Early Warning System

FMO-54961 ACTB SAVINGS AND LOANS LTD



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Quick Facts

Countries	Sierra Leone				
Financial Institutions	Netherlands Development Finance Company (FMO)				
Status	Approved				
Bank Risk Rating	C				
Voting Date	2019-09-23				
Borrower	ACTB Savings And Loans Ltd.				
Sectors	Finance				
Ring Fence	Reduce Inequalities				
Investment Type(s)	Loan				
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 1.50 million				
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 1.50 million				

Project Description

According to bank disclosed information, FMO is providing a loan of USD 1.5 million to ACTB Savings and Loans Limited.

Investment Description

• Netherlands Development Finance Company (FMO)

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.

• ACTB Savings And Loans (Financial Intermediary) is owned by Truestone (Parent Company)

Private Actor Relationship

There is often limited information publicly available about what development banks are funding through financial intermediaries. In 2021, the Early Warning System partnered with Oxfam International to incorporate information on high-risk projects being funded by financial intermediaries receiving funding from the International Finance Corporation (IFC) and the Dutch Development Bank (FMO).

The information listed below describes the relationship between the different private actors linked to high-risk sectors and subprojects of IFC and FMO's financial intermediary investments and/or the financial intermediary's parent companies made from 2017 through 2020, including any associated ring fences.

The database, however, does not explicitly or implicitly imply that IFC or FMO have material exposure to or are contractually or legally accountable to the sub-projects financed by their financial intermediaries or the financial intermediary's parent companies. It only shows a seemingly financial relationship among the different private actors, the financial intermediaries, and IFC or FMO.

Private Actors Description

ACTB Savings and Loans Limited (ACTB) is one of the largest regulated microfinance institutions in Sierra Leone. ACTB offers a broad range of products to the micro and SME segment. It serves more than 17.000 clients.



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Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	ACTB Savings and Loans Limited	Client	-

Contact Information

Contact information not provided at the time of disclosure

ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM OF FMO

Communities who believe they will be negatively affected by a project funded by the Dutch Development Bank (FMO) may be able to file a complaint with the Independent Complaints Mechanism, which is the joint independent accountability mechanism of the Dutch Development Bank (FMO) and the German Investment Corporation (KfW). A complaint can be filed in writing, by email, post, or online. The complaint can be filed in English or any other language of the complainant. The Independent Complaints Mechanism is comprised of a three-member Independent Expert Panel and it can provide either problem-solving, compliance review or both, in either order. Additional information about this accountability mechanism, including a guide and template for filing a complaint, can be found at: https://www.fmo.nl/independent-complaints-mechanism