

 Early Warning System

IFC-51813

PRAN VII



## Quick Facts

<b>Countries</b>	Bangladesh
<b>Specific Location</b>	Kaligonj, Narshindhi, Shahjadpur
<b>Financial Institutions</b>	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
<b>Status</b>	Proposed
<b>Bank Risk Rating</b>	B
<b>Borrower</b>	Mymensingh Agro Limited (MAL) and PRAN Dairy Limited (PDL) - PRAN Group
<b>Sectors</b>	Agriculture and Forestry, Industry and Trade
<b>Investment Type(s)</b>	Loan
<b>Investment Amount (USD)</b>	\$ 35.00 million
<b>Loan Amount (USD)</b>	\$ 35.00 million



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## Project Description

As stated in the project disclosure page, the proposed IFC investment consists of a loan up to US\$35 million to support expansion of PRAN Group in Bangladesh. The PRAN Group is one of the leading branded food and beverage companies and the largest agro-processor in Bangladesh. The use of proceeds will be limited to two Group companies i.e. Mymensingh Agro Limited (MAL), for the expansion of its beverage manufacturing capacity within its existing facility at Kaligonj and PRAN Dairy Limited (PDL), to increase milk production and dairy based products and strengthening of its supply chain.

PDL as part of the Project, plans to install additional silos, machines, conveyor systems and finished goods store at their existing facility at Narshindhi and a new unit for manufacturing sliced cheese at their existing PRAN Dairy Complex (PDC) at Shahjadpur as well as strengthen their milk supply chain by establishing three new mother hubs (regional milk aggregation facilities) and 20 village milk collection centres (VMCCs) along with 13 additional collection points.

The loan will be guaranteed by IFC investee PRAN Group companies, such as MAL, PDL, HAL (Habiganj Agro Limited) and PAL (PRAN Agro Limited) as corporate guarantors. This would be IFC's seventh investment in PRAN Group since 2009. Information on active investments is available at: <https://disclosures.ifc.org/project-detail/ESRS/43681/mal-pran>; <https://disclosures.ifc.org/project-detail/ESRS/47376/habiganj-agro-limited>. The E&S performance of PRAN Group's projects in portfolio has been satisfactory.



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As stated in the project disclosure page, IFC proposes to provide debt financing of an A Loan of US\$35 million to PDL and MAL. The proposed A Loan has a tenor of 7 years with a 2-year grace period.



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## Private Actors Description

As stated by the IFC:

MAL started operations in 2010 and manufactures a wide range of beverages, including hot-filled drinks, carbonated soft drinks, mineral water, and fruit-flavoured drinks, along with candy, wafers, and bakery items; it also produces printing and packaging materials (for internal use and other PRAN entities).

PDL started operations in 2004, and its product portfolio includes dairy products (milk and milk derivatives), confectionary, bakery, carbonated soft drinks and juices.

The Project sponsors and shareholders of the Project companies consist of the children of the late PRAN Group founder Major General Amjad Khan Chowdhury, Mr. Ahsan Khan Chowdhury, and Ms. Uzma Chowdhury.



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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
PRAN Group	Parent Company	Agriculture and Forestry	owns	MYMENSINGH AGRO LIMITED	Client	Agriculture and Forestry
PRAN Group	Parent Company	Agriculture and Forestry	owns	Pran Dairy Limited	Client	Agriculture and Forestry

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**Bank Documents**

- [Environmental and Social Review Summary](#)



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### Other Related Projects

- IFC-31829 Pran Natore Agro
- IFC-30568 PRAN Dairy
- IFC-601624 PRAN Food Safety
- IFC-40929 PRAN Agro Business Ltd
- ADB-46904-014 PRAN Agribusiness Project
- ADB-51152-001 Second PRAN Agribusiness Project
- IFC-43681 MAL - PRAN
- IFC-47376 Habiganj Agro Limited