

Dutch Good Growth Fund



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LOLC Myanmar



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LOLC Myanmar is a microfinance institution registered in 2013 with the Central Bank of Myanmar. The institution was established by LOLC Group, Sri Lanka - a large financial group that owns financial institutions in Sri Lanka, Cambodia and Pakistan. LOLC Myanmar has 31 branches and a loan portfolio of 18 million serving 64 thousand clients, 95% of which are women. Next to group loans, LOLC provides funding to micro-, small and medium enterprises.

Sector

Mostly agriculture, services and trade.

Total investment

Up to USD 6 million/ EUR 5.3 million.¹

¹Based on current exchange rate

Manager of the FI

LOLC Myanmar Microfinance Co., LTD. is a limited liability company in Myanmar, headquartered in Yangon, and operating in 3 regions through network of 31 branches.

Impact

The Myanmar market is still nascent and especially for small enterprise loans remains highly underserved, with LOLC being one of very few players providing financing above USD 5k.

In addition, per regulatory requirements financial institutions are allowed to transact only in local currency, which creates acute demand for local currency funding. At the same time, this type of financing is of limited supply because of interest rate caps, precluding many international lenders from entering the market. DGGF supports LOLC’s expansion in the MSME space by providing financing in local currency for loans in the USD 5-8K segment. The DGGF loan will grant approximately 500 SMEs access to finance.

Website: <https://www.lolc.com/lolc-myanmar-finance>