Early Warning System

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Sierra Leone Digital Transformation Project



Quick Facts

Countries	Sierra Leone
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	В
Voting Date	2022-05-31
Borrower	Government of Sierra Leone
Sectors	Communications
Investment Type(s)	Grant
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 50.00 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 50.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 50.00 million



Project Description

According to bank documents, the project objective is to increase digital inclusion and enhance adoption of selected digitalized public services.

The Sierra Leone Digital Transformation Project is articulated around four mutually reinforcing components with the fifth component dedicated to contingent response to future risks and emergencies.

Component 1: Strengthening the Enabling Environment for Digital Transformation will lay the foundational enabling environment for digital economy in Sierra Leone by supporting necessary legal, policy and regulatory, and institutional reforms to foster the emergence of a vibrant, inclusive and safe digital economy.

Component 2: Expanding Digital Connectivity and Increasing Digital Inclusion will help expand access to affordable, highspeed internet by introducing competition in the first mile (international connectivity) of the broadband value chain, financing the expansion of last-mile connectivity under a Mobilizing Finance for Development (MFD) approach, and increasing the adoption of digital technologies through financing demand side interventions that will contribute to mainstreaming digital solutions for financial inclusion.

Component 3: Establishing eGovernment Foundations and Strengthening Public Service Delivery through Digital Solutions will lay technical foundations to realize Sierra Leone's vision for digital government by upgrading the government infrastructure and establishing a whole-of-government interoperability and data-sharing frameworks based on which government-to-citizen (G2C) and government-to-business (G2B) e-government services can be designed.

Component 4: Project Management and Implementation Support will provide support for the management and implementation of project-associated activities. Component 5: Contingent Emergency Response Component (CERC) will allow for agile disbursement of any uncommitted balances in response to eligible crises or emergencies that may arise during the project implementation.



Investment Description

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