

 Early Warning System

EBRD-52155

Resilience Framework - The National Bank (TNB)



Quick Facts

Countries	Palestine, West Bank, Gaza
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2020-07-08
Borrower	The National Bank
Sectors	Finance
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 10.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 10.00 million



Project Description

According to bank provided information, the investment is provision of a senior loan up to USD 10 million to The National Bank (TNB), for on-lending to private micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs) and corporates in the West Bank.

This project was approved in the context of the Bank's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. To avoid delays to the delivery of this project, the Bank's President granted a deviation from the ordinary timelines for PSD disclosure, as contemplated by Section V of the Directive on Access to Information. Details of the Bank's response to COVID-19, and this deviation, can be found on our website.

The project is part of EBRD's Solidarity Package, which aims at supporting existing clients amid the COVID-19 pandemic.



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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.

- [The National Bank](#) (Financial Intermediary)



Private Actors Description

TNB is the second largest local commercial bank and the third largest bank in West Bank & Gaza, with a market share of 15%, 16.5% and 15% in terms of assets, loans and deposits, respectively, as of YE2019. TNB has around 632 employees and operates through 21 branches in the West Bank. TNB offers a broad array of financial products and services including retail, corporate, Islamic banking (through its subsidiary the Palestine Islamic Bank), e-banking and SME lending.



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