
TRAINING
- #KNOW THE SIGNS

ANTI-HARASSMENT POLICY TRAINING

INFORMATION SECURITY AWARENESS EDUCATION

BUILDING EMERGENCY EVACUATION DRILL

ANTI-BRIBERY AND ANTI-CORRUPTION TRAINING PILOT SAFETY & EMERGENCY PROCEDURE RECURRENT TRAINING

PILOT SIMULATOR TRAINING

CABIN CREW
RECLIBRENT TRAINING

#### **Training and Development**

In 2023, we significantly increased our training hours as compared to the previous year, primarily due to the resumption of operations following the Company's operational hibernation.

While 2022 focused on mandatory physical training for pilots and cabin crew, 2023 saw a surge in training opportunities across the board. We provided 19,305 hours of training, encompassing everyone from pilots and cabin crew to RedQ office staff. This comprehensive approach ensures all Allstars are equipped with the latest skills and knowledge to excel in their roles.



#### SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

In addition to the trainings that we provide on Workday, we also provide several leadership development opportunities for our Allstars, which are detailed below:

#### **Command Leadership e-Programme**

# Introduced in February 2023, this 3-month leadership programme aims to equip First Officers with soft skills and emotional intelligence, fostering future Captains who excel technically and lead empathetically. The modules in this programme focus on leadership, mental resilience and conflict resolution, amongst others. In this year alone, 30 AirAsia X First Officers have graduated from this programme, ready to guide teams and elevate our customers' flying experience.

#### **Leading People On Demand Learning Series**

The 90-day Leading People programme aims to equip newly promoted Allstars with leadership essentials such as strategic thinking, mentoring and high-performance management.

#### **Employee Engagement**

Our commitment to a positive workplace has always meant prioritising open and transparent exchange of ideas between Allstars. We believe that this practice would inculcate a sense of belonging, thereby boosting employee satisfaction and productivity. In 2023, we jointly organised the Allstar Feedback Survey 2023. The results shown were quite positive, as AirAsia X registered a Net Promoter Score of 30. However, areas for improvement include enhancing the well-being of Allstars, as well as valuing their opinions and ideas.

#### **Employee Benefits**

[GRI 401-2]

We aim to be the employer of choice by offering a competitive remuneration package which prioritises the well-being and development of Allstars.

# **UPSKILLING**

We offer a variety of development programmes and training courses via *airasia* academy.

# CAREER ADVANCEMENT

We assist Allstars in recognising and utilising their strengths to discover fresh career possibilities using our internal talent marketplace, which is facilitated by an intuitive Al system.

# FINANCIAL HFAITH

We provide financial education on debt management, personal financial planning, and legacy planning via relevant service providers (eg: Naluri).

# TRAVEL BENEFITS

We offer employee travel benefits to which they can extend to their family members.

# MEDICAL & LIFE BENEFITS

We provide medical, life and personal accident insurance, as well as an in-house clinic, a physiotherapy clinic and in-house counselling services.

# FAMILY WELL-RFING

We offer maternity leave (98 days), paternity leave (8 days), marriage leave (5 days), a creche and mother's room, and provide medical and bereavement support through Red Heart Fund.

#### **Employee Appraisals**

[GRI 404-3]

In 2022, the Company introduced the Objectives and Key Results ("**OKR**") framework into the performance management and appraisals for Allstars. This simple goal-setting approach boosts alignment, engagement, and clarity, driving us towards achieving our business plan. Via this approach, quarterly reviews with line managers are conducted to ensure consistent progress and ongoing goal adjustments. In 2023, 100% of AirAsia X employees were appraised.

#### **Employee Turnover**

[GRI 401-1]

The Company's employee turnover for 2023 is summarised as follows. We experienced a turnover rate of approximately 3% for the year, a manageable figure.

Category	Number of employee turnover
Leadership Team	2
Management	6
Manager	5
Executive	30
Non-executive	0
Total employee turnover	43
Total employee turnover rate	3.2%

#### SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITIES

#### **2023 PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW**

[GRI 3-3, 413-1]

AirAsia X is committed to making a positive impact on the communities where we operate in. By leveraging our business as a force for good, our goal is to create meaningful change in people's lives via impactful initiatives. In 2023, our primary focus is on business recovery post-pandemic, alongside our commitment to actively contribute to our communities. While our contributions may have been minimal during the year, we have plans for additional activities to support our communities in 2024. To further strengthen our community engagement efforts, we have recently expanded our focus to include specific initiatives targeting gender equality.

# KEY POLICIES & PROCEDURES

· AirAsia X Sustainability Policy

# PRIMARY UN SDGs Supported





## 2023 In Numbers

Total community investment **RM 2,190** 

Total number of beneficiaries impacted

18

Total employee volunteers **35** 

#### **OUR COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT**

In line with our enhanced commitment towards community empowerment in 2023, we invested RM2,190 in the Women's Aid Organisation ("WAO"). This initiative involves our Allstars based in our head corporate office (RedQ, Selangor).

# **WOMEN'S AID ORGANISATION**

AirAsia X actively participated in the restoration of WAO's Safe Space, a sanctuary for survivors of domestic violence. Via our manpower involvement and monetary contribution, we ensured that survivors now have access to comfortable seating, practical storage solutions, and functional spaces within the shelter.

Via this initiative, AirAsia X supported WAO in establishing an environment where survivors can reclaim their sense of dignity, setting the stage for a fresh start on their journey toward empowerment. This initiative reflects our commitment to community and solidarity, embodying our dedication to making a meaningful and positive impact on the lives of those we serve.







# **CHAPTER 4:**

# DELIVERING ECONOMIC VALUE VIA GOOD GOVERNANCE

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#### **ENHANCING GUEST EXPERIENCE**

#### **2023 PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW**

[GRI 2-29, 3-3]

At AirAsia X, we prioritise guest service excellence at every touchpoint, from pre-flight planning to in-flight enjoyment and beyond. Safety remains our top priority, however, comfort is also a must for all our guests. Leveraging insights from our affiliate travel and lifestyle app, airasia MOVE, we seek to personalise our guests' travel journey and deliver experiences that offer remarkable value for their investment.

# KEY POLICIES & PROCEDURES

- ISO 10002-2018 Customer Satisfaction and Complaints Management
- AirAsia X Complaints Handling Policy Statement

# PRIMARY UN SDGs SUPPORTED



# 2023 In Numbers

On-Time Performance **77%** 

Passenger Load Factor

Net Promoter Score

32

Customer Satisfaction Score

70%

#### PRIORITISING GUEST SATISFACTION

As part of our digital transformation journey, AirAsia X collaborated with our affiliates to develop a suite of innovative solutions to enhance our guests' travel journey. A cornerstone of this approach is the convenient self-check-in functionality within airasia MOVE, effectively eliminating queueing hassles for our valued guests. Furthermore, we started implementing the FACES biometric facial recognition technology in 2021, thus revolutionising the check-in experience via contactless processes such as baggage drop, identity verification, and pre-security clearance. This technology enhances guest comfort and efficiency, marking a significant leap forward in our commitment to exceptional travel experiences.

#### **On-Time Performance ("OTP")**

Recognising the crucial role that OTP plays in guest satisfaction, we implemented strategic initiatives that propelled our OTP to 77% in 2023, a significant increase from 57% in 2022. This achievement can be attributed to several factors below:

- Relaxed COVID-19 restrictions at our destinations resulted in fewer delays at the airports; and
- Expanding our fleet provided greater flexibility in managing aircraft rotations, thus minimising the impact of potential delays and preventing them from cascading.

Furthermore, our passenger load factor exhibited a positive trajectory, rising from 78% in 2022 to 80% in 2023. This encouraging trend demonstrates our progress towards regaining pre-pandemic level performance and reaffirms our commitment to delivering a satisfying travel experience for our guests.





The initiatives undertaken by AirAsia X to improve our OTP are summarised as follows:-

OTP Improvement Initiatives			
Precision Timing	Dual Aerobridge Operations	Pre-Planned Aircraft Swaps	Seasonal Ground and Block Time Reviews
scheduling and conducting	(enclosed walkways connecting the terminal and aircraft) for boarding and disembarking passengers.	flights with minimum	and block times to analyse factors such as seasonal winds and forecasted passenger volume to maintain peak operational

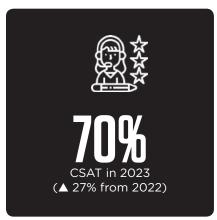
#### SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

#### **Guest Satisfaction**

Ensuring our guests enjoy every step of their travel journey is a priority of AirAsia X. To gauge how we are doing, we engage Capital A's Customer Happiness department to jointly track two key metrics: the Net Promoter Score ("**NPS**") and the Customer Satisfaction Score ("**CSAT**"). These insights guide our efforts to enhance our guests' experience and meet their needs, thus ensuring continuous improvements.

In 2023, over 160,316 guests provided valuable feedback, which helped us identify key areas for improvement. While our NPS decreased by 5 points to 32 in 2023, our CSAT significantly rose from 43% in 2022 to 70% in 2023. This positive shift in CSAT likely reflects our efforts to reduce wait times and accelerate the refund process. Concurrently, we have been actively addressing the issues highlighted in the NPS survey, particularly technical difficulties with the AirAsia website and app, and payment failures during booking.





Some of the initiatives undertaken by AirAsia X to improve our NPS and CSAT scores are summarised as follows:-

#### **Addressing Booking Speed**

#### **Service Recovery Options for Flight Disruption**

We are actively optimising the booking experience on both airasia MOVE and website to ensure faster loading times during our guests' booking.

We offer a range of service recovery options for our guests in the event of disrupted flights, including refunds, meal vouchers and free flight rescheduling, depending on the period of flight disruption.

#### **Enhancing Cabin Hygiene**

We are undertaking a comprehensive review of cleaning procedures within the cabin, focusing on high-contact areas. We are also collaborating closely with cabin crew via surveys to gather more in-depth insights regarding the standard of cabin cleanliness. Additionally, we are continuously engaging with the engineering department and third-party cleaning service providers to optimise amenities (including fragrances and tissues) and implement continuous improvement initiatives.

In 2023, we collaborated with our affiliates to introduce AskBo, the latest AI chatbot, which is designed to address customer queries more efficiently and swiftly. Among the new capabilities featured in AskBo are:

- live updates on flight status in multiple languages
- notifications alerting guests to any operational changes
- · real-time automatic updates of departure timing directly into the electronic boarding pass

Via AskBo, customers are also able to submit their compliments and complaints to us, thus ensuring we continuously improve our services. AskBo is available on both the MOVE website and mobile app.

#### DRIVING TECHNOLOGY, INNOVATION AND DATA SECURITY

#### **2023 PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW**

[GRI 3-3]

We have seamlessly transitioned to cloud-based data storage and business process automation across our operations, hence solidifying our status as a digital-centric organisation. This has unlocked various benefits, including streamlined data management, collaborative workflows, and noteworthy reductions in paper usage and carbon emissions at AirAsia X.

While cybersecurity remains a constant challenge, we remain committed to adopting cutting-edge technology across our entire value chain, specifically focusing on innovative and cost-effective experiences for our employees.

# KEY POLICIES & PROCEDURES

- Information Security Policy
- Data Governance Policy
- Server, Database and Network Hardening Policy
- Information Security Incident Response SOP
- ISO/IEC 27001:2022 Information security, cybersecurity and privacy protection - Information security management system requirements
- Personal Data Protection Act 2010
- Data Security & Privacy

## PRIMARY UN SDGs SUPPORTED





# 2023 In Numbers

Data breaches in AirAsia X

#### **TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION**

[GRI 201-1]

Building on the momentum of our key digitalisation initiatives in 2022, we further bolstered our efforts to minimise paper wastage, and hence our scope 3 carbon footprint, as outlined below:



## DIGITAL TRIP FILES ("DTF")

- Trip files are sets of documents filed by Ground Operations to record flight arrivals, with each file containing an average of 20 sheets of A4 documents.
- By replacing manual filing with DTF, a secure cloud platform, we have eliminated paper printing and streamlined Ground Operations for flight arrivals.
- In 2023, the DTF was upgraded with a userfriendly interface and cloud storage. Upon final CAAM approval, DTF would be fully implemented by AirAsia X in 2024.



# AUTO-UPLOAD OF PASSENGER MANIFEST

- The passenger manifest contains details of passengers and their flight numbers, which is now automatically stored in our local drives.
- In 2023, passenger manifests for both inbound and outbound Kuala Lumpur flights are now automatically transmitted to the relevant immigration authorities within thirty minutes of the actual time of departure, thus enhancing operational efficiency.

In addition, we are moving towards the digitalisation of employee attestation data in 2024. This exercise would allow pilots and cabin crew to store required documents (licences, training records, etc.) on their mobile devices, linked directly to the airline information management system ("AIMS").

#### **CYBERSECURITY & DATA PRIVACY**

[GRI 418-1]

At AirAsia X, we are fully committed to ensuring robust cybersecurity and data privacy, which is imperative in safeguarding our customers' information. By leveraging the same information security governance, policies, and initiatives of our affiliates, we harness the collective power of our network to safeguard all vital data and information.

Information Security Governance	
Group Chief Information  Group Chief Information	<ul><li>partner data confidentiality, integrity, and availability.</li><li>Sets and implements information security policies,</li></ul>
Group Information Security Teams	<ul> <li>Defines information security objectives and enforces policy compliance.</li> <li>Implements the Data Governance Policy, thereby managing information based on classification.</li> <li>Mitigates security incidents and controls risks.</li> <li>Tests security controls and designs security awareness training.</li> </ul>
Heads of Department Department	

In 2023, we achieved zero incidents of data breaches in 2023.



#### SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

Some of the initiatives undertaken by AirAsia X to improve our cybersecurity measures are summarised as follows:

#### **Cybersecurity and Data Privacy Measures**



### **UPGRADING SECURITY SYSTEM**

We have upgraded to a smarter security system called Endpoint Detection and Response ("EDR") to replace outdated antivirus software to protect end-point devices (eg: mobile devices, laptops etc.). EDR tracks down advanced threats such as malware and ransomware that can evade past traditional defences (eg: firewalls).



## IMPROVING SERVER PROTECTION

We have installed a set of security controls named Privileged Access Management ("PAM") to guard our most sensitive servers, whereby only authorised users can access.

#### ROBUST CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

#### **2023 PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW**

[GRI 3-3]

Maintaining an unwavering commitment to exemplary corporate governance and ethical conduct at all levels is of great importance to AirAsia X's enduring success and continued expansion. We conduct our business with integrity, guided by strong leadership, robust risk management frameworks, and comprehensive internal controls. By fostering a culture of robust corporate governance throughout the organisation, we ensure that we can deliver long-term value to all our stakeholders.

# KEY POLICIES & PROCEDURES

- Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption Policy
- Enterprise Risk Management Policy
- Code of Business Conduct
- · Whistleblowing Policy
- Disciplinary Policy
- Remuneration Policy Statement
- · Board Diversity Policy
- Board Charter
- Directors' Fit and Proper Policy

## PRIMARY UN SDGs SUPPORTED





## 2023 In Numbers

Percentage of operations assessed for corruption-related risks

#### 100%

Confirmed incidents of bribery and corruption

#### **ETHICAL BUSINESS CONDUCT**

[GRI 2-15, 2-23, 2-24, 2-27, 205-2, 205-3]

Integrity guides our journey at AirAsia X. Therefore, we ensure the highest ethical standards by leveraging comprehensive internal controls and robust risk management, all guided by a clear framework of codes and policies.

#### **Code of Business Conduct**

The Code of Business Conduct guides every Allstar at AirAsia X. This policy tackles crucial ethical considerations such as bribery and corruption, information security, whistleblowing and conflicts of interest. By embracing these principles, we collectively safeguard AirAsia X's reputation and contribute to a sustainable future.

#### 2023 Performance

• 100% of new joiners completed live training on the Code of Business Conduct as part of their onboarding. They were also required to acknowledge that they accept and will uphold its standards.

#### **Anti-Bribery & Anti-Corruption**

AirAsia X adopts a zero-tolerance stance against fraud, bribery and corruption. Therefore, we partner with stakeholders throughout our operations to ensure ethical practices. All employees and directors are expected to abide by our comprehensive Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption ("**ABAC**") policy, aligned with Section 17A of the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission Act 2009.

#### 2023 Performance

- From day one, our new Allstars receive comprehensive training on our ABAC policy. Live sessions led by the People and Culture team, supplemented by online modules, equip them with the knowledge and tools to conduct their work ethically.
- The policy is readily accessible on our RedDocs intranet for ongoing reference.
- The Anti-Bribery & Anti-Corruption Policy awareness programme was launched in 2020 to all employees. All new employees recruited post-pandemic during 2022/2023, have been trained on the Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption Policy. In 2023, 396 AirAsia X new joiners completed the training and acknowledged the ABAC policy during their onboarding session.
- The breakdown by employee categories are as follows:

Category	FY2023 No of new joiners	FY2023 New joiners in %
Leadership Team	O <sup>1</sup>	0%
Management	O <sup>1</sup>	0%
Manager	14	24%
Executive	362	30%
Non-executive	20	47%

#### Note:

• We have launched a recurrent mandatory ABAC e-learning module and attestation to all staff in 2024 to ensure all employees maintain and refresh their knowledge of the policy on an annual basis. Moving forward, we will be able to track and report more accurately on the percentage of employees trained with the launch of this online training.

For more information, please refer to AirAsia X's Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption policy at <a href="https://www.airasiax.com/misc/AAX\_ABAC\_Policy.pdf">https://www.airasiax.com/misc/AAX\_ABAC\_Policy.pdf</a>

No new joiners for Leadership Team and Management in 2023

#### SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

#### **Whistleblowing**

[GRI 2-16, 2-25, 2-26]

At AirAsia X, open communication is key to upholding ethical practices. We provide secure channels for AirAsia X employees, directors and other stakeholders to raise concerns about any unethical, illegal, or inappropriate business conduct. The whistleblower's identity, as per our Whistleblowing Policy, remains strictly confidential or on a need-to-know basis, which ensures that the person is protected from any potential reprisal or negative reaction. We take every report seriously and investigate thoroughly to ensure proper resolution within the company, whenever possible.

Concerns can be raised through the following channels:



In 2023, we received a total of 1 report through our whistleblowing channels, with 0 reports relating to bribery and corruption.

Professional profe



#### **RISK MANAGEMENT**

#### **Enterprise Risk Management**

Recognising the pivotal role of risk management in our long-term success, we adhere to the principles outlined in our ISO 31000:2018-compliant Enterprise Risk Management ("**ERM**") Policy. This policy seamlessly integrates with AirAsia X's core operations and business processes, instilling a sense of accountability and ownership for risk management practices at every level. Our ERM methodology is depicted below:





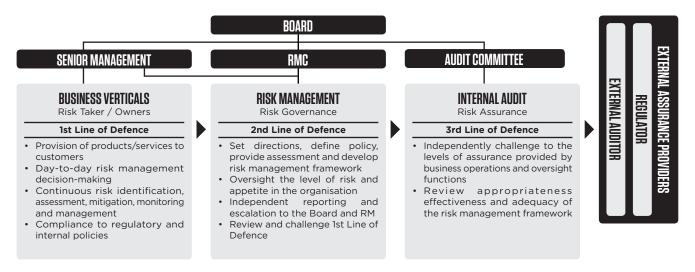






Recognising the ever-growing importance of sustainability and ESG considerations, we have strategically expanded the mandate of our Board RMC to encompass ESG risk management and sustainability-related matters. As per the updated Terms of Reference, the RMC convenes quarterly and plays a vital role in overseeing AirAsia X's risk landscape. Their responsibilities encompass shaping the Company's risk strategies, policies, and processes, while meticulously ensuring the effective implementation of our robust ERM framework. Following each RMC meeting, the Chairman provides clear and concise updates to the Board, keeping everyone informed on important decisions and progress made.

Additionally, AirAsia X's ERM Policy fosters a robust and standardised approach to identifying, assessing, and mitigating risks, ultimately shaping a culture of proactive risk awareness within the company. Our three lines of defence promote robust risk governance across all levels of the organisation:



For more information on our risk management processes and initiatives in 2023, please refer to the Statement on Risk Management & Internal Control within this Annual Report 2023 on pg 94-105.

#### SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

#### **Managing Climate Risk**

Recognising the diverse impact of climate change across the countries where we operate, we are leveraging the TCFD framework to pinpoint specific climate-related risks, thereby empowering risk owners to assess and report them through our robust risk management system. These concerns are also on our Business Continuity Plan's radar, closely monitored to prevent any turbulence in our operations. As climate change intensifies, AirAsia X acknowledges its gravity, placing it among the most complex risks facing companies globally.

#### **TCFD Pillars Executive Summary** FY2023 Highlights Recognising the importance of a top-In 2023, we expanded the mandate of the Company's down approach in managing climate-RMC to include oversight on ESG risk management and sustainability-related matters. related risks and opportunities, we strive to continuously improve our governance structure in managing Additionally, we also established the Sustainability Steering Committee and the Sustainability Working Group, which are Governance the risks and opportunities presented by sustainability and climate change. tasked to develop sustainability strategies and implement sustainability initiatives within the organisation, respectively. For more information, please refer to Chapter 1: Our Sustainability Approach In line with the ICAO's aspirational goal Fuel-efficiency initiatives have been a long-standing practice of achieving net-zero carbon emissions at AirAsia X in the past decade. Notably, we avoided 5,395 from international flight operations tCO<sub>2</sub> via our fuel efficiency initiatives in 2023. by 2050, we are assessing the actual and potential impacts of climate-In alignment with ICAO's Long Term Aspirational Goal, Strategy related risks and opportunities on we are working towards implementing four low-carbon our businesses, strategy and financial aviation strategies, namely operational efficiency, latest planning. aircraft technologies, sustainable aviation fuel and carbon offsetting via purchase of carbon credits. For more information, please refer to Chapter 2: Addressing Climate Change As an international airline, we recognise We plan to include ESG risks and climate-related risks in our high exposure to the CORSIA our Risk Register by 2024. scheme, coming into effect in 2024. Therefore, we strive to identify, assess, We also consistently monitor the evolving climate-related regulations and SAF mandates for the destinations that and manage our climate-related risks, which include staying ahead of evolving we fly to. Management climate regulations SAF mandates

Approach

implemented by the countries we serve.

For more information, please refer to Chapter 1: Our Sustainability

#### **TCFD Pillars**

#### **Executive Summary**

#### FY2023 Highlights



Metrics & Targets

We continuously track the GHG emissions from our operations and our upstream value chain, in order to assess and manage relevant climate-related risks and opportunities.

In addition, the CORSIA scheme dictates that from 2024 onwards, the baseline emissions between CORSIA-contracting states would be reduced to 85% of 2019's emissions. Emissions above this baseline would need to be offset via the purchase of CORSIA-eligible fuels or CORSIA-eligible carbon credits.

In 2023, we started monitoring our GHG emissions from all 3 scopes. For scope 3, we track categories 3, 6 and 7, which includes fuel-and energy-related activities not included in scope 1 or scope 2, business travel and employee commute.

The carbon intensity per RPK has seen a 34% reduction to 78.3  $\rm gCO_2/RPK$  in 2023 from 118.1  $\rm gCO_2/RPK$  in 2022, owing to the increased load factors this year. Similarly, the carbon intensity per ASK has declined by 32% to 61.3  $\rm gCO_2/ASK$  in 2023 from 89.9  $\rm gCO_2/ASK$  in 2022, owing to longer average flight times as our network was rebuilt.

For more information, please refer to Chapter 2: Addressing Climate Change

#### SUSTAINABLE SUPPLY CHAIN

#### **2023 PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW**

[GRI 3-3]

Every supplier plays a crucial role in reducing our environmental and social impact. Therefore, we collaborate closely with our suppliers to ensure timely deliveries and fair prices. Wherever possible, we invest in local businesses, thereby further strengthening our communities. Additionally, we leverage our influence to promote responsible and ethical sourcing practices outlined in the Supplier Code of Conduct ("SCOC"). This ensures a sustainable supply chain that benefits everyone – from our partners to passengers and the planet.

# **KEY POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

- Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption Policy
- Environmental Policy Statement
- Supplier Code of Conduct

## PRIMARY UN SDGs SUPPORTED







### 2023 In Niimrfrs

Percentage expenditure on local suppliers

34%

Number of existing suppliers **2,707** 

Number of new suppliers in 2023 **74** 

# BELOW ARE SOME OF THE GOODS THAT WE PROCURE WITHIN OUR OPERATIONS:



In-flight Catering



Technology Systems



Aviation
Maintenance &
Materials



Ground Handling



**Aviation Fuel** 



Aircraft Fleet and Engines

#### SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

#### SUSTAINABLE PROCUREMENT

AirAsia X engages with its affiliates' Group Procurement team to secure the most competitive prices for our purchases. This department also streamlines and optimises sourcing needs by leveraging Oracle, the cloud-based procurement management system.

All potential suppliers of AirAsia X must register in Oracle and complete a comprehensive questionnaire covering key areas such as quality, cost competitiveness, and regulatory compliance. Additionally, suppliers must acknowledge our ABAC Policy and SCOC, which is a mandatory prerequisite for any supplier wishing to partner with AirAsia X.

#### **Supplier Selection Process**

[GRI 204-1]

Below is a snapshot of our supply chain selection process:

# STEP 1: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS & QUOTATIONS

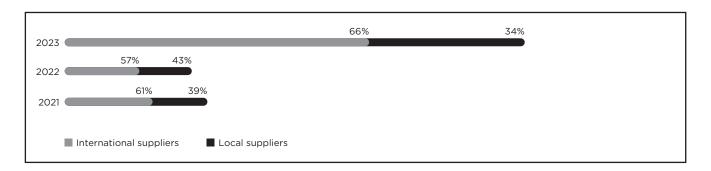
To work with us, suppliers must comply with our SCOC, which outlines responsible and ethical business practices. This applies to any supplier who intends to submit a Request for Proposal ("RFP") or Request for Quotation ("RFQ") to us.

# STEP 2: Supplier assessment & Evaluation

We evaluate the submissions from our potential suppliers and assess their capabilities (quantity and quality of goods, fair pricing, etc.), and other commercial requirements. The suppliers also need to be financially stable and meet our ethical standards (SCOC and ESG requirements).

# STEP 3: SUPPLIER SELECTION & AWARD OF CONTRACT

Following a thorough evaluation, we present the shortlisted suppliers to the relevant procurement departments and stakeholders for their final review and approval. Once a supplier is chosen, we solidify the partnership with a clear contract outlining the responsibilities of both AirAsia X and the supplier. Therein, we actively monitor the performance of our suppliers.



Our investment in our local supplier network grew in 2023 with expenditure rising from RM 346 million in 2022 to RM 995 million in 2023, representing a 2.9-fold increase. This surge paralleled the broader resurgence in travel patterns across the region. Furthermore, we warmly welcomed 74 new partners into our fold, expanding our total supplier portfolio to 2,707.

SANTAN, our primary in-flight meal supplier, prioritises sourcing the freshest ingredients. Recognising the value of local partnerships in upholding this principle, SANTAN procured 99% of its inflight catering supplies from domestic sources in 2023. This commitment to local sourcing not only strengthens our ties with local communities but also guarantees a flavourful and authentic dining experience for our passengers.

# PERFORMANCE DATA TABLE

Internal assurance

Indicator	Measurement Unit	2023
Corporate Governance		
Bursa C1(a) Percentage of employees who have received training on anti-corruption by employee category		
Leadership Team	Percentage	0.00
Management	Percentage	0.00
Manager	Percentage	24.10
Executive	Percentage	29.94
Non-Executive	Percentage	46.5
Bursa C1(b) Percentage of operations assessed for corruption-related risks	Percentage	100.00
Bursa C1(c) Confirmed incidents of corruption and action taken	Number	(
Customer Service		
On-Time Performance (OTP)	Percentage	77.00
Net Promoter Score (NPS)	Number	32
Customer Satisfaction Score (CSAT)	Percentage	70.00
Data Privacy & Security		
Bursa C8(a) Number of substantiated complaints concerning breaches of customer privacy and losses of customer data	Number	(
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Supply Chain Management Sursa C7(a) Proportion of spending on local suppliers	Percentage	33.84
	Percentage	33.04
Labour Practices, Standards & Diversity		
Bursa C3(a) Percentage of employees by gender and age group, for each employee category		
Age Group by Employee Category	5	0.04
Leadership Team Under 30	Percentage	0.00
Leadership Team Between 30-50	Percentage	50.00
Leadership Team Above 50	Percentage	50.00
Management Under 30	Percentage	0.0
Management Between 30-50	Percentage	66.6
Management Above 50	Percentage	33.3
Manager Under 30	Percentage	6.9
Manager Between 30-50	Percentage	72.4
Manager Above 50	Percentage	20.6
Executive Under 30	Percentage	30.6
Executive Between 30-50	Percentage	64.1
Executive Above 50	Percentage	5.2
Non-Executive Under 30	Percentage	55.8
Non-Executive Between 30-50	Percentage	39.5
Non-Executive Above 50	Percentage	4.6
Gender Group by Employee Category		
Leadership Team Male	Percentage	62.5
Leadership Team Female	Percentage	37.5
Management Male	Percentage	77.7
Management Female	Percentage	22.2
Manager Male	Percentage	72.4
Manager Female	Percentage	27.5
Executive Male	Percentage	49.8
Executive Female	Percentage	50.1
Non-Executive Male	Percentage	72.09
Non-Executive Female	Percentage	27.9

External assurance No assurance

(\*)Restated

#### PERFORMANCE DATA TABLE

Indicator	Measurement Unit	2023
Bursa C3(b) Percentage of directors by gender and age group		
Male	Percentage	83.33
Female	Percentage	16.67
Under 30	Percentage	0.00
Between 30-50	Percentage	0.00
Above 50	Percentage	100.00
Bursa C6(a) Total hours of training by employee category		
Leadership Team	Hours	43
Management	Hours	358
Executive	Hours	18,580
Non-Executive	Hours	324
Bursa C6(b) Percentage of employees that are contractors or temporary staff	Percentage	28.00
Bursa C6(c) Total number of employee turnover by employee category		
Leadership Team	Number	2
Management	Number	6
Manager	Number	5
Executive	Number	30
Non-Executive	Number	0
Bursa C6(d) Number of substantiated complaints concerning human rights violations	Number	3
Health & Safety		
Bursa C5(a) Number of work-related fatalities	Number	0
Bursa C5(b) Lost time incident rate ("LTIR")	Rate	1.01
Bursa C5(c) Number of employees trained on health and safety standards	Number	1,236
Community Empowerment		
Bursa C2(a) Total amount invested in the community where the target beneficiaries are external to the listed issuer	MYR	2,190.00
Bursa C2(b) Total number of beneficiaries of the investment in communities	Number	18
Emissions & Climate-Related Strategy		
Bursa C4(a) Total energy consumption	Megawatt	3,637,620.00
Bursa C11(a) Scope 1 emissions in tonnes of CO2e	Metric tonnes	960,280.00
Bursa C11(b) Scope 2 emissions in tonnes of CO2e	Metric tonnes	206.00
Bursa C11(c) Scope 3 emissions in tonnes of CO2e (at least for the categories of business travel and employee commuting)	Metric tonnes	200,795.00
Waste Management		
Bursa C9(a) Total volume of water used	Megalitres	1.304000
Bursa C10(a) Total waste generated	Metric tonnes	27.01
Bursa C10(a)(i) Total waste diverted from disposal	Metric tonnes	0.00
Bursa C10(a)(ii) Total waste directed to disposal	Metric tonnes	27.01

#### Note:

- 1. The performance data table above is generated from the custom template of Bursa's ESG reporting platform.
- 2. For indicator C1(a): The percentage of employees trained on anti-corruption refers to new joiners only.
- 3. For indicator C10(a) and C10(a)(ii), the number represents non-hazardous waste and solid hazardous waste only. Liquid hazardous waste is excluded as the measurement unit is in litres.
- 4. For indicator C4(a), the measurement unit refers to Megawatt-hour.
- 5 For indicator C9(a) and C11(b), the data covers our operations in our head corporate office only, and excludes all hubs/stations as well as any subsidiaries, due to data limitations.
- 6. For indicator C11(c):
  - a) Business travel data only covers air travel (flights) operated by external airlines, due to data limitations.
  - b) Employee commute data only covers employees that travel by car and are parking at our head corporate office only, due to data limitations.

Internal assurance External assurance No assurance (\*)Restated

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# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE OVERVIEW STATEMENT

The Board of Directors ("Board") of AirAsia X Berhad ("AAX" or "the Company") presents this Corporate Governance Overview Statement to provide shareholders and investors with an overview of the corporate governance practices of the Company under the leadership of the Board for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 ("FYE 31 December 2023"). In building a sustainable business for a leading medium-haul, low-cost airline, operating primarily in the Asia-Pacific region, the Board is mindful of its accountability towards its shareholders and various stakeholders. The Board and Senior Management are committed to providing effective leadership and promoting uncompromising ethical standards in the organisation, and towards ensuring excellence in its corporate governance standards and practices throughout the Company, to which the explanations on each application of the recommended practices are disclosed in the Company's Corporate Governance Report 2023 ("CG Report 2023").

This statement is prepared in compliance with Main Market Listing Requirements ("MMLR") of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Securities"), and it is to be read together with the CG Report 2023 which is available on the Company's website at <a href="http://www.airasiax.com">http://www.airasiax.com</a>. The CG Report 2023 provides the details on how the Company has applied each Practice as set out in the Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance ("MCCG") during the FYE 31 December 2023.

The Board presents this statement to provide an insight into the corporate governance practices of the Company under the leadership of the Board with reference to three (3) key corporate governance principles -

- (a) board leadership and effectiveness;
- (b) effective audit and risk management; and
- (c) integrity in corporate reporting and meaningful relationship with stakeholders.

# PRINCIPLE A BOARD LEADERSHIP AND EFFECTIVENESS

#### 1. Board Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for overseeing the overall management of the Group and retains full and effective control over the business and affairs of the Group. The Board reviews the Group's key policies, business plans and strategies, actively oversees the conduct, management and business affairs of the Company and monitors the Senior Management's performance. The Board ensures the effective discharge of its fiduciary and leadership functions, as well as sustaining long-term shareholder value while safeguarding the interests of all the stakeholders. It works closely with the Senior Management to ensure that the operations of the Company are conducted prudently within the framework of relevant laws and regulations.

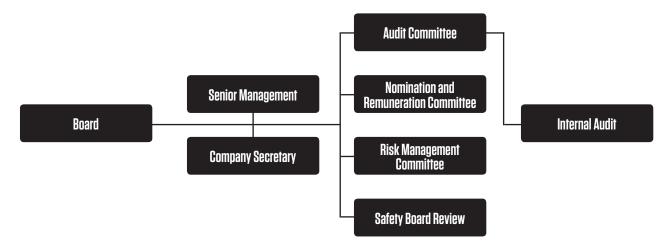
Directors have independent access to the advice and dedicated support services of the Company Secretary (who is legally qualified to act as Company Secretary under the Companies Act 2016) to ensure effective functioning of the Board. The Directors may seek advice from Senior Management on issues pertaining to their respective jurisdiction as well as independent professional advice in discharging their duties.

The Board recognises that having established and clearly defined roles and responsibilities of the Board and the Senior Management is important to strike a reasonable balance between the strategy foundation and policy-making on the one hand, and the conformance roles of executive supervision and accountability on the other.

Delegation of the Board's authority to the Senior Management is subject to defined limits of authority and monitoring by the Board. However, as the Board has the overall responsibility to manage and supervise the affairs of the Company in accordance with the law, there are matters which are reserved for the Board's consideration as set out in the Board Charter which is available on the Company's website at <a href="http://www.airasiax.com">http://www.airasiax.com</a>.

There is a clear separation of the positions and roles between the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") to promote greater accountability to enhance checks and balances. The positions of the Chairman and the CEO are held by two (2) different individuals. Their respective roles are also described in the Board Charter.

The Board has delegated certain functions to the Board Committees it established to assist in the execution of its responsibilities. The Board Committees operate under clearly defined Terms of Reference which are also available on the Company's website at <a href="http://www.airasiax.com">http://www.airasiax.com</a>. The Board Committees are authorised by the Board to deal with and to deliberate on matters delegated to them within their Terms of Reference. The Chairs of the respective Board Committees report to the Board on the outcome of their Board Committee meetings. The governance structure of the Board is as follows:-



#### i) Board

Our Board is collectively responsible for the effective oversight of the Company and its businesses by actively overseeing the conduct and directing the management of the business and affairs of the Company towards enhancing business prosperity and corporate accountability with the ultimate objective of meeting the goals of the Company, realising long term shareholder value and safeguarding the interests of stakeholders. The Board sets the risk appetite and determines the principal risks for the Company and takes the lead in areas such as safeguarding the reputation of the Company and its financial policy, as well as making sure to maintain a sound system of internal control and risk management.

The Chairman oversees the Board in the effective discharge of its role and to instill good corporate governance practices, leadership and effectiveness of the Board. To monitor the workings of the Board and the conduct of the Board meeting to ensure all relevant issues for the effective running of the Company's business are on the agenda for the Board meetings. The Chairman ensures that quality information to facilitate decision-making is delivered to Board members on a timely basis, to encourage all Directors to play an active role in Board activities, including leading Board meetings and discussions, encouraging active participation and allowing dissenting views to be freely expressed. The Chairman manages the interface between the Board and the Management and ensures that appropriate steps are taken to provide effective communication with stakeholders and that their views are communicated to the Board as a whole, and to chair general meetings of shareholders.

#### ii) Senior Management

The Senior Management is led by the CEO of the Company.

#### **CEO**

The CEO leads the management of the Company and provides direction for the implementation of the strategies and business plans as approved by the Board and the overall management of the business operations group-wide. The CEO also chairs the Senior Management Team which assists him in his management of the Company, particularly in relation to strategic business development, high impact and high value investments, and cross business matters of the Group.

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#### iii) Company Secretary

The Board is supported by a qualified and competent Company Secretary to provide sound governance advice, ensure adherence to Board policies, rules and procedures, and advocate adoption of corporate governance best practices. The Directors always have access to the advice and services of the Company Secretary, especially relating to procedural and regulatory requirements such as company and securities laws and regulations, governance matters and MMLR.

#### iv) Audit Committee ("AC")

The AC assists the Board in fulfilling its oversight functions in relation to internal controls and financial reporting of the Company. The AC provides the Board with assurance on the quality and reliability of the financial information reported by the Company whilst promoting efficiency and good governance practices to ensure the proper conduct and safeguarding of the Company's and the Group's assets.

#### v) Nomination and Remuneration Committee ("NRC")

The NRC was established to assist the Board in discharging its responsibilities in the determination of the remuneration and compensation of the Directors and Senior Management of the Company. The NRC recommends to the Board the remuneration policy for the Non-Executive Directors and Senior Management of the Company (as defined in its terms of reference). The NRC also reviews the Performance Scorecard of the CEO and recommends the rating of the scorecard to the Board for its approval and oversees the development of a succession management plan for the CEO. The NRC is also responsible for assessing the performance of the Board and Board Committees, as well as making recommendations on the nomination policy, succession planning framework, talent management, training programmes and any related matters for Directors and Senior Management and overseeing succession planning for the Chairman and Directors.

#### vi) Risk Management Committee ("RMC")

The RMC was established to oversee the risk management activities of the Company and the Group. It supports the Board in fulfilling its responsibility for identifying significant risks and ensuring the implementation of appropriate systems to manage the overall risk exposure of the Group.

#### vii) Safety Review Board ("SRB")

The SRB provides oversight over the effective and efficient implementation of the Group's Safety Policy within the overall Group Safety Management System.

The members of the Board and its Committees have discharged their roles and responsibilities in respect of the FYE 31 December 2023, through their attendance at the meetings of the Company as set out in the table below: -

Directors	Board	AC	NRC	RMC	SRB
Dato' Fam Lee Ee (Non-Independent Non-Executive Director) - Redesignated as Deputy Chairman and Chairman on 8 September 2023 and 18 December 2023 - Member of SRB	8/8		4/4	4/4	4/4
Datuk Kamarudin bin Meranun (Non-Independent Non-Executive Director)	7/8				
Tan Sri Asmat bin Kamaludin (Independent Non-Executive Director) - Resigned as AC member with effect from 23 January 2024		5/5	4/4		

Directors	Board	AC	NRC	RMC	SRB
Chin Min Ming (Independent Non-Executive Director) - Appointed as RMC Chairman on 20 April 2023 - Appointed as NRC on 23 January 2024	8/8	5/5		3/4	
Dato' Sri Mohammed Shazalli bin Ramly (Independent Non-Executive Director) - Appointed on 29 September 2023 - Appointed as SRB member on 29 September 2023 - Appointed as RMC member on 23 January 2024 - Appointed as AC member on 23 January 2024 - Appointed as SRB Chairman on 23 January 2024	1/1				1/1
Dato' Abdul Mutalib bin Alias (Independent Non-Executive Director) - Appointed as Independent and Non-Executive Director on 29 September 2023 - AC member on 29 September 2023 - NRC member on 23 January 2024 - Appointed as RMC member on 23 January 2024 - Appointment as AC Chairman on 23 January 2024	1/1	1/1			
Board members who ceased their services durin	ng the fi	nancial	period		
YM Tunku Dato' Mahmood Fawzy bin Tunku Muhiyiddin (Independent Non-Executive Chairman) - Resigned as RMC member with effect from 31 May 2023 - Resigned as Chairman of the Board and SRB Chairman with effect from 15 December 2023	8/8			2/2	3/4
Ahmad Al Farouk bin Ahmad Kamal (Independent Non-Executive Director) - Appointed as NRC member on 20 April 2023 - RMC member on 28 August 2023 - Resigned as Director, AC, NRC and RMC with effect from 15 December 2023	7/8	5/5		2/2	

#### 2. Board Composition

The size, balance and composition of the Board support its role that drives the long-term direction and strategy of the Company. A key function of the Board is to create value for shareholders and track the progress of each milestone that meets its business objectives. The Board also ensures that the Company upholds a high level of corporate governance while meeting its other obligations to its shareholders and other stakeholders. The Company has implemented procedures for the nomination and election of Directors through the NRC. The NRC assesses candidates against the skills, knowledge and experience required by the Company. The Company recognises the benefits of having a diverse Board.

In line with the Company's Board Diversity Policy, the selection of candidates to join the Board is in part dependent on the pool of candidates with the necessary skills, knowledge, and experience. The Board believes that a truly diverse and inclusive Board will leverage the differences of its members, to achieve effective stewardship and in turn, retain its competitive advantage. In this respect, the Board through its NRC conducts an annual review of its size and composition, to determine if the Board has the right size and sufficient diversity with elements of independence that fit the Company's objectives and strategic goals.

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The profile of each Director can be found on pages 04 to 07 of the Annual Report 2023. The Company's diverse Board includes and makes good use of differences in skills, regional and industry experience, background, race, gender, ethnicity, age and other attributes of the Directors. The Company currently has one (1) woman director on the Board. Due to the potential corporate exercises amidst the recovery phase of the Company, the Board is taking a prudent approach in expanding its composition. The Board would consider appointing additional Directors should the need arise.

An Independent Director may remain as Independent Director after serving a cumulative term of nine (9) years, provided that the Board recommends this upon concrete justification and after seeking its shareholders' approval at a general meeting. The Company has adopted the two-tier voting process in its Constitution for the retention of any Independent Directors who have served for more than 12 years in that capacity. The Constitution of the Company provides that at least one-third of the Directors are subject to retirement by rotation at every Annual General Meeting ("AGM") such that each Director shall retire from office once in every three (3) years and are eligible to offer themselves for re-election. The Constitution also provides that a Director who is appointed during the year shall be subject to re-election at the next AGM to be held following his appointment. The names of the Directors seeking re-election at the forthcoming AGM are disclosed in the Notice of AGM dated 30 April 2024.

#### 3. Nomination and Remuneration Committee

The NRC comprises three (3) Non-Executive Directors, with two (2) of them being Independent Directors. Tan Sri Asmat bin Kamaludin, an Independent Non-Executive Director, is the Chairman of the NRC, and the other members are Ms Chin Min Ming and Dato' Sri Mohammed Shazalli bin Ramly. The Terms of Reference of the NRC are available for reference at <a href="http://www.airasiax.com">http://www.airasiax.com</a>.

In respect of the FYE 31 December 2023, the following activities were undertaken by the NRC:-

- (a) Re-election of Directors who retire by rotation pursuant to the Company's Constitution.
- (b) Review of performance of the Board of Directors, Board Committees, and individual Directors, including an assessment of the independence of the Independent Directors.
- (c) Review of fees and benefits payable to Non-Executive Directors and Key Senior Management.
- (d) Review of the composition of the Board and its Committees.

#### 4. Board Effectiveness Evaluation

The Board had conducted an evaluation in April 2024. As the majority of the Board members are fairly new, the Board conducted another assessment on the performance of the Board as a whole, Board Committees, and individual Directors in the beginning of the year 2024. The Chairman of the NRC oversaw the overall evaluation process while the responses were reviewed and analysed by the NRC before the assessment was tabled and communicated to the Board. During the assessment, each Director was assessed whether he/she was able to contribute to the discussions at the Board and Board Committee meetings. Overall, the Board was satisfied with the commitment of the Directors and the time contributed by each of them.

#### 5. Professional Development of Directors

In line with Paragraph 15.08 of the MMLR, the Directors recognise the importance and value of continuous professional development to keep themselves abreast with the changes in the aviation industry, as well as new statutory and regulatory requirements. The Directors attended and participated in training programmes, conferences and seminars that covered the areas of corporate governance, finance, global business developments and relevant industry updates, which enabled them to discharge their duties effectively. The details of training programmes, conferences and seminars attended by the Directors during the FYE 31 December 2023 are outlined below:

Names	Programmes
Dato' Fam Lee Ee (Non-Indepedent Non-Executive Director)	<ul> <li>Forum "Malaysia-China Economic Development Cooperation 2023", 25 March 2023</li> <li>National Economics Forum 2023, 18 May 2023</li> <li>Cybersecurity Briefing, 30 March 2023</li> <li>Henan (China) - Malaysia Fair for Economy &amp; Trade, 9 June 2023</li> <li>1st International ESG Forum 2023 "Cultivation &amp; Practices Towards Sustainability", 27 June 2023</li> <li>AirAsia Sustainability Day 2023, 27 June 2023</li> <li>21st Century Maritime Silk Road Expo Promotion Conference, 14 July 2023</li> <li>Airasia Safety Workshop, 10 August 2023</li> <li>Green Investment Towards A Circular Economy Conference, 15 August 2023</li> <li>Exploring Blockchain in Legal Industry by Chainalysis, 27 September 2023</li> <li>Khazanah Megatrend Forum 2023 "Chinese New Economy and Globalisation - The Sequel by Dr. Eric Li", 1 October 2023</li> <li>International Commercial Dispute Prevention &amp; Settlement Organisation (ICDPASO) Council Meeting, 9 November 2023</li> <li>Paris Airshow, 17-20 June 2023</li> </ul>
Datuk Kamarudin bin Meranun (Non-Independent Non-Executive Director)	<ul> <li>IFoA Asia Conference 2023, 25 September 2023</li> <li>Cyber Resilience Training by Phished Academy (Passed for bronze level), 6 October 2023</li> <li>BizJihad Forum (Panelist), 14 November 2023</li> </ul>
Tan Sri Asmat bin Kamaludin (Independent Non-Executive Director)	<ul> <li>PNB Acknowledge Forum 2023, 27 July 2023</li> <li>YTL Directors Guide to Machine Learning and Al Online Training, 3 April 2023</li> </ul>
Chin Min Ming (Independent Non-Executive Director)	<ul> <li>Mandatory Accreditation Programme (MAP), 7 &amp; 8 March 2023</li> <li>A 60-Minute Crisis Management - A Guide for Board Members, 22 March 2023</li> <li>Board Audit Committee Dialogue &amp; Networking: A Serious Allegation Is Reported - What Should Boards Do?, 6 June 2023</li> <li>SBTi Symposium 2023: An Evidence-Based Blueprint for Climate Action, 6 June 2023</li> <li>Board Sustainability Committee Dialogue &amp; Networking: The ABC Soup of ESG and You (Boards), 10 July 2023</li> <li>Navigating the Rising Tide of Financial Crime &amp; Technology, 8 September 2023</li> <li>The Cooler Earth Sustainability Summit 2023, 11 &amp; 12 September 2023: - Masterclass 1: The Critical Role of the Board in Accelerating Sustainability - Masterclass 2: Integrating Sustainability into Financial Planning and Decision-Making</li> <li>Masterclass 3: Getting Your Business to Operational Net Zero - Masterclass 4: Global Supply Chain Regulations and How ASEAN Businesses Will Be Impacted</li> </ul>

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Names	Programmes
Dato' Sri Mohammed Shazalli bin Ramly (Independent Non-Executive Director)	<ul> <li>Chief Judge for CMO award from 1 December 2023 to 9 December 2023 and 6 February 2023</li> <li>Penjana Talk (Stories Revisited with Dato' Sri Shazalli Ramly Fireside) chat between Dato' Sri Shazalli Ramly and moderated by En. Taufiq Iskandar, CEO, PKSB</li> <li>Al-Ascend Malaysia 2023 by Accenture Malaysia</li> </ul>
Dato' Abdul Mutalib bin Alias (Independent Non-Executive Director)	Section 17A of MACC Act 2009 Training, 23 November 2023

#### 6. Remuneration

The Board has established a formal and transparent process for approving the remuneration of the Board and Board Committees, and the Senior Management of the Company. The NRC is responsible for formulating and reviewing the remuneration policies for the Board and Board Committees as well as the Senior Management of the Company to ensure the same remain competitive, appropriate, and in alignment with the prevalent market practices. The Company's remuneration policy is available on the Company's website at <a href="http://www.airasiax.com">http://www.airasiax.com</a>.

The following table shows the remuneration details of the Directors of the Company during the FYE 31 December 2023:-

Directors	Fees (RM)	Other Fees (RM)	Salaries (RM)	Bonuses (RM)	Allowance (RM)	Total (RM)
Dato' Fam Lee Ee (Non-Independent Non-Executive Director)	207,358	-	-	-	18,000	225,359
Datuk Kamarudin bin Meranun (Non-Independent Non-Executive Director)	85,000	-	-	-	7,000	92,000
Tan Sri Asmat bin Kamaludin (Independent Non-Executive Director)	171,649	-	1	-	14,000	186,649
Chin Min Ming (Independent Non-Executive Director)	115,916.67	-	-	-	18,000	131,917
Dato' Sri Mohammed Shazalli bin Ramly (Independent Non-Executive Director)	21,722	-	-	-	2,000	23,722
Dato' Abdul Mutalib bin Alias (Independent Non-Executive Director)	24,278	-	-	-	2,000	26,278

Directors	Fees (RM)	Other Fees (RM)	Salaries (RM)	Bonuses (RM)	Allowance (RM)	Total (RM)
Board mem	bers who cea	ased their ser	vices during	the financial	period	
YM Tunku Dato' Mahmood Fawzy bin Tunku Muhiyiddin - Resigned effect from 15 December 2023	130,847	-	•	-	15,000	145,847
Ahmad Al Farouk bin Ahmad Kamal - Resigned with effect from 15 December 2023	130,847	-	-	-	15,000	145,847

#### Notes:-

- Non-Executive Directors' Fees Chairman (RM165,000 per annum), Members (RM65,000 per annum)
- Audit Committee Fees Chairman (RM40,000 per annum), Members (RM30,000 per annum)
- Other Board Committees' Fees Chairman (RM30,000 per annum), Members (RM20,000 per annum)
- Board/Board Committees' Meeting Allowance RM1,000 per attendance

#### 7. Limits of Authority

The Company has a Limits of Authority ("LOA") manual, which defines the decision-making limits of each level of Management within the Group. The LOA manual clearly outlines matters over which the Board reserves authority and those delegated to the Senior Management. These limits cover, amongst others, authority over payments, investment, capital and revenue expenditure spending limits, budget approvals and contract commitments, as well as authority over non-financial matters. The LOA manual provides a framework of authority and accountability within the Company and facilitates decision-making at the appropriate level in the organisation's hierarchy.

# PRINCIPLE B EFFECTIVE AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT

#### 1. Audit Committee

The AC comprises four (4) Independent Non-Executive Directors. It is chaired by Encik Ahmad Al Farouk bin Ahmad Kamal, who is an Independent Non-Executive Director, and he is not the Chairman of the Board. On 15 December 2023, Encik Ahmad Al Farouk bin Ahmad Kamal resigned as AC Chairman. In compliance with Paragraph 15.19 of the Main Market Listing Requirements, the Board has appointed the AC committee member, Dato' Abdul Mutalib Bin Alias as the new Chairman of the AC on 23 January 2024.

The Company has a policy which requires a former key audit partner to observe a cooling off period of at least two (2) years before being appointed as a member of the AC. During the FYE 31 December 2023, no member of the AC was a former key audit partner.

In the annual assessment of the suitability, objectivity and independence of the external auditors, the AC is guided by the factors as prescribed under Paragraph 15.21 of the MMLR as well as the Company's External Auditor Independence Policy.

The term of office and performance of the AC and each of its members is reviewed annually to ensure the Chairman and members of the AC are financially literate and are able to carry out their duties in accordance with the Terms of Reference of the AC. The AC members are expected to update their knowledge continuously and enhance their skills.

The Board is satisfied that the Chairman and members of the AC have discharged their responsibilities effectively. The AC's report is set out on pages 109 to 111 of the Annual Report 2023.

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#### 2. Risk Management Committee

The RMC of the Company comprises three (3) Non-Executive Directors with two (2) of them being Independent Directors. The RMC is chaired by Ms Chin Min Ming, who is an Independent Non-Executive Director. The RMC enables the Board to undertake and evaluate key areas of risk exposures. The primary responsibilities of the RMC are as follows:

- To oversee and recommend the Enterprise Risk Management ("ERM") strategies, frameworks, policies and procedures in identifying and managing risks within the Group;
- To review and recommend appropriate sustainability strategies, policies, principles and practices to the Group; and
- To oversee the implementation of information security on cyber-risks and data protection of the Group.

The ERM framework provides a standardised and systematic approach for the process of identifying, evaluating, monitoring and reporting risks faced by the Group for the Financial Period. The Framework is aligned with the ISO 31000:2018 Risk Management Guidelines. The Framework also enables the Management to effectively deal with uncertainties and opportunities, enhancing the capacity to build value to the stakeholders.

The Group has established a structured process for risk management and reporting within the ERM framework as follows:

- The first line of defence is provided by Management and departments which are accountable for identifying and evaluating risks under their respective areas of responsibilities
- The second line of defence is provided by the RMD and RMC which are responsible for facilitating and monitoring risk management processes and reporting
- The third line of defence is provided by the IAD which provides assurance on the effectiveness of the ERM framework

Based on the performance evaluation for the RMC, the Board is satisfied that the Chairman and members of the RMC have discharged their responsibilities effectively

The Statement on Risk Management and Internal Control is set out on pages 100 to 108 of the Annual Report 2023.

# PRINCIPLE C INTEGRITY IN CORPORATE REPORTING AND MEANINGFUL RELATIONSHIP WITH STAKEHOLDERS

#### 1. Effective Communication with Shareholders and Investors

The Company is committed to communicating openly and regularly with shareholders and investors through platforms such as the corporate section of its website, the Annual Report, Financial Announcements and Key Operating Statistics and Announcements through Bursa Malaysia and AGMs. The Investor Relations page of its corporate website is updated regularly to provide stakeholders with all relevant information on the Company to enable them to make an informed decision. The Company has a dedicated Investor Relations team which supports the Senior Management in their active participation in investor relations activities, including road shows, conferences and quarterly investor briefings locally and globally with financial analysts, institutional investors and fund managers. The Company continues to fulfil its disclosure obligations as per Bursa Malaysia's Corporate Governance Guidelines. All disclosures of material corporate information are disseminated in an accurate, clear and timely manner via Bursa Malaysia announcements.

#### 2. Annual General Meeting ("AGM")

The AGM is another important forum for interaction with this group of stakeholders. All shareholders will be notified of the meeting and provided with a digital copy of the Annual Report at least 28 days before the meeting. At the 16<sup>th</sup> AGM of the Company held on 8 June 2023, all members of the Board were present to respond to questions raised by the members of the meeting. The voting process at the 16<sup>th</sup> AGM was conducted through an electronic poll voting system and scrutinised by an independent scrutineer. The Company will continue to leverage technology to enhance the quality of its shareholder engagement and facilitate further participation by shareholders at the Company's AGMs.

This Corporate Governance Overview Statement was approved by the Board of the Company on 26 April 2024.

# STATEMENT ON RISK MANAGEMENT & INTERNAL CONTROL

As part of our corporate governance and in line with best practices, AirAsia X Berhad ("AAX") and the subsidiaries of AAX ("the Group") are committed to maintaining a comprehensive and robust risk management and internal control system. The Board of Directors ("the Board") of AAX is guided by the requirements set out within Paragraph 15.26(b) of the Main Market Listing Requirements ("MMLR") of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Malaysia") as well as the Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance released by the Securities Commission Malaysia. The following statement outlines the nature and scope of Group's internal controls and risk management framework for the 12-month financial period ended 31 Dec 2023.

#### **RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD**

The Board is committed to implementing and maintaining a robust risk management and internal control environment and is responsible for the system of risk management and internal control. The Board acknowledges that the risk management and internal control systems are designed to manage and minimise risks as it may not be possible to totally eliminate the occurrence of unforeseeable circumstances or losses.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Audit Committee ("AC") monitors the adequacy and effectiveness of the system of internal controls through a review of the results of work performed by the Internal Audit Department ("IAD") and External Auditors and discussions with Senior Management.

The AC, established by the Board, comprises three (3) Independent Non-Executive Directors. The AC Report is disclosed on pages 109 to 111 of this Annual Report.

The duties and responsibilities of the AC are set out in its Terms of Reference which is available on AAX's corporate website at <a href="https://www.airasiax.com/misc/AAX">https://www.airasiax.com/misc/AAX</a> TOR AC 2023.pdf

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

The Board has delegated the governance of the Group's risk to the Risk Management Committee ("**RMC**"). In May 2023, the Board approved the revised RMC's Term of Reference ("**TOR**") to oversee sustainability related matters. The RMC of the Company comprised two (2) Independent Non-Executive Directors and one (1) Non-Independent Non-Executive Director as at 31 December 2023.

The RMC enables the Board to undertake and evaluate key areas of risk, sustainability and cyber security exposures. The primary responsibilities of the RMC are as follows:

- To oversee and recommend the Enterprise Risk Management ("**ERM**") strategies, frameworks, policies and procedures in identifying and managing risks within the Group;
- To review and recommend appropriate sustainability strategies, policies, principles and practices to the Group; and
- To oversee the implementation of information security on cyber-risks and data protection of the Group.

The duties and responsibilities of the RMC are set out in its Terms of Reference which is available on AAX's corporate website at <a href="https://www.airasiax.com/misc/2023">https://www.airasiax.com/misc/2023</a> AAX RMC TOR.pdf.

In fulfilling its responsibilities in risk management, the RMC is assisted by the Risk Management Department ("**RMD**"), Sustainability Department and Information Security Department.

#### THE MANAGEMENT

The management team is responsible for ensuring the effective implementation of policies and procedures on risk and internal control. The management is also accountable for identifying, evaluating, and monitoring the risks that may impede the group's goals and objectives.

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT ("RMD")**

RMD assists the RMC in discharging risk management responsibilities. The RMD develops risk policies, provides guidance on risk related matters, and coordinates risk management activities with other departments. The RMD is also responsible to identify, monitor and inform RMC of critical risks faced by the Group. Training and workshop is a continuous initiative by RMD to educate employees on risk management.

#### **INTERNAL AUDIT DEPARTMENT ("IAD")**

The IAD regularly reviews the AAX's systems of internal controls and evaluates the adequacy and effectiveness of the controls, risk management and governance processes implemented by Management. It integrates a risk-based approach in determining the auditable areas and frequency of audits. The annual audit plan for AAX is reviewed and approved by the AC.

IAD is guided by its Internal Audit Charter that provides independence and reflects the roles, responsibilities, accountability and scope of work of the department. For any significant gaps identified in the governance processes, risk management processes and controls during the engagements, IAD provides recommendations to Management to improve their design and effectiveness of controls where applicable. The IAD's functions are disclosed in the AC Report on pages 109 to 111 of this Annual Report.

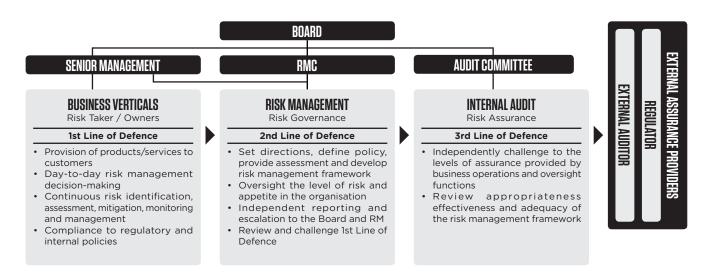
#### **ENTERPRISE RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK**

The ERM framework provides a standardised and systematic approach for the process of identifying, evaluating, monitoring and reporting risks faced by the Group for the Financial Period. The Framework is aligned with the ISO 31000:2018 Risk Management Guidelines. The Framework also enables the Management to effectively deal with uncertainties and opportunities, enhancing the capacity to build value to the stakeholders.

The Group has established a structured process for risk management and reporting within the ERM framework as follows:

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Our risk governance structure facilitates risk identification and escalation whilst providing assurance on the risks and controls to the Board. It delineates and assigns distinct roles and responsibilities across all lines of defence, facilitating the integration of the updated Enterprise Risk Management ("ERM") Framework.



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A universally accepted risk management process has been established to ensure a standardised and consistent approach to risk management activities across the Group. This involves the application of policies and procedures to identify, analyse, and respond to risks in order to minimise uncertainties and maximise opportunities. The risk management process in the Group is depicted in the diagram below, aligned with ISO 31000 Standards.



#### **RISK MANAGEMENT INITIATIVES**

#### **Enhancement of ERM Policy and Framework**

The review of the ERM Policy and Framework was initiated in collaboration with our affiliate. The enhancement includes the yearly review of the policy. The policy review has been finalised with approval by the Board in August 2023.

#### Enhancement of Anti-Bribery and Anti Corruption ("ABAC") Policy

The review of the ABAC Policy was initiated in collaboration with our affiliate. The enhancements are to provide a comprehensive with clear guidelines and improved process in managing bribery and corruption within the organisation. It is to ensure strict compliance and adherence with this ABAC Policy. The policy is now subject to a mandatory review every three years. The policy review has been finalised with approval by the Board in November 2023.

#### **Automating the Risk Management process**

To ensure a systematic approach in managing risk data, the implementation of the risk management system, RedRadar, will enable the Group to utilise a single risk repository system to capture more accurate risk data and facilitate access to up-to-date risk information. The automation also ensures consistency in risk management practices with our affiliate.

#### Risk awareness session

Risk awareness sessions were conducted for Management and key personnel from respective departments. This is to ensure that the risk processes are reasonably understood and the personnel involved are able to identify and assess the risks and opportunities. The awareness sessions also covered Business Continuity Management ("BCM") and Compliance Risk Management ("CRM") to spread awareness on both key areas that are part of risk management.

This will be a continuous effort by RMD to enhance the approach to addressing the key areas of the ERM Policy and Framework and to engage with respective risk owners to address gaps in their understanding of the subject matter.

#### **KEY RISKS**

Effective risk management can help mitigate uncertainties and enhance stakeholder confidence. By embedding the risk management process within the organisation, the Group is better equipped to navigate uncertainties and enhance stakeholder trust and assurance.

Key risks that the AAX continues to track closely are as follows:

#### **RISK MITIGATION**

#### Financial risk

The Group's operations carry certain financial risks, including the effects of changes in jet fuel prices, foreign currency exchange rates, interest rates and the market value of financial investments, credit risks as well as liquidity risk.

AAX actively monitors and manages its exposure to fuel price volatility and imposes fuel surcharges based on the length of flight hours.

Currency exposures are managed through natural hedges that arise when payments for foreign currency are matched against receivables denominated in the same foreign currency, or whenever possible, by intra-group arrangements and settlements.

Liquidity and cash flow risks are managed through daily bank balance monitoring and weekly cash flow reviews and projections.

Further details of the Group Financial Management Policies are in notes to financial statements, Note 38 Financial Risk Management Policies on pages 89 to 95 respectively.

#### **Business recovery risk**

Intensified competition among airlines may lead to unpredictable demand patterns as the Group competes for market share through pricing strategies and service enhancements. Concurrently, economic fluctuations, including GDP growth and employment rates, can directly influence consumer travel behaviours.

AAX mitigates this risk by strengthening its route network, focusing on the most popular historically proven routes and expanding into greenfield markets to achieve "first entrant" incentives e.g., lower airport charges and strong time slots to deliver competition and secure market share by adding frequencies where there is solid demand and by offering competitive fares on routes through dynamic pricing.

#### People risk

Talent retention and recruitment present significant risks given the reliance on skilled crew members for safe and efficient Group operations. The shortage or turnover of pilots, cabin crew, ground staff and nominated post holders can disrupt operations, jeopardising standards safety and customer satisfaction.

All nominated post holders must be approved by CAAM. These employees are responsible for managing and supervising different areas within a commercial

To ensure efficient operations, manpower planning is conducted annually. Measures for talent retention are taken through employee engagement activities, such as town hall meetings, dialogues with employees, and peer support programs.

RISK MITIGATION

#### Safety, health and security risks

Increasing exposure to operational safety hazards and risks as AAX grows its routes, flights and passenger volume.

AAX Safety Review Board ("**SRB**") oversees safety performance, through quarterly meetings, to ensure safety targets are met and that the highest safety and quality standards are upheld across the Group.

AAX's Corporate Safety Department established a standardised process to manage the risk to an As Low As Reasonably Practicable ("ALARP") level via robust Safety Management System.

Established a comprehensive safety programme to promote a safety culture among employees, with tailored awareness initiatives across the Group.

The Corporate Safety Department is also subject to routine mandatory audits by local civil aviation authorities which issue operating licences to airline operating companies. In addition, both AAX and Thai AirAsia X have completed the IATA Operational Safety Audit ("IOSA") and obtained IOSA certification accordingly as the global benchmark for upholding the highest safety standards at all times.

#### Operational disruption risk

The supply chain issue on aircraft components and parts could potentially lead to aircraft being grounded and affect the aircraft availability.

Failure in airport services such as airport fuelling systems, baggage handling systems or customs, immigration and quarantine processing may lead to significant delays and business disruption.

On the supply chain issue, engagement and negotiation with the suppliers are crucial to ensure AAX can secure the components and parts.

AAX mitigates failure in airport services by monitoring and communicating any potential service disruption to service providers to prevent or ensure minimal disruption to operations.

AAX has also tested incident-specific business continuity plans in collaboration with other AOC.

#### Sustainability risk

Non-compliance to sustainability requirements by regulatory authorities as the airlines face pressure to put in place a sustainability roadmap. Greenwashing gains traction by the NGOs where the Group has to be careful on making any statement related to the environment.

AAX ensures compliance with all environmental regulatory requirements, including managing the potential impact of environmental-related schemes such as the Carbon Offsetting & Reduction Scheme for International Aviation ("CORSIA").

On the greenwashing, seek the Legal department and Group Sustainability review/opinion on any marketing or statement related to sustainability before releasing it to the public.

RISK	MITIGATION
Regulatory and compliance risks Litigation risk arising from potential breach of local laws and regulations, contracts, industry guidelines and regulator/consumer authority requirements in multiple jurisdictions.	AAX mitigates this risk by maintaining a high level of engagement with local regulators and authorities to ensure any new regulatory requirement is understood and swiftly adhered to.
Compliance with Anti-bribery and anti-corruption Malaysian Anti-Corruption Act 2009 (MACC Act 2009).	The Group also constantly monitors the local regulatory landscape for new or amended regulations affecting the Group.
	The Group has put in place Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption Policy, which has been disseminated to all internal and to all external parties that conduct business transactions with the Group. All internal need to acknowledge their awareness of this policy.
	The policy is available on AAX's corporate website: <a href="https://www.airasiax.com/misc/AAX">https://www.airasiax.com/misc/AAX</a> ABAC Policy.pdf
Information security risk Cyber security risk arising from heavy focus on online sales channels, guest feedback, help channels and other digital solutions.	The Group has a dedicated information security team that focuses on detecting, containing, and remediating cyber threats, headed by the Group's Chief Information Security Officer ("CISO").
Violation of data privacy laws and regulations and loss of customer confidence due to a data breach.	Continuous initiatives include updating to new standards ISO 27001:2022, external threat/risk monitoring, improved SuperApp account and payment protections, network upgrades by ICT, and incident management. In addition, to instill information security awareness culture, employee education and awareness programs including online training campaigns are compulsory for Allstars.
	The Group has established a data governance framework and a data security & privacy working group to review existing policies and ensure compliance with laws, regulations, and best practices.
Reputation and branding risks Reputational damage stemming from adverse media publicity or social networks that serve as platforms for airing consumer grievances or anti-organisation campaigns.	AAX mitigates this risk by conducting ongoing real time media monitoring, social media monitoring and customer sentiment monitoring to enable quick action and response to all stakeholder communication channels.
	A dedicated AAX team is established to ensure necessary and effective response to mitigate any potential brand and reputational threat.

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#### INTERNAL CONTROL FRAMEWORK

The following key internal control structures (including the AC and the IAD disclosed above) are in place to assist the Board to maintain a proper internal control system:

#### **Board Governance**

The Board has governance over the Group's operations. The Board is kept updated on the Group's activities and operations on a timely and regular basis through Board meetings with a formal agenda on matters for discussion. The Board of AAX has established four (4) committees, namely the AC, RMC, Nomination and Remuneration Committee and SRB, to assist it in executing its governance responsibilities. Further information on the various Board Committees is provided in the Corporate Governance Overview Statement from pages 90 to 99 of this Annual Report.

#### **Senior Management Responsibilities**

Regular management and operations meetings are conducted by Senior Management, which comprises the Chief Executive Officer ("CFO"), Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") and Heads of Department.

The Board of our associated company includes our representatives. Information on the financial performance of our associated company is provided regularly to the Management and Board of AAX via regular management reports and presentations at Board meetings.

In respect to the joint venture entered into by the Group, the Management of the joint venture, which consists of representatives from the Group and other joint venture partners, are responsible to oversee the administration, operation and performance of the joint venture. Financial and operational reports of the joint venture are provided regularly to the Management of AAX.

#### Culture

The Board believes that good governance reflects the culture of an organisation. This is more significant than any written procedures. The Group aims at all times to act ethically and with integrity, and to instil this behaviour in all its employees by example from the Board down.

As provided in AAX's **Code of Business Conduct**, AAX is committed to uphold high standards of business ethics in all aspects of its business and expects the same within its relationships with all those with whom it engages and does business with.

AAX also has a **Code of Conduct** ("**the Code**") which governs the conduct of its employees, officers and directors. The Code sets out the standards and ethics that they are expected to adhere to. It highlights AAX's expectations on their professional conduct which includes:

- The environment inside and outside of workplace
- The working culture
- Conflict of interest
- Confidentiality and disclosure of information
- Good practices and controls
- Duty and declaration

The Code also sets out the circumstances in which an employee, officer and director would be deemed to have breached the Code after due inquiry and disciplinary actions that can be taken against them if proven guilty.

#### **Segregation of Duties**

Segregation of duties is embedded in the key business processes. The Group has in place a system to ensure there are adequate risk management, financial and operational policies and procedures.

#### **Internal Policies and Procedures**

Policies, procedures and processes governing the Group's businesses and operations are documented and readily made available to employees across the Group on the AAX's intranet portal. These policies, procedures and processes are reviewed and updated by the business and functional units through a structured and standardised process of review. This is to ensure that appropriate management controls are in place to manage risks arising from changes in legal and regulatory requirements as well as the business and operational environment.

#### **Financial Budgets**

A detailed budgeting process has been established requiring all Heads of Department to prepare budgets and business plans annually for deliberation and approval by the Board. In addition, AAX has a reporting system on actual performance against the approved budgets, which requires explanations for significant variances and plans by Management to address such variances.

#### **Human Resource Management**

AAX acknowledges that a robust risk management and internal control system is dependent on its employees applying responsibility, integrity and good judgement to their duties. As such, AAX has in place policies and procedures that govern its recruitment, appointment, performance management, compensation and reward mechanisms as well as policies and procedures that govern discipline, termination and dismissal of employees and ensures compliance of the same with all applicable laws and regulations.

#### **Limits of Authority**

AAX documented its Limits of Authority ("LOA") clearly defining the level of authority and responsibility in making operational and commercial business decisions. Approving authorities cover various levels of Management and the Board. The LOA is reviewed regularly and any amendments made must be tabled to and approved by the Board.

#### Insurance

The Group maintains adequate insurance and physical safeguards on assets to ensure these are sufficiently covered against any incident that could result in material losses. Specifically, AAX maintains its Aviation Insurance which provides coverage for the following:

- Aviation Hull and Spares All Risks and Liability
- Aviation Hull and Spares War and Allied Perils (Primary and Excess)
- Aircraft Hull and Spares Deductible
- Aviation War, Hijacking and other Perils Excess Liability (Excess AVN52)

AAX also maintains adequate general insurance to mitigate other risks and financial losses arising from fire, burglary, employee fidelity, public liability, and loss of cash in transit.

#### **Information Security**

The Information Security Department and Chief Information Security Officer ("CISO") are the process owners of all assurance activities related to Confidentiality, Integrity, and Availability of the company, employee, customer, business partners, and the business information; in line with the company's objectives by establishing the information security policies for the entire group. The Information Security team and CISO work with executive management to establish, implement, and maintain information security management programmes to ensure information assets are adequately protected.

Information Security: Protecting the environment from the potential threats that could compromise privacy, productivity, reputation and intellectual property rights of information resources and users.

Data Governance: Outlines how business activity monitoring should be carried out to ensure organisational data is accurate, consistent and protected. Defines the roles and responsibilities for information management. Specifies procedures to be used in managing different types of data.

Access Control: Outlines access controls across the Group's networks, information systems and services to provide authorised, granular, auditable and appropriate user access, and to ensure appropriate preservation of data confidentiality, integrity and availability. Protects the interests of all authorised users of the Group's information systems, as well as data provided by third parties, by creating a safe, secure and accessible environment in which to work.

Server, Database and Networks: Establish rules and procedures for hardening servers, database and network equipment to: a) create a security baseline for all servers, database and network equipment across the Group; b) minimise server and IT-related risks; c) comply with regulatory requirements.

#### STATEMENT ON RISK MANAGEMENT & INTERNAL CONTROL

Information Security Testing: Give assurance of the adequacy of security controls by coordinating security reviews through vulnerability assessment and penetration testing ("VAPT") of the Group's IT infrastructure, network and web applications.

Information Security Detection and Incident Response: Ensures operations recover quickly from information security incidents, minimising loss of information and disruption of services. Protects the Group's reputation and minimises loss of credibility among customers. Provides technical guidelines on responding to incidents effectively and efficiently.

#### **Whistleblowing Policy**

AAX has in place a Whistleblowing Policy which provides a platform for employees or third parties to report instances of unethical behaviour, actual or suspected fraud or dishonesty, or a violation of AAX's Code of Conduct. It provides protection for the whistle-blowers from any reprisals as a direct consequence of making such disclosures. It also covers the procedures for disclosure, investigations and the respective outcomes of such investigations. AAX expects its employees to act in AAX's best interests and to maintain high principles and ethical values. AAX will not tolerate any irresponsible or unethical behaviour that would jeopardise its good standing and reputation.

#### Conclusion

The Board has received assurance from the CEO and CFO of AAX that AAX's risk management and internal control system are operating adequately and effectively in all material aspects. For areas which require improvement, action plans are being developed with implementation dates being monitored by the respective Heads of Department. The Board also receives updates on key risk management and internal control matters through its Board Committees. Based on assurance received from Management and updates from the Board Committees, the Board is of the view that the Group's risk management and internal control systems were operating adequately and effectively during the Financial Year and up to the date of approval of this statement. There were no material control failures or adverse compliance events that have directly resulted in any material loss to the Group.

AAX's associate company is in the process of fully adopting AAX's risk management and internal controls. The disclosure in this statement does not include the risk management and internal control practices of AAX's material joint venture.

#### **Review of the Statement by External Auditors**

As required by Paragraph 15.23 of the MMLR of Bursa Malaysia, the External Auditors have reviewed this Statement on Risk Management and Internal Control. Their limited assurance review was performed in accordance with the Audit and Assurance Practice Guide ("AAPG") 3 issued by the Malaysian Institute of Accountants. The AAPG 3 does not require the External Auditors to form an opinion on the adequacy and effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems of the Group.

The External Auditors have reviewed this Statement on Risk Management and Internal Control for the financial year ended 31 December 2023, in compliance with paragraph 15.23 of the Listing Requirements in accordance with guidelines issued by the Malaysian Institute of Accountants and reported to the Board that nothing has come to their attention to cause them to believe that the statement intended to be included in the Annual Report is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with disclosures required by Paragraph 41 and 42 of the Statement on Risk Management and Internal Control: Guidelines for Directors of Listed Issuer, or that the statement is factually inaccurate. Their limited assurance review was performed in accordance with the Audit and Assurance Practice Guide ("AAPG") 3 issued by the Malaysian Institute of Accountants. The AAPG 3 does not require the External Auditors to form an opinion on the adequacy and effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems of the Group.

This statement is in accordance with the resolution of the Board of Directors of AAX on 30 April 2024.

## AUDIT COMMITTEE ("AC") REPORT

This report outlines the activities of the AC of AirAsia X Berhad ("AAX" or "the Company") for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 ("FYE").

This report has been reviewed by the AC and approved by the Board of Directors ("the Board") of AAX on 30 April 2024 for inclusion in this Annual Report.

The AC assists the Board in fulfilling its duties with respect to its oversight responsibilities over AAX and the subsidiaries of AAX ("the Group"). The AC is committed to its role of ensuring the integrity of the financial reporting process; the management of risks and systems of internal controls, external and internal audit processes and compliance with legal and regulatory matters; and the review of related party transactions and other matters that may be specifically delegated to the AC by the Board. The AC's responsibility for the internal audit of the Group is fulfilled through reviews of the quarterly and other reports of the Internal Audit Department ("IAD").

#### A. Composition of AC

The AC is established by the Board and comprises (4) Independent Non-Executive Directors, including the Chairman and none of them are an alternate director. The Chairman of the AC, Encik Ahmad Al Farouk bin Ahmad Kamal is appointed by the Board and is not the Chairman of the Board. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Economics and a Master of Science in Finance and Economics. Further, he has more than 19 years of experience in the finance and banking sector. Therefore the Company meets the Para 15.09(1)(c)(i) of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("MMLR").

On 15 December 2023, Encik Ahmad Al Farouk bin Ahmad Kamal resigned as AC Chairman. In compliance with Paragraph 15.19 of the Main Market Listing Requirements, the Board has appointed the AC committee member, Dato Abdul Mutalib Bin Alias as the new Chairman of the AC on 23 January 2024 and he is not the Chairman of the Board. Dato Abdul Mutalib holds a Bachelor of Science in Accountancy and a Master in Business Administration. Further, he has more than 35 years of experience in the banking sector and government sector. Therefore, the Company meets the Para 15.09(1)(c)(i) of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("MMLR").

The duties and responsibilities of the AC are set out in its Terms of Reference, which is published on AAX's corporate website at www.airasiax.com

#### B. Attendance of Meetings

A total of five (5) meetings were held during the FYE with full attendance by all AC members.

The Head of Internal Audit of AAX attended the AC meetings to present the audit and investigation reports. Representing the senior management team, the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and the Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") were invited to attend all the AC meetings to facilitate deliberations as well as to provide clarification on the audit issues. Where required, the management of the audit subjects was also invited to provide an explanation to the AC on specific control lapses and issues arising from the relevant audit reports.



#### C. Activities of the AC for FYE 31 December 2023

In discharging its duties and responsibilities, the AC is guided by the AC Terms of Reference, which was approved by the Board and aligned with the provisions of the MMLR, Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance and other best practices. A summary of the work of the AC during the Financial Period is as set out below:

#### **Financial Reporting**

- Reviewed and deliberated on all quarterly financial results and annual audited financial statements for recommendation to the Board for approval.
- The AC's review focused on any change in Accounting Policies and Practices, and the implementation of such changes; significant and unusual events; significant adjustments arising from the Audit; litigation that could affect the results materially; the going concern assumption; compliance with Accounting standards, other legal requirements and regulatory requirements; review and ensure corporate disclosure policies and procedures of the Group (as they pertain to accounting, audit and financial matters) comply with the disclosure requirements as set out in the MMLR.

#### **External Audit**

- Reviewed the external auditor's overall work plan and recommended to the Board their remuneration, terms of engagement and considered in detail the results of the audit, external auditor's performance and independence and the effectiveness of the overall audit process.
- Reviewed updates on the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and how they will impact the Company and has monitored progress in meeting the new reporting requirements.
- Updated continuously by the external auditors on changes to the relevant guidelines on the regulatory and statutory requirements.
- Deliberated and reported the results of the annual audit for recommendation to the Board.
- Met with the external auditors without the presence of the Management to discuss any matters that they may wish to present.

#### **Internal Audit**

- Deliberated and approved the Internal Audit Plan for the Financial Period to ensure adequate scope and comprehensive coverage of audit as well as to ensure the audit resources are sufficient to enable AC to discharge its functions effectively.
- Deliberated on the investigation reports and after having understood the case in detail, directed the Management to implement controls to strengthen the control environment and prevent recurrence.
- Reviewed the quarterly status reports on audit finding and deliberated on the rectification actions and timeline taken by the Management to ensure the control lapses are addressed and resolved promptly.
- Reviewed the results of operational audit reports.
- Providing assistance to the appointed external auditor in all oversight of the operational audits on each quarterly review

#### **Related Party Transactions**

Reviewed the related party transactions entered into by the Company and its affiliates in conformity to the established procedures in adherence to the MMLR.

#### **Annual Report**

- Reviewed the Statement on Risk Management and Internal Control and the Corporate Governance Overview Statement prior to their inclusion in the Company's Annual Report.
- Further information on the summary of the AC activities in discharging its functions and duties for the Financial Period and how it has met its responsibilities are provided in the Corporate Governance Report in accordance with Practice 8.5 of the The Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance ("MCCG").

#### D. Internal Audit Function and Summary of Work

AAX has an in-house Internal Audit Department ("IAD") to assist the AC in carrying out its functions. IAD is guided by its Internal Audit Charter approved by AC that provides independence & reflects the function and responsibilities of the department. IAD carries out its audits which are closely guided by the International Professional Practices Framework issued by the Institute of Internal Auditors.

IAD reports functionally to AC and administratively to the CEO. IAD executives declare yearly that they are free from any conflict of interest, which could impair their objectivity and independence.

The principal responsibility of IAD is to undertake regular and systematic reviews of the systems of internal controls to provide reasonable assurance that the systems continue to operate efficiently and effectively. IAD adopts a risk-based methodology to develop its audit plans by determining the priorities of the internal audit activities.

The audits cover the review of the adequacy of risk management, the strength and effectiveness of internal controls, compliance to internal statutory requirements, governance and management efficiency, among others.

The audit reviews conducted during FYE were based on a risk-based Internal Audit Plan approved by the AC. The main focus of the internal audit activities during the FYE was on high risk areas and auditable areas that were critical to the Group's business recovery to pre-pandemic levels of performances. The main audited areas during FYE 31 December 2023 include revenue related processes such as book-to-cash control procedures, credit card payment processes, IT and cyber security controls, revenue assurance and station control assessment.

The audit reports which provide the results of the audit conducted, as well as key control issues and recommendations are highlighted and submitted to the AC for review and execution. The Management is to ensure that corrective actions are implemented within the required time frame.

The AC reviews and approves the Internal Audit's human resource requirements to ensure that the function is adequately resourced with a competent and proficient internal auditor. The IAD has a team of an assistant manager and an audit executive. The Head of Internal Audit, Ms. Wong Ooi Ling was appointed in November 2020. She is a Chartered Accountant of Malaysian Institute of Accountants.

Total operational costs of the IAD for the FYE were RM570,064.

## **ADDITIONAL COMPLIANCE** INFORMATION

The information set out below is disclosed in compliance with the Main Market Listing Requirements ("MMLR") of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Securities") for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 ("FY 31 December 2023") for AirAsia X Berhad ("the Company").

#### UTILISATION OF PROCEEDS FROM CORPORATE PROPOSAL

The Company raised a total of RM50.0 million by way of private placement of 32,258,066 new ordinary shares in the Company, representing approximately 7.78% of the total number of issued shares. The proceeds were fully utilised as part of the Company's general working capital, including for aircraft activation, aircraft maintenance, and other operating expenses such as leases and insurance..

#### MATERIAL CONTRACTS INVOLVING DIRECTORS' AND MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS

There was no material contracts entered into by the Company and its subsidiaries involving directors' and major shareholders' interest still subsisting at the end of the FY 31 December 2023.

#### **AUDIT AND NON-AUDIT FEES**

The audit and non-audit fees of the Company and its Group as below are also disclosed in the Audited Financial Statements set out under Note 9 to the Financial Statements on page 47 of this Annual Report:-

Audit Fees	Group RM'000	Company RM'000
Audit fees paid to the External Auditors for the FY 31 December 2023	817	680

Non-Audit Fees	Group RM'000	Company RM'000
Non-audit fees paid to the External Auditors for the FY 31 December 2023 in connection with advisory related work	2,500	2,500

#### RECURRENT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS OF A REVENUE OR TRADING NATURE

At the Annual General Meeting ("AGM") held on 8 June 2023, the Company had obtained a shareholders' mandate to allow the Company to enter into recurrent related party transactions of a revenue or trading nature ("RRPT").

Pursuant to paragraph 10.09(2)(b) and paragraph 3.1.5 of Practice Note 12 of the MMLR of Bursa Securities, details of the RRPT entered into during the FY 31 December 2023 are as follows:

No.	Transacting Parties	Nature of RRPT	Class and relationship of the Related Parties	Actual value
EXF	PENSES			
1.	AirAsia Berhad (Company No.: 199301029930) (284669-W) (" <b>AirAsia</b> ")	Rights granted by AirAsia to our Company to operate air services under the "AIRASIA" trade name and livery in respect of our low-cost, long-haul air services.	<b>Directors</b> Datuk Kamarudin	RM8,308,062
			Sdn. Bhd. (Company No.: 200701040836) (798868-P) ("Tune Group") Tan Sri Anthony Francis Fernandes ("Tan Sri Tony") Datuk Kamarudin	
2.	AirAsia Berhad (Company No.: 199301029930) (284669-W) ("AirAsia")	Provision of the following range of services by AirAsia to our Company:  (a) Commercial  - Sales and distribution  - Sales support  - Direct channel  - Branding and Creative  • Protection of brand to ensure proper public perception is built  • Manage communication imagery, sponsorships (e.g. sports and youth marketing) and commercial branding  • Creative includes graphic designs supporting branding activities  - Web team: Manage, plan, build and develop airasia. com website  - Digital Marketing  - Ancillary	Directors Datuk Kamarudin Dato' Fam Interested Major Shareholders AirAsia Tune Group Tan Sri Tony Fernandes Datuk Kamarudin	RM7,984,880

### ADDITIONAL COMPLIANCE INFORMATION

No.	Transacting Parties	Nature of RRPT	Class and relationship of the Related Parties	Actual value
		<ul> <li>(b) Treasury <ul> <li>Fuel procurement</li> <li>Fuel hedging</li> </ul> </li> <li>(c) Revenue Assurance - Credit card fraud unit Internal Audits</li> <li>(d) Group Inflight Ancillary</li> <li>(e) Engineering</li> <li>(f) Customer Support</li> </ul>		
3.	Rokki Sdn. Bhd. (Company No.: 201101006967) (935105-W) (" <b>Rokki</b> ")	Supply of in-flight entertainment system, hardware, software, content and updates by Rokki.		NIL
4.	BIGLIFE Sdn. Bhd. (Company No.: 201001040731) (924656-U) (" <b>BIGLIFE</b> ")	Purchase of loyalty points from BIGLIFE, which operates and manages a loyalty program branded as the BIG Loyalty Program.	Directors	RM1,238,809
5.	Tune Insurance Malaysia Berhad (Company No.: 197601004719) (30686-K) (" <b>Tune Insurance</b> ")	Payment to Tune Insurance of insurance premiums collected on its behalf pursuant to our Company's role as a corporate agent of Tune Insurance for the provision of AirAsia Insure, a travel protection plan which provides coverage for losses arising from, amongst others, personal accident, medical and evacuation, emergency medical evacuation and mortal remains repatriation,travel inconvenience such as flight cancellation or loss or damage to baggage and personal effects, flight delay and on-time guarantee.	Directors Datuk Kamarudin Interested Major Shareholders AirAsia	RM6,208,483

No.	Transacting Parties	Nature of RRPT	Class and relationship of the	Actual value
			Related Parties	
6.	AirAsia SEA Sdn. Bhd. (Company No.: 201301015339) (1045172-A) ("AirAsia SEA")	<ul> <li>(a) Finance and accounting support operation services;</li> <li>(b) People department support operation services;</li> <li>(c) Information and technology operation support services;</li> </ul>	Directors Datuk Kamarudin Dato' Fam Interested Major	RM6,545,827
7.	Ormond Lifestyle Services Sdn. Bhd. (Company No.: 201601003986) (1174912-W)	Provision of food catering and hospitality services.	Interested Directors Datuk Kamarudin Interested Major Shareholders Tan Sri Tony Fernandes Datuk Kamarudin	RM2,064,601
8.	Ground Team Red Sdn. Bhd. (Company No.: 200701042697) (800730-V) (" <b>GTR</b> ")	Provision of ground handling services at airports.	Interested Directors Datuk Kamarudin Dato' Fam  Interested Major Shareholders AirAsia Tune Group Tan Sri Tony Fernandes Datuk Kamarudin	RM22,488,829
9.	AirAsia (Guangzhou) Aviation Service Limited (Company Registration No.: 91440101MA5ALG3R31) ["AirAsia (Guangzhou)"]	Provision of operational services by AirAsia (Guangzhou) to AAX in China.		RM1,629,807

### ADDITIONAL COMPLIANCE INFORMATION

No.	Transacting Parties	Nature of RRPT	Class and relationship of the Related Parties	Actual value
10.	AirAsia Com Travel Sdn. Bhd. (Company No.: 201301020508) (1050338-A) (" <b>AirAsia Com</b> ")	Appointment of AirAsia Com as preferred agent for flight and ancillary on airasia.com website and applications, where AirAsia Com will provide platform development, technology maintenance, branding, digital marketing on flights promotion through online platform, and providing revenue and sales relevant reports and dashboard to AAX.	Directors Datuk Kamarudin Dato' Fam  Interested Major Shareholders AirAsia Tune Group	RM57,824,190
11.	AirAsia Digital Engineering Sdn. Bhd. (Company No. 202001010462) (1366782-X) ("ADE")	Provision of resources to ensure the smooth operations of aircraft maintenance which include manpower, tooling and store.	Directors	RM25,260,975
12.	Santan Restaurant Sdn Bhd (Company No.: 201401017641) (1093728-T) (" <b>Santan</b> ")	Provision on inflight food, beverage, merchandise and duty free products and services to AAX flights.		RM15,986,440
13.	Ikhlas Com Travel Sdn. Bhd. (Company No. 201801010997) (1273013-P) (" <b>Ikhlas</b> ")	Provision of sales and distribution services for seats sold in Saudi Arabia routes		RM3,727,181

No.	Transacting Parties	Nature of RRPT	Class and relationship of the Related Parties	Actual value
RE\	/ENUE/INCOME		•	
1.	Tune Insurance Malaysia Berhad (Company No.: 197601004719) (30686-K) ("Tune Insurance")	Receipt of commission income of 25% on all insurance premiums received by Tune Insurance pursuant to our Company's role as a corporate agent of Tune Insurance for the provision of AirAsia Insure, a travel protection plan which provides coverage for losses arising from, amongst others, personal accident, medical and evacuation, emergency medical evacuation and mortal remains repatriation, travel inconvenience such as flight cancellation or loss or damage to baggage and personal effects, flight delay and on-time guarantee.	Directors Datuk Kamarudin Interested Major Shareholders AirAsia Tune Group Tan Sri Tony Fernandes Datuk Kamarudin	RM1,617,405
2.	Philippines AirAsia Inc. (Registration No.: A199707490) (" <b>PAA</b> ")	Provision of the following commercial services by AAX to PAA, including but not limited to:  (1) Airport management and group handling; and (2) Government and regulatory liaison.	Interested Directors Datuk Kamarudin Dato' Fam  Interested Major Shareholders AirAsia Tune Group Tan Sri Tony Fernandes Datuk Kamarudin	RM584,843
3.	Thai AirAsia Company Limited (Company No.: 0105546113684) (" <b>TAA</b> ")	Provision of the following commercial services by AAX to TAA, including but not limited to:  (1) Airport management and group handling; and (2) Government and regulatory liaison.	Interested Directors Datuk Kamarudin Dato' Fam Interested Major	NIL
4.	PT Indonesia AirAsia (Company No.: 30.06.1.51.07399) (" <b>IAA</b> ")	Provision of the following commercial services by AAX and AAX Service Pty. Ltd. (Company No. 141 326 463) to IAA, including but not limited to:  (1) Airport management and group handling; and (2) Government and regulatory liaison.	<b>Directors</b> Datuk Kamarudin Dato' Fam	RM388,217

### ADDITIONAL COMPLIANCE INFORMATION

No.	Transacting Parties	Nature of RRPT	Class and relationship of the Related Parties	Actual value
5.	BIGLIFE Sdn. Bhd. (Company No.: 201001040731) (924656-U) (" <b>BIGLIFE</b> ")	Revenue from ticket sales and/ or other ancillary sales arising from redemption of loyalty points from BIGLIFE which operates and manages a loyalty program branded as the BIG Loyalty Program.	Interested Directors Datuk Kamarudin Dato' Fam  Interested Major Shareholders AirAsia Tune Group Tan Sri Tony Fernandes Datuk Kamarudin	RM1,077,762
6.	Teleport Everywhere Pte. Ltd. (Company No.: 201916239W) ("Teleport Everywhere")	Novation of the Master General Cargo Sales Agent cum Management Services Agreement entered into between AAX and Teleport Malaysia on 27 June 2018, for Teleport Malaysia to purchase cargo transportation capacity on routes operated by AAX, to Teleport Everywhere.	<b>Directors</b> Datuk Kamarudin	RM151,672,944
7.	Ikhlas Com Travel Sdn. Bhd. (Company No.: 2018010997) (1273013-P) (" <b>Ikhlas</b> ")	Engagement with IKHLAS as a travel agent for sale of routes that AAX is operating, except for Jeddah and Madinah.		NIL
8.	AirAsia Berhad (Company No.: 199301029930) (284669-W) (" <b>AirAsia</b> ")	In order to improve efficiency of the parties, wet lease arrangements are to utilize the excess aircraft of AAX for AirAsia to operate those high demand routes by using A330s with a seat capacity of 377, with the same flight frequency.	<b>Directors</b> Datuk Kamarudin Dato' Fam	NIL

The shareholdings of the interested Directors and interested Major Shareholders in our Company as at 31 December 2023 are as follows:

	<b>←</b> Direct →		<b>←</b> Indirect-	<b>&gt;</b>
	No. of Shares	%	No. of Shares	%
Interested Directors				
Datuk Kamarudin	37,070,993	8.29	131,033,136 <sup>(1)</sup>	29.31
Dato' Fam	-	-	-	-
Interested Major Shareholders				
AirAsia	57,072,850	12.77	-	-
Tune Group	73,960,286	16.54	-	-
Tan Sri Tony Fernandes	11,158,722	2.50	131,033,136 <sup>(1)</sup>	29.31
Datuk Kamarudin	37,070,993	8.29	131,033,136(1)	29.31

#### Notes:

Please refer to the notes of Section 2.3 of the Circulars to Shareholders dated 30 April 2024 on the directorships and shareholdings of the interested Directors and interested Major Shareholders in the transacting parties as stated above.

Deemed interested via their interests in AirAsia and Tune Group, being the Major Shareholders of our Company pursuant to Section 8 of the Companies Act 2016.

# ANALYSIS OF SHAREHOLDINGS

As at 29 March 2024

#### **DISTRIBUTION OF SHAREHOLDINGS**

Class of Shares : Ordinary Shares

Voting Rights : One vote per Ordinary Share

Shareholdings	No. of Holders	%	No. of Shares	%
1 - 99	3,964	10.373	128,768	0.028
100 - 1,000	17,113	44.784	8,531,832	1.908
1,001 - 10,000	13,667	35.766	51,324,129	11.480
10,001 - 100,000	3,178	8.316	88,994,006	19.905
100,001 - 22,353,639 (*)	288	0.753	188,870,907	42.246
22,353,640 AND ABOVE (**)	2	0.005	109,223,161	24.430
	38,212	100.000	447,072,803	100.000

<sup>\* -</sup> Less than 5% of issued shares

#### SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

Names	Holdings	%
AIRASIA BERHAD	57,072,850	12.765
RHB CAPITAL NOMINEES (TEMPATAN) SDN BHD RHB ISLAMIC BANK BERHAD PLEDGED SECURITIES ACCOUNT FOR TUNE GROUP SDN BHD	52,150,311	11.664

<sup>\*\* - 5%</sup> And above of issued shares

# DIRECTORS' SHAREHOLDINGS

As at 29 March 2024

	Direct		Indire	t	
Name	No. of Shares Held	% of Shares Held	No. of Shares Held	% of Shares Held	
Dato' Fam Lee Ee	-	-	-	-	
Datuk Kamarudin bin Meranun	37,070,993	8.292	131,033,136(1)	29.309	
Tan Sri Asmat bin Kamaludin	10,000	0.002	2,000(2)	0.000*	
Chin Min Ming	-	-	-	-	
Dato' Sri Mohammed Shazalli Bin Ramly	-	-	-	-	
Dato' Abdul Mutalib Bin Alias	-	-	-	-	

#### Notes:

- Negligible
- Deemed interested by virtue of Section 8 of the Companies Act 2016 through a shareholding of more than 20% in Tune Group Sdn Bhd and AirAsia Berhad.
- Deemed interest held through his children.

# TOP 30 LARGEST SHAREHOLDERS

As at 29 March 2024

No	Name of Shareholders	No. of Shares Held	% of Issued Share Capital
1.	AIRASIA BERHAD	57,072,850	12.765
2.	RHB CAPITAL NOMINEES (TEMPATAN) SDN BHD RHB ISLAMIC BANK BERHAD PLEDGED SECURITIES ACCOUNT FOR TUNE GROUP SDN BHD	52,150,311	11.664
3.	ALLIANCEGROUP NOMINEES (TEMPATAN) SDN BHD PLEDGED SECURITIES ACCOUNT FOR TUNE GROUP SDN BHD (7006233)	21,809,975	4.878
4.	HSBC NOMINEES (TEMPATAN) SDN BHD PLEDGED SECURITIES ACCOUNT - CREDIT SUISSE AG, SINGAPORE FOR KAMARUDIN BIN MERANUN	19,027,895	4.256
5.	KAMARUDIN BIN MERANUN	18,043,098	4.035
6.	CITIGROUP NOMINEES (ASING) SDN BHD EXEMPT AN FOR CITIBANK NEW YORK (NORGES BANK 22)	12,000,000	2.684
7,	ALLIANCEGROUP NOMINEES (TEMPATAN) SDN BHD PLEDGED SECURITIES ACCOUNT FOR ANTHONY FRANCIS FERNANDES (7006493)	11,130,372	2.489
8.	LAVIN GROUP SDN BHD	8,922,133	1.995
9.	HSBC NOMINEES (ASING) SDN BHD EXEMPT AN FOR BANK JULIUS BAER & CO. LTD. (SINGAPORE BCH)	7,844,263	1.754
10.	KENANGA NOMINEES (ASING) SDN BHD GARYNMA MY CAPITAL LIMITED	5,000,000	1.118
111.	CITIGROUP NOMINEES (ASING) SDN BHD EXEMPT AN FOR CITIBANK NEW YORK (NORGES BANK 14)	4,622,300	1.033
12.	CITIGROUP NOMINEES (ASING) SDN BHD EXEMPT AN FOR UBS AG SINGAPORE (FOREIGN)	2,950,000	0.659
13.	CGS INTERNATIONAL NOMINEES MALAYSIA (TEMPATAN) SDN. BHD. PLEDGED SECURITIES ACCOUNT FOR TANG VEE MUN (DATUK) (MY4553)	2,200,000	0.492
14.	PUBLIC NOMINEES (TEMPATAN) SDN BHD PLEDGED SECURITIES ACCOUNT FOR TAN KEOK CHAI (E-TSA)	1,823,000	0.407
15.	CGS INTERNATIONAL NOMINEES MALAYSIA (TEMPATAN) SDN. BHD. PLEDGED SECURITIES ACCOUNT FOR CHIEW CHIENG SIEW (MK0111)	1,738,200	0.388

No	Name of Shareholders	No. of Shares Held	% of Issued Share Capital
16.	WONG WENG TIEN	1,365,800	0.305
17.	CITIGROUP NOMINEES (TEMPATAN) SDN BHD KUMPULAN WANG PERSARAAN (DIPERBADANKAN) (MYBK AM SC E)	1,250,000	0.279
18.	MAYBANK NOMINEES (TEMPATAN) SDN BHD PLEDGED SECURITIES ACCOUNT FOR MOHAMAD NORZA BIN ZAKARIA	1,185,000	0.265
19.	PUBLIC NOMINEES (TEMPATAN) SDN BHD PLEDGED SECURITIES ACCOUNT FOR WONG TING TECK (E-JCL)	1,054,700	0.235
20.	TEO TUAN KWEE	1,003,000	0.224
21.	CARTABAN NOMINEES (TEMPATAN) SDN BHD PAMB FOR PRULINK EQUITY FUND	1,002,900	0.224
22.	SENG SIAW WEI	1,000,000	0.223
23.	CIMSEC NOMINEES (TEMPATAN) SDN BHD CIMB FOR AUGUSTUS RALPH MARSHALL (PB)	941,000	0.210
24.	UNIVERSAL TRUSTEE (MALAYSIA) BERHAD TA DANA FOKUS	909,600	0.203
25.	PUBLIC NOMINEES (TEMPATAN) SDN BHD PLEDGED SECURITIES ACCOUNT FOR CHIEW CHIENG SIEW (E-PDG)	860,000	0.192
26.	LOW SU-MING	841,000	0.188
27.	THEN MEE KOM	790,000	0.176
28.	AMCEN CONSULTANCY SDN BHD	752,900	0.168
29.	CARTABAN NOMINEES (ASING) SDN BHD EXEMPT AN FOR BARCLAYS CAPITAL SECURITIES LTD (SBL/PB)	739,300	0.165
30.	ZAKARIA BIN MERANUN	692,200	0.154

## NOTICE OF THE 17<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the Seventeenth ("**17**<sup>th</sup>") Annual General Meeting ("**AGM**") of AirAsia X Berhad (Registration No. 200601014410) (734161-K) (the "**Company**") will be held as a virtual meeting through live streaming and online remote voting from the Broadcast Venue at RedQ, Jalan Pekeliling 5, Lapangan Terbang Antarabangsa Kuala Lumpur, 64000 KLIA, Selangor Darul Ehsan, Malaysia on Thursday, 6 June 2024 at 2.00 p.m. for the following purposes:-

#### **AS ORDINARY BUSINESS**

1. To receive the Audited Financial Statements together with the Reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon for the financial period ended 31 December 2023.

#### Please refer to Note A.

2. To approve the Non-Executive Directors' Remuneration as described in Note B for the period from the 17<sup>th</sup> AGM until the next AGM of the Company to be held in the year 2025.

(Ordinary Resolution 1)

#### Please refer to Note B.

- 3. To re-elect the following Directors of the Company who retire by rotation pursuant to Rule 119 of the Company's Constitution and who being eligible had offered themselves for re-election:
  - i) Tan Sri Asmat bin Kamaludin; and (Ordinary Resolution 2)
  - ii) Ms Chin Min Ming.

    (Ordinary Resolution 3)

    To re-plact the following Directors of the Company who ratire pursuant to Pule 124
- 4. To re-elect the following Directors of the Company who retire pursuant to Rule 124 of the Company's Constitution and who being eligible had offered themselves for re-election:
  - i) Dato' Abdul Mutalib bin Alias; and (Ordinary Resolution 4)
  - ii) Dato' Sri Mohammed Shazalli bin Ramly. (Ordinary Resolution 5)
- 5. To re-appoint Messrs Ernst & Young as Auditors of the Company and to authorise (Ordinary Resolution 6) the Directors to determine their remuneration.

#### AS SPECIAL BUSINESS

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions:-

6. AUTHORITY TO ALLOT SHARES PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 75 AND 76 OF THE COMPANIES ACT 2016 ("ACT") AND WAIVER OF PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS

(Ordinary Resolution 7)

"THAT pursuant to Sections 75 and 76 of the Companies Act, 2016 ("the Act") and subject always to the approval of all the relevant regulatory authorities, the Board of Directors of the Company be and is hereby authorised to issue and allot from time to time such number of shares of the Company upon such terms and conditions and for such purposes as the Directors may, in their absolute discretion, deem fit, PROVIDED ALWAYS THAT the aggregate number of shares to be issued does not exceed 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company for the time being.

**THAT** pursuant to Section 85 of the Act read together with Clause 16 of the Company's Constitution, approval be and is hereby given to waive the statutory pre-emptive rights of the shareholders of the Company to be offered new shares ranking equally to the existing issued shares arising from any issuance of new shares pursuant to the mandate."

AND THAT the Directors are also empowered to obtain the approval from Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Securities") for the listing of and quotation for the additional shares so issued and that such authority shall continue to be in force until the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company or the expiration of the period within which the next AGM is required by law to be held or revoked/varied by resolution passed by the shareholders in general meeting whichever is the earlier".

#### Please refer to Note C.

7. PROPOSED RENEWAL OF EXISTING SHAREHOLDERS' MANDATE FOR RECURRENT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS OF A REVENUE OR TRADING NATURE AND PROPOSED NEW SHAREHOLDERS' MANDATE FOR THE NEW RECURRENT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS OF A REVENUE OR TRADING NATURE ("PROPOSED MANDATE")

(Ordinary Resolution 8)

"THAT approval be and is hereby given for the renewal of the existing shareholders' mandate and new shareholders' mandate for the Company to enter into recurrent related party transactions of a revenue or trading nature with the related parties ("Recurrent Related Party Transactions") as set out in Section 2.3 of the Circular to Shareholders dated 30 April 2024 ("Circular"), subject further to the following:-

- the Recurrent Related Party Transactions are entered into in the ordinary course of business which are:
  - (a) necessary for the day-to-day operations;
  - (b) on normal commercial terms and transaction price which are not more favourable to the related parties than those generally available to the public;
  - (c) undertaken on arm's length basis; and
  - (d) not to the detriment of the minority shareholders of the Company;
- the shareholders' mandate is subject to annual renewal and this shareholders' mandate shall only continue to be in full force until:
  - (a) the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company at which time it will lapse, unless by an ordinary resolution passed at that AGM, such authority is renewed;
  - (b) the expiration of the period within which the next AGM after the date is required to be held pursuant to Section 340(2) of the Act (but shall not extend to such extension as may be allowed pursuant to Section 340(4) of the Act; or
  - (c) revoked or varied by ordinary resolution passed by the shareholders of the Company in a general meeting of the Company, whichever is the earliest.

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**THAT** the Directors of the Company and/or any one (1) of them be and are hereby authorised to complete and do all such acts and things and take all such steps and to execute all such transactions, deeds, agreements, arrangements and/or undertakings as the Directors in their discretion deem fit, necessary, expedient and/or appropriate in the best interest of the Company in order to implement, finalise and give full effect to the Recurrent Related Party Transactions with full powers to assent to any modifications, variations and/or amendments thereto.

**AND THAT** as the estimates given for the Recurrent Related Party Transactions specified in Section 2.3 of the Circular being provisional in nature, the Directors of the Company and/or any one (1) of them be and are hereby authorised to agree to the actual amount or amounts thereof provided always that such amount or amounts comply with the procedures set out in Section 2.6 of the Circular."

Please refer to Note D.

#### 8. RETENTION OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

(Ordinary Resolution 9)

"THAT Tan Sri Asmat bin Kamaludin, the Director who has served the Board as an Independent Non-Executive Chairman of the Company for a cumulative term of more than nine (9) years, but less than twelve (12) years, be and is hereby retained as Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company."

#### **OTHER ORDINARY BUSINESS**

9. To transact any other business of which due notice shall have been given in accordance with the Companies Act 2016 and the Constitution of the Company.

By Order of the Board

**THIN PUI LENG** (LS0009933) (SSM PC No. 202208000271)

Company Secretary Selangor Darul Ehsan 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024

#### **VIRTUAL AGM**

- 1. The 17<sup>th</sup> AGM will be held as a virtual meeting through live streaming and online remote voting using the Remote Participation and Voting Facilities ("RPV") provided by Tricor Investor & Issuing House Services Sdn. Bhd. ("TIIH") via its TIIH Online website at <a href="https://tiih.online">https://tiih.online</a>. This is in line with the revised Guidance Note on the Conduct of General Meetings for Listed Issuers issued by the Securities Commission Malaysia on 7 April 2022 (including any amendments that may be made from time to time) ("Guidance Note"). Please follow the procedures as set out in the Administrative Details which is available at the Company's website at <a href="https://www.airasiax.com">www.airasiax.com</a>.
- 2. The Broadcast Venue is strictly for the purpose of complying with Section 327(2) of the Companies Act 2016 and Guidance Note which require the Chairman of the meeting to be present at the main venue of the meeting.
- 3. Members and/or proxy(ies) and/or corporate representative(s) and/or attorneys **WILL NOT BE ALLOWED** to be physically present at the Broadcast Venue on the day of the 17<sup>th</sup> AGM, instead are to attend, speak (including posing questions to the Board of Directors via real time submission of typed texts) and vote (collectively, "participate") remotely at the 17<sup>th</sup> AGM via the RPV provided by TIIH.

#### NOTES ON APPOINTMENT OF PROXY

- Pursuant to the Securities Industry (Central Depositories) (Foreign Ownership) Regulations 1996 and Rule 41(a) of the Company's Constitution, only those Foreigners (as defined in the Constitution) who hold shares up to the current prescribed foreign ownership limit of 45.0% of the total number of issued shares of the Company, on a first-in-time basis based on the Record of Depositors to be used for the forthcoming AGM, shall be entitled to vote. A proxy appointed by a Foreigner not entitled to vote, will similarly not be entitled to vote. Consequently, all such disenfranchised voting rights shall be automatically vested in the Chairman of the AGM.
- A member must be registered in the Record of Depositors at 5.00 p.m. on 28 May 2024 ("General Meeting Record of Depositors") in order to attend and vote at the Meeting. A depositor shall not be regarded as a member entitled to attend the Meeting and to speak and vote thereat unless his name appears in the General Meeting Record of Depositors. Any changes in the entries on the Record of Depositors after the abovementioned date and time shall be disregarded in determining the rights of any person to attend and vote at the Meeting.
- 3. A member entitled to attend and vote is entitled to appoint not more than two (2) proxies (or in the case of a corporation, to appoint a representative(s) in accordance with Section 333 of the Companies Act, 2016) to attend and vote in his stead. There shall be no restriction as to the qualification of the proxy(ies).
- 4. Where a member appoints two (2) proxies, the appointment shall be invalid unless he specifies the proportion of his shareholdings to be represented by each proxy.
- Where a member of the Company is an exempt authorised nominee which holds ordinary shares in the Company for multiple beneficial owners in one securities account ("omnibus account"), there is no limit to the number of proxies which the exempt authorised nominee may appoint in respect of each omnibus account it holds.
- 6. The appointment of a proxy may be made in a hard copy form or by electronic means in the following manner and must be received by the Company not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the time appointed for holding the 17th AGM or adjourned general meeting at which the person named in the appointment proposes to vote:
  - (i) In hard copy form
    - In the case of an appointment made in hard copy form, this Form of Proxy must be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company at RedQ, Jalan Pekeliling 5, Lapangan Terbang Antarabangsa Kuala Lumpur, 64000 KLIA, Selangor Darul Ehsan, Malaysia.
  - (ii) By electronic means
    - This Form of Proxy can be electronically lodged via **TIIH Online** website at <a href="https://tiih.online">https://tiih.online</a>. Kindly refer to the Administrative Details on the procedures for electronic lodgement of form of proxy via TIIH Online.
- Please ensure **ALL** the particulars as required in this Form of Proxy are completed, signed and dated accordingly.
- Last date and time for lodging this Form of Proxy is Tuesday, 4 June 2024 at 2.00 p.m.
- Any authority pursuant to which such an appointment is made by a power of attorney must be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company at RedQ, Jalan Pekeliling 5, Lapangan Terbang Antarabangsa Kuala Lumpur, 64000 KLIA, Selangor Darul Ehsan, Malaysia not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the time appointed for holding the 17th AGM or adjourned general meeting at which the person named in the appointment proposes to vote. A copy of the power of attorney may be accepted provided that it is certified notarially and/or in accordance with the applicable legal requirements in the relevant jurisdiction in which it is executed.

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- 10. For a corporate member who has appointed an authorised representative, please deposit the ORIGINAL/DULY CERTIFIED certificate of appointment of authorised representative at the Registered Office of the Company at RedQ, Jalan Pekeliling 5, Lapangan Terbang Antarabangsa Kuala Lumpur, 64000 KLIA, Selangor Darul Ehsan, Malaysia. The certificate of appointment of authorised representative should be executed in the following manner:
  - (i) If the corporate member has a common seal, the certificate of appointment of authorised representative should be executed under seal in accordance with the constitution of the corporate member.
  - (ii) If the corporate member does not have a common seal, the certificate of appointment of authorised representative should be affixed with the rubber stamp of the corporate member (if any) and executed by:
    - (a) at least two (2) authorised officers, of whom one shall be a director; or
    - (b) any director and/or authorised officers in accordance with the laws of the country under which the corporate member is incorporated.
- 11. Pursuant to Paragraph 8.29A(1) of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Securities, all resolutions set out in this Notice of the 17<sup>th</sup> AGM will be put to vote by way of poll.

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTES:**

A. Audited Financial Statements together with the Reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon for the financial period ended 31 December 2023

This Agenda item is meant for discussion only in accordance with Sections 248(2) and 340(1) of the Companies Act 2016 ("**the Act**"). The audited financial statements do not require the formal approval of shareholders and therefore, the matter will not be put forward for voting.

B. To approve the Non-Executive Directors' Remuneration for the period from the 17th AGM until the next AGM of the Company to be held in the year 2025 (Ordinary Resolution 1)

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee has recommended and the Board of Directors affirmed that the Non-Executive Directors' Remuneration for the period from the 17<sup>th</sup> AGM until the next AGM of the Company to be held in the year 2025 shall remain unchanged as per the financial year ended 31 December 2023, as shown below:-

Non-Executive Directors' Fees (per annum)	Non-Executive Chairman (RM)	Non-Executive Deputy Chairman (RM)	Per Non-Executive Director/Per other Committee Member (RM)
Board of Directors	165,000	115,000	65,000
Audit Committee	40,000	-	30,000
Nomination and Remuneration Committee	30,000	-	20,000
Safety Review Board	30,000	-	20,000
Risk Management Committee	30,000	-	20,000

Non-Executive Directors' Benefits (per attendance by each Director or committee member)	Board of Direct	ors Boa	ard Committees
Meeting allowance	1,000		1,000
Other Non-Executive Directors' Benefits			
Insurance premiums on medical coverage, and other claimable expenses incurred in the course of carrying out their duties	Up to a total amou	to a total amount of RM100,000 for all Non-Executive Directors.	

The shareholders' approval being sought under **Ordinary Resolution 1** is for the payment of the remuneration to Non-Executive Directors for the period from the 17th AGM up to the next AGM of the Company in accordance with the remuneration structure as set out above and to authorise the Directors to disburse the fees on a monthly basis.

#### C. Authority to allot shares pursuant to Sections 75 and 76 of the Act and Waiver of Pre-emptive Rights (Ordinary Resolution 7)

The Company had at its Sixteenth AGM held on 8 June 2023 ("16th AGM"), obtained a general mandate pursuant to Sections 75 and 76 of the Act from its shareholders, to empower the Directors to allot and issue shares in the Company from time to time and upon such terms and conditions and for such purposes and to such persons whomsoever as the Directors may, in their absolute discretion, deem fit provided that the aggregate number of shares issued does not exceed 10% of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) of the Company at any point of time ("10% General Mandate"). The 10% General Mandate would expire at the conclusion of the forthcoming AGM.

Ordinary Resolution 7 has been proposed for the purpose of renewing the general mandate for issuance of shares by the Company pursuant to Sections 75 and 76 of the Act read together with Article 17 of the Company's Constitution.

Ordinary Resolution 7, if passed, will empower the Directors of the Company authority to issue ordinary shares in the Company at their discretion without having to first convene another general meeting provided that the aggregate number of the shares issued does not exceed 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company at any point of time. The 10% mandate, if granted at this AGM, unless revoked or varied by the Company in a general meeting, would expire upon the conclusion of the next AGM.

The 10% mandate, if granted, will provide the flexibility to the Company for any future fund raising activities, including but not limited to further placing of shares for the purposes of funding future investment project(s), repayment of bank borrowing(s), working capital and/or acquisition(s) and thereby reducing administrative time and costs associated with the convening of additional shareholders meeting(s).

#### D. Proposed Renewal of Existing Shareholders' Mandate and New Shareholders' Mandate for Recurrent Related Party Transactions of a Revenue or Trading Nature ("Proposed Mandate") (Ordinary Resolution 8)

Ordinary Resolution 9, if passed, will allow the Company to enter into Recurrent Related Party Transactions of a revenue or trading nature pursuant to the provisions of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Securities. Please refer to the Circular to Shareholders dated 30 April 2024 for further information.

#### E. Retention of Independent Non-Executive Director (Ordinary Resolution 9)

This item is tabled pursuant to Practice 5.3 of the Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance. The Nomination and Remuneration Committee and the Board of Directors had assessed the independence of Tan Sri Asmat bin Kamaludin, who has served as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company since 13 May 2013 for a cumulative term of more than nine (9) years, but less than twelve (12) years, and with his consent, had recommended for him to continuing serving as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company.

The Board holds the view that a Director's independence cannot be determined arbitrarily with reference to a set period of time. The Company benefits from the long service of Tan Sri Asmat bin Kamaludin who possesses an incumbent knowledge of the Company and the Group's activities and corporate history and has provided invaluable contributions to the Board in his role as an Independent Non-Executive Director. In fact, he has been bringing his independent and objective judgment to the deliberations and the decision-making process of the Board. In addition, he has exercised due care during his tenure as an Independent Director, as well as the Chairman of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and a member of the Audit Committee of the Company. As an Independent Non-Executive Director, he has carried out his duties proficiently in the interest of the Company and the shareholders.

#### NOTICE OF THE 17<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

PERSONAL DATA PRIVACY By submitting an instrument appointing a proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) to attend, speak and vote at the Annual General Meeting ("AGM") and/or any adjournment thereof, a member of the Company (i) consents to the collection, use and disclosure of the member's personal data by the Company (or its agents) for the purpose of the processing and administration by the Company (or its agents) of proxies and representatives appointed for the AGM (including any adjournment thereof) and the preparation and compilation of the attendance lists, minutes and other documents relating to the AGM (including any adjournment thereof), and in order for the Company (or its agents) to comply with any applicable laws, listing rules, regulations and/or guidelines (collectively, the "Purposes"). (ii) warrants that where the member discloses the personal data of the member's proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) to the Company (or its agents), the member has obtained the prior consent of such proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the collection, use and disclosure by the Company (or its agents) of the personal data of such proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the Purposes, and (iii) agrees and undertakes that the member shall indemnify the Company and/or to keep the Company fully indemnified and save the Company harmless against all and/or any actions, demands, claims, losses, costs, proceedings and damages (including all legal fees and costs) which the Company may suffer or incur in any manner howsoever arising from or as a result of the member's breach of the aforementioned warranty.

#### **AIRASIA X BERHAD**

(Registration No.: 200601014410) (734161-K) ("**the Company**")

Incorporated in Malaysia

#### **FORM OF PROXY**

I/We	NRIC No./Passpor	RIC No./Passport No./Company No.:		
(FULL NAME AS PER NRIC/CERTIFICA	ATE OF INCORPORATION IN BLOCK LETTERS)	(COMPULSORY)		
of				
	(FULL ADDRESS)			
telephone no	, email address	, being a member of the		
Company, hereby appoint				
	(FULL NAME IN BLOCK LETTER	RS)		
NRIC No./Passport No.:		of		
	(COMPULSORY)	(FULL ADDRESS)		
	telephone no	, email address		
or failing him/her,	NRIC No./Passpor	rt No.:		
(FULL NAM	E IN BLOCK LETTERS)	(COMPULSORY)		
of				
	(FULL ADDRESS)			
telephone no	email address	•		

\*or failing him/her, the Chairman of the Meeting, as my/our proxy(ies) to vote in my/our name and on my/our behalf at the Seventeenth ("17th") Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of the Company to be conducted as a virtual meeting through live streaming and online remote voting at the Broadcast Venue at RedQ, Jalan Pekeliling 5, Lapangan Terbang Antarabangsa Kuala Lumpur, 64000 KLIA, Selangor Darul Ehsan, Malaysia on Thursday, 6 June 2024 at 2.00 p.m. and at any adjournment thereof, on the following resolutions referred to in the Notice of the 17th AGM, and to vote as indicated below:

#### **AGENDA**

Resolutions	Description	FOR	AGAINST		
Ordinary Bus	Ordinary Business				
Ordinary Resolution 1	To approve the Non-Executive Directors' Remuneration for the period from the 17 <sup>th</sup> AGM until the next AGM of the Company to be held in the year 2025				
Ordinary Resolution 2	Re-election of Tan Sri Asmat bin Kamaludin as a Director of the Company, who retires by rotation pursuant to Rule 119 of the Company's Constitution				
Ordinary Resolution 3	Re-election of Ms Chin Min Ming as a Director of the Company, who retires by rotation pursuant to Rule 119 of the Company's Constitution				
Ordinary Resolution 4	Re-election of Dato' Abdul Mutalib bin Alias as a Director of the Company, who retires by rotation pursuant to Rule 124 of the Company's Constitution				
Ordinary Resolution 5	Re-election of Dato' Sri Mohammed Shazalli bin Ramly as a Director of the Company, who retires by rotation pursuant to Rule 124 of the Company's Constitution				
Ordinary Resolution 6	To re-appoint Messrs Ernst & Young as Auditors of the Company and to authorise the Directors to determine their remuneration				
SPECIAL BUS	SINESS				
Ordinary Resolution 7	Authority to allot shares pursuant to Sections 75 and 76 of the Companies Act 2016				
Ordinary Resolution 8	Proposed renewal of existing shareholders' mandate and new shareholders' mandate for Recurrent Related Party Transactions of a revenue or trading nature				
Ordinary Resolution 9	Retention of Tan Sri Asmat bin Kamaludin as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company				

(Please indicate with an "X" in the appropriate spaces how you wish your votes to be cast. If you do not do so, the proxy will vote or abstain from voting, as he/she thinks fit.)

<sup>\*</sup>Delete the words "or failing him/her, the Chairman of the Meeting" if not applicable.

No. of shares held:			
CDS Account No.: (Nominee Account Only)			
The proportion of my/our holding to be		No. of Shares	Percentage
represented by my/our proxies are as follows:	First Proxy		
	Second Proxy		
Date:			

Signature(s)/Common Seal of Member(s)

#### VIRTUAL AGM

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#### Notes to Form of Proxy

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- 2. A member must be registered in the Record of Depositors at 5.00 p.m. on 28 May 2024 ("General Meeting Record of Depositors") in order to attend and vote at the Meeting. A depositor shall not be regarded as a member entitled to attend the Meeting and to speak and vote thereat unless his name appears in the General Meeting Record of Depositors. Any changes in the entries on the Record of Depositors after the abovementioned date and time shall be disregarded in determining the rights of any person to attend and vote at the Meeting.
- 3. A member entitled to attend and vote is entitled to appoint not more than two (2) proxies (or in the case of a corporation, to appoint a representative(s) in accordance with Section 333 of the Companies Act 2016) to attend and vote in his stead. There shall be no restriction as to the qualification of the proxy(ies).
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  - (i) In hard copy form
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- Please ensure ALL the particulars as required in this Form of Proxy are completed, signed and dated accordingly.
- Last date and time for lodging this Form of Proxy is Tuesday, 4 June 2024 at 2.00 p.m.
- 9. Any authority pursuant to which such an appointment is made by a power of attorney must be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company at RedQ, Jalan Pekeliling 5, Lapangan Terbang Antarabangsa Kuala Lumpur, 64000 KLIA, Selangor Darul Ehsan, Malaysia not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the time appointed for holding the 17<sup>th</sup> AGM or adjourned general meeting at which the person named in the appointment proposes to vote. A copy of the power of attorney may be accepted provided that it is certified notarially and/or in accordance with the applicable legal requirements in the relevant jurisdiction in which it is executed.
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- Pursuant to Paragraph 8.29A(1) of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Securities, all resolutions set out in this Notice of the 17th AGM will be put to vote by way of poll.

**PERSONAL DATA PRIVACY** By submitting an instrument appointing a proxy(ies) and/or representative(s), the member accepts and agrees to the personal data privacy terms set out in the Notice of AGM dated 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

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The Company Secretary **AIRASIA X BERHAD**(Registration No. 200601014410) (734161-K)

RedQ, Jalan Pekeliling 5 Lapangan Terbang Antarabangsa Kuala Lumpur 64000 KLIA Selangor Darul Ehsan Malaysia

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