Early Warning System

IFC-47289 Home First Debt

Quick Facts

| Countries | India |
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| Financial Institutions | International Finance Corporation (IFC) |
| Status | Proposed |
| Bank Risk Rating | C |
| Voting Date | 2022-11-30 |
| Borrower | HOME FIRST FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED |
| Sectors | Construction, Finance |
| Investment Type(s) | Loan |
| Investment Amount (USD) | \$ 35.00 million |
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Project Description

According to IFC, the proposed project comprises of an up to INR 2.8 billion (approximately US\$35 million) investment in Home First Finance Company Limited (Ltd) (Home First, the Company) through up to 7-year debt. The proceeds will be utilized to provide financing for retail buyers of affordable housing and green affordable housing units. The Project is expected to provide counter cyclical support for the housing needs of lower income groups, who have been severely impacted by the disruptions caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, as well as support green affordable housing, which is still underdeveloped in India, particularly in the affordable segment. Subject to internal approvals, the Project may receive support from the Market Accelerator for Green Construction ("MAGC") Program as discussed in the Blended Finance Section.



Early Warning System Project Analysis



People Affected By This Project



Investment Description

• International Finance Corporation (IFC)

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Private Actor Relationship

Private Actors Description

Home First is an affordable housing finance company that caters to first time home buyers in the economically weaker sections, low and middle-income groups, who are underserved by banks and large HFCs. The Company has a wide presence, operating via a network of 93 branches and 224 touchpoints, covering 102 districts in 13 states and union territories of India, which enables it to reach these underserved customers.



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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 |
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| - | - | - | - | Home First Finance Company Limited | Client | - |



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