

**INFORMATION SUMMARY FOR THE PUBLIC
WOMEN MICRO ENTREPRENEURS FACILITY**

Host Country(ies)	Republic of India
Name of Borrower(s)	IndusInd Bank Limited
Project Description	The proceeds of the loan will be used to support microfinance lending to women throughout India.
Proposed OPIC Loan/Guaranty	\$100,000,000 8 Year Term
Total Project Costs	\$133,333,333
U.S. Sponsor	U.S. shareholders of IndusInd Bank Limited
Foreign Sponsor	Other shareholders of IndusInd Bank Limited
Policy Review	
U.S. Economic Impact	The Project is not expected to have a negative impact on the U.S. economy. There is no U.S. procurement associated with this Project, and, therefore the Project is expected to have a neutral impact on U.S. employment. The Project is not expected to have an impact on the U.S. balance of trade.
Developmental Effects	This Project is expected to have a highly developmental impact by expanding the availability of credit and banking services to women micro-entrepreneurs in India. While the Government of India has made great strides in addressing financial inclusion, disparities between men and women remain. Access to finance for women entrepreneurs in India continues to be a key constraint for growth. The finance gap for women borrowers in India was estimated by the International Finance Corporation (“IFC”) to be \$24 billion, and only 4% of women-led enterprises have borrowed money from a financial institution or received assistance from the government. Less than one year after disbursement of OPIC’s first loan facility, IndusInd has increased its microfinance portfolio by \$167 million and provided over 780,000 loans to women entrepreneurs. Approximately 55% of IndusInd’s microfinance portfolio serves clients in India’s lowest income states. IndusInd reaches the underbanked and unbanked population by leveraging the resources of its microfinance institution partners under a Business Correspondent model using innovative technologies. Through its Business Correspondent partnership with one of the Microfinance Entities, IndusInd has created new and innovative business processes such as cashless

	<p>loan disbursements, collections, and online credit underwriting using biometric-based technology. IndusInd has also piloted the conversion of local kirana stores in rural villages to service points for customers to make withdrawals, deposits, loan payments, and fund transfers. These innovations are expected to have significant demonstration effects in the sector by reducing transaction times, saving costs, eliminating fraud, and increasing transparency in credit histories.</p>
<p>Environment</p>	<p>SCREENING: The Project has been reviewed against OPIC’s categorical prohibitions and has been determined to be categorically eligible. Microfinance operations and facilities are screened as Category C projects under OPIC’s environmental guidelines because projects financed under the limited loan proceeds of these facilities are small in scope and are unlikely to result in significant adverse impact on the environment.</p> <p>APPLICABLE STANDARDS: Under OPIC’s Environmental and Social Policies, IndusInd is required to comply with applicable national laws and regulations related to environmental and social performance. OPIC’s environmental due diligence indicates that the Project will have impacts which must be managed in a manner consistent with the following IFC 2012 Performance Standards (“PS”):</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">PS 1: Assessment and Management of Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">PS 2: Labor and Working Conditions</p> <p>Additionally, the Project will be required to meet applicable provisions of the IFC’s April 30, 2007 Environmental Health and Safety General Guidelines.</p> <p>The Project is subject to the environmental laws and regulations of India including those related to occupational health and safety.</p> <p>KEY ENVIRONMENTAL & SOCIAL ISSUES AND MITIGATION: IndusInd has established an Environmental and</p>

	<p>Social Management System (“ESMS”) including procedures, roles, and responsibilities to assess and manage the environmental risks related to its operations. The ESMS includes screening and evaluating its borrowers for conformance with its Environmental Policy and Exclusion List. IndusInd represents that its branches are operated in a manner consistent with performance standard requirements on healthy and safe work environments.</p>
<p>Social Assessment</p>	<p>The Project will be required to operate in a manner consistent with the IFC’s Performance Standards, OPIC’s Environmental and Social Policy Statement and applicable local laws. OPIC’s statutorily required language will be supplemented with provisions concerning the rights of association, organization and collective bargaining, and security. Loans to micro borrowers will be restricted with respect to the microfinance borrowers’ operations, including the employment of minors and other applicable labor law requirements. Standard and supplemental contract language will be applied to all workers of the Project.</p> <p>This Project involves expansion of microfinance lending practices in India. IndusInd has established an ESMS that includes policies and procedures to effectively identify, assess and manage labor risk commensurate with the risks associated with the facility. The ESMS includes a mechanism to screen and assess risk associated with Business Correspondent microfinance lending.</p> <p>IndusInd’s human resource policies and procedures have been evaluated against the IFC Performance Standards, OPIC’s Environmental and Social Policy Statement and applicable local labor law. Terms and conditions of work are communicated to employees in writing. The employee grievance mechanism which provides employees several channels for communication and complies with PS 2.</p> <p>This review covers the commensurate human rights risks associated with microfinance lending in India.</p>