Early Warning System

DFC-2022-NBSBANK

NBS Bank

Quick Facts

Countries	Malawi
Financial Institutions	US International Development Finance Corporation (DFC)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	C
Borrower	NBS Bank PLC
Sectors	Agriculture and Forestry, Climate and Environment
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 5.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 10.00 million

Project Description

According to the bank document, the investment involves a loan portfolio guaranty to increase lending to micro-, small-, and medium-sized enterprises (“MSMEs”) in Malawi, focusing on the agriculture, clean cooking, fisheries, and sustainable forestry sectors.

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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.

- NBS Bank PLC (Financial Intermediary)

Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	NBS Bank PLC	Client	Finance

Contact Information

Contact information not provided at the time of disclosure

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Bank Documents

- Project Disclosure [Original Source]