Early Warning System

IFC-47954 Kuku FM

Quick Facts

| Countries | India |
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| Financial Institutions | International Finance Corporation (IFC) |
| Status | Proposed |
| Bank Risk Rating | C |
| Voting Date | 2023-06-19 |
| Borrower | MEBIGO LABS PRIVATE LIMITED |
| Sectors | Communications |
| Investment Type(s) | Equity |
| Investment Amount (USD) | \$ 10.00 million |
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Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the proposed Project is an equity investment of up to US\$10 million in Mebigo Labs Private Limited ("Kuku FM"), a private limited company domiciled in India. Kuku FM is one of India's largest digital audio platforms that offers non-music, regional audio content across audiobooks, original series, book summaries, podcasts, and courses focused on non-fiction self-learning content. The content is long-form in nature, broken into bite-sized, audio-only, capsular episodes of 10-15 minutes each like an episodic television show. The platform primarily caters to users in Tier-II and beyond cities in India across semi-urban and rural segments. As of March 2023, the Company had an active paid subscriber base of 2.7 million users.

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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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| - | - | - | - | Mebigo Labs Private Limited (Kuku FM) | Client | - |

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