

AL SALAM BANK-BAHRAIN B.S.C.

Liquidity and Leverage Ratios

31 March 2021

Net Stable Funding Ratio (NSFR) Disclosure 31 March 2021

Background:

ASBB has been subjected to the Basel III NSFR standards from December 2019, pursuant to CBB circular No. EDBS/KH/54/2018 dated 16th August 2018. ASBB is required to maintain NSFR of at least 100% on an on-going basis. CBB has relaxed this ratio to 80% until 31 December 2021 as part of concessionary measures following the COVID-19 pandemic. However, ASBB still seeks to maintain the original 100% requirement.

The objective of NSFR is to improve the resiliency of banks by promoting long term funding stability. NSFR is designed to limit the risks emanating from excessive maturity mismatches over the medium to long term. More specifically, the NSFR requires ASBB to fund illiquid assets with a minimum amount of stable liabilities over a horizon of one year.

The NSFR requires banks to maintain a stable funding profile in relation to the composition of their assets and off-balance sheet activities. CBB circular stipulates the applicable Required Stable Funding ("RSF") factor for each category of asset and Available Stable Funding ("ASF") factor for each type of funding source.

ASBB seeks to ensure that its NSFR remains above the specified regulatory minimum requirements. This is achieved by:

- (i) Monitoring the NSFR closely against an established internal early warning trigger and management target.
- (ii) Managing and developing strategies to build a diversified funding base with access to funding sources across retail and wholesale channels.

Analysis and main drivers:

Al Salam Bank strategy is to maintain stable and well-diversified funding sources by focusing on raising more stable free float and long-term deposits from core clientele base in Bahrain and across other key GCC markets where strong banking relationships have been successfully established. The main driver of this strategy is to fund bank's core business activities with the widest deposit base and hence maintaining conformable funding mix for the long-term assets and subsequently healthy NSFR.

The Assets and Labilities Committee (ALCO) regularly review the different liquidity indicators -including the NSFR- and set appropriate action plans in maintaining adequate, sustainable and healthy liquidity position. ALCO review takes global economic indicators as well as local micro economic factors into consideration. Hence effective liquidity management is set into practice steered by treasury and risk department and collaborated with other key business units.

As at 31 March 2021, the weighted value of the Available Stable Funding (ASF) stood at BD 1.304 billion, while the total weighted value of the Required Stable Funding (RSF) stood at BD 1.341 billion. The resultant NSFR stood at 97.25%, well above the current 80% threshold stipulated by CBB. The ASF is primarily driven by a strong capital base, substantial retail and private banking deposit base and deposits from non-financial corporate customers.

Post application of the relevant factors, the contribution of regulatory capital, retail deposits and deposits from non-financial corporates stood at 23%, 42% and 19% respectively. The bank does not rely on financial market funding sources (such as DCM) and interbank funding activities are primarily used for short term funding gaps.

The RSF post application of relevant factors is driven by financing provided to non-financial corporate customers, retail and small business customers, and some unlisted investments.

ASBB's High-Quality Liquid Assets (HQLA) requires minimum funding due to its sovereign nature and high liquidity which, after applying the relevant factors, makes up 1% of the RSF portfolio. Performing financing and Investment accounts for 74% and 13% of the RSF.

At ASBB, there is considerable focus on growing and maintaining stability of demand and term deposits provided by private, corporate and retail customers which will continue to form a significant part of the funding.

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		Unweighted Values (before applying relevant factors)				
No.	Item	No specified maturity	Less than 6 months	More than 6 months and less than one year	Over one year	Total weighted value
	able Stable Funding (ASF):					
	Capital:					
	Regulatory Capital	261,263	-	-	35,905	297,167
3	Other Capital Instruments	-	-	-	-	-
	Retail deposits and deposits from small business customers:					
5	Stable deposits	-	-	-	-	-
	Less stable deposits Wholesale funding:	-	479,656	122,907	66,725	609,031
	Operational deposits	_	_		_	_
	Other wholesale funding		1,022,311	236,850	61,342	397,759
	Other liabilities:	_	1,022,311	230,030	01,042	331,133
	NSFR Shari'a-compliant hedging contract liabilities		_	_	_	
	All other liabilities not included in the above categories	-	67,811	_	-	-
	Total ASF		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,			1,303,958
	uired Stable Funding (RSF):					, ,
	Total NSFR high-quality liquid assets (HQLA)					17,954
	Deposits held at other financial institutions for operational purposes	-	-	-	-	-
16	Performing financing and sukuk/ securities:					
	Performing financing to financial institutions secured by Level 1 HQLA Performing financing to financial institutions secured by non-level 1	-	-		-	-
	HQLA and unsecured performing financing to financial institutions	_	219,645	5,850	5,177	41,048
<u> </u>	Performing financing to non- financial corporate clients, financing to retail		210,010	0,000	0,177	11,010
10	and small business customers, and financing to sovereigns, central banks and PSEs, of which:	_	223,758	37,430	879,869	846,488
13	With a risk weight of less than or equal to 35% as per the Capital		223,730	07,400	073,003	040,400
20	Adequacy Ratio guidelines	-	-	-	159,970	103,981
21	Performing residential mortgages, of which:				154,874	100,668
	With a risk weight of less than or equal to 35% under the CBB Capital Adequacy Ratio Guidelines	-	-	-	154,874	100,668
	Securities/ sukuk that are not in default and do not qualify as HQLA,		6.400	2.24	4.505	
	including exchange-traded equities	-	6,138	6,644	1,587	7,741
24	Other assets:					
25	Physical traded commodities, including gold Assets posted as initial margin for Shari'a-compliant hedging contracts	-				-
26	and contributions to default funds of CCPs		_	-	_	_
	NSFR Shari'a-compliant hedging assets		_	-	-	_
	NSFR Shari'a-compliant hedging contract liabilities before deduction of variation margin posted		_	_	_	_
	All other assets not included in the above categories	302,565	3,960		23,674	318,565
	OBS items		168,135	-	-	8,407
	Total RSF		-	-	-	1,340,871
	NSFR (%)					97%
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Leverage Ratio - Consolidated 31 March 2021

CBB in June 2018 issued guidelines on leverage ratio as part of updates to the Capital Adequacy Module. The ratio measures how well the banks' Tier 1 capital covers its total exposures (self-financed exposures and adjusted exposures funded by EOIA) both on-balance sheet and off-balance sheet. CBB has mandated a minimum consolidated leverage ratio of 3%.

Below is the bank's consolidated financial leverage ratio as at 31 March 2021:

S.No.	Description	BHD '000			
1	Total Self Financed Assets	1,031,601			
2	2 Total URIA Financed Assets				
3	3 Off Balance Sheet items - with relevant Credit Conversion Factors				
4	Leverage ratio exposure [(1) + (2)*30% + (3)]	1,546,349			
5	Regulatory Adjustments	25,971			
6	Total exposures for the calculation of the leverage ratio [(4)-(5)]				
7	7 Tier 1 Capital				
	Leverage Ratio [(7)/(6)]				
	Minimum Leverage Ratio as required by CBB	3%			

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Liquidity Coverage Ratio (LCR) Report - Consolidated 31 March 2021

CBB issued its regulations on Liquidity Risk Management in August 2018. The regulations mandate that banks are required to maintain LCR of at least 100% on a daily basis. The objective of LCR is banks must manage their assets and liabilities to create strong short-term resilience and sufficient liquidity that is enough to fund cash outflow for 30 days. Due to the impact of Covid19 pandemic on banks, CBB relaxed the LCR ratio to 80% until 31 December 2021.

Below is the bank's average consolidated LCR for the period:

Q1-2021		2021	Q4-2020		
	Total	Total	Total	Total	
	unweighted	weighted	unweighted	weighted	
	value	value	value	value	
	(average)	(average)	(average)	(average)	
High-quality liquid assets					
1 Total HQLA		238,261		195,494	
Cash outflows					
2 Retail deposits and deposits from small business customers, of which:					
3 Stable deposits	62,874	1,886	61,120	1,834	
4 Less stable deposits	183,264	18,326	192,544	19,254	
5 Unsecured wholesale funding, of which:					
6 Operational deposits (all counterparties) and deposits in networks of cooperative banks	-	-	-	-	
7 Non-operational deposits (all counterparties)	656,868	397,874	567,464	340,060	
8 Unsecured sukuk	-	-	-	-	
9 Secured wholesale funding		-		-	
10 Additional requirements, of which:					
11 Outflows related to Shari'a-compliant hedging instruments exposures and other collateral					
requirements	-	-	-	-	
12 Outflows related to loss of funding on financing products	-	-	-	-	
13 Credit and liquidity facilities	23,835	7,038	26,284	7,807	
14 Other contractual funding obligations	-	-	-	-	
15 Other contingent funding obligations	97,744	4,964	86,378	4,371	
16 Total Cash Outflows		430,088		373,325	
Cash inflows					
17 Secured lending (e.g. reverse repos)	-	-	•	-	
18 Inflows from fully performing exposures	56,826	36,653	55,157	35,075	
19 Other cash inflows	204,285		185,573	180,946	
20 Total Cash Inflows	261,111	236,486	240,730	216,021	
		Total adjusted		Total adjusted	
		Value		Value	
21 Total HQLA		238,261		195,494	
22 Total net cash outflows		193,602		157,730	
23 Liquidity Coverage Ratio (%)*		124%		126%	

^{*}Represents simple average of daily LCR