Early Warning System

DFC-2016-APOLLOTOWERS

Apollo Towers



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Quick Facts

Countries	Myanmar			
Financial Institutions	US International Development Finance Corporation (DFC)			
Status	Active			
Bank Risk Rating	В			
Borrower	Apollo Towers Myanmar Ltd.			
Sectors	Communications			
Investment Type(s)	Loan			
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 250.00 million			
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 336.00 million			



Project Description

According to the Bank's website, Myanmar recently opened its market to private mobile network operators with the aim of increasing the rate of mobile phone penetration from less than 3% in 2011 to 75% by 2017. OPIC will provide a loan to finance the development and operations of a greenfield telecommunications tower rollout. This Borrower will help bring mobile telecommunications access to the people of Myanmar.

The Project is expected to have a highly developmental impact by providing the infrastructure required for the expansion of mobile telephony and mobile internet in Burma, a low income country that has some of the lowest mobile and internet subscription rates in the world.



Early Warning System Project Analysis

Projects involving the installation of communication towers on small parcels of leased land and operation of existing communication towers are screened as Category B projects under OPIC's environmental and social guidelines because impacts are site specific and readily mitigated. The primary environmental and social concerns related to this Borrower are associated with the safety of employees and contractors involved in the installation of communication equipment and adequate site acquisition procedures.



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Private Actors Description

Apollo Towers Myanmar provides passive telecom tower infrastructure, offering construction, management and leasing of telecommunications tower and power infrastructure to all mobile operators in Myanmar.

U.S. Sponsor: TPG and Tillman Global Holdings LLC



Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	Apollo Towers Myanmar Ltd.	Client	-
-	-	-	-	Tillman Global Holdings LLC	Investor	-
-	-	-	-	TPG	Investor	-

Contact Information

No contacts available at the time of disclosure.

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Bank Documents

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