

# Panda Bonds and Sustainabilitylinked Loans for Greener Transport

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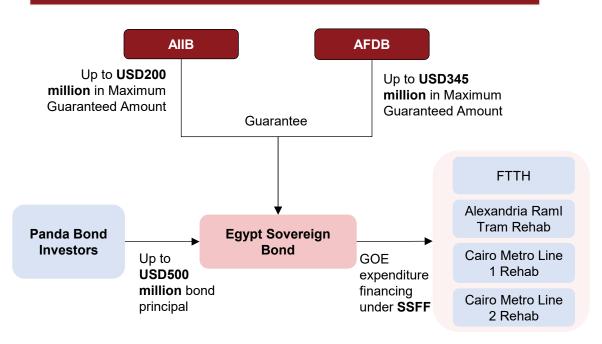


## **Egypt: Sustainable Transport and Digital Infrastructure Guarantee**

#### AllB Guarantee (PDG) key terms

- Egyptian government (GOE) was aiming to raise up to USD500 million equivalent CNY through a privately placed, 3-year maturity, Sustainable-labeled bond (the Bond) by 2023.
- This Bond proceeds will support 4 infrastructure subprojects in the transport and digital sector which are aligned with Paris Agreement carbon-emission reduction under Egypt's Sovereign Sustainable Financing Framework (SSFF) 2022.
- The Project is proposed to support the financing of the Bond through a Partial Debt Guarantee (PDG), jointly provided by AIIB and AFDB. The pro-rata split between AIIB and AFDB's guarantee amount is 37% / 63%, which is subject to a maximum guaranteed amount of USD200 million and USD345 million respectively, including principal and any accrued but unpaid interest.

#### **Project structure**



#### **4** Sample Subprojects



## **Strategic Rationale**

	Aligns with member's long term funding diversification strategy, and unlocks access to international debt capital market
Value Addition to Egypt	<ul> <li>As advised by IMF and WB, GOE has been implementing a long-term strategy in diversifying its funding sources</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>In March 2022, GOE issued a JPY Samurai bond in the Japanese market, with a guarantee provided by Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation</li> </ul>
F	<ul> <li>In February 2023 February, GOE issued a Sukuk bond (sharia-compliant bond used in Islamic finance), denominated in USD</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Egyptian Ministry of Finance aims to further issue more in these markets.</li> </ul>
Value Addition to	Broadens product offering that can be customized for our clients' needs
	Catalyzes private capital involvement
	<ul> <li>Increasing importance of Guarantee-related products in the MDB universe where AIIB can play a leading role</li> </ul>

- Historically, **only investment grade sovereign issuers** (BBB and above) have been able to issue in the Chinese Panda Bond market, as the regulators have been prudent in managing Panda Bond issuances.
- Therefore, **it is important to obtain a guarantee from highly rated entities** (AIIB and AFDB) as a credit enhancement for the Egyptian government to successfully issue in the Chinese Panda Bond market.



## **Innovative Structure, Unprecedented Transaction**

What we bring to the market	Our value add…	
<b>First</b> time for GOE to issue a bond in China's panda bond market. Egypt became the <b>First</b> Panda Bond issuer in Africa.	<ul> <li>Diversifies funding sources of GOE</li> <li>Helps GOE access international market</li> </ul>	
<b>First</b> MDB support of GOE's recently published Sovereign Sustainable Financing Framework	<ul> <li>Leads to a streamlined and pragmatic implementation for GOE's future development under the framework</li> </ul>	
<b>First</b> bond issuance provided with a MDB guarantee in the panda bond market	Introduces an innovative structure to investors	
First SBF guarantee transaction by AIIB	<ul> <li>Widens the products offerings of our Bank Similar structure can be considered for other members in the future</li> </ul>	
First collaboration with AFDB	<ul> <li>Strengthens relationship with AFDB</li> <li>Expands AIIB's footprint within African members</li> </ul>	



### **Regional Transport Connectivity Project (Sustainability-Linked Loan)**

#### **About Project**

- Project Objective: To support the Company in reducing its carbon intensity of fleet on the China-India shipping route.
- Project Description: The Project involves providing a USD 70 million sustainability-linked Ioan (SLL) along with IFC (lead cofinancier) to X-Press Feeders Limited (XPF) for the purchase of three 7,000 twenty-foot equivalent units (TEUs) new-build container ships for deployment on the China-India shipping route.

#### Value-Addition to AllB:

(i) First sustainability-linked loan;

(ii) First financing in the maritime sector;

- (iii) 100% climate mitigation financing; and
- (iv) Supporting the Bank's thematic priorities and lending portfolio;

#### Value-Addition to Client:

- (i) Diversify funding sources with long-term financing by AIIB;
- (ii) Promote financial integration through the issuance of an SLL;
- (iii) Support shipping sector toward decarbonization

#### Sustainability-Linked Loan (SLL)

- SLL aims to incentivize the achievement of predefined and quantifiable sustainability targets from borrowing entities through pricing incentives.
  - SLL is governed by the Sustainability-Linked Loan Principles (SLLP) which was developed by representatives from leading financial institutions active in the global syndicated loan markets.

#### Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for this SLL are:

#### **Carbon Emission Reduction**

**KPI:** 40% reduction in Energy Efficiency Operational Indicator (EEOI) from 2021 to 2027.

#### **Plastic Reduction KPI:**

reduction of usage of plastics on board all XPF vessels by 70% from 2021 to 2027 (the first time for maritime sector).





## Thank you.

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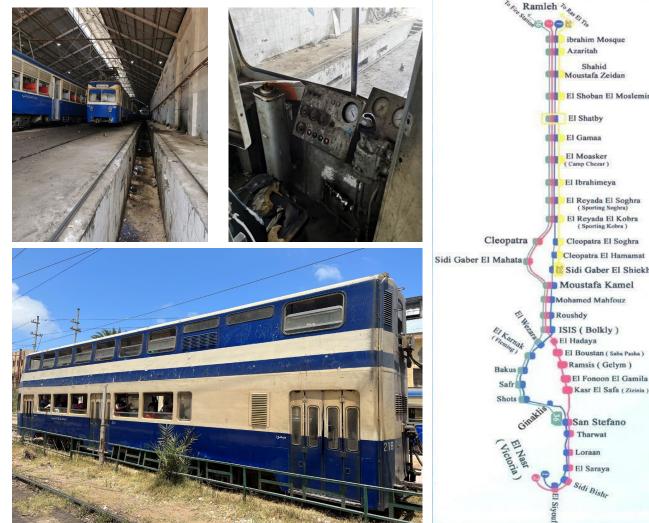
# **Tram Rehabilitation Subproject**

### **Project highlights**

- This Tramway line is 150 years old •
- Stations and tracks will be upgraded to avoid road crossings and improve safety
- Employ automatic signaling and ticketing, integrated with other systems being rehabilitated
- Average speed is expected to **double**
- Capacity is expected to **triple**

Cost and	Financing
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USD346 million
USD188 million
USD41 million
USD158 million





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## **Cairo Metro Lines Rehabilitation Subprojects**

#### **Project highlights**

- Upgrade to a Communication based Train Control System, and centralized telecommunication control system
- Expected to double headway efficiency
- **Improve safety management** such as firefighting system and flooding management



#### **Cost and Financing**

In USD	Line 1	Line 2
Total Subproject Cost	483 million	356 million
Financing by GOE	93 million	39 million
Supported by AIIB PDG <sup>1</sup>	21 million	9.5 million
Other MDB/DFI Financing Sources	389 million	317 million





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