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Quick Facts

Countries	India, Indonesia, Philippines, Vietnam
Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Active
Bank Risk Rating	C
Voting Date	2017-02-21
Borrower	CreditAccess Asia N.V.
Sectors	Finance
Investment Type(s)	Equity
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 32.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 50.00 million

Project Description

According to ADB website, this involves an equity investment of up to 45 million in CreditAccess Asia (CAA) to provide growth capital to support CAA's pan-Asia microfinance operations. CAA will use ADB''s proceeds to capitalize the existing subsidiaries and support their growth. The balance of the approved amount may be invested in subsequent fund raising rounds that CAA is expected to undertake. Under separate approval, ADB will provide capacity building technical assistance of up to $500,000, which will accompany ADB funding and will support CAA''s institutional strengthening with initiatives such as the roll out of strategic information technology projects, including data mining and cashless processes.

Investment Description

- Asian Development Bank (ADB)

Financial Intermediary

Financial Intermediary: A commercial bank or financial institution that receives funds from a development bank. A financial intermediary then lends these funds to their clients (private actors) in the form of loans, bonds, guarantees and equity shares. Financial intermediaries include insurance, pension and equity funds. The direct financial relationship is between the development bank and the financial intermediary.

- CreditAccess Asia N.V. (Financial Intermediary)

Private Actors Description

CreditAccess Asia N.V., a credit institute, offers financial services for individuals and small businesses in Asia. The company was founded in 2006 and is based in Amstelveen, the Netherlands with additional branches in India, Indonesia, and the Philippines.

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ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM OF ADB

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Bank Documents

- Equity Investment in CreditAccess Asia: Report and Recommendation of the President
- News: ADB, CAA Sign €30 Million Agreement to Improve Financial Inclusion in Asia
- Project Disclosure PDF