

 Early Warning System

WB-P178722

Upper Arun Hydropower Project



Quick Facts

Countries	Nepal
Specific Location	Sankhuwasabha District
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	A
Voting Date	2025-06-30
Borrower	Government of Nepal
Sectors	Energy, Hydropower
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 850.00 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 850.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 1,710.00 million



Project Description

According to the World Bank project page, the objective of the proposed project is to increase the electricity supply and regional electricity trade from hydropower in Nepal at the Upper Arun site on the Arun River in the Sankhuwasabha District of eastern Nepal.



Early Warning System Project Analysis

The World Bank categorized the project E&S risks as 'High'.



Investment Description

- World Bank (WB)

The World Bank disclosed the following information:

Financier	Commitments
EC: European Investment Bank	250.00
IDA Credit	850.00
SAUDI ARABIA: Saudi Fund for Development	100.00
OPEC FUND	100.00
Borrowing Agency	409.00
JAPAN: Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)	150.00
Asian Development Bank	200.00



Private Actors Description

The implementing agencies are National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Authority (NDRRMA), Nepal Electricity Authority (NEA), and the Upper Arun Hydroelectric Limited (UAHEL).

The latter is a subsidiary of the Nepal Electricity Authority, established in 2017.



Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	Upper Arun Hydroelectric Limited (UAHEL)	Contractor	Hydropower



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