Early Warning System

AFDB-P-KE-FA0-021

Kenya - Last Mile Connectivity Project III

Quick Facts

Countries	Kenya
Financial Institutions	African Development Bank (AFDB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2023-11-29
Borrower	Government of Kenya
Sectors	Energy, Infrastructure
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 110.34 million
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Project Cost (USD)	$ 220.68 million

Project Description

As stated by the AfDB, the Last Mile Connectivity Project III aims to increase on-grid electricity access for households, social-based infrastructure facilities, and micro, small and medium-sized enterprises. It is a follow-up to the first and second phases of the last mile connectivity operations (i.e., LMCP I and LMCP II) financed by the African Development Fund (ADF) and the African Development Bank (ADB), respectively, and is directly aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 7 of ensuring access to affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern energy for all.

The third phase of the Last Mile Electricity Connectivity Project is an infrastructure development intervention that will increase access to adequate, affordable, and reliable electricity for households and public institutions as well as micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs) thereby providing an enabling environment for the realization of Vision 2030. The project comprises five main components namely: (i) system reinforcement, (ii) grid extensions comprising densifications, intensifications, and last-mile connections, (iii) project administration and management, (iv) Institutional support and capacity building and (v) Implementation of the Resettlement Policy Framework (RPF) and Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF).

Overall, the Project targets 150,047 last-mile electricity connections in the six-year implementation period in the rural and peri-urban areas in 45 counties throughout the country (excluding Nairobi and Mombasa which are primarily urban and with electricity access rates of over 80 percent).

Early Warning System Project Analysis

The AfDB categorized the project risks as follows -

Environmental Category: 2

Climate Safeguards Categorization: 2

Investment Description

- African Development Bank (AFDB)

Private Actors Description

As stated on the company's website, the Kenya Power and Lighting Company PLC (Kenya Power) owns and operates most of the electricity transmission and distribution system in the country and sells electricity to over 8 million as at end of June 2020.

The Government has a controlling stake at 50.1% of shareholding with private investors at 49.9%. Kenya Power is listed on the Nairobi Securities Exchange.

Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	The Kenya Power and Lighting Company Limited	Contractor	Energy

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Bank Documents

- Appraisal report (English)
- Appraisal report (French)
- Environmental study (English)
- Environmental study (English) 150823rpf afdb iii project final

Other Related Projects

- AFDB-P-KE-FA0-013 LAST MILE CONNECTIVITY PROJECT - 2