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# **Anti - Corruption Policy (English)**

#### **PURPOSE**

To ensure that the Company has a policy to define responsibilities, guidelines, and appropriate operational requirements to prevent corruption in all of the Company's business activities and that all business decisions and operations which may give rise to risk of corruption are carefully considered and executed, the Company has formulated this written Anti Corruption Policy as a clear guideline for business operations and development towards a sustainable organization.

#### **SCOPE**

Directors, Executives at all levels, staff and all employees of the Company and its subsidiary companies, whether on a permanent, fixed-term, or temporary employment basis, in every business unit and operation site.

#### **POLICY STATEMENT**

**Rules of Practice** 

- 1. Directors, executives, and staff must not engage in any form of corruption either directly or indirectly or through a third party.
- 2. To ensure clarity regarding activities involving high risks of corruption, directors, executives and staff shall exercise caution and comply with the Code of Conduct and guidelines as follows:
- 2.1 Gift, Hospitality, and Entertainment
  Refrain from offering, granting and accepting of gits as well as any kind of entertainment, except
  those in compliance with the Code of Conduct and Standard Practice Manual for Accepting and
  Offering of Gifts, Hospitality, or Other Similar Forms of Reward
- 2.2 Donations or Sponsorships
  Staff can provide charitable donation or contribution not exceeding the value indicated in the Delegation of Authority unless approved in writing by CEO, and it must be made certain that such donations shall not be abused as a pretext for bribery.
- 2.3 Political Contribution

  The Company shall maintain political neutrality and shall not act in the interest of or provide financial
  - or other support to political parties either directly or indirectly. Directors, executives, and staff of the Company shall strictly comply with the Code of Conduct, Clause 3.5: Exercising Political Rights.
- 2.4 Hiring of Government Officers (Revolving Door)
  Hiring any government officers who may give rise to a conflict of interest is prohibited.
- 2.5 Facilitation Payment
  All facilitation payments to government officers are strictly prohibited.
- 3. Directors, executives, and staff shall not ignore or neglect to report any suspected instances of corruption through the channels provided by the Company. The Company shall provide protection to those who report such acts and Company will fairly treat and protect the Personnel who denied to be involved in corruption, whistleblowers of company-related corruptions or the persons who cooperate the investigation. They must not suffer from any demotions, penalties, or negative

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impacts resulting from those actions. The complaints shall be kept confidential and not disclosed to unrelated parties except when required by law.

## 4. How to Raise Concern and Protection Measure (Whistle Blower Policy)

The Company encourages directors, executives, and staff to raise concerns about any suspicion of misconduct under the Corporate Governance, including corruption at the earliest possible stage through the "Complaints Channel". The received issues shall be investigated by the Investigated Committee following the standard practice manual of the Corporate Fraud Management Policy. The Company has established the "Whistleblower Policy in 2015 to protect staff who report any leads on wrongdoing against the laws, rules and regulations, the Anti-Corruption Policy, the Corporate Governance, and the Code of Conduct.

## 5. Communication

The Company shall arrange for internal communication through training and orientation to ensure that all staff understand the Anti-Corruption Policy. The Company shall publicly announce and disclose such policy in Banpu's Annual Report and website, and communicate the same to all stakeholders.

## 6. Effective System to Counter Corruption

#### 6.1. Preventive Measures

a) Procurement Policy and Related Work Procedures

The Company has issued and implemented the Procurement Policy and related work procedures since 2011 to govern purchasing requisition and order placement, billing and collection of payments for goods and services, claims and return of goods and services, imported goods, bidding and tendering, logistic management, and goods procurement. All steps of the procurement procedure shall proceed through the so-called portal workflow "iProcurement," which will systematically record data for reference and for auditing purpose.

## b) Accounting Record System

The consolidated and unconsolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Thai Financial Reporting Standards (TFRS), which have largely adopted the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). The TFRS has been approved by the Federation of Accounting Professions. In addition, the preparation of financial statements shall follow the requirements of the Office of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

## c) Corporate Compliance Policy

The Company has established the Corporate Compliance Policy and the Manual Procedures, or the so-called "Compliance Obligation List (COL)" as a tool of self-assessment on legal compliance. This shall support all units of the Company to comply with relevant laws, regulations, internal and external standards, and guidelines which have been occasionally amended by regulators.

d) Assessment and Prevention of Corruption Risk in the Business

The Company has performed the risk management covering strategic risk, financial risk, risk in coal and power business, risk from political and regulatory changes in the countries in which it operates, and HSEC risk for many years. Currently, the Company has executed the risk assessment for anti-corruption in all operation and support functions. The process starts with a comprehensive activity-based identification of corruption risk factors of business units and their possible causes. Risk management and mitigation measures are provided and the assessment is performed at least once a year.

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## e) Internal Control System

The Board of Directors has designated the Audit Committee to regularly review the adequacy and appropriateness of internal control system for the Company's risk management so as to ensure effective, efficient, and transparent business operations. Since 2013, the Company has revised its internal control system to adopt an international standard or the COSO (the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission). COSO Internal Control shall focus on Commitment to Integrity and Ethical Value, the Board responsibility, Organization Structure and Authority, Employees' Commitment to Competency and Accountability, Business and Corruption Risk Assessment, Communication, and Control-Monitor-Report Procedures.

f) Corporate Governance Policy and Code of Conduct

The Board of Directors has formulated the Corporate Governance Policy and the Code of Conduct to strengthen the corporate governance awareness through continuous corporate governance activities, and fully supports corporate values called "Banpu Heart". The documents are available in Thai, English, Indonesian, and Chinese, which aim to set the standard practice guidelines for all operation sites. All directors, executives, and staff shall read, understand, and comply with such provisions as stated in the Corporate Governance Policy and the Code of Conduct.

## 6.2 Corrective Measures

a) Corporate Fraud Management

Suspicious issues or circumstances received either through the Complaint Channel or the Internal Audit Report shall be processed through the Corporate Fraud Management Procedure. The Investigation Committee shall conduct a fact-finding process and provide the results and recommendations to CEO for consideration and final decision.

b) Monitoring and Reporting

The complaints related to corporate governance from both the Complaint Channel and the Corporate Fraud Management Procedure will be reported to the Corporate Governance and Nomination Committee on a quarterly basis and reported to the Board of Directors accordingly. Moreover, the internal audit department will report investigation findings and follow-up actions for each case to the audit committee.

c) Enforcement and Penalty

It is clearly defined in the Company Work Rules and Regulations, Clause 9"Discipline and Disciplinary Actions" that corruption is considered as a "Serious Disciplinary Misconduct", which is subject to the most severe penalty, i.e., termination of employment status or dismissal.

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