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Liquidity Coverage Ratio (LCR) for the year ended 31st December 2024

Introduction

In June 2019, the Central Bank of Bahrain (CBB) issued the regulations to banks operating in Bahrain on the reporting of the Liquidity Coverage Ratio (LCR) as part of the Basel III reforms.

The main objective of the Liquidity Coverage Ratio (LCR) is to promote the short-term resilience of the liquidity risk profile of banks by ensuring that they have sufficient level of high-quality liquid assets (HQLA) to cover net outflows and survive a significant stress scenario lasting for a period of up to 30 calendar days. Under the requirements, the Bank is required to maintain an LCR requirement of at least 100% on a daily basis.

High Quality Liquid Assets (HQLA) Portfolio

HQLA eligible securities, fall into three categories: Level 1, Level 2A, and Level 2B liquid assets. Level 1 liquid assets, which are of the highest quality and deemed the most liquid is subject to no or little discount (or haircuts) to their market value and may be largely used without limit in the liquidity buffer. Level 2A and 2B securities are recognised as being relatively stable and reliable sources of liquidity, but not to the same extent as Level 1 assets. LCR rules therefore set a 40 per cent composition cap on the combined amount of Level 2A and Level 2B securities that firms may hold in their total eligible liquidity buffer. Level 2B liquid assets, which are considered less liquid and more volatile than Level 2A liquid assets, are subject to large and varying haircuts and may not exceed 15 per cent of the total eligible HQLA.

Outflows & Inflows

Expected outflows are generally calculated as a percentage outflow of on-balance sheet items (e.g. funding received) and off-balance sheet commitments (e.g. credit and liquidity lines) made by firms. The % of outflow varies typically by counterparties per the liquidity rules.

Expected inflows are also generally calculated as a percentage inflow on-balance sheet items and include inflows (e.g. from corporate or retail loans) that will be repaid within 30 days. To ensure a minimum level of liquid asset holdings, and to prevent firms from relying solely on anticipated inflows to meet their liquidity coverage ratio, the prescribed amount of inflows that can offset outflows is capped at 75 per cent of total expected outflows.

The cash-outflows were driven primarily by unsecured wholesale funding and inter-bank borrowings.

The Bank utilises internal Risk Appetite Statement thresholds ("RAS") which act as early warning indicators and safeguards to ensure LCR is maintained above the regulatory minimum requirements at all times.

Quantitative Disclosure

The Bank continued to maintain a strong average LCR position over the reporting period with a prudent surplus to both Board approved risk appetite and regulatory requirements. The Bank's average LCR was 261% in Q4 2024 (compared to Q3 2024: 241%) driven by stable HQLA holdings and lower net cash outflows, reflecting the Bank's focus on high-quality liquid assets and aligned with overall growth in the Group's balance sheet and external liquidity environment.

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Quantitative Disclosure (continued)

All figures	in	US\$	'millions
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		31 Decer	nber 2024	30 September 2024				
		Total unweighted value (average)**	Total weighted value (average)**	Total unweighted value (average)**	Total weighted value (average)**			
High-quality liquid assets								
	Total HQLA		4,524		4,504			
Cas	sh outflows							
2	Retail deposits and deposits from small business customers, of which:							
3	Stable deposits							
4	Less stable deposits	670	67	606	61			
5	Unsecured wholesale funding, of which:							
6	Operational deposits (all counterparties) and deposits in networks of cooperative banks	-	-	-	-			
7	Non-operational deposits (all counterparties)	4,269	2,563	4,098	2,610			
8	Unsecured debt	-	-	-	-			
9	Secured wholesale funding	1,609	356	1,105	71			
10	Additional requirements, of which:							
11	Outflows related to derivative exposures and other collateral requirements	1	1	1	1			
12	Outflows related to loss of funding on debt products	-	-	-	-			
13	Credit and liquidity facilities	32	3	97	12			
14	Other contractual funding obligations	325	325	612	612			
15	Other contingent funding obligations	824	41	1,100	55			
	Total Cash Outflows		3,355		3,422			
Cas	sh inflows							
17	Secured lending (eg. reverse repos)	12	11	79	78			
	Inflows from fully performing exposures	1,997	1,307	1,896	1,317			
19	Other cash inflows	303	303	155	155			
20		2,311	1,620	2,130	1,550			
	Cap on cash inflows	75%	2,517	75%	2,566			
	Total cash inflows after applying the cap		1,620		1,550			

		Total adjusted value	Total adjusted value
21	Total HQLA	4,524	4,504
22	Total net cash outflows	1,735	1,872
23	Liquidity Coverage Ratio (%) Average	261%	241%

** In accordance with the CBB liquidity module, LCR presented above is a simple average of daily LCR of all working days during Q4 2024 and Q3 2024 respectively.
The above ratio is reported at Domestic Liquidity Group (DLG). ie, at aggregate level for Bank ABC Parent and ABC Islamic Bank.
The DLG LCR ratio as at 31st December 2024 was 212.1% (30th September 2024: 223.7%)

Regulatory Liquidity Disclosures

Regulatory Liquidity Disclosures 31 December 2024 Net Stable Fund Ratio (NSFR) for the year ended 31st December 2024

Introduction

In August 2018, the Central Bank of Bahrain (CBB) issued the regulations to banks operating in Bahrain on the reporting of the Net Stable Funding Ratio (NSFR) effective 31 December 2019. The purpose of this disclosure is to provide the information pursuant to CBB's Liquidity Risk Management module LM 12.5 "General Disclosure Requirements".

The NSFR is a balance sheet metric which requires institutions to maintain a stable funding profile in relation to the characteristics of their assets and off-balance sheet activities over a one-year horizon. It is the ratio between the amount of available stable funding (ASF) and the amount of required stable funding (RSF). ASF factors are applied to balance sheet liabilities and capital, based on their perceived stability and the amount of stable funding they provide. Likewise, RSF factors are applied to assets and off-balance sheet exposures according to the amount of stable funding they require. As per the CBB liquidity disclosure requirement, the Consolidated NSFR is to be published on a quarterly basis. At the last reporting date, the Group NSFR remained above 100 per cent.

The Bank utilises internal Risk Appetite Statement thresholds ("RAS") which act as early warning indicators and safeguards to ensure NSFR is maintained above the regulatory minimum requirements.

Quantitative Disclosure

At 31 December 2024, the Bank's NSFR was 111.8% (30th September 2024 : 108.3%), above the regulatory minimum. Available Stable Funding as of 31st December 2024 was around US\$ 11.8 billion (30th September 2024: US\$ 12.1 billion) as against US\$ 10.4 billion (30th September 2024: US\$ 11.2 billion) of Required Stable Funding.

The drivers of available stable funding include Bank ABC's robust capital base, substantial and reliable wholesale funding from customers and a retail deposits in MENA units. Required stable funding include financing various customers including non-financial corporates, sovereigns, PSE's , financial institutions and retail and small business customers. Bank ABC's HQLA requires minimal funding mainly due to the significant component of Level 1 assets in the portfolio.

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Net Stable Fund Ratio (NSFR) for the year ended 31st December 2024 (continued)

Quantitative Disclosure (continued)

		31 December 2024							All figures in US\$ 'millions				
							30 September 2024						
		Unweighted Values (i.e. before applying relevant factors)				Unweighted Values (i.e. before applying relevant factors)							
		No specified maturity	Less than 6 months	Over 6 months and less than one year	Over one year	Total weighted value	No specified maturity	Less than 6 months	Over 6 months and less than one year	Over one year	Total weighted value		
Avai	lable Stable Funding (ASF):												
1	Capital:												
2	Regulatory Capital	3,879				3,879	3,926				3,926		
3	Other Capital Instruments	344			125	468	344			125	468		
4	Retail deposits and deposits from small business customers:												
5	Stable deposits												
6	Less stable deposits	607	341	62	0	909	552	298	131	0	884		
7	Wholesale funding:												
8	Operational deposits												
9	Other wholesale funding	1,077	16,271	596	4,138	6,414	777	14,361	4,496	871	6,830		
10	Other liabilities:	, -	- ,		,	- ,		,	,		-,		
11	NSFR Shari'a-compliant hedging contract liabilities	-					34						
	All other liabilities not included in the above categories	430				-	371				-		
	Total ASF	400				11,670	0/1				12,108		
	Jired Stable Funding (RSF):					11,070					12,100		
	Total NSFR high-quality liquid assets (HQLA)	5,710	9,124	-	-	1,089	4,238	7,981	-	-	1,034		
	Deposits held at other financial institutions for operational purposes	-		_	-	- 1,000	-		_	_	-		
16	Performing loans and securities:												
-	Performing loans to financial institutions secured by Level 1 HQLA		2			0		2		_	0		
	Performing loans to financial institutions secured by non-level 1 HQLA and unsecured performing loans to financial institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
19	Performing loans to non-financial corporate clients, loans to retail and small business customers, and loans to sovereigns, central banks and PSEs, of which:												
20	- With a risk weight of less than or equal to 35% as per the CBB Capital Adequacy Ratio guidelines		4,474	1,258	2,273	4,031	-	4,662	1,637	2,549	4,635		
-	Performing residential mortgages, of which:		-,-1-	1,200	2,210	4,001		4,002	1,007	2,040	4,000		
	With a risk weight of less than or equal to 35% under the CBB Capital Adequacy Ratio Guidelines	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
23	Securities that are not in default and do not qualify as HQLA, including exchange-traded equities	-	67	34	986	889	-	54	127	1,072	1,002		
24	Other assets:												
25	Physical traded commodities, including gold												
26	Assets posted as initial margin for derivative contracts and contributions to default funds of CCPs												
27	NSFR shari'a-compliant hedging assets	122				122	7				7		
28	NSFR derivative liabilities before deduction of variation margin posted						· ·			1			
29	All other assets not included in the above categories		72	-	4,000	4,071		112	-	4,158	4,270		
	OBS items		1,898	1,025	1,629	228		2,015	1,406	1,152	229		
	Total RSF		1,000	1,020	1,023	10,430		2,010	1,700	1,102	11,176		
	NSFR (%)			<u> </u>		112%			I	<u> </u>	108%		
32						112%					100%		

All figures in US\$ 'millions