

 Early Warning System

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Sierra Leone - Agribusiness and Rice Value Chain Support Project
(SLARiS)



Quick Facts

Countries	Sierra Leone
Financial Institutions	African Development Bank (AFDB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2019-07-17
Borrower	Government of Sierra Leone
Sectors	Agriculture and Forestry
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 11.07 million



Project Description

According to bank documents, the Sierra Leone Agribusiness and Rice Value Chain Support Project (SLARiS) is designed to stimulate a viable upstream agribusiness sector in Sierra Leone. This aims to promote economic diversification, food security, sustainable employment opportunities and improved livelihoods. The project will primarily focus on the rice value chain which is the staple food in Sierra - Leone. It will also support the emergence of maize and livestock as secondary value chains which have the strong potential of meeting domestic food demands, import substitution, improving nutrition and farmers' income. The SLARiS project which will be executed in the identified high potential agro-ecological zones in the country (specifically Kambia, Kenema and Moyamba) will be implemented over a period of five (5) years (2019 -2024). It comprises three (3) components namely: a) Support to Enhancement of Agricultural Input Production & Distribution Systems; b) Support to Agribusiness Development; and c) Institutional capacity development and Project Management.

The overall goal of the project is to stimulate a viable upstream agribusiness sector in Sierra Leone in order to promote economic diversification, food security, sustainable employment opportunities and improved livelihoods. The specific project objective is to transform the agricultural input supply sub-sector as a viable and inclusive business opportunity, in order to promote enhanced production and productivity required to improve the livelihoods of beneficiaries along priority value chains (rice and maize).



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