

Investment Analyst

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Sector:	Investment
Grade:	GE
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Location:	Colombo, Sri Lanka
Required Language(s):	English
Preferred Language(s):	
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Description

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Private sector financial development is essential to the promotion of successful and sustainable economies in low and middle-income countries around the world. Sound and efficient financial markets can ensure that resources are allocated where they are most productive, assisting job creation and spurring economic growth. IFC's goal is to prioritize investment in the financial sector because it promotes development in all other sectors.

The Financial Institution Group (FIG) is one of IFC's key departments responsible for a significant portion of IFC's business volume, profitability, and development reach, approximately 40%. FIG engages in a wide range of sub-sectors including Microfinance, SME, Gender, Climate, Insurance, Capital Markets, Housing, Distressed Assets, and other areas, with both investment and advisory services delivered globally to IFC's clients through IFC's global network. FIG has three main objectives: 1) financial inclusion 2) servicing the real economy and 3) mobilizing third-party resources.

FIG's South Asia team is based across the region with main hubs and offices in India, Bangladesh, Nepal, and Sri Lanka. The team members work on both new business development and portfolio management across the region. With a diverse network of markets, the pipeline of new transactions ranges from investing fresh equity in banks to structured finance products that help develop local capital markets.

Roles and Responsibilities

The roles and responsibilities of the role include but are not limited to:

- Assist in preparing analytical sections of country and sector strategies and client pitchbook.
- Prepare sector mapping to target potential clients and business opportunities.
- Prepare industry/ market research as input to Country Private Sector Diagnostics.
- Identify key stakeholders as input to business development and client engagement planning.
- Research prospective client companies or governments for alignment with IFC strategic, financial, and integrity criteria.
- Identify data collection needs to support the assessment of financial, operational, development impact, and market information as well as relevant E&S matters. Coordinate with clients to obtain necessary information.
- Analyze financial statements/projections, build financial models, and run sensitivities, with accountability for factual accuracy.
- Gather and summarize project/sector/country benchmarking information to be used to capture lessons learned, with accountability for factual accuracy.
- Draft memos and documents for internal processing of new investments.
- Extract lessons from IFC's earlier investment or advisory mandates and other evaluative work as relevant to provide input to the structuring of straightforward transactions.
- Perform analytical work (due diligence, financial modeling, preparing pricing comparability data) as input to designing and considering structuring options.
- Coordinate with internal stakeholders to answer questions on documents and analysis.
- Prepare investment or advisory committee materials, with supervision.
- Leverage basic knowledge of IFC's policies and procedures, to ensure approval system workflow and document requirements are met.
- Gather and summarize information on sectors and countries in support of portfolio team.
- Perform credit and integrity risk rating assessments, covenant compliance reviews, and valuations and monitor changes to risk flags to determine performance assigned portfolio, with supervision.
- Gather and analyze data to support assessment of project development impact.
- Prepare routine portfolio monitoring reports and generate needed data from multiple resources.
- Gather and summarize benchmarking information that will be used to capture lessons learned.
- Look at prior transactions and track record with specific clients to develop input to future business possibilities.
- Draft memos and process simple waivers, amendments, and ESAMs based on guidance from a more senior investment officer.
- Perform analytical work (due diligence, financial modeling, preparation of pricing comparability data) as input to designing and considering restructuring options
- Assist in other project or strategy-related activities as the need may arise.

Selection Criteria

- Minimum of a bachelor's degree or equivalent degree.
- 3 years of work experience in a financial institution, particularly in investment projects.
- Ability to conduct market/industry research and analysis.
- Ability to analyze and synthesize debt pricing benchmarks and equity trading comparable.
- Demonstrated skill in financial statement analysis, accounting, finance, financial modeling, DCF, and comparable company analysis to support informed decision-making.
- Ability to demonstrate attention to detail, thoughtful scenario analysis, and diligence in the quality of own work.
- Ability to gather and assess relevant data to facilitate the assessment of credit and non-financial risks associated with projects.
- Basic understanding of how specific investments in different industries and sectors impact economic, market, and social development, and how to use mapping methodology to assess market conditions.
- Ability to form relationships with counterparts and mid-level clients and stakeholders to exchange information needed.
- Highly motivated, committed to the highest ethical standard, ability to work successfully in multicultural teams and across boundaries.
- Ability to communicate clearly and concisely both orally and in writing.
- Fluency in English required.

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