

 Early Warning System

EBRD-55538

DFF - Coffee KZT



Quick Facts

Countries	Kazakhstan
Specific Location	Khorgos Free Economic Zone
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2024-10-29
Borrower	Empire Manufacturing Kazakhstan LLP
Sectors	Agriculture and Forestry, Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 20.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 25.00 million



Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the project consists of the provision of a loan of up to US\$ 10m to finance the Empire Manufacturing Kazakhstan (EMK) working capital needs, as an addition to the existing capital expenditure loan (as described below). The existing capital expenditure loan was signed in February 2025. The proceeds were used to finance the construction, equipment and placing into operation of the new plant in Kazakhstan.

The proceeds of the Bank's investment will be used for the construction, equipment and placing into operation of the new plant of EMK to be located in Khorgos Free Economic Zone, Kazakhstan, and financing of working capital needs, including repayment of intragroup loans used by EMK for working capital needs.



Early Warning System Project Analysis

Categorised B (2019 ESP). The project involves the construction of an instant coffee mix production plant in Kazakhstan, located within an approximately 10-hectare area inside a larger special economic zone. The manufacturing process is not energy intensive as it does not involve a processing of any raw materials and only includes mixing already prepared ingredients such as instant coffee, non-dairy creamer, and sugar, followed by a packaging process inside the plant.

The E&S impacts associated with the construction phase include traffic increase, noise, dust, and vibration, which will be mitigated by the fact that the project site is located inside the industrial zone away from any sensitive social receptors as well as through implementation of the standard mitigation measures.

The Project site is not located near any residential areas, but due to construction related impacts, proximity to other businesses and industrial nature of the project, an emergency response plan will need to be developed in close cooperation with the SEZ authorities.



Investment Description

- European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

Provision of a loan of US\$ 20m.



Private Actors Description

Empire Manufacturing Kazakhstan LLP is a newly created company, established under the jurisdiction of the Republic of Kazakhstan, with the purpose to build an instant coffee mix production facility in Kazakhstan.

EMK is a subsidiary of SGX Mainboard-listed Food Empire Holdings Limited, a multinational food and beverage manufacturing and distribution group headquartered in Singapore. With a portfolio spanning instant beverages, snack food, and a growing presence in food ingredients, Food Empire's products are sold in over 60 countries across North Asia, Eastern Europe, South-East Asia, South Asia, Central Asia, Middle East, and North America.



Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
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